

# C2C: CALL TO CONNECT



## From the editor's desk :

Greeting for 2009 as it is in Dec 2008 that we last parted!

Since our last publication, there had been a flurry of activities as it is contest time again!

In this issue too, we are sharing lots of inspiring articles and experiences, with a good mix of inspiring role models to complete the combo.

So, happy reading!

H'ng Siew Lee, CC, CL  
Asst. Area S6 Governor  
Education and Training

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## 2009: AN EXCITING YEAR!

Dear Fellow Toastmasters,

Welcome to Area S6 Newsletter 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition!

How do you do?

I sincerely hope that it is fine for both your family and in your work.



We have just concluded all our International Speech and Table Topics Contests at both club and area levels. Please join me to congratulate both our Area Champions Ong Wai Yeong (International Speech) & Gilbert Gomez (Table Topics). Both of them represented our area in Division level contest.

In the recent Toastmasters Institute Leadership Second-Round Club Officers Training, our area attendance was very encouraging! Thanks to the club officers, for your commitment to your club and members. Moment of Truth is a very useful club diagnostics tool, use it as needed to maintain your club strength. Feel free to call me should you need further assistance on this matter.

Division S is giving away Division S Courageous Pin since January. If you are almost completing your educational award, hurry up, complete them as soon as possible, so that you will be recognized with the limited Division pins.

Many clubs in our area are doing well in their respective Distinguished Club Program. I am proud to mention Bukit Gelugor Club and Dell Penang Club with their 5 and above DCP goals achievements as of 20-March-2009 report. They are still working aggressively on their stretch goal to achieve President's Distinguished Club status. What an amazing courage they have!

In April, the grandest activity in District 51, the 16<sup>th</sup> District Annual Convention will be held at Riverside Majestic Hotel in Kuching, Sarawak. I strongly encourage you to sign up for the event. There are many distinguished speakers who have been invited to give motivational speeches. You will also have a chance to learn from the best speakers competing in the District Contest Championship. Meet more new Toastmasters friends from Malaysia, Brunei and Indonesia. Hurry up to register for the convention! In this edition, you also can find who are those members represent Area S6 to the convention.

Let's take our promise and have the courage to conquer our commitments!

Cheers,  
Johnson Tang, CC, ALB  
Area S6 Governor 08/09  
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## Do You Know?

### Area S6 Website

[http://  
d51s6.blogspot.com/](http://d51s6.blogspot.com/)

Hits: 3700

#### What you can get here?

- Monthly update of Clubs DCP report
- Monthly Toastmasters Club Officer e-Newsletter TIPS
- Event calendars for major activities in Division S
- Latest announcement related to Area S6
- Area S6 Hall of Fame
- Area S6 Council 2008-2009
- Club Meeting Resources
- Popular Toastmasters links
- Club Officers Reference

## Area DCP Achievements To Date

### 7 DCP points achiever:

#### Bukit Gelugor Toastmasters Club WOW!!

- 1 point for 2 CC achieved by Ch'ng Ewe Ghee, CC & Lum Chee Poh, CC
- 1 point for CL Award achieved by Sunny Foo, CC, CL
- 1 point for ALB Award achieved by Sunny Foo, CC, ALB
- 2 points for 16 new members recruited (Sponsors are: Sunny Foo, Goh Su Yin & Toh Chin Leong)
- 1 point for Oct Renewal submission by Treasurer Shuy Yau Leng, CC
- 1 point for attending Club Officers Training

### 5 DCP points achiever:

#### Dell Penang Toastmasters Club WOW!!

- 1 point for CL Award achieved by Christopher Choong, CC, CL
- 1 point for ALB Award achieved by Johnson Tang, CC, ALB
- 1 point for October renewal submission by Treasurer Lai York Keong
- 1 point for 5 new members recruited (Sponsors are: Yeoh Hui Kiang, Johnson Tang, Jeffrey Ong & Tan Pei Yin)
- 1 point for attending Club Officers Training

### 3 DCP points achiever:

#### Seberang Jaya Toastmasters Club

- 1 point for October renewal submission by Treasurer Ng Wei Jern
- 1 point for 4 new members recruited
- 1 point for attending Club Officers Training

### 1 DCP point achiever:

#### Ann Joo Steel Toastmasters Club

- 1 point for October renewal submission by President Khoo

*(Data source: Reference from Toastmasters International DCP Report as at 20-March-2009)*

Access to Area S6 Website today! A friendly and cheery place to surf and visit any time, any where!

It is a one-stop solution site to keep track of progress, various advice sharing to keep you going and if you need a helping hand, get your pick from the available resources or just reach out to area council members.

Toastmasters International  
District 51  
Area S6 website

The Courage to Conquer

Happy New Year 2009!



## Kuching 2009 Convention Update: List of Speakers

From Clement Pang, DTM, District 51 Public Relations Officer.

We are going to witness **4 fantastic speakers** in Kuching.

Heading the list is none other than the **CEO of Malaysia Airlines Dato' Sri Idris Jala**. Find out from Malaysia very own Steve Jobs who have turned around the fortune of Malaysia national airline from its biggest financial loss to record profit in less than 2 years. Find out from him how communication skills play a pivotal role in achieving that.



We also are going see 2 past district governors in action, **DTM Adeline Leong** and **DTM R Sivanganam** who will share with us their invaluable leadership experience.

From the academia, we have **Professor Zaharom Nain**, an associate professor of communication studies and he also heads the Journalism Programme in Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) Penang.

For more details of the convention special attraction, please see the details on the district website at <http://www.tmdistrict51.org>

**More information on registration, please refer to the convention official website at <http://www.kuching2009.com>**

Don't miss the biggest show in District 51!

The courage to conquer!



Warmest regards,  
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Want to talk Toastmasters? Join District 51 Toastmasters Forum at: <http://www.tmdistrict51.org/forum>

### Area S6 registered delegates:-

Christopher Choong, CC, ALB (Dell Penang Club)  
Johnson Tang, CC, ALB (Dell Penang Club)  
Jessica Ho, CC (Dell Penang Club)  
Pauline Sia, ACS (Dell Penang Club)  
Lim Khee Seong, CC, CL (Dell Penang Club)  
Tan Poh Ai, CC (Dell Penang Club)  
Ooi Seng Chai (Seberang Jaya Club)

## The Seven Secrets of Inspiring Leaders

- 1. Demonstrate enthusiasm - constantly**  
 Inspiring leaders have an abundance of passion for what they do. You cannot inspire unless you are inspired yourself.
- 2. Articulate a compelling course of action**  
 The power of a vision set everything in motion.
- 3. Sell the benefit**  
 Always remember, it's not about you, it's about them.
- 4. Tell more stories**  
 Stories connect with people on an emotional level . Tell more of them.
- 5. Invite participation**  
 Employees want more than a paycheck. They want to know that their work is adding up to something meaningful.
- 6. Reinforce an optimistic Outlook**  
 Speak in positive, optimistic language. Be a beacon of hope.
- 7. Encourage potential**  
Richard Brandon (Virgin Airline) has said that when you praise people they flourish; criticize them and they shrivel up.

Excerpt from *Carmine Gallo's* article at [http://www.businessweek.com/smallbiz/content/oct2007/sb20071010\\_093227.htm](http://www.businessweek.com/smallbiz/content/oct2007/sb20071010_093227.htm)

## Latest Inductees to Area S6 Hall of Fame!

Congratulation to Lum Chee Poh, CC and Sunny Foo, CC, ALB!



Division S  
 Courageous Pin Recognition  
 Education Achievement - CC Award

Lum Chee Poh, CC



Division S  
 Courageous Pin Recognition  
 Education Achievement ~ ALB Award

Sunny Foo, CC, ALB

(Sharing by AG Johnson, an article that has appeared in District 51 website in Courageous Voices column)

Fellow Toastmasters,

I decided to share with you my learning on the way back from Division Council Training yesterday.

It was **Division Council Training** for Division S and N organized by District LGM, Thanni, CC, CL. The event was co-facilitated by both Immediate Past District Governor, KK Chee, DTM and Past District Governor, Siva, DTM. The subject is "Stay focus for the next 6 months". As usual, both of them are inspirational speakers and I used to get motivated from their sharing.



One thing I like the most from KK Chee's session was the **Ice-Breaker activity**. It gave us opportunity to say something to our division council peers. I received 17 motivational messages. As KK mentioned, this piece of paper will be useful to read again when you feel somewhat lost in the toastmasters' service journey.

Here are two messages which most matter to me:

*"Like your initiative, always volunteer yourself, responsible for all the roles assigned to you. You are my role model! Keep it up!"*

*"You are Simply Amazing, Johnson. I see and admire your enthusiasm & commitment to the clubs in your Area. Thank you and grateful to have met you."*

Another one thing I like the most is from Siva's **personal experience sharing** session.

He shared on what makes him takes up the leadership positions every year from Club Officers to President, Area Governor, Division Governor, District LGM, LGET until District Governor level. To the benefit of toastmasters organization, he has the courage to accept the leadership position he was nominated each time.

Peoples usually dare not take up the leadership position because they worried they cannot spend much time on toastmasters. They may have family commitment or career commitment.

The key message he wanted to point out is, just do your very best on each of your duty or assignments, then the rest will come in automatically. Years of service in various leadership positions have actually built his communication and leadership skills. He was promoted multiples times during the period.



It hit really me then because I experienced the same last year. When I was asked to take up Club President position for my club, I have a hard time to decide as well. This is because I was on track to my promotion that year and I want to do my very best to achieve my career goal.

It turned out to be the right decision and I did not regret it. Serving as Club President has shaped my communication and leadership skills. It helped tremendously in my career and created more visibility of my abilities to top management including my involvement in voluntary program. At the end, I received my promotion and recognized as one of the Top Achievers in my company. I was sent to New Zealand for leadership trip on company expenses.

Here, I want to echo Siva's message, **just do it, everything will come automatically!** As we accept the leadership position be it Area or Division Governors, just do your very best in each of your assignment, then everything will come automatically! Believe it, it is true for Siva and myself!

I wish you all, all the best and have the courage to conquer until the end of your term, and beyond!



Cheers,

Johnson Tang, CC, ALB

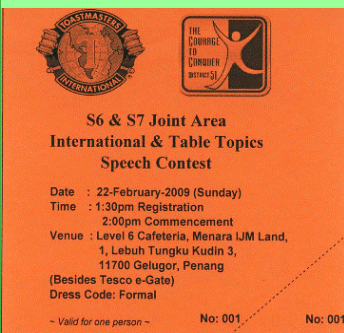
S6 Area Governor 2008-2009

Toastmasters International, District 51, Division S

## Contests Paraphernalia



Promotional Flyer:  
Very attractive!



Contest Ticket:  
Another form of promo



Winners' Trophies:  
At place of pride!

## Area S6 & S7 Joint International Speech & Table Topic Speech Contest 2009

Congratulation to all the winners and contestants!  
Well-done organizing committee!



Area S6 International Speech  
Contest 2009 -

(L-R) OC Jessica Ho,  
1st runner up Jessica Tan,  
**Champion Ong Wai Yeong**,  
S6 AG Johnson Tang,  
Chairwoman Su Yin.

Area S6 Table Topics Speech  
Contest 2009 -

(L-R) OC Jessica Ho,  
AG Johnson Tang,  
1st runner up Vivek (Jessica  
Tan represented), **Champion  
Gilbert Gomez**, Chairwoman  
Queenie



Area S6 Table Topics Speech Contest 2009 Winners



Area S7 International Speech  
Contest 2009 -

(L-R) OC Jessica Ho,  
1st runner up BT Loh,  
**Champion Andrew Oon**,  
S7 AG Bee Nee,  
Chairwoman Su Yin.

Area S7 Table Topics Speech  
Contest 2009 -

(L-R) OC Jessica Ho,  
1st runner up Jessica Chan,  
**Champion BT Loh**,  
S7 AG Bee Nee,  
Chairwoman Queenie



Area S7 Table Topics Speech Contest 2009 Winners

## Picture Gallery



Photographer Joseph Chen



Photographers are rarely seen in photos, so here we acknowledge the peoples behind the camera, Joseph Chen & Lim Pei Gee!



Engrossed Audience



Eating Time!

## Area S6 & S7 Joint International Speech & Table Topic Contest 2009

**S6 & S7**  
**International & Table Topics Speech**  
**Joint Area Contest 2009**  
 22-Feb-2009 Sunday 1.30pm  
 Level 6 Cafeteria, Menara IJM Land  
 1 Lebuhr Tunku Kudin 3, 11700 Gelugor, PG.  
 (Besides Tesco e-Gate)

Organizing Team welcome you  
 to join us @ 222!

Tea break refreshment will be served  
 Ticket RM8 available from your Club Presidents/AGs

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### From the Organizing Chair, Jessica Ho, CC

It was indeed an honor for me to chair the recent Area S6 and S7 International Speech and Table Topic contests. No doubt it was a challenge to me as this was the first I have organized an Area level event.

Special thanks to our honorable Area S6 governor - Johnson Tang and Area S7 governor - Thiang Bee Nee, as their guidance and strong support had helped me a lot in planning and during the contest itself. Not forgetting the most important team behind this - all the committee members who had helped and put in a lot of efforts in preparing for this contest and to make it a successful one. Kudos to each and everyone of you.

Special thanks to Yoon Peng Yew in taking the role of emcee in the last minute of 911. My heartfelt gratitude to Jing, Queenie, York Keong, Moira and Nazir for helping in arranging chairs and setting up the venue on the contest on that day itself.

Being able to lead the team and organize such an area level contest has helped me grow in my Toastmasters journey. Not only the circle of my Toastmasters friends grows bigger as I met a lot of wonderful friends from other Toastmasters clubs, I also managed to practise my leadership skills through the contest planning, critical thinking in resolving issues, organizing and delegating tasks to sub team members.

It is indeed an experience to be treasured and if you are offered the opportunity, I say grab it like I did!

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