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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### JENNIFER JONES, January 2023



Building connection through comfort and care

Rotary recently surveyed our members and found something that should be unsurprising but still caused many of us in Rotary leadership to sit up and pay attention: The single most important factor in member satisfaction is the club experience. How at home you feel in your club, how rewarding club meetings are, and how engaged you feel in service projects.

I have seen this firsthand across the Rotary world this year. When members feel an emotional connection to their club, they cannot imagine leaving. And that connection is often forged in "Rotary moments," when people feel that special connection to the people around them and the impact of their service. Our Imagine Impact Tour is all about shining a light on those Rotary moments and encouraging our members to tell their stories.

But there's something else that makes an enormous difference in building and sustaining that connection. It's the comfort and care of our members — both Rotarians and Rotaractors. As my Rotary friend Todd Jenkins says, "People can't see how you think, but they sure can see your actions."

We are in the relationship business, and if we take care of each other — genuinely show concern for each other — then we will make friends for life, and we will do anything to widen that circle of friendship.

The question is: How do we live with our eyes wide open and do the things that really matter? We do this by taking time for each other, actively listening to one another, and treating

Jones gathers with Rotaract members at World Polio Day 2022 and Beyond: A Healthier Future for Mothers and Children, an event at the World Health Organization in Geneva.

every Rotary member as equally valuable no matter how long we have been a member or what position we hold.

People like me in Rotary leadership can offer all kinds of advice about how to make your club experience more valuable. But what's most important is for everyone in every Rotary club to speak up and listen to one another. We should never be afraid to share with our fellow Rotary member what we expect to get out of our membership and have an open discussion about how to make that happen.

To lead a Rotary club is to invite such dialogue and to be willing to try new approaches. Good leadership is giving it away. Propping others up. Allowing others to feel the victory.

I have one last request for club leaders. We still need to do more worldwide to increase our female membership. It's up a bit this year, but I know we can and must do better. Rotary is growing again. As I write this, we're just a handful of members away from surpassing 1.2 million Rotarians again. So let's redouble our efforts to bolster our clubs with great new members, then keep them for life by providing comfort and care.

> Jennifer Jones President, Rotary International

#### JENNIFER JONES, Febuary 2023

## Empowering girls is about more than creating equity

Recently, I spent time in the Nakivale refugee settlement in Uganda. As the "settlement" in its name suggests, the people living there are free to move around and integrate as best they can — one thing that makes the place unique.

I had a chance to play soccer with boys and girls from about a dozen nations and talk with women who had fled areas of conflict. It was a tapestry of human experience shared through both laughter and tears.

As I walked across a school campus at the settlement with a teacher, she shared with me the dire statistics on girls' education. Most don't get through grade school. Many are sold into child marriage to pay for food for their families. As I looked around at these young girls, I was gutted.

Our work with empowering girls and women is much more than creating equity — sometimes, it's about health or education. Other times it's about providing safety. Regardless of the path, it's always about basic human rights.

We can do more to empower girls and women, and we can expand how we share the progress Rotary members and our partners have made toward this goal.

There is no shortage of inspiring examples of our work, from interest-free microcredit loans for women in Nigeria, to projects in India that provide girls menstrual hygiene products. Hundreds of projects are taking place across all Rotary areas of



Photograph by Esther Ruth Mbabazi

Jones and Zimbabwean actor Sibongile Mlambo watch a soccer match in Nakivale settlement. It's part of an effort to build community among residents of different nationalities. focus and are making a meaningful and often lifesaving difference.

Together, we can address the needs and inequities that girls throughout the world face daily. But we must also monitor the impact of these projects and create awareness of Rotary resources and subject matter experts, including Rotary Action Groups, The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers, Rotary Peace Fellows, and others.

It is especially important that we tell the stories of our initiatives that have a positive impact on the lives of women and girls. This last point is near and dear to my heart. This means sharing our stories on social media, through local news outlets, in this magazine, and wherever we can inspire others.

As you do so, it's important to provide information that helps our Rotary family connect with others who are implementing activities in their regions, as well as across the world. Let's share our successes and learn from one another — then proudly tell our stories to a larger audience.

These are exciting times in Rotary, and the world is taking notice. As we work to empower women and girls to step into their full potential, we create new pathways for membership growth and greater collaboration with partners to create positive, lasting change. Thank you for your continued action in this vital effort.

> Jennifer Jones President, Rotary International



#### TRUSTEE CHAIR'S MESSAGE

IAN H.S. RISELEY, January 2023

# New beginnings, new opportunities to serve

A new year is upon us. As we look forward to new beginnings and experiences, let's

think outside the box and find new opportunities to serve through Rotary.

Consider taking up a community economic development project this year. In this Rotary area of focus, we apply our professional experience by promoting the entrepreneurial spirit as we help communities help themselves in a sustainable way. Community economic development projects, to paraphrase the universal adage, don't just give someone a fish today but teach them to fish so they can eat for a lifetime.

These projects can be microloans to start up a livestock breeding business, or they might take the adopt-a-village approach in which Rotary works with communities on multipronged efforts to boost local economies sustainably.

In 2000, during its transition to independence, Timor-Leste was reeling from political violence and destruction. Communities not only needed shelter and improved living conditions but also a new economy.

This is where Australian Rotary clubs stepped up with the East Timor Roofing project to produce and install corrugated roofing, and later, water tanks and grain silos. As the project grew, other organizations joined, including The Rotary Foundation, which delivered a grant that set the project on its path to success. Before long, East Timor Roofing became a financially viable enterprise, raising enough money to build roofs for homes, schools, orphanages, and commercial buildings. Subsistence farmers

got silos for their crops. Hundreds of East Timorese received professional training in basic building and administrative skills. Thousands of new water tanks ensured that young girls could attend school rather than fetching water.

What began as a roofing project is today a commercial enterprise employing local people and making a huge impact. And your Foundation paved the way.

What experiences lie ahead for you in 2023? A district or global grant? Or possibly a visit to Melbourne, Australia, just up the road from my home, to make new friends, reunite with old ones, and find partners for projects during the 2023 Rotary International Convention?

Let's make a New Year's resolution to take advantage of opportunities to learn, grow, and serve. And let's have some fun in the process. This is Rotary, after all.

So, my friends, let us go forth and carpe annum — seize the year.

IAN H.S. RISELEY Foundation trustee chair



#### TRUSTEE CHAIR'S MESSAGE

IAN H.S. RISELEY, Febuary 2023

#### A global force for peace

One of the fascinating things about Rotary is that we are many things at once. We are a service organization based on action. We

are also a professional and community networking group, not to mention a place to find friendship and fun.

And, when you stop to think about it, you and I are also part of a peace organization. I saw this in 2013, when I represented Rotary at an international symposium on advancing a peaceful democratic transition for Myanmar. Despite recent setbacks, the fact that Rotary was at the table demonstrates that the world sees us as peacebuilders who are not deterred by the most difficult issues.

How did we earn this reputation? Through literacy projects that help people expand their minds and viewpoints. And through water, sanitation, and hygiene projects that create common ground for communities in conflict. The Rotary Action Group for Peace promotes hands-on service projects, and our annual international conventions unite thousands in a celebration of global harmony.

Perhaps the most visible face of this cause is the Rotary Peace Centers program, now in its 21st year. Today, more than 1,600 Rotary Peace Fellows are advancing the cause of peace in more than 140 countries. On 1 February, we open applications for the next generation of peace fellows. Encourage your local peacebuilders to learn about Rotary and apply for this unique fellowship. And soon, we'll be recruiting fellows for a new peace center in the Middle East and North Africa region as we begin working this year with a recently selected partner university.

Made possible by a generous gift of \$15.5 million to The Rotary Foundation from the Otto and Fran Walter Foundation, the addition of this center furthers Rotary's vision of peacemaking in action.

As we celebrate Rotary's 118th anniversary and Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month, we can be proud of the many ways Rotary promotes peace. Without The Rotary Foundation, and your support of it, none of that would be possible.

You can directly support this work through the Foundation by visiting rotary.org/donate and selecting the peacebuilding and conflict prevention area of focus. I also encourage you to contribute to the Ian and Juliet Riseley Endowed Fund in The Rotary Foundation to support peace projects.

If Paul Harris could see us now, he would be amazed by the astonishing growth of the little club he founded in 1905 and the global force for good — and peace — that Rotary is today.

> IAN H.S. RISELEY Foundation trustee chair

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# Editorial

#### PDG.Chalermchat Chun-In



Hello, dear readers,

Our magazine, Rotary Thailand, is the 204th issue, its 39th year, and the next two are entering their 40th year, which means a lot for Rotary in that country. Follow the recommendations of Rotary Thailand Magazine. Maintaining continuity to always pass on inspiration

Rotary Magazine Thailand the book you are currently reading there are still many interesting stories. We continue to gain knowledge and experience. as well as guidance from the President of Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation Chair. which is communicated to all members on a monthly basis and we also have stories of the activities and service of Rotary clubs from around the world, which are always inspiring.

Bicycle project for students to travel to school in Malawi, Africa, operated by Rotary Clubs in the United States. Try to read and get to know Buffalo Bicycle (a bicycle that is durable like a buffalo), which is the story of Inspiring innovation to overcome the obstacles encountered in the implementation of service projects. This story, although the content is a bit long. But I believe that it can definitely pass on a lot of inspiration to us.

In this volume, there is also an informative chapter on Rotary that PDG.Saguan Kunaporn wrote about "Public image" is compared to the Chinese novel "Jade Dragon", where the Chinese novel "Jade Dragon" It is a story that has been adjusted, adapted, always according to the era. Make people around the world know and remember each other forever. Our Rotary organization also needs good recognition and recognition. We also have an article about your experience of attending the training. DGE.Dr.Wathit Tangrapeeleart and 3 other elected regional governors on their way to receive training to prepare themselves for their duties as regional governors. in Abu Dhabi city United Arab Emirates who, in addition to receiving knowledge, also received and conveyed the experience of traveling in different cities as well.

As for the co-editors of the 4 districts, they have gathered and conveyed their experience of establishing new clubs in different areas of Thailand, the experience of establishing satellite clubs of the 3360 district, as well as the activities of the governor in the past. And the Board of Directors of Rotary Centers in Thailand has some great stories about "mobile storytelling" that help us keep in mind that activity.

These stories will continue to inspire. Always provide knowledge and pass on experience. The reader slowly reads a little bit each day. Perhaps you saw some stories that were very long. May reduce interest since you haven't read it yet. However, I confirm that there are many good things in those stories. I therefore invite everyone to meditate and be happy together by "Read a book a little bit each day. Mind is bright." Thank you for always loving and supporting each other.

> Yours in Rotary PDG.Chalermchat Chun-In *Editor – in - Chief*



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# People of action around the Globel

By Brad Webber



#### United States

Members of the Rotary Club of Twin Cities (Centralia-Chehalis), Washington, took to the stage to perform an interactive play, Game of Murder: A Sword and Sorcery Murder Mystery Lunch. A tradition over the past decade, every year's show features a different production with a different cast. The latest show in April sold out and raised \$3,400 for charitable causes, including ramps for disabled access, scholarships for Centralia College, and Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. "We've generally had between 100 and 140 people attend each year," says Catherine Cleveland, who cowrote the script and was one of six Rotarian thespians who starred in the performance.



Club of Twin Cities (Centralia-Chehalis)



#### Bolivia

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Since 2016, the Rotaract Club of Chuquiago Marka has sponsored community events to fund its signature project, providing ocular prosthetics for young eye cancer patients. In November, the club organized a food festival that drew some 4,000 people to Plaza Abaroa in La Paz, the capital. The star attraction was a traditional type of empanada called the salteña.

"It is delicious, and people love it," says Pamela Tapia Salazar, the club's president. The event raised \$700 for the vision program and gave a boost to the salteñas companies, still recovering after the COVID-19 pandemic lockdowns.

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**41%** Proportion of Bolivian adults who identify as Indigenous

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#### United Kingdom

To foster connection among older adults who may have felt isolated during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Rotary Club of Kings Lynn Priory worked with a local cinema to offer discounted screenings through a Silver Mondays Cinema Club. Nearly 60 moviegoers turned out in November to watch Matilda the Musical. Club members served as greeters, ticket takers, and ushers, says Phil Davies, the club's immediate past president and main organizer of the screenings. "The benefit to the cinemagoers is probably 70 percent the opportunity to socialize and 30 percent the film itself," Davies says.



Share of the UK's population over age 64

19%



## Spain

Members of the Rotary Club of Punta Prima International, in Torrevieja, sponsored and helped stage the Golf Tour Las Ramblas, a series of fundraisers begun in 2019 near the Mediterranean city. Sponsorships, start fees, and party and dinner tickets from the 2022 competitions brought in more than \$1,500. Rotarians directed some of the funds to a church charity that assists women and children who have fled Ukraine, says Gunnel Thunström, a club member and tournament organizer. She says the partnership is mutually enriching, even if only a handful of the club's members are avid golfers.





The year when golf's 18-hole round originated

**3rd** Malaysia's ranking among Asian countries in English proficiency



### Malaysia

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While Malaysia's citizens are among the most proficient English speakers in Asia, a gap persists between people in urban and rural areas. The country has pushed in recent years to increase English literacy because of its role in the global economy. Shortly after it was chartered in 2015, the Rotary Club of Kota Kinabalu Pearl began working to reduce the disparity, says Noni Said, a club past president who inaugurated Project REAL. By 2020, the club's initiative operated in 16 rural schools in Sabah state, benefiting some 4,000 students by providing teacher training, books, and equipment. A committee including Rotarians visits schools and meets quarterly with education leaders to monitor progress. Project REAL attracted early financial support from philanthropic organizations and the Australian Embassy. New partnerships with Rotary members in the capital, Kuala Lumpur, and in Taiwan have enabled the club to expand the project to an additional 18 schools.



# Pedaling toward prosperity

For some, a bicycle is a means of exercise or leisure. For others, it's a ride to a better life.

**BY MICHAELA HAAS** 

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Students at Nansenga Community Day Secondary School near Mangochi, Malawi, get ready for the trip home on the Buffalo Bicycles they use to commute.

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A few years ago, Jorge Romero walked his daughter, Mariangel, to school every morning, and every afternoon he accompanied her home. She was 13 at the time, and the 2.5-mile trek in Galapa, a town on the outskirts of Barranquilla, Colombia, was "too dangerous for a girl to walk on her own," Romero explains. The family couldn't afford other means of transportation. But walking his daughter to school meant that Romero, a day laborer, missed out on getting in the labor queue early enough to grab

Like many families in Galapa, the Romeros are refugees from Venezuela who depleted their savings making the journey. Nine family members share a simple two-bedroom home. The family sleeps in one bedroom, reserving the other to store their few prized possessions — including the bicycle Mariangel received from World Bicycle Relief that gave her a new way to get to school. The family's hopes now rest on Mariangel to complete her education, thrive, and help support them. As one relative put it, that bicycle is a godsend.

World Bicycle Relief, a Chicago-based nonprofit started in 2005, has given away more than 684,000 bicycles in 21 countries, most of them in Africa. "Bicycles are a really overlooked tool for people to access opportunities," CEO Dave Neiswander says via a video call from his field office in Zambia. "There's a billion people that are challenged to find reliable transportation. Bicycles are a very efficient way for them to help themselves, which is what intrigued me from the beginning."

WBR is one of several organizations that Rotary clubs are working with to collect and distribute donated bicycles to children around the world. "This is one of my favorite projects of the year," Mary Lou Byrne, president of the Rotary Club of Pasadena, California, says about her group's bike project. "Kids and bikes just belong together, and it is so thrilling to be able to help make that magic happen."

Access to a reliable bicycle helps families overcome barriers to education and other

opportunities. Where Mariangel is from, for instance, many girls must complete chores and care for younger siblings before making the long trek to school. "The problem is they arrive at school late and with no homework done because they are tired," explains Mariela Madrid, the head teacher at Mariangel's school. With a bicycle, they can save time and arrive at school safely with more energy and focus.

"In development, we talk about last-mile supply chain," Neiswander says. "How do you get vaccines out? How do you distribute mosquito nets? How do you actually empower people to reach those distances? Especially in girls' education, where girls are walking 5 or 10 miles to get to school, having a bicycle can be a game-changer, and that really is a key to break the cycles of poverty and disease in developing regions around the world."

#### FOR MEMBERS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF TRAVERSE BAY SUNRISE,

Michigan, service projects to build schools led to their involvement with bicycles. From 2016 to 2019, the club teamed with the Warm Hearts Foundation, a Michigan-based nonprofit that does humanitarian work in eastern Africa, to build classroom blocks at three schools in Malawi.

Helping build schools was the perfect project for Kip Nickel, a retired sales executive in Traverse City who had worked for global manufacturing corporations and enjoyed living in various countries PHOTOGRAPH: WORLD BICYCLE RELIEF





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Malawi schools, they asked students, families, and teachers what they needed most. "We got a list that included textbooks, more classrooms, and computers, but one thing that kept coming up again and again was the need for transportation," Nickel says. "Some of the students were walking up to 6 miles, sometimes leaving their house in the dark before sunrise and getting home in the dark of evening."

The Rotary club first purchased 50 bicycles for students locally in Malawi in 2019 as a test run but had doubts they would hold up. It's the same dilemma WBR founders had a decade earlier: What good does it do to purchase bicycles that fall apart so easily?

WBR was established as an emergency response to provide transportation in Sri Lanka after the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami. Its next project, in Zambia, addressed the HIV/AIDS crisis by providing bicycles to health workers and vulnerable households. Shortly after WBR arrived in Africa, Neiswander and his team realized that sturdy bikes that withstood the rugged dirt roads were hard to find there. "When we put them through our testing protocols, they just fell apart, pedals snapped off, the brakes never worked," he remembers with a laugh. "We were like, whoa, we can't in good conscience give 23,000 bicycles to health care workers in an HIV/AIDS program if the bicycles don't serve their needs."

So WBR's engineers designed a sturdy all-terrain bike that they call the Buffalo Bicycle. It weighs 50 pounds and can carry up to 220 pounds, and it's built for long distances on bumpy terrain. It rarely breaks down, features reliable all-weather coaster brakes, and can easily be repaired. Since introducing the bike to the countries where it works, WBR has trained more than 2,800 mechanics who serve their local communities.

After conducting some research, members of Nickel's club discussed their options: They could continue to buy cheaper bicycles on the local market, or they could invest in the sturdy Buffalo bikes for about \$170 apiece. "We all agreed to make the additional investment and get the better-quality bikes," Nickel says. The Traverse Bay Sunrise club partnered with the nearby Rotary Club of Elk Rapids to raise more than \$30,000, while a grant from District 6290 provided another \$10,000. The money allowed the clubs to buy 220 Buffalo bikes from WBR in 2021.

The Michigan clubs also teamed up with the Rotary Club of Limbe, Malawi, the Warm Hearts Foundation, and Norte Cycling of Traverse City. They donate the bicycles directly to four secondary schools, which decide who needs them most based on how far the students travel, their need for transportation, and their gender, because it can be more dangerous for girls to walk long distances. Families agree to pay the equivalent of about \$6 per year to cover maintenance and repairs. A WBR repair technician services the Buffalo Bicycles at the four schools and teaches students how to make small repairs themselves; the organization also provides toolkits and spare parts.

When students graduate the bikes are passed on to the next generation of students. "Our idea is that this could be perpetual," Nickel says. "We take care of the bikes so they can last years, maybe 10 years or longer."

Pandemic restrictions prevented the U.S. Rotary members from traveling to Malawi when the project began. But World Bicycle Relief assembled the bicycles in Lilongwe, Malawi's capital, and Warm Hearts Foundation helped distribute them. Teachers reported back that attendance and grades improved, as did student behavior. Students are even transferring to the schools, drawn by the chance to receive a bicycle.

In fall 2022, seven Rotarians, including Nickel, visited the four Malawi schools and met the students. "They all love their bicy-





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1. In Malawi, Ty Schmidt of the Rotary Club of Traverse Bay Sunrise, Michigan, reviews repair needs. 2. Sunrise Rotarians, Warm Hearts Foundation, and World Bicycle Relief review the project at the Buffalo Bicycle assembly facility in Lilongwe, Malawi. 3. Paul Brink of Warm Hearts Foundation talks with head teacher Mussa Magombo of Koche Secondary School. 4. Gertrude and Fostino used to walk about 6 miles to school. 5. Students attend a health class at Chiona Community Day Secondary School. 6. Jumbe Yusuff Kamwendo, a student at Koche Secondary School, stands beside his Buffalo bike.

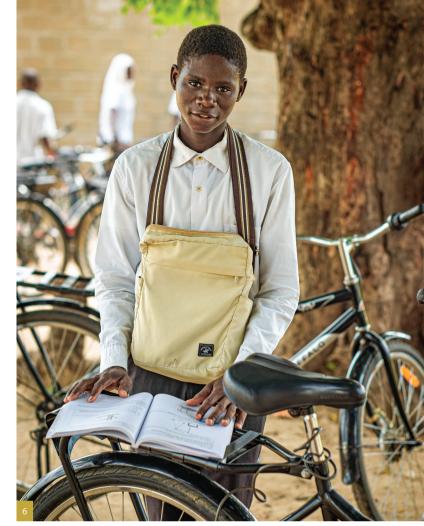


cles and say they are making it possible to attend but also that their grades and interest in school increased," Nickel says.

His most memorable discussion, he says, was with Fostino, a student at Nansenga Community Day Secondary School in rural Mangochi district. The boy had been walking two to three hours to school and was failing because he was often absent, late, and exhausted. "Now that I have my bicycle, I can get to school in 30 or 40 minutes, and I'm on time, even early," the boy told Nickel. "And I am doing so well in school that now I am a genius in class!" Fostino wants to go to college to study finance.

Another student, Gertrude, used to leave her home well before 5 a.m. to walk the 6 miles to school. "I love my bicycle," she told Nickel. "I can also give a friend a ride to school on the rear carrier; they love it too." In fact, nearly all the students they met said they are giving another student a ride to school, doubling their bikes' impact.

The Traverse Bay Sunrise club's next project is to get bicycles for the teachers. "They are having a hard time reaching the schools as well, and they see the students overtake them on the dirt roads," Nickel









says. The club partnered with the Rotary Club of Cadillac, Michigan, and secured another district grant to get this project started. The teachers will pay for their bikes in payments equivalent to \$8 per month over two or three years.

Studies in Africa have shown that a bicycle can increase a family's income. The average pay for a teacher in Malawi is less than \$150 a month, and when the teachers have paid off their bikes, Nickel hopes to invest that money in additional bikes for students. His club also wants to extend the project to additional schools. "Malawi is a long-term commitment for the club," he says.

REQUESTS FOR BICYCLES ALSO COME UP FREQUENTLY IN THE U.S. when Rotary clubs work with families in need. For several years, Rotary clubs in Pasadena, San Marino, and Altadena, California, worked with the Salvation Army to distribute bicycles to families. After receiving the bikes from the manufacturer Huffy at cost, the clubs gave away more than 1,200 bikes, along with helmets and locks, from 2015 through 2020. "The biggest day for us was always the assembly day," says Colleen Carey, a member of the Pasadena club who was co-chair of the project. "We needed at least 50 people to put the bikes together, and between the clubs, we usually managed to come up with enough manpower. The lines of parents stretched around the block. The smiles and the excitement of the children made it worthwhile. Also, a bike gives them freedom and exercise."

Some Rotary members even found their way to their local clubs through bicycle programs. Among them was Kathryn Armstrong, an operations director in Chicago. She learned about a volunteer event at a Chicago nonprofit called Working Bikes that ships bikes overseas, primarily to countries in Central America and Africa, including Malawi. She showed up with her husband and wondered why almost everybody at the event was a Rotary member. The group spent that cold, rainy morning putting donated bikes together for shipment. Armstrong enjoyed the experience so much that she became a Rotary member and serves as president-elect of the Rotary Club of Chicago Cosmopolitan. She has not missed a Working Bikes volunteer day since.

"This is what I believe in and what Rotary stands for: service, empowerment, and self-determination. By getting somebody a bike, it helps them get around," Armstrong says. "It's such a useful tool that can serve

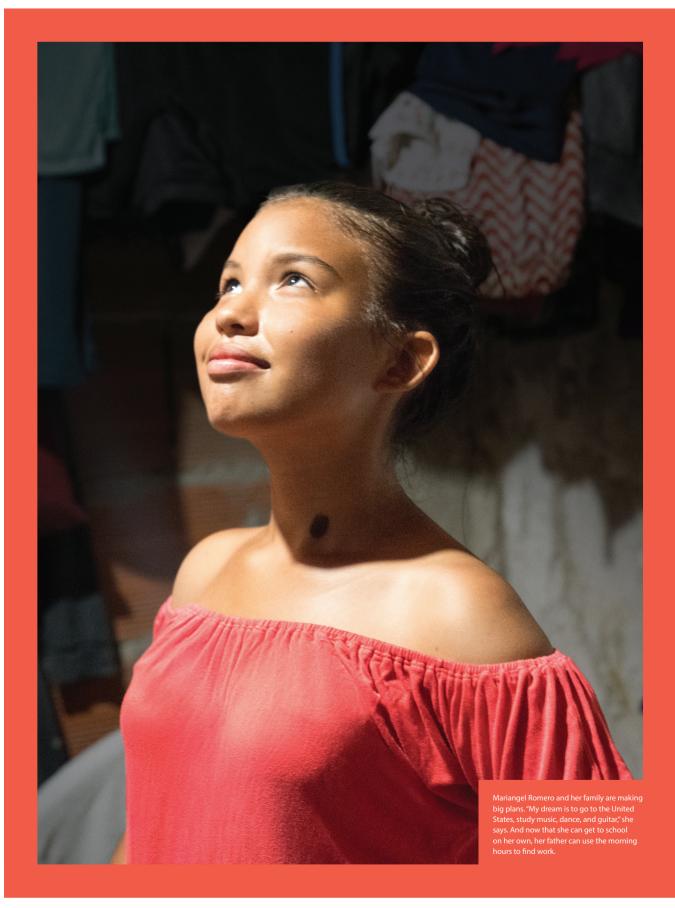
↑ The headmaster (center) of the Chiona Community Day Secondary School shares a laugh with students in the school's courtyard, where the Buffalo bikes are parked during school hours.

them for a really long time."

Nickel shares a similar sentiment. "The leverage you gain through the association with Rotary is invaluable," he says. "I mean, our club has about 70 people, and these 70 people implemented a \$45,000 bicycle project with just our connections through the club, and we'll do it again. It really feels like you're making a big difference. It's very rewarding, and that's an important message."

In Colombia, Mariangel Romero and her family are making big plans. "We look forward to enjoying a different way of life," she says. "My dream is to go to the United States, study music, dance, and guitar. Since I was little, I have loved singing. I still sing during church and hope to sing in public one day." And the benefits of having a bike extend beyond just Mariangel and her education. Her father, Jorge, says: "Now, with the bicycle, she is able to cycle on her own, and I can use the morning hours to find a job and work. We believe in her. She will make it."





# chance to ride

A Rotary club in Korea shares the joy of cycling with blind and visually impaired people





**One morning in late October,** One morning in late October, cyclists with vision loss are pedaling along a riverside path in Korea on tandem bicycles piloted by Rotary members and other volunteers. It's a yearly tradition for the Rotary Club of Cheongju Dream and the residents of Gwanghwawon, a group home for people with blindness or limited vision. For many residents, it's a rare opportunity to spend a day outside, as they have disabilities that require one-on-one care.

Rotary members on the front seats describe the landscape to their

cycling partners as they pedal past fields of silvergrass and cosmos flowers swaying in the wind on the banks of the Musimcheon River. The sun sparkles off the water under a bright blue autumn say. Club member Min Ho Kim is excited to be paired with Sang Min Lee, who was his partner on the last ride. "He is a good partner and good at riding a bicycle," he says. "Today will be a wonderful day."

During a break, the group shares lunch and holds a song competition. Won Jung Kim, who is known in the group home for his singing, is the first to grab the microphone and perform a familiar song, with everyone singing along. Another resident chooses a K-pop song. Then, it's back on the bikes to continue the ride.

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↑ Above: Members of the Rotary Club of Cheongju Dream share a tandem bicycle ride with residents of a group home for people with blindness or limited vision. The annual ride follows the Musimcheon River. Right: Seo Hye-Won, a member of the Cheongju Dream club ↑ Above: Members of the Rotary Club of Cheongju Dream share a tandem bicycle ride with residents of a group home for people with blindness or limited vision. The annual ride follows the Musimcheon River. **Right:** Seo Hye-Won, a member of the Cheongju Dream club



↑ Top: V olunteer Tae Byull Shin helps his riding partner with a helmet at the start of the 15-mile ride. Above: Club member Min Ho Kim (left) talks with his tandem partner, Sang Min Lee, before the ride. **Right:** Rotary members and volunteers pedal from the front seat and describe the scenery to their cycling partners.

# **Rotary Information**

PDG.Saguan Kunaporn Regional Public Image Coordinator (PRIC) Zone 10 B&C Rotary International

# "Rotary Public Image" compared to "Jade Dragon"



On the morning of New Year Day, January 1st, 2023, I had a day off and spent time at home. Incidentally, I was watching television, and came across my favorite Chinese series "The Heavenly Sword and the Dragon Saber" which I believed that people my age who love to read Chinese martial arts novels knew it well. It is a trilogy wuxia novel by Jin Yong which each part has different protagonists. The translator of this trilogy novel into Thai named the first part as "Jade Dragon", the second part as "Jade Dragon 2" and the third one as "Jade Dragon Sword". This story is set in China during the transition from Yaun Dynasty to the Han Ming Dynasty. This immortal set of novels was edited and remade by both film and television producers as well as performed by famous actors and actresses, both all these past 40 years ago. As I remember, if it counts as a set, it should be no less than 20-30 sets.

The important thing, no matter which actors, which year, every film must have the word "Jade Dragon" attached like a brand to guarantee that for people who know this series will be able to indulge in their favorite stories and want to watch them again, if they are new viewers, they want to try to see if it will be as good as the rumors or not.

The "image" of "Guo Jeng and Ung Yong", "Ye Kuo and Xiao Leng Nueng" and "Dia Buki and Princess Diao Miang", although they are different in personality, temperament, appearance, and intelligence, but The "image" of the Jade Dragon, some of which is destiny, makes the protagonist almost like a superhero . However, What the author emphasizes is the virtue and determination of the character to protect the weak, willing to take risks for others, be with the good side against evil, and save the country from the enemy. These essences subconsciously absorbed the audience and made the "Jade Dragon" forever imprinted in their minds, no matter how many new sets of "Jade Dragons" was produced the audience still always loves to watch it every time.

If we talk about "Rotary" and how "Rotary Public Image" will be well known, recognized and would like to be involved for the sustainability of this organization which inevitably means developing and growing, then we must try to understand the "Jade Dragon". We will learn that even in the era of computer graphic editing technology, actors, personalities, and different interests of new and old audiences, the channels of presentation and viewing are constantly changing but the theme of the novel never changed, the "image" of the Jade Dragon never changed.

"Rotary" itself has to adapt to the times. If we would like to promote "Rotary Public Image" to the younger generation whom we would like them to join us and at the same time, it can still pull the older generation to stay with the organization as much as possible. Since we know that Rotary has lost as many members as we have gained over the past 20 years.

The Deficiency of Rotary public relation and public image is not about the lack of storytelling to be promoted. In our organization, there are 36,000 Rotary clubs, more than 7,000 Rotaract clubs, Rotary Youth Exchange, Rotary Youth Leaders, Rotary Vocational Team and many partners. Each of them does tens of thousands of good things each year. So we have tons of content to show, we have more than 1.4 million Rotary members who are ready to be ambassadors representing Rotary to convey the meaning of Rotary. Nevertheless, what is missing is communication skills, especially how to tell the Rotary stories which are listenable, memorable, and how to create media and send messages, even images or video. Most importantly, we must convey clearly, consistently that Rotary members are *"People of Action"*.

Rotary Public Image Team Zone 10 B&C Rotary International has organized three categories of a poster and video contest between the 6 Districts in the zone. All Rotary clubs and Rotaract clubs can request for more details and contest rules. from their District Public Image Chair or go to the link https://rotaryzones10bc. org



# Experience from the Abu Dhabi Governors' Training, United Arab Emirates

By DGE.Dr.Watthit Tangrapeeleart, Rotary Club of Hariphunchai

Today I will share my experiences with my group and my trip to the GETS and GNTS Institute Conference, 2-4 December 2022, at Yas Island, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE).

It started when I learned that

I would have to travel to the UAE for conferences and training, which I had never had in my mind or in my heart before. I only thauht of dessert, hot weather etc. There shouldn't be anything worth studying, but when you touched it, you have to say that anyone who hasn't been there has to find the opportunity and time to go. Even if you don't have any missions, you'll have to feel the vibe of a desert city with stateof-the-art technology.

On this trip, the group I was traveling with was over 10 people. There were past district governors, district governors, governor elects, governor nominees, ladies, and gentlemen, as well as Rotarians from all four districts, all of whom gathered to attend meetings and travel in large groups. We take about 6 hours to fly from Suvarnabhumi Airport.

When we arrived in Dubai, the first thing and first place you get a chance to experience is the magnificent old town, and it's a must-see when you arrive in Dubai. The most talked about aspect of the city is its richness, and if you come to Dubai and don't come here, you won't be able to reach Dubai. Selling gold is like selling cloth in our home market because both sides of the street are full of gold. Each gold shop is lined up to sell gold at the end of the alley. At the end of the day, the best gold is very beautiful and magnificent. Shop and watch.

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the development of desert areas has transformed environmental conditions. To attract tourists, generate income for the country. The Palm Islands are a man-made, magical archipelago in Dubai. There are many luxury hotels. There are many restaurants with a variety of flavors, including

beverages, and souvenir shops selling luxury and famous brands that cater to shoppers and tourists. Dubai today has created a selling point. The country's strengths are huge and are recognized for new innovations all over the world. The tallest building in Dubai and the tallest in the world, the **Burj Khalifa**, is 828 meters tall with 162 floors, and at the bottom of this high-rise building there is the Dubai Mall, a very large mall where people come to shop and watch the dancing Dubai Fountain. There are also attractions to experience, including a ride in the desert and a dinner in the middle of the desert. See beautiful flower gardens, dinner cruises, and more.

Following three days and two nights of sightseeing, tasting, and shopping, the group traveled to Yas Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE, to register for and attend the GETS seminar on November 30 and





December 1, 2022, and the Yas Island Institute on December 4–8, 2022, as planned. Learn from one another and share your experiences. The training conference was divided into two phases.

Phase 1: Training of elected governors (GETS) and governors of nominee regions (GNTS), all of whom must attend the training on November 30 and December 1, 2022, and the Yas Island Institute on December 4–8, 2022, as scheduled. Learn from one another and share your experiences. The training conference was divided into two phases. Phase 1: Training of governor elects (GETS) and governor nominees training (GNTS), all of whom must attend the training during November 30-December 1, 2022 and exchange knowledge and share experiences with GETS classmates from Zones 1, 9, and 10. Everyone attending the training must learn, gain experience, ask questions, brainstorm, and share their knowledge and experience with all their classmates.

Phase 2 Institute Meeting, December 2-4, 2022, featuring past districtl governors, district governors, governor elects, and spouses. A group of interested Rotarian friends attended the meeting. The main issue is that the membership aspect has been mentioned and that the number of members has decreased over the past year, as well as helping to campaign for donations to the Polio Plus Fund.

Finally, The experience that I and my group have gained through this journey and training will help us to do our future duties with confidence. I sincerely hope that members will have the opportunity to travel and attend international conferences to enhance the Rotary experience and open up more perspectives for us.





# Do you know that the eradication of polio is still Rotary's Number 1 Priority?



ast December, there was news about outbreaks of vaccine-derived polio in many countries. At a meeting of the National Committee for Communicable Diseases, the Ministry of Public Health considered and agreed on measures to closely control and monitor polio. Because the eradication of polio is Rotary's Number 1 Priority. Rotary Thailand magazine therefore wants to offer the story of the Polio Plus project from the beginning until the present.

# Countermeasures against polio in Thailand after the current increase in cases in many countries

Because there began to be reports of polio patients after a period of many years when there were no cases, in which there were reports of 30 cases of polio patients infected with wild virus in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Mozambique and 577 cases of polio patients infected with vaccine-derived virus in 22 countries, including Indonesia, which had 4 cases, Thailand had to be ready with countermeasures even though there have been no polio cases for more than 25 years since the last case in 1997.

At the meeting of the National Communicable Diseases Committee on December 21, 2022, the following measures about polio were agreed:

1. When there is the risk of a polio outbreak overseas, have every province rapidly increase vaccine coverage of children, do public relations to stimulate vaccinations, estimate the risk, practice the campaign to increase vaccinations in risk areas, and encourage the work units involved in providing vaccines to secure Inactivated Polio Vaccine (IPV— vaccine with a dead virus that is injected into the muscle in order to increase immunity in children).



Did you know? more than a rotarian 80% Never donated to PolioPlus

2. Organize a national sub-committee to propel the elimination of polio (plus the eradication of measles and German measles) in order to strengthen actions to wipe out polio in Thailand, There must be a continual drive to implement the measures.

### The path of Polio Plus

Rotary International has been doing polio projects for more than three decades beginning with the 3-H project that helped give immunity to polio to 6 million children in the Philippines from 1979 to 1985. The eradication of polio then became a issue that finally progressed to Polio Plus (plus means that it includes measles, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, and tuberculosis) in order to raise \$120 million to provide immunity to children in developing countries over five years.

Continuing on, Rotary joined hands with the World Health Organization (WHO), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, and UNICEF to begin the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI). The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation joined later.

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2022 Worldwide Polio Cases (as of January 4, 2023) Cases related to wild polio virus Cases related to accine derived virus 581 person

Since the beginning of the GPEI in 1988, we have been able to reduce the number of polio cases 99.9 percent. Rotary has donated \$2.6 billion, but there are two countries – Afghanistan and Pakistan – that still have outbreaks of Wild Polio Virus Type 1.

Rotary aims to raise \$50 million a year for three years, and the Gates Foundation extended its agreement to be a partner in the eradication of polio by announcing that it would match every dollar of Rotary donations 1 to 2 up to \$450 million in October 2022.

RI President Jennifer Jones stated, "As the first organization to envision a polio-free world, Rotary is more committed than ever to delivering on our promise that one day, no child will ever again be paralyzed by polio."

#### Polio campaigns in Thailand

In 1987, Rotarians in Thailand began to help conduct a 4-year project with 26 million baht from The Rotary Foundation. The goal was to increase the rate of immunity to polio to 90 percent by 1992.

In addition to this, under the leadership of the national chair of Polio Plus of Rotary in Thailand, PDG Noraseth Patamanand (his position at that time) also cooperated with the Ministry of Public Health and the Bangkok Municipal Administration to organize seminars about the campaign to give polio vaccine drops to children throughout the country at the Rotary Center from 1998 until 2014. At the working level, Rotary clubs cooperated with provincial public health offices. During that time, clubs in Bangkok would cooperate with public health centers of the Bangkok Municipal Administration in the national campaign to give children immunity.

"We only have to understand that working together for just a bit longer, we will be able to eradicate polio. Let's increase the value of our donations. If you donate \$100, Rotary will receive \$300"

Past District Governor Chaivai Poonlapmongkol Coordinator of End Polio New 2021-24 Zone 10B & 10C (Region 12)

#### Our Task

Rotary members must still be involved in the most important program of our organization. Clubs and districts must continue to strive to organize fundraising campaigns to end polio now. For example, in District 3340, the Rotary Club of Pattaya Marina organized a fundraising event on behalf of the district, and the district also gave a part of its DDF to the Polio Plus Fund. Districts 3330 and 3360 sold Polio Plus shirts and gave the earnings after expenses to the Polio Plus Fund. District 3350 has scheduled a Walk and Run to End Polio fundraiser on Sunday, May 14. Aside from this, a large number of clubs still do activities on World Polio Day (October 24, 2023).

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#### Editorial of District 3330, RI



PDG.Paikit Hoonpongsimanon Rotary Club of Tubtiang

Sawasdee Fellow Rotarians and all Readers,

Happy New Year 2023 to all members and readers. If it is the normal calendar, January is the first month of the year but for a rotary year, we have gone through 2022-2023 only halfway. All Fellow Rotarians, we still have many months to end our rotary year on 30 June. During this period, many clubs are doing their service projects to achieve their goals, while others are summarizing their performance and submitting for district consideration to be awarded at the Award Night which will be organized before the District Conference of every year.

This issue's content of District 3330 will be focused on starting the new clubs which is a strategy to increase the rotary members very effectively and quickly. This year, District 3330 planned to establish many new clubs.

In this issue, I will present the article about starting Rotary club of Krabyai, Ratchaburi Province, by AG. Prayong Akharachaiphan,special advisor from Rotary Club of Ban Pong.

Additionally, in the activities section, The District Governor is officially visiting various Rotary Clubs, and many Clubs had organized activities on the National Children's Day.

Finally, I would like to wish all readers good health. See you in the next issue ■

# New Chartered Rotary Club Rotary Club of Krabyai



New Club Advisor: AG.Prayong Akharachaiphan Rotary Club of Ban Pong

Rotary Club of Krabyai was initiated by 6 following Rotarians: 1. PP.Sirapat Vongkusolkit (Rotary Club of Lukkae-

Kanchanaburi)

2. PP.Nathaphat Jitthampong (Rotary Club of Lukkae-Kanchanaburi)

3. PP.Nipa Ekkaewnumchi (Rotary Club of Luk-Ha Damnern)

4. AG.Suphon Sirithammacharoen (Rotary Club of Luk-Ha Damnern)

5. PP.Choiphatt Rungratthawachai (Rotary Club of Kampaengsan)

6. Mr. Gutragul Vongkusolkit (Former Mayor of Krabyai)

The discussion on starting a new Rotary club was initiated in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic; therefore, the starting process halted. Currently, during the Rotary year 2022-2023 led by District Governor La-or Chinda, the pandemic was alleviated, so the topic was started again on Thursday 03 November, 2022. After the agreement had been finalized, Rotary Club of Krabyai was chartered.

The reason reveals that Krabyai Sub-district is a border area connected between 3 provinces, i.e. Ratchaburi, Kanchanaburi, and Nakhon Pathom. The total population is approximately 13,000 people. Most of them are farmers living in the administrative area of Ban Pong District. Rotary Club of Krabyai is located in the area between 3 neighboring Rotary clubs; 1) Ban Pong Rotary Club - 20 kilometers, 2) Lukkae-Kanchanaburi -12 kilometers, and 3) Kampaengsan - 25 kilometers.

#### Rotary Club of Krabyai aims at the following concepts:

1.Be a good standing and sustainable Rotary club

2.Honor and trust a club leader taking the position of club president in each administrative year



3.Honor, deliver good fellowship, and pay high attention to club members as Rotary families





1.AG.Suphon Sirithammacharoen 2.PP.Sirapat Vongkusolkit 3.PP.Nathaphat Jitthampong 4.PP.Nipa - Ekkaewnumchi 5.PP.Choiphatt Rungratthawachai

There are 2 club names for consideration, which are Krabyai and Huaykrabok. The members agree with

• The 2nd meeting was organized on Saturday

2 Rotary clubs, i.e. Ban Pong, Photharam, and Lukkae-

Kanchanaburi, together with the Club Extension Committee

Chair were invited to make a clear understanding about the

start of a new club. Meanwhile, the incoming club officers

were nominated as follows. Mr.Gutragul Vongkusolkit

was nominated to be charter President. Past President

Nathaphat Jitthampong was nominated to be club

secretary. Mrs.Waraporn Kluisritrakul was nominated to

14 November 2022. The members from the 3 clubs and the

Club Extension Committee Chair were invited to advise the

documentation process. By this time, Assistant Governor

Prayong Akharachaiphan was nominated to be a new club

of Krabyai was filed by Rotary International as a certified

Rotary Club with a chartered date of 25 November 2022

and a total of 20 members in the charter list.

• The 3rd meeting was organized on Monday

On Wednesday 16 November 2022, Rotary Club

be President-elect.

advisor for Krabyai Rotary Club.

4.All members entering Rotary Club of Krabyai are the name of Krabyai since Krabyai is the name of a Subservice-minded, generous, and willing to support the people, district covering a wider area than Huaykrabok, which is who are in need and incapable to access the government and the name of the market in Krabyai Sub-district. private agencies. The club will support the coordination and facilitation to reach out the flexible access to various agencies. 5 November 2022. In this meeting, the members from

5.To create good fellowship and chances for members to initiate service projects to assist the people in the community

6.Certain members are from women's groups with volunteer spirit and they wish for the better development for the community.

7.To preserve local tradition and culture

8.To preserve the ecology system in the community 9.To strengthen - promote the better community economy

In order to implement the starting of Krabyai Rotary Club, Past President Nathaphat Jitthampong asked for advice from District Governor Chalermchat Chun-in, Club Extension Committee Chair. A few questions were asked by the Club Extension Committee Chair as follows. Are the tentative charter members ready for the club charter? Is the charter president defined? How many charter members are there? Consequently, the tentative members were advised of the better knowledge and understanding on the charter

regulations by the Club Extension Committee Chair.

Before the starting of the new club, a meeting was organized with 20 prospective members and the Club Extension Committee Chair was invited to explain the charter regulations to them. Before submitting the charter application, there were 3 meetings organized as follows.

• The 1st meeting was

organized on Wednesday 02 November 2022. The prospects were invited for the discussion. They were provided with knowledge and understanding of the basic criteria of starting the new Rotary club and naming the club. The past presidents of Rotary clubs in the different administrative years shared information to the prospects as follows.



Rotary Club of Krabyai meets twice a month, the first Friday of the month and the third Friday of the month from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Hybrid meetings are provided both online and offline. The meeting place is Baan Suan Apirada (Bueng Krabyai) No.105 Mu 10, Krabyai Subdistrict, Ban Pong District, Ratchaburi Province 70190.

Rotary Club of Krabyai defines the motto as "Bridge relationship, assist and develop, serve the community".

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District Governor La-or and spouse, Rtn.Chulanan Chinda, officially visit Rotary Clubs



Visited Rotary Club of Nakhonchaisri and participated in the handover ceremony of the chicken farming project for lunch to the Sot Suksa Nakhon Pathom School (for the Deaf) on December 20, 2022.



Visited Rotary Club of Suphanburi, Area 29 and visited the fish farming project at Sra Krajom Sophonpittaya School on December 22, 2022.



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Visited Rotary Club of U-Thong, Area 30, and participated in handing over the toilet renovation project for the children, donated winter blankets and a water filter at Ban Tha Phraya Chak Kindergarten, U Thong District, Suphan Buri Province on December 26, 2022.



Visited Rotary Club of Kanchanaburi, Area 27, on January 11, 2023.

Rtn.Sirorat Uengcharoen, Chair of youth activities, representing Rotary Club of Pra Pathom Chedi, as a sponsored club of the Interact Club of St.Peter's School contributed money to support their activities of the National Children's Day at the School, Sampran District, Nakhon Pathom Province.





Rotary Club of Tongkah, led by President Peerapit Ongcharoen, in cooperation with Seng Ho Bookstore, organize a project to support loving to read by contributing books and bookshelves to Ban Tha Ruea School, Phuket Province.



Rotary Club of Nakhon Pathom, Rotary Club of Pra Pathom Chedi, and Rotary Club of Sanam Chan in collaboration with Nakhon Pathom municipality and organizations more than 70 agencies, both government and private sectors jointly organize the event on National Children's Day of which the opening ceremony was presided over the by the Governor of Nakhon Pathom.

# D.3340

## Editorial of District 3340, RI



PP.Puttitorn Patthanasintorn Rotary E-club of District 3340

Dear all Rotarians,

"Starting new Roary Club" is a special opportunity to do more service and have participation in community. It can impact on livelihoods of people. Starting a new club must follow the procedure by commencing on the needs that have not yet been met. Then, search for the experts of different careers who can work together towards the same ideal to support one another in doing service effectively. Later, connect sponsor club and the District Governor to discuss the plans and prepare documents to submit the Rotary International. Lastly, the final step is to receive a "Charter" from Rotary International.

If starting a Rotary Club isn't feasible, consider an alternative such as forming a satellite club, a Rotaract or Interact club, or a Rotary Community Corps (RCC). All these groups are part of the Rotary family. Depending on the ages and other characteristics of the people who are interested, another type of club may be a better option. See Rotary Club models for details at www.rotarythailand.org

# Starting a Rotaract Club in Rambhai Barni Rajabhat University, Chanthaburi



By PP.Puttitorn Patthanasintorn a Rotaract adviser District 3340

#### The initiate and purpose of establishing the club

Because of the Faculty of Nursing, Rambhai Barni Rajabhat University, Chanthaburi, had an official message requesting 10 electric bikes to support the year 2 nursing students. Their jobs are to visit and to take care of the patients in communities around Chanthaburi whereas each patient lives in remoted areas. Some locations are so far from one another that the nursing students have to walk in distance and yet it takes time too, as a result, they get exhausted, work less efficiently. That is the reason why they want the electric bikes to do their jobs conveniently.

Since Rotary Club of E-Club of District 3340 received that message and discussed this matter in the club meeting. The resolution was that club members did fieldwork to see the students' operation. When we had done in July 2022, we found that the students' operation was obviously hard and, they did the job among the disadvantaged patients. Most of them were the bedridden patients. DG.Pantida Rojwanasin, (on behalf of Charter President) together with P.Somchai Settavakin and members agreed with the potential of the students. They could be instrumental in bringing the information that meets the needs of the patients in community for Rotary Club. They could perfectly relieve their troubles.

That concept initiates to establish Rotary Club in the institute. Firstly, the Rotary Club made a meeting associated



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3340 is a sponsor club and PP.Puttitorn Pattanasintorn acting as the Rotaract Adviser, appointed by DG.Pantida Rojwannasin.

Finally, The Rotaract Club was established, named "Rotaract Club of Rajabhat Rambhai Barni Chanthaburi". There are 20 charter members combined with 4 teachers of Factulty and 16 year 2 nursing students. All are still in process of asking more information and being expected the establishment will be done within June 2023.

# Join Cycling Project



FORDEC Cycling Challenge for Children's education was arrived at Thao Suranaree (Ya Mo) monument, Korat. Rotary Clubs in Nakhon Ratchasima province had welcomed Bill and Chantal, **the Canadian couple who were in Nakhon Ratchasima** during cycling mission to generate money for the Foundation for

Rehabilitation and Development of Children and Family (FORDEC). The 2 cyclists had dedicatedly been raising fund for helping underprivileged children and disadvantaged families in Thailand on 13 January 2023.



Rotary Club of Krasang Buriram and her members had welcomed the 2 cyclists of Rotary Club of Philadelphia and donated to FORDEC as well.

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# Join Cycling Project



Rotary Club of Surin Led by P.Apinporn Jatupornanantakoon, she joined cycling until reached Caltex gas station, Muangleeng. Unexpectedly, one of the bike's tires happened leakage during the way to Muangleeng but they got it repaired after that the couple went on cycling to Satuk district.



Rotary Club of Mitraparp-Khon Kaen Led by P.Nanthiya Sirikanthananun, she and club members had welcomed and joined cycling with William Thomas and Chantal Jauvin of Rotary Club of Philadelphia, USA. The couple commenced their

journey from Ayutthaya for the 2,500 kms to raise fund up to 1 million Bht for the Foundation for Rehabilitation and Development of Children and Family (FORDEC). Rotary Club of Mitraparp-Khon Kaen took them at the hotel from Rotary Club of Mahasarakham, joined with the Rotarians and the others from different clubs waiting for welcoming them at Wat Nhongwang, the royal temple.

Mr.Supachai Leekhaosoong, the provincial secretary of Khon Kaen in honor, led the cycling team associated with Khon Kaen Cycling club joined and then sent forward to the next route. In such a hospitality weather, the Commander in chief of Army military circle 23 sent the patrol of military police to provide convenience through the route. It is a good collaboration between District 3340-3350 RI and provincial sections. By doing this, Rotary club of Mitraparp-Khon Kaen and partners donated 25,000 Bht to the project.

# Rotary activities on Children Day

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Rotary Club of Khunying Mo-Korat did some distribution to children with snack. milk, icecream, pencil cases, and saving boxes, gave them natural material to make the handy craft, drawing, painting and mascot dancing at Nakhon Ratchasima zoo.

# Rotary activities on Children Day



**Rotary Club of Chumphae** participated the children's day in front of the Chumphae city hall, Khon Kaen.





Rotary Club of E-Club Dolphin Pattaya International gave happiness to the children from the H.H.N. Foundation Thailand. Sponsored by the club, the children had a great seeing the Dolphin show and having good lunch. They got so much fun.



**Rotary Club of Koh Chang** celebrated the children's day at Trat Logistics Naval Base, Trat.



Rotary Club of Tharuea-Trat Led by P.Pairun Jansiri and 10 members worked operation in women and



children project to provide the children a wonderful day at Trat Special Education Center. The club gave 200 boxes of lunch and 60 pieces of dolls, new year gifts altogether valued

11,000 Bht. There were approximately 300 children.



Rotary Clubs Area 2 District 3340 participated the children day at Tesban School of Chanthaburi. The school director, staff of teachers and school board of committees gave a warm welcome. On this occasion, the mayor together with District Governor Nominee Designate Wiwat Srisomphong, Assistant District Governor Boonying Booncharoen,

Club President of Chanthaburi, Club President of Chantaboon and Club President of E-Club District 3340 had joined in.

# **District 3340 Activities**

Rotary Club of Chonburi associated with Panasnikhom, Sriracha and Plutaluang and cooperated with the international partner, Rotary Club of Gwangju-Bia, South Korea worked on the project a Colibri II bone drill, values 1.1 million Bht which



handed over at Panthong Hospital, Chonburi. The handover ceremony and orthopedic health awareness training was held with the warm weather on 13 January 2023. Both givers and recipients were very happy.

# D.3350

#### Editorial of District 3350, RI



PP.Trong Sangswangwatana Rotary Club of Bangkok Suwanabhum

Happy New Year fellow Rotarians and readers,

We began the New Year with cool winds which had disappeared. We now return to normal situation which is 'hot' as usual and 'face to face meetings' as before.

In this issue I offer visual images from the '2nd Impact Tour' of District Governor meets club presidents and committee members in Lopburi.

I also offer interesting background to the creation of 4 new clubs in Bangkok and upcountry to show how they were influenced by different reasons. One club came from alumni association of students who met regularly for meals. Another club came from exRotaractors who still band together. A third is a group of new generation adults who wish to show their capabilities among peers of the same generation. Finally, a club whose members found initiative from the vision of the current RI President and formed a club to serve together.

It is hoped that these different initiatives will inspire Rotarians whose role is club extension, to see that it is not difficult to get a group of people to form a club. What is more difficult is how ensure continuity of the clubs so that the club lasts with quality and efficiency **■** 

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# Activities 3350



**Rotary Club Ratchadapisek** raises funds annually by setting up a booth Red Cross Fair 11 - 18 December 2022 where the garden comes to visit customers Both children, adults, prostitutes, captains, foreign friends, clubs came to visit. Never miss a call in a fun atmosphere. All members are very tired and do not forget to follow the steps below.



**Rotary Club of Bangkok Suwanabhum** welcomed Cadre David Lee from Rotary Club of Taipei Millennium, Region 3481, Taiwan. in coming to visit the results of cer vical cancer vaccination GG #1982235 by random examination Which is considered very few clubs to have such a good experience (Cadre position is a specialist of the Rotary Foundation It is a voluntary work and has a 3-year term).



**Rotary Club of Bangkok Benjasiri** was honored by the Director of Iida to participate in the inspection. Delivery of Sterilizer for Medical Devices Global Grant Program #2236165 in collaboration with Toyohashi Club for Charoenkrung Pracharak Hospital on December 26, 2022

# 2nd IMPACT TOUR



Host club for the 2nd IMPACT TOUR is Rotary Club of Praramasual Lopburi led by PP Kwin Puiwphuan Chair of the Organizing Committee. The event was held at the Thai Mon Stay Strong Community at Wat Amphawan, Muang District Lopburi. Altogether 163 Rotarians joined from 58 clubs.

Stemming from the initiative of RI President Jennifer Jones the first female Rotary President who planned to visit 8 projects covering the 7 Areas of Focus of Rotary to show the world that Rotary makes a tangible and sustainable contribution to development in the world; this also promoted the public image of Rotary in the eyes of new viewers, and in those who share similar ideals and aspiration among leaders in the new society.

With such objectives in mind, District Governor





Mitsutaka Iida led visits to activities of Rotary clubs in Lopburi that benefitted the communities. They visited RCC in Nuay Prakong Village, Dongdindaeng Subdistrict, Nongmuang District which was the first RCC in Thailand set up on 24 June 2001 under the supervision of Rotary Club of Praramasual Lopburi which had an outstanding project -- the Village Bank which allowed members of the community to borrow money for investment by charging only 1 percent interest. Today the Village Bank has more than 15 million baht working capital and members receive dividends.

Visiting projects that benefitted the community will inspire creative ideas for fellow Rotarians and including journalists who covered these activities will inform the general public.



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## New Chartered Rotary Club

#### Rotary Club of Pa San Nakhonsawan by CP.Noppanant Pornpitchaya

Around mid-2021, friends came together in a group for a meal as usual. AG.Tawatchai Chatvittayanon mentioned an organization with large number of members coming together to serve the community in many ways without expecting compensation. He told stories of projects they were involved in. He showed pictures of their activities. He did this many times. Friends who were with him while studying joined in these activities -- they became community leaders, directors of clubs and foundations. Now they were happy to join in this activity called the Rotary Club of Pasan Nakornsawan.

'Pa San' is a Thai word that means mixing together - mixing people, and place, and the environment. Architecturally it can be described as a route bending this way and that, with a modern building on the riverside, lawn, benches for admiring the sunset, and showing the confluence of the rivers to become one like the Chao Phraya. We invited PDG.Surachat Chuenchoksan and DGE.Wichai Chivakanit to give us Rotary information on 13th December 2021. Once everything came



together AG.Tawatchai Chatvittayanon from Rotary Club of Bangkok Nawamin submitted all documents and we received the Charter on 24 April 2022 with Rotary Club of Bangkok Nawamin and Rotary Club of Siquare Nakhonsawan as sponsor clubs. We even received 10,000 baht as donation for our projects from Rotary Club of Bangkok Nawamin.

The projects that Rotary Club of Pasan Nakornsawan will do is for Safe Roads Save Lives , scholarships for students, donating medical equipment and supplies to hospitals, Offering happiness to students with food and sweets, and a multitude of other activities.

#### Rotary Club of Krungthep Kreetha by CP.Achiraya Kaewmungkhun



The formation of RC Krungthep Kreetha grew out of observation of the generation gap that existed in clubs. The club saw the potential and

commitment of the new generation, and see that it will lead to the formation of a stable society. This led to the coming together of capable people from different vocational groups to perform services for society to improve quality of life equally for everyone, be they women, the underprivileged, the handicapped, or the vulnerable groups. This society will be diverse in all areas. We believe that the core strength of our members and opportunity inside and outside our



organization will help develop a strong and sustainable society. Our members come from reputable people from a variety of vocations such as financial, technology and creativity, education, agriculture, etc. all who share similar ideals about developing the society and country. Each person has a variety of abilities and interests, but the group are one in their desire to develop the community. We believe that the new generation has a broad vision for development and will bring technologies and scientific knowledge to use in improving the community for people of all classes.

Our club has three basic objectives – we focus on 1) Developing education for children and youth; 2) Build facilities for our vulnerable people; 3) Develop environment in a sustainable way.

Today we have begun laying down the platform, where the club is the center for those who need help, for the community to meet with low-income people or those in-need and help each other.

Finally, RC Krungthep Kreetha hope that our club members will be a factor in helping develop Thai people to a better living condition in a sustainable way.

#### Rotary Club of Chacheongsao by CP.Supat Thanapingpong

Beginning in 1967, my Thammasat university friends and I invited Bhichai Rattakul Past President of Rotary Club of Dhonburi and Past District Governor of District 330 for discussion at Thammasat University about forming a Rotaract club. That day the decision was made and the Rotaract club of Thammasat was formed. I was club president in the following year. I am proud that Thammasat Rotaract club still hold activities to this day.

Every year my friends and I will visit and pay respect to PRIP Bhichai. In 2018 we informed him that the following year we will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the formation of Thammasat Rotaract club. He welcomed the celebration and said he will join the event. Here it must be noted that the organizing committee changed the event's name. In 2020 we brought out a book on '50 years of Rotaract clubs in Thailand'.

#### Rotary Club of Niramitngam Rachapruek by CP.Natharin Kitipornwarist

The name of the club Niramitngam began with the word 'Imagine' from RI President Jennifer Jones. The theme Imagine in the encyclopedia is the same meaning as "Niramit" or "Make it Happen". We want virtue to happen so we Imagine Virtue. Niramitgnam will make good things happen on Thai soil.

The impetus for starting this club is the desire to build new generation people who I have invited to be charter members and who are fairly successful business people. By asking them to put their collective energy together to build virtue by returning part of their earning to the society back to Thailand, thus they will offer services to the community according to Rotary's motto 'Service above Self'.

The club held its Charter Night and Installation of Club Officers on 20th November 2022 at the Monthien Riverside. There were 26 charter members. What we have already accomplished is donating 6 water tanks of 3,000 During the organization of the 50th Anniversary celebration, I met former Rotaractors who are now members of various Rotary clubs, some are club presidents, some are District Governors. I met DGE.Wichai Chivakanit, PP.Dr. Pichai Buranasombat, AG.Napaskamon Promopakorn. After the event PRIP Bhichai told me that Chacheongsao province does not have a Rotary club or hold Rotary activities. He wanted me to invite friends to form a Rotary club. I was willing. However, with the Covid situation in the last 2-3 years I was only able to complete the formation in September 2022 with 20 charter members who were largely business owners or retired civil servants.



On 30th October 2022 we held our Charter Night and Installation of Club Officers at the Suntara Resort and Hotel. That night we were honored to have District Governors from D.3340 and D.3350 and Rotarians from 32 clubs who joined in large numbers.

Today our club meets twice a month. On every second Wednesday we met online and the 4th Wednesday we meet in person at the chosen place of the day.

litre each together with our sponsor club Rotary Club of Bangkok Nawamin to the Ban Mae Maem school for hilltribe children in Chiang Mai. We signed MOU for Safe Road, Save Lives. We gave 6 scholarships for Empowering Girls at 1000 baht each. We gave bear toys with offering rice at Wat Pasi School on Ekamai Road.

There are many more service projects on the club's plan e.g. going together to donate blood, at Vachira Hospital together with 100,000 baht cash. They will purchase medical equipment for new hospitals such as Somdej Prapinklao hospital.



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#### Editorial of District 3360, RI



PP.Dr.Natthanin Setavanich Rotary Club of Phrae

Sawasdee Krub, All Fellow Rotarains and Readers,

Happy New Year 2023 to all members of Rotary Magazine Thailand. Stepping into a new year, there will always be good blessings for everyone and every club for sure. Even though it's the start of the new year, but we are halfway through the Rotary Year of Imagining Rotary. In a few months, every district will conclude the annual performance of each club, including the district level whether they are the services, the global grants or the club expansion.

In this issue, District 3360 RI presents the story of expanding the new satellite club including with the collection of activities in the district. I hope that this new year 2023, every club, especially the club president, will lead members towards the goals they have set since the beginning of the management year. And I would like to encourage every club to make the club strong with intense activity to public as the goal has been set since the beginning of Rotary Year

### New Charter Club Rotary Satellite Club of Changpuak Chiang Mai Vientiane-Central, Laos



#### by PP.Sirilak Chaiyawong, Rotary Club of Changpuak Chiang Mai

#### History and Background

On June 3, 2022, I received an email from Mr.Baek Chong Myoung saying that he was Korean living in Laos. He had friends and relationships with Rotarians in South Korea. He wanted to do a service project with fellow South Korean Rotarians in Laos. A fellow Rotarian in Korea advised Mr.Baek to establish a Rotary club in Laos. And He heard that forming a Rotary Club in Laos is a part of supervision from District 3360 RI, Thailand.

Mr.Baek knew that there was already one Rotary club in Vientiane, but he wanted to establish another Rotary club to carry out projects with Rotary clubs in South Korea and Thailand. To be a bridge to do various projects in Laos, he asked about the establishment of the club, how to start a new club and could a Rotary club be established in Laos?

I knew that Mr.Baek had sent an e-mail to ask many people in District 3360 RI at the same time. He asked me to help making his dream come true too. I emailed him how to start a Rotary club. Many questions were asked and responded times to times until he understood the process of establishment of the new club and regulations. I consulted and talked with PDG.Kamolsak Visitsakulchai, Membeship Chairman of District 3360 RI and Board Committee of Rotary Club of Changpuak Chiang Mai.



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On July 2, 2022, Mr.Baek gathered 8 members and sent me the members' documents. I have forwarded documents to PDG.Kamolsak Visitsakulchai, Membeship Chair of District 3360 RI for checking. Normally, the process of new member induction would take at least 6 weeks for Rotary Club of Changpuak Chiang Mai. We needed to check the profiles and pass the board of committee to accept new members. There would be a background check of the prospect member that consumed a long process. We brought profile and induction to a board meeting to hear the opinions of all members of the club. Since the Satellite members are abroad, it took times for completion.

On August 19, 2022, District 3360 RI sent the satellite club establishment documents to the relevant officers to review the documents before sending them to Rotary International.

On September 9, 2022, I received an email informing that the establishment of Rotary Satellite Club of Changpuak Chiang Mai Vientiane-Central, Laos was admitted on 9 September 2022 as a satellite club of Rotary Club of Changpuak Chiang Mai, Chiang Mai, Thailand.

On November 12, 2022, DG.Supaluck Lohajoti and District Committee including PDG.Kamolsak Visitsakulchai, Membeship Chairman of District 3360 RI and spouse Rotary Anne Wantanee Visitsakulchai from the Rotary Club of Chiang Kham, DGE.Dr.Wathit and Rotary Anne Somsamai Tangrapeeleart from Rotary Club of Nakhon Hariphunchai, DGN.Apisak Jompong from Rotary Club of Mae Chan, PDG. Anurak Naphawan from Rotary Club of Doiprabath, AG. Pimpraphai Phannapop from Rotary Club of Uttaradit, PP Rasamee Pitakmanokul from the Rotary Club Chiang Mai Nawarat, Rtn.Attawut Tangrapeelert from the Rotary Club of Nakorn Hariphunchai, and I, PP.Sirilak Chaiwong, from Rotary Club of Changpuak Chiang Mai, participated in an official visit to the Vientiane Club.

At the same time, DG.Suphalak adorned the pin in honor of Mr.Baek, the club's president and members of the new club this time. and on the same occasion DGE Dr. Wathit Tangrapeelert, DGN.Apisak Jompong, PDG.Anurak Napawan and PDG.Kamolsak Visitsakulchai gave message of Rotary background to members of the Rotary Club of Vientiane and the Satellite Club of Changpuak Chiang Mai Vientiane-Central, Laos too.

Setting up a Satellite club was not difficult at all. If we have friends or connection of people who are interested in joining Rotary International's service for community, we can promote this practice to increase Rotary membership.

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Chiang Rai Rotary Club Led by P.Narit Kannika and Rotary Satellite Club Chiang Rai-Mae Suai Participate in the handover ceremony of medical equipment and supplies, which are delivered after deducting expenses from the activity. "Hurry Up" On the 1st Mae Suai Dam,

PDG.Kamolsak and Rotary Ann wantanee Visitsakulchai presided over the handover ceremony at the Aung Luang Meeting Room. Mae Suai Hospital, Chiang Rai Province Issara Chittrattanasawat, chairman of the event, led the handover ceremony.

Chiangkhong Rotary Club, led by P.Banyai Utungkas Participated in activities with The Princess Mother's Volunteer Medical Unit (POW) at Ban Thung Na Noi, Moo 11 In this regard, the club brought 50 nano nets, 25 wardrobes, and kindergarten and





The Rotary Club of Phra Samut Chedi also represented the delivery to the children.

Rotary Club Nakornping Chiang Mai Led by P.Kasutarat Rattananawi, members of the club organised a service activity. 260 glasses worth 52,000 baht were donated to Kruna Preschool Children's Centre. Ban Mai San Pa Taueng, which has 12 preschoolers, celebrated National Children's Day at the

Multipurpose Pavilion of the Elderly Club. Ban San Kamphaeng, Muang Yao, Hang Chat, Lampang.





Chaiprakan Rotary Club, led by P.Kesarin Leesiripatthanakun and Massmit Rotarians join forces to serve the community. Make peace. Create a smile in collaboration with the departments in Chai Prakan District towards the "Smile District" activity, which focuses on all departments

to facilitate smiles for the people, as well as bringing food and toys to the people and children in Pong Tam subdistrict. The event also featured a winter blanket giving event and booths from various departments.



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The 3rd "Dream Painting Project," led by P.Sudruthai Vejchakul and members of **Rotary Club Chiang Mai Nawarat**, represented 12 clubs that supported the awarding of rotary hats embroidered with the club's name to 90 youth volunteers. The 12 clubs that support the

volunteer hats are: Rotary Chiang Mai Naowarat, Changpuak Chiang Mai, Sanpatong, Nakhonping Chiang Mai, Phayao Peafowl, Chiang Rai, Chiangkam, Phan, Maesai, Chiangkhong and Nakorn Hariphunchai.



Rotary Club Wiangkosai, led by P.Bancha Wongmsenoy, organised the 6th Community Eyeglasses Giving Activity with PP.Charajira Suwankit as the chairman of the event venue project. Ban Mae Luo School, Pa Daeng Sub-District Muang District Phrae Province.



**Rotary Club Chiang Mai International** donated 621.71 kg of sweaters to Karen Village, Ban Sam Sop, Mae Chaem Distruct, Chiang Mai Province.



**Rotary Club Chiang Mai Phuping**, led by P.Yada Asadangnukul and fellow members, together with a group of friends who volunteered, they organized the activity. "Give kindness to the Doi brothers" at Baan Lao Platu, Aom Koi District, Chiang Mai Province.

#### Rotary Centre in Thailand



Author: Suphan Wiboonma, Project Manager/Vice Chairman of the Public Relations Subcommittee, Rotary Centre in Thailand

I tell you that 19 Rotarians from 4 sectors participated in the Mojos@Rotary project after listened to Mr. Suthichai Yoon had given a lecture on October 8, 2022, then 2 months later they can produce quality clips as well "Mobile You would say that the author boasted "too much ?"

In the old days, only media people could determine what, when, and how to receive an epistle in a newspaper; they had to open pages 1, 2, 3, and 4. The journalismcommunication-presentation style thus changed history. Change the face of communication and never come back.

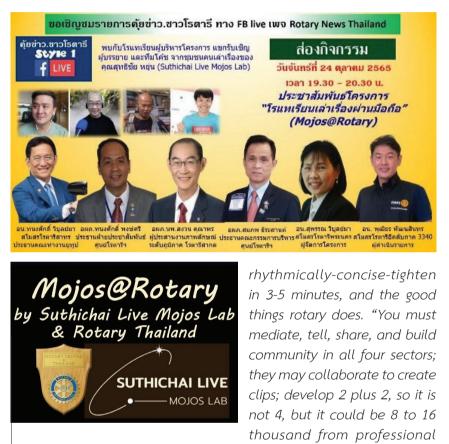
Every citizen has a story to tell, and it happens uniquely. Only you can tell your story effectively. We just need to be confident and use simple technology that can be done at any time and in any place, and then learn the skills of shooting-editing, and presenting, as well as "storytelling" with how to think-sequence-speak-

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# Rotarian Mobile Storytelling (Mojos@Rotary)

A collaborative project between Rotary Centre in Thailand and the storytelling club by Mr.Suthichai Yoon



communication power." Mr.Suthichai Yoon said.

The Mojos@Rotary (Mojos = Mobile Journalists) project was inspired by the authors to become the second-generation students of the Suthichai Live Mojos Lab that Suthichai Yoon offered free of charge for the public for 2 courses of 6 months each (over 50 classes or 150 hours per course). PDG.Tanongsak Pongsri, Chair of the Rotary Center Public Relations Subcommittee, when it comes to rotary and the good things that Rotarians do for the world. Demonstrate leadership, a cuttingedge perspective, and respect for differences and equality. Currently, diversity and equity create a positive image for rotary both within the four rotary sectors and with outsiders and media people around the world. And then Mojos@Rotary Suthichai Yoon speaks every Saturday (except long weekends) from 14.00 to 16.00 in collaboration with the Rotary Center and the Storytelling Club. Starting October 8 and ending December 10, 2022, a total of 8 classes are divided into theory and practice. Four classes were initiated by nominating learners from four sectors: DG.La-or Jinda (D.3330), DG.Panthida Rojwansin (D.3340), DG.Mitsutaka Ida (D.3350), and DG.Supalak Metalchote (D.3360). The community of people tells stories creatively before revising them and presenting them next time.

Before pulling participation (inclusion), Project Mojos@Rotary was achieved with the participation of the Advisory Board and the Working Group Chairmen of various working groups of the Public Relations Subcommittee, especially PP.Tanongsak Wiboonma (YouTube), Assistant Governor Kittanet Vasukiatcharoen (Rotary Brand Center), PP.Sukkit Thaweevisesano (Rotary News Thailand), and representatives of 4 sectors with the center staff, especially Mr.Narong Chanphati. Spread the news and integrate the work with the results in the same direction for the same purpose and in collaboration with the storyteller club and all public-minded instructors, namely Mr.Suthichai Yoon (orientation lecture), Mr.Seksan Pan YouTube (practical YouTube). Dr.Big Napaphat Piyachaikul (Mobile News Reporting), Mr.Suchai Charoenmukyanan (The Art of Good Storytelling), Coach Pongpan Surawatcharoen, Coach Benjamasnu Rakwong Medal, and Coach Radee Panthusirisod

# Proud work: 18 quality clips from 19 Rotarians (Rotary creators)

To increase the impact, Expand reach, encourage engagement, and increase the capacity to adapt to



more challenging goals. The participants were invited to submit their entries to the top 3 best clips by judging the appearance of the clip producers (10%), the attractiveness and fluidity of the content (30%), the ability to convey the Rotary image to the public and outsiders (30%), and the technique/graphics (30%).

• 1st prize Grandmother's Toilet, by PP.Thitinath Prachakul (Rotary Club of Manikarn)

• 2st prize WE NEED YOU - By Rtn.Nuchwara Rojwansin (Rotary E-Club of District 3340)

• 3st prize Two clips (same score) from District 3340:

• Invite your brother to make banana cake by PP.Vipapan Nijpanich (Rotary Club of Nam Phong) and

• Raising chickens, eating eggs, gaining the heart of the community by Rtn. Amporn Khamvisaisak (Rotary Club of Mitthapap Khon Kaen)

• Honorable Mention Two clips from District 3360:

• Delivering forests to the community by Rtn.Juntathip Kaewyod (Rotary Club of Chiang Rai) and

• Burning-Free Agriculture towards Sustainability by Rtn. Kamonnaree Pina (Rotary Club of Chiang Mai Thin Thai Ngam)

Watch these 18 clips on the Rotary Thailand You-Tube channel in the playlist of the contest clips or at https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLJPnivuDKJg7OqYG aJPTupXje819QLEnt

#### Way Forward

"The good things that Rotary does must be conveyed and shared by the community in all four sectors—develop 2 plus 2, so it is not 4, but it may be 8–16 thousand from the power of professional com-



*municatio*n," Mr.Suthichai Yoon stated.

Mojo@Rotary... It is only the beginning of a project that sparks communication innovation. This ensures that all Rotarians are always up to date, if the leader moves. Followers can build beautifully on it. It's always been a contemporary, growing organization.

A Message from the Chair of the Rotary Centre in Thailand

PDG.Somphop Thirasan



Happy New Year Dear all fellow Rotarians

In a blink of an eye, it's been half a year in the administration of all the Club Presidents. Hopefully this January, each club will have a steady increase in membership numbers and the important thing is to make all members happy.

One of the key factors in working successfully is motivation which is said to be created from love. If we love doing something, we will do it well. Emotions or feelings, whether happy or sad, if we know how to use it in the right way, we can achieve good results. Many poets and composers have also been able to portray their sadness in poems or beautiful songs, and lastly is the imagination that comes with perseverance. Thanks to the imagination of the Wright brothers, who invented airplanes; the fastest way of traveling. RI president Jennifer Jones set this year's theme "Imagine Rotary"

It's time for us to bring our imaginations together and create a sustainable service project in order to make good things happen in this world. Rotary Thailand magazine will help you to have different perspectives. On the other hand, it is also a tool that you can use to publicize your activities, so others can admire or join .Therefore, if you have finished reading the Rotary Magazine of Thailand, please forward it to others to have a chance to read it.

On the occasion of the new year I send my best wishes and happiness to all fellow Rotarians.

Yours in Rotary

(PDG.Sompop Theerasarn) Chair, The Rotary Centre in Thailand 2022-2023

## Number's Rotary

Data source: www.rotary.org As 1 February 2023 (1 July 2022)

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District	Rotarians	Club	Rotaract	Club
Around the World	1,184,544 (1,166,331)	36,875 (36,849)	<mark>174,216</mark> (207,961)	<mark>11,162</mark> (10,310)
3330	2,326 (2,254)	102 (101)	<mark>249</mark> (266)	<mark>27</mark> (29)
3340	1,407 (1,311)	64 (64)	<mark>99</mark> (55)	<mark>5</mark> (5)
3350	3,295 (3,037)	128 (122)	<mark>482</mark> (301)	<mark>29</mark> (29)
3360	1,399 (1,413)	71 (69)	<mark>299</mark> (268)	<mark>14</mark> (15)
Totel	8,427 (8,015)	365 (356)	1,129 (890)	<mark>75</mark> (78)
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# TOGETHER, WE SAVE LIVES

Rotary Club of Lanna Chiang Mai District 3360 and Rotary Club of Hongcheon Huimang District 3730 donated drinking water filters, food, and supplies to Pong Pang villagers. which is the Sgaw Karen tribe, 94 households. Pong Pang village is a village on a high mountain at the end of Mae Tha District, Lamphun Province. Four-wheel vehicle is necessary for 1 hour or more to travel.





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