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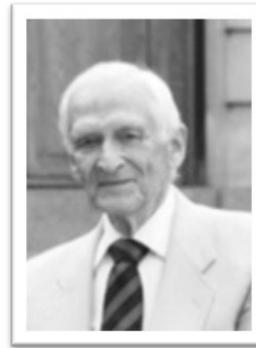
**Performance Awards,
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P R O G R A M

October 6, 2012

Ritchie Community League Hall

Dr. Clarence Preitz



One of the most well-loved U of A Professors in his time, Dr. Clarence Preitz has touched many lives of Thai students and visiting scholars for the past 40 years as thesis supervisor, teacher, counselor and friend. Well respected and affectionately known as “Grandpa”, Dr. Preitz contributed to higher education in Thailand through his teaching and his guidance in various university projects. Since 2003, he has served as ATA’s Treasurer for 7 years, and subsequently as member of the Advisory Council. His long-standing and exemplary contribution to the local Thai community, Alberta Thai Association, and Thailand highly deserves recognition.

2012 ATA’s Scholarship is named:

Boon-oom and Banyong Gosinet Scholarship

Recipient: Tonchanok Intapasert

Tonchanok Intapasert's curriculum vitae is listed in the high school graduates section.

Anan and Lily Kaewmongkol



Ajahn Anan Kaewmongkol was among the earliest group of Thai immigrants to Edmonton and has been an ATA member since its inception. In fact he is one of the founding members of the Association. He has served ATA in various capacities which include Vice President,

Treasurer, and member of the Advisory Council. He and his wife, Lily have been helping the Thai Pavilion by making the popular fried bananas in the food section for many years. Their service to the Thai community has been exemplary and fully deserves recognition. ATA wishes to gratefully recognize Khun Anan and Khun Lily's services to ATA and the Thai community with a plaque of appreciation.

Brian Massie



Brian Massie has been an instrumental part of our community, and has been volunteering at the Thai Heritage Festival Pavilion for almost a decade. His sense of humour, positive attitude, know-how and high standard of work ethics have made him a great role model for all volunteers. He has attended every Heritage Festival day and pre-festival set-up each year, and has been present

from early first openings to tent close-ups every night. In 2011, he virtually handled all support duties single-handedly. Without Brian's volunteer activities, the support and maintenance duties would have been extremely more taxing, and in fact may not have been done. His contribution is therefore a major factor in the string of annual awards and the success of the Thai Pavilion at the Heritage Festival for the past several years.

Master of Ceremonies

Maurice Rousseau and Ruenrudee Mapol

Welcome and Introductions

Jitra Kriangkum, ATA President

Greetings from the Edmonton Royal Thai Consulate General

Mr. Dennis Anderson, Honourary Consul General

Presentation of Performance Awards

High School Graduation Awards

University Graduation Awards

Sports Performance Awards

Presentation of Recognition Awards

Presentation of Boon-oom and Banyong Gosinet Scholarship

Performance Awards

Graduation Awards

The Graduation Awards honour those members or their children who have graduated from university, college or high school.

High School Graduate with Excellent Academic Achievements

Tonchanok Intaprasert



Tonchanok (Can) Intaprasert received her high school diploma along with an Honours With Distinction standing and the Distinguished Service Award from Harry Ainlay HS. She was actively involved in student life as chair for the school's "Dodgeball for Darfur" event, raising over \$6900 for War torn regions of Darfur. She also consistently promoted youth initiatives and fundraisers such as "Free the Children" (Me2We) and acted as the Student Union's Vice-

president. Can also recruited donors as the captain for the school's blood drive, as well as leading the Junior High Leadership Conference (JHLC) and grade 10 orientation day. Her interests also extended into sports and community, being the co-chair organizing the annual high school volleyball tournament (TVT) as well as volunteering at the Good Samaritan Society Seniors Home and the Derrick Figure Skating Club.

Can is in her first year at the Faculty of Science at the U of A, Augustana Campus and is the recipient of 2012 ATA's Boon-oom and Banyong Gosinet Scholarship.

Recognition Awards

Recognition awards honour either members or non-members who provides exemplary service to the Alberta Thai Association, the local Thai community or the Thai community-at-large.

Boon-oom and Banyong Gosinet



Almost 50 years ago Ajahn Boon-oom Gosinet was one of the first Thais to come to Edmonton as a student. Subsequently, he and his wife Banyong decided to make Edmonton their home, and in 1984, with a few other Thai friends, founded the Alberta Thai Association. Ajahn

Boon-oom became its first President and served in that capacity for many terms during which he initiated many programs and activities that have benefited the Association and the Thai community tremendously. His home became a meeting place, not just for the ATA Board members, but for any Thais who loved good Thai food and drinks and wonderful camaraderie. He was looked upon as "Kam Nun" or "Headsman" of the Thai community and he always had time for anyone who needed help or advice, or just a good company to be with. His wife, Banyong, has assisted the Association in various capacities, including Communication Director and Activity Director. She is a gentle and kind lady, and most importantly for their Thai friends, a wonderful cook. Both of them are the true pillars of our Thai community. ATA wishes to express its deep gratitude to them for their tireless service to the Association and to the Thai community as a whole, by making them Life Honourary Members and engraving Ajahn Boon-oom's name on the ATA Presidents' plaque as the founding President. In addition, the scholarship for this inaugural year has been named: Boon-oom and Banyong Gosinet Scholarship.

Sports Performance Awards

Sport Performance Awards recognize members in the community who are active in sports and have achieved one or more of the top three standings at local, national or international competitions.

Pamela Kriangkum



Pamela Kriangkum competes in Trampoline at national and international levels. She was a recipient of the City of Edmonton's Sports Performance Awards, winning gold for the Alberta Women's Team at the 2011 Canadian Gymnastics Championships. She has just been named to the Canadian Senior National Team, and will be representing Canada at the Pan American Championships taking place in Mexico this upcoming November. Pamela is an undergraduate student majoring in Physical Education at the University of Alberta.

Bobby Kriangkum



Bobby Kriangkum competes in artistic gymnastics at national and international levels. He was named to Team Canada in his Age-Group level, and stayed on the team until he was at a Junior Elite level. He represented Thailand at the 2011 World Championships in Tokyo at the Senior Elite level and also at the 2012 Pacific Rim Championships. Bobby studies Business at Grant MacEwan University.

High School Graduate

with Excellent Academic Achievements

Lapinda Chitnuyanondh



Lapinda Chitnuyanondh completed grade 12 in the International Baccalaureate program from Old Scona High School, graduating with honours. She also finished in the top 10% in the Michael Smith Science Challenge.

Lapinda has given her time to many organizations such as CapitalCare Grandview Nursing Home, Events Edmonton and Grey Nuns Hospital. She has also committed her time to school activities, being a member

of the curling team. She was a school representative for various charities, such as the Jeans for Teens campaign to collect and donate clothing for underprivileged children in Haiti. She was also the President of the Room to Read club at her school, raising funds to build educational infrastructures in third world countries.

Lapinda is currently in her first year undergraduate studies in the Faculty of Science at the University of Alberta. She is pursuing a major in Biological Sciences.

High School Graduates

John Boychuk



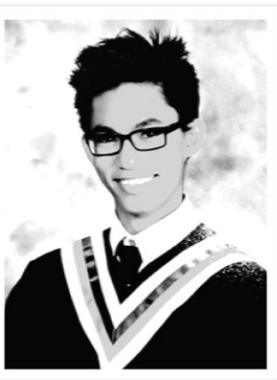
John Boychuk completed Grade 12 at McNally High School. He is currently taking a correspondence course and is planning to enrol in the culinary program at Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) next year. John likes to relax and play his drums in his free time. He enjoys cooking and gardening at home.

Lyll J. Carton



Lyll finished Grade 12 at Memorial Composite High School. He plans to be an electrician.

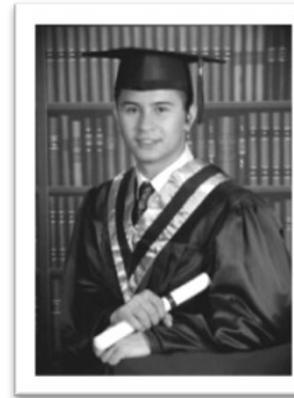
Joseph Kuspira



Joseph Kuspira graduated from Grade 12 at Louis St. Laurent and still undecided as to career options. Currently Joseph is employed as a stone counter-top installer's helper at PF Manufacturing. Joseph enjoys spending his days going to the gym or with friends.

High School Graduates

Buddy Nowicki



Buddy Nowicki completed Grade 12 at St. Francis Xavier High School. Buddy is currently a first year undergraduate student in the Faculty of Arts, University of Alberta and plans to major in business. He is also working part time at Maisson Simmons at West Edmonton Mall.

Buddy was selected to play hockey for the Alberta Cup team as a Bantam One, and is one of the best 160 players in the province in his age group. He has also played in various tournaments across Canada and the USA.

University Graduate

Dr. Wanapa Intaprasert



Dr. Wanapa Intaprasert received her PhD in Special Education last Spring from the Department of Educational Psychology, University of Alberta.

Dr. Intaprasert has been teaching at the Faculty of Education, Rajabhat Chiangmai University and is planning to continue her teaching and research career there.