By Elisa Chongbang, Psychology Student

Food & Fun Fair & Alumni Day

On December 4, 2016 the campus of Hong Kong Adventist College was filled with the aroma of dishes representing the multicultural college body. Singing and dancing by the students lightened up the winter blues and the participation of the alumni and community members widened the smile of the respective booth owners who worked very hard in preparation for the annual Food and Fun Fair.

Food and Fun Fair is a three decade long tradition at Hong Kong Adventist College that symbolizes the college’s history, unity, diversity and service. It holds special place in the heart of every student, faculty, staff and alumni. Respective departments and/or students set up their booth decorate them as well as showcase their culinary skills during this event. The best of them all are also awarded with some coupon certificate to keep on igniting the spirit of excellence.

And for everyone who missed or are eager to join next year, join us on the first Sunday of every December.
By Jack Frost Ho, Health and Fitness Student

The 2016 HKAC Food and Fun Fair (FFF) was held on the 4th of December. Also known as the Alumni Homecoming day, the campus grassland was filled with crowds. The Department of Health of the college had a booth to sell and promote health food to our dear homecoming guests.

During the day around the booth, Health students and staff were showing a great sense of belonging by wearing the health uniforms to involve in different parts of the booth. This year, various delicious chosen sets were cooked for a warm welcome to our guests, namely Vietnamese Rice Paper Roll, Taiwanese Veggie Braised Pork Rice, Brown Sugar Ginger Tea, and Chrysanthemum Lycium Chinense Beverage. Besides, cute and festive Christmas decorations and toys were sold next to the booth that the shining and twinkling goods were very attractive to our guests.

As a president of the Health Club, I would like to express my gratitude and appreciations to all Health students and staff who have been working so hard on preparing and operating the Department of Health booth, and I hope that our guests enjoy their stay in HKAC.
By Arlene Siagian, Associate Professor

“All the students miss you so much. They talk to each other. They say they are very sad. I will try to do as you have done for us. This is the best way for the glory of God. I promise you. I will try. I will not forget every good example that your group shared with us.”

From January 28 to February 4, 2017, a team of staff and students from Hong Kong Adventist College went on a mission trip to Thailand. Led by Tranquilino Vergara, the team traveled by van for 12 hours before reaching Sunshine Orchard, a learning center for displaced Karen children, some coming from the U.N. Refugee Camp a few miles down the road. This school was started by Lena Adams and her family more than 10 years ago, when children across the border in Myanmar had to flee the country as soldiers threatened their lives. Each day our missionaries woke up at five, led student devotions, conducted chapel, then crossed the river to Myanmar to build a school. In the afternoon, the missionaries returned to Sunshine Orchard to teach lessons in music, art, and crafts. In the evening, they held Week of Prayer services.

By Chris Carvalho, Business Student

This year the mission trip group went to the border between Thailand and Burma. We were so close to Burma that the only thing dividing the two countries was a river. The group was able to work on both sides of the river. As a regular mission trip participant, I am blessed by the fact that the Lord never runs out of lessons to teach. This mission trip was business as usual. It should then go without saying that every time I return different—the person who leaves through the departure gate is not the person that comes through the arrival terminal. This sounds like a time-worn phrase but it is the best one can do to explain the mental and spiritual changes that happens as result of mission. One of the blessings of this trip was to see full-time missionaries at work. And to hear about the difficulties and triumphs they experienced. It was especially powerful to see the hand of God through those experiences. One thing that stood out for me was that their hearts were sensitive to God’s voice. If anything, I want that to be the condition of my heart.
By Timothy Tean, Student of H.K.A.C

The Sam Yuk inter-school sports competition was an event that was new and exciting to me, and for it to be held on our campus grounds was even more special. The event, which lasted for two days, was jam packed with sports events. People from other Adventist schools came from different parts of Hong Kong and Macau with the same intention and goal, which was to play sports, have fun and win if possible. I enjoyed this event as there was a sense of team spirit on the teams that I participated in [football and basketball]. And there was a great comraderie between teams from the start which soon had a ripping effect on all those that were participating in this event. From the tallest men’s basketball player to the shortest women’s volleyball player, all were in one single mid-set, which was not necessarily to win, but to enjoy the sports we love to play.

By Cheung King Man, P.E. Teacher of Kowloon Sam Yuk Secondary school

In January, the school team members participated in the competition, and the athletes should give full play to the sports spirit. I would like to thank the Hong Kong Adventist College for providing the opportunity for the four school athletes to learn from each other to enhance their skills and enhance their friendship.

By Fan Sin Yi, Form 3 Student of Macao Sam Yuk Middle School

We are honored to be able to participate in this competition on behalf of the Macao Sam Yuk Middle School. From this exchange, I have made a lot of friendship and have established the friendship between our four schools. We will be happy to attend the next event.

By Mr. Liu Jiahao, Teacher of Tai Po Sam Yuk Secondary School

On January 21, athletes from four schools gathered at the green campus of Hong Kong Adventist College to participate in various sports events. Tai Po Sam Yuk students energetically and enthusiastically participated in all the sports events. Despite the friendly competitions, they were very serious and focused. Apart from those participating in the games, the others stood by to cheer their schoolmates. This is a rare friendly exchange between these schools and we hope more students will participate in similar events in the future to promote healthy interschool relationship and atmosphere. On behalf of Tai Po Sam Yuk Secondary School, I would like to thank the organizers, teachers, and students to making this programme a great success.

CATS, the abridged version, the musical by the well-known composer Andrew Lloyd Webber, will be presented at the Hong Kong Adventist College Gymnasium on the 13th and 14th of May. The libretto was written by T.S. Eliot, a great British poet. The musical is a study on different cat personalities. How well do you know cats? What’s a Jellicle Cat? Come witness this extraordinary production by the students and staff of HKAA and HKAC.