

Hot news:

- ❖ New term officer elected
- ❖ Spring Conference 2008
- ❖ Goose & Duck outing
- ❖ New library is up and running.

New term club officers



On the 22nd of May, we ran our new term officer elections. We had a very high level of participation and enthusiasm from the membership and everyone was excited with the election process. We voted for 7 officers and 3 other committee members. Here are the results of the 2nd half of 2008 excom (abbreviation for "executive committee"):

President: Yann
VP of Education: Sally
VP of Membership: Chris
VP of Public Relation: Felicia
Treasurer: Yachan
Sergeant at arms: Ben
Secretary: Diana
Scheduler: Kay, assisted by Felicia & Charly
Webmaster: Emma
Librarian: Connie

The excom has designed a plan to bring the club to new highs and this newsletter is a great opportunity to share it with all its members. The excom members will work hard for our toastmaster club to have the following characteristics:

- A **strong learning environment** based on high quality evaluations, trainings and pro-active mentorship
- **Fun** through a relaxed atmosphere (but serious about learning), friendly members and natural humor
- A personal touch to every member to create a "**family feeling**" and make new friends
- A high level of **creativity**

We believe this environment will be very beneficial to everyone's personal growth whether you want to become a better public speaker or a better leader. If you want to be involved in the excom, you are welcome to join the excom meetings that we hold at least once a month. Our excom meeting minutes can be found online (you need to be a registered member to read it): <http://www.cctmc.org/excom-meeting-minutes/index.php>

On Saturday 5th of July, our excom members attended the excom training organize by the Division governor, Miss Bonnie Zhuang. The training was not only an opportunity to learn how to better perform our officer roles, but also meet with many members of other toastmasters club. The training lasted one afternoon and is strongly recommended for anyone who wants to become more involved in Toastmasters

Spring Conference 2008



Dinah at the Speech Contest

Yann at the Evaluation Contest

At the Spring Conference District 85P 2008 lasted from May 30 to June 1 in Shanghai, CCTMC was the only club which had two representative speakers competing in the conference contests. Dinah and Yann, members of CCTMC, had competed a long way from the Club level to the Area level, and finally the Division level. They are our pride! Kudos to Dinah and Yann! Kudos to CCTMC!

Besides enjoying the excitement, cheering for all the excellent speakers in the contests, we also harvested a lot of extremely valuable advices from The World Champion of Public Speaking in 2001, **Mr. Darren LaCroix**, the past Toastmasters International Director, Distinguished Toastmaster **Jim Kokocki** from Canada, and **Warwick John Fahy**, the Immediate Past Chairman of China Territorial Council Toastmasters. Here are the glittering diamonds we gathered from their speeches at the conference:

Stage Time, Stage Time, Stage Time! To whoever wants to continuously improve themselves, every second on the stage counts! Try to grab any possible opportunity to practice and grow. That is how winners think!

The most important thing when preparing and delivering a speech is to ask yourself what you want your audience to take away from your speech.

We are looking forward to the Fall Conference in Guangzhou on November the 29th.

Goose & Duck outing

On June 14, CCTMC held its 2nd Anniversary outing and this time we went to the Goose & Duck Ranch North of Beijing. The Goose & Duck ranch offers such activities as horseback riding, go carting, bowling, archery, hiking, and many more.

While it was a pleasant change from the hustle and bustle of daily life in the city, unfortunately the weather wasn't cooperative and it rained most of the day.

This wasn't a problem as the highlight of the event actually was the fantastic Table Topics training session Sally Li gave. Sally gave

good suggestions on how to run a Table Topics Session. Following the training, the group split into two teams and performed a clever Table Topics session where each team wrote a story to be acted by the other team.

The other team nominated one or more "actors" to deliver the story and silently act it out in front of the group. The team also nominated a "narrator" who was charged with watching the acting and narrate the story in real time.



This proved to be a highly imaginative session where Yann became a pole for pole dancers, Chris and Yachan transformed into cat and dog, and Addy portrayed the Monkey King.



A total of 20 CCTMC members participated, along with 2 guests (plus 2 dogs!).

Some of the members spent the night at the ranch and were lucky to find Sunday to be a beautifully sunny day. Better luck next time!



Chris tells jokes on the bus



Sally introduce the funny Table Topic session

**HAVE FUN
TOGETHER 😊**

New library is up and running!

"CCTM's library is up and running from July 2008! Members can now check the list of our books and DVD / CD on CCTM's website. Excom members are working hard in bringing more educational materials into our library to make it a more useful resource to the members. Members are also very welcome

to donate books to the library. If you have a good book recommendation, please discuss with our librarian Connie and we will arrange the purchase. Welcome to check our library online at <http://www.cctmc.org/education/library.html> !"

MAKE PROGRESS TOGETHER

COME and Join us!
When: 19:00-21:00 every Thursday

Where: Please check our website for the latest venue information

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We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.CCTMC.org

New members profile



Name: Grace Guo
Nationality: Chinese
Profession: Marketing Executive
Hobbies: Eating, shopping, traveling, singing
"I am so happy to join CCTMC. Because I like to make friends with all of you. In the future, I hope we can help each other and also enjoy the time together and improve my speaking skills."



Name: Luke Bai
Nationality: Chinese
Profession: Self-Employed in manufacturing and export
Hobbies: Gym exercising, traveling
"CCTMC is a friendly place that you are guaranteed to meet many positive people. It will give you the confidence to speak up in the real world. Great Communication skills are of real benefit in business and everyday life, it will take you far and beyond where you ever thought possible!"