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The local Banchang government hospital has been testing approximately three hundred people a day for three days. The forty staff members from Banchang Hospital were treated to lunch today by **Banchang Utapao VFW Post 12146** and The **Friends of the Post**. Approximately 5,000 Thai Baht was spent or donated for the drinks, food, and snacks. Attending the event were Post QM Dan Morgan and Past Post CDR and current DPA CDR Ken Stein, along with Mrs Malai Stein and Mrs Ya Morgan. Seen in the picture is the Social services nurse from Banchang Hospital, Malai, Ya, Dan & Ken, along with two additional friends of the Post. The 2nd photo has three senior staff members from the Banchang Hospital



VFW Post 12074, Chiang Mai, Thailand is blessed with three of our members who are published authors. Roy Mark, our current Quartermaster, is one of those authors.

Roy served honorably in the USMC from 1963 to 1967. He was assigned as a MOS: 2533-Radiotelegraph Operator with the 1st Anti-Tank Battalion during 1963-1965 and then with the Marine Communications Detachment, USS Mt. McKinley (AGC-7) from 1965-1967.

After Roy's retirement from ARCO Oil and Gas Company in 1994, he began writing as a hobby and has since published several of his works. Roy has written a short historical WWII piece that I believe would make a great article to precede ANZAC Day. You can read his story at <u>https://</u> www.roymark.org/lost-battalion.html. His professional website contains his published books and short stories and can be found at: <u>https://</u> www.roymark.org/index.html

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