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'SMART BUSES' SLATED TO RUN FROM AIRPORT TO PHUKET TOWN TRAVEL SMARTER

■ Private company to launch various projects to develop Phuket infrastructure

By Sukawin Tanthavanich

THE shareholders of Phuket City Development Co Ltd (PKCD), a group of private entrepreneurs who came together late last year to form a company aimed at boosting investment and promoting seamless business operations in Phuket, revealed their latest plans on May 30.

The company announced that six separate offshoots would handle different aspects of business and infrastructure development on the island, namely Phuket Smart Bus (PKSB); Phuket Economic Center Development (PECD); Phuket Application (PKAP); Phuket Data Center (PKDC); City Development Crowdfunding (CDCF); and Phuket Live@Sunset (PKLS).

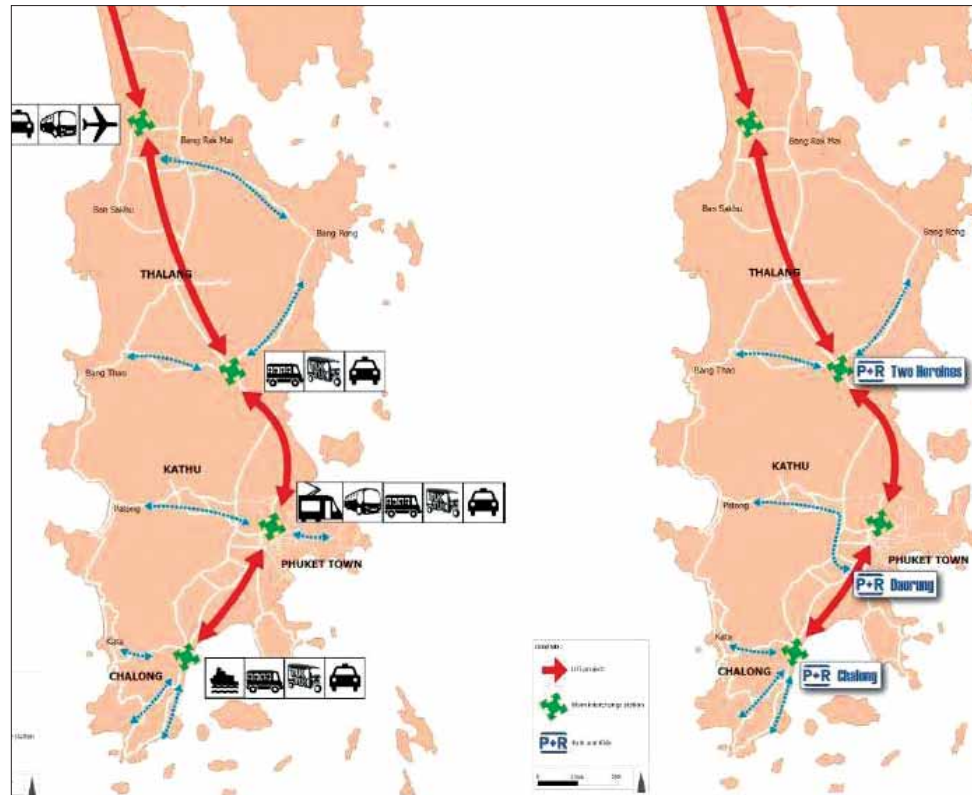
"The first phase of PKSB will be launched in January 2018 and provide a 'smart bus' service between the airport and Homeworks in Phuket Town. A test launch will first be done in October," said Dr Phadet Jinda, one of the company's co-founders.

The buses will be diesel-run Mercedes Benz offering various features including free Wifi, GPS tracking, CCTV, wheelchair ramp, fleet management, entertainment systems, digital route information, digital signage, luggage compartment and e-ticketing.

"The total cost for 10 buses is 55mn baht. Once we have launched the buses, we will also work toward infrastructure development to alleviate traffic jams, accommodate commuters and accomplish Transit Oriented Development (TOD)," he added.

TOD is a sustainable development concept that focuses on the creation of compact, pedestrian-oriented, mixed-use communities centered around high quality public transport systems.

The company also plans to open a



The first phase of PKSB will be launched in January 2018 and provide a 'smart bus' between Phuket International Airport to Homeworks in Phuket Town. Image: PKCD

2,200sqm head office at Homeworks.

"PECD will handle transfer of belongings and people. When travellers come from the airport, they can put their luggage at Homeworks and it will be transferred directly to their hotel, so they can get straight to the holiday experience," said Dr Phadet.

"People spend time and money on using several different digital applications to gather information about Phuket. That's why we decided to build PKAP to provide information about restaurants, hospitals, tourist attractions and hotels. This will also be launched on January 1," he added.

The data-center arm of the business plans to launch a touch-screen interface at Homeworks that will provide a drone view of the island, where people can virtually experiment with their own ideas for city development and urban design.

The crowdfunding branch of the business will serve as a funding portal between

the company and investors, while Phuket Live@Sunset will host entertainment events, including a series of concerts featuring David Guetta, Scorpions and Body Slam, between January 12-14.

The company also announced plans to host an 'Asian Expo' in 2025 and build major landmarks in Phuket such as 'Marina Bay' or 'Garden by the Bay' in Singapore.

Another PKCD co-founder, Kan Prachumpan, revealed that PKCD has signed 11 MOUs to form public and private partnerships with other companies, including The Thailand Research Fund (TRF), Visa International (Thailand), and Phuket Real Estate Association, among others.

Mr Kan added that PKCD's mission was to raise the benchmark of Phuket development in line with global standards. In the next phase, the company will reveal how everyone can become a part of the initiative under its new slogan 'No One Left Behind'.

Top officials transferred, face probe

Three top-ranking officers of the Phuket City Police were transferred out on May 29 following a raid on a large illegal 'casino' in Phuket Town. The Phuket Provincial Police commander has now ordered an investigation for alleged corruption and malfeasance.

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Briefly

Thai Computer Crimes Act implemented

THE newly-amended Computer Crimes Act (No. 2) B.E. 2560 (2017) was put into effect on May 24, three months after it was published in the *Royal Gazette* on January 24. It replaces the Computer Crimes Act B.E. 2550 (2007).

One of the most talked about sections of the amended Act states that any person who sends computer data or electronic mail to another person without allowing that person a chance to easily opt out (and such data or electronic mail is found to disturb the recipient), must be subject to a fine not exceeding 200,000 baht.

Additionally, entering false data into a computer system that could cause damage to the public, create panic, or cause harm to public infrastructure, national security, public security or economic security, is also henceforth illegal.

– *Kongleaphy Keam*

PEA denies responsibility for cable mess

GOVERNOR Norraphat Plodthong met with officials from the Provincial Electricity

Two fires cause 400,000 baht worth of damage



Two fires broke out in Phuket on May 28 and 29, both of which are believed to have occurred due to short circuits. The total damage from the two incidents is estimated at 400,000 baht. The first fire started at 'Mahanakorn', a popular local bar in Phuket Town, at midnight, while the second one occurred at a house in Soi Sapham in Koh Kaew. Nobody was injured in either incident. Photo: Winai Sarot

Authority (PEA) on May 25 to discuss possible solutions to the messy overhead cables in Patong. After receiving a horde of complaints about the unsightly cables on Sawatdirak Road, PEA officials insisted, as is standard, that electricity cables are not to blame.

"We finished burying our electricity cables at the beginning of this month. The wires you still see on the poles are telephone and internet cables. They

are scheduled to be buried as well, and the process will begin next month and be completed by August," said Charoensri Polkamjorn of the PEA.

Currently, the wires are bundled up and tied together to try to contain the mess.

"We want to assure the public that the clean-up process will be completed soon and that Patong will return to its natural state," the governor added.

– *Sukawin Tanthavanich*

Plodthong, asking him to allow us to continue using the same number of stands as before, but the [public transport management] committee thinks there are too many," said Mr Anan.

"Our business will suffer greatly if we only have 21 stops to operate from," he added.

Phuket Vice Governor Siwaporn Chuasawad held a meeting with relevant officers on May 24 to discuss the issue.

"At present, there will be no change in the number, so please don't panic and go about your business as usual. We cannot confirm if they will be decreased in future, as we have to discuss this issue with the governor and army officials first," V/Gov Siwaporn told the operators.

As per the original announcement, the whole of Phuket is to have 74 taxi stops, of which 21 are slated to be in Patong.

– *Kritsada Mueanhawong*

Fishing boat rescues sunken Burmese vessel

A PHUKET bound fishing boat rescued 15 crew members of a sunken Burmese vessel on May 24.

The boat was carrying cargo from Penang, Malaysia to Myeik, Burma. The crew left on May 18 and were due to arrive on May 27, but their boat was wrecked after experiencing stormy weather and strong waves near Racha Noi Island.

The Burmese boat, *Aung Sein Myat*, was carrying various items, including consumables, palm oil, cement and gloves. It was damaged by strong waves, causing the engine to become swamped with water.

The captain ordered the crew to abandon the vessel and use lifeboats, but a fishing boat named *Or Arunsamutr 5* was passing by at the time and took the whole crew aboard.

The crew members are now waiting to return home.

– *Winai Sarot*

Transport ops protest taxi stand reduction

PATONG public transport operators will continue to utilize 84 taxi stands for now until the Phuket Governor and Army 4 commander announce their final decision about the number of stands on the island.

The public transport management committee had announced on May 18 that Patong was to see a 75 per cent reduction in taxi stands (from 84 to 21) effective June 1.

A group of Patong taxi operators, led by Anan Pluemjit and Aroon Kruajan, gathered at Phuket Provincial Hall to meet with the public transport management committee on May 24.

"We also submitted a letter to Phuket Governor Norraphat

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Top cops transferred on corruption charges

By Kritsada Mueanhawong

THREE top-ranking officers of the Phuket City Police were transferred out on May 29 following a raid on a large illegal 'casino' in Phuket Town. The officers are now under investigation for alleged corruption and malfeasance.

A joint team of Army and police raided a house in Phuket Town on May 27 and arrested 63 gamblers with 2 million baht.

Following the raid, Phuket Provincial Police Commander Teeraphol Thipjaroen issued a transfer letter and set up an investigative committee to question the three officials, namely Superintendent Komol Osiri, Deputy Superintendent Chao Phomna and Lt Col Nat Phromthep.

The officials selected to take their place are Phuket Provincial Police Deputy Commander Peerayuth Karajedee, Tah Chat Chai Deputy Superintendent Nikorn Choothong and Lt Col Patak Kwanna of Phuket Provincial Police respectively.

Maj Gen Teeraphol stated



Gen Teeraphol ordered the transfer of three top-ranking officials from Phuket City Police to Phuket Provincial Police. Photo: Gazette file

that the reasons behind the transfer and investigation were the officials' alleged inability to monitor gambling or illegal activities in their area of control, ignoring and neglecting gambling activities, and getting involved in a gambling network.

"The investigation is expected to take 15 days. I have already ordered every police station to strictly monitor gambling and illegal activities in

their area," said Gen Teeraphol.

"Another evil we are working hard to get rid of is prostitution, particularly underage prostitution," he added.

All suspects from the gambling raid were taken to Phuket Court. One of them, reportedly the owner of the house, is a former member of the House of Representatives in Phuket.

So far, he has declined being the one in charge of the operation.

Museum officials give 30-day reopening date



Peranakannitat Museum in Phuket Town. Photo: Kritsada Mueanhawong

PHUKET City Municipality officials have confirmed that the Peranakannitat Museum launched earlier this month will be ready and open to the public within a month's time.

Last month, officials announced that the museum would temporarily remain closed until exhibitors could return all the items borrowed from Phuket residents to display during the grand opening ceremony, but could not give an estimated date as to when that might be.

Phuket City Mayor Somjai Suwansupana has faced social media backlash from hundreds of concerned residents. Some complained about not being allowed inside to see the exhibits, while others said that all the "worthwhile displays" had all been removed once the grand opening was over.

Mayor Somjai responded by saying that the municipality, in cooperation with the Phuket Peranakan Association and Phuket Baba descendants, had specially arranged for the items to be displayed during the grand opening, and that their first responsibility was toward the owners who had loaned them.

Dr Kosol Tang-Uthai, President of the Phuket Peranakan Association, reiterated the need to close shop during the restoration process and added that the association had many successes in the past, including Phuket's designation as a UNESCO City of Gastronomy.

– Sukawin Tanthavanich

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Fighting spam

WE CAN all let out a big sigh of relief now that the new Computer Crimes Act (CCA 2.0) is in effect, protecting us from unsolicited digital advertising (aka 'spam') as well as a host of other annoyances and potential threats.

All of the potential implications of CCA 2.0 are far too broad to address in this space, so for expediency and safety let's just address the spam issue in this installment.

"Promoting products by commenting on people's personal social media posts is considered as spam and the person responsible could be fined up to 200,000 baht," is just one of the provisions of CCA 2.0.

Problem solved, right? After all, it goes without saying that we all hate spam and would love to see it removed from our Internet experiences.

But we also have to ask ourselves just how comprehensively and fairly can such vague regulations ever be enforced given the sheer size of the large and growing clouds of digital information out there. After all, this is the same government that banned Internet pornography. How is that battle going?

It is well-known that to really solve a problem you need to first find the root cause – and then deal with it. Another way of saying this is that you need to solve problems from the "bottom up" rather than the "top down". Unfortunately, the trend in Thailand seems to be the other way around.

This is too bad because no reasonable person would ever expect that simply proclaiming something illegal will cause it to magically disappear as if by the sweep of some magic wand.

A comprehensive and fair enforcement ability is needed, otherwise the measure risks becoming just another device in the extortionist's toolbox. Thus, this approach carries the risk of undermining public trust in the government, which is already under serious scrutiny abroad for the way it came to power.

If the state really wants to continue to pursue its top down approach, it should consider starting by setting a better example for the masses. Many Thai government websites have had their chat rooms embarrassed by links to porn sites and numerous other embarrassing commercial promotions of other services that are in fact illegal here. Why not start the war on spam there?

Trying to impose order over such a huge and intrinsically complex situation is as futile as trying to stop a tsunami by throwing buckets of water at it.



No need for draconian drug laws

Re: Opinion: Need to revise drug laws, May 29

All drugs should be legal around the world. We are ruining way too many lives at way too great a cost in this ridiculous war on drugs.

Haven't we learned anything from Prohibition? Users will use anyway.

All alcohol drinkers don't become thieving, conniving criminals or alcoholics.

Why would anyone think that all drug users would become thieving, conniving heroin addicts? Sure, some would, just like the alcohol problem.

But, it would be far less of a problem if they weren't considered criminals.

Taken as a whole, there would be much less pain if people were allowed to get what they want when they want it.

Foot
Gazette forum

Put an end to road carnage in Phuket

Re: 29-year-old killed in high-speed Phuket crash, May 29

The slaughter continues daily – multiple times – on the roads of Phuket.

Jimmy B
Gazette forum

These are just the small time dealers

Re: Phuket police recapture escaped drug dealers, May 25

These unfortunates and thousands of people just like

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them are imprisoned every year in Thailand.

The only ones who really benefit from this 'War on Drugs' are the police and other corrupt 'unknowns' and of course the main financiers of the drug trades.

Of course these untouchables are never imprisoned, except for a few who have fallen into disfavor to satisfy the media with "See, we busted a Big Guy".

Capealava
Gazette forum

Doesn't sound like a smart plan by govt

Re: PEA says electricity cables not to blame for overhead disgrace, May 26

OK, so you dig up the pavement and streets in order to bury the electrical first and the do it again to bury the internet and phone cables? Interesting plan....

Mr Phuketvisitor
Gazette forum

Property overload

Re: New P-REA president highlights plans, May 26

Are you sure that Phuketians want to have more investors, especially foreigners in the real estate businesses?

Few people in real estate are developing Phuket in a way that will enable local folks to have a place to live in the future.

Starting salary for a Thai with a Bachelors Degree is 12-20,000 baht and they cannot afford nice houses as the land is too expensive – 5-10 million baht per rai.

Asterix
Gazette forum

No more crashes

Re: Phuket tourists injured, driver's arm severed in another high-speed crash, May 24

It's becoming ridiculous. Three horrible car crashes in the Gazette today – just one day, on this one small island.

Every single day horrendous crashes are reported and obviously the ones in the news are just the big ones. We never see any action or any sort of help or any indication that the government here gives a damn.

They are more concerned about lining their pockets and taking deck chairs off the beach. I despair.

Bob
Gazette forum

Not just for 'show'

Re: Major Phuket 'casino' raid: 63 arrested, B2mn confiscated

I would hope that the raid is more than just a one-off arrest to showcase that something is being done. One wonders why such a 'casino' was allowed to operate in the first place?

Sarah M
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Finding the right kind of chocolate

Excuse Buster
By Craig Burton

“BASIC science has demonstrated quite convincingly that dark chocolate, particularly with a cocoa content of at least 70%, reduces oxidative stress and improves vascular and platelet function,” commented Frank Ruschitzka, professor of cardiology and Director of Heart Failure/Transplantation at the University Hospital Zurich, Switzerland.

Who doesn't love consuming chocolate in one form or another?

One question I often hear regarding this subject is “Is chocolate healthy?”

In my opinion, it absolutely can be if it's the right type.

I know there are people who say everything is okay in moderation but I am not in this camp. Some foods, in my opinion, should not be regularly consumed if your aim is to be healthy.

Highly processed foods with high fructose corn syrup (such as soft drinks and most candies) and hydrogenated fats like deep fried foods, offer no nutrition and can actually steal key nutrients from your body to



There are many known benefits of raw 100 per cent natural cacao. Photo: Pixabay

process them.

That's my definition of a food by the way. If it gives more than it takes, it's a food, but if it robs you of nutrients and energy, then it's a non-food. Sadly, there are lots of non-foods regularly disguised as real food today.

If it's clear that 100 per cent natural cacao has many health benefits, then why isn't all chocolate good for us?

Obviously it's because of what is added, which in the case of commercial, cheaper products is refined sugar, artificial additives and bad fats.

My suggestion is to either buy dark chocolate that is at least 70 per cent chocolate or even better, make your own. Before you panic or dismiss the idea as requiring too much preparation and work, hear me out.

Here are some simple and rewarding ideas for making your own chocolate.

Combine raw cacao with butter (and/or coconut oil) and a better (more natural) sugar like erithitol, xylitol, stevia or raw honey.

Adding natural vanilla yogurt or coconut milk to the base can also make it more milky. Additionally, ground macadamia nuts blended with the base

can also give it a white chocolate look.

Other additives could include crushed nuts like almonds, dried fruit like cranberries, gogi berries or orange, chilli (if you like spice) or natural sea salt, maca root (which is full of minerals), fresh mint or other herbs like ginger, coffee and bee pollen.

Below is an example, but you may adjust the measurements based on your preferences.

Take 100 grams of (melted) real butter like Anchor or Kerry gold.

Add 2-4 tablespoons of raw 100 per cent cacao powder.

Add 1-2 tablespoons of erithritol, xylitol or raw honey (I bought these on iherb.com).

Add 2-4 tablespoons of natural vanilla yogurt (or any other natural yogurt, depending on your preferences).

Put the mixture in molds and refrigerate if you wish. It really is that simple to make and the kids (both young and old) will love these healthy versions.

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The island that never gives up hope



PHUKET is an island in which the motto “Never Give Up”, rings true. At one time, t-shirts and souvenirs could be seen listing the issues that businesses in Phuket had faced year after year, and yet through the human trait of perseverance and resilience, Phuket and its people carried on. Tsunamis; SARS; airport closures; political uprisings; overpriced expensive airport limousines; taxis and tuk-tuks; road accidents and fatalities...the list goes on.

However, many Phuketians, foreign and Thai, never give up. So far as property investment is concerned, the same rings true.

Property agents face a market where their role is made ultra difficult due to the flooding of the sector with unprofessional ‘wannabe’ agents who, using a website, mobile phone and car, guess their way around the island. They talk about ‘new upcoming areas’ and pray that their unknowing customers won’t notice the neighboring bare adjacent land where the latest karaoke bar and labor camp are just about to be erected a stone’s throw away from their dream home.



Phuket real estate agents have helped developed the ‘East Coast’ which used to be considered ‘undevelopable’ – the weekly night market in Phuket Town is just one example. Photo: Kongleaphy Keam

Fortunately, the better agents don’t give up. They rise to the top, learn their facts and figures, analyze yields properly, ensure that they know all about the other alternatives in Bangkok and other tourist provinces, and take the time to properly learn about the method of prospective investment in the property. Some of these uber-professionals also know the history of an estate including when the land was first developed.

They invest into the market heavily by spending a large proportion of their time showing

‘maybes’ around a beautiful and developing island and then wake up and see the next article in a newspaper declaring ‘all property investments are void’ or some such nonsense. They live and battle through the wars of media, and still manage to put food on the table.

Property developers could be said to be gluttons for punishment. They have developed property with hope when the only shopping mall was Robinson in Phuket Town and the only supermarkets were Big C and Tesco Lotus in their

former states. They have developed the ‘East Coast’ which used to be considered ‘undevelopable’, and built marinas to pioneer the national development of the yacht and sailing industries.

Developers have used their vision to create Millionaire’s rows as well as integrated hotel; residential; food and beverage hubs which even have wedding chapels available to complete a key part of the lifecycles of their clientele. While this has been going on, roads have been potholed;

floods through poor drainage have washed through foundations; countless numbers of cement trucks have flipped over, sometimes crushing others, and yet these developers keep going with their brick-and-mortar spirals seemingly intact.

The big players have also moved into Phuket, indicating the faith of the smaller players has been well placed. Megamalls; new aquariums; new waterparks and entertainment centers and the much-discussed new light rail system, all await. The big developers have waded in and just built thousands of units next to the international schools, betting – in the legal metaphorical sense – heavily on the future.

If Phuket could be a movie, it would be the ‘Rocky Balboa’ Series. I humbly congratulate all those who have persevered, continue to do so, and work hard to make this island a better place to live. This is the island where my son was born, and therefore I wish to be proud of it as I am naturally proud of him. The word ‘Phuket’ should be an inspiring word, a respected word, and a word indicating the strength of its inhabitants.

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Mom Tri’s Villa Royale to host 5-course wine dinner

MOM Tri’s Villa Royale is hosting a five-course wine dinner from 7pm onwards on June 6.

Featuring seared tuna; kurobota pork Italian tradition; veal sirloin and cheek ravioli; an Italian cheese collection; and a layered chocolate and coffee cake for dessert; each course is paired with vintage wine especially chosen by Mom Tri’s Wine Director George Ciret.

With more than 45 years of experience in wine services and hospitality all over the world, Mr Ciret works closely with the chef to create a menu that perfectly complements each chosen wine.

“I try to mix it up every month by bringing in wines from different origins and showcasing various flavors,” says Mr Ciret.

The dinner will also feature



Mom Tri’s Villa Royale is located at Kata Beach. Photo: Supplied

a wine steward from Argiano, who will explain the origin of each wine and answer any questions guests may have.

The dinner is limited to 40 guests so advanced reservation is recommended. It is priced at 2,150++ and includes a cocktail starter.

For more information, call 076-333568 or email info@villaroyalephuket.com.

– Sahar Aftab Paliwala

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Striving for the joy of pure creation

By Sahar Aftab Paliwala

AARON Hooper is an award-winning chef originally from the US. Having moved to Thailand and working in the restaurant business for nearly 15 years in Phuket and Bangkok, he has recently refocused his interest toward writing and photography.

Aaron was an English major in college, where he also studied photography. Choosing then to take a sabbatical, he travelled around Europe for a few years.

"I had my first exposure to cooking professionally while skiing at a town called Mürren in Switzerland. It's a very small, isolated and idyllic place, unbelievable to live and work in. There were no cars – we travelled on gondolas and skied down slopes. I ended up living in Switzerland for more than two years. I could speak German, so that helped as well," says Aaron.

His time in the remote Swiss Alps were the beginning of a lifelong passion for him.

"I was very young so I was

mostly relegated to more menial tasks in the kitchen, but the exposure alone, working with some of the best chefs in the world, forever got me hooked on cooking. My main interests were hiking and skiing. After Switzerland, I moved back to the US to ski in Colorado. In ski towns, cooking is always a way to get by. So I used to ski in the daytime and work at a restaurant at night," says Aaron.

"From then on, I began to take cooking really seriously and enrolled at the New England Culinary Institute in Montpelier, Vermont. After graduating culinary school, I moved to San Francisco, which is the hotbed of chefs from all over the world, especially back then. There I got the opportunity to work with some incredibly talented chefs, working my way up to Sous Chef working under Wolfgang Puck. I was still quite young, and started to get noticed by big restaurateurs and publications in San Francisco. One of them wanted to open a restaurant in

Bangkok, which is how I landed here," he adds.

Despite not being able to speak a word of Thai back then, Aaron commanded a large staff and got to work to launch a restaurant in the heart of Bangkok.

"Opening a restaurant is interesting in any country, but doing it with no common language skills was another challenge in itself," he says.

Now 12 years ago, he moved to Phuket and became involved in a fruitful partnership with renowned chef Tom McNamara to launch 'Joe's Downstairs' restaurant in Phuket, garnering impressive reviews from publications such as *The Nation*, *Elle Magazine*, *Sawasdee*, *BK Magazine*, *The New York Times*, *Saveur*, *Prestige Magazine*, *Gourmet Traveler*, *Think Design* and *Conde Naste*, to name a few.

Having spent more than a decade as the driving force behind Joe's Downstairs, Aaron has been honored as 'Thailand Chef of the Year' in 2008, 2009 and 2010 by the 'Hospitality Asia Platinum Awards' in Singapore.

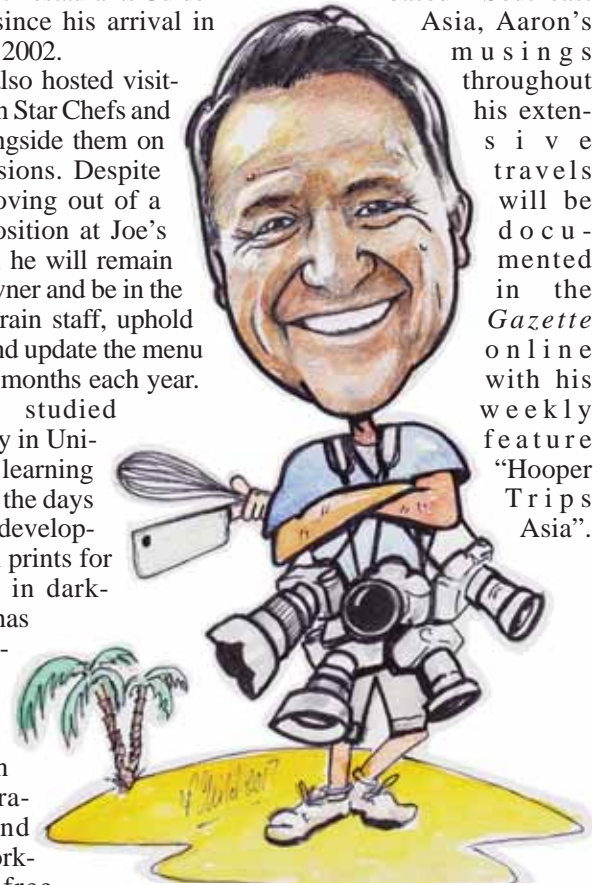
He has been named in Thailand Tatler's 'Best Restaurants Guide' each year since his arrival in Thailand in 2002.

He has also hosted visiting Michelin Star Chefs and cooked alongside them on many occasions. Despite recently moving out of a full-time position at Joe's Downstairs, he will remain an active owner and be in the kitchen to train staff, uphold standards and update the menu a couple of months each year.

Having studied photography in University and learning the ropes in the days of film by developing his own prints for long hours in dark-rooms, he has now refocused his career path to follow his passion for photography and writing. Working as a free-

lance photographer and writer based in Southeast

Asia, Aaron's musings throughout his extensive travels will be documented in the *Gazette* online with his weekly feature "Hooper Trips Asia".



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1-2 Bedrooms house, start from 7,000 baht/month. Quiet area, free wifi in Chalong/Panwa area. Tel: 081-892 4311. Web: <http://palaigreen.weebly.com>

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URGENT SALE FREEHOLD CONDO

2-bed, 2-bath Seaview Condo of 80sqm on 15th floor. Freehold. Walking distance to beach, shopping mall and Bangla. Selling price: 9.85 million baht. Tel: 081-878 2199, 081-396 0880 (English). Email: reallifeproperty@gmail.com

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THAI POOL VILLA NAI HARN

Luxury private 2-bedroom villa in Soi Naya. Price: 37,500 baht per month. Web: <https://sites.google.com/site/mervyncrocker/home>

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Quality house, indoor area 254m², land area 568m², 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, western kitchen, outdoor kitchen and sala for pleasant outdoor living and dining. Lush garden well manicured. Chanote with holding company. 5.5 million baht. Tel: 086-902 9926 (English). Email: peter-weber7@bluewin.ch

PHUKET PROPERTY MARKET

Investment, residential & holiday homes. Phuket's finest property collection. Web: <http://www.acasia-estate.com> Tel: 086-337 7074 (English & Thai). Email: info@acasia-estate.com

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34 rai or 2 plots of 17 rai. Chanote. Mountain and sea view. Easy access at Cherng Talay. Price: 3.5 million baht per rai. Tel: 089-729 6244.

LARGE HOUSE URGENT SALE

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JOBS / RECRUITMENT

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SCUBA TRAVEL AGENT

Email: ebay@rock-star.asia. Please see details in web link: <https://magazine.diviac.com/job-vacancy-online-travel-agent/>

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Unique mini resort. Makes money, 4 villas, 2 pools, office, 1 rai by Laguna. 83-year-old owner needs to sell a half or all. Tel: 089-594 4067.

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