



ROTARY AND THE WORLD

World Community Service

Clubs' international project is a godsend for Thailand's orphans

Thousands of children in Thailand's AIDS ravaged province of Chiang Rai have lost both their parents to the dreaded epidemic. Unable to attend school without the support of relatives or the community, many of them are forced to cut short their education and seek early employment to support themselves and their siblings. However, through collaboration between the Rotary clubs of Little Falls, New York, USA, and Maechan, Thailand, the future now looks brighter for some of these orphans. The two clubs are sponsors of a World Community Service project that helps to raise funds for the care and education of some of the province's AIDS orphans.

The project was initiated by George Bunk, chairman of the Little Falls club's international projects committee, who was exposed to some of the hardships endured by Thai orphans when he visited Maechan in 1983 as part of a GSE team. "That GSE literally changed my life and the memory of what I saw there stuck with me," said Bunk. "When early this year my club wanted to sponsor an international project, I suggested that we do something about orphans in Thailand." After identifying the children in need of assistance, the Thai Rotary club contacts their school and pays a local equivalent of US\$75 to cover the cost of school fees, school lunches, books, uniforms and shoes for an entire year.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR UNDERPRIVELDGES

Adopt-A-Social Worker Program: School starts in two short weeks and Bob McQueen is requesting that each of us bring in a donation to help underprivileged children get off to a good start. Any items from a .69 pack of pencils to a \$7.00 canvass backpack will be very much appreciated...just bring in your donation next Tuesday August 21st or Tuesday August 28th. If you are picking up Office Supplies at Staples or the like...they have school supplies.

Welcome Mat Is Out For Jack Lawrence



District Governor Rod Eide had the honor of inducting new member Jack Lawrence at our July 31st meeting. Shown l to r is sponsor John Raisin, new member, Jack Lawrence and DG Rod Eide.

A warm welcome to Jack Lawrence and Sally who reside at 28872 Alanya in Mission Viejo. Jack and Sally have twin sons and 3 grandchildren. Jack can be reached at 949/455-0860. Email: jlawr38@aol.com Jack retired from Nissan North America with position of Coporate Procurement Manager in Gardena, California. He enjoys fishing. The Rewarding World of Rotary welcomes you, Jack!!

DISTRICT GOVERNOR ROD EIDE UNVEILS THE ROTARY SERVICE FACTORY ON ANNUAL VISIT TO OUR CLUB



The Rotary Service Factory must be well organized so that it produces good programs with little absenteeism so that new and old members alike can participate in one or more (and preferably more) so that the club can deliver the goods to the community, locally and internationally. Our District Governor also made it clear that strong leadership in the President is essential to the success of our club and that we have in President Bill that kind of leadership and our DG expressed this in the form of a performing bear that wore President Bill's name badge. (Shown above).



Emphasising Club Service as the Rotary Service Factory, DG Rod Eide encourages all clubs to have a very aggressive Club Service Program as a means of not only attracting but retaining new members!

Dave Woods PDG 5260 speaks to the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo



On Tuesday July 31st meeting, Past District Governor (D5260) Dave Woods spoke of his many experiences in his long time membership in Rotary. He told of the time when Rotarians virtually saved his life while in Mexico. He had a heart attack and there were no doctors around but one of the local Rotarians knew a doctor and got him medical attention. The point being is that Rotarians the world over will give a helping hand. Dave is one of 48 Rotarians world-wide to receive the RI Foundation Distinguished Service Award. Recipients must also have received the Foundation Citation Service at least four complete years prior to nomination for this award.

He told of the water projects in Mexico that constructed 30 some dams that now provide potable and irrigation water year round, before there was only water during the rainy season. Dave was, through a visit by his wife and the girl scouts, one of the first Rotarians to help the Door of Faith when they had no food. He was instrumental in involving Keith Jewell one of our clubs's past presidents in the support of that orphanage. Dave has been a long time friend of President Bill Kersten and introduced President Bill to the world of Rotary. We thank him for sharing his time with us.

WEDDING BELLS!!!! Former Ambassadorial Scholar Eva MacGillivray was joined together in matrimony with Charles Heath of Scotland. Our Ambassadorial Scholar Director, Norm Miller received the invitation which announced the wedding date as Friday August 10th. The wedding took place at the Paisley Abbey, Paisly, Scoitland. Interesting to note that guests were not only invited to a welcome reception on the day of the wedding but also to a Scottish Highland Bus Tour on August 12 from 10:30am to 4:30pm.

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WEEKLY PROGRAMS

August 21 Youth To Youth Conference-Students Report
August 28 John Johnson, Program Manager -
Family Pathfinders / Adopt-A-Social Worker

September 4 WE WILL NOT MEET ON THIS TUESDAY..INSTEAD WE WILL MEET SEPT 8 FIRE-SIDE MEETING AT FRIEDER'S.BRING A GUEST

WHITE ELEPHANT

Aug 21 Richard Murray Aug 28 Dennis O'Connor
Sept 4 Dick Paradzick Sept 11 James Peterson
Sept 18 Marilyn Philabaum Sept 25 John Raisin

COMING EVENTS

Fireside Meeting September 8, 2001

Entertainment Books September 30-December 31st 2001

Walk Against Drugs October 20, 2001
Door of Faith Vision Screen TBA
Pancake Breakfast October/November TBA
Yrad Sale FundRaiser November 1, 2001
Chuck E Cheese Party December 11, 2001
Sports Pool FundRaiser December 15, 2001
Club Christmas Party Dec 16, 2001 MVCountry Club
Cocktails 5:30pm Dinner 6:30pm
Christmas In April March 27, 2002
Mayor's Prayer Breakfast May 2, 2002 MVCountry Club
Teacher Appreciation May 10, 2002 Laguna Cliffs Marriott
District Conference May 14-16 2002
Scholarship Awards May 20, 2002
Rotary International Convention June 23-26 2002
Next Board Meeting Wed Sept 12, 2001 7am YMCA

Boy Scouts Presented check for \$1,000



Shown is Jim Peterson (Classification Youth Services) receiving a check from President Bill for \$1,000 as part of our club's support of the Boy Scouts of America. Jim is District Director for the Boy Scouts in our area with offices in Costa Mesa.