



VIETNAM



LAOS

# **LIBRARY OF VIET NAM PROJECT** **LIBRARY OF LAOS PROJECT** **ACTION REPORT** **TRIP #15: MARCH 15-APRIL 13, 2004**



Le-Dietzel Library of Vietnam  
Project Saigon Center Complex  
District 5, Saigon  
Ribbon Cutting: April 3, 2004



Worley/Engelken Library,  
Pakse, Champassak Province,  
PDR Lao  
Dedication: March 23, 2004



Angkor Wat, Siem Reap  
Cambodia  
Library of Cambodia  
Initial Visit: April 1, 2004

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

*Le-Dietzel Library of Viet Nam Project Saigon Center Complex  
 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony  
 Worley/Engelken Library, Pakse, Champassak Province, Laos Dedication  
 Library of Cambodia Project Trip #1  
 and much, much more*

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*Vietnam*



*Laos*



*Cambodia*

Dear Friends,

Our 15th trip to Vietnam since 1999, like all before, led to new opportunities in expanding the vision of "A NEW DAWN." We dedicated our first library in Laos and made our first trip to Cambodia. In an incredible story right out of a Frank Capra movie, the families of Le Thi Hoa Dombroe and William "Bill" Dietzel built and presented the Saigon Center Library in Ho Chi Minh City.

Charles Engelken, son of the late Orval Engelken, and Ross Worley came to Laos to dedicate the first library in Laos at Pakse—two families partners in business and partners in building the future of Laos.

Oconomowoc High School and the community of Oconomowoc, Wisconsin met their commitment to Vinh Linh High School, Vinh Linh District, Quang Tri Province raising over the \$5,000 pledge they made. Mandy Jones and Whitney Handlich were the students who led the effort.

Single individuals and families all, helping to write the final legacy of America in Southeast Asia.  
People who participated:

- 1.) Ross Worley, CEO, Wall-Ties & Forms, Inc., Retired US Army Special Forces Founder, Library of Laos Project, Board Member, Library of Viet Nam Project Library of Laos Project, Library of Cambodia Project.
- 2.) Charles Engelken, President, Wall-Ties & Forms, Inc., son of the late Orval Engelken, Founder, Library of Laos Project.
- 3.) Brent Worley, Manager of Sales & Training Department, Wall-Ties & Forms, Inc. and Ross Worley's son.
- 4.) Will Khamvongsa, Wall-Ties & Forms, Inc., Day Shift Plant Manager.
- 5.) Vanh Vorachek, Wall Ties & Forms, Inc., Night Shift Plant Manager.
- 6.) Sinkeo Terry Keodouangsy, Plant Superintendent, Wall-Ties & Forms, Inc., Plant Superintendent.
- 7.) Nguyen Thu Huong, Executive Assistant, Wall-Ties & Forms, Inc., Executive Assistant, Library of Viet Nam Project.
- 8.) Le Thi Hoa Dombroe, Board Member, Library of Viet Nam Project, Donor, Le-Dietzel Library of Viet Nam Project Saigon Center Complex.

Here's the action register:

#### **VIET NAM**

- 1.) Le-Dietzel Library of Viet Nam Project Saigon Center Complex construction and ribbon cutting, District 5, Saigon.
- 2.) Langworthy Library, Trieu Phong District, Quang Tri Province gifts presentation and building status review.
- 3.) Oconomowoc High School, Oconomowoc Wisconsin-Vinh Linh High School, Vinh Linh District, Quang Tri Province project meeting.
- 4.) Roland G. Fontaine-Rotary International Library, B2 Hamlet, Can Tho City meeting, site review and construction plan.
- 5.) USA-Gio Linh Library mid-construction inspection and Workers' Party, Gio Linh District, Quang Tri Province.
- 6.) Theusch Library, Pho Thuan Commune, Duc Pho District, Quang Ngai Province visit and appreciation lunch.
- 7.) My Lai Memorial, Quang Ngai Province visit and support meeting.
- 8.) Hue Medical College needs assessment and current activities consultation, Hue City, Thua Thien-Hue Province.
- 9.) USA-Cam Lo Library, Cam Lo District, Quang Tri Province, initial meeting with People's Committee, site selection and review.
- 10.) Quang Tri Town, Quang Tri High School meeting with officials regarding a High School Project.
- 11.) Theusch Library, Vinh Linh District, Quang Tri Province contractor payment and warranty review.
- 12.) Worley/Engelken Library, Nui Thanh District, Quang Nam Province visit and complex development status.
- 13.) USA-Bac Giang Province Boarding School/Library Learning Center for the Blind, Bac Giang Province, needs assessment and project plan.
- 14.) "American Fathers" birthday party for the orphans. Village of Hope Orphanage Da Nang.

#### **LAOS**

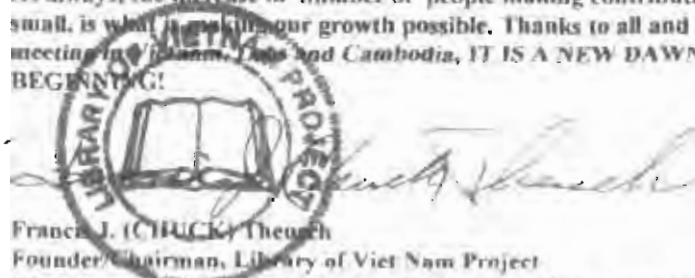
- 1.) Engelken/Worley Library Dedication, Pakse, Champassak Province, Laos.
- 2.) Fuller US Army Special Forces Hospital Library mid-construction, progress and quality control inspection, Savannakhet Province, Laos.

- 3.) USA-Nettavyong School/Library Project, Kean Village, Savannakhet Province, Laos mid-construction progress and quality control inspection.
- 4.) Phonsavan Library, Phonsavan, Xiang Khoang Province, Laos status consultation and needs assessment.
- 5.) Vietnam Veterans of America/Lao Hmong Library, Nong Het District, Xiang Khoang Province, Laos. Site review, timeline and accreditation conference.

## CAMBODIA

- 1.) First Library meeting with humanitarian Bernie Krisher, Phnom Penh.
- 2.) S-21 Death Prison, visit. Phnom Penh.

As always, the increase in number of people making contributions in so very many ways, large or small, is what is making our growth possible. Thanks to all and as we say at the close of every meeting in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, IT IS A NEW DAWN and THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING!



Francis J. (CHUCK) Theurech  
 Founder/Chairman, Library of Viet Nam Project  
 Chairman, Library of Laos Project, Worley/Engelken. Founders  
 Chairman, Library of Cambodia Project

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Ross Worley (the ugly one) with Orphans at Swimming Pool Birthday Party, Hoi An, Vietnam  
 March 28, 2004

***VIETNAM***



Vietnam



Laos



Cambodia

# LIBRARY OF VIETNAM PROJECT LIBRARY OF LAOS PROJECT LIBRARY OF CAMBODIA PROJECT

## COMPREHENSIVE PROJECT & ACTIVITIES REPORT MAY 1, 2004

### COMPLETED PROJECTS

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- 1.) PHO THUAN LIBRARY, Branch #1  
Duc Pho District  
Quang Ngai Province, Vietnam  
Dedicated: October 13, 2001  
Cost: \$35,000  
Major Sponsor: Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch  
US Army, Vietnam 1969-70
- 2.) QUANG TRI TOWN LIBRARY, Branch #2  
Quang Tri Town  
Quang Tri Province, Vietnam  
Constructed: Sept-Dec, 2001  
Dedicated: December 5, 2001  
Cost: \$35,000  
Major Sponsor: Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund  
Jan Scruggs, Founder
- 3.) DAK RONG LIBRARY, Branch #3  
Dak Rong District  
Quang Tri Province  
Dedicated: June 5, 2002  
Cost: \$35,000  
Major Sponsor: Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund  
Jan Scruggs Founder
- 4.) VINH LINH LIBRARY, Branch #4  
Vinh Linh District  
Quang Tri Province, Vietnam  
Dedicated: April 1, 2003  
Cost: \$35,000  
Major Sponsor: Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch  
US Army 1969-70

- 5.) **TRIEU PHONG LIBRARY, Branch #5**  
 Trieu Phong District  
 Quang Tri Province, Vietnam  
 Cost: \$35,000  
 Dedicated: November 14, 2003  
 Sponsor: Dr. James R. Langworthy, Honolulu, Hawaii
- 6.) **LE LOI HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY, Small Dream #1**  
 Dong Ha Town  
 Quang Tri Province, Vietnam  
 Outfitting Library with Furniture, Shelves, 2,000 books, TV  
 computers and unlimited internet 1 year  
 Cost: \$6,300  
 Dedicated: April 8, 2002  
 Major Sponsor: Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States  
 of America, Post #63, Boise Idaho By  
 Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch
- 7.) **THUONG HIEN HIGH SCHOOL, Small Dream #2**  
 Kien Xuong District  
 Thai Binh Province, Vietnam  
 Outfitting New Library with Furniture, Shelves, 2,000 books, TV,  
 Computer, Air Conditioning  
 Cost: \$6,300  
 Dedicated November 13, 2002  
 Sponsor: Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch, US Army 1969-70
- 8.) **VO THI SAU SCHOOL, Small Dream #3**  
 Nui Than District  
 Quang Nam Province, Vietnam  
 Library on grounds of new schools  
 Cost: \$15,000  
 Dedicated: July 26, 2003  
 Sponsor(s): Ross Worley and Orval Engelen Families, \$13,000  
 Binh Nguyen \$1,000, Francis J. (Chuck)Theusch \$1,000
- 9.) **LE-DIETZEL LIBRARY OF VIET NAM PROJECT SAIGON CENTER COMPLEX**  
 District 5, Ho Chi Minh City  
 Library and grounds, land donated by Le family, Guest House in Rear for LOVNP use  
 School proposed with fenced land with outside reading/relaxation/campout area in rear  
 Cost: \$100,000 including land, computers and outfitting  
 Sponsor: Le Thi Hoa Dombroe and William (Bill) Dietzel, Deceased, DOD: Sept. 19, 2003

#### **UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

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- 10.) **HANOI-AMSTERDAM LIBRARY**  
 Hanoi, Vietnam  
 Construction Pending: September -December 2004  
 Cost: \$40,000  
 Sponsor: Ross Worley and Orval Engelen Families, Shawnee, Kansas 2 of 6

**11.) PAKSE LIBRARY**

**Champassak Province, Laos**

**Construction: November 2003-March 2004**

**Cost: \$35,000**

**Dedicated: March 23, 2004**

**Sponsor: Ross Worley and Orval Engelken Families, Shawnee, Kansas**

**12.) DOUG FULLER US ARMY SPECIAL FORCES HOSPITAL LIBRARY**

**Peunikao Village, Savannakhet Province, Laos**

**Construction: Jan-Mar, 2004**

**Cost: \$6,300**

**Dedication: March, 2004**

**Sponsor: S&P Financial Services, Inc., Kansas City, MO**

**13.) KEAN VILLAGE LIBRARY**

**Kean Village, Savannakhet Province, Laos**

**Cost: \$6,300**

**Dedication: March, 2004**

**Sponsor: Pending**

**14.) GIO LINH LIBRARY**

**Gio Linh District, Viet Nam**

**Cost: \$35,000**

**Construction: Feb-June, 2004**

**Dedication: June 2004**

**Sponsor: Pending**

**15.) VINH LINH HIGH SCHOOL**

**Vinh Linh District, Quang Tri Province, Vietnam**

**Cost: \$5,750**

**Construction: Feb-April, 2004**

**Dedication: June, 2004**

**Sponsor: Oconomowoc High School  
Oconomowoc, WI**

**16.) PHONSAVAN LIBRARY RENEWAL**

**Phonsavan, Xiang Khoang Province, Laos**

**Cost: \$5,000**

**Sponsor: Unfunded**

**CONTRACT PENDING**

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**1.) NONG HET LIBRARY**

**Nong Het District, Xiang Khoang Province, Laos**

**Cost: \$35,000**

**Contract: April, 2004**

**Construction: June-November 2004**

**Dedication: December, 2004**



## **PROPOSED PROJECTS PENDING DONORS**

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### **VIETNAM**

#### **1.) KIEN XUONG LIBRARY**

Kien Xuong District  
Thai Binh Province  
Cost: \$35,000

#### **2.) USA-NORTH/SOUTH VIETNAM RECONCILIATION LIBRARY**

Thang Binh District, Quang Nam Province  
North-South Memorial Library  
Cost: \$35,000

#### **3.) CAM LO LIBRARY**

Cam Lo District, Quang Tri Province  
Cost: \$35,000

#### **4.) BAC GIANG BOARDING SCHOOL, LIBRARY & LEARNING CENTER FOR THE BLIND**

Bac Giang Province  
Cost: \$35,000

#### **5.) BUU VILLAGE LIBRARY**

Quang Tri Province  
Cost: \$2,500

### **LAOS**

#### **1.) KONGSEDONE LIBRARY**

Kongsedone, Saravan Province  
Cost: \$35,000

#### **2.) PHON MI LIBRARY**

Phon Mi, Vientiane Province  
(US Built College Ca. 1970)  
Cost: \$35,000

#### **3.) SAYSETTHA LIBRARY**

Phon Thantai Village  
Saysettha District, Vientiane Capitol  
Cost: \$5,750.

### **CAMBODIA**

#### **1.) USA LIBRARY OF CAMBODIA FOUNDING LIBRARY PROJECT**

Ban Phong Village, Ratakiri Province  
Kingdom of Cambodia  
Cost: \$35,000

## **LIBRARY MANAGEMENT, ENHANCEMENT, PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES**

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### **1.) BOOKS TO VIET NAM**

**Shipped: October, 2002**

**Disbursed: July-August, 2003**

**Type: University Books 8,000**

**Children's Books 53,000**

**To: Institutions in 3 cities and 4 provinces**

**1 University**

**2 Orphanages**

**5 Schools**

**6 Libraries**

**Sponsors: First Book**

**Northeastern Illinois University, Professor Emeritus Joseph Morton**

**Washington County Wisconsin Library System**

**Individual donors**

**FEDEX**

**Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States of America**

**Hanoi University of Foreign Studies**

**Total Value including donated Shipping: \$317,000**

### **2.) CHRISTMAS IN VIET NAM, 2001**

**Date: December 8, 2001**

**Place : VILLAGE OF HOPE ORPHANAGE**

**Da Nang City**

**Sponsor: Library of Viet Nam Project**

**Waukesha County Wisconsin Courthouse employees**

**Organic Valley Corporation, La Farge Wisconsin**

**Colette Skundberg, Mauston, Wisconsin**

**Children: 100 girls**

**100 boys**

**Staff: 22**

**Value: \$1,150**

### **3.) SCHOOL: HANOI UNIVERSITY OF FOREIGN STUDIES**

**International Business Department**

**Books: 2004 College Information Technology, Management Resources and Accounting Courses (5)**

**Sponsor: Library of Viet Nam Project**

**Value: \$525**

**Delivered: July 16, 2003**

### **4.) SCHOOL: HUE MEDICAL COLLEGE**

**City of Hue**

**COMPUTERS: 6 fully equipped internet ready computers**

**Sponsor: Library of Viet Nam Project/Mike Meyer**

**Date: July 29, 2003**

**Value: \$2,950**

**COMPUTERS:** 2 fully equipped internet ready computers  
**Sponsor:** Dr. James R. Langworthy of People to People International  
 and Tokyo, Japan Medical Center  
**Date:** March 2004

**VIDEO TAPES:** Conversion of Medical School Instruction Tapes to DVD Formats (320 Semiaars  
 from American Medical Institutions)  
**Sponsor:** Worley/Engelken, FEDEX, VFW, VIDEO WORKS, Kansas City, MO  
**Date:** Completion September, 2004

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| 5.) CLASS PRESENTATION     | Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch<br>"American Law"<br>Hanoi University Foreign Studies  | April 2, 2002                       |
| 6.) CLASS PRESENTATION     | Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch<br>"Americans"<br>Hanoi-Amsterdam High School  | April 8, 2003                       |
| 7.) CLASS PRESENTATION     | Ambassador Charles Hostler<br>Hanoi University Foreign Studies People to People International<br>"America and Vietnam, Past<br>Present, and Future"   | November 17, 2003                   |
| 8.) CLASS PRESENTATION     | Dr. Joseph Morton<br>"America's Declaration of Independence" Author: "The American Revolution"<br>Hanoi University Foreign Studies Professor Emeritus<br>Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago      | November 17, 2003                   |
| 9.) CHILDREN'S TOYS        | Varionis, KansasCity, MO<br>Vietnam & Laos Meyer/Laurent/Engelken/Worley  | March 25, 2003<br>November 11, 2003 |
| 10.) ORPHANAGE SPONSORSHIP | Village of Hope Orphanage "American Fathers" (Several)<br>Christmas Party, Nov. 2003, Quang Ngai City (\$300 @ year)<br>Birthday Party, Mar. 2003, Quang Ngai City<br>Birthday Party, Mar. 2004, Hoi An | Ongoing                             |
| 11.) BLIND SCHOOL          | Chuck Haxton/Henry Laurent<br>Bac Giang Province, Vietnam<br>Books Genearl needs donation delivery<br>and needs assessment  | November 19, 2003                   |

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# LE THI HOA DOMBROE AND WILLIAM "BILL" DIETZEL JOIN HANDS IN BUILDING THE LIBRARY OF VIET NAM PROJECT SAIGON CENTER COMPLEX



Le-Dietzel Library in Progress



Ribbon Cutting, April 3, 2004

Le Thi Hoa Dombroe was born in Soc Trang Province, raised in Saigon, and moved to the USA in 1972. Next page is an account of how an American Family and a Vietnamese Family, first coming together in 1968, rejoined to donate the land and money to build a Library in 2004. These families have, without thought of recompense, built a dream. Some features of the Le-Dietzel Saigon Center Complex:

- 1.) Land donated by the Le family of Saigon/Ho Chi Minh City.
- 2.) \$50,000 donated through joint contribution of the Estate of William Dietzel (DOD September 19, 2003) and the family of Le Thi Hoa Dombroe and Husband Neil Dombroe and their company, Frog-On-A-Log Imports, LLC.
- 3.) Library includes a small "roof walk"
- 4.) Water fall complete with fish in front with small adjacent reading area
- 5.) Front spiral staircase
- 6.) Rear outside staircase
- 7.) Small kitchenette
- 8.) Marble appointed restroom
- 9.) Rear open grounds for outdoor reading/picnic/camp area
- 10.) Completely walled Grounds with secured entry gates front and rear
- 11.) Guest House/Bed and breakfast in rear with car port, \$15 @ night for LOVNP Travelers
- 12.) Room for possible small school dedicated to English and Computer Literacy behind the new library structure
- 13.) 30 minutes from Than Son Nhut Airport
- 14.) In District 5, adjacent to District 1, Central Saigon, 20 minutes away

## WHAT'S NEXT:

- 1.) Complete construction and grounds landscaping
- 2.) Plan hours, use and staffing
- 3.) General management plan and access for LOVNP Travelers



## MEMORIES OF AN AMERICAN

*One day in 1968, Gil William (Bill) Dietzel met the mother of Le Thi Hoa Dombroe, then 14 years old to rent a flat in Saigon. He was working as an engineer building PX's and other buildings for the US Military Assistance Command (MACV).*

*Noting that young Hoa was not in school as he talked to Hoa's mother about renting the flat she had available, he patted Hoa on the head and asked "Why aren't you in school?" Hoa now says "she told some lie. Bill said "If I rent this place from your mother she will have the money to send you to school and you must go!"*

*He went so far as to have his driver check on her to make sure she was in school, and to buy her a motorbike to get there. In 1972, he returned to the USA to Pennsylvania. Hoa came to the US to stay and he helped her in times of need. She married her husband Neil Dombroe, had 3 children, a son, Thanh Le and 2 daughters, Mai Lien and Khai Le.*

*On September 19, 2003 Bill died, but left a bequest to Le. She added money from her own retirement along with land owned by her family in District 3 of Saigon. The Le-Dietzel families have now funded and built a beautiful Library Center there. Behind it is a Guest House for Library of Viet Nam Travelers. The large grounds include area to sit outside and read. The Guest House has a roof with a beautiful view of Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) at night.*

*The seeds of this library were planted when Bill Dietzel took with him to Vietnam his American generosity and love of education and people. Now, our Library of Viet Nam Project Saigon Center Complex serves as a monument built by the Le-Dombroe and Dietzel families to the final American Legacy of peace and hope for a bright future between Vietnamese and Americans for all time to come.*

*Thank you to these families—they have achieved immortality with the gift of life and love eternal, unconditionally given for posterity.*

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LE-DIETZEL LIBRARY OF VIET NAM PROJECT  
SAIGON CENTER COMPLEX  
District 5, Ho Chi Minh City



**LE-DIETZEL LIBRARY OF VIET NAM PROJECT**  
**SAIGON CENTER COMPLEX GUEST HOUSE**  
*District 5, Ho Chi Minh City/Saigon*



# Hồ Chí Minh City - Saigon

## Airport

## Thân Sơn Nhất

## City Center





**LANGWORTHY LIBRARY, TRIEU PHONG DISTRICT  
DR. JIM LANGWORTHY SENDS FUNDS FOR IMPROVEMENT,  
BOOKS ON HIS HOME HAWAII**



Ross Worley, Librarian, Chuck & Henry  
Laurent with new library cards



Dr. Langworthy's book on Honolulu

Dr. James Langworthy sponsored the Trieu Phong District Library, Quang Tri Town, Dedicated November 14, 2003. He gave a talk about how he intended to go on supporting his library, located in the worst area of unexploded bombs and landmines in Vietnam. The People's Committee was VERY TOUCHED that he has already sent them books and \$300 for in-country purchases.

We presented these gifts and passed on Dr. Langworthy's best wishes. The kind regards are returned to him and the Library of Viet Nam Project. Dr. Langworthy is invited anytime to visit and have a feast or two with the officials and the librarian!

By way of report, cards are being issued, and we all got ours and one for Dr. Langworthy. They are now building a new cultural center near the library. This is as the officials had advised us when we discussed the original site selection.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) Deliver books from USA.
- 2.) Explore possible security fence on the grounds, \$3,000 estimated.
- 3.) Confirm building quality and maintenance free prior to Warranty payment in November, 2004.

PHONG VĂN HÓA THƯỜNG TÍN TRIEU PHONG	
THƯ VIỆN	
<b>THẺ NGƯỜI ĐỌC</b>	
HO TÊN	Dr. James R. Langworthy
QUỐC TỊCH	USA
CHỨC VỤ	Doctor
CHỖ	Honolulu, USA
Ngày	29 tháng 3 năm 2004
	Người đăng ký
	<i>[Signature]</i>

## BIÊN NHẬN

Họ và tên : Trần Khánh Kiên

Chức vụ : Trưởng phòng VHST-TT  
học Trường phòng, Quảng Trị

Có nhận số tiền : 300 Đô la  
(Ba trăm Đô la)

Nội dung : Ông : Chuck Theuse Chủ  
tịch dự Hội thảo Việt Thái Việt Nam chẵn  
đầu .

Trích phụ ngày 29/3/2004  
Nguyệt và



Trần Khánh Kiên

# OCONOMOWOC HIGH SCHOOL-VINH LINH HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT VINH LINH DISTRICT, QUANG TRI PROVINCE, VIETNAM PLAN FOR COMPLETION



Chuck & Mr. Tran Cong Lamb,  
Principal, Vinh Linh High School  
"THANK YOU, OCONOMOWOC HIGH SCHOOL"  
April 8, 2004



SIGN AT VINH LINH HIGH SCHOOL  
"To continue our heroic tradition in  
future generations we resolve to teach  
well and study well"

Oconomowoc High School, in an effort led by students Sandy Jones and Whitney Handrich and the support they solicited from Oconomowoc High School and the community, have raised in excess of the \$5,000 they committed for the renewal and outfitting of the Vinh Linh High School Library, Vinh Linh District, Quang Tri Province. Vinh Linh District is the first district north of the 17th Parallel/Demilitarized Zone/Bea Hai River. As such it is historic for the its suffering the ravages of the war.

The original allocation of funds has been adjusted to reflect the fact they have already painted the library in contemplation of the Oconomowoc grant, one item on the original plan. More will be spent on books and an electronic library.

## WHAT'S NEXT:

- 1.) Deliver books from USA
- 2.) Complete the outfitting
- 3.) Dedication at a time convenient for the parties
- 4.) Initiation of Pen Pal and e-mail exchanges in the fall, 2004 semester
- 5.) Dedication Plaques returned to the USA for Oconomowoc High School.

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# **THANK YOU, OCONOMOWOC HIGH SCHOOL !**

**MR. TRẦN CÔNG LANH - THE PRINCIPAL OF VINH LINH HIGH SCHOOL**

**The staff of Vinh linh High school, Quảng trị, Việt nam  
April 8th, 2004**



*Trần Công Lanh*

**ROLAND G. FONTAINE LIBRARY  
THANH TAM (SACRED HEART) PARISH  
B2 HAMLET, Xa THANH THANG, HUYEN VINH THANH, CAN THO CITY  
PROJECT AGREEMENT MEETING**



L-R: Nguyen Trung Tan and Pham Dinh Tan  
Christianity Staff, Sacred Heart Parish, Father Tu,  
Chuck, Mr. Tang Van Sang, Chief of Police, Thanh Thang  
Village, Can Tho City, Mr. Nguyen Anh, Vice-Chairman  
People's Committee, Thanh Thanh Village.

April 2, 2004



THANH TAM (SACRED HEART) PARISH  
Library Site is to right of Church set back  
School is in the right foreground, also out  
of view

The Roland G. Fontaine Library Project, sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans of Massachusetts, Rotary International, and administered by the Library of Viet Nam Project, *officially got off the ground* with meetings at government headquarters, a trip to the Parish and site and lunch by the local ladies. This was a truly moving experience. There is a bell in the schoolyard made from the nose of a French bomb recovered in the area. The symbolism is powerful: "FROM BOMBS OF WAR TO BELLS OF PEACE." The Roland G. Fontaine Library is a monument to a bright future between the peoples of Vietnam and America working together.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) Preparation of Memorandum of Understanding by Chuck, fax to officials for return  
(Central terms and conditions have been discussed and agreed upon).
- 2.) Design developed by local officials, LOVNP Worley/Engelken Library, Nui Thanh District, Quang Nam Province Design left as example.
- 3.) *Economic Contract award after bid procedure.*
- 4.) Timeline for completion and projected dedication date.



**"FROM BOMBS OF WAR TO BELLS OF PEACE"**

**ROLAND G. FONTAINE LIBRARY**

*SCHOOL BELL AT SACRED HEART PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL*

*MADE FROM THE NOSE OF A FRENCH BOMB RECOVERED IN THE AREA*

L-R: Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch, Founder/Chairman, Library of Viet Nam Project, Mr. Trang Van Sang,  
Chief of Police, Thanh Thang Village, B2 Hamlet, Thanh Thang Village, Can Tho City, Vietnam

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APRIL 2, 2004



A meeting of  
**FRANCIS J. ( CHUCK ) THEUSCH**  
With Rev JB Nguyen Cong Tu,  
From B2 Hamlet, Thanh Thang Village,  
Vinh Thanh District, CanThocity.  
April 2, 2004

Picture By  
Father Cong Tu

**From:**  
**Subject:** ACTION REPORT: Roland G Fontaine Library  
**Date:** Fri, 2 Apr 2004 21:55:38 -0600

**To:**

**CC:**

**Attachments:** 0

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Ted, Sue Trang all.

2 April I went to to work on our Roland G Fontaine Library

#### 1 MEETING

Present

- 1 ) Mr. Tang Van Sang, Chief of Police Thanh Thang Village  
Can Tho City
- 2 ) Father Nguyen Cong Tu, Patyor Thanh Tam Church (Sacred Heart  
Church in English)
- 3 ) Mr. Nguyen Anh, Vice-Chairman, People's Committee, Thanh Thang  
Village
- 4 ) Mr. Nguyen Trung Tan, Christianity Staff of Village
- 5 ) Mr. Pham Dinh Tan, Christianity Staff of Village
- 6 ) Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch, Chairman, LOVNP for Vietnam Veterans  
of Massachusetts, Rotary International and LOVNP
- 7 ) Mr Long, LOVNP Translator

#### 1 LOCATION OF PROJECT

- A) B2 Hamlet, Thanh Thang Village, Vinh Thanh District,  
Can Thi City
- B) Access is by Motorbike path along canal after crossing canal  
by ferry—12 KM
- C) On grounds of the parish
- D) Accessible to local population adults as well as students

#### 2.) DEMOGRAPHICS

- A) 3 churches in B2 Hamlet, served normally by 3 priests
- B) 1 Priest retired another is away, so Father Tu covers all
3. a busy guy
- C) 2 800 Adult Members total 3 parishes total
- d) Number of children to be advised
- e) 7 Hamlets with total population of 19,000
- 2 High Schools (15-18 yrs located 12 KM from this parish)
- 2 Secondary Schools (11-15 yrs)
- 7 Primary schools (k-11 yrs)
- f) Primary occupation is farming in this area

#### 3 ) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING



- a) I will prepare a draft document and send to Father Tu reflecting terms and conditions as discussed in our meeting and site visit
- b) He will take it to the People's Committee and Police Chief for their input, advice and consent
- C) The final document will then be prepared and executed in Vietnamese and English
- D) Goal is to have this all done by May 1, 2004

#### 4.) GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

##### a) COST: AMERICANS

\$13,000

(\$10,000 for construction, \$3,000 for furniture, shelves, books and computer/Internet)

##### VIETNAMESE/LOCAL PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE AND PARISH

Land

Site preparation

Labor

Utilities

Ongoing Security, administration and operation

##### b) DESIGN:

I gave them a copy of our small project, Worley/Nguyen/Theusch Library, Nui Thanh District, Quang Nam Province, VN as sample. We are flexible on the design however. They will produce drawings of the proposal for review. Generally, I do not get stuck on this point in the "Small Dream" Projects, only on the mandatory prototype large \$35,000 District Library Centers which must be true to our original Architectural Signature

##### c) ECONOMIC CONTRACT MANDATORY TERMS FOR BUILDER

\*3 bids to be solicited

\*Eligible builders must produce evidence of having all applicable licences and endorsements required by Vietnamese Law, regulations and local customs

\*5% holdback by LOVNP of construction cost (i.e. \$500)

Payable one year after dedication as guaranty for quality and remedy of any construction defects that may surface in that time.

\*Payments as follows:

30% completion \$3,000

60% completion 3,000

Dedication 3,500

Gauranty, 1 yr later 500

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Total \$10,000

\*Construction must be in full compliance with all National, Provincial, District and local Laws, regulations, codes and customs for construction of this size, type and use

D) ACCREDITATION: (Please read this and advise your desires, this is draft only)

PLAQUE:

{ENGLISH & VIETNAMESE}

Large Print

THIS LIBRARY IS DEDICATED IN THE MEMORY OF ROLAND G. FONTAINE, AMERICAN, IN THE SPIRIT OF PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE VIETNAMESE AND AMERICAN PEOPLES THAT HIS LIFE INSPIRES THROUGH VIETNAM VETERANS OF MASSACHUSETTS AND ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

[Dedication date]  
(small print)  
LOVNP LOGO  
A NEW DAWN  
Library of Vietnam Project

#### 5) GENERAL TIMELINE

- A) May 1, 2004 Complete MOU
- B) June 1, 2004 Complete Bid process/Contractor selection
- C) June 15, 2004 Commence Construction
- D) July 15, 2004 30% Payout
- E) August 15, 2004 60% Payout
- F) September 1, 2004 \$3,000 outfitting payment
- F) September 15, 2004 Completion, Dedication, Final Payment less 5% holdback

#### 6) OTHER MATTERS

- A) Computer purchase must be from bonafide dealer with technical support and warranty enforcement capabilities
- B) Father Tu and local officials will provide booklist and make purchase of initial stocks of books
- C) We will engage in ongoing support, enhancement and operation of the library
- D) We will send English language books and English Literacy Education material as our solicitation results in USA allow
- E) The 2 golden keys go the future will be stressed as the library grows and is used: English Literacy and Computer Literacy

#### 7) SOME FINAL NOTES

Mr. Sang (The chief of Police) fought in Cambodia and Vietnam, VC, and speaks Cambodian. He will be a truly good friend to the Memory of Roland G. Fontaine, the Vietnam Veterans of Massachusetts, Rotary and LOVNP. The other officials will be too.

*FUN FACT:* There is a bell hanging in the school yard not far from the church and close the Library Site—it is the nose of a French bomb recovered in that area. We rang this bell together, the Chief of Police and I. Thus we have our theme for the Roland G. Fontaine Library: "FROM BOMBS TO BELLS, ROLAND G. FONTAINE'S LIBRARY RINGS IN A NEW DAWN!" I have pictures of us doing this and will be sending them.

Take pride in what all of you are doing!  
MOre to follow

SAIGON,  
APRIL 3, 2004

Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch,  
Founder/Chairman Library of Viet Nam Project



**USA-GIO LINH LIBRARY,  
GIO LINH DISTRICT, QUANG TRI PROVINCE  
MID-CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION, REVIEW AND WORKERS' PARTY**



*Site Inspection: The Gio Linh Library mid-construction review and contract modification meetings  
March 29, 2004*



*Workers' Party for the guys who build our libraries, with bonus payment  
March 29, 2004*

It is our standard practice to have a quality control inspection and construction progress review at about the mid-point of construction on each building. We did that at Gio Linh District Library, Quang Tri Province. Some new matters arose that we addressed in a meeting with the People's Committee attended by Ross Worley, CEO of Wall-Ties & Forms, Inc. and member of the LOVNP Board, Chuck Theusch, Henry Laurent of Wall-Ties & Forms, Inc. and Tran Dinh Song, LOVNP In-Country Representative:

- 1.) Movement of electrical service outside the building was proposed due to access needs.
- 2.) A different type of door design on the front was approved.
- 3.) An extra expenditure of \$500 was approved to add water service and a water taken away from the building and aesthetically placed.
- 4.) Due primarily to the increased cost of steel, brought to our attention by the contractor and confirmed by Ross Worley who happens to be in the construction business, an increase of \$3,000 over the contract bid figure was proposed.

We agreed to the foregoing modifications. The total adjusted cost of construction is up from \$25,000 to \$28,500. The local people's committee will pay 1/3 of the increase, \$1,165. The LOVNP will pay 2/3 of the increase, \$2,335.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) Modification must be in writing and has been completed and signed.
- 2.) Payment #3, due May 15, is \$4,500.
- 3.) Payment of \$5,000 (Furniture, Shelves, Books, Computer) is due June 1, 2004.
- 4.) Final construction payment of \$13,535 is due June 15, 2004.
- 4.) Quality Guarantee Holdback of \$1,300 is payable 1 year from dedication.
- 5.) WE NEED SPONSOR
- 6.) Set Dedication

THEUSCH LIBRARY, PHO THUAN SCHOOL  
DUC PHO DISTRICT, QUANG NGAI PROVINCE  
STATUS VISIT AND THANK YOU LUNCH



L-R: Le Viet Hung, Headmaster, Pho Thuan School  
and his brother at brother's restaurant, Duc Pho.  
A toast to the US ARMY!  
March 29, 2004



Ross and the happy students  
at Theusch Library Balcony  
overlooking Highway 1  
March 29, 2004

In keeping with our philosophy and promise that we will always be there to help in the ongoing care and improvement of our Libraries, we stopped to visit the original library, as we have many times in the past, to see how they are doing. They are doing great!

- 1.) They have English language books and lessons.
- 2.) They have Physics experiment kits they obtained from Hanoi.
- 3.) The headmaster is working to getting this Library certified as a "National Standard Library," special recognition for libraries meeting specified standards.

WHAT'S NEXT:

- 1.) Delivery of more books in September.
- 2.) Raise \$450 for an additional librarian and weekend hours opening.
- 3.) Payment of \$5,000 (Furniture, Shelves, Books, Computer) is due June 1, 2004.
- 4.) Return in September.

## MY LAI MEMORIAL VISIT AND THANK YOU VISIT SON MY, QUANG NGAI PROVINCE



FRANCIS J. (CHUCK) THEUSCH AND MS. TRAN THI ANH THU, GUIDE  
MY LAI MEMORIAL MARCH 27, 2004

We have always visited My Lai in the belief that the events there of March 16, 1968 are best dealt with in a straight forward way. Also, that regardless of views, the good hearts of American soldiers and citizens need to be known, the spirit of generosity and love of peace that is so much the hallmark of all Americans must not be forgotten because of My Lai.

Our central theme as set out on our mission statement holds true:

**"OUT OF THE PAIN AND ANGUISH OF THE PAST MAY WE FORGE THE KEYS TO NEW HORIZONS OF PEACE AND PROSPERITY BETWEEN THE VIETNAMESE AND AMERICAN PEOPLES."**

We are grateful for the recognition given our project by the officials there.

### WHAT'S NEXT:

- 1.) Continued visits.
- 2.) Support for upkeep and repairs at the site.
- 3.) Leave more of our literature for distribution there.

## HUE MEDICAL COLLEGE THUA-THIEN HUE PROVINCE ACTIVITY & LIBRARY SUPPORT CONFERENCE



L-R: Ross Worley, Henry Laurent, Chuck Thetsch  
and Dr. Chuong, Hue Medical College Library Director  
March 29, 2004



Training Program at Hue Medical  
College Library by Save The Children  
March 29, 2004

Our meeting with Dr. Chuong at Hue Medical College was short but very productive. He detailed needs:

- 1.) Transcription of Medical Education Tapes to DVD format.
- 2.) Additional computers.
- 3.) Blood Pressure Cuffs (preferably old type).
- 4.) Electronic Library.
- 5.) Telemedicine program.
- 6.) Medical Books, 2000 or later copyright only.

### WHAT'S NEXT:

- 1.) Ross Worley, Henry Laurent, and Nguyen Huong brought 30 tapes for conversion to DVD to the USA.
- 2.) A plan for getting the remaining 285 tapes to the USA for conversion must be developed.
- 3.) Books and periodicals solicitation through medical associations and institutions in US.
- 4.) Fundraising for Computers, Electronic Library.
- 5.) Explore potential for telemedicine program.

**CAM LO DISTRICT, QUANG TRI PROVINCE  
INITIAL MEETING AND PROPOSED SITE REVIEW**



Location at the beginning of the new Ho Chi Minh Highway, near the museum and original headquarters of the National Liberation Front  
April 9, 2004



The Librarian on her motorbike  
at Cam Lo site

April 9, 2004

We made our first visit to Cam Lo District, Quang Tri Province. The 6th library of the 9 Districts/Towns of Quang Tri Province will be built there upon raising the money. At the crossroads of Highway 9 and the new Ho Chi Minh Highway, this is directly across the street from the headquarters of the old National Liberation Front. It is just south of the 17th parallel. A great place for an American library built with the advice and support of Vietnamese.

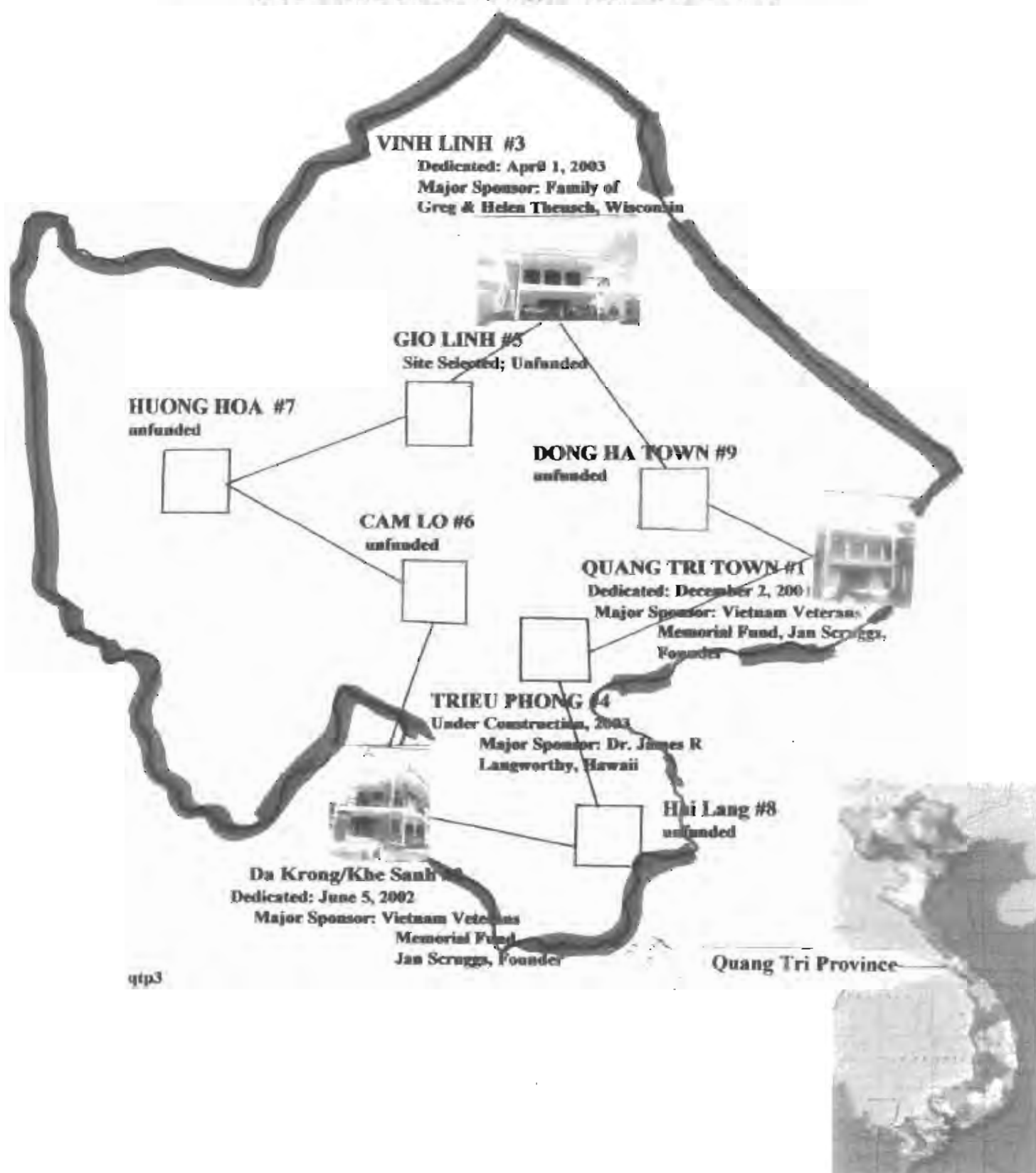
**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) Raise \$35,000 for this project.
- 2.) Prepare Memorandum of Understanding.
- 3.) Set up timeline for completion the construction.

# LIBRARY OF VIET NAM PROJECT

## QUANG TRI LIBRARY & LEARNING CENTER

### SYSTEM NATIONAL PROTOTYPE





**QUANG TRI TOWN, QUANG TRI PROVINCE  
QUANG TRI HIGH SCHOOL INITIAL PROPOSAL**



**FRANCIS J. (CHUCK) THEUSCH AND MS. VO THI HOA MAI,  
CHAIRMAN, PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE, QUANG TRI TOWN  
April 9, 2004**

In a chance meeting at a restaurant with Ms. Vo we had a chance to discuss at length the Oconomowoc High School, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, USA project at Vinh Linh High School, Vinh Linh District, Quang Tri Province. She endorsed the whole High School to High School idea and so now we have another project ready for funding through Quang Tri Town High School.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) Find a USA High School to partner with Quang Tri Town High School.
- 2.) Prepare a blueprint for High School partner programs based on the Oconomowoc High School prototype
- 3.) Do a Memorandum of Understanding with Quang Tri Town High School for the project.
- 4.) Raise the \$5,000, the project amount.

# VINH LINH DISTRICT, QUANG TRI PROVINCE THEUSCH LIBRARY, FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENT



L-R: Trun Dinh Song, In-Country Rep, LOVNP, Vo Thi Hoa Mai, Chairman, Quang Tri Town, Chuck, Mr. Ai Contractor for 3 libraries in Quang Tri Province  
April 8, 2004



Wall Display, Mr. Ai, Contractor's House, with the 3 libraries he has built for LOVNP  
April 8, 2004

Our one year review of the Theusch Library, Vinh Linh District was due. The Library is very well run and the building has had absolutely no problems at all. Thus, it was time to pay the final balance of the Warranty Holdback, 5% of the \$25,000 construction price, that is \$1,250. Mr. Ai, the contractor has done wonderful work on all 3 libraries he has built: Quang Tri Town, Vinh Linh, and Trieu Phong. We hope to do more business with him in the future.

## WHAT'S NEXT?

- 1.) Plan for a book shipment in September.
- 2.) Continued follow up and support.

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Library of Viet Nam  
P R O J E C T

8 April 2004

Rec'd \$1,250 USD payment of  
5% guaranty hold back on  
construction contract for the Phuc  
Vinh Linh Library, Vinh  
Linh District Quang Tri, Viet Nam  
Economic Contract now paid  
in full

LIBRARY OF VIETNAM PROJECT  
DATE PAID  
MST

Nguyễn Duy An

NUTTHANH DISTRICT, QUANG NAM PROVINCE  
WORLEY/ENGELKEN/NGUYEN LIBRARY



Ross Worley and Chuck Theusch made a quick stop at the Library built in 2003 by Ross Worley, Orval Engelken and Nguyen Binh in Quang Nam Province. Originally, we changed sites as officials assured us new schools and a cultural center would be going up near the final library site. We stopped this trip and sure enough the new buildings are under way. While the library was closed, as it was late on Saturday when we got there, it was clear peering through the windows that this library is being well used.

WHAT'S NEXT:

- 1.) Plan book shipment.
- 2.) Get new pictures showing how they've continued to build on the grounds.
- 3.) Library enhancement funding, \$100 in September.

**BAC GIANG BOARDING SCHOOL  
& LIBRARY/LEARNING CENTER FOR THE BLIND  
NEEDS ASSESSMENT & FEASIBILITY CONFERENCE**



Blind Children with kissing bears brought over from Kansas City  
by Ross Worley, Henry Laurent and Nguyen Huong



L-R: Nguyen Thu Huong and her sister, Hang  
passing out notebooks to headmaster at the Blind  
School

March 30, 2004



Site for proposed Boarding School  
and Library Learning Center,  
for the Blind

March 30, 2004

Our second visit to the Blind School in Bac Giang Province just North of Hanoi, about an hour by car, was productive in that it produced a specific proposal with a marvelous opportunity for donors to really accomplish something special here. We will now set out to get this done. Following is an outline of the proposal.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) Raise \$35,000 for this project.
- 2.) Prepare Memorandum of Understanding.
- 3.) Set up timeline for completion the construction.

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# Library of Viet Nam P R O J E C T

## **LIBRARY OF VIET NAM PROJECT PROJECT PROPOSAL OUTLINE**

### **BAC GIANG BOARDING SCHOOL & LIBRARY/LEARNING CENTER FOR THE BLIND**

#### **I. NAME**

**BAC GIANG PROVINCE BLIND SCHOOL  
BOARDING SCHOOL & LIBRARY LEARNING CENTER  
FOR THE BLIND**

#### **II. LOCATION:**

**BAC GIANG PROVINCE, SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM**

#### **III. CONTACTS:**

**Richard Bahlkey  
Kees Van Den Berk  
Nguyen Thu Huong**

#### **IV. DEMOGRAPHICS:**

- \* 1,345,000,000 People**
- \* Approximately 2,000 Blind Students**
- \*No dedicated blind children's residence/school/library & learning center**

#### **V. CURRENT CONDITIONS:**

- 1) 1 Classroom for 20 students in the Veterans of the War Complex**
- 2) 1 sleeping room**
- 3) No library**
- 4) Used notebooks only**

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Web Site: libraryofvietnam.org

## **VI. PROPOSED STRUCTURE:**

### **1) 23m x 57m 2 Story New Structure set up as follows:**

**4 rooms with living area for 40 children each**

**2 10 boys each**

**2 10 girls each**

**2 Classrooms**

**1 Primary Learning Level**

**1 Secondary Learning Level**

### **2) Existing Adjacent Building**

**1 Room Library**

**1 Room Administrator/Teacher's Office**

**1 Room Teacher's Quarters/Food Preparation**

## **VII. BUDGET OUTLINE**

<b>1) New Structure</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>
<b>2) Existing Structure</b>	<b>3,000</b>
<b>3) Shelves, Furniture, Books</b>	<b>4,000</b>
<b>Computer/Internet</b>	
<b>4) Overhead/Contingency</b>	<b>3,000</b>

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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$35,000</b>
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## **VIII. PROPOSED CONTRIBUTION:**

### **AMERICAN:**

<b>Construction</b>	<b>\$28,000</b>
<b>Outfitting</b>	<b>4,000</b>
<b>Overhead/Contingency</b>	<b>3,000</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,000</b>

**Ongoing Support and improvement as fundraising efforts in USA allow**

### **VIETNAMESE**

**Land**

**Site Preparation**

**Utilities during construction**

**Site Security**

**Post Dedication Security & Utilities**

**Operation, Management, and Administration**

**Costs beyond American Grant**

## IX. NOTES:

- \*The residential facilities for the children are patterned after the Village of Hope Orphanage physical plant in Da Nang—a very successful program both in terms of physical space, maintenance, and living arrangements
- \*Construction will specifically include improved electrification and lighting
- \*Outfitting will include electronic sound systems, a music library and sound books
- \*American side will seek a specific sponsoring organization for ongoing support and contribution on, say, a yearly basis
- \*Oversight capabilities are especially strong here as we have volunteers Richard Balkey of Germany, and Kees Van Den Berk of the Netherlands who already donate time and effort to these children and Nguyen Thu Huong, of Hanoi, executive Assistant for Wall-Ties, Inc. who brought this opportunity to ~~presentation~~
- \*This facility will be listed as a Suggested Visitor's Destination for travelers wishing to see the LOVNP in action, especially accessible the location being just an hour from Hanoi

## THIS PROPOSAL PREPARED BY:

Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch  
Founder/Chairman, Library of Viet Nam Project

## WITH THE ADVICE OF:

Ross W. Worley, CEO, Wall-Ties, Inc., USA  
Nguyen Thu Huong, Executive Assistant, VN  
Kees Van Den Berk, Volunteer, Holland  
Richard Balkey, Volunteer, Germany  
Local Office, Bac Giang Province

Construction  
Current Conditions  
Needs Assessment  
Needs Assessment  
Feasibility

  
Francis J. (Chuck) Theusch

Milwaukee, April 16, 2004



## QUẢNG NINH



H. Lục Nam:  
52 Xã Tiên Hưng  
53 Xã Cường Sơn  
54 Xã Khám Lạng  
55 Xã Đan Hội  
H. Lục Ngạn:  
56 Xã Phú Diễn  
H. Sơn Động:  
57 Xã Chiên Sơn

**VILLAGE OF HOPE ORPHANAGE, DA NANG, BIRTHDAY POOL PARTY  
WITH THE ORPHANS BY THE "AMERICAN FATHERS"  
SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2004**



L-R: Our Children, Thach, Hoa, Be, K Hoa, T Hoa  
Front: Phuong, Temple in Hoi An  
March 28, 2004



Phuong Dances the Geisha Dance  
at the Birthday Party  
March 28, 2004

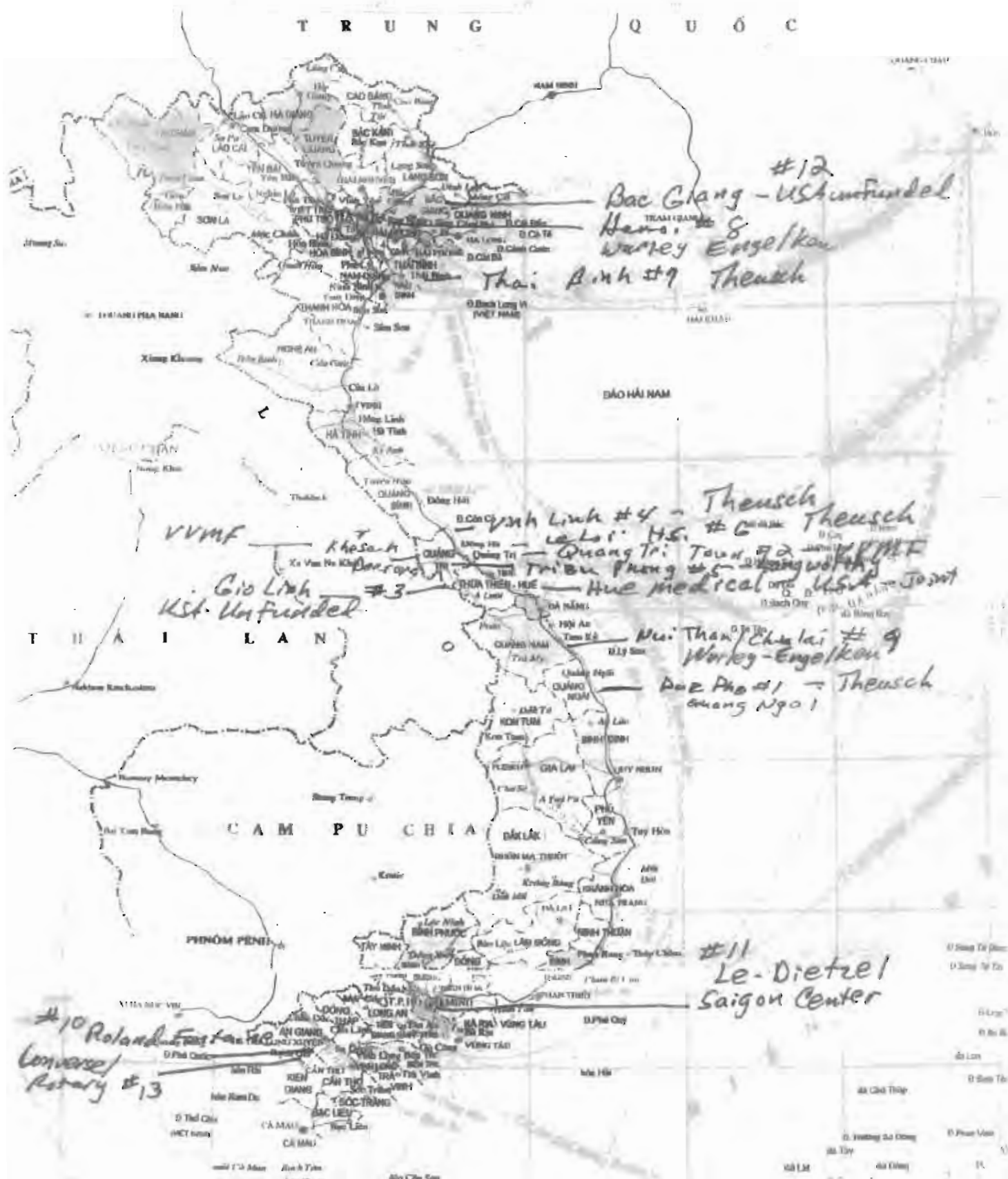


ICE CREAM ALL AROUND, AMERICAN FATHERS, ORPHANS, TEACHERS AND  
CHAPERONES, HOI AN, MARCH 28, 2004

The sponsorship of 6 orphans from Village of Hope Orphanage has been the greatest joy of the many that are the Library of Vietnam Project experience. We had a birthday party for the 6 kids we sponsor and the pool party was a blast. Our hope is to expand this sponsorship concept, possibly to the Blind school in Bac Giang.

**WHAT'S NEXT**

- 1.) Assemble adoption processes information, fee schedule and timeline.
- 2.) Prepare plan for other sponsorships.



***LAOS***

**PAKSE CITY, CHAMPASSAK PROVINCE, LAOS  
WORLEY/ENGELKEN LIBRARY DEDICATION  
MARCH 23, 2004**



L-R: Henry Laurent, Brent Worley, Ross Worley  
Ms. Phi Thone, Librarian, Charles Engelken  
at Blessing and well wish for happiness ceremony  
March 23, 2004



L-R: Charles Engelken, Sinkes Terry  
Koudouangry, Vanh Vorachek, Ross  
Worley, Will Khamvongsa at the Library  
March 23, 2004

March, 2003 Ross Worley, CEO, Wall-Ties & Forms, Inc., Shawnee Kansas, with a group of us made our first trip to Laos for the Library Project. Almost one year to the day we attended the Dedication of the Worley/Engelken Library in Pakse, Champassak Province, Laos. With Charles and Ross were three of their Lao employees that Charles and Ross credit with much of their business success along with the work and loyalty of over 60 Lao families employed with their company.

The governor of Champassak made a brief but meaningful speech. Two poignant points:

1.) The architecture of the Worley/Engelken Library is American in its foundation and walls, with the Greco-Roman pillars and leaf reminiscent of US buildings in Washington, DC. It represents the solid foundation of American principles of education and learning for all and future Lao-American peace and cooperation. The top is Lao Architecture, representing the beauty of Lao Culture and Tradition. Together this building is a monument to a bright future for two great peoples working together.

2.) Addressing the Lao Americans who came for the event he thanked them for their role in creating a successful event with special meaning—Laos in America are encouraged to come home by the PDR Lao. They are welcome.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) Complete construction.
- 2.) Plan for first book shipment to Laos.
- 3.) Prepare completed Project Report after next trip
- 4.) Solicit finds for ongoing maintenance and support.



**WORLEY/ENGELKEN LIBRARY  
PAKSE, CHAMPASSAK PROVINCE, LAOS  
DEDICATED, MARCH 23, 2004**



*A HAPPY DAY IN LAOS  
WORLEY/ENGLEKEN LIBRARY DEDICATION  
MARCH 23, 2004*



**NONG HET DISTRICT, XIANG KHOANG PROVINCE, LAOS  
VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA/LAO HMONG AMERICAN LIBRARY  
PLANNING MEETING, APRIL 6, 2004**



L-R: Hmong in traditional dress, Chuck, Chairman  
Nong Het officials, Nong Het Near Site  
April 6, 2004



L-R: Meeting, Chuck, Nong Xay song,  
Deputy Director, Department of  
Publishing, Ministry of Information &  
Culture, Chairman of Nong Het, aide  
April 6, 2004

The VVA-Lao Hmong Library took off with meetings in Vientiane and Nong Het. The nature and tone of these discussions was truly cordial and the results were terrific right down to the issues of design and accreditation. Specifics:

- 1.) Budget remains \$35,000.
- 2.) Construction cost was adjusted upward \$2,000 from \$25,000 to \$27,000 on the American commitment.
- 3.) Nong Het will contribute \$10,000.
- 4.) The design will be based on the original Viet Nam Prototype, similar to the Engelken/Worley Library, Pakse, Laos. However there will be some changes made to reduce overall cost. Still, the general integrity of the buildings size and facade will be maintained.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

The timeline for the project:

- |                |  |
|----------------|--|
| A) May 1       | Send draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to Vientiane and Nong Het.                                |
| B) May 31      | Completed MOU.   |
| C) June 15     | Contractor Bid process and selection completed.  |
| D) June 30     | MOU Signing Ceremony, Vientiane. News and Radio coverage.  |
| E) July 1      | First installment due \$8,100  |
| F) September 1 | 2nd Installment 8,100  |
| G) October 15  | Outfitting 5,000   |
| H) November 15 | 3rd Installment 9,450 (10,800 balance less 5% Guaranty Holdback of \$1,350 due 1 year from Dedication) |



**PEUIKAO VILLAGE, SAVANNAKET PROVINCE, LAOS  
FULLER US ARMY SPECIAL FORCES HOSPITAL LIBRARY  
MID-CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS & QUALITY CONTROL INSPECTION  
MARCH 24, 2004**



**Buddhist Blessing of the Project**

**March 24, 2004**



**Construction Site, Note the frame:  
Old Hospital is move in tact to the rear.  
March 24, 2004**



**OUR GANG**

Doug Fuller of Kansas City is the sponsor of this wonderful \$5,000 "Small Dream" Project. The local people have preserved the frame of the US Army Special Forces constructed hospital and moved it in tact to the rear of the grounds. Incredibly, they will be using it as the frame for a new small hospital and clinic to be built!! This little building is a monument to the American Tradition of peace on earth good will toward men.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) May 15 Payment of second installment \$2,500.
- 2.) June 15 Completion of Building.
- 3.) June 30 Meeting, final accounting, and Dedication.

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**KEAN VILLAGE, SAVANNAKET PROVINCE, LAOS  
USA-NETTAVONG SCHOOL/LIBRARY PROJECT  
MID-CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS & QUALITY CONTROL INSPECTION  
MARCH 24, 2004**



*Ross Worley on the library site*

March 24, 2004



*The School adjacent to the Library also being completed and improved*

March 24, 2004



**"WE'RE BUILDING A LIBRARY"**

Mudame Kongdeuane Nettavong, General Director of the National Library of Laos, personally paid to build a school in this village because she learned they have a particular love of education. She ran out of money after building a roof without walls, so now we are joining with her to build out the school and to add a library on the end of the school. Like all our projects, this one has its own special story to it.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) We are looking for a donor for this project: \$5,000.
- 2.) May 15 Payment of second installment \$2,500.
- 3.) June 15 Completion of Building.
- 4.) June 30 Meeting, final accounting, and Dedication.

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**PHONSAVAN, XIANG KHOANG PROVINCE, LAOS  
LIBRARY RENEWAL PROJECT MEETING  
APRIL 7, 2004**



1.) 10,000 Lao Volumes.

- 2.) Hours: 8-12, 1:30-4 M-F.
- 3.) English books including National Geographic.
- 4.) Needs Paint and General cleanup
- 5.) Has VERY GOOD DIRECTOR AND LIBRARIAN

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) Put on list for books shipments in September.
- 2.) Budget: \$5,000
  - A) 500 Copier
  - B) \$1,500 Paint and repair
  - C) \$1,500 Training of Librarians re: Administration and Computer use
  - D) \$192 1 year increased hours: \$16 USD (160,000k) @ mo to open Saturdays and Sundays.
  - E) \$1,000 Lao books In-Country
- 3.) Have Renewal Dedication set and plaque for donor.



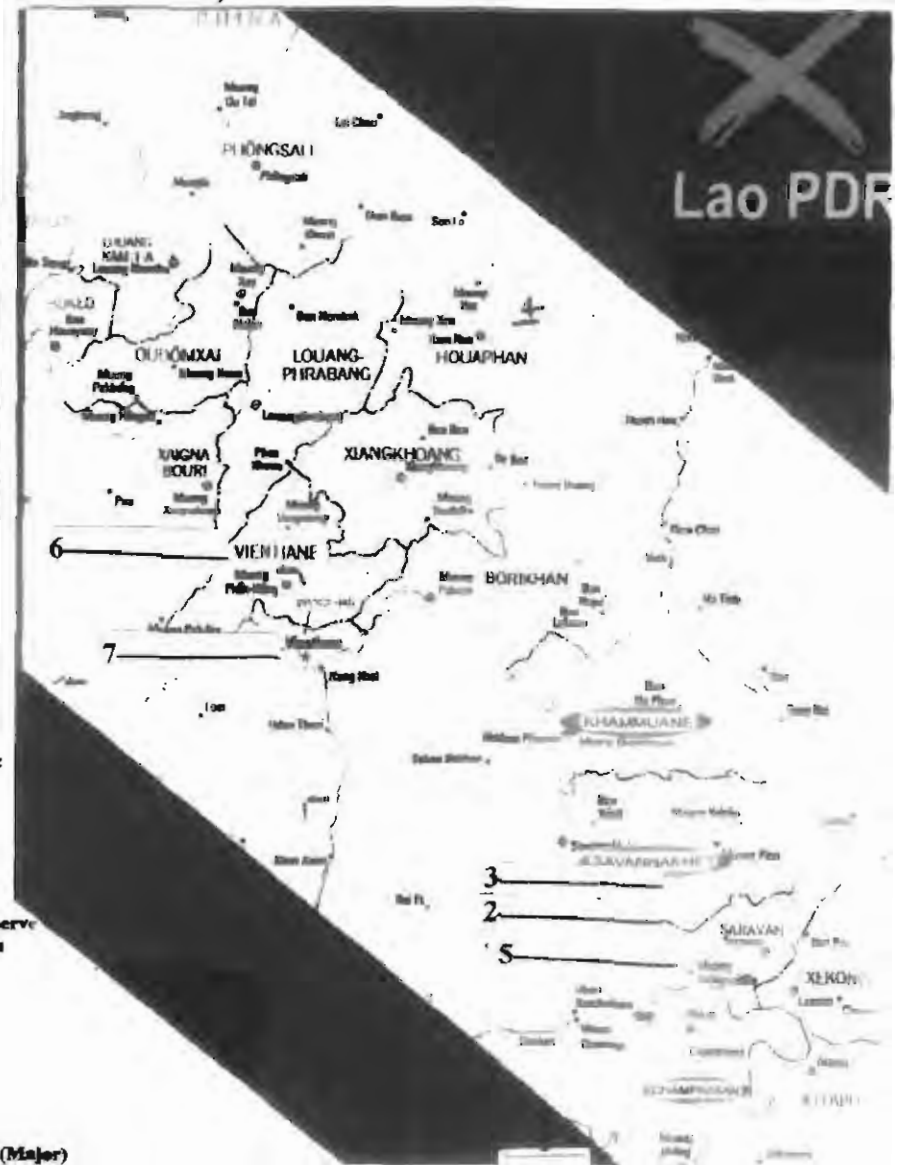
Mr. Neng Naysang with English Book  
at Phonsavan Library at the Plain  
of Jars, Xiang Khoang Province

April 7, 2004

less than successful we went there. This is a  
a 5 year process between 1992 and 1997.  
the administration, maintenance, and

# LIBRARY OF LAOS PROJECT MAP

## JANUARY, 2004



- 1.) **Engelen-Worley Library #1 (Major)**  
Palace, Champasak Province  
Memorandum of Understanding Signed:  
April 9, 2003 AD, 2546 BE  
Construction: Dec. 2003-March, 2004  
Dedication: March, 2004
- 2.) **Small Dream #1**  
Penticoe Thai Village, Saravali Province  
Abandoned US Hospital, Facility also to serve  
Khokpung, Thapkhair & Nadong Villages  
Construction: Jan-Mar, 2004  
Dedication: March, 2004
- 3.) **"Small Dream #2"**  
Kean Village, Savannakhet Province  
Construction: Jan-Mar, 2004  
Dedication: March, 2004
- 4.) **VVA/Lao Hmong American Library #4 (Major)**  
Nong Het, Xiangkhouang Province  
Contract: April, 2004  
Construction: July-October, 2004 2547BE  
Dedication: December, 2004
- 5.) **Proposed Library #3 (Major)**  
Khongxodon, Saravali Province  
Funding Pending
- 6.) **Proposed Library #4 (Major)**  
Phon Mi, Vientiane Province  
Funding Pending
- 7.) **Proposed Small Dream #3**  
Saysathia District, Phon Thantjai Village  
Vientiane Capitol

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(MAJOR: \$35,000, SMALL DREAM \$5,000-15,000)

***CAMBODIA***

**PHNOM PENH, CAMBODIA**  
**FIRST TRIP TO CAMBODIA, MEETING WITH BERNIE KRISHER, FOUNDER**  
**OF CAMBODIA SCHOOLS**  
**APRIL 1, 2004**



**MEETING AT THE INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL, PHNOM PENH**  
**APRIL 1, 2004**

Thanks to Ed Baehrach of Chicago, we were introduced to Bernie Krisher, Founder of Cambodia Schools, and a lot of other great ideas. We met him in Phnom Penh and he was so kind as to introduce us to his staff. Over dinner that night and breakfast the next morning we were briefed on his monumental humanitarian efforts in Cambodia.

He has built 230 schools there. After reviewing our Project we are honored to have received his endorsement and offer of support in real terms. Thus, the stage is set for us to build our first library in Cambodia.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**

- 1.) Mr. Krisher has suggested a site near his 1st school in Ratakiri Province. We'll go there.
- 2.) Obtain a donor to fund the first Project at \$35,000 and act as Founder of the Library of Cambodia Project, complementing Ross Worley in Laos and Chuck Theusch in Vietnam.
- 3.) Upon funding, with Mr. Krisher's advice and support, do site visit and meet the officials.

PHNOM PENH, CAMBODIA  
S-21 PRISON TUOL SENG MUSEUM  
FORMERLY TUOL SVAY PREY HIGH SCHOOL.  
APRIL 1, 2004



This was Pol Pot's Kmer Rouge Prison, Torture Chamber and Execution Quarters from 1976 to 1978, while the West slept. The ultimate experiment in Communism and the ideology of the left, it is the ultimate example of a bankrupt philosophy taken to its logical bloody end. We are all equal when we are dead...

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