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The Object of Rotary

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster :

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business, and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

At a Glance

Source: the rotarian (May 2018) As of 31 January 2018

ROTARY

Members : 1,221,978
Clubs : 35,633

INTERACT

Members: 516,764
Clubs: 22,468

ROTARACT

Members: 249,895
Clubs: 10,865

RCCS

Members: 213,900
Corps: 9,723

Message from RI President

Ian H.S. Riseley, May 2018



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Rotary is a massive, and massively complex, organization. As this issue of *The Rotarian* goes to press, we have 1.2 million members in 35,633 clubs in nearly every country of the world. Hundreds of thousands of participants are involved in Rotary programs such as Rotaract, Interact, Youth Exchange, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, Rotary Community Corps, Rotary Peace Centers, and a host of local and Foundation-supported projects and programs at the national, district, and local levels. The name of Rotary is attached to countless projects every year, from blood banks to food banks, school sanitation to polio eradication. One hundred thirteen years after the first Rotary club was founded, Rotary service reaches literally around the globe.

What that service looks like on a daily and weekly basis can vary enormously by region, country, and club. Each club has its own history, priorities, and identity. It follows that the identity of Rotarians, and the purpose each Rotarian sees in his or her service, similarly has a great deal of variation. There's nothing wrong with that, as Rotary is by design a decentralized organization, intended to enable each Rotarian and each Rotary club to serve in the ways that suit them best.

Yet the diversity that makes us so strong can also pose challenges to our identity as an organization. It is no surprise that many people who have heard of Rotary still have little idea of what Rotary does, how we are organized, or why we exist at all. Even within Rotary, many

members have an incomplete understanding of our larger organization, our goals, or the scope and breadth of our programs. These challenges have significant implications, not only for our ability to serve most effectively, but also for the public image that is so essential to our ability to build our membership, partnerships, and service.

Several years ago, Rotary launched a serious effort across the organization to address these issues, developing tools to strengthen our visual and brand identity. Today, we are using those tools to develop our People of Action public image campaign, which showcases the ability that Rotary grants each of us to make a difference in our communities and beyond. Last June, your Rotary International Board of Directors voted to adopt a new vision statement, reflecting our identity and the single purpose that unites the diversity of our work.

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Wherever we live, whatever language we speak, whatever work our clubs are involved in, our vision is the same. We all see a world that could be better and that we can help to make better. We are here because Rotary gives us the opportunity to build the world we want to see – to unite and take action through Rotary: Making a Difference.

Ian H.S. Riseley
RI President 2017-18

On the Web

Speeches and news from RI President Ian H.S. Riseley at www.rotary.org/office-president

Message from RI President

Ian H.S. Riseley, June 2018



Dear fellow Rotarians,

For 60 years, choosing a theme has been the privilege, and sometimes the challenge, of each incoming president. Looking back on those past themes opens a small window into the thinking and the vision of each leader – how they saw Rotary, the place they saw for Rotary in the world, and what they hoped Rotary would achieve.

When my turn came to choose a theme, I did not hesitate. I knew immediately that our theme in 2017-18 would be Rotary: Making a Difference. For me, that small phrase describes not only what we do now, but what we aspire to do. We want to make a difference. We strive to help, to have an impact, to make the world a bit better.

Over the past two years, I have seen so many ways that Rotary is doing just that. In California, after the devastating wildfires last year, I saw Rotarians Making a Difference to those who had lost everything. In Guatemala, I saw the difference that simple wood stoves are making in the lives of women who had been cooking on open fires: They no longer breathe smoke when they cook, they spend less time gathering firewood, and they are using their stoves to start small businesses. In Israel, I visited a Rotary-supported hyperbaric center that is helping brain injury and stroke patients return to healthy, productive lives. In communities around the world, Rotarians are Making a

Difference by resettling refugees, immunizing children, ensuring a safe blood supply, and helping young people learn and thrive.

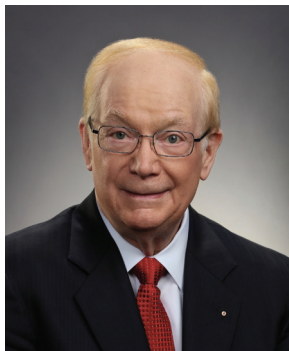
All over the world, I have been a part of Rotarians' commitment to planting trees. As this issue of The Rotarian goes to press, we are still awaiting the final count of trees planted, but I am delighted to announce that we have already far surpassed our original goal of 1.2 million trees, one new tree per Rotarian. And, all over the world, Rotary is continuing its advocacy, fundraising, and support for polio eradication. Last year, wild poliovirus caused only 22 cases of paralysis in only two countries. I am confident that soon that number will be zero, and we will begin a new phase in the timeline of eradication: counting down at least three years from the last sign of wild virus to the certification of a polio-free world.

As Juliet and I return home to Australia, we will bring warm memories of the places we have visited, the friends we have made, and the service we have seen. Thank you, all of you, for the tremendous work you are doing, through Rotary: Making a Difference.

Ian H.S. Riseley
RI President 2017-18

Message from the Foundation Chair

Paul A. Netzel, May 2018



Fifty percent of the world's population is under age 30. So it is important that we ask: What do young people want? Of course, every generation must ask this question. But it is also an important question for Rotary today, because our clubs must evolve if we are to best serve communities that, themselves, are evolving and changing all the time.

The World Economic Forum's recent Global Shapers Survey of more than 30,000 people under 30 from 186 countries offers some useful insights.

A majority of the respondents view climate change and conflict as the most critical issues we face. They also value a "start-up ecosystem and entrepreneurship" as vital to youth empowerment. However, they are less optimistic about having their voices heard. Over half the survey respondents do not think "young people's views" are considered before important decisions are made in their countries. (Some good news: During my travels to several dozen countries this year, many Rotaractors shared that they believe their voices are being heard by Rotary leaders!)

It is clear that young people want to make a difference on the issues that matter to our world and their communities. Above all, they want to see results when they commit to a project. A good example is the father-and-son team of Tulsi and Anil Maharjan, members of the Rotary Club of Branchburg Township, New Jersey. With the help of grants from

Our Foundation, Tulsi and Anil are implementing microcredit, scholarship, and homebuilding projects in Nepal to help survivors of the 2015 earthquake. Thanks to changes made at the 2016 Council on Legislation, clubs now have flexibility to operate as they think best. This means a broader selection of club models in terms of how meetings take place.

By embracing this flexibility, we can create more examples like Anil – a former e-club member who joined his father's Rotary club. Further, I urge you to personally encourage Rotaractors to take advantage of the option now available to join a Rotary club while they are still members of Rotaract. And help them learn how Our Foundation can help them achieve their dreams of doing good in the world!

By taking action today, we can pave the way for more than 200,000 of Rotary's future leaders to leave their own legacy of making a real difference for generations to come.

Paul A. Netzel
Foundation Trustee Chair, 2017-18

Message from the Foundation Chair

Paul A. Netzel, June 2018



It's hard to believe that the first year of Our Foundation's second century of service – and my term as chair of The Rotary Foundation – is coming to a close.

It has been an amazing experience to see Rotary and Our Foundation in action as I've traveled the world. It has been inspiring to see the passion and dedication of Rotarians, the energy and creativity of Rotaractors, and the diversity of projects and forms of service. I've seen Rotary: Making a Difference in the lives of countless people in need, because Rotarians are People of Action!

These experiences have reaffirmed my belief in Rotary's future and the vital role Our Foundation can and must continue to play – especially as we approach our post-polio era.

As Rotarians, we have big challenges and bold opportunities ahead:

- We must achieve our goal of eradicating polio! Please contribute to the polio campaign – whether through a direct donation, by fundraising, or by telling the polio story using your preferred media platform.
- We must expand the conversation and determine what corporate project or projects we will undertake next. Think bold!
- We must work to engage the 50 percent of the world's population that is under the age of 30. Surveys consistently show that these young people want to make a difference and to volunteer. We need

to continue developing proactive strategies to engage millennials and Gen Z-ers.

- Women account for 50 percent of the world's population. They are proving to be the backbone of many clubs. We need to expand their reach and welcome their leadership at every level of our organization.

- More Rotarians and clubs need to connect more closely to the Foundation to understand how it can help achieve our goals.

This Rotary year, I invited you to share your ideas with me. Many did – about how to raise more funds, to simplify the grant process, to better engage youth, to build peace, to enhance our membership experience through The Rotary Foundation. You expressed your passion for a future in which Our Foundation will have a greater impact than ever in its second century. This is because you are our greatest strength.

Thank you for the honor of sharing this journey with you.

Paul A. Netzel
Foundation Trustee Chair, 2017-18

Editorial

PP.Vanit Yotharvut, D.3360 RI

Fellow Rotarian,

One of the most Interesting news from around the world was the
“Wild Boars Academy” foot ball team and a coach, 13 of them,
were trapped up to 9 days in a cave called Tham Luang,
Doi Nang Non, Maesai district, Chiang Rai.

A video clip of a young boy in the team wiped the tears of joy
when the British rescue team found them. This is the picture that
everyone must be happy to see. This emotional moment has
brought tears of gladness to some ones’ eyes.

It was the joy of the whole world. We all were happy to see
people we do not know who survived. The survivors were saved
from danger by rescue teams whom we do not know as well.

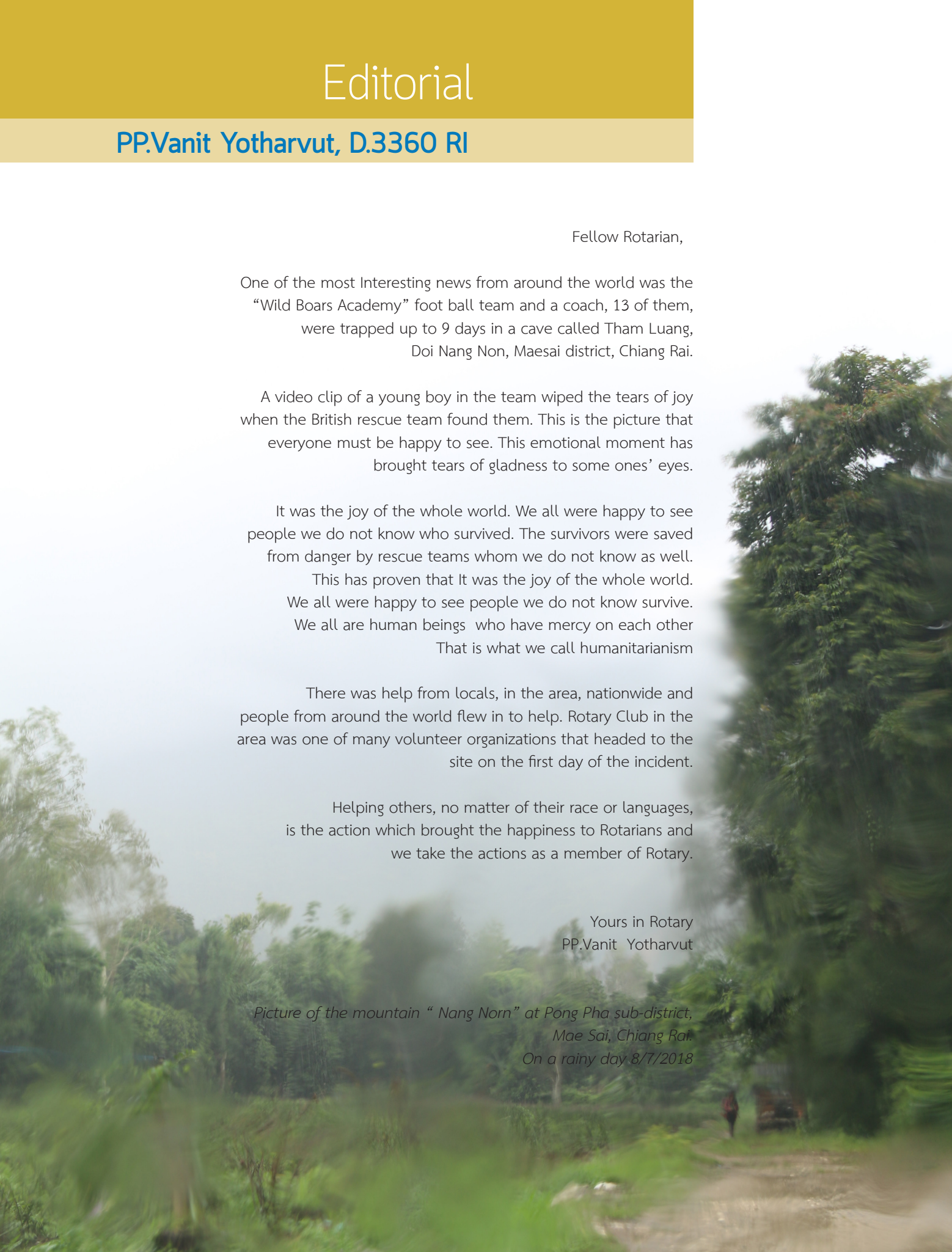
This has proven that It was the joy of the whole world.
We all were happy to see people we do not know survive.
We all are human beings who have mercy on each other
That is what we call humanitarianism

There was help from locals, in the area, nationwide and
people from around the world flew in to help. Rotary Club in the
area was one of many volunteer organizations that headed to the
site on the first day of the incident.

Helping others, no matter of their race or languages,
is the action which brought the happiness to Rotarians and
we take the actions as a member of Rotary.

Yours in Rotary
PP.Vanit Yotharvut

*Picture of the mountain “ Nang Norn” at Pong Pha sub-district,
Mae Sai, Chiang Rai.
On a rainy day 8/7/2018*



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Rotary Thailand Magazine

Honorable mention (Cover image)

PHOTOGRAPHER: Thomas Bundschuh
Rotary Club of Wien, Austria

LOCATION: Sermathang, Nepal

Sinclair: The soft light on this image makes it seem more like a painting than a photograph. While I wish there were more separation between the two female subjects, the painterly quality echoed by the girl's serene expression still works.

Honorable mention (Page Contents)

PHOTOGRAPHER: Santosh Kale
Rotary Club of Shirol, India

LOCATION: Pattan Kodoli, India

Sinclair: This is a powerful image in that it makes the viewer ask more questions about the event being photographed. The goal of a great photograph isn't always to answer every question, but to entice the viewer to learn more.

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Rotary International
is a transparency
organization. Over 91%
of the donated money
were spent directly to
the beneficiaries on
programs

By
PDG.Siri Eiamchamroonlarp
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The Rotary Foundation (TRF)
is a key element of the success
of Rotary International for over a
hundred years of service.

Who would think that the
initial contribution of only \$ 26.50
has grown until today, the assets
of the foundation is more than
one billion dollars.

Rotary Information

Make a history with The Rotary Foundation

The donations from Rotarians, non Rotarians and other organizations will make us one of the world's leading a not-for-profit corporation. The Charity Navigator (formerly Blue Star Navigator), set the Rotary International as a transparency organization. The effective financial management is that more than 91% of the donations were spent directly to the beneficiaries participated in service projects.

The projects which sponsored and contributed by members worldwide participated without payroll or compensation. Rotarians were committed to every step of the work from planning to delivery.

To ensure the sustainability of the project after delivering, there were also project monitoring and evaluating.

I as the assistant of the Rotary Foundation coordinator of zone 6B, Thailand (ARFC Zone 6B Thailand) have cooperated with 4 districts in Thailand which are D3330, D3340, D3350 and D3360. In the whole of the four districts, the contribution campaign was successful. As we were the contributors, at the same time we were receivers, whether it was for District Grants or Global Grants. All projects met the needs of the communities in Thailand and its neighbours. These successes were created increasingly every year by Rotarians within a country and worldwide who were interested to support more and more (Global Grant) projects.

But the statistic from Rotary International indicate

that more than half of the 1.2 million members worldwide, including Thailand, have not participated in donations to the Rotary Foundation. The main reason that some Rotarians were not involved in the donation is because they are not sure that donations will be delivered to the recipient. And it is because each donation must be in the amount of US \$ 1,000. However, I have briefly explained that The Rotary Foundation has transparency and has verifiable management by the world class credible evaluator.

In the District Training Assembly, (DTA) of the four districts, I have had the opportunity to discuss with the district governors and the District Rotary Foundation Chairs in 2018-2019. All four districts have a donation campaign as they did last year, and will focus on EREY donation from the Rotarians who have not yet participated in the foundation.

Participating in polio eradication, meeting the needs of the community through the 6 Areas of Focus and many more projects at the clubs around the world have contributed significantly and has created good understanding in community, national and global levels.

If any of you or any club need help getting a donation campaign, I am ready and willing to be a speaker at a weekly club meeting. Please contact at siribert@yahoo.com/081-8753351. This is to inspire everyone in every club in Thailand for the coming year.

DEPTH of FIELD

**From more than 1,100 entries,
our photo contest winners rise to the top**

Reviewing this year's submissions, we saw photos that capture big scenes of celebration and small moments of connection. We saw images of Rotarians as people of action, working together to make our world better. And we saw breathtaking views of nature. Our judge, Stephanie Sinclair, reviewed the images without any identifying information, with the unexpected result that two people each have two photographs on the following pages. In addition to the winners and honorable mentions in this issue, you'll see more photos from the contest in *The Rotarian* throughout the coming year.

FIRST PLACE

PHOTOGRAPHER:

Anthony Riggio
Rotary Club of Westport, Connecticut

LOCATION:

Rabat, Morocco

Sinclair: I am drawn to this photo's beautiful repetitive geometric shapes and vibrant colors. The eye moves from the door frame throughout the many textures to the subject, the markings on his hat, and the background of the image. The muted tones echo the subtlety of the many layers in the image.



SECOND PLACE

PHOTOGRAPHER:

Santosh Kale

Rotary Club of Shirol, India

LOCATION:

Pandharpur, India

Sinclair: This image offers a compassionate and relatable view of women in India. Their varied expressions of joy and amusement emphasize their shared humanity. The black and white works to focus the viewer on their expressions rather than the environment in which the women live.





THIRD PLACE

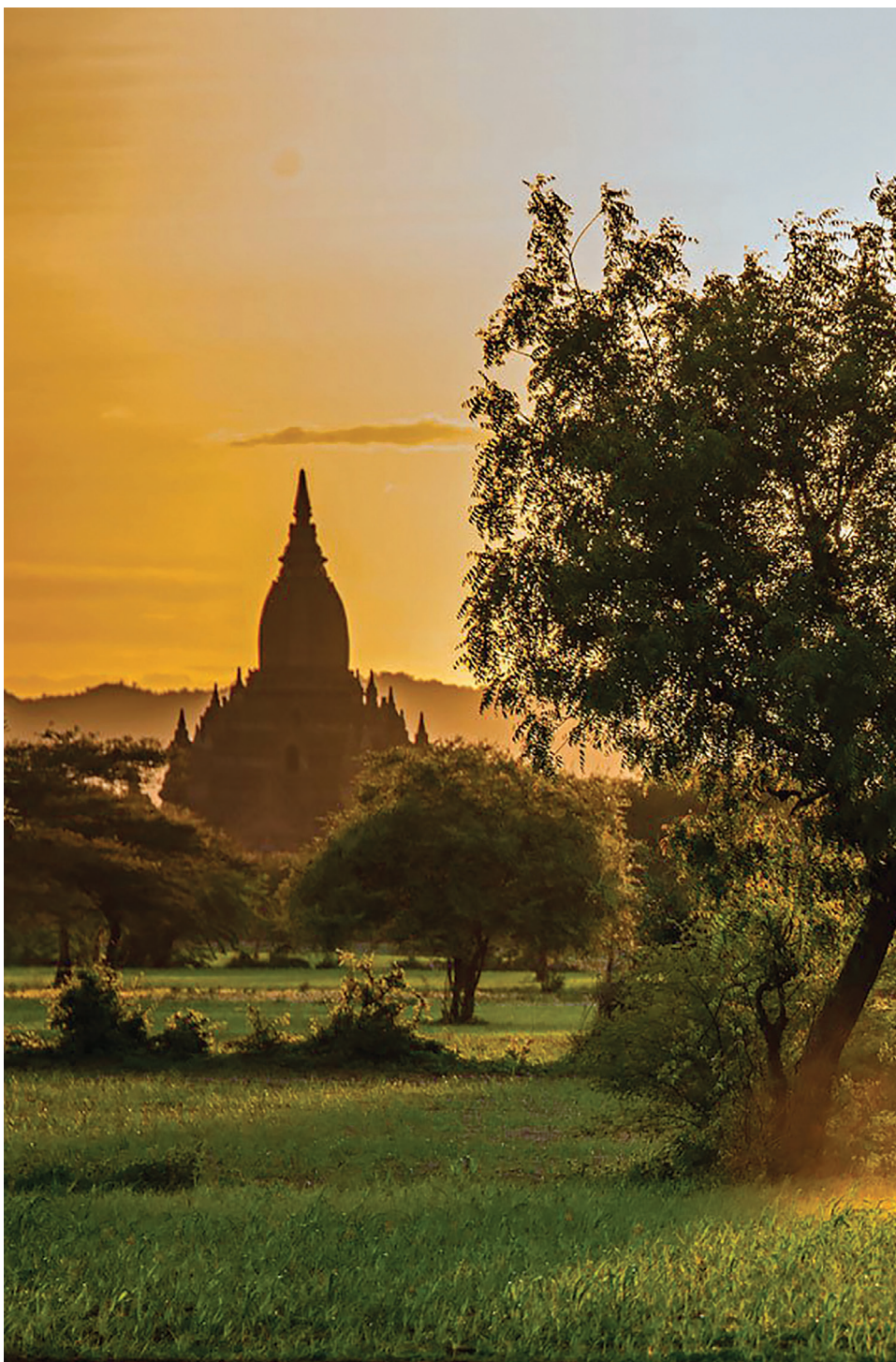
PHOTOGRAPHER:

Maureen McGettigan
Rotary Club of Valley of the
Moon (Santa Rosa), California

LOCATION:

Bagan, Myanmar

Sinclair: This elegant, classically shot photograph is reminiscent of National Geographic images that focus on magical light and landscapes. The painterly quality of the light makes the image seem timeless, and the combination of the temple in the background, the trees in the foreground, and the person working a plow gives the image a spiritual quality.







Honorable mention

PHOTOGRAPHER:
Salvatore Alibrio

Rotary Club of Palazzolo Acreide
Valle dell'Anapo, Italy

LOCATION:

Palazzolo Acreide, Italy

Sinclair: The distance from the color explosion works perfectly within the frame. Most photographers would have tried to be as close as possible, but the distance provides a needed perspective while communicating to the viewer more information about the event with the surrounding architecture and crowd.

Honorable mention

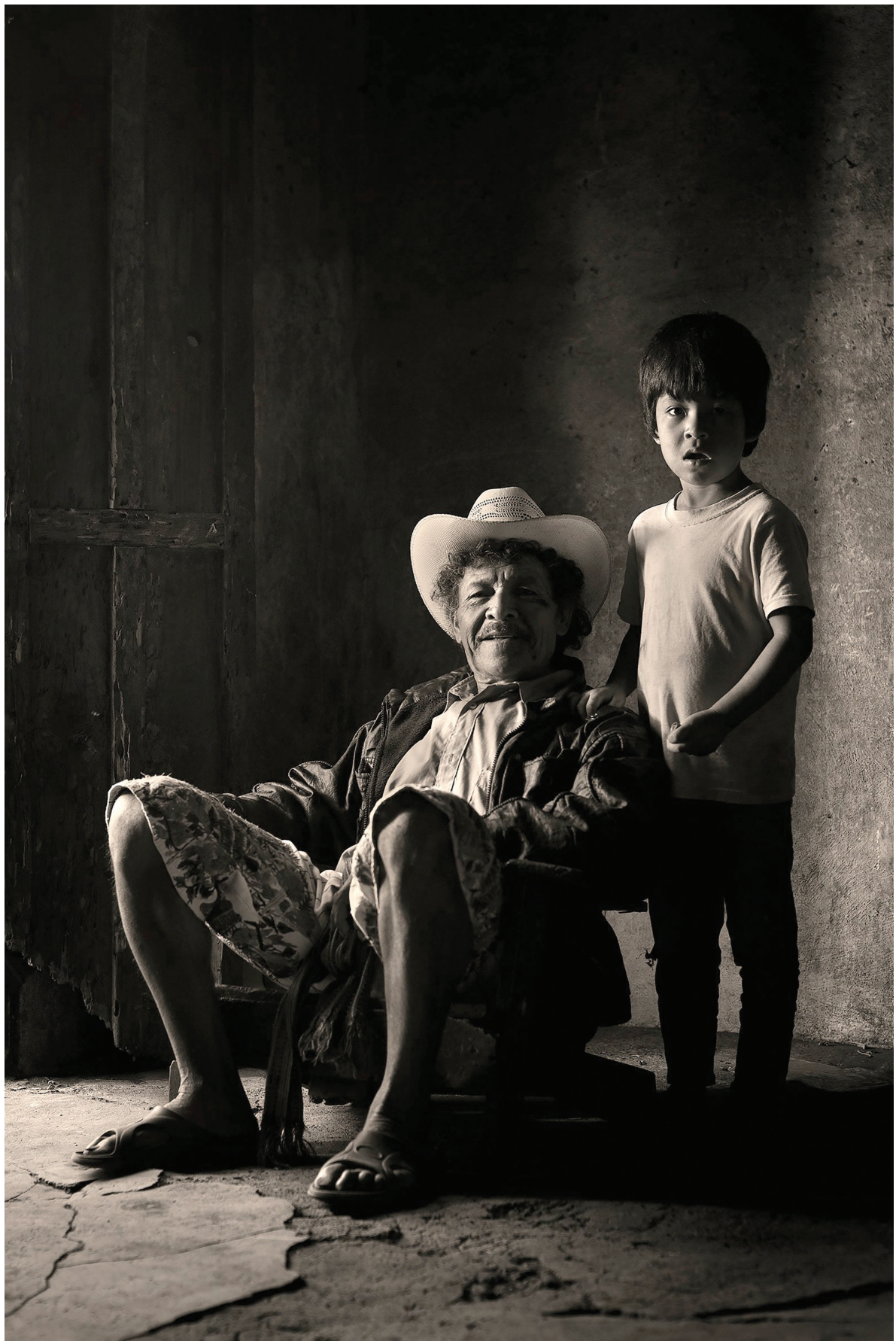
PHOTOGRAPHER:

THE FORTHCOMING:
Jose Antonio Valdes
 Rotary Club of Guatemala Sur,
 Guatemala

LOCATION:

Santiago Atitlán, Guatemala

Sinclair: This is a very classically framed portrait, given a slight twist on the expected by the elder's very relaxed body position. The boy's expression also makes the image distinctive and fascinating.





Honorable mention

PHOTOGRAPHER:

Carlo Antonio Romero
Rotary Club of Cagayan de Oro,
Philippines

LOCATION:

Calgary, Alberta

Sinclair: Beautiful landscape with technicolor light. The wide-angle perspective, not normally my favorite in landscapes, makes the viewer feel transported into the experience of being there.



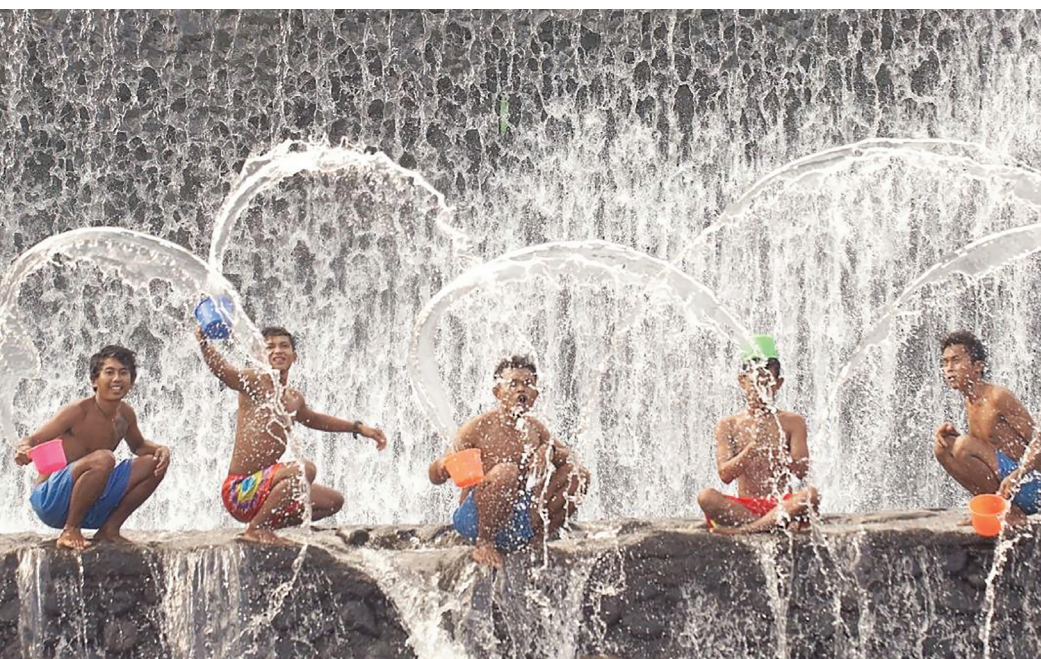
Honorable mention

PHOTOGRAPHER:
Jose Antonio Valdes
 Rotary Club of Guatemala
 Sur, Guatemala

LOCATION:

Santa Catarina Pinula, Guatemala

Sinclair: The use of black and white transforms the harsh light into highlights and shadows that emphasize the composition. The cowboy hats in the foreground make a perfect frame for the race.



Honorable mention

PHOTOGRAPHER:
Hipolito Busgano
 Rotary Club of West Cagayan
 de Oro, Philippines

LOCATION:

Bali, Indonesia

Sinclair: This joyful image could have placed in the top three had the person on the far left not been looking at the camera. That said, it evokes a lot of emotion and deserves an honorable mention. ed into the experience of being there.

GET READY FOR YOUR CLOSE-UP

This year, The Rotarian's photo contest
 will open on 1 October
 and close on 15 December .

By PP. Vanit Yothavut,
Editor in Chief,
Rotary Magazine, Thailand



The global network of Rotary magazine is a unique communications network. “The Rotarian” published in English as a template is published at Evanston, Illinois, USA. There are 33 official regional publications in 22 different languages, with more than 700,000 publications.

History of the world magazine network

The first issue published in January 1911, was called “The National Rotarian” before becoming “The Rotarian”. The significant distribution in this issue written by Paul P. Harris was that “(this magazine) is not exclusive to all clubs but for all Rotarians “

The first regional magazine was published in 1915 in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland followed by “Rotary Down Under” in Australia in 1920. The Latin American region began to publish in 1933.

In the first period of regional magazine publication, there were no rules or regulations. Moreover, this publication was seemingly like a competitor to “The Rotarian”. In 1977, in the COL Convention in San Francisco, It has been resolved that Rotarians can be officially members of the magazine “The Rotarian” or one of the regional magazines.

The official magazines in the regions were required to publish a centrally scheduled story. At the same time, the rest can be independently carried out to the standards set by Rotary International, which was effective from July 2000.

Every two years there will be a conference of editors from around the world to exchange comments and to discuss the problems that occur. The Rotary International will be developing the most out of this communication network.

Regional magazines are an important source of dedication to work from multiple parties. Professional editors come from



volunteers, past district governors and even new members who are taking the time to contribute to the communication and inspire Rotary’s service to readers around the world.

Rotary magazine editorial conference

In June 2018, the seminar was held at ONE ROTARY CENTER. The important and interesting topics were digital media and print media.

There was always a topic in the discussion that the end of the print media is coming. It is when everyone turns their attention to the new media that comes with technology, especially social media. Then it is expected to replace the print media, which are the newspaper, magazine, journal, etc.

Anyway, the result of expert analysis show that what actually happened did not meet all the predictions. Even the online media is easy for everyone to access and to get involve in content defining. And the most important is the speed.

But the coin has two sides. The thing that swapped with ease and speed is the vast amount of media, the encroachment to privacy and the spread of true and false news. This has made the statistics of people who concentrate on the screen shortened which is opposite to the increased volume of content.

It is a real challenge of how the media can do to win the hearts of readers or consumers on both the screen and paper.

The experts have been optimistic that the world will continue to focus on online communications along with print media. It is because each form has its own advantages and disadvantages. In particular, the benefits to be earned or the return on investment are the indicators.



Rotary World Magazine Press

Editors Seminar 23-24 May 2018

PRINT MEDIA AND DIGITAL MEDIA

In the era where there is alternative media, print media will no longer be made in its original form anymore. (Brand Theory 4C)

CUSTOMER – customers included: readers, members, viewers, listeners, users, and advertisers.

CHOICE – There are more alternatives for members or consumers

CONTROL – Members want to participate or the content defining in the presentation.

CHANGE – Change is eternal.

No matter what type of media, the importance is brand loyalty and herein is a Rotary brand. The products may be in many forms, including magazines, websites, or apps. Finally, the consumer is God means the readers come first.

Today, the content in a magazine or print media must be more than news presentation and general information.

In the era of overwhelming information, we have to select the content that consumers or our members prefer to read. The content should contain legible deep analysis, give new experiences which cannot be obtained from other sources.

The content should be creative and over expectation of the members and must be able to inspire and emotionally join us the happiness, the sadness or the joy. It should be worth to keep track of what will be going on or happen next. It can be a guiding message, offering new topics, and open for opinions of members.

THE ROTARY THAILAND MAGAZINE

In the Rotary magazine of Thailand, we have adapted to international standards for both the look and the subjects. The content is divided into content from “The Rotarian” (INTERNATIONAL) and local (LOCAL) which correspond to the concepts and same directions as other media and reader orientation.

The content from “The Rotarian” (International), used to be specified by Rotary International magazine. But now the requirement is reduced and therefore, we can add on the content that enable to communicate and relate to us. And there were many times when we have produced special articles by our editorial team.

Local content are formed by editors of each 4 districts. They may select or compose the article in accordance with the theme set in each issue. The content included stories of activities perform in every district with attached pictures. Next year, there will be more space allocated to all four editor teams.

In the past, the format of the magazine was almost to translate the articles sent from Rotary International magazine or “The Rotarian”. But nowadays, by the concept of the reader come first (Audience First), the content must reflect the needs and the attention of the Rotarians in the region both in Thailand and neighboring countries. Therefore, the story of our activities are the most important to be published in the magazine.

The good stories of our value activities may not be good enough to have attention, and the format of the presentation also must be attractive. The strategies to impress and inspire readers are so needed. These are the arts and sciences of writing that can be practiced and learned. It also includes a selection of pictures of activities to illustrate and reflect the real act as “hands on” persons.

There is an opportunity to discuss this issue at the seminar. Is there any way to develop this possibility in order to get the full content quality of the magazine?

Finally, the solution is all of content should come from our activities, our participation and the creative presentation in order to encourage and inspire Rotarians to be more involve in services. And that is the main goal and hope of the editorial team.

Mr.Magazine Dr.Samir Husni

Print vs Digital

Dr.Samir Husni

Lebanese nationality American citizenship,
Publishing industrial analysis specialist,
Executive of Magazine Innovative Center at
Mississippi University, Ph.D., and Professor
of Journalism.

Article : "Be masters of storytelling"
Rasheeda Bhagat
Editor Rotary News India
July 2018



"The best Storyteller"

The meeting event of The Rotary magazine's editors around the world was divided into several sessions, covering almost every topic from various speakers as well as from the responsible rotary staffs.

One of the main speakers of the event was Dr.Samir Husni, a specialist in the magazine and printing industry known as MR.MAG-AZINE with a topic "Print Proud, Digital Smart: Your Brand in 21st Century".

He started by describing the current time as a fascinating time. It's a time when information spills over social media. There are both real and fake, it's a time when the president can communicate directly with people through Twitter. As a journalist or editor, the question is: How can we participate with social media during this time?

It is a time that we have to make a decision before believing the same news from CNN and FOX NEWS which could appear to be a totally different story. Some time we might question whether we are still normal or not.

There is a huge fanfare that publications are coming to the end. The same with the story of iPad, which was expected to be a new channel of news presentation, but not long after mobile phones have been developed and used instead.

"The end of the publication" as people always say in fact is. HURST MEREDITH a big media company had announced that 90% of its main revenue comes from publications, while BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS has sold over 7.6 million copies and of course the income must also be high.

To deal with the speedy social media "We have to be wise, accessible to the readers and get them in control. However, there are also many challenges waiting.

The survey had reported that people's interest on the devices' screen had dropped from 12 seconds to 8 seconds. In those 8 seconds, if we can get people to concentrate on the screen that means we got them. That's why we've seen many 3-4 or 5 seconds ads nowadays.

Note: the concentration of goldfish is 10 seconds.

Although the concentration or interest of people is likely to decrease, the media's efforts are still there. And it happens almost everywhere, even in the place we never expected like in the toilet.

The competition between the print media was so high, that's why Time Magazine had to change its release date from Friday to Wednesday in order to be the first who publish each story as well as increase the price. But everyone still wants to be involved with the historical event by having this magazine kept as a memorial.

This reminds the relevance between publications, books, magazines, and readers, it's like dating. Comparatively, digital media is like an overnight relationship, while the print media is like a lifetime marriage.

The print media will still exist, but only good content is not enough. We need to create new experiences, if we could, we also could get the loyalty of the readers. The magazine price in America is currently about \$13 (400 baht). There are people who still are willing to pay this price for beneficial information and good experience.

For the prediction of both medias, print and digital will have to go together for a long time, because the digital media itself is not able to make money from the ads. 85% of the online advertising are belong to Google and Facebook. It has only the remaining 15% for other medias to be scrambled.

Please do not expect that digital media is an oasis for publications that are experiencing crisis. Poor productivity will never survive in anycase.

Let's see a good example of the interplay between the two media, "If I would read The Economist or War and Peace Literature on the plane, I would like to hold a book for the others to see and make me looking smart but in the other hand I would read Playboy magazine on the iPad"

The closing key phrase of the speaker "To be the supreme storyteller, we need to be able to talk about the shortage of clean water for little kids, make people able to imagine the pictures and inspire them to do something to help immediately. That would be the truly ultimate storyteller".

Our Districts

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At the Presidents-elect Training Seminar (PETS) at Pull Man Hotel, in Khonkaen Province, The Editorial had an opportunity to interview 2017-2018 DG.Dr.Peera Farmpaiboon (3330), DG.Onanong Siripornmanut (3340), DG.Marasee Shunliew (3350), and DG.Nithi Soongswang (3360) before they handed over their responsibility to the new district governor 2018-2019.

The Rotary magazine presented the works of all four districts throughout their administration year 2017-2018. The editorial met with all four PDGs, listened, recorded and transcribed their impression & experiences.

DG. Dr.Peera: He talked about the cooperation among the districts by telling the success story of the Rotary Club of Maesai's cycling project "Rotary Riding to Final Farewell for the Great King" It was amazing how the four districts cooperated and successfully managed this project within one month.

Another four-district project was "Dok Mai Chan" (a kind of wood flower to be placed on the site of cremation). This project was organized by President Wichai from District 3350 who served as a host. The director of "Suapa Palace" gathered the "Dok mai chan" from us. He said that our "Dok mai chan" would be one of the nine bouquets presented at the royal cremation ceremony. The flower will be presented to the King Rama 10. This reminded me of the virtue of his father who had kindly accepted Rotary under his patronage for the past 25 years. As a result, Rotary was the first private organization to do the "Lake of love" project.

DG. Onanong: Rotary was chosen to join in the march on the Royal Cremation Ceremony. Therefore, no matter how hot or how far we walked, we did not feel discouraged.

Regarding the question "How did they communicate with each other?"

DG. Dr.Peera: We often talked with each in private or through the DG. Line group. Rotary Ann and the district secretary were included in the Line group. As a model of cooperative working, we joined hands to demonstrate our support for each other. As a result of this cooperation, we scheduled and published all activities. Whenever possible, we joined other districts' activities. We learned from each other and implemented projects where it was applicable to our district work.

DG. Marasee: My feelings before joining the four district leaders were not clear. I could not see how we could work and coordinate together. I would like to thank DG. Dr.Peera for inviting a discussion at the MultiPETS in Chiangmai. As a

result, we scheduled meeting dates for the DTA and DC of each district. This planning enabled us to join other district activities. This developed into inter-district friendship. In the past we would call district 3350 "big brother" which I did not quite understand, and at that time, I had some health problems. So I thought, I could not attend the meeting since I had to be in the wheelchair. However, thinking about it, I know that if I did not attend these districts meetings, I would feel guilty for the rest of my life, and we could not take leading positions like this anymore. So, I had to let assistant Governor, Charter President. Song Wut look after me so I could participate in the meetings.

DG. Onanong: The first job was DTA 3340 meeting in Pattaya, I saw the assistant Governor, Charter President. SongWut, push a wheelchair for PDG.Marasee to join the meeting. I admired her bravery and kindness. Even though she could not walk, she had still come to join the meeting.

DG. Marasee: First, I felt embarrassed. Then this turned to joy and cheerfulness as my appearance encouraged love and friendship for fellow Rotarians and also for the next district governor.

DG. Onanong: In our administrative year, the district governor clothing theme was cancelled due to the mourning of the late King Rama 9. So, we wore black throughout the year for every occasion, even at IA training in San Diego.

As a result, we encouraged each other that our governor's clothing in our year was very special as black represents mourning for our beloved King.

DG. Nithi: To talk about DTA of each districts. The differentiation between D.3340 and D.3360 is not much as we have a similar base of memberships. If we could have managed to have about 300-400 attendants, it would have been best. For D.3330 and D.3350, there were about 700-800 attendants. I could observe and learn from their work to apply to my district work, even though our district is small.

Our Governor



DG.Dr.Peera Farmpaiboon (3330) DG.Onanong Siripornmanut (3340) DG.Marasee Shunliw (3350) DG.Nithi Soongswang (3360)

DG. Dr.Peera: To talk about DC of other three districts. I know that this year will be difficult in every dimension. We were not as good in membership as we should be. But we could still see the positive picture of the other districts. For example, D.3340, which does not have many members, is a strong club and does a bigger job than the district. It has shown that size does not matter, but the direction and its inspiration do. D.3350 plays a big brother role, manages and organizes professionally, which does not surprise me due to the size and its members. And finally, I would like to congratulate and admire the work of D.3360 on its recruitment of participations from all over, even from different districts. This is about the heart of Rotary. If you have good friendship and win the members' hearts, you can do all things. We had done many things together for better cooperation and self-development. We had learned and shared a lot from each other, both big and small things.

On the issue of transition to the next leader. Sharing experience and cooperation is still needed. Each one has a good idea to help our organization to go forward.

DG. Marasee: In my opinion, I think we might not be able to guide the next leader much, but one thing which I want them to learn from us is "Friendship". The better friends we have, the better success will come in any respect, whether

membership increasing or any other projects. I think friendship is important. However, from what I learn and hear about the next generation leaders' vision through their speech in Multi PETS, everybody is vibrant and has work approaches that should be connected.

DG. Onanong: The "Lake of love" project was big and difficult. When we first got this assignment, we had to plan on fund raising. As it was inter-district cooperation, D.3330 committed to withdraw their DDF fund. PDG. of D.3350 donated money and helped to fund raise for D.3360 and D.3340 to be able to do some small amount of donation.

All of the DGs worked hard together for the past year to make the "Lake of love" project occur. We hope the next generation leader will continue to support and take good care of this project.

DG. Nithi: We continue to be supportive, always be a mentor, and not abandon projects.

DG. Dr.Peera: The next four district governors are also joining hands, even though they will choose to join DC or not attend DTA. It is up to each district administration. There is not much difference, but the most important thing is that they are still in contact and willing to help each other.



By PDG Somphop Thirasan
Rotary Club of Kanchanaburi

Activities

D.3330

DG. Dr.Peera Farmpiboon District 3330, RI

In 2017-2018 with the Rotary motto: Determination and Creativity, I am, as the leader of 3330 District including District's committee and District's Rotary clubs, handling all activities in 5 ways following International Rotary's strategic plans: District strategic plan and also Rotary strategic plans by strengthening the clubs, enhancing community services for human beings, branding public images and recognizing in Rotary.

In terms of strengthening, District 3330 is increasing its membership by 107 members (from 2,381 members to 2,488 members). Unfortunately, there was 1 club terminated on 23 May 2018 because it had only 2 members. Therefore, the number of Rotary clubs in District 3330 diminished from 101 clubs to 100 clubs. Additionally, Koh Samui Rotary clubs was terminated on 30 June 2018. As a result, there are 99 Rotary clubs at the end of this Rotary year. The district focuses on the formation of knowledge and cognition in our organization in order to gain knowledgeable and idealistic members for long term sustainable management.

In terms of enhancing community services for human beings, every Rotary club in District 3330 runs community services in all ways. There are 17 projects having accomplished Global grants with 750,000 US dollars. In the meantime, there are many projects on a waiting list anticipating approval, and there is no overdue project. With regard to District grants,

every Rotary clubs run the projects together by using DDF of the District. One example is the Monkey's Cheek project of Nong Nong Tay, including the Group Friendship Exchange project with the District of India. The donation to International Rotary foundations is comprised of Polio donations in the amount of 45m446 US Dollars, Permanent foundation in the amount of 19,000 US Dollars, Global grant in the amount of 53,676 US Dollars. These projects were well done in the total amount of 558,624 US Dollars.

This managerial year focuses on the establishment of knowledge in Rotary organization and also working in the pattern of modern organization with appropriate technology. District 3330 held training and seminar sessions 4 times. It was the Special Training for Action in Rotary: STAR Program, and there were 500 members. The members comprised new third year members, expected members, president, and president of Rotary membership. The feedback was good.

We are now all concerned with how to return to a strong base of Rotary organization that has lasted for 114 years. We are non-profit organization following our motto: Service Above Self-and our 5 core values to ensure long-lasting.

As 1 June 2018

“This managerial year emphasized on friendship, love and unity”

As per the conversation between District Governor-Elect Lt.Gen.Kanit Jamjuntra and I, Pra Pathom Chedi Rotary club was assigned as a host of District Training Assembly (DTA) in the year of 2018-2019 during 27- 29 April 2018 at Seapine Hotel, Prachuap Khiri Khan.

For that reason, our club ran into a couple of hurdles. The venue was almost 200 km away from us. Therefore, we had to find (local) clubs to help us run the event. As you may know, district 3330 has a stretch of about 1,000 kilometers from the north of the district to the tip of southern border and we would like to host the DTA somewhere in between so that most clubs would have their fair share of traveling.

We also found that the hotel's biggest convention hall could only seat up to 600 people and might not be able to handle our evening function of about 700 guests. To meet the demand, we celebrated our evening party with the theme “Blue Sky Hawaii Night” outdoor.

Cooperation from not only Rotarians but also Rotary Anns. Needless to say that friendship, love and unity really drive our Rotary District 3330 with inspiration to doing more and more community services.

Thank you all very much.

PP.Chanitpak Kullayapichet
RC.Pra Pathom Chedi
Chair,
District Training Assembly Organizing Committee







Activities

D.3340

By P.Chaiwat Charoenwat
Rotary Club of E-Club District 3340

DG. Onanong Siripornmanut District 3340, RI

Rotarian Pradit and I were on duty as District Governor for one year. We appreciate for all your love and good wishes. It is time to present our sincere thanks to everyone.

All of you pushed me to be brave District Governor.

To be District Governor, I attended two training programs; Governors-elect Training Seminar (GETS) and International Assembly (IA). These programs gave me inspiration to keep going with power and intelligence among many treats and fluctuating management in the third month.

I clearly faced the power of fate and worked behind the scene throughout my journey along 16,000 kilometers. Service above self brought me to see the severe disasters affecting human beings. This made me to learn that our unity can make changes under the concept of determination and creativity. Many projects are required to happen in our community and our nation.

At the beginning of Rotary term of 2017, Past Rotary International President Bhichai Rattakul, had an idea to build a monument of love to King Rama 9 by offering the Monkey Cheek project to Baan Soawat, Arkadamnuay, Sakon Nakhon. Sakon Nakhon Rotary club is in charge of this project and coordinates with the District Foundation of Rotary Thailand. Anyhow Senior Rotarians lead to donate and influenced all Rotarians to follow. This is such an excellent gift to Rotary of

Thailand. The project had a grand opening on 5 December 2017.

I saw the combination of four Rotary districts on the project “โรตารีทั่วไทย ร่วมใจเทิดไท้ องค์ราชาแห่งราชัน สู่สวรรคาลัย” Our district has the great bikers from Si Sa Ket, Kantharalak, Chang Island, and many units biked the distance of 600 kilometers with more than 50 bikes to pay respect to our beloved King Rama 9 on 25 September 2017.

Proud to be a part of the Royal Cremation Ceremony of King Rama 9

I was proud to be a part of the Royal Cremation Ceremony of King Rama 9. I was one of four representatives to participate and attend this memorable procession on 26 October 2017.

Long-lasting impression

There are many impressions which I desire to tell all of you. In my opinion, Rotary is a special organization wherein we can show our potential and unity to change life for the better. Thanks go to the President of Rotary clubs no. 113, the Assistant Governor, all committees and also the group of consultants. You are the better changes. This is the reason for District 3340's motto “Determination and Creativity”

D.3340

**District Training Assembly
2018-19, District 3340,
4-5 May 2018,
Kosa Hotel, Khon Kaen**

Many Rotarians attended the training even if it was the beginning of the Rotary year but it was full of friendship and power all day long during the training program.

At the end of DTA, Rotary Presidents and all committees were ready to reach the goal in the year of District Governor Surapol and Ann Suwimol Thaveesangkulthai.





By PP.Thanongsak Wiboonma
RC of Sathorn

Activities

D.3350

DG. Marasee Shunliew District 3350, RI

I am so proud and honoured to have served as your district leader and to continue working and completing all the wonderful works of our district. During the past year, those works would not have been finished without your help and support. Cooperating and working in harmony with each and every one of you makes our district grow and also brings it to the fullest potential.

Membership Development

On July 1st, 2017, our district had 2860 members. As of June 13th, there were 2921; an increase of 61 members (2.13%). Our June 30th, 2018's target was 3000 or 5% increase.

Rotary Foundation

Many Rotarians from many Rotary clubs in District 3350 have diligently and selflessly worked together to accomplish 45 service projects through district grants and global grants, worth more than 55 million baht or about 1.7 million dollars.

Rotary Public Image

District 3350 has started community service projects to foster community management in many areas including disease prevention and treatment, water and sanitation for schools, and Rotary Reading Corner to encourage youngsters to love reading and to optimize their learning abilities. In regarding to economic and community development, the Rotary Club of Nongkham has established a community service group to give support to career training, and to promote inter-connection within the group itself and within the community.

The Rotary club of Nongkham has also started a project called, "Rotary's courtesy for the underprivileged". It has provided wheeling carts to street vendors for the last three years. Currently, the carts with signage containing the project's name, Rotary's logo and the business' name have spread out to 10 locations in Nongkham district. Each recipient of the wheeling cart has willingly signed memorandum of

understanding (MOU) with the club safe keeping of the item before receiving it.

Apparently, the project has not only provided the underprivileged a tool to make a living but also promoted Rotary's image and goodwill in regarding to career trainings and hygienic practices; and also knitted the Rotary club of Nongkham to its community. It is where the friendship glows.

Outstanding service projects in district 3350 that I have participated in and I am so proud of

- **Nation Wide Thai Rotary Cycling for The Late Majesty**

A cycling activity from districts 3330, 3340, 3350 and 3360: Cyclists from Rotary clubs all over Thailand rode to Wat Rachabopit School and arrived on Sunday September 25th, 2018 to offer Dararutt hand crafts and to pay their final respects to the late King Rama IX at Bureau Of Royal Household, Sanarmsuepa.

- **Project: 113th year Rotary memorial**

A tree planting on motherland project: This project follows RI President Ian R.H. Riseley's idea, which stated that each Rotarian should plant a tree for a better environment.

- **Project: Annual walk-run (half marathon) for 2017-2018 Polio eradication in district 3350**

The event is spear-headed by Rotary, working together with the Ministry of Health and Welfare and local offices through out the district. This year's venue was at Puta-uttayarn Maharaj in Ayuthaya province.

All our works have been easily accomplished through selflessness, cooperating, and supporting one another from all Rotarians in our district and others. Thank you, everyone, for making it a successful and awesome year of the Rotary theme: *Making a Difference*.

District Training Assembly D.3350 & Installation Of District Governor 2018-19

28 April 2018

Exhibition and Convention Center,
IMPACT Forum

Every year before moving forward to a new Rotary's year (July 1st), all Rotarians who have accepted key club leadership roles, committee chairs and assistant governorships are encouraged to further develop leadership skills and refine strategies to achieve their goals by attending District Training Assembly (DTA).

In preparation for the year "Be The Inspiration", district 3350 organized a one-day DTA to provide complete training and information, providing an acknowledgement of Rotary's theme, a guide line of Rotary's awards and Presidential Citation, and the District's goals including district policies and the District Governor's plans and schedules to its attendants. For trainings, the DTA provided 13 rooms of different topics for those, who wished to enhance leadership skills that fit his/her leadership roles during break-out sessions.

In the evening, an installation of the district governor of district 3350 (2018-2019) took place. DG.Marasee Shunliw concluded her works for the past year, and DGE.Nakarin Ratanakitsunthorn talked about his vision for the coming year. The atmosphere of evening was remarkably cosy and filled with friendships, which was a wonderful sign for moving forward to the year of "Be The Inspiration".





DG. Nithi Soongawang

District 3360, RI

Many Past District Governors have given me courage, moral support, and important advice before I took the office and also said that the district's works would continue and flow like a tide. "It was so true." And the moving tide has started from district's conventions, Presidential installations of all clubs, my official Rotary club visits and receiving policies and goals from those clubs, and, finally, from all service projects of the year: Making a Difference. Actually, I would like to use the word, "flood" instead. It was a flood of commitments and creativity from club presidents, officers, Rotarians, and Rotary Annes. I reviewed all projects that were submitted by each club with admiration, delight, and gratitude. I have always believed that no matter how big or how small a service project is, or no matter where its location might be, the full benefit would be for the marginalized.

Prides of district 3360: This year, our district has the newest Arch Klumph Society Family Member, PDG. Dr. Waewdao Limlengler, Congratulations!

"Fight the Bite" - a campaign against dengue fever lead by the Rotary Club of Maesai. Dengue fever is considered to be epidemic in northern Thailand during the rainy season. This project has been raising communities' awareness through an annual cycling event "Bike Against the Bite" for the last five years.

The Rotary Club of Chiangkam, The Rotary clubs in Chiangmai, and The Rotary Club of Naresuan have started tutoring programs for high school students who wish to study in universities.

The reforestation program of The Rotary Club of Chiangkam and The Rotaract Club of Chiangkam Wittayakom School is now in its 20th year. Thousands of acres of land are now greener than ever before.

Working together with district 3350 and through district 3360's district grant, The Rotary Club of Chiangmai South has completed the project "Leadless Thai Noodle Pots" eight years in succession. Noodle shop vendors can exchange his/her old style lead-soldering noodle pot with a stainless steel one free of charge. Lead causes all kind of illnesses, and this project helps eliminate that.

The Rotary Club of Chiangmai Tin Thai Ngarm and its associate have been supporting underprivileged students through its scholarship program for 25 years. What a wonderful project it is!

Through a Global Grant, The Rotary Club of Nan and 17 more Rotary clubs in Rotary district 3360, 3710 and 3462 have been working on a Palliative Care and Home Care project. So far, we have distributed 133 oxygen concentrators, 93 sputum suction, 123 anti-bedsore mattresses, and five hospital beds to 31 hospitals across district 3360.

There are also lists of important service projects, programs and activities that have improved the lives of so many, but I would not be able to fit them all in this report. Many thanks to those who have made a difference.

My official visit to all clubs in District 3360 has actually strengthened my love and passion for Rotary and also made my year very meaningful. In fact, it has inspired me to fully understand what Rotary really is and what opportunities it brings us so that we can "Make a Difference" to our communities.

To my club leaders - you have done such a wonderful job in your year of service and made our Rotary strong. Thank you so much.

To past district leaders, district chairs, committee and sub-committee members, district governor assistants, and chairs and members of district event organizers - I thank you for jobs well done, your advice and your dedication.

To my family - thank you for your love and support. You are the best.

To my dear wife Salaithip, I am so grateful for standing by me from the beginning and giving me your love and devotion. Thank you, thank you, and thank you!

Last but not least, I wish District Governor-Elect Roongranee Sangsiri, DGN. Kamolsak Visitsakulchai & DGND. Somchai Kerddecho the very best when taking over this prestigious leadership role of our Rotary District 3360.

Activities

D.3360

By P.Dr. Natthanin Sesthawanich
Rotary Club of Phare



District Training Assembly 2018-2019 District 3360, RI

Needless to say, District Training Assembly (DTA) is a must for Rotarians who take key positions at either club or district level to attend so that they may further develop their skills and have better understanding of their responsibilities.

RI Theme for 2018-2019: *Be The Inspiration* For district 3360, the Rotary club of Wangchan had the honour to host the District Training Assembly this year. The Rotary club of Wangchan is also the home club of the current District Governor Roongranee Sangsiri (2018-2019).

This year DTA was packed with useful information and programs starting with our key note speaker PDG.Somphop Thirasan (RC.Karnchanaburi, District 3330) on the topic, “Inspiration for Making a Strong Club”. The speech has inspired club presidents and officers with ideas of how to strengthen their clubs and so on. The day two key note speaker was PDG. Kasemchai Nitiwanakun (RC.Silom, District 3350), talking about self-evaluation and conflict resolution that could be applied to Rotary clubs to reduce internal conflicts, if any. There were also different topics in different rooms during break-out sessions similar to those of district 3350.

On the evening of day one, an organizer made a theme, “Inspiration Builder” by requesting that orange and blue clothing or shawls be worn for the function; and that also made the evening even more colourful. The event started off with a role play of the inception of The Rotary International.

The installation of District Governor began right after the role play. Leading the way to the building was a group of drummers Thai traditional drums (Glong Yao). District Governor-Elect Roonranee Sangsiri and the rest of the parade gracefully followed in and onto a stage. PRIP.Dr.Saowalak Rattanavich had the honour to bestow a District Governor pin to our DG.Roongranee Sangsiri.

Strong commitment and good intentions of club presidents and officers in 2018-2019 year of service will be a crucial key to inspire club members to do more, to be more, and “Be The Inspiration” to the communities at large.





Progress on Monkey Cheek Project Nong Nontai, "The Lake of Love"



At the beginning of June 2018, there was a project inspection of the first phase and a scheduled meeting with the project engineers, contractors, and officers from the Department of Irrigation of Amphoe Akat Amnuay, officers from Provincial Waterworks Authority, Provincial Electricity Authority, and Rotarians who were responsible for Project.

Rotary Magazine Thailand had the opportunity to talk with people who are very involved in driving the project. Our intention is to observe the work progress with dedicated efforts.

PDG.Wichai Maneewacharakiet, Treasurer of Rotary Thailand Foundation and a committee member revealed to us some interesting information.

"Today, I worked with PDG.Surat Buawan and PP. Prasart Tongsirir to inspect the land-digging at Nong Nontai. Over 300,000 cubic meters of soils were removed in 64 days (under 90-day contract). This was 30 % of the plan; we expected to removed 100,000 cubic meters of soil in the project."

"When asked about the elevation of the road in front of the project to prevent floods as the villagers asked for a distance of 3.8 kilometers, said PDG.Wichai, "The construction was started in late May with the support of Sakon Nakhon Provincial Administrative Organization. The road from Ban Nawai was packed using the soil from dredging. Some parts of the road needed to be filled up to 50-100 cm from the original level. Sakon Nakhon Provincial Administrative Organization expected to finish it in July."

"As there was no electricity in the project area, an expansion of the power grid to access the project was necessary. Rotary is asking permission of the Provincial Electricity Authority (PEA) in Bangkok to exempt the cost of expanding the power grid because this is a project initiated by His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej. The Governor of Sakon Nakhon province has helped to present the matter to the PEA. We will know the results after the PEA Board meeting in late June, but no matter how it comes out, Rotary will continue to accelerate the work."

Wichai continued, "There will also be a system to produce clean drinking water. Akat Amnuay Waterworks Authority sent the engineer to help with the system proposed by the

1. PDG.Wichai Maneewacharakiet
2. PP.Niwat Boonyasiriwong
3. Mr.Ekachai Pakdeemakanon, Architect
4. Meeting at Project Nong Nontai



Nong Nontai

The Lake of Love



water filter company. “

The Monkey Cheek Project Nong Nontai cannot be completed if the Rotary Clubs in the area do not participate.

PP.Niwat Boonyasiriwong, RC.Sakon Nakhon

PP.Niwat has helped to coordinate the project from the beginning. Rotary Thailand talked about the first working experienter.

“In March of 2017, I was informed by PP.Prasart Tongsir (RC Sakon Nakhon) that PRIP.Pichai Ruttakul asked the Rotary Club of Sakon Nakhon to explore the area to build a Monkey Cheek at Nong Nontai. Together with the Royal Irrigation Department, the project was dedicated to His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej. He went out to explore the area together with PP. Prasart Tongsir, PP.Sansonthi Boonyothayan, Rtn.Krairach Kaewdee, and Rtn.Kollayuth Nopsri.”

“Later, there was a meeting with the headman of Ban Sao Wat, Ban Na Wai and Ban Dong Seaw. The architects and project committee also attended the meeting to clarify, ensure understanding and ask for cooperation with the village community. We are all cooperating.”

PP.Niwat and Members of RC Sakon Nakhon have been in the area since the beginning of the project, and have coordinated with the district and village headmen for the procurement of materials and equipment. The opening ceremony of the project was on December 5, 2017.

When the construction started, PP.Niwat attended a meeting to monitor the progress of construction every two weeks, helping coordinate with the Governor of Sakon Nakhon for the team to meet and explain the project with the relevant authorities. Governor Sakon Nakhon, Mr.Wittaya Chanchalong and the Deputy Governor of Sakon Nakhon, Mr. Nopadon Paitoon helped coordinate and monitor the progress of the work. The meeting was held in the area and ordered the relevant government agencies to take responsibility.

PP.Niwat told us, “I went to see the construction once a week to report progress to the board every single time and to improve the road through the project area. I managed to keep the gas station nearby, bringing gasoline to fill the soil compaction machine of Sakon Nakhon Provincial Administrative Organization,

and I helped oversee the disbursement of the machinery’s work for transparency account”.

“It is with great pride that I am involved in the construction of the Monkey Cheek Project Nong Nontai.” At finally, PP.Niwat says he has to drive 150 km between Sakon Nakhon - Nong Noi at least once a week to monitor the project as a representative from Rotary.

Mr.Ekachai Pakdeemakanon, Architect

Mr.Ekachai is not just a project architect; he also helps to supervise the construction.

Mr.Ekkachai explained that there will be a meeting at the construction site every two weeks. At the meeting, there would be the representatives of RC.Sakon Nakhon, contractors, representatives of government agencies and village leaders in all 3 villages. “On June 4, 2018, we came to the same conclusion that rain storms are a major problem that delays the projects. However, this project will certainly be completed.”

When questioned about the dipping of the Monkey Cheek, Ekachai said. “The machines and tools have been added with nearly 20 excavator diggers. Working with over 40 dump trucks, everyone believes that if a rainstorm stops like every year, we would have 20 days to work. That is a 10-percent delay which is not a difficult task for the team to manage.”

For the building construction, Mr.Ekachai explained, “Currently, underground construction works such as piling work, foundations and piers are almost finished. The rest of the 9-sided pavilion is just waiting for the rain to stop. After that, the concrete trucks will come in, and the site will be paved with concrete. Then, construction of beams, floor, and roof can be continued without complications from rain. Overall, the job is delayed 5%. It will be accelerated to follow the course.”

As a project architect, Mr.Ekachai did not deny that the construction has some controllable and uncontrollable difficulties. “To work with all parties who have been working together to make this project a success. To do good to the one we love and emulate. I assure you that the project will be completed as we all hoped for.”

Message from Rotary Centre in Thailand's Chairperson



Dear fellow Rotarians

Rotary year will end this June. For one year of service, we provided Rotary information both locally and internationally. We also coordinated projects and helped in transferring budgets and annual fees from members. On behalf of the committee, I thank all members for supporting and sharing the service. Thanks to all the staff for their dedication.

In the years 2018-20, it will be managed by a new committee under the chairmanship of the Former Executive Director of Rotary International, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saowalak Rattavich who has a great deal of experience in Rotary and management. You will find progress in the services we are proud to introduce. I would like to take this opportunity to say good bye and give all of you my best wishes.

Yours in Rotary

(PDG.Charn Chanlongsawaitkul)

Number's Rotary

(20 June 2018 - www.rotary.org)

District	3330	3340	3350	3360	Total
Members	2,447	1,551	2,897	1,382	8,277
Clubs	100	67	109	67	343

The results of the Rotary Club Trophy awarded in Thailand, 2017-18

Royal Crown Prince's Trophy

For Rotary Clubs, which serve three or more excellent project about youths throughout the rotary year

No award winning club.

Royal Crown Princess's Trophy

For Rotary Clubs, which serve outstanding 4 or more service project throughout the rotary year

No award winning clubs

Krom Phra Kamphaengphet

Akkarothin's Trophy

For Rotary Clubs, with the highest average monthly attendance score throughout the year

Rotary Club of Phra Narai Lopbiri D3350 (93.44%)

Krommamuean Narathippong-praphan's Trophy

For Rotary Club with the highest net increasing members throughout the rotary year

Rotary Club of Phuket South D3330 (72%)

Krommamuean Phittayalap-pruettiyakorn's Trophy

For the Rotary Club with the most members attending the District Conference throughout the rotary year

Rotary Club of Pranburi D3330 , Rotary Club of Rang-sit D3350 (100% for both clubs)

Phraya Srivisarnwaja's Trophy

For the Rotary Club, which has one of the best service project of the year

Rotary Club of Bangrak Clean Water Project (Starting from created the water source and extended using water in organic vegetables farming.



TOGETHER, WE

TRANSFORM

Rotary Runner Together : Run2Gether

Good memories of 7 Rotary Clubs in Phuket as part of the “Run2Gether” partnership with government and private sectors. This is a running activity with the significantly disabled, the visually impaired, and the partial disabled. This Run allowed the disabled to exercise and built relationships between the disabled people, and everyone in society. It was on October 1, 2017.



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