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9th World Convention of HIDA-AOTS Alumni Societies held in Tokyo, 28th - 30th Oct 2014



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The 9th World Convention was held on 28th-30th October 2014 in Tokyo (TKC) – Japan.

PAAM was represented with a team of 4 members, namely Mohd Hakim, Mr. Sew KW, Richard Eng and CL Yang, while Mr. Lee HL was representing ABK- Penang.

The theme for the 9th World Convention was "Communicate, Connect and Create", as I believe communication is the key to success. As HIDA / AOTS is now having 71 Alumni societies globally.

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President Message

Warm Greetings to all readers and members of PAAM
Happy belated New Year 2015 and I wish everyone with good health and ever happiness for the year.

The 9th World Convention of HIDA-AOTS Alumni Societies was held in Tokyo on 28th-30th October 2014 with more than 200 participants from over 43 Alumni societies worldwide. PAAM was represented with 5 participants actively involved in most of the group discussions. As head of our Alumni I also participated in the FOSAAS Regional Meet, contributing ideas for the Tokyo Resolution 2014.

At the FOSAAS Meet, it was decided that Myanmar will host the Regional Convention in Rangoon in year 2015.

As for PAAM, we had numerous activities at the last quarter of the year with our Fellowship Luncheon in one of the heritage hotel in Kuala Lumpur on 9th November. It was a warm and cordial fellowship in catching up with much long-lost acquaintance. I thanked the social committee for such fabulous arrangement in making it a great success.

The training program however was rather slow at the last quarter as many companies reduced their budget for training. However, the overseas training in Japan see slight improvement with many companies signing up. Thanks to the many new innovative and attractive programs brought in by HIDA. It is hope that more companies can be benefited with such training programs.

The last quarter of the year also witnessed many overseas visitors from Japan and abroad.

Saito san from JMAM, Akihiro san from the Samapage – an outsource companies from HIDA exchanged lots of ideas with us with some new programs offered by Japan in collaboration with some commercial projects.

Professor Adel Ismail, the former Vice President of Egypt Alumni spent their New Year in Malaysia and Singapore with his family. We played host to them and also taking the opportunity to show them some of the Logistics facilities in Port Klang during their stayed as they specifically requested the forthcoming AAEP program in March to be conducted on “Strategic Logistics Management “ for their target group from Egypt.

It is hope that during year 2015 we can organize more meaningful events that will be beneficial to PAAM and the members at large.

We shall look forward to have your support and to see more members coming forward for the activities.

Wishing you a productive year ahead and for the Chinese community I wish you Gong Xi Fa Cai and a Happy “Goat-Year” in your undertakings.



Visiting Hippo Family in Japan

I attended the 9th World Convention of HIDA/AOTS Alumni Societies in Tokyo, Japan in Oct, 2014. My first visit to AOTS, Tokyo was way back in 1973 and coming back for a short stay was indeed very pleasant event. After the Convention I stayed back for a few days of sightseeing. Since I was in Tokyo I took the opportunity to visit a Hippo Family in Saitama who I have stayed with in 2013.

The Koyama Family, Hiroshi and Satomi with two young boys named Ryosei and Yuto are so very lively and delightful to spend time with. Satomi chan is a wonderful housewife and is someone you are proud to have as a daughter. Although my stay this time is only a short one, we spend good time together and I also had the opportunity to attend 'a reunion get together' with the other Saitama Hippo Family members. How I wish to have planned a longer stay.

The send-off at the bus-stand was a sad one, with Yuto reluctantly whispering the word 'goodbye' and Ryosei running after the bus on my departure, and it was not easy to hold back tears. Then I bid them 'goodbye' and I wish to see them again, God's willing.

By Mohd Hakim Mohd Nor



Yuto and me.



My other Hippo Family members in Saitama.



Koyama san's home.



Send-off and Sayonara.

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Fellowship Lunch 2014

At Majestic Hotel



PAAM's Fellowship lunch was held successfully at The Majestic Hotel on 9th November, 2014.

Those who supported and participated in the Fellowship lunch were made up of members and their family. The Fellowship lunch gives members the opportunity to close knit among members and update on PAAM's activities. All the 44 people who attended enjoyed themselves.

By Ms Valerie

PAAM and the organizing committee would like to express their sincere appreciation to everyone who had contributed in one way or another towards making the event a success. It will always be our hope to look forward for more members to participate in our next event.



Dinner Meeting for Central Committee

The 1st CCM Meeting for the year was held on 21st January. The main agenda was on "Year Plan 2015"





Visit of Professor Adel Ismail

from the Egypt Alumni Society



to identify and access to the logistics facilities in these regions because he is currently involved in providing some expertise for the “Suez Canal Expansion & Development Project” back home in Egypt.

We are honored and privileged to have the very strong support from the Egypt Alumni Society all these year in our Afro Asian Entrepreneurs Program- AAEP.

The person who is always providing the moral support and identifying the participants is no other than their former Vice President- Professor Adel Ismail.

Malaysian is always his first choice for a family vacation whenever Professor Adel is on tour. There is no surprise when he sent me an email 2 months ago saying that they will be coming to Malaysia with his family to spend the New Year 2015.

Their itinerary for this trip also covered Penang and Singapore as he had other duties

I managed to plan for the tour for them to visit one of the largest logistics hub near to Port Klang, the company provides an insight with the state of art facilities for the logistics industry.

Further to this visit, Professor Adel is specifically requesting that our annual AAEP program for this year to conduct a program on “Strategic Logistics Management”

It is hope that we can successfully launch this program in March this year.

We have had great fellowship and able to share and exchange ideas with cordial fellowship during the simple dinner get together with some of our council members and staff during their stay in Kuala Lumpur. I strongly believe that the bonding of both the alumni societies can be strengthened through the friendly network over the decades.

We look forward for more visits and sharing of information from Egypt in years to come.

By : CL Yang

"I Excel / I Lead Program For Excellence At Workplace" in ASA KERALA Training Center



ASA KERALA Training Centre



Yoga session



Ladies Participants



Men Participants

On the 17th - 21st November 2014, Our past president Enche Aziz Kamarudin, Madam Ng and myself attended "I EXCEL / I LEAD" training program at ASA Kerala Training Centre in Cochin, Kerala, India.

In this program, there are total 26 participants from 5 countries. The biggest group are from Ghana, Africa consisting of 11 participants, followed by Macedonia (4), Malaysia (3), Bulgaria (2), Japan (1) and India (5).

I Excel / I Lead program started with "The Art of Living" Yoga section (Introduction to Yoga and breathing technique) followed by meditation and moral management leadership mind-set. An additional program was added. We were introduced to Ayurveda Therapy, which is therapy using herbs and massage for all kinds of sickness, disease and it is encourage that when under this therapy, a vegetarian diet is beneficial.

Below are some interesting things we would like to share from this program. Things that we take for granted.

There are four sources of energy

1)Food - Without food, no energy to think and work.

2)Sleep - If you don't sleep well, we can't work well.

3)Breath - Our breath, which we have not paid any attention to, because nobody taught us the importance of breath. Our breath can play a vital role in cleansing us our negative emotions and offers us a most precious secret. We can get rid of such negative emotions by understanding a few patterns and rhythms of breath, than we will have a

good amount of control over how we feel.

4)A calm mind - A meditative mind, a calm and serene mental state.

"Management begins in the mind. When the mind manages itself better, it can manage anything."

(From Management MANTRAS by SRI SRI RAVI SHANKAR.)

Overall "The Art of Living - 1 Excel / 1 Lead" is a very beneficial program for everyone.

After finishing this program, we joined the "7 Days Friendship Tour" organised by ASA Kerala Training Centre.

Places visited :

- 1) Munnar - Highland with tea plantations (like our Cameron Highlands)
- 2) Alleppy - A place facing a big natural lake whereby houseboats are very popular.
- 3) Varkala - Shree Janardhana Swamy 200 years temple and major pilgrim spot and beautiful seaside.
- 4) Kovalam - Another beautiful seaside.
- 5) Back to Cochin for our flight back to home, MALAYSIA

We would like to thank ASA Kerala Training Centre for organising this wonderful program and their warm and kind hospitality.

Reported by KT Khor



Malaysia and Ghana Group Photo



Kathkali performance



Kovalam Beach Resort we stay



Alleppy Boat House



200 years old Shree Janardhana Swamy temple in Varkala

Visitors from HIDA & Affiliates Meet



Luncheon meet with the Japanese Affiliates Societies, by courtesy of the Embassy of Japan for the launching of "World Heritage in Japan"

Same Page Limited is a company developing portal websites in Bangladesh working with blogs on info on jobs/housing/trade info. On Sept 17 evening, Mr Nakai san who is a staff visiting Malaysia, dropped in to have a short discussion with CCM members.

Same Page was interested in people who may wish to tie up offshore development of motion picture creation with their company as well as people who can write Japanese blogs.

On 17 December evening for about 3 hours, Kunitoshi Saito from JMA Management Center (JMAM) Inc held a short meeting with the President in PAAM. Mr Saito flew in to Malaysia to conduct training for AEON and JMA wanted to find some good trainer, lecturer, facilitator for one of their programs and also get to know general situation of potential facilitators for trainings. Sakano san from their Thailand branch joined the group later to also discuss about consultation provision market in Malaysia.

By Ms Lim



Notice of Forthcoming AGM

PAAM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
12th APRIL 2015

VENUE :
TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON!



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We started on 28th Oct with the senior delegates and presidents of the Regional Federation Meetings from all the 6 continents. Namely: AFAAS, CNAAS, EFAAS, FELAAS, FOSAAS and SAFAAS.

Myanmar is requested to host the FOSAAS convention in Yangon in 2015.

29th Oct was the Inaugural sessions for all representatives of the Alumni Societies, The Success Story Contestants presented their stories and shared their experiences of their success story and their contribution to their alumni.

The Group discussions followed with their respective concern of tackling various issues and challenges. The 4 groups of designated representatives actively played their role in debating their findings and presenting the key success in various activities. It was indeed a great experience being able to have such cordial discussions and learning from one another.

30th Oct was the final day of the event with the report and outcome of the theme discussions by the groups and the presentation of their outcome from their concerted effort gathered for the day.

Finally the Tokyo Resolution of the 9th World Convention was crafted and signed by all the regional senior delegates.

It was truly a memorable experience able to meet up with the members of the HIDA/AOTS global family. We have had the great opportunity to meet up with most of the former general managers of PAAM, namely Kawai san, Ichikawa san, Watanabe san and Kodaira san.

They conveyed their warm greetings to all members of PAAM and we shall look forward to see them again in Malaysia

By CL Yang