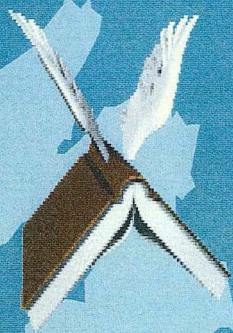


# Sawasdee



ISSUE 3, December 15th

I stood numb in the University Coop with so lack of energy because I just finished my Business Management test. Then the little sound was coming up "Jingle Bell, Jingle Bell" that scared me pretty much, not because Christmas or winter is coming but this semester is going to be done so soon. Wow, mirthful time always goes by so fast. We've just enjoyed it so much. But from now on we have to remind ourselves that we have just a month and a half left, so let's make the most use of this limited time earning knowledge and experience as much as possible. We are promising to ourselves, our family right on this paper that we'll study hard, play hard, and make every minute count!!!

Phanida Nicharot



# Let's see Let's see new Thais!



When I first came here I feel lonely.  
But now I have a lot of friend from  
Other countries I do not homesick  
again. My life in APU is so fun. I have  
had a very enjoyable and unforgetta-  
ble APU life, which are the best time  
and the part of my life.



I am so happy to study here.  
Everything in APU is best. Though I  
always miss my family and my friend  
in Thailand, especially my mom. I  
must study hard but I will try my  
best.

Hi everybody in my hometown. This  
is my first essay and It is third of the  
Thai news letters. The purpose of this  
one is to catch the pubic eyesight.

I would like to talk about good & bad

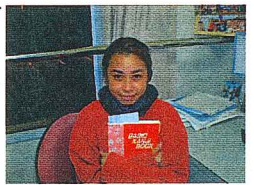


For bad impressions,there is really awful weather here.You  
can come across ,may be 5 conditions in one week:  
Hot,frosty,rain,windy,cold.So bad.The good impressions in my  
view ,you will not be disappointed if you come here ,It's in  
quite good condition (exception the weather).Shit hot!



APU is a unique university, not only  
because of its combination of both  
Japanese and international students,  
but also its adorable natural environ-  
ment which makes itself the ideal  
place for healthier physical and mental growth. For the next  
four years in APU, I expect myself to study hard and get  
involved in cultural exchange with both local people and my  
friends from all over the world.

Coming here is a great experience for  
me. I love everything here friends,  
Surrounding, nature, etc. But only one  
thing I do not like is the weather. It is  
the most terrible weather since I have



ever seen. Sometimes it is cold, sometimes it is hot and  
sometimes it is freezing so I have caught the cold for many  
times. However, I am trying to take care of my health. I think  
I will get use to the weather soon. Although I have so many  
friends from many countries in this world, but I still miss  
everyone in Thailand, especially my mom. I will do my best.



Almost everything in APU seem to be  
perfect for me especially where it is  
located which is surrounded by the  
mountain and the sea. Living here, I  
have learn to become more responsi-  
ble:Managing time and forcing myself to study. Not just  
studying, here we also have various activities in which we  
can participate and enjoy our study life. The facilities in the  
campus is also high-technology and convenient to use. I  
LOVE everything here!!

It is a great experience.





## At The Opening ceremony...

What a nice day!!!  
All Thais were all gathering  
together with APU President,  
Sakamoto (center)!!!



All Thai teachers and students with  
Ritsumeikan President, Nagata  
(center) and Professor Takamoto  
(right)

Pictured by Mr. Kitamura



Douzo yoroshiku  
onegaishimasu!



New Thai students were about to go to Oita  
at the first time.

Nai...Som...Rainy...Nipa...Jib...C...Mint



# Tom Yum Goong



This is a hot and sour Thai soup that is great as an appetizer or as a main dish when served with rice. Its robust fragrance is sure to tempt your tastebuds.

Serves 6 !!!

## Ingredients:

- @ 1/2 pound peeled shrimp
- @ 4 cups chicken stock
- @ 1 tablespoon chili oil
- @ 10 lime leaves (kaffir leaf)
- @ 3 tablespoons lime juice
- @ 4 stalks green onion
- @ 2 tablespoons fish sauce



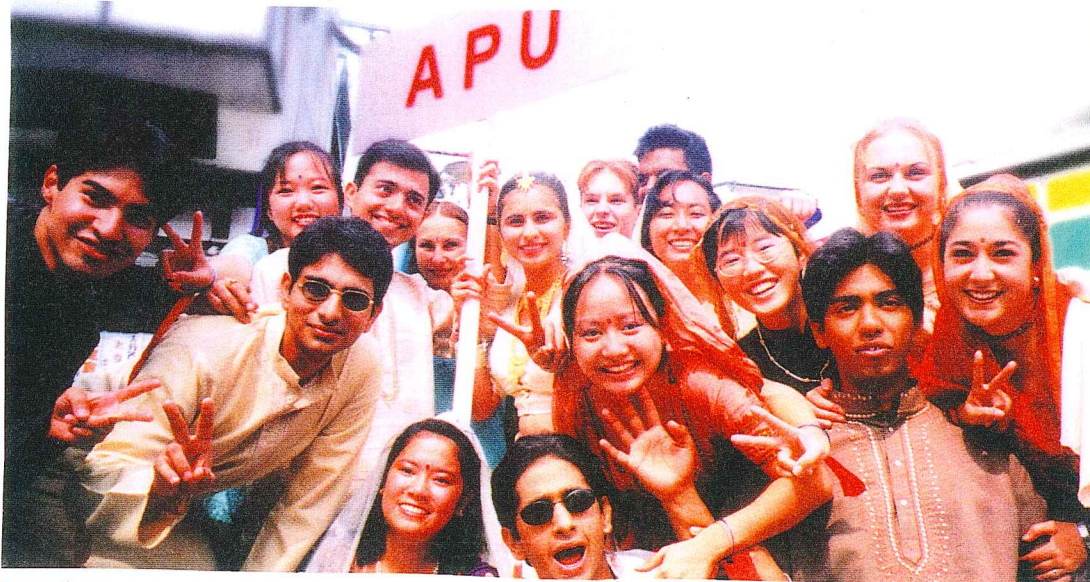




# OUR BEPPU DREAMVAL

7 - 8 October 2000

By: CHIVAKIDAKARN, Yanin



✿ 7<sup>th</sup> October

**8:00 a.m.** I, Joy and Ring were going to the last Indian dance practicing for today's dance contest in Beppu city at Student Union. Our team consists of 25 international students from many many countries. We had been practiced for 3 weeks but there were a lot of problem, we changed the steps all the time, some members cried again and again, many members wanted quit the dance, but still we could go through all the problems and we still had one another to be our APU Indian dance team.

**9:45 a.m.** I was cooking breakfast for myself. While I was eating, I was watching TV. Then I saw our Thai store in Beppu Park on TV! The MC tried to interview us in Japanese but nobody there could speak Japanese because they were new students who have never taken up Japanese before.

**10:30 a.m.** The dancers were making themselves up in AP House' restroom.

**12:00 a.m.** leaving AP House, Dance contest was waiting for us.

**1:00 p.m.** We arrived at Tokiwa Department store, which was the first place we had to show our Indian dance. WE DID GOOD JOB. Might be our best we ever had done. I can remember that everybody had smiles on their own faces and said, "We can do it! We can do it!" then we kept walking to Beppu station, the next stage (road), we all devoted to the dance so much.

**3:35 p.m.** Dance team arrived Beppu Park. We opened Thai store here so I, Joy and Ring had to help our booth. We Thai student were very good at selling things... may be...anyways we all had fun. Everyone kept shouting "Irashaimase" that meant "WELCOME" all the time.

**5.00 p.m.** Our last dance for today on the main stage in Beppu park, we tried our best we could even there were many teams that could dance much better than us.



7.15 p.m. Buffet in Bcon Plaza, very delicious!

8.30 p.m. Went back to AP House, had some rest and got energy for tomorrow.



### ✿ 8<sup>th</sup> October

10:00 a.m. It was a rainy day. Everybody were making up in AP House' rest room again. We worried about the rain our dance might be cancel. Me too, I had another dance contest, I would show "RUM-DAB" today as well.

12:00 p.m. The bus picked us up at AP House to Beppu Park.

1:00 p.m. Bad dream came true; all international dances had been cancel today. I also needn't to "RUM-DAB". I, Joy and Ring decided to go back to AP House because we were all wet from the rain; we wanted to change our cloths. And we didn't have store today.

2:50 p.m. The next bus to AP House would come around 3:30 so I bought 3 sticks of grilled-squids, which cost 400 yen because I wanted to try it for a long time. But it was raining so we decided to eat in B-con Plaza. In B-con Plaza, there were so many people. We were too shy to have grilled-squids in front of everyone. Joy and I had it in washroom!



4:15 p.m. Went to Beppu Park again. We were going to know the result of dance contest.

5:30 p.m. Members of dancing team were shouting, "We can do it!" while waiting for the result.

6:40 p.m. WE GOT THE FIRST PRIZE IN DANCE COSTUM!! We got 200,000 yen!

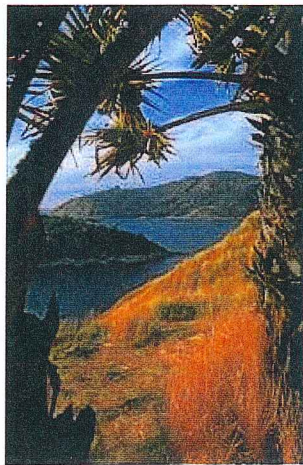
8:45 p.m. Back to AP House, goodbye forever our Indian dance. So far I think I am so lucky to be one of the team, I've got many new experiences and new friends. Goodbye Beppu dream Val, see you next year!





## Amazing Thailand 2000

Presented by MUANGSUWAN, A-non



Phuket (pronounced 'Poo-ket') Island is commonly referred to as the 'Pearl of South' and is the largest island in Thailand. Phuket Island runs 48 kilometers (34 miles) north to south and 21 kilometers (16 miles) east to west. Phuket is broken by a chain of mountains and valleys mainly from a north-south range running down the west coast. This accounts for about 70% of the land area. The tallest peak, Mai Tao Sip Song (12 Cane Peak) is 529 meters. The other 30% of the island is flat land located mainly in the central and eastern portions of the island. Lying in the Andaman Sea off southern Thailand's west coast, the island's terrain is incredibly varied, with rocky headlands, long broad sandy beaches, limestone cliffs, forested hills, small estuaries, lagoons, and tropical vegetation of all kinds. Its large size has allowed microclimates to develop in different areas of the island.

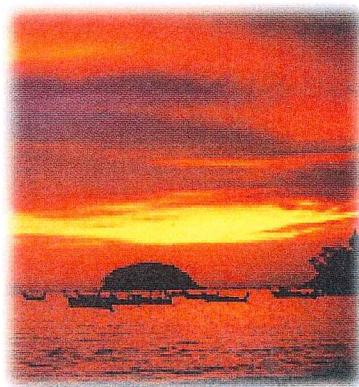


The island offers many different looks and feels for you to discover and enjoy. Kata Beach with its spectacular tropical scenery compared with the stately cassurina trees that are found on Nai Yang Beach just a few kilometers north. The triple canopy rainforest of Khao Phra Thaeo National Park to the mud flats and mangrove swamps of Koh

Siray. Limestone outcroppings line the east coast and solid granite boulders on the west. Phuket is truly a tropical wonderland and offers something for just about everyone.

### Kata Beach

The smallest of Phuket's three main tourist beaches, Kata is different in appearance and style from Karon or Patong. The beach itself is broad and curving, and structures bordering it are low-rise. The waters are perfect for swimming, and at the north end is a coral reef with many varied corals and fishes which stretches out toward Poo Island., about 1/2 km off shore. Facilities for every price range include hotels, bungalows, tour companies, restaurants, bars and clubs. There is regular bus service to and from Phuket town during daytime.



### Local flavor



Phuket has a number of foods different in character and flavour from those of other areas in Thailand. The international character of the island, however, with so many different restaurants catering to a multitude of tastes, makes it difficult for non-Thais to identify Phuket cuisine



## Romantic Sun Signs

I do not know what it is about you that closes and opens;  
only something in me understands  
the voice of your eyes is deeper than all roses  
-e.e. cummings

### The Astrological Chocolate Guide to Love

Wrapped in a heart-shaped box with a big bow -- or piece by piece savoring every magnificent morsel? Here's the Astrological insight into the way each Sun Sign craves and consumes chocolate.

**Aries** (Mar. 21-Apr. 19) eats all of the chocolates in one sitting.

**Taurus** (Apr. 20-May 20) tends to buy two boxes and leave only the orange ones for you.

**Gemini** (May 21- Jun. 21) makes their chocolate choice by sticking their finger in each piece.

**Cancer** (Jun. 22-Jul. 22) draws it out to make even the smallest box last for a month.

**Leo** (Jul. 23-Aug. 22) likes to own all the chocolates first.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sep. 22) cuts their chocolates up into small, manageable bites with a knife and fork.

**Libra** (Sep. 23-Oct. 22) chooses two boxes of chocolates, white and dark; one for you, one for them.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) can't resist rubbing the chocolates all over their partner and licking it off.

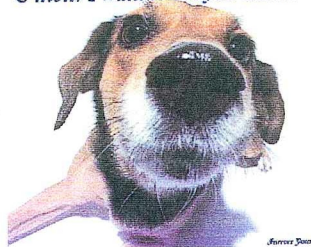
**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) only orders foreign chocolates.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) seeks perfection in picking truffles of the best variety.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) skips chocolates altogether -- they prefer a box of carob and raisin health bars.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19- Mar. 20) tends to share them all and forget to leave one for themselves.

*C'mon! I want to see you smile!*



*See you next issue!!!*

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