

IAC International Newsletter

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RECENT EVENTS:





















1 April: FHT International Day

On April 1st FHT organized "International Day". Both international and Thai students from the faculty's course on Convention and Event Management presented various countries including Japan, Germany, Spain, China, Thailand, Finland, etc. There were posters, pictures, decorations, oral presentations, games, dance performances, and the highlight was the international fashion show where students wore traditional dress from various countries and presented themselves in the form of a catwalk.

13 - 15 April: Songkran Festival

We hope that everyone was able to take part in the Songkran water celebrations over the Songkran Festival holiday either in Phuket or in other parts of Thailand.

25 April: Bang-Pat & Phang-Nga Day Trip with Japanese Students

On Saturday IAC staff took the Japanese Students from Bunkyo University who are here for a short course program together with their Thai buddies on a day trip to Phang Nga Bay. We were blessed with great weather and were able to enjoy the long tail boat ride in Phang Nga Bay and the beautiful scenery of the limestone cliffs, caves, and lagoons. A massive fresh seafood lunch was served at a restaurant on stilts in Bang-Pat village, very popular among locals. We are glad that the Japanese students were able to discover more of Thailand's landscape and culture.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

4 - 20 May: Final Exams

Best of luck to all students on your final exams! The year is coming to an end.

18 May: End of Semester

Time for a break.

KEEP CALM IT'S THE END OF THE SEMESTER!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday 4 May: Extra Public Holiday

Don't forget Monday is an extra public holiday across Thailand.

Tuesday 5 May: Coronation Day

This day is a public holiday commemorating the coronation of King Bhumibol Adulyadej in 1950.

Wednesday 13 May: Royal Ploughing Ceremony Day

This public holiday is to commemorate the beginning of the rice growing season.

The ceremony is of Hindu origin. In the ceremony, two sacred oxen plough a groove in ceremonial ground while Hindu priests (Brahmins) sow rice seeds. The oxen are then offered plates of food, including rice, corn, green beans, sesame, fresh-cut grass, water and rice whisky. Depending on what the oxen eat, court astrologers and Brahmins make a prediction on whether the coming growing season will be plentiful or not. The ceremony is held to guarantee a good harvest.





IAC'S MONTHLY TIPS:

90 Day Report now available Online!

This will be a lot more convenient for many fellow international PSU staff and students.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please visit the following website (using only an Internet Explorer web browser): http://extranet.immigration.go.th/pibics/online/tm47/TM47Action.do

Note that on the IAC website (http://www.iac.phuket.psu.ac.th/) under "Useful Information" you can find a link titled "PDF: Online 90 Day Report Instructions" to guide you to doing the online 90 day report.

You can also contact IAC at anytime for further information and if you have any questions.



