Jiujiang Social Welfare Institute

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Granny Ouyang Xiaoyan working with MY at Jiujiang SWI.

General Information

Institute Director: Wang Qian Yong

Vice-Directors: Vice Director Liu and Vice Director Li

Head of Altrusa/Amity Foster Care Project: Secretary Yu and Wu Jie

Head of the Children's Division: Wu Jie

Numbers of Children

The Institute is responsible for a total of about 100 children, both with and without disabilities. Some of the most common disabilities and illnesses among the children include congenital heart disease, cognitive impairment, and cerebral pals. The Institute itself sponsors over 10 children for foster care.



Doing physical therapy with the Hugging Grannies is changing orphans' lives. Walking has been a challenge for BB, but with exercise her legs are getting stronger than ever before.

Jiujiang SWI

The SWI has constructed a new building to house the orphans in a location slightly further away from the center of Jiujiang. It is a beautiful facility, and the institute directors expect to move the children and staff members there by next year.

New Year

2011 is quickly approaching and the children are excited for a new year! The three scholarship students attending the Nanchang School for the Blind received gifts to celebrate the holiday, including snacks, crafts and useful everyday items.



Altrusa scholarship students at the Nanchang School for the Blind with their New Year's gifts.



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Altrusa/Amity Hugging Grannies

Granny Zhong Yanqiu

Granny Zhong Yanqiu has been working at Jiujiang SWI since 2004. She teaches the children and does physical therapy with them as needed. Recently, she has been teaching two young orphans how to read and is showing them the words for colors, flowers, fruits, and animals.





Granny Ouyang Xiaoyan

Granny Ouyang Xiaoyan has been working at the orphanage for two years now. She does physical therapy with disabled children. With a young boy named MY, Granny Ouyang does puzzles and encourages him to figure out how to put the pieces together.

Granny Cao Zhengmei

Granny Cao Zhengmei is in her third year of working at Jiujiang. With physical therapy, she helps orphans build strength. Additionally, she tutors children. In the photo at right, she is working with a boy named DA and is teaching him to read



Two additional Grannies who work at Jiujiang SWI were absent from the orphanage during the visit. Granny Qian Haizhen was recovering from leg surgery and Granny Jiang Muzhen was in the hospital with her husband who had a sudden medical emergency. We send our prayers and good thoughts their way so that they may return to the orphanage soon.



Granny Jiang Muzhen



Granny Qian Haizhen

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CB is a twelve-year-old boy attending the Jiujiang Bo'ai School for the Deaf. He is in his second year of primary school. In the past year his interest in learning has intensified and his grades have improved so much that he is now ranked first or second in all his

classes. In his free time he loves to read books in the schools new reading room.

CH is nineteen-year-old girl with polio. She is in her third year at the Jiujiang Affiliated High School. In a few weeks

she will be taking the college entrance exam. Like the rest of her classmates, she is studying hard to do well, taking tons of practice tests and attending cram classes on the weekends. Despite the pressure, he is handling the stress well. Her dream university is the Hangzhou College of Art, but there are several other schools she is considering.





CJ is a fifteen-year-old blind girl attending the Nanchang School for the Blind. She struggles with her studies because her fingers are not sensitive enough to read braille, making it difficult for her to read information and study. However, she is not completely blind and can make out some of the braille on a page by using her sight. There is hope that using the "fingers and eyes"

approach will enable her to learn better.

CY is an eighteen-year-old young man attending the Jiujiang Bo'ai School for the Deaf. While he does not have the best grades, he is a good and kind student. He gets on well with his classmates, is respectful of his teachers, and helps out with whatever he can around the school. Basketball is CY's favorite pastime.



CJ is a sixteen-year-old girl with amblyopia. She is in her fourth year at the Nanchang School for the Blind. She has good grades, is actively involved in class, and goes to her teacher for help when she doesn't understand something. She likes to make crafts in her free time.

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