



# Fulbright ETA Monthly Highlights

AMINEF proudly presents the Fulbright English Teaching Assistant (ETA) *Monthly Highlights*. Each month we showcase the various activities ETAs have been involved in throughout the past month, both in and outside the classroom. AMINEF oversees 29 ETAs who are placed in high schools across Indonesia.

## Foreword

Welcome to the November edition of the *Fulbright ETA Monthly Highlights*. Throughout November, Fulbright English Teaching Assistants (ETAs) led and participated in a range of activities with their schools and communities. November brought with it several holidays, including the American Thanksgiving, and the Indonesian holidays *Hari Guru* (Teacher's Day) and *Hari Pahlawan* (Hero's Day). ETAs led newspaper clubs, played futsal with their communities, and engaged with local culture through attending *wayang kulit* (shadow puppet) performances and accompanying their students on school field trips.

The ETA Program, one of US State Department-funded Fulbright programs carried out in many countries throughout the world, places recent college graduates and young professionals as English teaching assistants in primary and secondary schools or universities overseas. The program helps improve foreign students' English-language abilities and knowledge of the United

States while increasing the US student's own language skills and knowledge of the many host countries around the world.

In Indonesia, the Fulbright ETAs are placed in high schools (both SMA and *madrasah*) where they assist local English teachers. The program has now been going for 12 years and has affected many thousands of Indonesian students and their communities across the archipelago over that period. AMINEF, in charge of the Fulbright program in Indonesia since 1992, works closely with the Indonesian ministries of Education and Culture and Religious Affairs to administer the ETA program in Indonesia.

The *Highlights* recount in an informal way the stories and experiences of the ETAs, their co-teachers and students, and the people in the communities where they are placed. We hope they are informative and capture the special value of this program. We welcome your feedback.

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### We'd love to get your feedback.

**For ETAs:** please share with us your favorite stories: which teaching method is most fun or you'd like to apply, or which activity you'd like to hear more of, or what is happening in your community?

**For Indonesian teachers, students and the general public:** Send us your reactions: which stories struck you as interesting, which experiences are compatible with your own, how can Indonesians

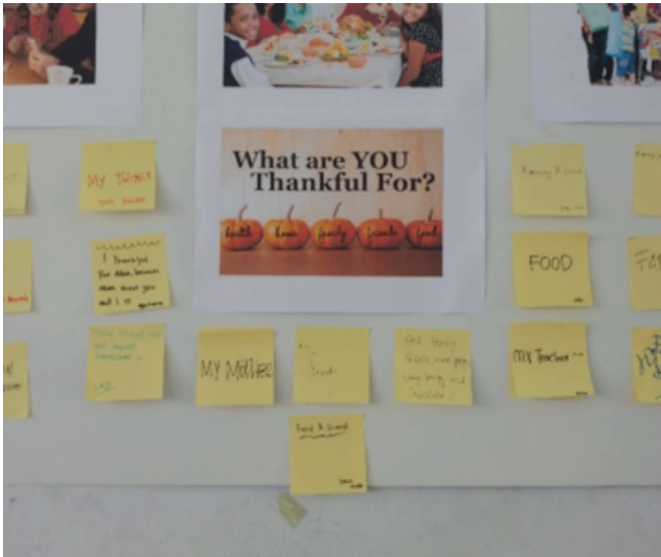
learn from Americans and vice versa? We'll post your feedback in the next newsletter and you may win a special thank-you gift from us. Email us at: [socmed@aminef.or.id](mailto:socmed@aminef.or.id)

Many thanks to all of the ETAs for their wonderful stories and photos. Be sure to get next month's newsletter!

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# Thanksgiving in the American Classroom



## **MAN Model Gorontalo Gorontalo City, Sulawesi**

On November 25<sup>th</sup>, The English Club at MAN Model Gorontalo held a Thanksgiving Party for all interested students and teachers in the American Classroom. **ETA JoAnn Doll** led a discussion about the history behind Thanksgiving, especially focusing on a concise history of the treatment of Native American peoples during European colonization. Students learned more about traditional Thanksgiving dishes and sampled homemade applesauce, American-style brownies,

and corn on the cob with sweet butter, many for the first time. Many students also brought their own homemade dishes to share with other students and teachers in a Thanksgiving-style potluck. By popular request, students and some teachers participated in and produced their own “mannequin challenge” video. After eating, all of the students shared what they were thankful for in their lives. Afterwards, some students stayed in the American Classroom to share and sing their favorite songs together.

# Friendsgiving Dinner



## **SMKN 8 and MAN 2 Model Makassar, South Sulawesi**

On November 29, ETAs **Connie Ge** and **Ayat Abourashed** celebrated Thanksgiving by getting pals and acquaintances together in the city of Makassar for a potluck Friendsgiving dinner. Between local students of Hasanuddin University, the city's largest university, local scuba divers, a marine biologist from Australia, a mysterious ice-skater / pug owner from Russia, a retired couple from Florida, and a basketball team from Georgia, there were enough mashed potatoes, green beans, chicken, peach pie, *kang kung ching* (or *kong qing cai*; "hollow spinach" in Mandarin), stuffing, and sweet tea to be shared.

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It was heartwarming to have folks from such corners of the world sitting together in the same room, just chatting, interacting with each other, and taking a break from the motorcycle traffic and semi-lost in translation days daze. Appropriately, the Indonesian guests did not bring a dish to share, and Connie and Ayat felt it was refreshing to treat these new friends with a nice meal because they've helped the ETAs out in various ways and shared their own cuisine in the past. Sharing home-cooked food and time together is the most simple and best means of cultural exchange.



# What You're Thankful for?



To celebrate Thanksgiving students at SMAN 4 Kendari created hand turkeys on colorful paper and hung them up in the English teachers' room.

**Katerina Barton**  
**SMAN 4 Kendari**  
**Kendari, Southeast**  
**Sulawesi**

They all learned about why Americans celebrate Thanksgiving and why it's **ETA Katerina Barton's** favorite holiday. She explained that it's a time

to reflect on what you're thankful for, and she was thankful for all of them! Each student then wrote what they were thankful for and creatively decorated their turkeys. Katerina also celebrated Thanksgiving with her fellow English teachers by inviting them to her house for a Thanksgiving meal on November 27, 2016. Katerina cooked traditional American holiday

food like stuffing, mashed potatoes, and pumpkin pie together with her site mates, **Mackenzie Findlay** and **Shelby Lawson**. About twenty people arrived to share the pot-luck style meal and they also went around and shared what they were each thankful for. It was a uniquely Indonesian Thanksgiving!

# Community Thanksgiving



## MAN 1 Kendari Kendari, Southeast Sulawesi

Kendari **ETAs Mackenzie Findlay, Shelby Lawson,** and **Kate Barton** wanted to share their favorite American holiday with

their friends in Kendari. So, on November 27 they hosted a Thanksgiving potluck at Kate's homestay. Each ETA invited the people who had positively impacted their experience the most in Kendari thus far - counterparts, co-teachers, co-workers, Bahasa Indonesia tutors, neighbors, and friends. Mackenzie, Shelby, and Kate cooked all morning and in the afternoon, were thrilled to share American Thanksgiving classics—mashed potatoes, stuffing,



green beans, sweet potatoes and even pumpkin pie—with all their friends. They also incorporated another Thanksgiving tradition: going around the table (or floor in their case) and sharing what they were thankful for. In total, about 25 people attended. It was a wonderful afternoon (despite the *mati lampu*!) of sharing time with their good friends and repaying a bit of the kindness they have been shown in their first three months in Kendari.



# Thanksgiving Away from Home



Prior to coming to Indonesia, **ETA Christal Clemens** never expected to have a true Thanksgiving meal, but this year she actually had two delicious Kupang

**SMA Mercusuar  
Kupang and SMAN 3  
Kupang Kupang,  
East Nusa Tenggara**

Thanksgiving celebrations! The first meal took place on Thanksgiving Day and it was a potluck-style meal shared with close family friends. There was mac n

cheese, garlic mashed potatoes, pork roast, stuffing, deviled eggs, noodles, sausage, tuna hot dish and of course an abundance of desserts including two pumpkin pies, pumpkin bread, banana bread rolls

and rice pudding. The second meal consisted of *tacos*, took place on the Sunday after Thanksgiving and was shared with Peace Corps volunteers, UNICEF staff and an Aussie NGO worker. Also at both Thanksgiving meals were the two other Kupang Fulbrights including **ETA Julianne O'Connell** and **researcher Florence Durney**. This year's Thanksgiving was not lacking in any way and Christal feels extremely blessed to have found such a great community in Kupang!

## Homey Thanksgiving

**SMKN 2 Pankal Pinang and SMAN 3 Pangkal Pinang, Pangkal Pinang, Bangka**

On November 24, **ETAs Lizzy Hardison and Kiana Ward** hosted a Thanksgiving dinner at their home in Pangkalpinang. They invited 10 Indonesian friends and served

roast chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, gravy, apple crisp, and pumpkin pie. They shared

traditional American foods with their guests in a family style meal, and after explaining the meaning of Thanksgiving in the United States, they invited each person at the table to share what they were thankful for. It was a warm and cozy evening filled with good food, conversation, and cultural exchange.

## Thanksgiving at School

Like many others in her cohort, **ETA Shreya Kundur's** favorite US holiday is Thanksgiving. This year she was grateful to be able to share her country and

**SMKN 4 Malang Malang, East Java**

family traditions with her students at SMKN 4 Malang. Shreya borrowed a few photo books from

a nearby university (University of Muhammadiyah Malang) to use in the classroom and read them out loud with her students. They learned about "The First Thanksgiving," why Thanksgiving is the busiest travel day of the year, traditional foods including the special Indian flavors that Shreya's family adds, and volunteering to serve meals at soup kitchens. The



students had many great questions like "What is a feast?" and "Does everyone celebrate Thanksgiving the same?" One question that stumped Shreya was "Why turkey?" She'll have to do some more research on this and let the students know! On Wednesday November 23<sup>rd</sup>, Shreya held her weekly American Corner meeting. During the meeting, each student created a "turkey hand" and wrote one thing they were grateful for that year. Shreya was touched by the depth and sincerity of the student's notes and was thankful to share this great holiday with the students of SMKN 4 Malang.



# Hari Guru Celebrations



*Selamat Hari Guru!* Happy Teacher's Day! On November 22nd 2016, the teachers and students of SMAN 2 Balige gathered to celebrate in the school's assembly area.

**SMAN 2 Balige**  
**Balige, North**  
**Sumatra**

**ETA Daniel Gerardi** stood among them while a small group of teachers performed the flag ceremony. The

students then gave each teacher a handmade flower pin and a gift of beautiful Batak fabric to show their appreciation. Singing ensued as all the teachers gathered excitedly around a massive cake, and of course there were plenty of photos, laughter, and teachers feeding each other cake.

After the ceremony, a bazaar was held at the school. In preparation, the students had made food and handicrafts to sell. The food theme for this year was cassava, so students made dishes like cassava pudding, cake, pizza, *lapet*, and ice cream. They also made ornaments, decorations, lamps, vases, and

furniture--all from recycled materials such as egg shells, newspaper, plastic bottles, playing cards, string, rope, and old tires. Parents and community members were invited to the bazaar to buy the crafts and food in order to support the students and talk with the school faculty. There were several student performances, including short, funny dramas and traditional dancing.

A week later, on November 29th, a second community celebration for Teacher's Day was held at *Lapangan Sisingamangaraja*, a large field named after a local Batak hero. Many schools from around the region set up booths to introduce themselves and display their students' crafts. Daniel was able to visit many of the booths, meet students and teachers from all over the region, take photos, laugh, and even sing with some of the students. Teacher's Day offered great opportunities to connect with people both in and outside of his school community!

# Hari Guru Adventures



**Megan Scribner**  
**SMAN 7 Manado,**  
**Sulawesi**

What was thought to be another normal day of teaching quickly turned into a wonderful tour of the region of Manado. On November 25th, **ETA Megan Scribner** joined her fellow teachers in celebrating national Teacher's Day by visiting Tondano lake and the *Vihara Buddhayana* in Tomohon. When the teachers of SMAN 7 Manado first arrived at the lookout on Tondano lake, they were greeted by traditional Minahasa dancers. Megan was quickly whisked away by the performers and asked to join in the dance. After many laughs and countless selfies, the group boarded the bus



and travelled to the Buddhist temple in Tomohon. After more pictures and smiles, *Ibu Sintikhe* reminded the group of teachers that Megan is a certified yoga instructor. Excitedly, they asked that she lead the group in a short breathing meditation. Megan along with four of her *Ibus* practiced *pranayama* exercises overlooking the mountain of Tomohon. Just as they finished their time at the temple, it began to rain. So, they all boarded the bus and took a short trip to *Ibu Vera's* village for coffee and *pisang goreng*.



## Hari Guru and Nasi Goreng



November 25<sup>th</sup> was Teacher's Day in Indonesia - a day celebrating teachers. At SMKN 2 Bandar Lampung, Teacher's Day was celebrated first by

**SMKN 2 Bandar  
Lampung  
Bandar Lampung,  
Sumatra**

a flag ceremony put on by some of the teachers. Then the *Paks* put on a soccer game while the *Ibus* competed in or judged a *nasi goreng* competition.

Although Matt is not an *Ibu* he rides with the *Ibus*, so he was selected to be a judge at the *nasi goreng* competition. He was tasked with grading each presented *nasi goreng* on its taste and on its artistry. He had no idea what to expect because *nasi goreng* is not one of his go-to Indonesian foods but whatever his assumptions were, they were blown out of the water. Each plate of *nasi goreng* looked so well put together that it was hard to score one as better than another. Each plate tasted great but Matt had to keep changing the score of the first plate he tried because it became even better when compared to the rest. Afterwards there was a lunch for all the teachers as the judges tallied up the scores. The *nasi goreng* that Matt ranked best for taste won but Matt also thought the *nasi goreng* in the photo was one of the best looking.

## Hero's Day Celebrations



**MAN 2 Kudus  
Kudus, Central Java**

On November 10th, **ETA Vinny Owen** celebrated Hero's Day in Indonesia at his school, MAN 2 Kudus.

This holiday commemorates the battle for national Indonesian independence against colonization from the British and Dutch forces. On Hero's Day, Indonesians also honor the country's national heroes and remember those who have faithfully served their country. At MAN 2 Kudus, the day started with a flag ceremony in the school's field, followed by a number of events, including speeches, performances, and even game competitions. Vinny had the opportunity to sit in as a special guest judge at the poetry recitations and also some of the reenactments and drama skits. These performances commemorated the Indonesian National Revolution and were performed with great strength and emotion. Vinny enjoyed being able to participate in this special day with his students and teachers, as he also learned about the history and great national love Indonesians hold for their diverse country.

## Classroom Theater



During the final week of the unit on Narrative Text (14-18 November), **ETA Kelly Fitzgerald** and her co-teachers brought "Little Red Riding Hood" to

**SMA Wahid Hasyim  
2 Taman Sidoarjo,  
East Java**

life in English class. After completing several pre- and post-reading activities, students donned costumes and acted out the story

while (Miss) Kelly narrated. From "once upon a time" to "they lived happily ever after," "Little Red Riding Hood" was a hit in every class!



# Hero's Day Re-Enactments



On November 10th, the students of SMA Khadijah in Surabaya, *Jawa Timur* dressed in lovely *batik* and proudly stood for their country during a formal flag ceremony, patriotic songs and many speeches to celebrate *Hari Pahlawan*. Also known as Heroes Day, *Hari Pahlawan* is a day to commemorate the Indonesians that fought in battle of Surabaya in 1945 against British, Dutch and Japanese invaders. This battle became a symbol of Indonesian resistance and the students even performed a reenactment of battle with special

## **SMA Khadijah Surabaya, East Java**

effects like fake blood, firework explosions, loud gunfire and more! After the show, the students cooked and sold Indonesian foods and fried delicacies at a food market while other students performed live music. There were also various school spirit activities such a bulletin board contest on topics such as Indonesian pride and anti-bullying throughout the day for which **ETA Krupa Patel** was lucky to be a judge! Then students from Krupa's 10th English class went to play and eat with orphans in a neighboring town. Overall, it was a great day spend with the SMA Khadijah community!

## After School Fun



### **SMAN 7 Kendari Kendari, Southeast Sulawesi**

ETA Shelby Lawson is having a blast connecting to her students outside of the classroom through a language everyone can speak, sports! The students and teachers of SMA7 Kendari meet up once a week to play futsal at a local indoor field every Thursday. Shelby joins them for the fun, even though she is an ex-basketball player from her own high school days. The students are always thrilled to teach her new techniques and encourage her to take a shot on goal. It is thrilling for Shelby to connect to her students without the pressures of the classroom. Afterwards, they usually



head to *MTQ* (the town square) to have a snack and some *durian*. Shelby is still warming up to the latter!

With her students being nervous to open up and speak in English, Shelby realizes the importance of connecting to her students in authentic and fun ways. She also joins the students in playing basketball and volleyball on campus. Most recently, Shelby cheered on her students at the local traditional dance competition. Her students are so talented! Shelby is always looking for ways to embrace the culture, including the way they pass time. Sports has been a great outlet for building relationships and releasing stress!

# The KITAS Journey



The road was long, treacherous, and full of potholes, but on the 30<sup>th</sup> of November **ETAs Julius (Jukie) Tsai** and **Siham Abdi** secured the highly-sought

**Magelang,  
Centra Java**

after Indonesian visas known as *KITAS*. Seven times the ETAs of Kota Magelang traversed the

lush, hilly roads of Central Java to the powerful yet unpredictable hall of immigration in Wonosobo regency. Seven times they returned empty handed. Erratic hours of operation, curmudgeonly immigration officers, and endless bureaucracy turned *KITAS* acquisition into a seemingly Sisyphean task. To say that the *gurus* of SMKN1 and MAN 1 went above and beyond would be an understatement. In the name of *KITAS* they battled though hours of jargon filled conversation, countless trips to the Xerox machine, and biblical rainstorms. Perhaps the greatest hero of this epic saga was *Pak Morlan* of *Jawa Tengah* whose brave solo mission to retrieve the *KITAS* brought a happy ending to an otherwise arduous process. Siham and Jukie are both overjoyed that they can now freely travel the Indonesian archipelago and readily identify themselves to government officials if need be.



# Debate Club Competition



## SMAN 3 Kupang Kupang, East Nusa Tenggara

During the week of November 7th members of **ETA Julianne O'Connell's** English Debate Club competed in their first debate tournament of the year. Alongside eight other teams from local SMANs in Kupang the six students participated in a 3-round tournament lasting three days. In the months leading up to the competition Julianne met with these students every week to work on pronunciation and public speaking fluency including linking words and transition phrases in order to help them feel more confident while arguing extemporaneously in front of the crowd.

Despite their nerves and apprehension about their preparedness the students did an amazing job. The

motions ranged from trivial (Androids are better than iPhones) to serious (Democracy is the best form of government) and in every case the students were poised and remembered everything from the prior weeks of practice. It made Julianne very proud to see her students go from being so nervous at the start of the competition to feeling more confident as the rounds progressed.

Of the two teams competing from Julianne's school, SMAN 3 Kupang, one came in 5th place and the other came in 1st, winning the competition for the second year in a row! During the final debate classmates and friends of the debaters came and it was really neat to see the students pray together beforehand and encourage each other. When the winners were announced it was an emotional celebration that Julianne was happy to be a part of.

## Pick-Up Futsal



**ETA Mei Lin Pratt** dusted off her old cleats and returned to the soccer stadium to play futsal with many teachers and a few students from her school,

**SMA Eben Haezer  
Manado Manado,  
North Sulawesi**

SMA Eben Haezar. The warm-up was intense for some who were doing appropriate stretches and making sure to hydrate.

For others, taking an Indo-appropriate amount of selfies with various backgrounds was more important to a good warm-up. Regardless, once the match began it was full of a mixture of intensity, seriousness, laughter, tripped-over balls, friendly taunting of the other side, mid-game selfies, and

for Mei Lin, a necessary water break every few minutes. Spending the afternoon getting exercise and joking around with fellow teachers outside of a school setting was a fun, relaxed, and positive experience to build relationships and strengthen connections between teachers and students in a setting where common laughter triumphed over common language.

# Running Club Race



## SMA 1 Bringin Bringin, Central Java

**ETA Kata Krueger** created a running club with students at school at the end of October. Students meet on Thursdays after school to run in the villages around SMA 1 Bringin through beautiful rice fields and jungle-like forests. On Saturdays, students meet at Kata's house for a run and stay after for snacks and games or dinner, which is most often spaghetti and/or pancakes. On November 19<sup>th</sup>, Kata, her site mate **ETA Michaela Chinn**, two of the young teachers Kata is closest with at school, and three students headed to Magelang to meet up with **ETA Jukie Tsai** for the Borobudur 2016 10K. Siham and her school graciously agreed to host the group. Kata's teachers and students loved meeting the three other ETAs and everyone had a big dinner together the night before the race.



The running group woke up early the next morning to make it to the 6 am race start. It seemed like more people were there to walk the course rather than run it. Despite the fact that the race felt more like a human obstacle course than a competitive run, the scenery around Borobudur was beautiful and Kata was so proud of her students for completing a 10K with less than one month of training. The students were so excited about their success as well.

Hot, very sweaty and tired, the group still had enough energy and high spirits to take a trek through the hills of Magelang to visit *Gereja Ayam*, a giant church built in the shape of a chicken. The weekend was such a fun opportunity to give students a new experience.



## Alumni and ETA Collaboration

ETAs Sarahann Yeh and Matthew Poissant partnered with Alvin, an Indonesian alum from AMINEF's Global UGRAD program, to host an "All about Fulbright and Global UGRAD" session on November 13 at a local college. Sarahann gave a brief overview of AMINEF programs for Indonesians, Matthew elaborated on Bahasa Indonesia teaching opportunities, and Alvin shared about Global UGRAD. Sarahann and Matthew also talked about their experiences living

**SMAN 7 Bandar Lampung and SMKN 2 Bandar Lampung, Sumatra**

and working in Bandar Lampung as English Teaching Assistants at SMAN 7 and SMKN 2. Over 60 students were in attendance representing a diverse array of majors and educational experiences. There was a lively Q&A session after the presentations; students wanted to hear more and Sarahann and Matthew's experiences studying in America, tips for applying to international programs, and advice for studying for the TOEFL exam. Sarahann, Matthew, and Alvin then had a celebratory lunch with students from the college's language club, during which they learned about different language-learning resources in Bandar Lampung.



## Wayang Kulit



**Michaela Chinn**  
**SMAN 1, Salatiga,**  
**Central Java**

In the afternoon of November 28<sup>th</sup>, **ETA Michaela Chinn** traveled to the small village of Kopeng to see a traditional

Javanese puppet show. She was invited by her student Fitri and her family. The puppet show included 100 *wayang* puppets and a *gamelan* orchestra. Fellow **ETA Katarina Krueger** from SMA 1 Bringin also attended. She was accompanied by SMA 1 Bringin practitioner Micha, who lives in the area. After seeing the puppet show and talking with members of the *gamelan* orchestra, Michaela

and Kata engaged in Kopeng's house hopping tradition. They visited several different houses (eight in total!) to try different snacks and meals. Using their budding Javanese and Indonesian skills, Kata and Michaela had conversations with the mothers, grandmothers, and children they met.

## School Field Trips



November was a field trip filled month at SMK Negeri 1 Labuan Bajo! **ETA Anna Katomski** was fortunate enough to attend a trip to Rinca Island on November 19, 2016 with a class from the 10<sup>th</sup> grade. Students spent the day visiting Rinca Island, learning about Komodo dragons, and swimming in Flores' crystal clear waters. The following week (November 24-26, 2016), Miss Anna accompanied the entire 11<sup>th</sup> grade on a three-day trip that traversed Flores via bus. Students

**SMK Negeri 1 Labuan Bajo Labuan Bajo, Flores, East Nusa Tenggara**

and teachers visited Ende, Kelimutu Volcano, hot springs, Bajawa, and the traditional Bena Village before returning to Labuan Bajo. Both trips proved to be valuable learning experiences for students. Since SMK Negeri 1 Labuan Bajo is a vocational high school, it is imperative that tourism students familiarize themselves with the sights they will one day take tourists to. Students were also excited to have a native English speaker on their trips. Miss Anna asked students questions in English about the places they visited, thus allowing students to practice their language skills in a real-life setting.



## Newspaper Club



### SMK Negeri Jawa Tengah Semarang, Central Java

The Newspaper Club at SMKN Jawa Tengah was quite busy during the month of November. With the help of *Pak Aziz* and **ETA Kayla Stewart**, the school's first newspaper club released its first newsletter of the year at the end of November. Students received the paper during their exams, and the hardworking writers of Newspaper Club got to see their work come to light in print form. The Newspaper Club also began their first venture into the "Unity in Diversity" community engagement project. Students boosted their photojournalism skills by talking with one another, asking thought-provoking questions in English and gaining photography skills while practicing with a DSLR camera.

November was a busy month for students at SMK Negeri Jawa Tengah. Speech and Storytelling Club students competed in a regional competition in

### SMK Negeri Jawa Tengah Semarang, Central Java

Semarang on November 15. Students got a chance to show off all of the hard work they put into the club throughout the semester in front of dozens of students from other parts of Indonesia.

## Speech and Storytelling Competition

## English Club Music Video

As the end of the first semester came to a close, **ETA Edmund Pacleb** worked with the students of MAN1 Semarang English club on a fun project that utilized

### MAN1 Semarang Semarang, Central Java

the students' English and creative abilities. Using music and song as a way to practice English listening and pronunciation, Edmund tasked the English club to learn an American song and create a music video where they were able to show off their awesome dance moves. The students chose "The Lazy Song" by Bruno Mars. With just a bit of editing left, MAN1 Semarang English club is excited to share their project with the rest of Fulbright Indonesia.

## University English Camp

On November 28, 2016, **ETA Caroline Rose**, served as a guest speaker at an English camp for one of the local universities, LP3I Business College Malang.

### **SMA 2 Malang Malang, East Java**

Malang is well-known for its many universities, to which students from all over the world come to learn. For this English camp, Caroline offered motivation and advice for learning English. Then she answered many questions from the students. Some students had questions about the English language specifically, with questions ranging from the difference between past and present tense and the differences between British and American English. Other questions focused on the United States, and of course the recent election. For fun, Caroline even introduced the university students to one of the “brain breaks” she does with her students at SMA 2. As Caroline’s first semester wraps up, in addition to being welcomed at SMA 2, she has been surprised and happy to get involved in various events and programs at Malang’s universities!



## Dorm Opening Ceremony

**ETA Kayla Stewart** took part in the opening ceremony for a new male dorm room on campus. Kayla was able to participate in watching the

### **SMK Negeri Jawa Tengah Semarang, Central Java**

administration speeches, the prayer over the building, and later was able to enjoy delicious traditional food. She was also able to visit the top floor of the dorm with her students, getting a great view of Semarang and endless requests for photos.



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