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ABAC Writers’ Harvest Features Nonfiction Author November 12

TIFTON – The annual Writers’ Harvest sponsored by “Pegasus,” the Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College literary magazine, will take place on Nov. 12 at 7 p.m. at the Georgia
Museum of Agriculture and Historic Village Conference Center at ABAC. There is no charge to attend.

The featured reader for the Writers’ Harvest is author Ira Sukrungruang. He is a Thai American writer born in 1976 in Oak Lawn, Ill., a suburb just south of Chicago. In 1994 he graduated from Oak Lawn Community High School.

Accepted to Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Sukrungruang spent the next five years jumping from major to major before choosing the writer’s path. During this time, he was an undergraduate intern at Crab Orchard Review, an experience that taught him the ins and outs of publishing.

In 1999, Sukrungruang wrote his way into graduate school at The Ohio State University where he received an MFA in creative nonfiction. Along the way, he co-edited, with his good friend Donna Jarrell, “What Are You Looking At? The First Fat Fiction Anthology” and “Scoot Over, Skinny: The Fat Nonfiction Anthology.” He is the author of the memoir, “Talk Thai: The Adventures of Buddhist Boy” and the poetry collection “In Thailand It Is Night.” His most recent publication is the essay collection “Southside Buddhist.” In addition, he edits “The Clever Title,” a blog about the creative writing world, and “Sweet: A Literary Confection,” an award-winning online literary magazine.

Sukrungruang taught creative nonfiction at The State University of New York Oswego for six years and now teaches in the Master of Fine Arts program at the University of South Florida.

The price of admission to the Writers’ Harvest is one nonperishable food item or canned good. All donations go to support Brother Charlie’s Rescue Mission. Staff members of
“Pegasus” will collect canned goods and non-perishable items through the date of the Writers’ Harvest.

Donations can also be dropped off at the offices of “Pegasus” co-advisors, Dr. Jeff Newberry and Brandi Arrington. Newberry’s office is located in King Hall, Room 2C and Arrington’s office is located in Conger Hall, Room 308. Donations can also be dropped off at the “Pegasus” office located on the bottom floor of the Carlton Center.

For more information on the Writers’ Harvest, interested persons can contact Newberry via e-mail at jnewberry@abac.edu or go to https://www.facebook.com/events/480150552169561/.

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