

Friends of Danang

November 8, 2007

Enrico Biscotti Co.

Strip District

MINUTES

1. Welcome to Guests:

Regular members were in attendance.

2. Silent Reflection: individual reflections

3. Financial Report:

There was a reported balance of \$4110.35 in the administrative checking account as of October 31, 2007. At the October meeting \$165 was collected for the Larry Lagattuta Fund.

During the month of October, \$135 was collected for the Roger Costello Book Fund.

Our goal to build the Hoi Yen Bridge is \$55,000 and so far we submitted \$27,975 to the East Meets West Foundation. **A complete report is enclosed.**

4. Spaghetti Dinner:

No report as of this date

5. Veteran's Day Breakfast:

So far 43 tables have been sold and 36 are filled. Breakfast will be served at 8:30. Cindy Bahn has agreed to enter the names and tables into a data base for registration. Hopefully, we can use East Meets West's tax exemption to avoid the 7% sales tax. The audio-visual equipment at the Westin will cost \$2000. We will ask George Burk to cut the 7 minute video portion of his presentation. **A complete report is enclosed.**

6. Jewelry Show:

The Jewelry Show will be held on Sunday, November 18th at the Club House at Chatham Village from 10:00-4:00. Debbie Corr has generously agreed to give the proceeds to FOD. Thanh has offered to bring some Vietnamese food.

7. Website Development:

Chris Moore will contact his legal department to use part of “In Country” to use on our website. Ed M. is still waiting to hear. Other additions: We can put the info regarding Roger’s book and the website can include a flicker account.

8. Trip to Vietnam 2008:

The next trip is schedule to depart Pittsburgh on Friday, March 28, 2008 and return on Tuesday, April 8, 2007. Please contact Thanh at thanh@penn.com if you haven’t committed yet, and would still like to go. The deadline for refunds is December 15th. Twenty-two have committed to going and 35 seats are blocked. More information will be provided when it becomes available.

9. Future Projects:

Drilling for water wells is a possible future project and it is within our financial reach.

This discussion will be addressed after the Veteran’s Day Breakfast;

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, December 13, 2007** at Enrico Biscotti Co. at 7:00 pm.

See you there.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb