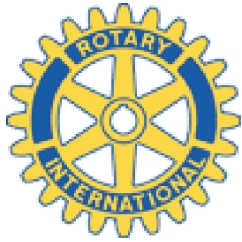


Winter Park / Fraser Rotary Club

Winter Park / Fraser Valley Rotary Club meets Tuesdays at noon at Beaver Village Lodge 726-5741



Service above Self

WP/FV Rotary delivers two shelter boxes to Myanmar Cyclone Relief

Rotary International, partly because of the trust it has earned fighting Polio and through other international aid programs, was the first assistance organization allowed into Myanmar following Cyclone Nagris. Rotary was in Myanmar delivering Shelter Boxes to displaced families as early as May 8th, just four days after the devastating storm.



Myanmar authorities help to unload Rotary Int. Shelter Boxes from a chartered aircraft

To date over 1694 Shelter Boxes have been delivered to Myanmar, mostly to the hard hit areas of Labutta and Bogale. Each box, costing \$1000 each, contains tents, blankets, mosquito nets, tools, water purification tablets, cookware and other critical items and is designed to support 10 people for up to 6 months.

The Winter Park/Fraser Rotary club is proud to have supplied two of those boxes. Additional Shelter Boxes have recently been deployed to the earthquake zone in Chengdu City, China, to landslide areas of Equador, to Bolivia, and to Afghanistan. WP/FV Rotary is now forming a committee to continue and extend our support of this lifesaving program to aid in future global disasters.

For more information about the Rotary International Shelter Box program see <http://www.shelterbox.org>

Member Profile

by Leah Bishop

If someone asked me ten years ago where I'd be today, I never would have guessed I'd be living in Grand County. During the long winter months, when my thermometer reads negative thirty, I sometimes question why I gave up the warmth of my home state of Hawaii. Thanks to my beloved husband (and Grand County local,) I've since traded in my surfboard for a pair of skis. Hawaii will always be home to me, but I feel blessed that I've found a second home that is also made up of good people.

I joined the Rotary Club so I can be instrumental in the growth of this community; one of the advantages of living in a small town is that you feel you can really make a difference.

I enjoy meeting other business professionals that exude the same enthusiasm for making the Fraser Valley a special place to live. The Winter Park/Fraser Valley Rotary Club has many ongoing projects that help to enhance this special place we call home. If you are like-minded, stop by our weekly meeting to see how you can get involved.

The Reba Ferguson Fund for Professional Development

It was relayed at Reba Ferguson's (former Fraser Valley Elementary School Principle) memorial service that any cash memorials be directed to a fund at the East Grand School District to be used for professional development for school personnel.

In that spirit, the Winter Park-Fraser Valley Rotary Club, of which Reba was a member, will also create a continuing fund for professional development from direct donations, the club general fund, and club fund raisers.

Eligible professionals from the East Grand School District include teachers, administrators, and other professional staff. These grants can be used for any costs relating to professional development including tuition & fees, seminar costs, and travel expenses. There will be no minimum or maximum, but \$500 per grant will be a good target.

Approximately 6 months after completing a course recipients would be asked to report to the club what they learned, how they implemented what they learned, and how it improved their classroom or administrative abilities.

To apply for this grant from the WP/FV Rotary club please e-mail Fred Chapin at fredwc@pobox.com

2009 Group Study Exchange Announcement

The search is on for a Rotarian team leader and a team of four young professionals to travel to the countries of Nicaragua, Panama, Costa Rica and El Salvador, March 6 to April 5, 2009. This team will be made up of individuals from various professions. While command of Spanish is desirable, it is not required and some basic language preparation will be part of the training.

The inbound portion of this team and a team from New Zealand will be here April-May 2009. Please notify me now if you are interested in hosting or co-hosting with another club. Visit the website at www.rotary5450.org/gse/ or contact GSE chair - Connie Holden at choldensmith@aol.com.

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June Events

WP/Fraser Rotary Club Speakers

- 6/3 Club business meeting
- 6/10 Kip Hale; Cambodia, the Khmer Rouge, and The Hague
- 6/17 Ann Daley; curator of western art at the Denver Art Museum
- 6/24 Rotary district speaker

WP/Fraser Club meets Tuesdays at noon at Beaver's Lodge

Granby Club meets Wednesdays at noon at the Silver Creek Inn

Grand Lake Club meets Tuesday 7:00 pm at the Bear Paw Restaurant

Kremmling 2nd/4th Tues. - 7:00am at Middle School Cathy Shipley Room

For more information about the Winter Park Fraser Valley Rotary Club join us at a weekly meeting or see our web site at: www.wpfv-rotary.org