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1st Division O Council Meeting

What you will see, hear and feel TODAY will definitely not only stay here in La Fete. Because, they will be reported in our next month's newsletter! Have fun and learn at the same time!!

Division O Leaders' Forum cum Council Meeting
2 p.m.-5:30 p.m., Saturday, August 16, 2014



Rita Ching
Deputy Executive Director,
The Women's Foundation in HK



Harry Yan, DTM
Toastmasters Founder's
District Governor, 2013-4
California, U.S.A.

Orson's Journey



Orson has been in the tender loving care of MDC Toastmasters since July 24, when he was liberated from TGIT. He was the life of the party at MDC's 15th anniversary dinner. With his popularity spreading like wildfire, Kowloon Toastmasters will send two beautiful ladies to crash the party at MDC's Humorous Speech and Evaluation Contest on August 14, with the hopes of seducing Orson to go home with them. Rumors are flying high that HKIE, HKUASA, and Centraler are all mobilizing their troops with their eyes on Orson. Stay tuned! **By David Auyeung**

Christina Leung ACG, CL

Christina first joined toastmasters club in 2000 when she wanted to improve her Putonghua speaking skills. The warm atmosphere in the club retained her in Kowloon Putonghua Toastmasters Club. Every year, she committed to be one of the club officers such as President, VPE, VPM, Treasurer and others, continuously for 14 years. She was the champion in the Area Table Topics Contest (Putonghua) in 2010.

She is interested in learning (especially language), reading novels (Chinese love stories) and listening Cantonese opera. She likes to go to countryside and enjoys beautiful scenery too. Sometimes, she will visit other toastmasters clubs to share the happiness of being a Toastmaster.

At Your Service

Shiela M. Cancino, CC

Shiela first heard about Toastmasters when she was in Bermuda in 2009. She immediately joined Bermuda Toastmasters Club after she found out that the organization helps its members strengthen their self-confidence. But because of economic crisis in that year, she had to relocate to the US and had to stop her Toastmasters involvement. Only in August 2012 that she resumed her membership in joining South Horizons Toastmasters Club in Hong Kong.

At first, she only planned earning her CC certificate for her HR employee records then leave Toastmasters. She's gotten her CC already but she's still with Toastmasters as she found joy in serving others. She is the Secretary of South Horizons TM Club this year and at the same time Assistant Division O Governor for Marketing in charge of Newsletter.



Upcoming Events

DIVISION O CONTESTS

Please contact your Area Governors for more details.

- Area O1 – Sep 27
 - Area O2 – Sep 12
 - Area O3 – Sep 21
 - Area O4 – Sep 18
- Division O – Oct 18**

Be a Part of History.

August 20-23, 2014

For the first time in its history, Toastmasters is holding its International Convention **outside North America**. Join thousands of Toastmasters from around the world at the beautiful Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre this August. Whether you're a first-timer or a seasoned conventioneer, there's never been a better year to attend!



Source: TI website



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ON THE SPOTLIGHT - NETM

EXPERIENCE NEW EXPERIENCE! By **Frank Lee**, President of NETM

WHAT'S IN A NAME

It was a chilly night in Shenzhen, while I walked down the street after I did the general evaluation at the Shenzhen Toastmasters, Mark Pixley asked, "Frank, there's a new club in Shenzhen having 6 members, the president has a great opportunity in Beijing, and she's looking for someone to take over the club. Will you do it?" I looked at him, "I see 2004 will be a busy year for me. I don't think I have the time to come here twice a month, taking 90 minutes each way and two hours in the meeting." Just to be polite, I asked, "What's the name of the club?" expecting it to be called Luohu No. 2 Toastmasters or Shangbu Lu Toastmasters. "It is NEW EXPERIENCE Toastmasters..." I liked the sound of it... from 6 members, we grew to more than 50 in 12 months and the Club became one of the best in China. The rest is history.

Although New – We are Experienced

NEW EXPERIENCE Hong Kong Toastmasters Club, chartered in April 2014, is an extension of a Shenzhen club bearing the same name which was started 10 years ago. Frank Lee founded the two clubs, ten years apart and also served the first term of president in both clubs.

NETM meets twice a month, the first Sunday in Putonghua and the third Sunday in English. Currently half of the members are from Shenzhen and the rest are from Hong Kong. Besides professionals and China Trade entrepreneurs, NETM is proud to have members who are in creative industries: composers, TV and film directors, producers and scriptwriters, which make our meetings content-rich and interesting.

There are a couple of very unique things that we offer to the world of Toastmasters and China:

ENRICH YOUR LIFE

Not only does the Club offer the usual prepared speeches, impromptu and evaluations, etc., but we also provide development sessions with speeches by invited speakers on subjects our audiences like to hear. For example the recent Development Series about Leadership (by Frank Lee, Hameed Jalal, Chia-huei Tseng and Herbert Lee). These programs were very popular with standing room only. Our next series is called PR Disasters and Remedies with 5 featured speakers. We also do a Development Series called Creativity and You by inviting Doers in various creative industries.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Club offers very different value propositions, visions and philosophy. For example, our visions are (1) to help China to communicate with the world and (2) to help the world to understand China.



FIRST PRIORITY: ENTERTAINING

The Club encourages members to be entertaining from Project One. Part of the new experience is for both the speaker and the audience to have FUN!

ALWAYS THINKING and EVOLVING

We believe everyone can learn to be a leader. So it doesn't matter if you are young or old – fresh graduate or someone with years of experience. You can get more experience and a new experience by joining our executive committee. We learn by combining the best experiences – things Toastmasters shares in their manuals – and also from the best management practices of companies such as Microsoft or GE. Every term brings fresh thoughts and new ideas – but it is combined with experience and wisdom that the club has gained. If you want to be a great leader – get some new experience as a club officer.

Experience New Experience – You are Welcome

We strive to make our meetings entertaining, informative and educational with our speakers at their best, so we would like you to participate as speakers and evaluators. We will serve you good Pu-Erh Tea, a snack or two and a great atmosphere.

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<p>THOUGHTS from the Heart by Chia-huei Tseng</p> <p><i>I had 3 weeks without Toastmasters in July when I was in the natural field in Japan for my research work. This rare experience forced me to develop other means to create connection with local people in a foreign land. I discovered that smiling, body language, and the intention of communication made the best devices to break ice with very shy strangers such as Japanese. Try it.</i></p>	<p>Ooo-Lala: Tips from Judy Tam</p> <p><i>Here are the three modes of persuasion I read about when I was a Linguistics student.</i></p> <p><i>Ethos: to convince the audience that you are qualified to speak on a particular subject.</i></p> <p><i>Pathos: to sway the audience' pathetic emotions, passion, fear, imagination and hopes.</i></p> <p><i>Logos : to argue with logics; describe figures and facts that support your claims.</i></p> <p><i>Try them in your speech!</i></p>
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ON THE SPOTLIGHT - HKJC

As HKJC Toastmasters, we seek opportunities to be among those great communicators and leaders heard by ALL.



In its role as one of the city's largest employers, The Hong Kong Jockey Club has long been committed to continuous investment in human capital and personal development. Believing that every one of our employees has the power to shape his or her own career, we provide a learning culture that enables staff to participate in different activities inside and outside the Club, and learn to become better communicators and leaders.

Keen to develop their skills in this area, around 150 Club employees attended a demonstration in April this year by a group of experienced Toastmasters from different Toastmaster clubs in Hong Kong, and were inspired by their high standard of performance.

On 15 May, HKJC formed its own Toastmasters Club with 40 employees signed up as members. Staffers from several different departments are represented on the Executive Committee (Exco), so as to help the new group gain experience in diverse areas and develop different skills. We invited the Area O Governor to conduct a briefing to the Exco members and share tips on how to run a corporate group successfully and creative ways to engage members, for example organising an ice-breaker event at the start to inject a sense of fun into the gathering and help the members learn more about each other. Some members have started their speaking journey with Project 1 speeches on topics like how martial arts changed their lives, how one should never judge a person by appearance, and how to feel at home anywhere around the globe. We have also had an

interesting time with Table Topic sessions for our members to talk about their favourite sport or World Cup team, scary taxi experiences in Mainland China and the person they love the most in their lives.

While the HKJC Toastmasters Club is still at the infant stage, we believe that one day in the near future, our members can represent the HKJC Club in the divisional contest, competing with other successful Toastmasters from different areas. **By Wesley Wong, President of HKJC.**



***** KOWLOON PUTONGHUA AND ENGLISH CLUBS WILL BE FEATURED NEXT MONTH. WATCH OUT! *****

OH MY PULSE: CC OR CL??

- O1: "CC and CL manual are equally important, while CC sharpens our public speaking skills and CL trains up our leadership skills. Members can complete both of them concurrently." - **Nanna Man**
- O2: "CC because you get advice and evaluation every time so you know how to improve. CL, you get less feedback." - **Sophia Leung**
- O3: "CC. Completing CL manual is much more challenging than CC manual as it requires all rounded skills for each of the tasks." - **Priscilla Lee**
- O4: "CC because it can be easily planned to complete than CL. I will try hard to complete them both this year." - **Emily Yung**