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## Message from TI International Director

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It is with great pleasure that I send my greeting to all Toastmasters and guests attending your District Annual Convention.

Toastmasters International's core values provide us with a means to not only guide but also evaluate our operations, our planning and our vision for the future

- Integrity,
- Dedication to excellence,
- Service to the members
- Respect for the individual.

With these common values that we share, let us seize the opportunity to step out of the comfort zone

Let us encourage each other to Be Your Best to bring out the best in ourselves, do the best and always be at our best. Let us continue to learn and grow. No matter what challenges you face, have The Courage to Conquer!

Let us shape our future together... Be Your Best...and Go For Greatness!

Yours Sincerely,

Poh Kim Siong, DTM  
International Director 2008-2010



## Message from District 85



Dear Toastmasters and Guests,

Welcome to the 2009 District 85 Spring Conference in Beijing. It is exciting to gather together in the blossoming spring to share our experience, to make new friends and to learn new skills again.

2009 is the 10th anniversary for Toastmasters in China. We started with 3 clubs in 1999 and have grown to 79 clubs in 16 cities now. The development is phenomenal. Furthermore Toastmasters International has proposed the integration of clubs in Hongkong and Macau to District 85 in 2010. I believe that it will boost the Toastmasters growth in China for the long run. The future of Toastmasters in China is as bright as the sunshine.

Last year, we achieved the President's Distinguished District award. Till now our district ranks on the top among 81 districts all over the world. I know that our volunteer leaders have devoted their spare time and energy to serve the members. They deserve the credit and our respect. American Actor John Wayne once said: "Courage is being scared to death, and saddling up anyway" The leaders and members in Toastmasters all have the Courage to Conquer the obstacles they face and eventually excel.

Once more, I encourage you to seize every opportunity in the conference to get fresh ideas, to make new friends and most importantly to enjoy the conference!

Warm regards,

Victor YU, ACS/CL  
2008-2009 District Governor  
District 85 – People's Republic of China  
"The Courage to Conquer; Everyone Excels!"



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## Message from District 85

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Dear Toastmasters members and members-to-be,

Welcome to 2009 District 85 Spring Conference! You have made the right decision to join this grand event because you will learn new skills, get to meet new friends, and even transform your life.

This year is the 10th year since the first Toastmasters Club—Shanghai No. 1 TMC—was established in China. Over the past ten years, the seed of Toastmasters has been deeply rooted into the soil of this great country. We have 82 clubs scattered in 17 cities in mainland China. Can you use your widest imagination to forecast how many clubs we will have in 2019? 500? Or even 1000, which means millions of people will have benefited from the Toastmasters program.

It's exciting to be a history maker. Everyone of us is making the history for Toastmasters in China. In 10 years time when we look back, we can say proudly, "I was part of it".

Enjoy the conference and enjoy Toastmastering!

Rebecca Hong, DTM  
Lt. Governor of Education & Training  
District 85



## Message from District 85

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Dear Toastmasters,

I've joined Toastmasters for five years, and a lot of people asked me, what do I get out of it? I said, "karma". It's a long story, and it's for another time.

Having served as Division A Governor for almost a year, I have to say that I am extremely privileged to have the help of my officers. They are talented, dedicated, committed and hardworking, of course, nothing like me at all. That is why I say I am extremely privileged.

Being blessed (some might say cursed) to host the conference this time, I can say that the journey had been a special one to me. Things were hectic at first, having a lot of team members come and go did not help. It is understandable that none of us are "professional" Toastmasters, and we do not work full time for this. So, having a change of plans and heart, we operate on a skeletal crew, and I thank everyone who participated in this great event.

Please have a fun weekend and enjoy the conference.

Yours,

Rolf Chew, ACS/CL  
Division A Governor 2008-2009  
District 85

## Workshop Speakers

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"Own the Stage"

Kwong  
Yue Yang,  
CC

Kwong is the District 85P Humorous Speech Contest Champion in 2007 and District 85 Evaluation Contest Champion in 2008. He will share with us how to make you shine each time you stand on stage. Currently Kwong is Area E52 Governor.

In pursuit of his dreams in 2006, Kwong left the sunny shores of Australia and found himself in China looking for fame and fortune. 3 years on, he hasn't found fame or fortune, but with the skills he's learnt from Toastmasters, he's aiming to achieve those goals through professional speaking and training. With work experience in an Airline company, a factory, a family business and now an internet start-up, Kwong is always looking for a challenge... and of course a way to speak!

Come to Kwong's session to learn some tips and techniques that will help you shine on stage every time you stand up there



"Be a World  
Class Judge"

Warwick  
John Fahy,  
DTM

Warwick John Fahy is an executive speech coach, facilitator and author of The One Minute Presenter: an 8 step guide to delivering successful business presentations in a world of short attention spans.

Warwick was inducted into the Toastmasters International Hall of Fame in August 2007 for his pioneering leadership as chairman for Toastmasters in China. Warwick is the founding Chairman of the Professional Speakers Association of China.

Warwick is Asia's leading business presentation coach for senior executives, business leaders and entrepreneurs who need to influence their clients, investors, board and team members.

As a Certified Professional Facilitator (CPF), Warwick facilitates business results with leaders and teams in results-oriented, process-driven retreats, workshops and executive boot camps.

His book The One Minute Presenter is a sponsor of The Library Project and for every book sold, a book will be bought for an orphan in China.

In his spare time, Warwick competes in triathlons and is a committee member of The British Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai.



## Workshop Speakers



"Effective eMarketing Strategies for Your Club Success"

Goh Wei Koon, DTM, District Governor for District 80

Goh Wei Koon is the current District Governor for District 80. He has been in training for management, project management, leadership, communication and marketing for close to 10 years. His last role was the Regional Marketing Manager for Belden, covering Asia Pacific, and also served as the HR Manager for SouthEast & North Asia region. Some of his key achievements in marketing are:

1. Increased free PR exposure for Belden by more than 630% by organising regional press conferences, interviews and product updates for maximum PR coverage to major trade media and magazines in the region
2. Developed and launched new regional PR strategy and successfully increased free PR advertisement value by 300%
3. Developed a leading cabling technology seminar series (regional roadshows) in SE Asia with registered delegates exceeding 800, making it the largest roadshow for the cabling manufacturer



"Your Leadership Edge"

Eileen Wolfe, DTM, Past International Director 1989-1991

Eileen Wolfe joined Toastmasters in 1978.

She joined the Vancouver Club 59 Toastmasters club in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

As club president she led the club to be Number 3 in the world in the Distinguished club plan.

She was named Toastmaster of the year for her club in 1980 and again in 1989.

District Governor for District 21, British Columbia. As District 21 Governor the District placed 12th in the world of 70 Districts.

In 1989 she was elected International Director and served on the Board of Directors from 1989 - 1991.

Eileen is a professional speaker whose wit and insightful presentations have graced the stage internationally from Jamaica, to The United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, and all the way to the Gulf, Kuwait and Bahrain, Qatar and Dubai.

Her mantra in life is that "If it is to be, it is up to me". Eileen is also a strong believer that in any thing you do, however large or small the task, it should be pursued with Excellence.

## Workshop Speakers

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"A Focused  
Speech"

Mike Meier,  
ACS/AL

Do YOU want to become a BETTER public speaker?

This workshop will definitely help you do that.

Coming all the way from Fort Worth, Texas USA, Mike Meier is the 2008 District 25 International Speech Champion.

This workshop will explain how to find story ideas, write your speech, and present it like a professional!



"7 habits of  
highly effective  
PowerPoint"

Xiaoxiao Sun,  
CC

Once a salary woman, after joining in Toastmasters for 2 years, she decided to become a freelance trainer specializing in PowerPoint design. She is a blogger; her blog [www.presentationtao.com](http://www.presentationtao.com) has inspired lots of people.

She was the area champion of Humorous Speech Contest in 2008.

She is EVP of Shanghai People's Square Toastmasters Club.

Last but not least, she is a lucky woman, because she met her husband Peter Wan in Toastmasters.



## Workshop Speakers



"The WIFM of  
Motivation"

Keith Ostergard,  
DTM

Keith has served in every club officer role in many of the more than twenty Toastmaster Clubs he has been a member of since joining the organization in 1999.

Keith's travels in business brought him to China in 2002, where he assisted a group interested in forming the first club in Beijing to start the Beijing #1 Toastmasters Club. He returned to China in 2004 and formed the Territorial Council of China and when it became a Provisional District in July 2007, Keith served as the district's first District Governor.

Keith has earned the Distinguished Toastmaster award not once, but twice – the first time in 2000 and a second time in July 2007. Keith is currently a candidate for the 2009-2011 International Director from the Districts Not Assigned to Regions (DNAR) and will stand for election this coming August at the 2009 International Convention.

Outside of Toastmasters, Keith is the President and Chief Consultant for LPC Consulting in Beijing where he resides with his wife Huang Lijun.



"Win Hearts  
with Humor"

Suhail Nasir,  
ACB/ALB

Suhail Nasir is an experienced corporate trainer. A Telecom Engineer by profession, he has worked for MNCs like ZTE, UTstarcom, Huawei and is presently working for Alcatel Lucent. He has worked in 15 countries during his career and has wealth of knowledge about different corporate and national cultures.

He is a professional trainer, author and motivational speaker on the topics of Personal Development, Management and Leadership.

He won the Toastmasters International 2008 China National Humorous Speech Contest, at Guangzhou.

His speech is about how humour can be incorporated in our daily life, and specially in our speeches to win the audience favour. He will talk about some specific techniques and skills about generating humor, with live exercises and examples.



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# The Pioneers

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## 10 Years (1999)

Shanghai No 1 Toastmasters Club Est: 02/01/1999 (Shanghai)  
Tianjin Club Est: 04/01/1999 (Tianjin)  
Pu Dong Toastmasters Club Est: 06/01/1999 (Shanghai)  
Guangzhou Toastmasters Club Est: 11/01/1999 (Guangzhou)

## 7 Years (2002)

PMA Elite Toastmasters Club Est: 12/02/2002 (Guangzhou)

## 6 Years (2003)

Beijing #1 Toastmasters Club Est: 03/31/2003 (Beijing)  
Shanghai People's Square Club Est: 06/11/2003 (Shanghai)  
Shenzhen Toastmasters Club Est: 09/08/2003 (Shenzhen)  
Chengdu Toastmasters Club Est: 10/31/2003 (Chengdu)  
Global Communicators Club Est: 12/01/2003 (Beijing)

## 5 Years (2004)

ConocoPhillips V-Go Toastmasters Club Est: 01/27/2004 (Beijing)  
Shanghai Xujiahui Club Est: 09/29/2004 (Shanghai)  
New Experience Toastmasters Club Est: 11/02/2004 (Shenzhen)  
TaiHu Club Est: 12/10/2004 (Wuxi)

## 4 Years (2005)

Shenzhen Mandarin Toastmasters Club Est: 01/12/2005 (Shenzhen)  
Zhuhai Toastmasters Club Est: 10/09/2005 (Zhuhai)

## 3 Years (2006)

Shanghai Dynamic Mandarin Club Est: 03/27/2006 (Shanghai)  
China Capital Toastmasters Club Est: 05/15/2006 (Beijing)  
Shanghai Leadership Toastmasters Club Est: 07/20/2006 (Shanghai)  
Shenyang Toastmasters Club Est: 08/04/2006 (Shenyang)  
Microsoft Beijing Toastmasters Club Est: 11/01/2006 (Beijing)  
Shanghai 5C+ Toastmasters Club Est: 10/23/2006 (Shanghai)  
SHIP Toastmasters Club Est: 12/12/2006 (Shenzhen)

## Territorial Council in 2006

## Provisional District in 2007

## Full District in 2008

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## 2009-2010 Candidates

<b>For Position</b>	<b>Nominee</b>
District Governor	Rebecca Hong, DTM
LDGET	Yingdan Liu, ACS & ALB
LDGM	Michelle Lee, AC & AL
	Susan Zhou, DTM
Division A Governor	Cliff Li, CC & CL
Division B Governor	
Division C Governor	Joseph Hu, CC, ALB
Division D Governor	Louie Lu, AC & CL
Division E Governor	Bjom Simonsen AC & CL
	Aishwarya Kasturia, ACB & CLB
	Penshell Yao, CC & CL
Division F Governor	Daniel Smith, DTM
	Wendy Wang ACB & ALB



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## International Speech Contest

Division	Name	Title	Club	Area
A	Nancy WANG	Flip a coin	Beijing #1 TMC	11
B	Hubert LIN	The Other Path	China Capital TMC	21
C	Chen ZHANG	Without any Trace	Intel Pudong No 1 TMC	32
D	Samuel NG	Give Thanks to Tough Times	5C+ TMC	42
E	Tommy FUNG	I've Got Nothing	GZ HSDC TMC	52

## Mandarin Speech Showcase

Division	Name	Title	Club	Area
A	万虎	求职中的酸甜苦辣	ZhongGuanChun TMC	13
B	高宏彬	好好睡	Microsoft Beijing TMC	21
C	王家俊	传奇	1st ZJ Bi-lingual Toastmasters Club	31
D	姚翰啸	征服自己	Shanghai People's Square TMC	41
E	沈绍伟	成长的幽默	Shenzhen Mandarin	53