

Local entrepreneur wants 50 children for his 50th birthday

February 2, 2010 "Oie Osterkamp, president of business consulting company The Poplar Group, is turning 50 on February 18. He is also president of Sharefish.org., a non-profit that has partnered with a remote village in Honduras to sponsor children for school to try to break the cycle of poverty in the village. For his birthday, Oie would like for 50 children in the village to be sponsored by people who want to join in the Sharefish vision.

Two years ago, Osterkamp wrote a story for his newborn son that through encouragement of friends soon became the popular novel Being a Sharefish in a Selfish World. Proceeds from book sales have helped fund several ventures to help homelessness, promote The Healing Place - the substance abuse recovery center in Raleigh, and most recently, the partnership with El Carrizo Honduras.

"I am a very fortunate man," says Osterkamp. "My mother always taught me that it is better to be a Sharefish than a Selfish. Each of our incredible board members of Sharefish lives their lives that way every day. To paraphrase the quote, a small group of committed people can change the world. In Honduras, we are committed to helping that change happen one child at a time."

To help Oie get his birthday wish, contact info@sharefish.org.

About Sharefish.org. Sharefish.org is a Raleigh based non-profit whose mission is to improve education, nutrition, housing, medical and economic opportunities in impoverished communities. It was founded from the concept of Being a Sharefish in a Selfish World, a novel about what people were designed to be and to do. The book is available at www.amazon.com and at Quail Ridge Book Store in Raleigh. Sharefish, Inc. has applied for 501(c)3 status and, when approved, your gift may be tax deductible. More information can be found at www.sharefish.org.

About The Poplar Group. The Poplar Group is a Raleigh based consulting company specializing in helping business owners who want to fully engage their employees in the vision of the company, thereby maximizing potential and maximizing value. More information can be found at www.thepoplargroup.com.

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