

Taiwan Psychology Network Newsletter



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Happy Anniversary to TPN

Let's all sing "Happy Birthday to you! Happy Birthday to you! Happy Birthday to TPN! Happy Birthday to TPN for being **FOUR** years-old!"

It was the summer of 2001, a sizzling hot and steamy one in San Francisco, California. Here, the seed of forming a "home" for a group of Taiwanese psychologists, mental health professionals and graduate students in psychology was planted by Dr. Gisela Lin. A small, make that very small group of people, less than FIVE, applauded for this proposal and devoted themselves to this mission. The passion was heated by the very dazzling summer at Toronto, even though the SARS epidemic was a notable concern for the mental health profession. And, you should not blame that the fever of TPN has been spread out in a radius of hundreds of thousands of miles, from the US mainland to Hawaii and Asia, by the passionate "let's heat it up" spirit with the hula dances at Hawaii.

This year, TPN has claimed her very strong identity with involvement by more than 125 members nationally and internationally. This summer, we, who proudly embrace the TPN identity, will meet in the Capital of the USA to celebrate our flourishing year by running around the conference sites in Washington DC downtown to show our support and love to make the name of the Taiwan Psychology Network family.

We are everywhere at the 2005 APA convention!

RUNNING AROUND?! Yes, I mean "RUNNING AROUND" the APA convention literally, since you might want to show through action your love and support to the numerous outstanding presentations by our members. This 2005 APA year is an abundant year for TPN members. There will be more than 30 paper and poster presentations, and several major activities hosted by our very active and productive family members.

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Get your shoes geared, Mei-Fen, because you might be tired of running around for your presentations. Wei Mei-Feng, an assistant professor who has recently published more than three papers “already,” will have 6 presentations at the APA convention. You might wonder if her two children have ever complained, “Where is Mom?” when their bedtime comes. Mei-Fen is not the only really CRAZY one, Wang Yu-Wei will chair just a couple symposiums and additionally host just another couple meetings under Division 17 to get counseling psychologists to wonder “Who is *this* Yu-Wei?” Oh! Well, here come Choi Chun-Chung, Sheu Hung-Bin, Wang Kenneth, Wang Wei-min, Pang Lan-Sze, Lee Szu-Hui, Hsu Pen-Chen, and Liao Hsin-Ya. All have joined this productive league by having their names all over the big thick program book from APA in honoring TPN.

Why can our TPN members hold such outstanding performances at the APA and the AAPA conventions in the most arm-twisting competition? The answer IS not only the devotion and dedication of these individuals, but also the collective loving spirit of the TPN, the warm and fuzzy family.

We are everywhere across the USA and outside the USA!

Already impressed by the stunning performances by the TPN members at the APA and the AAPA conventions! Please hold your “Wow” just for a

couple more seconds after you continue to discover the positions that have been held by our members across the USA and Asia.

We are everywhere on the earth! When you think of planning a visit across the USA, you sure know whom you should call for a stay, a decent meal, and a big warm hug. Interested in visiting New York City?! Hsu Pei-Chen, a staff psychologist at the Hamilton Madison House will be the one to call for a tour. Thinking of visiting Disney world to fulfill the inner child’s dream?! No problem, staff psychologist at the counseling center at the University of Florida, sure will be happy to let you stay with his family for a couple days. Taipei, Taiwan, San Francisco, Hong Kong, and Illinois. You name the places you want to go, the TPN family will provide you the list of individuals to contact who will make you feel at home all over the earth. I guess that you have been feeling the privilege and the bonus of being a member of the TPN!

We are everywhere in honoring the TPN family!

Sheu Hung-Bin, what an ordinary Taiwanese name. But, he is definitely not an ordinary individual in psychology. As a fourth year graduate student in counseling psychology at the University of Maryland, this year Hung-Bin honored our TPN family with three awards in acknowledging his outstanding performances: the Outstanding Graduate Student Award by the CCPTP (Council of Counseling Psychology Training Programs)(

August 2005); the David B. Hershenson Award in the department of Counseling & Personnel Services; and the Fretz Scientist-Practitioner Award in the Counseling Psychology Program, University of Maryland. Lee Sez-Hui, with her devoted work in teaching and coordinating psychology introductory classes, was honored with the Award of the best teaching assistant at the Ohio State University. Did we tell you the fact that she had to compete with hundreds of TAs at OSU in order to get this exceptional award? OK! OK! We know you have been tired of all these “psychology talks.” It is more like that we TPN members are all about “talk” no “action.” Let’s give you some evidence that our TPN people not only “talk the talk”, but also “ walk the walk.” Lin Shu-Ping claimed our TPN very physical strength in winning the 2005 Ping-Pong Champion title at the Ohio State University. With the gear of Ping-Pong champion, Shu-Ping has also honored our TPN family with the Award of Excellence from Div. 52 for her graduate research work in enhancing international students’ well-being.

Don’t be surprised that these aforementioned honors were just some of the many awards that were obtained by our members in the year of 2005. You will be more stunned once you go into our TPN history book of Honors.

**Oh! Yes!
We are everywhere!**

The summer at the capital city will mark the 4th anniversary of the TPN, and it will also set our milestone for the declaration of our professional identity by honoring our ethnicity identity.

Let's all proudly shout it loud "GO! GO! GO! TPN!" with our very Taiwan spirit. And let people know that *We are everywhere!!! Ψ*

Note 1: please refer to our website for more information regarding the presentations and awards lists.

Note 2: this newsletter was mainly based on the information that has been offered by the members who responded to our inquiries. For the members who also have some outstanding performance, yet did not responded to our inquiries and we did not include your works in this article. We truly in hope of having your work bring to our awareness in the future.

