

Raising Frogs for Food and Income in Thailand

In Ban Nong Luang, Mae Ramard, Tak, Pearl S. Buck Foundation Thailand (PSBFT) initiated a project to assist 53 families of sponsored children in providing substantial food and extra income for their households through the raising of frogs. The project aims to create jobs in the community and encourage children to develop life skills such as responsibility and caretaking.

The families of 13 sponsored children in Ban Nong Luang were chosen as pilot project families. PSBFT provided them with baby frogs and supplies as well as training on feeding and caring for the frogs. PSBFT staff made home visits to the families, giving them advice on raising the frogs and continuously monitoring the frog growth over the eight-month project.



working with others, and productive uses of their free time.

The project has been running for six months, and the sponsored children have enjoyed assisting their families in taking care of the frogs and even playing with them. The children and families find great satisfaction in frog raising. Thank you to everyone who supported this project and to all child sponsors, whose generosity changes the lives of children, families, and communities served by PSBFT and PSBI every day!



The initiative has achieved its intended goals. The families learned how to raise frogs, which can be eaten or sold for extra income. The initiative also created jobs for sponsored families in the community, allowing community members of all ages to learn and practice raising frogs. Children and teens will continue to learn responsibility,





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This September, Pearl S. Buck International will welcome Pearl S. Buck scholars, researchers, writers, and enthusiasts from around the globe to its international symposium, “Pearl S. Buck: Bridging Her Legacy into the Next 60 Years.” The symposium, which is being co-hosted by West Virginia University and Delaware Valley University, will take place September 26-28, 2024 on both the Pearl S. Buck Estate in Hilltown as well as Delaware Valley University in Doylestown.

2024 is the 60th anniversary of Pearl S. Buck International’s founding by Nobel and Pulitzer Prize-winning writer, humanitarian, and activist Pearl S. Buck. The symposium is part of the yearlong diamond anniversary celebration. It will feature panel discussions, speaker sessions, and social and networking opportunities. Guests will have the opportunity to take a curator-led tour of the Pearl S. Buck House National Historic Landmark Museum; meet educator and advocate Julie Henning at a book-signing for her autobiography, *A Rose in a Ditch*, which chronicles her story of being raised as Pearl Buck’s daughter; and get a first look at Pearl S. Buck International’s brand new virtual tour of the Pearl S. Buck House.

Three keynote talks will close out the symposium: “Pearl S. Buck’s Humanitarian Vision in War and Peace,” by David M. Crowe, Professor Emeritus of History & Law, Elon University and Presidential Fellow, Chapman University; Dr. Lu Zhangping, Ph.D., President of Zhenjiang Pearl S. Buck Research Association and Professor at Jiangsu University Library; and “Legacy and Impact of Pearl S. Buck in Korea,” Lee Jong Chan, Pearl S. Buck Memorial Hall.

This symposium is open to the public and tickets are on sale now through August 24. To purchase tickets, see the symposium schedule, and for more information, go to <https://pearlsbuckinternational.regfox.com/pearl-s-buck-international-symposium>.

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