

# Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club

Club # 01014428, Area 60, Division F, District 79, Al Khobar, Saudi Arabia.

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## Nesmanorama



*Excellence is our Passion!*

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### Chief Patron Inspires

I am glad to know that Nesma & Partners Toastmasters Club is going to publish the 1<sup>st</sup> issue of its newsletter. This is another milestone the club has achieved. I am quite impressed the way the club has been marching ahead with the able leadership of its Presidents, TM Oussama Turk in its very first year, then TM Alex Philip in the second year and presently TM Mohammad Safiullah. I have noticed that the members have made a significant improvement in their communication and leadership skills. It is learnt that the club has at present strength of 36 members including those 10 admitted this year. I encourage the EXCOM to raise it to 50 in near future. At the same time I encourage the employees of Nesma to join the club in order to improve their communication skills and enhance their leadership potential.



Publishing newsletter on a quarterly basis would be a great opportunity for the members to showcase their innovative writing ability.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to the Editorial Committee, the EXCOM and the members of the club for their commendable job. I wish the publication of periodic newsletter continues in the years to come.

**Imad S. Gholmieh**  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
**Nesma & Partners Contracting Co.**

### Club President's Corner

It's been a long time since the idea of bringing about the periodic Newsletter of our club was originated. Despite taking all necessary steps we could not bring it into light. At last the moment of joy has arrived. It's a memorable occasion to cherish for long. Once again I had to involve myself in designing the layout of the newsletter and putting the matters in it. I am thankful to the Editor TM Alex Philip and the Sub-Editor TM Afzal for sharing the ideas, editing & reviewing them. I am thankful to the EXCOM and the members in general for their support.

There is nothing like the joy of creation. I enjoyed it thoroughly as usual.

Long live Nesmanorama!

**Mohammad Safiullah**  
**President**

*Excellence is our Passion!*

### Newsletter Editor's Desk

Even though we are a little late in bringing out this newsletter, I take it positively. It is better late than never. When I was assigned this task, I took an immediate step as a challenge to bring out the newsletter of our club. Toastmastering is teamwork with determination and dedication to "Reach out, inspire....the world will follow".

Why we will call it a Newsletter! Why not a different name! The Club President came up with the innovative name "Nesmanorama", a unique one indeed! I am thankful to TM Mohd. Safiullah and TM Afzal Ahmed for their assistance.

Also I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the management of Nesma & Partners for all the support and assistance provided to the Club.

**Alex Philip**  
**Editor**



*"Mohammed Kadri became the Champion in International Speech Contest."*



**Mr. Imad Gholmieh receives a plaque from the Area 60 Governor TM Shaila Koya**



**Mr. Imad Gholmieh, CEO, Nesma & Partners delivering speech**



**The Judges, Chief Judge, Contest Chair & Club President**



**The CEO, Nesma & Partners among the audience while the Contest Chairperson is at the lectern**

## Area 60 Contest 2010

The Area 60 Contest 2010 was held on 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2010 at Rezayat Community Hall, Al Khobar.

The following Toastmasters of our club participated in the said contest:

1. International: Afzal Ahmed Mohd. Kadri
2. Humorous: Afzal Ahmed Ravi Karkera
3. Evaluation: Mohd. Safiullah Ravi Karkera
4. Table Topics: Mohd. Kadri Damodar Kalani

Mohammed Kadri became the Champion in International Speech Contest. He will now represent the Area 60 in the

upcoming Division F Conference 2010 to be held on 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2010 at Dhahran International Hotel, Al Khobar.

Nesma & Partners Contracting Co. was one of the main sponsors of this event. Mr. Imad Gholmieh, Chief Executive Officer attended the function as Guest of Honor. Besides, a good number of our members along with their family also attended the function. Also, some of our members undertook various assignments.

At the end there was a cultural program where the performers mesmerized the audience with music and dance.

## Club's Annual Speech Contest 2010

Club's Annual Speech Contest was held on 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2010 at Nesma Auditorium, Al Khobar.

The following Toastmasters came out as winners:

1. International: Afzal Ahmed – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Mohd. Kadri – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Shekhar Tiwari – 3<sup>rd</sup>
2. Humorous: Afzal Ahmed – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Ravi Karkera – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Ali Al Zabadin – 3<sup>rd</sup>
3. Evaluation: Mohd. Safiullah – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Ravi Karkera – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Ali Al Zabadin – 3<sup>rd</sup>
4. Table Topics: Mohd. Kadri – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Ali Al Zabadin – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Damodar Kalani – 3<sup>rd</sup>

This was the first full-fledged contest ever conducted by the club. The theme of the contest was "Excellence is our Passion".

DTM Lancy D'Souza was the Contest Chairman while TM Feroz Fazal was the Chief Judge.

Mr. Imad Gholmieh, CEO, Nesma & Partners Contracting Co. graced the occasion as the Chief Guest while TM Syed Faizulla, Division F Governor and TM Shaila Koya, Area 60 Governor attended the function as the Guests of Honor.

Senior Managers of Nesma and the senior Toastmasters from various clubs also attended the function.



**Winners along with the Div. F Governor, Area 60 Governor, Chief Judge and Contest Chairperson**

## New Members' Induction Ceremony

The Induction Ceremony of new members was held on 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2010 at Nesma Auditorium. The new members are:

1. Georges Ghazi
2. Romel Jeries
3. Pierre Martinez
4. Abdullah Al Tubayieb
5. Premanandan Kurunthil

The mentors assigned for these new members are:

1. Feroz Fazal
2. Oussama Turk
3. Mohammad Safiullah
4. Ali Al Zabadin
5. Alex Philip

President of the club Mohammad Safiullah conducted the ceremony. Mr. Milhim Ghulmiyyah, Chief Operating Officer, Nesma & Partners Contracting Co. was present as the Guest of Honor. His crisp speech was awe-inspiring for the audience.



The audience



Club President conducting the new members' oath



Mr. Milhim Ghulmiyyah, COO, Nesma & Partners Cont. Co. delivering speech

## Picnic 2010

For the first time the Club's Annual Picnic was held on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2010. It was held in Aziziya Farm House, Al Khobar. The members of the club as well as the senior managers along with their family members attended the picnic.

The participants, including ladies & children, enjoyed a variety of fun throughout the day. This included Dodge Ball, Lemon & Spoon Race, Sack Race, Shot Put, Tug of War, Pass the Cap, Couple's Big Ring, Musical Chair and many others. TM Ravi Karkera conducted the fun session in a lively and entertaining manner. After the fun session prizes were distributed to the winners. Another attraction of the event was Raffle Draw.

The daylong program was followed by a sumptuous dinner at the end.

It was really a wonderful day, filled with fun and joy, to be remembered for long.



## TMI Awards

Our club has achieved, as of April 2010, the **Distinguished Club Award** for the year 2009-2010, for the first time.

We are confident that by the end of June 2010 we shall achieve the **Select Distinguished Club Award**.

## Educational & Other Awards

*Competent Communicator Award (CC):*

1. Oussama Turk
2. Damodar Kalani
3. Alex Philip
4. Ali Al Zabadin

*District 79 Best Title for PR Awards:*

1. Mohammad Safiullah – *Beat the Drum Award*
2. Vasudev Warriar – *Talk of the Town Award*





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**EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE  
(July 2009-June 2010)**

**President:**  
Mohammad Safiullah

**VP - Education:**  
Ravi Karkera

**VP - Membership:**  
Ali Al Zabadin

**VP – Public Relation:**  
Mohamed Kadri

**Secretary:**  
Damodar Kalani

**Treasurer:**  
Mohamed Elsicry

**Sergeant @ Arms:**  
Afzal Ahmed

**Immediate Past  
President:**  
Alex Philip

**EDITORIAL  
COMMITTEE**

Mohd. Safiullah—Chairman  
Alex Philip – Editor  
Afzal Ahmed – Sub-Editor

We'll be on the Web soon!  
See us at:  
[www.nesmapmc.com](http://www.nesmapmc.com)

**Upcoming Events**

1. 30-04-2010 - Division F Conference 2010
2. 04-05-2010 – Area 60 Governor Election
3. 20-05-2010 – Club EXCOM Election
4. 04-06-2010 – Club's 3rd Anniversary Celebration

**Introduction of Annual Awards**

In order to encourage members and recognize the outstanding members the EXCOM of the club has decided to introduce for the first time the following Awards:

1. 100% Attendance Award
2. Toastmaster of the Year Award

The Awards will be distributed at the Anniversary Function every year. Winners will be selected by a Panel formed for this purpose by the EXCOM on the basis of the criteria approved by the EXCOM.

**Funny Examples of Communication**

*Face to face Conversation:*  
Boss - I don't want to see your face again.  
Subordinate - For sure I will cover it next time.

Guest - The pickle is too hot!  
Host - How come! I just brought it out of the fridge!

Boss - Don't let me down.  
Subordinate – You are too heavy Sir!

Father: Try to stand on your feet.  
Son: I am already on my feet like everyone else.

*Telephone Conversation:*  
Father: What are you doing now?  
Son: I am talking to you.

*Telegraph:*  
Sender: WIFE SERIOUS COME SHARP  
Receiver: When she is serious, she is furious too! Better not to go.

*Newspaper Ads:*  
Used Cars: Why go elsewhere to be cheated? Come here first!  
Illiterate? Write today for help.

**Solve these Sudoku Puzzles**

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9	6			1		5		

**About Our Club**

Charter Date: 12<sup>th</sup> June 2007  
Club Type: Corporate Club  
Meeting Frequency: Twice a month  
Meeting Day: Wednesday/ Thursday  
Meeting Time: 12-30 PM to 02-00 PM  
Venue: Nesma Auditorium

Location: Prince Majed Street – Cross 6,  
Al Khobar, Saudi Arabia.

Membership Eligibility: Any employee of Nesma group of companies is eligible to be a member.

Present membership: 36

*Join our club and master the art of communication & leadership skills.*