1969 NCTU Alumni Golden Internet Reunion Party

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Introduction

Since this early May some of our alumni have started talking about our 35 years Reunion Party in 2004 after our graduation from NCTU. The opinions of the ways and the place of the reunion have been widely discussed and spread. Las Vegas, Mexico, West Canada/America border, Taiwan, Silicon Valley, Houston, Hawaii, ..., have been proposed as good places. The way to conduct the reunion party has also been fairly touched. It seems that the selection of an appropriate place and way of handling to integrate all or at least the majority of our alumni to the reunion party is quite a hardship. Nevertheless we strongly believe that the brilliant and experienced alumni can resolve the problem properly.

Primary Definitions of 1969 NCTU Alumni Golden Internet Reunion Party

Speaking to the reunion party, in reality our activities will be centered at asking and telling to each other what happened to us in the past after our departure, the current situations, and possibly future plans. In such a large organized party occasion and/or banquet, an individual alumnus may be only able to talk to a limited number of alumni. When farewell time comes again we still do not know the status of most of our alumni. Before the formal reunion party planned and realized, there must be some way to link up the big gaps among us since our last farewell.

A very simple and realistic idea comes to me that we can use the convenient Internet to fill up all gaps after our 34 years departure to get full mutual understanding, which I do believe will also significantly enrich the enjoyment in our current life. For the aforesaid purposes, I’m throwing my Brick to draw your precious Jades (in Chinese: PAU-TSAN-IN-YI 拋磚引玉) and as a stupid bird flies first (BERN NIAU SIEN FEI 笨鳥先飛) by completing and internet-transmitting you herewith my Autobiography to tell you my past history, current development, and future prospects. Hopefully you all alumni will please spare some of your valuable time to do the same for us to firstly realize our reunion happiness mentally before we can substan-
tially arrange and materialize our Reunion Plans we are talking about recently.

Since May 2003, we have been processing the motion to perform the "1969 NCTU Alumni Golden Internet Reunion Party". To do so, each alumnus will please provide his "Brief Autobiography" attached to an email to me. I will then forward his email together with his Attachment of "Brief Autobiography" by my group-name-list mailing mechanism to all alumni (Fresh Alumni Rosters of 1969 EE, PE, and CE are still to be further completed by us jointly). Or the author can transmit his article directly to all alumni in his discretion. The article's names can be "Autobiography", "Brief Autobiography", "Life Outlines/Summary of Mr. XXX", "A Letter to 1969 NCTU Alumni" and so on. There is no limitation of its format or contents. But please be sure not to put anything sensitive relating to your personal legal obligations and rights especially the patents, copyrights, business confidentiality agreements, and etc. into the articles prepared for the Internet Reunion Party. Our final objective may be sometimes when enough Alumni's Articles being collected, we can compile all articles to form a special issue of "Golden Memory of 1969 NCTU Alumni", then print and publish it accordingly. The two names: "1969 NCTU Alumni Golden Internet Reunion Party" and "Golden Memory of 1969 NCTU Alumni" are temporary names pending our majority's adjustment or renaming. Your comments and/or suggestions are heartily welcome and appreciated.

System Requirement

Other than the fundamental set-up for effective and efficient Internet Communications, please install as many as possible the different readers in your P/C. In our Internet Communications we shall have Adobe Reader in addition at least. And we shall also check to insure our P/C Internet Path has been correctly set. For Chinese communications, since the majority Chinese O/S's of most alumni's P/C are of "Chinese Big-5 Encoding", please install Chinese OS in your P/C and be sure to use only the "Big-5" as the only standard to encode/read all your Chinese messages.

Further Definitions to the Golden Internet Reunion Party

In our Internet Reunion Party, we alumni are all equal disregarding the level of our achievements: outstanding or not so outstanding; high society ranking or not so; very knowledgeable or not so; having earned a lot of money or not so; very healthy or not so; having very sweet family or not so; ......

In the school or society, most of us are only the listeners or followers. Only the distinguished figure can be standing on the platform to issue his speech and only a few such persons can be leaders. But in our Internet
Reunion Party we, 1969 NCTU Alumni are all the masters, top rank leaders/managers, and unique/distin-
guished speakers having full supports and appreciations from all of us. Let's open our mind to mutually share
what we have had: good or not so, sweet or not so, successful or not so in the Golden Moment of our Precious
life. Yet it's not my intent to belittle our positive or sunny sides. In fact, all 1969 NCTU Alumni, to my belief,
are all outstanding in their specific career and/or life areas. My intention is just trying to give the definition of
the Internet Party to establish, maintain and continuously improve our mutual encouragement for the active,
willing and thorough participation from all alumni.

Sincere Invitations And Hope

Since the very beginning, I've been using every effort to sincerely, earnestly, cordially, repeatedly invite,
appeal, and even beg our Alumni especially my CE Classmates to participate in this activity. Many of them
have responded quickly, enthusiastically, and very positively considering it as an excellent idea. Up to now,
there are 11 alumni participated and around 13 are on the way. It's the time to let the program fly itself freely
without any more expediting to realize the strong and self-motivated united-spirit of 1969 NCTU Alumni. It
shall not be a composition competition although we are more than happy to enjoy all elegant masterpiece
articles from alumni. To my judgment, more than 30 years' competition/struggling in work/life arenas have
been more than good enough. Therefore we will have exactly the same appreciation and excitements to read
the stories written in plain or spoken language for any kind of life styles.

For many of our alumni in the States who have not installed the Chinese OS in their PC's, the received
chaotic codes for Chinese mailing list are apparent evidences. My proposed temporary solution for Chinese
articles transmission is: Please send your article in Chinese to me for its PDF format transformation before it's
dispatching. However the best solution is that the alumnus whose P/C has no Chinese OS may invest small
money to install the OS with Chinese version as abovementioned to ensure our easy and smooth transmission
for our Chinese communications.

As for the gracefully processing of this program, Pat said, "There is no availability problem, only the
priority issue." The term of priority does represent the value assessment on what to do first. Actually we can
count our life stories and adventures like counting our fingers. It may obviously imply the center of the
problem is merely Time Management. I sincerely suggest that we can use 10–20 minutes in a couple of days
to structure the story then start our writing, every day for one paragraph. After about ten days I believe all our
distinguished alumni who still did not give their articles will certainly be able to present their wonderful stories
as a return after enjoying others' contribution. As slang says that every day has a tomorrow, only when we
can immediately start a work today then we can reach our destination in the target day. I know that many of our respectable alumni are still striving their maximum efforts in their golden harvest time for greater success to better prepare an excellent retirement package for their family and themselves. If so, please take time to complete it within a reasonable time.

**Important!!!**

All our 1969 alumni shall please ethically protect all privacies of our alumni in the Internet Exchanges. No copy, transmission, forwarding, or by means of any other forms shall be applied to release any our information outside of our internet community; or to any person in our community but not in the attention or copy lists, unless the advanced agreement(s) has been rendered by the original author(s).

In our Internet Party, there is no leader yet, every alumnum is the leader!!! It's only my sincere enthusiasm to establish and maintain a convenient and complete communication environment as Alumni Free-Chat Forum. There is neither responsibility/obligation nor task for me in this Internet Matter although I'm more than happy to do anything I can. But I really do not have the responsibility, capability or desire to control or manage the contents and the qualities of the Discussion Forum. Contrarily I have strong confidence that our alumni can handle it very well by ourselves although our interests and life value assessments may widely spread after our long time departure for more than 34 years!

All dear Alumni, let's keep our graceful innocent natures living with and cherishing one another happily even with some sort of differences. In our Alumni Internet Communications, such kinds of emails involving, such as sex or XX-pictures, abuse, slander, rumor, and highly political arguments are not appropriate to be transmitted or spread widely among all alumni. To these, please select only a very narrow group which you have confidence to have no challenge in such kinds of communications.

Thanks and Best Regards!!!

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