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Public Works Toastmasters members (from left): Ivan Gerson, Elliot Kim, Irene Moon, Yukari Iwai, Kola Ajibola, Jeanette Smith-Hall, Nisheeth Kakarala, Yvonne Liu, Dominic Buenaventura and Chelsea Li.

### Pioneers' New Leaders

Pioneers Toastmasters selects new officers.

Story by Elliot Kim, Public Works/Engineering: Photo courtesy Pioneers Toastmasters

On Dec. 15, Pioneers Toastmasters members elected recent speech contest winner Dominic Buenaventura and Jeanette C. Hall-

Smith as their new club co-presidents. Dominic and Jeannette will lead 19 new and experienced City Employees at the weekly meetings. The new presidents will use their enthusiasm to draw more members from all of the bureaus of Public Works.

Ivan Gerson, Secretary, and Nisheeth Kakarala, Vice President, will continue in their former positions. As the Sergeant at Arms, Irene Moon Rhyu will help set up each meeting and greet guests. Ivan Gerson will send the minutes out promptly until his term ends, with the other officers, on June 30.

Now in their eighth year, Public Works' Pioneers Toastmasters unit had a successful 2010, hosting two speech contests and adding three new members. The outgoing officers were: Dominic Buenaventura and Jeanette C. Hall-Smith as Co-Presidents; Niseeth Kakarala, as Vice President, Education; Kola Ajibola as Vice President, Membership; Elliot Kim as Vice President, Public Relations; Ivan Gerson as Secretary; Yukari Iwai as Treasurer; and Irene Moon Rhyu as Sergeant at Arms.

Toastmasters is an internationally acclaimed program that helps thousands of members to obtain and hone communication and leadership skills every year.

Everyone is invited to visit and then consider joining the Public Works Pioneers, catch exciting speakers, pick up tips on oral communication and leadership, and build confidence in their next presentation or job interview. The club meets each Wednesday at 12:05 p.m. for approximately 30 minutes in conference room 6004 at the Public Works Building, 1149 S. Broadway in downtown LA.

For more information, contact Elliot Kim, (213) 485-5373, or Dominic Buenaventura, (213) 847-0593.



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