



# STIC

## ON POINT

### WHEN THE FULL MOON SHINES IN NOVEMBER @ STIC

By: Kirati Khamkaew, Aeronautics Y3



As the full moon shone brightly on the night of 11<sup>th</sup> of November, the STIC community celebrated Loy Krathong Festival with the whole Thai nation. The nursing building area was the venue for this festive event. There were kiosks from different Y1 majors selling different food, drinks and krathongs to cater our fellow STICians' hunger, thirst and loy krathong participation.

Also, a krathong-making competition was organized to assess our students' creativity and artistry. Later that night, the krathong from the Airline Business's entry emerged as the winners. As the full moon continued to brighten up the night, the STIC's Miss Noppamas 2019 competition highlighted the lovely event. Our pretty candidates ramped in front of the spectators, introduced themselves and confidently answered the given questions. The lady from Aeronautics, Miss Panadda Jaengpech won the title.

The annual event's objectives are as follows: preserve Thai culture and festival among millennial students, involve foreign students and lecturers with the local culture and festival, allow students to participate in all the organized activities and practice the aim of this culture and festival. Observing our students in organizing and participating in this kind of event, I have noticed that skills and positive values were developed.



## BEACHIN WITH THE BE

By: *Norrasing Phumsom, Business English Y1*



Rayong is a province in Thailand which has a lot of tourist attractions such as beautiful beaches and nature reserves. With those reasons, BE students decided to do the camp and volunteering activities in Rayong which occurred on 2-3 November 2019. At 3am., BE students from year 1 - 3 assembled at the Business Administration Building to wait for the buses to go to Rayong. At around 4am, we departed STIC to head to Rayong. After a few hours, we arrived at the first place mentioned on our itinerary: Rak Samae Bridge, Klaeng District. This area is an ecotourism destination and is home to a huge mangrove forest. The mangrove forest is a conservation area and breeding ground for Meder's mangrove crabs (Samae Crabs). We walked across wooden bridges to do some sightseeing throughout the mangrove forest. In addition, BE students participated in returning caged Samae crabs back into the waters. Also, BE students listened to an expert about the history and activities conducted here. At 11, we departed Rak Samae Bridge to go to our guest house. There, we were separated into groups for the afternoon activities. The location of the guest house is near the beach, and the atmosphere is nice and refreshing. We had many activities along the beach which helped build good relationships between seniors and juniors. One of the activities students thought as being fun and useful, was brainstorming humanitarian projects. We spent 20 minutes to think of an achievable project. The last activity we did in the afternoon was a volunteering activity. We collected garbage around the beach. Although, BE students would be tired from

their all-day activities, they still had enough energy and enthusiasm to complete the activity. After the volunteering activity, all of us had dressed up for the night party with the theme, "Born to be Rich". During the party, everyone was dressed up beautifully. For dinner, we ate a scrumptious tom yum seafood soup and stir fried chicken with bamboo shoots. After dinner time, the beach night party started. The venue for the night party was beautifully arranged by year 3 students. Aside from the fun games and other exciting activities, year 2 and 3 students shared helpful advice to us their juniors. At the end of the night party, the atmosphere was warm and fun - we grilled seafood by the beach and danced the night away. On Sunday morning, 3rd of November 2019, delicious breakfast was arranged by the guest house. Some BE students woke up early to see the sunrise and took beautiful pictures by the sea. At 11am, students were all ready to return to STIC. We went straight to the 100 Pillars Market to find souvenirs for our friends at the college. There were a lot of goodies to buy like durian crisps, durian candy, and many home decorations. After some time roaming around, we departed the market and arrived at STIC by 5 pm.

Through the trip, BE students were able to acquire happy memories and build new friendships. They hope that STIC will always support them and all other students to conduct productive camps in order to gain new experiences, and opportunities.

## Be United at ICHITAN

By: *Khaosun Wongrad, Logistics Management Y2*



The trip began at exactly 8 am on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> of November with the STIC lobby being the gathering point. Everyone, both Logistics Management and International Business major students, gathered to begin their journey to ICHITAN Factory in Ayutthaya Province. We arrived at our destination after approximately 2 hours.

The factory tour began with an introductory video of ICHITAN's history, operations management and disaster recovery. We were very excited to acquire new knowledge, ideologies and mindset of Mr. Tan, the millionaire founder and owner of ICHITAN Factory. The guide gave us an introduction of tea history and some statistical data about tea in Thailand and around the world. Next, we observed how teas were being manufactured, packed, sterilized and stocked. There's a big smart warehouse wherein the manufacturing machines are all automated with few employees {engineers, maintenance and R & D (research and development) staff} on full alert.

The factory trip ended with so many business ideas being thought of, good impressions made and ideological concepts on environmental issues and manpower concerns were considered.

ICHI means "one" but Mr. Tan's real aim of using ICHI as his company's name is to have the company, its management and employees be united as "one".

## ATC'S PRIDE – MALE PAGEANT'S RUNNER-UP



**Thanadech Nopsuntair,**  
*Air Traffic Control Y3*

On 21 September, 2019, I had a great opportunity given by St. Theresa International College to be one of its representatives in a male local pageant in Nakhon Nayok Province. Arriving at the event's venue, I was full of excitement seeing all the other candidates. I challenged myself to do very well on the pageant and aimed to be placed on top. During the elimination round, we walked the ramp in our tank tops and jeans, on the second ramp walk, we wore a sports uniform to show off our physique, and on the final ramp, we tried to look as elegant as possible in our formal wear. The committee selected 10 candidates to move to the semifinal round and luckily, I was one of them. The next round was the question and answer. I was asked about the famous food in Nakhon

Nayok Province. With the advantage of English language ability, I was able to express my thoughts bilingually. The crowd and the committee were impressed with my thoughts that took me to the final 3. Another question and answer round was done to recognize the places of the remaining 3. Without any expectations at all, I was happy to be placed 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up.

After this recognition, I was little by little entering into the male beauty pageant mainstream through the help of different pageant directors and experts. I was invited to attend some pageants as well and did some photo shoots.

I would like to express my gratitude to this institution for this huge chance. I would forever be grateful.

## Tough Training to Become a Nation's Defender

*By: Peerapong Thamane, Airline Business Y3*



I am a soldier-trainee of the Infantry Defense Command located near Sanam Luang. In a period of 2 and a half months, I had to go to Khao Chon Kai Military Training Camp in Kanchanaburi. The training is quite heavy and challenging. Each day, I must wake up early, do my morning exercises and prepare for the theoretical and practical military trainings such as showing respect to my officers as well as military gestures such as walking, running, turning left and right including the use of weapons, bombs, camping and survival activities. Also, we trained on endurance, hunger, fatigue, and unity among the group. Every single day, in that period of 10 weeks, seems a very long time but it is an honor to have

done this for my country. This makes me feel very proud of myself. For each meal, they usually serve vegetables. I really dislike vegetables but I have to eat them because if I don't, I would be starving since there is nothing to eat. Bathing is exciting because we have to compete with time. It is a shared bathroom and it only has a large bathtub. I have to bath together with my whole camp friends within only 2 minutes. Sometimes, we can only use 3 bowls and worse than that is not taking a bath.

Being a soldier isn't bad, however. I learned many things in the military camp. It made me develop and improve my patience in various things and situations.





# THE HOLIEST MAN BLESSED THAILAND

On March 13, 2013, Saint Peter’s Square was filled with Catholics waiting for the white smoke to be emitted from the chimney of the Sistine Chapel which signified that a new pope was elected. Later that night, he delivered his first message of thanks to the crowd and prayer request to be offered to Bishop Emeritus Benedict XVI following his resignation.

Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Buenos Aires, Argentina whose parents are Mario Jose Bergoglio (a railway worker) and Regina Maria Sivori has 4 siblings: Maria Elena, Oscar Adrian, Alberto and Marta Regina. In 1969, he was ordained as a priest after years of studying Theology and teaching Literature and Psychology.

He held numerous church high ranking positions - archdiocese bishop and archbishop of Buenos Aires where believers have witnessed his genuine love to the lowly and the whole Catholic community. One occurrence that left a huge mark to the Catholics was when he washed and kissed the feet of 12 HIV patients.

Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio chose the name “Francis” after St. Francis of Assisi. In the history of papacy, he is

the first pope from Latin America and the Society of Jesus.

His apostolic visit to Thailand happened on November 20 – 23, 2019. The Catholic community of Thailand planned and prepared everything excellently to make the historical visit a success. The holiest man’s journey in the “Land of Smiles” started when his craft landed at Military Air Terminal 2 on November 20 where thousands of believers eagerly waited for his arrival. The long hours of waiting was not put to waste as Pope Francis’ presence became a blessing for them.

His second day began with a welcome ceremony and a meeting with the Prime Minister at the Government House. Later that morning, he took time to see the Supreme Buddhist Patriarch at Wat Ratchabophit Sathit Maha Simaram Temple. St. Louis Hospital was his next stop and he proceeded to Amphorn Royal Palace for a private visit to His Majesty King Rama X. His hectic schedule ended with a Eucharistic celebration at the National Stadium where thousands of Catholics and non-Catholics from Thailand and nearby countries took part in.

His day 3 was scheduled to meet the Catholic churches and other Christian denominations’ leaders. His late afternoon was spent with a holy mass with the youths at Assumption Cathedral.

November 23, Saturday was his last day in Thailand to travel to Japan. His short stay in Thailand left gazillion blessings both to Christians and non-Christians. Seeing him in person, hearing his voice, listening to his homilies, watching him on TV and feeling his touch marked significantly in the hearts and minds of everyone who witnessed his historical apostolic visit in Thailand.



**“The Lord knows that through you, young people, the future is coming into this land and the world, and he is counting on you to carry out your mission today.” - Pope Francis**

Apostolic Journey of Pope Francis  
Assumption Cathedral, Youth Mass  
Bangkok, Thailand  
November 22, 2019



**VIVA IL PAPA!!!!!!**

*"I am very happy to meet Pope Francis at St. Louis Hospital. I have so much peace in me seeing him. Pope represents our Lord Jesus Christ to the humankind. I promise that I will be a living witness of God to the people around me. May God bless us all always."* (Nguyen Hoang Giang, Business English Y1)

*"The first second I heard the announcement from the Catholic Bishop Conference of Thailand on September 12th, 2019 that Pope Francis would do an apostolic visit*

*to Thailand through the invitation father will come to my country. He of Thai government and the has a friendly aura and his face was Catholic Bishop Conference of full of smiles being shared to Thailand from November 20th - everyone. When I saw his smile 23rd, 2019, I hurriedly searched for filled with loving kindness in the an opportunity to meet him. I am form of a merciful God (cf. Luke 6:36) and knew his motto country because I don't know if "Miserando atque eligendo" (by there would by any other chance to having mercy, by choosing him), I'm meet him. Luckily, I was given the not regretful to accept this opportunity to have an encounter opportunity. It happens once in my with the Pope at Assumption lifetime. I felt so touched that he was Cathedral of Bangkok through the very friendly with the youth, and I help given to me by some kind was happy to feel his bountiful adults. On that day, I met the Pope. blessings through his presence. The moment his car arrived, my (Aorathai Pamon, Business English Y2) tears overflowed with joy. I have never imagined that the merciful*



# STIC's Voice to Praise was Heard Once Again

On the occasion of Saowapa Church Anniversary, STIC's Catholic community, comprising of both students and lecturers, sang songs of praises during the Eucharistic celebration held on Saturday, November 30.



Evenings before this day, the choir members rehearsed and attended the novena mass for a couple of days. Also, STIC administrators (Madam Dr. Theresa V. Phromsuntron, Dr. Piyada Wattanasan, Dr. Chaipat Wattanasan and Aj. Suwat Benjathamatorn) were there to extend their support. In addition, Rev. Peter Prachachart Prichavuth from St. Paul Banna came to help us with regards to singing

properly and gave us some vocal tips as well.

On the day of the celebration, the church was filled with several parishioners from the community and other believers from different Catholic groups, communities and schools. The mass was a perfect observance of faith, peace and love co-celebrated by the active and hardworking priests.

Hearing some warm appreciation from the parishioners regarding the notable singing of the choir made us proud of ourselves. We gained self-respect as we sing our hearts out to praise the Almighty. Indeed, we won't stop singing to our Creator as our sign of everlasting affection to Him. *(Anuchit Chainam, Y2 and Anchana Chermue, Airline Business Y3)*



## STICians @ Catholic Media Awards



event organized by the Catholic Social Communications of Thailand. Our beloved Vice-chairman of the College Council, Madam Dr. Theresa V. Phromsuntron and Vice-president for Students Affairs Ajarn Suwat Benjathamatorn also attended the ceremony.

At this event, I met a lot of new people. I was able to build good friendship with several people. It was a new experience that taught me to practice professionalism and improved my problem solving skills. It was both a fun and learning experience that would definitely benefit me in the future.

*By: Manussawan Thojom, Airline Business Y1*

On Thursday, 28 November 2019 at Arnoma Grand Hotel Bangkok, I was invited to attend the Catholic Media Awards Presentation with my fellow STICians. It was an honor and pride for me to be invited on the awarding ceremony. On that day, Rev. Bro. Dr. Bancha Saengjhiran (Assumption University President Rector Magnificus) was there to participate on this



# Flexing STIC's Sports Day 2019

By: Chabodee Narach, Business English Y1



Creating unity, promoting discipline and practicing sportsmanship are this year's Sports Day's objectives. The fun and exciting event occurred on November 27 (sport games semi-final rounds) and November 29 (final rounds). These 2 days were filled with cheers and intensity as each team competed to win the top place.

As per tradition, the students were divided into 4 teams: Green (Airline Business), Yellow (Aeronautics, Air Traffic Control, Logistics Management and Digital Media/Communication Arts), Red (Education, Business English, Public Health and Hotel and Tourism) and Blue (Nursing Science). Every team's representatives displayed their excellent sports skills to bring home the bacon.

Listed below are the sports events and the champions:

Sports Events	Champions
Basketball (Men)	Blue
Basketball (Women)	Yellow
Volleyball (Men)	Green
Volleyball (Women)	Red
Football (Men)	Green
Football (Women)	Blue
Sepak Takraw (Men)	Yellow
Sepak Takraw (Women)	Red
Table Tennis (Men)	Blue
Table Tennis (Women)	Blue
Swimming (Men)	Yellow
Swimming (Women)	Green
Golf (Men)	Green
Golf (Women)	Green

On the 29<sup>th</sup>, the day started with the Parade of Colors with our students in costumes portraying their themes.

Then, Madam Dr. Theresa V. Phromsuntron expressed her message of appreciation to the organizers as she later officiated the formal opening of the STIC's Sports Day 2019. Next were the raising of the college flags, enunciating of the oath of sportsmanship, the bearing of the torch and lighting of the sports cauldron and the symbolic burning of cigarettes and pouring of alcoholic drinks. To entertain the sports spectators, the members of STIC's International Dance Club performed their most applauded and most amazing dance presentation. Immediately after that, the Cheerleading Competition happened. With all the stunts, chants, backdrops, costumes and effects, the cheerleaders of the Green Team turned up as the most impressive.

Later that day, traditional games and sports events made the day more exciting. The sports venue was packed with STICians in their team's shirts shouting out loud to cheer and show their support to their teammates.

In the evening, the most-awaited awarding ceremony was held. Taking the highest recognition on STIC's Sports Day 2019 was the Green Team beating all the other 3 equally skillful teams.

The sports day left some good memories especially to our freshies. Sports skills were manifested along with some positive values as to say that the objectives were no doubt achieved.

CONGRATULATIONS to all the victors.





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**SHINE LIKE NEON FOR A BRIGHTER EDUCATION**

*By: Ittigron Supviriya, Education English Y1*

One Sunday evening in November, the Education Family held its ED Byenior 2019 with the theme “*Shine Like Neon for a Brighter Education*”. The night was filled with entertainment, photo shoots, food and drinks, positive vibes and fun memories. Also, our lovely and hardworking second parents were all there to show some support and love through expressing their words of wisdom and thoughts of appreciation to the 5<sup>th</sup> year students. In return, the senior students uttered their gestures of acknowledgment and affection to the whole Education community.

The ED family wishes nothing but the very best to our “taking off” brothers and sisters as they “land” to the world of education.



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## AB19 FRESHIES RECEIVE THEIR SYMBOLIC PINS

*By: Rosanna Mary Labrador, Airline Business Y1*



After completing their first year, On November 6, it was the day that students taking up Airline Business we received the pin from the will receive decoration pins at teachers. We really enjoyed the Joseph Marie Building. During our moment and experience. I felt both rehearsals, the sophomores guided nervous and excited as I walked freshmen on how to walk, stand, do towards the stage. Everything went the bow, receive the pins and return as planned and rehearsed. The to their seats. In addition, they success of this event displayed the assisted lecturers in making sure that hard work, unity and perfection everything went smoothly. Matters within our major. Everyone did a like the venue, the guests, most great job. The entire freshmen appropriate uniforms, hair dos and family felt that they’re all grown-up as their uniforms reflected their new other stuffs were given much responsibilities and independence. attention.