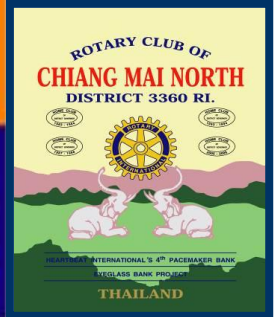




The Rotary Club of Chiang Mai North

Service above Self

BUILDING COMMUNITIES - BRIDGING CONTINENTS



THE ROTARY CLUB OF CHIANG MAI NORTH was established in 1980 and just celebrated its 30th anniversary. Chiang Mai – the second largest city in Thailand – is located in the Northern region of the country. The Rotary Club of Chiang Mai North boasts 32 active members – who represent a wide cross section of the local community. These active members embrace and fully support the Rotary Motto – **Service Above Self**.

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INTRODUCING ... Warunee Khammeru is the 2010-2011 President of the Rotary Club of Chiang Mai North, and is currently the Executive Assistant Manager of the Amari Rincome Hotel here in Chiang Mai. As this year's President, Warunee is committed to successfully leading the club in **BUILDING COMMUNITIES – BRIDGING CONTINENTS**.



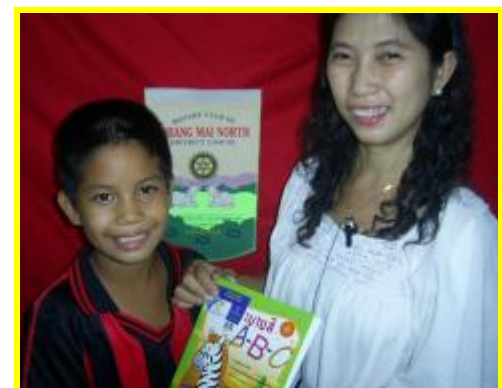
NEW BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS – The Chiang Mai North Rotarians have launched an ongoing project to supply hundreds of new library books to school students in Chiang Mai. This is being done in an effort to upgrade and expand the quality and variety of Thai language books available in the local schools. The Club is targeting students from 5 – 15 years of age.



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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL MATCHING GRANT #69256 PROVIDING CLEAN – SAFE DRINKING WATER



The Rotary Club of Chiang Mai North is working to ensure that a sustainable supply of fresh, clean water is available to the 1,200 students at Piang Luang School, Wiang Haen District, Chiang Mai.

Working in co-operation with **Engineers Without Borders**, and supported by a Matching Grant from Rotary International, the Chiang Mai North Rotarians have helped to guide this project from its inception.



The Rotary Club of Twinsburg, Ohio, USA is the International Partner Rotary Club for this humanitarian project. The Rotary Club of Nordonia Hills and the Rotary Club of Strongsville – all from Ohio – and Rotary Clubs from District 6460 in West Central Illinois, USA, also provided generous financial support for this Project.

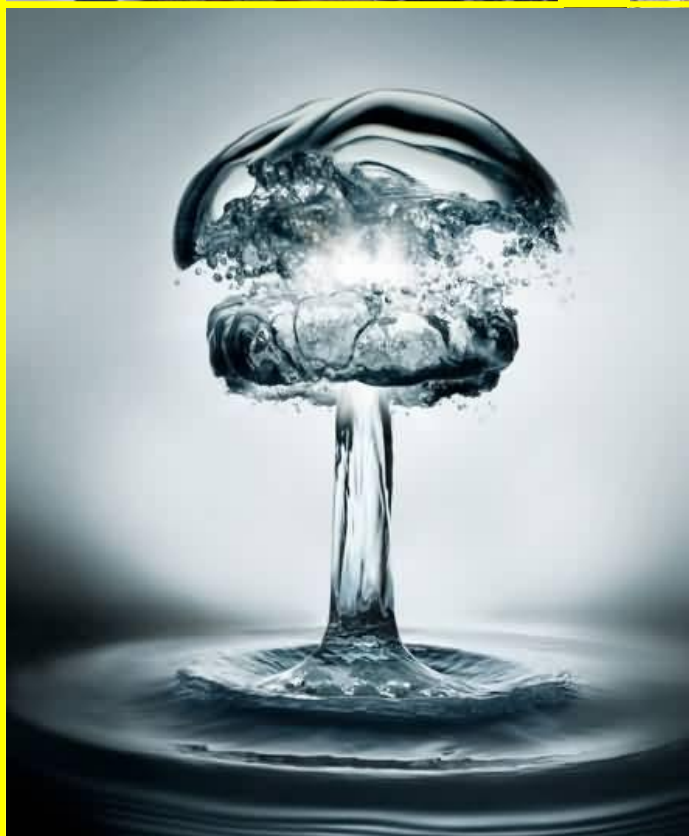
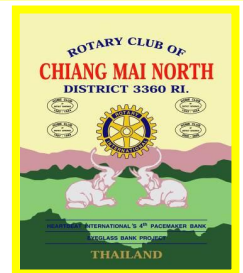
Members of the Engineers Without Borders team, including Matthew Kashuk, P. Eng., and Dr. Andrew Rollins from Case Western Reserve University, have made 2 site visits. Recently, they were recognized for their significant contributions to this project by the Chiang Mai North Rotary Club. Pramote Eua-Amnuay, a member of the Chiang Mai North club, is the Chair of this Rotary International Matching Grant Project.





A ROTARY INTERNATIONAL MATCHING GRANT PROJECT

PROVIDING CLEAN – SAFE DRINKING WATER



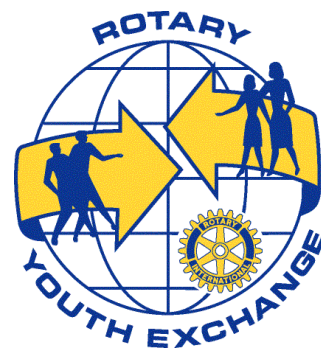
1.5 million Children die every year
from drinking dirty water.

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ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE

The Rotary Club of Chiang Mai North is very active in this Rotary International Program. YE Exchange student Anon just returned from a year happily spent with two Rotary Families in Connecticut. In addition to improving his skills in English, he also was able to visit New York City, Washington, Boston and Philadelphia.



We recently said *bon voyage* to two of our club's outbound Youth Exchange Students – Thakdanai will stay in Little Rock, Arkansas and Ploy in Alberta, Canada. As part of the Rotary Youth Exchange, international students are hosted by Rotary Families around the world.



Our Members also welcomed Canadian Krys (also known as Jintara – her Thai name given to her by her first host family) from Fort Nelson, British Columbia. As our newest Youth Exchange arrival, she is excited to be staying with two of our Rotary families over the next year here in Chiang Mai.



Prayoon Sirinaphaphan, a member of our Club, is also the District Chairman of Rotary International's **POLIO PLUS** project for 2010 – 2011. He is leading District 3360's efforts to eradicate Polio ... in our lifetime!



ROTARY PEACE FELLOWS studying at the Rotary Peace Center at Chulalongkorn University recently traveled to Chiang Mai and Mae Hong Son in Northern Thailand. They were on an 8 day field study to look at issues related to human trafficking and refugees. Before they graduate at the end of their three month course in September, the 17 fellows from 13 countries will also travel to Cambodia to investigate the post-conflict transformation. While in Chiang Mai, the fellows were hosted to a *khantok* dinner and group *ram wong* by the Chiang Mai Rotarians. All Rotary Peace Fellows receive full fellowships from **The Rotary Foundation** for their studies.



Dr. Surapol Natakankitkul, a very active member of our Club, was recently recognized by District 3360 Governor Waewdao with the **"Four Avenues of Service"** Citation for Individual Rotarians. Congratulations on receiving this prestigious award!



Raising Funds to Buy Books

Each week our members take part in a lucky draw – **all** funds support our Club's **New Books for Schools** Project.



Chiang Mai North Rotarians planted orchids to honor the Queen's Birthday and Mother's Day – August 12th.



Our club recently welcomed the Governor of Rotary District 3360 and recognized the contributions the Engineers Without Borders are making to our ongoing Clean Water for Schools Matching Grant Project.



A MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT



As DGE for District 3360 – and an active member of the Rotary Club of Chiang Mai North – it is my pleasure to extend warm greetings to you on the occasion of the introduction of the Club's "new look" International E-letter – in English. I would like to wish the Chair – Aroonwadee – and her committee, every success with their efforts in [Bridging Continents](#). Also, I sincerely hope that our friends and fellow Rotarians around the world will find this bulletin to be interesting and informative.

Yours in Rotary, [Chamnan Chanruang](#), District Governor Elect