

## SSEAYP INTERNATIONAL MYANMAR

**May 24, 2017:** E.C Members of AA and ex-PYs donated cash (300,000 MMK) and clothes and sport accessories to Nghet Aw San Youth Correctional Camp as a Social Contribution Activity. Ex-PYs interacted with the youth to enjoy and uplift the morale of the youth.

**June 24, 2017:** SI Myanmar donated cash (3,000,000 MMK) equivalent to 3.300 USD to Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, for Relief and Resettlement of flood victims in the affected areas all over the country.

**August 6, 2017,** AA organized the Commemorative Ceremony of the SI Prohct 30/50. After the ceremony, EC Members of SI Myanmar,

Ex-PYs and MyPY2017 proceeded to "Mahawthahta" Charity High School, free boarding high school and donated cash (500,000 MMK – 320 USD approx ) for one day – catering for 300 students. Then, the group made a trip to Center for Development of Women, Kamayut Township and donated cash (300,000MMK, 222USD approx) and had a study tour of their vocation training workshop. MyPY2017 members also made personal donations to the woman trainees there.

**November 15, 2017,** EC Members of SI Myanmar visited Oake Kan Nursing Home for the Aged and donated the food and cash

(270,000 MMK equivalent to 200 USD, the seed fund provided by SI for SCA Day Activities.



## SSEAYP INTERNATIONAL PHILIPPINES

**April 26-30, 2017:** The 29th SSEAYP International General Assembly (SIGA) was held at Iloilo and Boracay, the Philippines.

**July 1, 2017:** Started the construction of 2 toilets for Ali Village as part of Social Contribution Activity for SIGA 2017. It is now 60% done.

**August 6, 2017 – Project 30/50: Part 1:** Kalinaw: A fitness fundraising campaign for the people of Marawi City. Alumni and family and friends of alumni gathered together to have a fitness activity for the benefit of the children of Marawi. The activity garnered USD580 and SSEAYP International also donated USD1,000 for Project 30/50 of the Philippines.

**August 19-21, 2017:** Project SHINE was conducted by PPY2015 for the community in Sitio Kiahe, Malapatan, Sarangani.

**August 26-27, 2017:** Project A.C.C.E.S.S. II was conducted by PPY2014 in Caubian Island, Cebu, bringing school supplies and 2 yellow boats for children of the island.

**November 2017:** Establishment of the Host Family Association, a strong partner for the SSEAYP Country Program. Host Family Association is being led by its president, Mr. Mario Jamolangue.

**November 18-19, 2017 – Project 30/50: Part 2:** SI Philippines Board Members went to Marawi for the distribution of school supplies and conduct of psychosocial activity for the children in 4 evacuation sites.



## SSEAYP INTERNATIONAL SINGAPORE

**February 17, 2017:** Ms Grace Fu, Minister of Culture, Community, Youth and Sports and HE Kenji Shinoda, the Japanese Ambassador to Singapore were there as GOH & special guest.

**August 6, 2017 - Project 30/50:** Sunshine Welfare Action Mission Home Dr Maliki Osman, Senior Minister of State, Defence and Foreign Affairs, was the Guest of Honour at this event. Ambassadors and High Commissioners of ASEAN and Japanese foreign missions in Singapore were present as Special Guests:

1. HE Kenji Shinoda, the Japanese Ambassador to Singapore
2. HE Ngoun Sokveng, the Cambodian Ambassador to Singapore

3. First Secretary, Brunei High Commission
4. First Secretary and Consul, Philippines Embassy

150 members of SIS; Host Families, the Singapore Contingent for the 44th Ship for Southeast Asian and Japanese Youth Programme and host families were befriending the residents of the Home and helping out for the event. The residents also enjoyed an array of cultural performances by the foreign missions of ASEAN countries and Japan; Ukulele performance. Club Interest Group, Drum performance by Hibikiya (Japan), Tinikling dance by the Kultura Dancers (Philippines), Songs (by SPY2017).



## ASSOCIATION OF THE SHIP FOR SOUTHEAST ASIAN YOUTH OF THAILAND

**March 18-20, 2017:** "The 27th For Hopeful Children Project (FHCP)" was organized by Fund For Friends (FFF) and ASSEAY in Royal Thai Navy Base in Sattahip, Chonburi province. Over 800 volunteers from local and international groups took care of underprivileged and disabled children during this event.

**March 24-26, 2017:** Post-Program Activity of Thailand Participating Youth (TPY) 2016 "SEARO" was held in Si Boya island in Krabi province, southern part of Thailand.

**August 6, 2017 – Project 30/50:** In order to promote mutual understanding as well as to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of SSEAYP International and 50th Anniversary of ASEAN, ASSEAY designed Facebook Frame and encouraged members to change their own Facebook profile photos.



## VIETNAM ALUMNI CLUB OF YOUTH FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

**December 17-18, 2016:** VPY2016 conducted their first PPA - Pay it Forward in Hoa Binh Province – a poverty stricken area where many Muong people (ethnic group in Vietnam) live. The main activities included: (1) providing medical care for 20 veterans families, (2) cleaning up a drain which provides water to many families and (3) organizing a cross-cultural night to understand more about Muong culture and promote different J-ASEAN cultures. The PPA also fund-raised around USD2,200 and gained attention from media. (Caption: 43rd VPYs helped clean up a drain in Hoa Binh province)

**March - May 2017:** VPY2016 hosted second PPA - a SSEAYP tour around 4 big universities in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh.

**June - July 2017:** The Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union and Vietnam Alumni hosted the PY selection for SSEAYP 2017. After the application and interview rounds, 40 shortlisted candidates were selected to attend 4-day Vietnam SSEAYP Selection Camp from 5-8 July.

**July 29, 2017 – Project 30/50:** VPY2015 hosted "The Journey of Health" in Binh Duong province. The full-day event aimed to tackle

health problems of elderlies and children caused by summer rain. While 120 primary students enjoyed fun hand-wash training, 250 elderlies received health checkup. 400 packs of mosquitoes' nets, blankets and liquid washing detergents were given to all participants.



## SIGA 2017 AND 2018

### SIGA 2017 – ILOILO AND BORACAY, PHILIPPINES



The 29th SSEAYP International General Assembly (SIGA) was held in Iloilo and Boracay, the Philippines on April 26-30, 2017. 205 SSEAYP Alumni, SSEAYP Friends and Family and Host Families from ASEAN member countries and Japan came all the way to Iloilo to join the start of the program.

SIGA started in Iloilo where the Council of Presidents (COP) Meeting, General Assembly of all delegates and Social Contribution Activity (SCA) focused on hygiene, education and trees and vegetable planting were held. The delegates also experienced culture through songs, dances and performances during the welcome dinner hosted by the city mayor and the cultural extravaganza in Central Philippine University.

All the delegates travelled from Iloilo to Boracay for the second leg of the activity. There, the beach, the white sand, and the sun were a wonderful back drop for all the activities and energy of the SIGA delegates.

Overall, SIGA Philippines was very much appreciated by all participants and it was due to best efforts of SIP members who contributed for its success. SIGA Iloilo/Boracay Committee is now finishing the construction of 2 rest rooms/water closet for the venue of the social action activity.



## SIGA 2018 - BANDUNG, INDONESIA

The 30th SSEAYP International General Assembly (SIGA) will be hosted by the Republic of Indonesia on April 20-23, 2018 in Bandung, West Java. Indonesia previously hosted SIGA 2000 in Bali, and SIGA 2009 in Yogyakarta.



This year SIGA's theme will be : Spirit of Art, Heritage and Youth-preneurship. Bandung is one of the place that you can experience them. Bandung is also well-known for its culinary places to try. And also, this event will be a good chance for us to commemorate the 30 years of SIGA.

Through this message, we hope all ex-PYs, host families and their families and friends join this event and once again immerse ourselves in SSEAYP moment and be reunited with old friends and meet new friends in Bandung.



SI Philippines President Ms.Yvette Ledesma and SIGA Chairperson Mr.Bong Manlulu turning over the SI flag to Ms.Pia Adiprima, SI Indonesia President.

## PY IMPRESSIONS

### SOLIDARITY GROUP (SG) ACTIVITY

SG activities were fun and memorable and it enabled us to foster friendship and challenge our mindset in term of pushing us away from the comfort zone especially when working with different people of different background. Since most of the activities required thinking skills, it encouraged us to improve our critical thinking and enhanced our organizing skills. Instead of thinking of the challenge as a competition between countries, it helps us hone our teamwork skills and leadership skills. SG activities were pretty amazing and most PYs enjoyed their time onboard.

SG activity was the only moment that my heart captured our big smiles, our craziness, all the good times and emotions at the same time. Big thanks to this activity for bringing out the love inside of us.

*Aida, Aida Amalin Binti Muhammad Aimanuddin - BPY  
Bank, Vatsalaphon Thammavongsa - LPY*

### SELF-REALIZATION

The power of teamwork has wowed me from the very first day on SSEAYP. Despite tons of deadline and tight working schedule, the moments when the whole contingent completed our National Presentation and when my SG overcome challenges in SG activity always remind me of team spirit. It also means you might not be the best, but together, we can always become better.

My experience in SSEAYP was like a voyage is characterized by a mixture of turbulent waters, calm seas and the occasional influenza outbreaks. Every person I meet have their own stories to share, be it the method that the Vietnamese peel rambutan or the Japanese influence over the region. I will treasure each of their lessons and my 52 days on this programme.

*Natascha, Nur Salimah Natascha Morbitzer Binte Mohammad Amin Morbitzer - SPY  
Mikey, Bui Minh Quan - VPY*

### PRESS MISSION

Being a member of press team during SSEAYP enabled me to capture every fantastic moment happening on the ship, which surrounded by blue ocean among thousand stars. I received the privilege and opportunity to freely walk in any occasion and can put my passion in every picture I take. Being together with other Press PYs created the meaningful relationship between us that is impossible to forget and will last forever in our hearts.

Lovers of cameras were gathered here. Our task was to shoot photos and videos onboard and port of call activities. We were happy to see PY's smile, hardwork and sometimes tears behind cameras. The photos and videos were used to tell the stories of SSEAYP experiences to people who do not know this program yet. That's why our job was important and we are proud of it.

*Golf, Santiphong Thongchapo - TPY  
Blue, Aoyama Masaki - JPY*

### DISCUSSION PROGRAM

PYs gained new knowledge from brilliant facilitators during discussion group activities. This platform was used to share ideas and skills.

Discussion Program has been an inspiring experience for PYs. The Discussion Team this year was very practical and facilitated the session in a very interactive way. Facilitators have dedicated a lot of efforts in creating informative yet engaging sessions.

*Mel, Amalina Binti Abdul Halim - MaPY  
Daphne, Vu Phuong Thao - VPY*



## NATIONAL PRESENTATION (NP)

National Presentation of each contingent showcased the finest performances of the respective countries' culture and history. The segments of each NP were also very diverse; from traditional dances and music to martial arts and modern storyline.

The NPs were the most anticipated program during SSEAYP. NP doesn't only provide an opportunity for PYs to express and showcase their talents but also offer an opportunity to work together with other contingent to support each other's NP. There is no competition, only collaboration to present the best NP for everyone.

Mato, Rahmat Hidayat Hm - IPY  
Tyler, Htet Naing Phyo - MyPY

## VOLUNTARY ACTIVITY (VA)

I organised a seminar where PYs designed and carved rubber stamps. PYs learnt how arts can be used as a tool to engage the community. PYs shared that it was relaxing and fun.

Organising VA has helped me in developing further my events management skills. This was significant because this improved skill will soon be very beneficial once we start conducting our post program activities.

Edson Bisol Alijo - PPY  
Teng Wei Ling - SPY

## PY SEMINARS

PY Seminars were enjoyable and fruitful programs. The programs were so rich of knowledge, culture, fun and excitement. The organizers worked hard to organise the seminars and our library was full of PYs seminar meetings every day. We really appreciate their effort of the organisers.

Aba, Phyo Thant Htein - MyPY  
Mel, Meng Chanlina - CPY

## INSITUTIONAL VISIT

I was very impressed about Institutional Visit in Japan such as YouTube, Space, Yahoo! Japan and interaction with local youth of Osaka University. It was a golden opportunity for me to learn and share about globalization and 21st century entertainment and technology.

Our DG went to Tanita Corporation where the most innovative body weight scales are produced. I had a chance to calculate my body fat content which is the modest way to realize how healthy I am.

Sindy, Sitta Marattanachai - TPY  
Son, Yi Ranyboth - CPY

## LIFE ONBOARD

My life onboard was like a dream. We ate healthy, we exercised, we think critically. I feel privileged to become a PY and to be part of this community. I have learnt a lot more than I ever expected. I found my best friends, families and my found myself.

My life on board Nippon Maru was full of life, laughter, surprises and joy.

I made new friends every day and everlasting bonds from people other from the contingents. My cabin mates listened to my whine and rants and we accept each other for who we are.

NP Nights was wonderful and full of excitement. Life onboard Nippon Maru will be a memory that I will never forget in my lifetime.

Tadum, Vatsana Vongsengchanh - LPY  
Yani, NurulAzyani Binti  
Rudy Sahardey - BPY

## HOMESTAY

Homestay made me realize that family is not by blood, but by the heart. One or two nights of homestay can transform strangers to family.

My homestay experiences in Japan, Cambodia, Thailand, Indonesia and Malaysia were nothing but bliss. It's surprising and amazing how there was so much genuine love from people we have just met and been with for 3 days or less.

Ai, Aizuddin Azim Bin Mohammad  
Rosman Krishnan - MaPY  
Jann Caitlin Navalta Jao - PPY

## COUNTRY PROGRAM

The overall Country Programs were good as it gave us unique experience and new insight about the Country that we visited. The Institutional Visits were very relevant to our DG and the activities with local youth were also interesting. I look forward for the next batch that they will have more cultural activities to interact with local youth.

I was impressed about the wonderful hospitality, diverse culture and full of the energy from each country program. It was my first time for me to visit Southeast Asian countries and I found out that there are lots of things that my country that I can learn from them. Especially when I could see the ex-PY who I talked with last year in YLS as I did LY. Nice reunion!

Aya, Hono Ayako - JPY  
Marwa, Maria Rosalin Muabuay - IPY

