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April 2004

(Left) With HE President S R Nathan in the audience, Singapore Polytechnic beat the Institute of Technical Education in the finals of the Inter-Polytechnic-ITE Soccer Tournament to take home the prestigious S R Nathan Challenge Cup - a fitting 50th anniversary gift for the Polytechnic.

(Below) The Young Engineers Club, which aimed to inspire youths to develop a keen interest in engineering, was officially launched by Mr Hawazi Daipi, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Manpower.



May 2004

(Right) HRH Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn of Thailand made an official visit to the Polytechnic and toured the Singapore Polytechnic Centre for Applications in Rehabilitation Engineering (SP CARE).

(Bottom Left) Eighteen customised projects were donated to 12 Voluntary Welfare Organisations and an individual at the annual SP CARE Handing-over Ceremony graced by Mdm Halimah Yacob, Member of Parliament for Jurong GRC.

(Bottom Right) Students from the School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering won gold in the Intelligent Robot, silvers in the Robot Colony and Robot Soccer, bronze in the Pole Balancing Robot and a special award in the Robosoccer categories of the Singapore Robotic Games.

The *Wushu* team gave an impressive performance at the National Schools Wushu Competition to clinch eight gold medals.







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June 2004

(Top) The \$1.5 million Network Operation Centre was officially opened by Mr Stephen Lim, First Vice-Chairman of the Singapore Infocomm Technology Federation - the first of its kind among local Institutions of Higher Learning.

The inaugural Green Earth Competition, in which secondary school participants demonstrated their knowledge and use of recycled materials and renewable energy sources, got off to a good start.

(Left) President Gloria Arroyo of the Philippines inaugurated the Gawad Kalinga Housing Project in Iloilo province in which 20 students and two staff from the School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering participated as part of community service. A road leading to the housing project was named Singapore Polytechnic Friendship Road in recognition of the contribution.

At the RoboCup competition in Lisbon, Portugal, teams from Singapore Polytechnic were awarded silvers in the Humanoid Walk, Free Style Performance, H80 Penalty Kick and H40 Penalty Kick categories of the Humanoid League.

Two students from the Environment Club were selected by the National Youth Achievement Award Council for an Earthwatch Study Project in St Bee's Island, Queensland, Australia.

Student Chiam Dai Wei, President of the Environment Club, received the HSBC-NYAA Youth Environmental Award 2004, which came with a citation plaque and a fully-sponsored trip to participate in an overseas environmental project.



July 2004

(Top) The WorldSkills Singapore competition saw students from the School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering making a clean sweep in the Industrial Electronics category and winning gold in the Industrial Control category.

(Right) Mr Arthur Fong, Member of Parliament for West Coast GRC, re-launched the Clementi Student Service Centre.

For extolling the benefits of balancing work with a happy family life, the institution was presented with the Singapore Family Friendly Employer Award.

Singapore Polytechnic had the highest number of recipients at the Ninth Annual British Petroleum National Mentoring Awards ceremony with 32 mentors receiving the Extraordinary Mentor Award.

School of Business student, Jaclyn Pang, won the top prize in the First Ong Forex Contest.

First Mr and Miss Teen Community Award, co-organised by Braddell Heights Citizens' Consultative Committee and Singapore Polytechnic, was won by Mr Low Cher Heang of Hwa Chong Junior College and Miss Seow Hui Hong of Nanyang Junior College.



August 2004

A team from the School of Business beat 95 others to take the top spot at the National Management Game organised by the Singapore Institute of Management.

At the first Singapore National Co-operative Federation's Business Simulation Game, students from the Polytechnic gave an outstanding performance to reach the top.

Singapore Polytechnic won six golds, three silvers and three bronzes at the National Canoeing Championships.

The SP Karate Club excelled at the Pesta Sukan National Karate Championships with a haul of 24 medals comprising nine golds, eight silvers and seven bronzes.

September 2004

(Right) Mrs Lim Hwee Hua, Minister of State for Finance and Transport, officiated the opening of MARTECH 2004 International Maritime Conference & Exhibition which was jointly organised by the Singapore Maritime Academy and the Maritime & Port Authority of Singapore.

(Bottom Right) The first Ramp-Launched Glider Competition organised by the School of Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering took off in a big way with over 20 secondary schools taking part.

Singapore Polytechnic played host to the Third Regional Industrial Networking Conference which focussed on Industrial InfoComm Technology (I²T): The Next Growth Beyond IT.









October 2004

(Top Left) A Memorandum of Cooperation was signed by Singapore Polytechnic and the Association of Small & Medium Enterprises (ASME), bringing mentoring by seasoned entrepreneurs to students taking part in the IDEA Challenge.

(Left) A record 60 National Youth Achievement Awards (Gold) were presented to Singapore Polytechnic students by HE President S R Nathan. HRH Prince Edward, The Earl of Wessex, of Britain was a special guest at the Gold Award Presentation Ceremony.

Chairman of the Polytechnic's Board of Governors, Mr Tan Kay Yong announced plans to form Singapore Polytechnic International Pte Ltd, an independent company to recruit full-fee paying foreign students.

At the Federation of International Robosoccer Association (FIRA) Robot World Cup in Busan, Korea, Electrical & Electronic Engineering students were champions and runners-up in the Mirosot 11 vs 11 and Mirosot 5 vs 5 categories, respectively. School of Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering students won gold in the MiroSot XLarge League, and silvers in the MiroSot Middle and NaroSot Leagues.

The Singapore Polytechnic-Data Storage Institute Hard-Disk Media Laboratory was officially opened - a boost for research work on disk drive media technology on campus.

The Ministry of Manpower awarded Singapore Polytechnic the prestigious Occupational Health Best Practices Award for its effort to reduce deafness.

The institution received the Singapore H.E.A.L.T.H Award (Gold) in recognition of the comprehensive workplace health promotion activities put in place and the policies and programmes which encouraged staff to lead a healthy and well-balanced lifestyle.





November 2004

(Left) Singapore Polytechnic's Picture-to-Speech Communicator project was one of two winners at the Samsung DigitAll Hope Award, a regional social programme to bridge the digital divide. In Singapore, the focus was on assisting people living with disabilities, with the winner receiving a grant to further develop the invention.

(Bottom Left) In a rare achievement, the Singapore Maritime Academy was selected for the Best Youth Development title at the prestigious Lloyd's List Maritime Asia Awards. It was the Academy's third award from Lloyd's List.

The Computer Chapter of the Institute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Singapore and the School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering jointly organised the 12th International Conference on Networks (ICON). The theme of the Conference was Unity in Diversity.

The Singapore Polytechnic Alumni Scholarship Award, worth \$5,000, to give young alumni a headstart in university education, was launched.

Sixty Singapore Polytechnic students joined 240 peers from the other polytechnics in Bangkok, Thailand for the Polytechnic Forum. It was the first time the forum was held overseas.

More than 1,000 student leaders from 40 schools attended the inaugural South West Young Leaders' Day organised jointly by the Young Leaders Foundation, South West CDC and Singapore Polytechnic.

December 2004

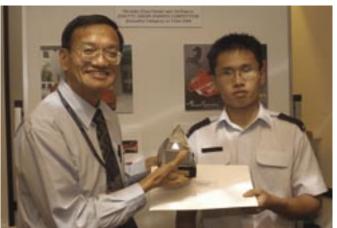
(Right) The School of Chemical & Life Sciences launched the Romance Singapore perfume at the Asian Civilisation Museum after having reached a Licensing Agreement with Cosmetical Asia Pte Ltd which included plans to market the perfumes overseas. It also signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Handyware (China) to create and market perfumes for the China market.

(Bottom) School of Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering student, Ng Sae Yong's Enzo Ferrari submission won first prize in the education category at the 2004 PTC ASEAN Awards Competition.

For the 11th time, School of Business students were champions at the SGX-NTU Financial Futures Game, winning all top five positions.

Singapore Polytechnic won eight golds out of the 13 individual men's events at the Institute-Varsity-Polytechnic swimming meet.







January 2005

At the First National Flash Animation Competition organised by Adams Apple Multimedia, Info-Communications Technology students won the Best Movie Award in Category C (Junior Colleges and Tertiary) after beating over 113 entries from more than 50 schools and institutes.

February 2005

(Top) Dr Milton Tan, Director of DesignSingapore Council, officiated the opening of the Innovation, Design and Enterprise in Action (IDEA) Centre.

(Right) Singapore Polytechnic's innovations got another boost with the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with Kwong Seng International to market and manufacture its unique two-ply noodles.

(Bottom) The School of Info-Communications Technology introduced a new Diploma in Music & Audio Technology course.

Tae Kwon Do team captured five golds, six silvers and 11 bronzes at the Institute-Varsity-Polytechnic Championships.

March 2005

Two Mechanical Engineering students were runners-up in the Mattelsponsored Toy Design category of the Pro/E Design Competition.



