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United Power Contributes to Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall Event

Donation to Help Foundation Put on Premier Event

THORNTON, Colorado – United Power, the rural electric cooperative that serve's Thornton's new growth areas, presented the Thornton Veterans Memorial Foundation with a \$500.00 contribution. This contribution will be used to help the Foundation bring the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall to the city during the annual Independence Day event.

Of all the war memorials, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial - *the Wall* - arguably invokes the strongest emotional reaction of any and it is the single most visited memorial in the country. The Foundation, working in conjunction with the city of Thornton, has arranged to bring a 3/5 scale version of the memorial to the city from July 3 to July 7, 2008. The Wall will be available for public viewing 24 hours a day on those dates at the multipurpose fields at the Margaret W. Carpenter Recreation Center (11151 Colorado Boulevard, Thornton, CO 80233).

This event would not be possible but for the generous contribution of United Power and other area businesses and organizations. As a "One Star Sponsor" of the event, United Power continues to demonstrate their commitment to not only the communities in which they operate but also to all servicemen and women and veterans.

The Foundation thanks United Power for their generous contribution to this event. We look forward to working with them and other area businesses, organizations and citizens on this extraordinary event.



**The Vietnam Traveling Memorial
Wall Will Be Coming to Thornton,
July 3 – 7, 2008**

Photo courtesy Welsh Photography

About United Power

United Power is a rural electric cooperative, providing electric service to homes and businesses throughout Colorado's northern Front Range. Their service territory extends from the mountains of Coal Creek and Golden Gate Canyon to the farmlands of Brighton, Hudson and Keenesburg. Surrounding Denver on three sides, United Power serves 800 square miles along the north central range of the Colorado Rockies. At the end of 2006, the cooperative served more than 60,000 meters representing more than 120,000 customers, and continues to grow by nearly 10% every year. Through careful management and constant improvements in technology, United Power demonstrates its commitment to providing economical, reliable power to their customers.

You can learn more about United Power on their website at www.unitedpower.com.

About the Thornton Veterans Memorial Foundation

Founded in 2005, the Thornton Veterans Memorial Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization established by citizens of Thornton, Colorado with the sole purpose of building and maintaining a veterans memorial. Our nation's veterans have served and protected the United States for 230 years. They have made sacrifices small and large, all to ensure the freedom of this great nation. A fitting and proper tribute within our city is a small way of showing our appreciation for their service. Privately funded and created, the Foundation endeavors to make this memorial a reality for the city, its citizens and all veterans.

The memorial will pay tribute to all veterans of the past, present and future. Located near the Thornton Recreation Center at 108th Avenue and Colorado Boulevard, the memorial will be centrally located and easily accessible from anywhere in the north metro area. The design, based on a five point star with each point representing each branch of military service, will be over 150 feet in diameter. A pentagon and five-sided obelisk will be in the center of the memorial with individual monuments for the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard surrounding it.

To learn more about the Foundation and the memorial project, please visit our website at <http://www.thorntonveteransmemorial.org>.