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2013 Tall Tales



Winners

English

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Let's join Tall Tales Contest! 2013 District 76 Fall Conference in Fukuoka

Tall Tale contest once in 4 years!

This year's Fall Conference will be held at Fukuoka Papillon24 Hall from 15-Nov to 17-Nov. Do not miss the great Tall Tales presented by outstanding contestants!

■ Conference program ■ please see <http://www.district76.org/ja/events/conference/>

Nov. 16th (Sat) @ Papillon 24 Gas Hall

- 10:00 ~** Workshop in Japanese by TM Mayumi Shimamura
Workshop in English by TM Satomi Matoba
- 11:10 ~** Workshop in Japanese by TM Osamu Ito
Workshop in English by Past District 76 Governor Bunzo Suzuki
- PM** Opening address and Club Banner March
Keynote Speech by DTM Johnny Uy, 2006-2007 International President
Japanese Tall Tales Speech Contest
- 18:00 ~** Welcome Party



Nov. 17th (Sun) @ Papillon 24 Gas Hall

- 9:00 ~** Opening address / Educational Session by DTM Johnny Uy
English Tall Tales Speech Contest, Hall of Fame



~ Trying new things at the contest ~

TM members who challenge

The close interview with Area 25 Governor TM Kojima about creating the contest Area 25 Governor TM Kojima

Member of Storytelling TMC, Iidabashi TMC, and Cosmos TMC.
2nd Place of English Evaluation Contest 2011. President of Iidabashi TMC in 2011.
2012 Education and Training Committee Chair. Taking a role of Area 25 Governor this term.
Now working on chartering the Storytelling TMC, the first advanced club focusing on the storytelling as the first club President.
Storytelling Toastmasters Club – you can be an outstanding speaker, too!
<http://storytelling-tmc.org/>



**Area 25 Governor
TM Hiroki Kojima**

I'm Hiroki Kojima, Area 25 Governor this term.
I was the contest chair of Division B Tall Tales Contest on October 26.
We tried many new things at the contest, so I'd like to share them with you, my fellow Toastmasters.

In running the contest, we focused on one thing. That is to create a division contest where participants would become eager to host a contest or support the running of the contest when the next one draws near. From my experience in Toastmasters I have had a lingering idea. That is that we can learn many things such as leadership skills in an enjoyable format by running a contest. Even though running a contest is a great opportunity, in reality it's difficult to get a hosting club decided for the division contest.

In this term, Division B was no exception. I became Area Governor this term and tried to recruit a hosting club for the Division B contest. But, as a result, there was no club who volunteered. Even for the fact that there was no club who volunteered to host, we, as governors in Division B didn't want to appoint a particular club to host the contest. So, we made a decision. The decision is that we would host the contest and called ourselves the "Governor Team". We created the contest and served as the role models. Actually, TM Matthew Ownby Division B Governor became the ultimately responsible person and Area 21-26 Governors became each Contest Chair, Chief Judge or MC for each Japanese and English contest.

We carried out 5 following things to create a contest where future members would want to try and host.

The first one: To recruit for each supporting role. We didn't try to appoint anyone. We made online questionnaire through a Google Drive form and asked applicants to give their first choice to their third choice. As a result, we could collect highly-motivated helpers.

The second: Holding workshop "Contest de Leadership" intended for helpers before the contest. Not only the core conducting member but also each helper can learn leadership skills by changing their point of view a little. TM Mieko Kobayashi who is Japanese Champion of all Japan in 2009 and Area 21 Governor this term held this workshop. Almost all the participants said, "I'd like to join the workshop next time, too!". It was a really great workshop.

The third: Making recognition session at the end of the contest. To be more precise, Division Governor called each supporting member's name, invited them up on stage and recognized them. Commonly, the contestants have main roles in the contest. But, those who help out in the operation of the contest also have important roles. We would like to introduce them to the participants more.

The fourth: Fourth one was making the contest more enjoyable by using slides, videos and music. We used slide to help the proceeding by showing the contestant's name and speech title.

We used videos to make to create good atmosphere before the contest. We used music during the three parts of the program, before the contest, during the awards ceremony and recognition session. You can change the atmosphere of the venue in a heart beat, so I recommend you to use music.

The fifth: Fifth one was holding Feedback Session of the helpers after the contest. Due to time constraints this was held during the party after the contest. We asked a question "What scenes of leadership did you witness at the contest?" and recognize the hard work of all the supporting members. The contest is the place that we can show and practice leadership. Actually, these people did many things but many people were not aware of them.

So, sharing feedback to them after the contest is really important. Of course, we try many new things at this contest, so some didn't work. But, we can learn from our mistakes.

We'll recognize these, make improvements, and make use of what we learned at next opportunity.

More importantly, Division B contest successfully ended thanks to many people for their kindness and support.

I also learned many things and created a special memory with many amazing fellow Toastmasters.

Special thanks go to all contestants, all supporting members, all guests and others in the Division B Governor's team.
Thank you so much!

Finally, I thought we try to try even more new things.

Of course, it's important to run contest according to at least the minimum of what is required by the contest rules. But instead of aiming to run a safe contest that will not have any problems, I believe it is better to aim to produce a contest that has something special, that has a lot to learn from, and that creates a lot of memories and new friends. I would be happy our contest served as a catalyst that caused more Toastmasters to want to run contests and to want to help and support the running of contests.

And... the next may be your turn.

What contest will you create?

Hiroki Kojima (CC, ALB), Area 25 Governor

Call for Nominations for the 2014-2015 Term District 76 Officers

The following is the information on the call for nominations to serve District 76 for the next term starting on July 1st, 2014 to June 30th, 2015.

■ Positions to be nominated ■

All 9 positions to be elected as listed below are the positions needing nominations.

- **District Governor (DG)**
- **Lieutenant Governor Education and Training (LGET)**
- **Lieutenant Governor Marketing (LGM)**
- **Division Governor (Division A, B, C, D, E, F)**



■ Application period ■

November 10 (Sunday), 2013 through February 15 (Saturday), 2014

■ Who can nominate? ■

One can nominate oneself as well as others for an elected position. A district officer can nominate oneself or others.

■ Qualifications ■

All nominees must meet all qualifications required for their respective positions as explained in the Call for Nominations. Please visit District 76 website for download [Call for Nominations](#). This document includes duties and qualifications for all candidates for elected positions. It is important that all nominations meet the qualifications specified in this document.

■ How to nominate ■

Apply a nomination using [District Leader Nominating Form](#) (please visit District 76 website for download). This form is to be used for nomination to all positions. If there is any question regarding how to fill in the form, please direct such a question to Nominating Committee members including the chair.

■ Other basic rules ■

- 1) No district officer can endorse other candidates in public
- 2) As soon as one makes known one's intention to run for an election, one is a candidate

■ Timeline ■

November 10, 2013	Publish a call for candidates.
February 15, 2014(subject to change)	Deadline of the call for candidates By April 5, 2014 After the deadline, telephone interviews with all candidates will be conducted.
By April 5, 2014	The committee submits report to District Governor
By April 20, 2014	Publish nominating committee report
May 18, 2014	Election at the District 76 Annual Council Meeting

■ Committee Members ■

Chair	TM Kazuko Kawauchi	jkccc872@ybb.ne.jp	
Division A	TM Daniel Ross	Division B	TM Shinsuke Kitagawa
Division C	TM Hisato Yoshioka	Division D	TM Yoshikazu Kawakami
Division E	TM Chie Fujisawa	Division F	TM Hiroshi Nishiyama

We plan to share with you many other important information on the district election and campaign as time goes on and we plan to use e-mails as well as the District 76 website

Congratulations to the "Smedley" winners!

Toastmasters International announced the winners of the "Smedley" on October 18. One club in our District 76 won the prize.

Winners are as following

5 members: Senri Toastmasters Club (Area 53, Division E)

■ What is "Smedley"? ■

Clubs adding five new, dual or reinstated members during May and June receive a "Beat the Clock" ribbon to display on the club's banner. In addition to the ribbon, qualifying clubs earn a special discount code for 10-percent off their next club order. District 76 also presents a \$20 gift certificate to the clubs.

New Club! - Tokai Business Toastmasters Club -

We are pleased to inform you of good news today. Tokai Business Toastmasters Club has been chartered as of October 30th.

■ Club Profile ■

- Name : Tokai Business Toastmasters Club (2805262)
- Location : Nagoya
- Chartered : October 30th, 2013
- 1st club chartered in 2013-2014 / 145th Club in Japan
- Language : Japanese
- Founder: TM Takahiro Kogiso
- Club Alignment 2013-2014 Area 51, Division E

President Kogiso and members of Tokai Business Toastmasters Club, we wish you a great success and enjoy Toastmasters!

The 2nd Communication Leadership Award Honoree

Toastmasters District 76 (Japan Office) presents the Communication Leadership Award of this year to Dr. Shigeaki Hinohara, chairman of St. Luke's International Hospital.

■ Shigeaki Hinohara ■

He was born in 1911 in Yamaguchi-city, Yamaguchi Prefecture, and is a medical doctor. He is Chairman of Board of Trustees, St. Luke's International Medical Center, Honorary President, St. Luke's International Hospital, honorary director of Institute of Grief Care, Sophia University, administrative director of The Life Planning Center Foundation, and administrative director of St. Luke's Life Science Center. Through the stages of a junior assistant doctor of Faculty of medicine, Kyoto Imperial University, a medical officer of Imperial Japanese Navy, and so on, he held posts such as principal of St. Luke's College of Nursing, an affiliate professor of Jichi Medical University, an affiliate professor of Harvard University, and chairman of The Japanese Society of Internal Medicine.



To highly contribute to an increase in people's awareness and knowledge of health, by frequently giving lectures and writing books that let ordinary people actively maintain and improve their health in their daily lives. To propose a new lifestyle for super-aging society and establish the association of the New Elderly to achieve it.

To raise awareness among doctors and promote the idea of "diagnosing not diseases but patients," as well as to take leadership in the advancement of nurses' social status.

Reasons for the Award

To promote activities which allow elderlies to contribute to the society by interacting with the generation of their grandchildren.

To teach kids, future leaders for peace in Japan, on the importance of life by giving lectures about life all around the country at the grass-roots level.

Other than those above, to continue to have curiosity and try new things, as well as to give them back to the society and take a great leadership.

Communication Leadership Award



Communication Leadership Award is an award to remind the society of the importance of the value of communication mainly by speech and that of leadership which have favorable effect on the society or groups, and thereby contribute to realizing a better society of Japan through learning its skills. This is the supreme award presented by Toastmasters to non-member people.
(Ref. <http://www.district76.org/en/organization/c-l-award/>)

■ Communication Leadership Award 2012 - Prof. Donald Keene ■

The first communication and leadership awarding ceremony was held at the All Japan Fall Conference conducted by Toastmasters International District 76 (Japan) at Kawasaki City Industrial Promotion Hall on November 17, 2012.

Dr. Donald Keene, a professor emeritus at Columbia University, received the 2012 Communication and Leadership Award, as put out the media release on October 26.

This award is presented annually by Toastmasters International District 76 (Japan) to a person in our society who is not a member of Toastmasters, but highly influential in the areas of communication and leadership. Dr. Keene announced his decision to move permanently to Tokyo and to encourage the people in Japan after the Japan Earthquake 2011. District 76 Governor Kazuko Kawauchi extended her heartiest congratulations encouraged by his words (communication) and actions (leadership).

Dr. Keene delivered a wonderful speech grasping the significance of the award.



Series : Brief interview to District Officers!

Vol. 3: Division D

Interview to Division D Officers

District Officers are supporting us. A series of brief interviews to District Officers by Division is planned to get to know them more.

1. What changed after you started TM activities ?
2. How do you spend holidays without TM activities ?
3. What do you take a pride in the place you were born ?



Division D Governor : Hiroyuki Yamaguchi

1. Getting to know various members. Numerous e-mails as if I may be drowned.
2. Other volunteer activities, city-walking, cinema and wine at a comfortable bar.
3. Many legends about the stellar in Katano-city, Tanabata-Festival is magnificent.



Area 41 Governor : Hiroki Ohara

1. Leadership. I have changed the way of thinking about leadership.
2. I want to return to the environment, such as spend a holiday other than the TM.
3. I was born in Yukigaya neighborhood Sakurazaka. So after all is Sakurazaka.



Area 42 Governor : Hiroko Arai.

1. I leaned to listen to others and to myself.
2. I found golfing and TM activities share the same quality. Encouragements!
3. Atlanta, where I spent many years, is famous for Southern Hospitality.



Area 43 Governor : Sumiko Koike

1. I came to take communication actively.
2. I play with my children and watch movies.
3. Kanagawa is a curious, interesting place because nature, history and urban areas are fused.



Area 44 Governor : Midori Hirota

1. Toastmasters helped me obtain a deeper insight of myself
2. I enjoy spas, gym training, and spending time with my family.
3. Senbon Matsubara, Shizuoka, has a scenic view of the beach and pine grove overlooking Mt Fuji.



Area 45 Governor : Takako Aoi

1. Places to go, People to get along with, Books to read, started Facebook, etc.
2. Traveling (domestic, overseas and virtual)
3. USA in Japan (Usa city), Abundant harvest from the mountains and the sea.

Training Information

Judge Training

We are enjoying Tall Tales Contest! Contestants can compete because of fair judgment. Would you please join us in the Judge Training to bluish up your judging ability? The Judge Training will be held in the morning of the day of the 2nd Club Officer Training. Everyone can join. If you are interested in it, please contact your Area / Div. Governor.



The 2nd Club Officer Training

The 2nd Club Officer Training will be held in Jan. and Feb. of 2014. Officers experienced a lot through the 6 months of officer service. We will share it using "Dialog" Face to face meeting is very precious, so we will totally focus on "Dialog and Connecting." Even if you are not an officer, you are welcome to join!

Div. A : 26th Jan. 2014
Div. D : T. B. D.

Div. B : T.B.D.
Div. E : 26th Jan. 2014

Div. C : 2nd Feb. 2014
Div. F : 23rd Feb. 2014

Educational Achievers in October

Div.A

ACS	Yoshihara, Masako	Niigata
	Inoue, Tadanari	West Tokyo
ACB	Nakagawa, Koso	Hibiki Club
CC	Kobayashi, Naoki	Kichijoji
	Umemoto, Kazumasa	Urawa
	Harada, Kazuko	Gunma
	Sekimoto, Masaaki	Tachikawa

Div.B

ACB	Morise, Norifumi	Tozai
ALB	Eboshi, Kenta	Tokyo ESS
CC	Ohno, Takashi	Omotesando
		Bilingual
CL	Eboshi, Kenta	Tokyo ESS
	Bakre, Prasad Vivek	Sakura

Div.C

DTM	Ohmi, Kiichiro Keith	Akihabara
ACB	Kato, Chihiro	Nihonbashi Century
CC	Oiko, Medina Bushuru	Maraka
		ICF Chiba
	Itadzu, Hidesuke	Radisson Narita
CL	Nishikawa, Tadashi	Shinagawa

Div.D

ALS	Imamura, Miwa	Minato-Mirai
ALB	Hirota, Midori	Shonan Club
CC	Asai, Kyuhei	Mizonokuchi
CL	Mizukami, Fumiko	Yokohama Frontier

Div.E

ACB	Yamada, Takako	Tokushima Club
ALB	Watanabe, Kazumi	Naniwa
CC	Nakai, Mari	East-Kobe Club
	Nakamura, Michiko	Takarazuka

Div.F

ACB	Mikami, Junko	Hiroshima
CC	Maehara, Hachiro	Iizuka

You can learn communication and leadership skills through educational programs at TMC.

*When you accomplish both programs, communication and leadership programs, you will receive a title of **DTM (Distinguished ToastMaster)***



Communication Program

ACG (Advanced Communication Gold)
ACS (Advanced Communication Silver)
ACB (Advanced Communication Bronze)
CC (Competent Communication)



Leadership Program

ALS (Advanced Leadership Silver)
ALB (Advanced Leadership Bronze)
CL (Competent Leadership)



Editor's Postscript

There is a gentleman whom I see on my way to the office every morning. He and I had been just passing each other without any glance for about one year. Surprisingly, a few months ago, I found him in my apartment building manager's office!

Actually he is the new janitor for my apartment. I didn't know that. The next morning, he and I almost passed each other at the same place as usual. I realized it's very difficult to say the words, "Good morning!" that I had never said before to him. This is my "Icebreaker" experience in my daily life.

Now, we say "Morning!" with a smile to each other every morning. Why don't you try using "CC manual skills" in your daily life?

"Well, I'll try CC manual#6 skills on my next date!", or "Advanced manual skills will be more effective for him." and so on.

I am not a Toastmaster fanatic, am I?

Tomoe Tabata

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District 76 Officers

District Governor
Keith Kiichiro Ohmi

**Lieutenant Governor
Education and Training**
Hisashi Watanabe

**Lieutenant Governor
Marketing**
Kiminari Azuma

**Immediate Past
District Governor**
Kazuko Kawauchi

Public Relations Officer
Takayuki Fujiwara

Secretary
Ken Sakamoto

Treasurer
Akihide Inoue