Early Sunday, January 30, music and joyful songs filled Asia-Pacific International University as groups of participants from eleven private universities flocked onto campus for the Eighth Student Council Sports Competition. Hosted by AIU Student Council, the grand event counted more than 400 participants.

“It is the best experience for me. This is my first time to compete like this. It’s so fun,” said Chanokrart Udomyingcharoen from Bangkok University.

At 9:40 am, the large crowd gathered in front of the SC Building for the opening ceremony of the competition as Dr Loren Agrey, President of AIU, cut the ribbon. Despite the cold weather, students competed in various events. Activities included soccer, volleyball, table tennis, badminton as well as fun games.

After lunch, with excitement, they again gathered at the soccer field for fun games. Enthusiastically and energetically, they sang, danced, and shouted as they supported their friends who joined the three-legged race, tug of war, and balloon blow. As dusk drew near, they were amused by the cowboy show—gun spinning, dancing, and fire breathing.

At about 6 pm, the multitude assembled at the Kiti-Tasanee Auditorium for dinner and witnessed the abundance of AIU diversity as representatives from different countries wonderfully demonstrated their cultures through dances, songs, and costumes.

The event ended by announcing AIU as champion of this year’s SC Sports Competition, Siam University the winner for cheer leading, and Sripatum University the next host.

Along with fun, joy, and friendship, Oratai Rongsasitorn from Bangkok University shared that she was blown away by the event.

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A note of welcome and congratulations

We are delighted to have Dr Ron and Mrs Anne Bissell back to the campus. Welcome back!

We also welcome two family members to the Translation Center: Mrs Diana Pen (Riesenberger) and Mr Traipope Kornrattanasak. Email: diana@apiu.com and dyinjavu@gmail.com, ext. 1221.

Congratulations to Khun Sairung Ruthai-karn for completing her Master of Education in Educational Administration from St John University, Bangkok. She graduated on last Sunday, January 30.

Congratulations to Khun Suwala and Darrin Thomas on the birth of their baby girl, Gintana Hasadiah Thomas on Sunday, January 16 at Bangkok Adventist Hospital. “Gintana” means sweetheart in Thai language.

Favorite Poetry Evening ■ San Lakena Lork

Decoration at the poetry evening event, handcrafted by Robin Ramroop, Raenelle Llaguno and Dawood George Shamon.

One Is Not Equal to One. I Hate Her. This Will Change Your Life Forever. Our Second First Kiss. Ode on the Death of a Favorite Cat. Dreamers of Dream.

These were some of the variety poems recited in the Favorite Poetry Evening held on Thursday, January 27 at the AIU Church courtyard.

Started with a short worship, the recitation of poems began after the opening remarks by Mrs Ritha Maidom-Lampadan. Each faculty and student, one after another, took their steps (along with their poem in hand) and stood at the podium reciting inspirational, devotional, exciting, humorous, romantic, sentimental, and pitiful poems; all various taste of life were combined and embraced in one night. Poems read in different native languages reflected the individuals’ identity as well as their colorful culture.

Not only the event received its support and company from the audience and participants, but also from the residence birds. “Even the birds wanted to participate in the poetry evening,” joked one of the attendees, “if only they could speak human language.” The sound of the birds made such a beautiful accompaniment to the theme of the night “On the Wings of Poetry”.

Following the poem recitation was the sufficient and lip-smacking refreshment.

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“Please make sure that the poetry evening is held next year because I’m looking forward to reciting one of my favorite poems too,” expressed one attendee. The wings of poetry definitely swept the night off its feet.

AIU celebrates diversity!

CULTURAL NIGHT

Sunday, February 6, 8 pm
Kiti-Tasanee Auditorium

See you there!
**Blood Donation Day, February 3**

English major Boon Charoenhiranslip donates his blood for the third time at the AIU Blood Donation Day, conducted by Saraburi Hospital.

**Chinese New Year eve dinner and celebration, February 2**

Happy AIU Chinese students, faculty, staff and friends at the new year celebration in the church dining hall.

**Nutrition & Diet Therapy exhibition, January 31**

Dr Wayne Hamra, Vice President of Academic Administration, getting his blood pressure checked by AIU Nursing students.

**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

**When**

- You are sad, phone John 14
- You have sinned, phone Psalm 51
- You are facing danger, phone Psalm 91
- People have failed you, phone Psalm 27
- You feel it is as if God is far from you, phone Psalm 139
- Your faith needs stimulation, phone Hebrews 11
- You are alone and scared, phone Psalm 25
- You are worried, phone Matthew 8:19–34
- You are hurt and critical, phone 1 Corinthians 13
- You wonder about Christianity, phone 2 Corinthians 5:15–18
- You feel like an outcast, phone Romans 8:1–39
- You are seeking peace, phone Matthew 11:25–30

- It feels as if the world is bigger than God, phone Psalm 90
- You need Christ like insurance, phone Romans 8:1–30
- You are leaving home for a trip, phone Psalm 121
- You are praying for yourself, phone Psalm 87
- You require courage for a task, phone Joshua 1
- Inflation’s and investments are hogging your thoughts, phone Mark 10:17–31
- You are depressed, phone Psalm 27
- Your bank account is empty, phone Psalm 37
- You lose faith in mankind, phone 1 Corinthians 13
- It looks like people are unfriendly, phone John 15
- You are losing hope, phone Psalm 126
- You feel the world is small compared to you, phone Psalm 19

**Paul’s Secret to Happiness, phone Colossians 3:12–17**

With big opportunity/discovery, phone Isaiah 55
To get along with other people, phone Romans 12

**Alternate Numbers**

For dealing with fear, call Psalm 47
For security, call Psalm 121
For assurance, call Mark 8:35
For reassurance, call Psalm 145:18

**ALL THESE NUMBERS MAY BE PHONED DIRECTLY. NO OPERATOR ASSISTANCE IS NECESSARY. ALL LINES TO HEAVEN ARE AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY.**
Upcoming Events

**The Seeker**  Title: The Great Woman in the Old Testament by Kitty L, senior Theology student from China  
Date & time: Friday, February 4, After vespers  
Venue: Fellowship Hall

**Adventist Health: What It Means To You**  Presented by Dr Nick Walters, physician at Bangkok Adventist Hospital.  
Date & time: Saturday, February 5, 11 am (EN)  
Venue: Kiti-Tasanee Auditorium  
Date & time: Saturday, February 5, 2 pm (TH)  
Venue: Fellowship Hall

**Senior Workplace Preparedness Seminar**  A special event for all senior graduating students! Refreshments, lunch, seminar bag & stationery are provided. This event is organized by the Faculty of Arts & Humanities.  
Topics: 1. Job Application: Some factors to consider getting the job you want  
2. Workshop: How to write cover letter & resume  
Date & time: Sunday, February 6, 8:30 am - 12:45 noon  
Venue: IT 328

**Learning English Seminar**  Forty students from Muak Lek Technical College will participate in this one-day event. The seminar is conducted by Dr Oktavian Mantiri, Director of the Graduate Studies Program.  
Date & time: Sunday, February 6, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

**Cultural Night**  Come and join us as AIU celebrate diversity! Don’t miss this event!  
Dates: Sunday, February 6, 8 pm  
Venue: Kiti-Tasanee Auditorium

**SC Election for 2011-2012**  
Date & time: Monday, February 7  
Venue: Kiti-Tasanee Auditorium

**Career Day**  All graduands and interested students are invited to attend this event!  
Date & time: Tuesday, February 8, 10 am - 2 pm  
Venue: Kiti-Tasanee Auditorium

Announcements

**Final Examination for Graduating Seniors** begins on Thursday, February 10.

**Final Examination for Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors** begins on Wednesday, February 16.

Campus Calendar

**FEBRUARY 03, THURSDAY**  
Department worship, 7 pm, Various locations

How to give Bible study to Adults by Dr Wann Fanwar, 6 pm - 7 pm, Fellowship Hall

**FEBRUARY 04, FRIDAY**  
Last Day to Pre-Register For 1st Semester 2011-2012  
Vespers, 7 pm, Auditorium  
The Seekers: The Great Woman in the Old Testament by Kitty L, After vespers, Fellowship Hall

**FEBRUARY 05, SATURDAY**  
Thai Sabbath Service -- Church  
English Sabbath Service -- Auditorium  
SS lesson study, 9:30 am, SS program, 10:30 am, Divine Service, 11 am  
Adventist Health: What It Means To You by Dr Nick Walters, 2 pm, Fellowship Hall. This is a Thai session. English session is at 11 am at Auditorium.

Youth in Worship (AY), 5 pm, Church

**FEBRUARY 06, SUNDAY**  
Senior Workplace Preparedness Seminar, 8:30 am - 12:45 noon, IT 328  
Learning English Seminar by Dr Oktavian Mantiri, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. 40 students from Muak Lek Technical College will participate in this event.

Cultural Night, 8 pm, Auditorium

**FEBRUARY 07, MONDAY**  
SC Election, 7 pm, Auditorium

**FEBRUARY 08, TUESDAY**  
Career Day, 10 am - 2 pm, Auditorium

**FEBRUARY 09, WEDNESDAY**  
SC Farewell, 10 am, Auditorium  
Campus Family Groups, 7 pm, Various locations