Spring is here! Spend it with the DCC!

Join us this spring!

The Daejeon-Chungcheong Chapter has been busy planning events for Spring 2014!

Seoul Chapter Conference Bus Trip (Saturday, March 29th, 2014)
Seoul Chapter consistently puts together a high class conference year after year. The theme of this year’s conference is “Think Global, Teach Local”. Keynote speaker Sandra McKay from the University of Hawaii at Manoa will deliver a talk about globalization, culture, and the EIL pedagogy. There will also be 45 minute regular workshops and Pecha-Kuchas.

As always, DCC will be taking a bus to the conference! For a small fee of W10,000 you can ride the bus with other chapter members to and from the conference. The fee includes snacks and drinks for the trip. You MUST pre-pay for the trip to reserve your seat. Find out more about the trip here: tinyurl.com/2014dccseoulbus . For more information about the conference itself: tinyurl.com/2014seoulcon .

KOTESOL National Conference (Saturday, May 31st, 2014)
KOTESOL’s 2014 National Conference will be held at Kyungpook National University in Daegu. This year’s theme is “Change in the classroom: Principled Pragmatism”. DCC will be taking a bus to this conference as well, with the same fee of W10,000. Again, to reserve a seat on the bus, you MUST pre-pay. More info about the bus trip can be found here: tinyurl.com/2014dccnatconbus . National Conference Information can be found here: koreatesol.org/nc2014 .

Chapter Picnic (Saturday, June 21st, 2014)
We’ll finish spring with our annual chapter picnic! We’re still working on a location, but expect the same fun and friendship of past years! The event page is tinyurl.com/2014dccsummer .

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Bob Massicotte

Meet Bob Massicotte, English Instructor at Woosong University.

How did you first find out about KOTESOL?

In Florida as a music teacher I was a member of FMEA (Florida Music Educators Association) and after some time teaching English in Korea I wondered if there was a similar organization in Korea. A quick Google search brought me to KOTESOL, and just in time for an International Conference. After the conference I was hooked. That was in 2009.

So far, what has been your best experience with the DCC?

My best experience with the DC Chapter was the summer picnic. Good people, good weather, and great food. Everyone was really friendly except for Eric Reynolds who kept squirting me with a water gun.

How do you usually find out about chapter events?

I keep track of chapter events by consulting the card of events that hangs on my refrigerator.

Do you have any suggestions for future events?

As for future events, let's go fishing.

Would you like to be a featured member in a future newsletter? Contact us at daejeon@koreatesol.org

10th Annual Symposium & Thanksgiving Dinner

Educators from around Korea gathered at Woosong University for our 10th Annual Symposium and Thanksgiving Dinner. This year's theme was “CLT Revisited - A Look at the Communicative Classroom”. Our plenary speaker, Dr. Jeon Young-Joo from Mokwon University, spoke about the current situation concerning CLT in Korea. Invited speakers included Dr. Mark Love (Woosong University), Joshua Davies (The LAM Institute), and Matt VanVolkenberg (Gusts of Popular Feelings). In the afternoon we had 19 concurrent sessions taking place. That's a lot of valuable information!

After the symposium the DCC held an ABM in the auditorium of the venue. Along with other things, the results of this year's executive election were announced. New executives include Bryan D’Albey (Daejeon VP), David Devora (Cheonan VP), and Jennifer Brown (Membership Coordinator). Finally, Mike Peacock was announced as the chapter's new president. The ABM was followed by the very popular Thanksgiving Dinner at Solpine Restaurant. A great time was enjoyed by all.

September Conference

Held once again at Sin Yong Elementary School in Cheonan, this year's theme was “Effective English Teaching by Finding Cultural Middle Ground”. Plenary speaker Lynne Kim spoke about her experiences teaching English to Koreans over the past 40 years. Other speakers included Peadar Callaghan (Daegu University), Brian Quirk (Namseoul University), Son, Young Hoon, and Oh, Hee Jeon.

Do you want to join KOTESOL?

Contact our membership coordinator at kotesol.membership.dcc@gmail.com