

SRTM

SOUTH RIVER

TOASTMASTERS

August 12th, 2009

Newsletter 2009-#25



Weekly meetings every Wednesday 7:15pm at TOZ near Gangnam Station (See www.srtm.org for directions)

Coming up on August 19th with **Toastmaster Chris Lee!**

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| Toastmaster Chris Lee | General Evaluator Irving Gussow | Speaker #1 Annette Kim | Evaluator #1 Ellen Yoo |
| Table Topics Jeeyun Kim | Timer Alicia Park | Speaker #2 Agnes Jarosch | Evaluator #2 Lee Farrand |
| Word & Quote Misuk Lee | Grammarians Minjung Ko | Speaker #3 James Lim | Evaluator #3 TBD |
| Jokemaster Lydia Park | Ah-Counter Sung-il Kim | | |

Brief Sketch of August 12th Meeting:

Chairperson James Lim called the meeting to order by warmly welcoming guests and members. At the meeting, 7 new guests introduced themselves. For the benefit of members and guests, James Lim played a short video that was prepared by Toastmasters International introducing Toastmasters. It was quite educational and attention grabbing for those who attended the meeting.

Ellen Yoo as Toastmaster of the evening, led the session and asked each role player "How would you help the Korean nation to liberalize them from Japanese imperial rule?" reminding the the audience of the meaning and significance of the August 15th Independence Day. Kelly Lee, the Word and Quote Master, introduced 'comprehensive,' as the Word of the Day, and 'All things are different before they are easy,' by Thomas Fuller, as the Quote of the Day.

Abhi Arora led the Table Topics Session and introduced a debate style of Table Topics. He brought up two issues, 'Arranged Marriage' and "'Do women need men more than men need women?'" He invited two speakers to debate on each issue. One was asked to act as proponent of the issue while the other was asked to serve as its opponent. The four participants were Stephen Wiklund, James Lim, Hyun Hee Lee and Tarra Yoon. The new format was quite a refreshing and intriguing change to the Table Topic session. Everyone did an excellent job!

The prepared Speech Session was commenced by Namseok Kang, who delivered his Ice Breaker speech. He presented two virtues, 'passion for knowledge' and 'persistence' and believes that it was these two virtues from his childhood that contributed a lot to what he is now. He was evaluated by Taewon Seo. The 2nd speaker, Sung Il Kim, delivered his 16th speech, the Dramatic Talk. He elaborated on the first time he mentioned the word "love" to a father who had always cheered him up as the eldest son of his family. It was touched the audience so much everyone was repeating the word "love" to their loved ones. He was evaluated by Richard Choi.

Pilsoo Oh led the evaluation session, supported by technical role players, Joomee Lee as Ah-Counter, Richard Kim as Timer and Gilles Peereboom as Grammarian. Awards were given out to James Lim for Best Table Topics Speaker, Sung Il Kim for Best Speaker and Taewon Seo for Best Evaluator.

Rex Kwark
Secretary, SRTM

Important Announcements!

- ✓ August 26th is Guest Appreciation Day. Get ready to listen to 6 speeches prepared by our guests and new SRTM members
- ✓ On August 22nd, SRTM will throw the "End of Summer Party!" More details are attached at the back of this newsletter

Get to know your SRTM Members!

Johnny Yum is the VP of Public Relations at SRTM. He currently works as the Financial Controller for a semiconductor company called Broad-Q Inc.

How did you find out about SRTM?

I joined SRTM in 2008. A friend of mine recommended Toastmaster Club. So I searched the web site and joined SRTM.

What was your first impression of SRTM?

It looked a very organized club. I was deeply impressed by people's enthusiasm. After joining 2nd round, I decided to come to meetings regularly.

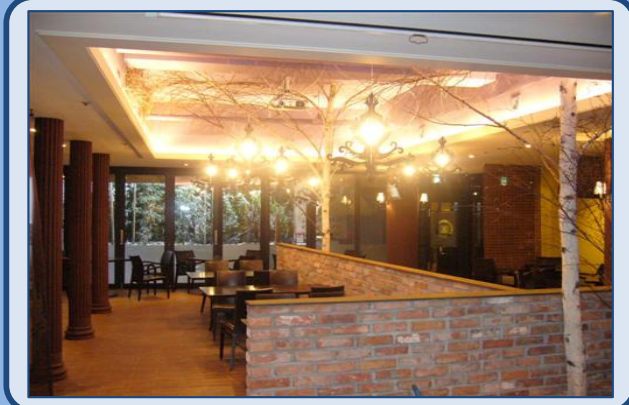
Describe someone you met at your first SRTM meeting?

Unfortunately, at my first meeting, the people who were sitting around me were mostly first-time guests, and I couldn't see them from the next meeting. However, I met Mooyoung, JP, Joseph, Eva, Eunsil, and other officers later. They encouraged and helped me to attend regularly.

A book you've read recently that you would like to recommend?

"Currency Wars" by Song Hongbing. Richard Choi recommended me this book. . Are you interested in conspiracy theories? According to this book, the Japanese lost decade, the Southeast Asian financial crisis, the Latin American financial crisis and others are attributed to a clique of international bankers who uses currency manipulation. It's specially good for long fight.

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END OF SUMMER WINE PARTY!



Date: Saturday 22nd August 2009

Time: 8 pm to 12 am

Place: Casa Mio (behind Kyobo Tower)
Get off Shin Non Hyun subway station line 9 exit 7

Cost: ₩22,000 Pre-pay by Wednesday 19th
₩25,000 At the door

Account: Oh Pilsoo
Shinhan Bank 110-275-796-141

Details: Light food & unlimited wine

Contact: Casa Mio 02-592-7943
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