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### From Editor's Desk



Editor
Souvenir – First Anniversary

Publication of souvenir on the eve of an event is always a difficult task taking into consideration the time and other constraints. Particularly it is true when things do not go as planned and especially when one does not find some logistics available at the right point of time. When I volunteered to help publication of the souvenir I did not expect that the situation would compel me to be the Graphics Designer in order to do the designing of the Souvenir Cover as well as the Souvenir Layout with all its inputs, in addition to editing. In absence of our Graphics Designer and considering the costs involved in outsourcing we selected a printing press, which has in-house Graphics Designer. The Manager of the press, a Toastmaster, who has previous experience of printing Toastmasters Souvenir agreed to provide us technical support for cover and the layout design. Unfortunately his Graphics Designer extended his vacation due to his personal exigency that pushed us in a challenging situation. Fallen to such a situation I took the challenge of designing the cover page as well as the overall design of the souvenir by myself, with the capital in hand being my amateurish past experience of design & art. After a painstaking effort I succeeded in finalizing the design of the cover as well as the layout of the souvenir. Two of our Engineers deserve thanks for fine tuning the cover design.

Gathering the raw materials for the souvenir viz. the articles, messages, photos, advertisements etc. in time is another challenging task. Sometimes the task is even daunting when one sees the time running out while a few things yet to be collected.

Despite all the unpredictable impediments came on the way we succeeded in bringing the souvenir to light by virtue of our concerted effort and hard work. Although the whole task was challenging & cumbersome I enjoyed the joy of creation.

I would like to extend my heartiest appreciation and thanks to all who generously contributed their messages, articles and other works that enriched the souvenir. My heartfelt thanks also go to the members of the Souvenir Sub-committee and to those who kind heartedly extended all kinds of support and assistance in publishing the souvenir.

Finally I hope that any mistake, omission or deficiency on our part would be graciously excused by the respected readers.

#### Mohammad Safiullah

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The greatest problem in communication is the illusion that it has been accomplished.

- George Bernard Shaw



Chairman NESMA Holding Co. Ltd.

5<sup>th</sup> May, 2008

I would like to congratulate the Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club on its First Anniversary on the 5<sup>th</sup> of June 2008, in Al Khobar.

Many of our employees who have joined and participated in Toastmasters, have not only improved their communication and leadership skills, but are also more persuasive, friendly and supportive with their colleagues and clients. Their negotiation skills have also improved.

I hope that their membership will continue to grow and their active participation will improve their career prospects. In turn, both the company and the community will benefit from their confident and charismatic leadership and management skills.

Best regards,

Saleh Ali Al-Turki

## **Teamwork**

# Toastmasters Believe in Teamwork



Coming together is a beginning.
Keeping together is progress.
Working together is success.
- Henry Ford



Chief Executive Officer
Nesma & Partners Contracting Co. Ltd.

18 May, 2008

Mr. Oussama Turk President Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club Al Khobar

Dear Oussama,

I am happy to learn that Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club has completed one year and it is going to celebrate it on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2008 at Nesma Village. I wish you all the best and grand success of this celebration.

I have attended some of your toastmasters meetings and found it very stimulating and observed the development of participants to acquire better public speaking ability with ease and eloquence. I have also observed how these meetings enhance development of leadership skills and team work among various participants.

I understand that Toastmaster International is doing an admirable job in developing its members in making them as competent communicator and fearless speakers in public and leadership building. The training also includes humorous speech as I was so happy to learn that you were the Champion of Humorous speech in the Area level and Runner up of the Division level contest. I hope that you will be the World Champion next year.

I also want to see all members of Nesma & Partners and Nesma Trading complete their project assignments and become champions of this District and hopefully World Champions in the future.

Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club will always have my support as I am sure the club is doing a great job in developing the inner talents of our staff members. I also wish to thank the Sponsors and Mentors of this Club, who are also doing a dedicated job to motivate and encourage our members in developing their communication and leadership skills and educating them by way of conducting various Workshops and Seminars.

With best regards,

#### Imad S Gholmieh



Vice President & General Manager

Nesma Trading Co. Ltd.

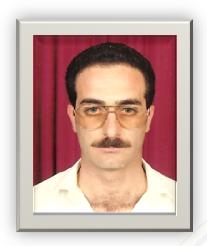
I would like to congratulate the Toastmasters Club of Nesma on their 1st Anniversary, which shall be celebrated on  $5^{\rm th}$  June 2008.

I have been noticing the improvement in the communication and leadership skills of the members, ever since the Toastmasters Club has started its operations within Nesma. Many of our employees who have already joined this club have started to show benefits from the activities of the club. The improvement in the skills of the Toastmasters members is attracting other employees to join the Toastmasters Club.

I hope that the Toastmasters Club Family grows in a commendable way.

Wish you all success.

Dr. Marwan Gholmieh



Chief Operating Officer
Nesma & Partners Contracting Co. Ltd.

Dear Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club Members,

I am delighted to know that Nesma & Partners Toastmasters club is completing one year of existence and you plan to celebrate it in a grand way.

Your collective efforts in improving communication and leadership skills of our employees will not only benefit company, it will make a big difference in their day to day life as well. I wish to see more and more employees joining the club and that is where the executive committee has a big role to play. Nesma & Partners human resources department is all geared up to improve the personality, quality and skills of our employees and close coordination between the club and HRD can dramatize the results in this regard.

My best wishes and support for all the activities your club is undertaking.

Milhim Ghulmiyyah



Lt. Governor – Marketing, District 79

Sponsor – Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club

To: All Toastmasters

Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club

I congratulate Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club for 1<sup>st</sup> year of education. I wish to see speakers go very high to achieve their goals and once in an International Toastmasters Contest. I hope that all the members are committed. It is really a wonderful opportunity for getting trained. Also, Toastmasters is simply amazing and it is a long lasting legacy. I thank Saleh Ali Al Turki for giving his best. You should be proud of being a member of Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club. Through your participation you are improving your communication and leadership skills which in turn will help your personal growth. **Feel** proud to be a Toastmaster.

### Abdulrazaq Ali Alturki