

Winter Park / Fraser Rotary Club

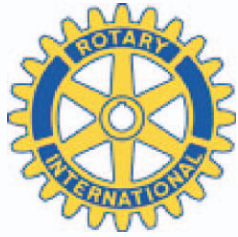
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2008 Leadership Institute a Big Success

Both Rotarians and even a few non-Rotarians, recently spent two full days together expanding their personal leadership skills.



Once again the District 5450 Leadership "workshop" has graduated more than 30 individuals who left knowing more about their own leadership style and a better knowledge of the many temperament styles of people they come in contact with in Rotary and their everyday life.

Congratulations to this group of individuals who made an investment in their own Rotary future!

Third group graduates from Rotary Peace Program

By Tiffany Woods

Chulalongkorn's beautiful campus is considered a national treasure in Thailand.



The Rotary Foundation's third group of students studying peace and conflict resolution at a university in Bangkok, Thailand, graduated from their intensive, three-month program on 14 September. The 20 students, who hail from 13 countries and received financial aid from the Foundation, earned certificates in peace and conflict studies from Chulalongkorn University for completing the Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies program. The program is aimed at professionals working for governmental and non-governmental organizations. Graduates are expected to return to their jobs and apply the skills they've learned. The first class of students graduated in September 2006. The next group will begin studying in January.

The graduates include a staff correspondent for a newspaper in India, a deputy police superintendent from Nigeria, a teacher from the United States, and a program coordinator for a non-governmental organization in Tajikistan.

Hunger Awareness Month Donations Appreciated

Rotarian Rhonda Farrell reported that the Granby Rotary Club's efforts relating to hunger awareness month went well.

A total of 23 bags of food were donated, along with \$55 and a gift certificate. The donations all go to the Mountain Family Center, which helps families in need and that are in transition. Rhonda said "thanks" for all the help.

Water Resources Project of the Month

The Rotary District Water Task Force works closely with Engineers Without Borders. Their efforts focus on providing clean water, sanitation, renewable energy and affordable housing to communities around the world. EWB and Rotary works with Universities to link to student groups with communities to provide design, construction and education related to the needed infrastructure.

Rotary has been working with Dick Herring of EWB who specializes in pulling together projects in Thailand. He has helped us identify village needs, scoping out the project, and providing us with information regarding costs, contributing schools, etc.

The project we have been following is in Pa Tueng village in Thailand. It involves capturing water in a near-by spring, constructing a diversion box, piping the water 3 kilometers to a 1,000-gallon storage tank and constructing the local distribution system to a school and village. The original cost for this project was estimated to be about \$5,000.

During project planning there was significant change to that project. In late December EWB was contacted by Uni-Bell PVC Pipe Association (www.uni-bell.org) with an offer to provide all the PVC pipe to all of EWB's projects in Thailand. The entry of Uni-Bell as an angel for EWB has impacted the estimated costs, as most were for providing that piping. There still is a need for our financial support, it is just that the cost of the project has been reduced from about \$5,000 to about \$1,000.

Prior to beginning the project, Mr. Harring identifying other water and sanitation needs that exist for local villagers and school children, that fit the timeframe and objectives. As luck would have it, another project in the nearby village Mai Nun Kehn is happening the week of March 21st. The Mai Nun Kehn project involves constructing a latrine for a school dormitory such that the children have a place to go to the bathroom, bathe and wash clothing and bedding. The total cost of that project is about \$2,500.

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

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