

## SSEAYP INTERNATIONAL PHILIPPINES (SIP)

In 2013, SIP conducted SCA / community outreach programs. **July 13**, SIP participated in the Medical-Dental Mission of Governor Ramon Lacbain II (PPY1991 / NL2005) in Zambales. SIP distributed 150 bags of goods to the Aeta community and assisted in the free-feeding activity. SIP celebrated Eid'l Fitr in the Women's Jail in Quezon City on **August 10** by distributing 120 bags of goods to the women inmates. Under SIP's Book Donation project, 2 boxes of books were donated to the Pacita Complex Elementary School in Laguna in a gift-giving and feeding program on **October 17**.

PYs 2010 PPA which aims to establish and reinforce Community Learning Centers in the Philippines launched its 5<sup>th</sup> CLC called 7,107 Project: Verde in Samar on **October 5**.

For 2013, PYs 2011, in cooperation with the Department of Education, conducted the 1st Inter-High School ASEAN Quiz on **September 21**. On that same day, a Dep-Ed Youth Summit was held which stressed on love for the country. Books and school supplies were distributed.

SIP's activities included sending 6 participants to the Hopeful Children Project in Thailand, participation in the

25<sup>th</sup> SIGA in Laos with 12 delegates, participation in the selection and training of the SSEAYP 2013 PPYs, and preparation and implementation of the Country Program in the Philippines.



## SSEAYP INTERNATIONAL SINGAPORE (SIS)

SIS had the Biennial General Meeting early this year. The highlight of 2013 is the collaboration between Singapore Press Holdings Chinese Newspaper Division and SIS for the *President's Challenge at Gardens by the Bay* from **September 13 - 22, 2013**. Our objective was to raise funds for the 55 beneficiaries appointed by the President of SIS, through selling of floating lanterns (krathongs) made by SIS members and students of Anderson Secondary School. For 10 days, SIS members were rostered according to participation year and assisted in the sale of the krathongs. We raised a total amount of SGD 11,210.

The second highlight is SSEAYP Day held on **October 5, 2013** at Scape. This was to commemorate the first sailing on October 7, 1974 and to establish closer ties with our alumni members. Photomontage which was contributed from the past 39 batches of SPYs was displayed. Members came together to do a batik painting of national flowers.

Collaborated with the youths from Radin Mas Youth Executive Committee on **November 17, 2013** for a fun and educational day with less privileged children between the ages of 6 and 12. The children learned about the fascinating history of the toys in the museum. They also learned craft through puppet making

workshop from which they can explore a new way to express themselves. SIS will hold the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Dinner on **March 29, 2014** at Universal Studio Singapore, Resorts World Sentosa.



## ASSOCIATION OF THE SHIP FOR SOUTHEAST ASIAN YOUTH OF THAILAND (ASSEAY THAILAND)

Since established, ASSEAY Thailand has continuously conducted main activities including selection of PYs, pre-departure training, and SSEAYP country program in Thailand. This year, we have selected ex-TPYs and non-PYs to participate in several international programs as either staff or participants such as the ASEAN Youth Camp in Thailand, etc.

*Fundraising for the Philippines:* ASSEAY Thailand and several groups of ex-TPYs have donated USD 8,600 to help the disaster victims in the Philippines through ex-PPYs and SIP. The donations were collected during ROB in Bangkok from auction funds and by selling souvenirs, Rice for Lives

campaign, as well as through the contributions of kind individuals. To commemorate the 40<sup>th</sup> SSEAYP Anniversary, we organized the *Hall of Fame* section during the ROB in Thailand. It was to express our appreciation to ex-TPYs who have contributed to society and ASSEAY Thailand.

The 23<sup>rd</sup> *For Hopeful Children Project* was held during **March 23-25, 2013** at the Royal Thai Marine Corps in Sattahip, Chonburi. Since initiated in 1991, the number of volunteers and young Thai participants has increased every year which is a clear sign of the success of the project.

*Our Beloved Hometown Project* was initiated in 2011 by ex-TPYs 2007 as their

post-program activity. The project aims at helping children in the rural areas in the north of Thailand to be able to identify and address the problems in their communities and work cooperatively to solve those problems. The project continues to be carried out every year.



**VIETNAM ALUMNI CLUB OF YOUTH FRIENDSHIP PROGRAMS (VACYF)**

2013 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> year of diplomatic relations between Vietnam and Japan. VPYs took part in several commemorative events held across the country.

**January – September 2013:** Lan Phuong (Maria) VPY 2009 starred in ‘The Partner’, the film honoring the friendship between Vietnamese revolutionary Phan Boi Chau and Japanese doctor Asaba Sakitaro 100 years ago. It was aired on Vietnam Television (VTV) and the Tokyo Broadcasting System (TBS) on September 29.

**January – May 2013:** VACYF members in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City held 4 workshops to provide information about

SSEAYP to those who were interested.

**July 2013:** VPYs 2012 implemented *Hand-in-hand* projects in Phu Da 3 Primary School, Thua Thien Hue Province to build a new restroom as well as instruct the students how to wash their hands properly.

**July – October 2013:** VACYF members organized orientation workshops for new VPYs in Hanoi, Hue and Ho Chi Minh City and provided necessary advice before departure.

**November 2013:** VACYF members helped to organize country program in Vietnam, which proved to be successful in introducing a hospitable and lively Vietnam to PYs 2013.

**November – December 2013:** VACYF members collected VND 28,700,000 (USD 1,355) to support Filipinos suffering from Typhoon Haiyan. The money was given to the chairperson and the president of SSEAYP International Philippines during the ROB on December 8.



**The 25<sup>th</sup> SIGA Laos: SSEAYP Exchange Culture Experiences  
April 25 – 27, 2013 in Vientiane Capital, Lao P.D.R .**

Lao SSEAYP Alumni Association (LaoSAA) had a great honor to host SIGA for the first time held on April 25 – 27, 2013 in Vientiane Capital, Lao P.D.R. The 25<sup>th</sup> SIGA, *SSEAYP Exchange Culture Experiences*, was attended by 415 participants including high ranking Lao leaders, honorable guests from the Embassies of ASEAN and Japan, SSEAYP ex-PYs, host families, Lao youth leaders, and local volunteers. The event included a panel discussion on relations and cooperation between ASEAN and Japan, institutional visit, sightseeing, exhibitions and interaction activities based on their interests.

Prior to main program, an SCA was held in Pakjeng School, Vientiane Province, Lao P.D.R. on April 22 - 24, 2013 with the collaboration of SSEAYP ex-PYs, Lao local youths and volunteers.



**The 26<sup>th</sup> SIGA in LANGKAWI, Malaysia: Touch of Nature  
April 23-28, 2014**

SI Malaysia is delighted to host for the 4<sup>th</sup> time the annual SSEAYP International General Assembly (SIGA) in the magical island of Langkawi. The former Prime Minister and Father of Modernization in Malaysia, Tun Mahathir Mohammad, will be the Patron of the 26<sup>th</sup> SIGA and will deliver the keynote speech on *Environmental Crisis: Impact & Effect on Socio Economic Growth* during the opening ceremony.

SI Malaysia is inviting the SSEAY family to experience the *Touch of Nature* and the beauty of the magical island of Langkawi on April 25 – 28, 2014, as well as SCA which will be held on April 23-25, 2014.

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## Route and Ports of Call



The 40<sup>th</sup> SSEAYP started from October 29 to December 16, 2013. The ship left Tokyo, Japan for 4 ports of call, through various activities over 51 days, strangers have become friends, individuals have become a family and Nippon Maru has become their second home. The 40<sup>th</sup> SSEAYP journey ended with strong camaraderie among Japan and ASEAN friends.

### ROUTE AND PORTS OF CALL DURATION

- Nov. 7: Tokyo (Japan)
- Nov. 14 – 17: Ho Chi Minh City (Vietnam)
- Nov. 20 – 24: Bangkok (Thailand)
- Nov. 21 – 22: Representatives to Vientiane Capital (Laos) by Air
- Nov. 29 – Dec. 2: Singapore (Singapore)
- Dec. 6 – 9: Manila (Philippines)
- Dec. 12: Naha (Japan)
- Dec. 16: Tokyo (Japan)

## Discussion Group Facilitators

SSEAYP Discussion Program was formally initiated in 2005 for PYs to deepen their understanding and broaden their knowledge of their group topics. The discussion group facilitators worked with PYs from the start of the program to ensure the effectiveness of each discussion session and the outcomes of each group. Furthermore, they were there to guide and support PYs before passing on the outcomes of their groups to OBSCs Reps. PYs were also expected to share what they had learned and gained during SSEAYP discussion program & in turn contribute to their societies.

The 2013 Discussion Facilitators and their respective group themes:

1. Corporate Social Contributions - Ms. Precious Ann A. Legario (Philippines)
2. Cross-cultural Understanding Promotion – Ms. Korawee Sapmanee (Thailand)
3. Environment (Natural Disaster Reduction) - Mr. Andi Syuki (Indonesia)
4. Food and Nutrition Education - Ms. Natsuko Minemura (Japan)
5. Health Education (Measures against HIV/AIDS) - Mr. Nery N. Ronatay (Philippines)
6. International Relations (ASEAN-Japan Cooperation) - Mr. Theraseth Patvarapong (Thailand)
7. School Education – Mr. Thanit Kongkaew (Thailand)
8. Information and Media - Ms. Khaisarah Mansor (Singapore)



## On Board Ship Conference Representatives

This year, ten OBSC representatives from ASEAN and Japan boarded Nippon Maru at Manila Port, Philippines. The discussion with the Facilitators helped them have a clearer vision of what had been done during the Discussion Program sessions.

In the Post-Program Session I (Plenary Session), OBSC representatives introduced their Alumni Associations and explained last year's PPAs and also the roles to advocate the planning of each country's PPAs.

During the Post Program Sessions with respective contingents, OBSC Reps provided assistance and advice in the conceptualization and finalization of their PPAs based on what PYs had learned from their Discussion Groups and the current issues in their countries. OBSC Representatives were also responsible for producing this year's edition of SSEAYP News.

Upon arrival in Tokyo, OBSC Representatives had a Courtesy Call at the Cabinet Office and reported on the AA's highlighted events. Mr. Yutaka Iwabuchi, Director General for the General Promotion on Youth Affairs and Childrearing, expressed his appreciation for their contribution for the success of SSEAYP 2013.



- Mr. Thatsaphone Lerththavone (LPY 2005)
- Mr. Hail Adly Haji Matali (BPY 2005)
- Ms. Devera Daisy Miranti Faridz (IPY 2007)
- Ms. Naomi Uemori (JPY 1999, NL 2009)
- Ms. Supang Chirarattanawanna (TPY 1996, Fa 2008)
- Ms. Noor Azian Binti Ahmad (MaPY 2001)
- Ms. Min Ing (CPY 2012)
- Ms. Lee Wai (SPY 1994, Fa 2008)
- Mr. Le Hoang Linh (VPY 2009)
- Mrs. Zenaida Cruz-Rico (PPY 1981)