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# A message from President



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19th May 2012

## CURRENT OFFICIALS

- President: Violet Chan
- Vice President: Michael Liu
- Hon. Secretary: Mei Lam
- Hon. Treasurer: Clement Yapp
- Committee Members:
  - Shirley Wong
  - Michael Mok
  - Alice Crestejo
  - Kalvinder Singh
  - Phillip Lee
  - Sunny Loo
  - Tim Chandra
  - Gian Cunanan
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I cannot believe it is almost a month since I accepted the honour of serving as your President

During this transitional period the executive committee members and myself have been busy. Quality time was invested in planning an exciting and interesting year ahead for the members. Besides the drawing up of the schedule of events for the year, some other ideas have also been initiated.

The strategy is twofold. Everyone knows new blood is vital to healthy circulation. Hence practise M-G-M (member gets member). Then the question arises “Why should I join your club (in a sea of choices)?” It is important for potential members to get a “feel” of the benefits of joining the Club

As major functions are spaced some months apart, therefore If one is unable to attend the event, he/she will eventually lose touch with other members. There is also the problem of mingling at large and formal functions for some members. This is why I have introduced the M-M-M (member meets member) event. These informal but pre-arranged gatherings would enable people to meet in a casual environment. It will be held once a month at various venues and different times. Dates will be notified via email and updated on the web-site ([www.singaporeclub.ca](http://www.singaporeclub.ca)). Some members may prefer an evening of relaxation while some with younger families may like earlier part of the day. VSC Ex-Co members play the role of co-ordinator for all M-M-M events. Food and drinks ordered will be on individual account. I have already scouted out some interesting places.

I take this opportunity to thank all the past Presidents and Ex-Co members for their contribution and services in building the Club. A big “thank you” to all who have generously sponsored the Club and I look forward to your continuous support.

Wishing Everyone A Beautiful Summer.

Violet Chan

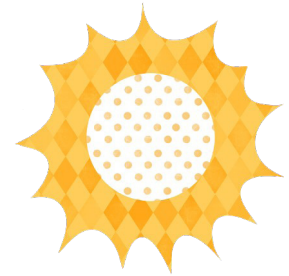
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Vancouver Singapore Club



## VSC's Inaugural MMM Event.....

a celebration of FRIENDSHIP and GOOD TIMES



*"The MMM is a great idea!  
Wonderful way to meet  
friends both old and new"*

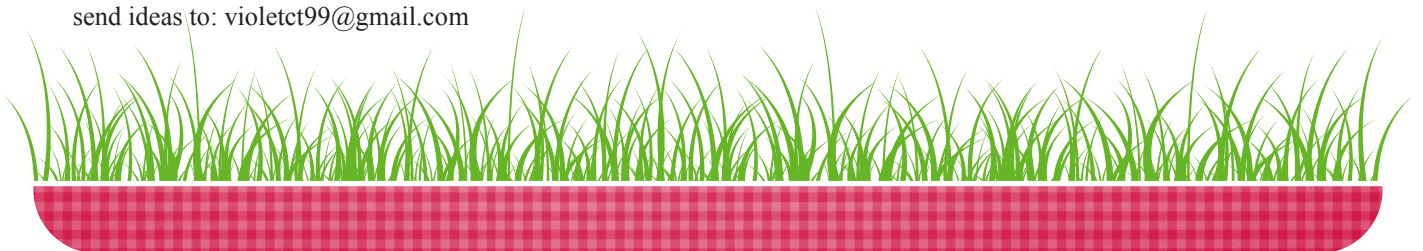
Our Vancouver Singapore Club's first ever Members-Meet-Members event was highly successful with over 30 members attending. Our President, Violet Chan came up with the MMM concept for VSC. The idea came about as a response to the fact that major VSC events are spaced out over the calendar year.

According to Violet...



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We look forward to seeing you in our next MMM! Stay tuned for details...or let us know if you have any ideas. Please send ideas to: [violetct99@gmail.com](mailto:violetct99@gmail.com)







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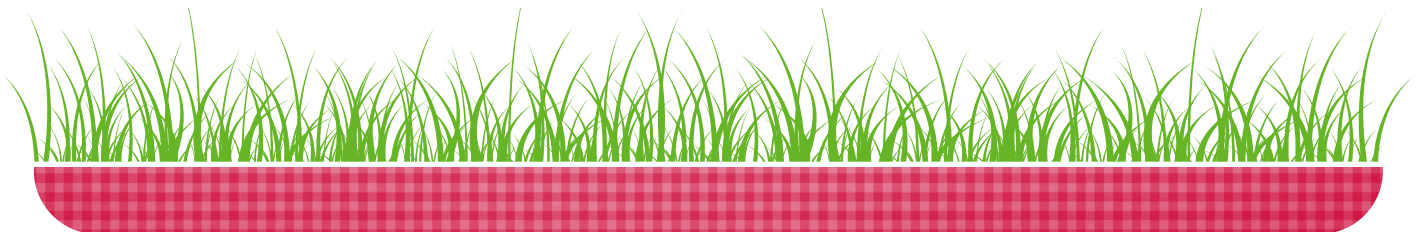
## SINGAPORE'S 47<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL DAY DINNER & DANCE



**Date:** Friday August 10, 2012  
**Time:** 6:30pm to 11:30pm  
**Venue:** Continental Seafood Restaurant  
150-11700 Cambie Road, Richmond  
**Price:** \$42.00 per person/\$420.00 per table of 10 persons

  
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***and a 10 Course Chinese Set Dinner***



# VSC is now on FACEBOOK!

Find us at <http://www.facebook.com/VancouverSingaporeClub>

Come join us on Facebook, sign-in, sign-up, "like" it!!!!

Look for new photos of events and find out about exciting upcoming events.



## MISCELLANEOUS....

### Consul-General for Singapore in Vancouver

The Singapore Government has appointed the new Honorary Consul-General for Singapore in Vancouver.

He is Mr. Terry Salman of Salman Partners,

Consulate-General of the Republic of Singapore in Vancouver  
1095 West Pender Street,  
Suite 1700 (17th Floor)  
Vancouver, BC V6E 2M6  
Tel: 604-685-2450

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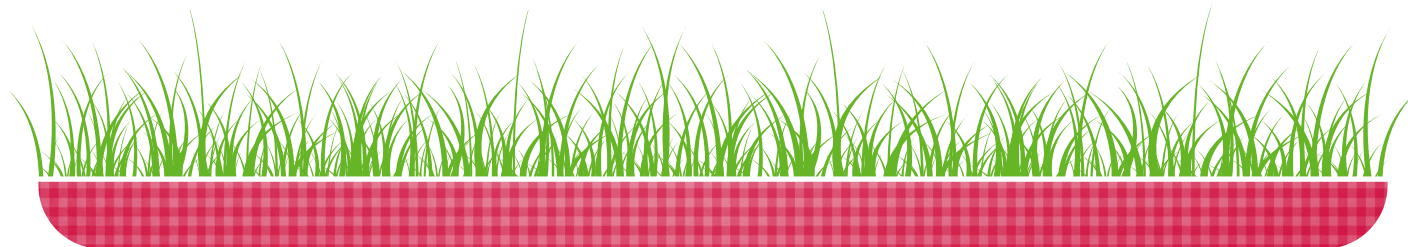
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## Members' Column

### Smartphone, dumb user, connectivity & connectedness

Last Christmas I finally succumbed to all the advertising. I bought a smartphone I did not need but surely wanted. The irony is that it can make one seem stupid. We have come a long way from an age of innocence when a child played telephone using two cans and a connecting cord. The gadget is more accurately a portable computer that performs multi-functions including phone calls.

This has modified much behavior in people. Many have their eyes glued watching a show on YouTube, reading a text or talking via the speakerphone, sometimes while even crossing the road!

Social media has a new "face". Friends can be almost instantaneous. Critics have commented that such networks are basically wide but shallow. Connectivity should not be confused with connectedness. I have a brother whom I love very much. Every now and then I punch in a few numbers and we are talking to each other in real time. Whether listening to his complaints about poor governance or just sharing a joke, it fulfills the longing to be connected and re-connected. We are basically social animals. Vancouver Singapore Club fulfills this very basic human need. From the recently introduced Members-Meet-Members event, the Annual Picnic to the formal sit-down dinner and dance functions, these fulfill real and felt needs for connectedness to the wide world in general and to our community in particular.

I remember when I first met our President. Some people will comment she is personable and some will say they connect with her easily. I call that moment "magic". (Submitted by HS)

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### Objectives of Vancouver-Singapore Club

1. To promote opportunities for members to meet socially and organise cultural and recreational activities.
2. To serve as an informal source of information and advise on doing business, working and living in Vancouver to members and newly-arrived Singaporeans.
3. To organise informal meetings and exchange of views with eminent Singaporeans visiting Vancouver on subjects of general interest.
4. To carry out such other activities which promote the general welfare and interests of the members and the Club as determined by the Executive Committee in a manner which is consistent with the objectives stated above.



### Club Membership

1. Annual Membership: \$25.00 per year
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3. Corporate Membership: \$180.00 per year
4. Student Membership: \$10.00 per year

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**Vancouver BC V5P 2P4 Canada**

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Website: [www.singaporeclub.ca](http://www.singaporeclub.ca)

## MEMBERSHIP – APPLICATION FORM

申請表格 – 入會 / 重新申請

(Please fill in English - 請用英文填寫)

Name 姓名: \_\_\_\_\_ (New 新會員 / Renewal 更新)

Spouse's Name 配偶姓名: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Birth 出生地點: Applicant 申請人 \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse 配偶 \_\_\_\_\_

No. of children 子女數目 (under 18 yrs old 十八歲以下): \_\_\_\_\_

Address 住址: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No. 聯絡電話: Home 住宅 \_\_\_\_\_ Cell 手機 \_\_\_\_\_

Email address 電郵: \_\_\_\_\_

(Strictly for VSC correspondence only 只用於本會通訊)

### Membership Fees 會費

Annual Membership (Period Jan 1 – Dec 31)

☐ General Member (for Individual & Spouse) 普通會員: \$25 per year Cash / Cheque

☐ Life Member (for Individual & Spouse) 終生會員: \$250 one time payment Cash / Cheque

☐ Corporate Member (for Companies & All Legal Entities) 公司會員: \$180.00 per year Cash / Cheque

☐ Student Member (for students in full-time studies) 學生會員: \$10.00 per year Cash / Cheque

Application for membership must be accompanied by cash or cheque made payable to: *Vancouver Singapore Club*

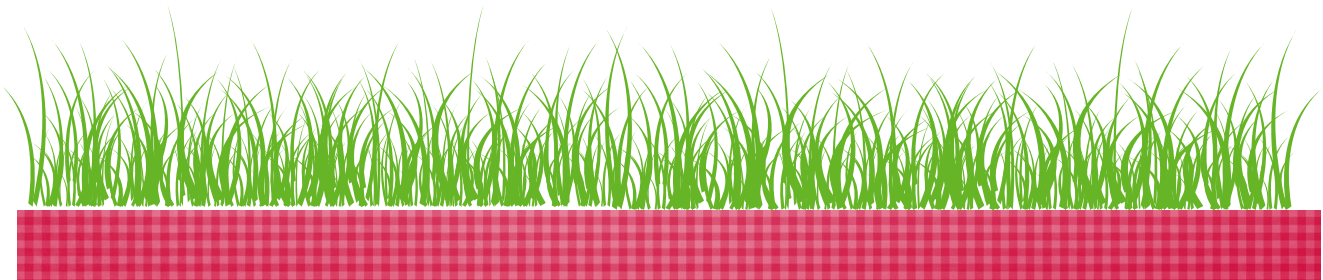
I hereby apply for membership & agree to abide by the rules of VSC:

Signature of Applicant 申請人簽名: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks/Endorsement by VSC: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_





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