



ROTARY CLUB OF PATONG BEACH

District 3330 Club 56414



USS Nimitz Phuket COMREL #3 & #4 at Baan Ao Nam Bor School

Introduction: Welcome to Phuket USS Nimitz, USS **Rentz**, and USS **Pinckney**, I am Brad Kenny, an American citizen living in Phuket Thailand and the designated COMREL coordinator through the Naval Attaché Office, U.S. Embassy, Bangkok, for all visiting US Navy ships to Phuket. I have been made aware of your visit and have put together your COMREL(s) and/or Handclasp as outlined below.

I am a Rotary Club of Patong Beach (RCoPB) Rotarian and US Navy League member and want to do everything I can to make your visit the best port call you all have every had! I try to make all COMREL's a cultural experience for your volunteers along with doing some good work for the local community. Through the Navy League and the RCoPB we search out likely foundations and NGO's that could use the benefit of a US Navy programs call ComRel (Community Relationship), in which the US Navy/US Marines volunteers give assistance to the local community A second project with the US Navy is called Handclasp, in which visiting ships have goods and commodities in which they donate to needy organizations.

COMREL Participants and Point of Contacts: USS Nimitz; Chaplain Jaisen E. Fuson, LT, CHC, USN Staff Chaplain [Jaisen.Fuson@cvn68.navy.mil].



Local Phuket ComRel Representative : Brad Kenny: 081-6334279, esppkt@ksc.th.com and Boon Pongchiboon 089- 7231861.

Dates and Times:

COMREL #3 : Confirmed 1 February 2010, 07:30 – 14:00.

COMREL #4 : Confirmed 2 February 2010, 07:30 – 14:00





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Proposed Project Details and Objectives: Baan Ao Nam Bor School - Ao Makham – The School is a Thai Ministry of Public Education School and is located just a 15 minute bus drive from the liberty landing area of Phuket. Mr. Boon Pongchiboon of the Rotary Club of Patong Beach initially met with the director of the school, Khun Preecha (086-953-6500) and he is elated the USS Navy will visit again to his school.

Work requested by the school director:

1. Painting the cafeteria wood indoor walls with white water based paint.
2. Painting the cafeteria wood interior columns with white water based paint.
3. Painting the cafeteria wood outdoor wall - with white water based paint.
4. Painting and some repair for the children's playground equipment.

The USS Benfold, USS Hopper, USS Ingram started this project last year during their Phuket Port visit by painting all the tables & benches. It is expected that 2 more ComRel's are needed to complete the work.





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Pre-ComRel Prep Work – Between Rotary and other school volunteers I hope to accomplish the following before the ComRel dates.

1. Remove all posters and student art work and double sided tape residue.
2. Clean the walls of dust.

Additional Information : COMREL volunteers will get a free Thai lunch made by the children's parents and served with the children and the school will also provide some entertainment from the children with some singing and/or Thai Traditional Dancing after the COMREL is completed.

It is suggested that the USS Nimitz bring a couple cases of drinking water or enough for the number of volunteers during the work period, the tropical heat is always a concern and plenty of water is advisable. Suggest all ComRel participants bring sun screen and cameras.

Estimated Budget for this Project: Paint is on hand from the Rotary Club of Patong Beach and the Navy League. The US Navy contractor, Glen Defense Marine will buy the paint brushes and other supplies.

Some photos below of the USS Benfold & USS Hopper ComRel which started the work in October 2009.





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