

# The 21st APCC Invitation Project PA Program Report

July 8th to July 22, 2009

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## 1. Messages from BCIO Head Office

On behalf of BCIO, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for all of your cooperation towards BRIDGE CLUB (BC) activities. We established BRIDGE CLUB International Organization (BCIO) last year, and since then, 9 new BCs have been established in a new place, thanks to the BC members' great efforts. I hope BCs are established in all the APCC participating countries in near future or by the 30<sup>th</sup> APCC Anniversary.

This year, we invited three former PAs (Salman, Karuna, and Colby) as BCIO Head office members on the first attempt and they led the PA program. They did really great job not only during the PA program but also before and after that. We really appreciate their enthusiasm and cooperation. I believe that BCIO is supposed to be run by PAs, not only by Japanese staff. Therefore, I would like to offer the opportunities like this in the future as well.

In this year, we interviewed all the PAs and discussed their problems and how to maintain the strong BC. We also decided 2009-2010 common activity. As for "Visions of Harmony", our 2009-2010 common activity, PAs moved into actions right after the PA program, we have kept receiving the activity reports by them. I am very proud of their energy and I am sure this common activity will be successful. "Visions of Harmony" will take place in Fukuoka during the 22<sup>nd</sup> APCC Invitation Project at the end, please look forward to it.

Lastly, I hope you keep in touch with us, and realize "Respect and Understanding" together.

We are the BRIDGE



**Hitoshi Iwamoto**

Managing Director

BRIDGE CLUB International Organization Head Office

Affiliated to the Asian-Pacific Children's Convention in FUKUOKA

## 2009 BCIO HO Members

### Salman Bari (Bangladesh)

As a head office member of BCIO, I am working on maintaining a strong BC. To operate BCIO with global perspective, the idea and suggestion of multinational BC leaders will help to run BCIO more effectively and expeditiously. We have a long way to go together, with all our BC friends to make our dreams come true. And we have to be positive. I strongly believe, "Positivism can make every heart optimistic, booming, effective and productive".

### Karuna Shrestha (Nepal)

I was selected as a BCIO HO member and had an opportunity to participate the 21st APCC. This time I along with other BCIO HO members had to manage for PA meetings. The PA camp was found to be very motivating and successful. Thus new human resource can be made in future and foster global citizens as envisaged by APCC and BCIO. In the future more PAs' can be motivated to work in BCIO and nurture them to become key persons.

### Colby Rikio Takeda (Hawaii)

A vital key to this success will be the strong connections made with the PA to continue to take advantage of their skills and innovative thinking well beyond the conclusion of the PA camp. I hope to achieve this by involving our PA in committees that address issues and plan projects, continuing to invite HO Members to become effective community mentors, and constantly updating the PA with the overall growth of the organization with the hope that they will reciprocate through empowering their local BC and future leadership. I am deeply excited for the future of the BCIO. Hopes, and activity to expand and improve productivity

## 2. 2009 PA list

Country	Name	Year
HONG KONG (CHINA)	KA WING KYLIE WONG	2002
TAIWAN	CHIEH LIU	2000
SINGAPORE	ADAM ASSIK B. SHAHRIR	1991
PHILIPPINES	ANGELA MARGEAUX ELEPANO TOLENTINO	2002
THAILAND	MOKE PROMMA	1997
MALAYSIA	VISHALINI D/O SELVA KUMAR	1998
MALAYSIA	SHARIFAH AMALINA BINTI SYED ABU HANIFAH	1998
INDONESIA	POETI NAZURA GULFIRA	2001
BANGLADESH	KHAYAM SANU SANDHI	1998
BHUTAN	DECHEN PELDON DORJI	1992
PAKISTAN	USMAN AHMED KHAN	2000
INDIA	ADITYA MAHESHKUMAR RATHI	1999
INDIA	ISHMEET KHURUNA	2001
LAO	KETMANY PHIMMATHATH	2001
NEPAL	SURUCHI BASNET	2001
MONGOLIA	SUNDARYA TUMURBAATAR	1997
SRI LANKA	UDUMANNE THEJAANI PERMILA	2003
AUSTRALIA	LINDSAY ALISON MACKAY	1992
NEW ZEALAND	FIONA JANE SULLIVAN	1999
HAWAII (USA)	SARAH MIEKO TAMASHIRO	2004
FIJI	LOREEN RAJU	1994
KIRIBATI	MITATETI MOTE	1993
VANUATU	JULIE CATHRINE ANDREWS	1989
RUSSIA	GALINA VICKTOROVNA KOSHKINA	1999
MALDIVES	ASIYATH NASOOHA	2000
ATLANTA (USA)	TAMAR LEAH SCHMIDT	2004

### 2009 BCIO Head Office Members

BANGLADESH	SALMAN BARI	1995
NEPAL	KARUNA SHRESTHA	1989

### 2009 BC Establishment Instructor

HAWAII	COLBY TAKEDA	2000
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3. The schedule for the 21st APCC

July	Day	Group A (School)	Group B (Community)	Peace Ambassadors
8	Wed	Arrival/Exchange Camp		
9	Thu			
10	Fri	Exchange Camp	Exchange Camp	Volunteer Activities at Exchange Camp
11	Sat			
12	Sun			Chaperon Excursion(PM)
13	Mon	Meet Host Families / Home Stay (Canceled)	Meet Host Families / Home Stay (Canceled)	PA Camp
14	Tue			
15	Wed			
16	Thu			
17	Fri			
18	Sat	JAs Forum for Energy and Ecology(Canceled) Fukuoka Bayside Circus 2009(Canceled)		
19	Sun			
20	Mon			
21	Tue			
22	Wed	Departure		
23	Thu			
24	Fri			

#### 4. PA Camp Schedule

July 13th, 2009

time	details	PIC	Place
10:00-11:00	Move from Marine House to Global Arena	Ai	Meeting place: Tsudoi
Meeting time: 9:45			
11:00	Arrive at Global Arena		Global Arena
12:00-13:00	Lunch		cafeteria
13:10-14:30	<b>Orientation</b> • Greetings from BCIO Managing Director • Introduce yourselves • instructions • meeting with the PAs from non-BC established countries	Yoshiko Mr. Iwamoto	Lodge C
14:30-14:45	Break		
14:45-15:25	<b>Session① Regarding APCC, BCIO</b> Explanation of APCC, Wing Kids, BRIDGE CLUB Japan	Ai Mr. Iwamoto	Lodge C
15:25-15:45	Break		
15:45-16:30	<b>Session② Responsibilities as a PA</b> Responsibility as a PA, speeches from former PAs	Yoshiko Mr. Iwamoto, Salman, Karuna, Colby	Lodge C
16:30-17:45	Free time		
18:00-19:00	Dinner		cafeteria
19:30-21:00	<b>Session③ Preparation for Exhibition at Fukuoka Bayside Circus</b>	Yoshiko	Lodge C
21:00~	Bath, Free time		

July 14th, 2009

Time	Details	PIC	Place
7:30	Wake up		
8:00-9:00	Breakfast		cafeteria
9:30-12:00	<u>Session④ BC Establishment training</u>	Chairperson : Colby	Lodge C
12:00-13:00	Lunch		cafeteria
13:30-15:00	<u>Session⑤ "How to maintain a strong BC"</u>	Chairperson : Salman	Lodge C
15:00-16:00	Break		
16:00-17:30	<u>Session⑥ Regarding BCIO</u> Role of BCIO/BC General meeting of BCIO in different countries	Tama Mr. Iwamoto	Lodge C
18:00-19:00	Dinner		cafeteria
19:30-20:30	<u>Session⑦ BCIO Web/BC Friends</u> "How to get in touch with former JAs"	Chairperson: Colby	Lodge C
20:30~	Bath, Free time		

July 15th, 2009

Time	Details	PIC	Place
7:30	Wake up		
8:00-9:00	Breakfast		cafeteria
9:30-12:00	<u>Session⑧ Common Activity</u>	Chairperson: Karuna	Lodge C
12:00-13:00	Lunch		cafeteria
13:30-14:30	<u>Summary</u> comment for PA program Time schedule for Meeting your hostfamilies, FUKUOKA Bayside circus (Performance Event)	Yoshiko Mr. Iwamoto Tama Kumiko	Lodge C



## 5. 1) Program in the Marine House

### ① Volunteer Work

Date : July 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

All Peace Ambassador(PA)s have done the volunteer work with Japanese volunteers during the exchange camp. The objectives of doing volunteer work in Marine House and what kind of works PAs did were as below.

#### Objectives

1. To take care of Junior Ambassador(JA)s during the exchange camp and lead them to have a great experience, so that they can make the best use of it in the future like you.
2. To realize that a lot of Japanese volunteers made great efforts for you when you were JAs and by knowing it , to motivate yourselves more for your future BRIDGE CLUB(BC) activities.
3. To be an ideal person for JAs and to make them feel like they want to come back to Fukuoka again as a PA. To let the JAs from non BC established countries/regions know about PAs, because they don't have an opportunity to communicate with PAs in their countries/regions.
4. To stimulate JAs by letting them know that there are other PAs from different countries.

#### Works

- \* Take care of JAs,
  - paying attention to where they are to keep away from them any injuries and accidents, helping them to interact with others from different countries
- \* Communicate with them
- \* Lead them to follow the schedule
- \* Help their meals,
  - e.g. setting table, serving water, dividing the meals

### ② Interview by the BCIOHO members

Date : July 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

Interviewer : BCIO HO members of 2009

Salman Bari, PA from Bangladesh

Karuna Shrestha, PA from Nepal

Salman and Karuna had the 30minutes interview as senior PAs to all new PAs to know their problems or difficulties in their BCs and gave advice, and they continue to help them to solve the problems even after going back to their countries through exchanging emails. BCIO Head Office got the report about this from Salman, and we will try our best to improve the situation.

### ③ Introduction of BC

Date : July 12th

The BCIO HO introduced what the BC is at Play hall, in the Marine house.

It was for the purpose of giving more information of BC to all the JAs, especially from non-BC established countries.

--- Participants ---

JAs, PAs, Chaperons

--- Program ---

Video Show "Introduction of BC"

What BC is, Objectives of BC, BC established countries

Introduction of BC activities in several counties and so on.

Announcement of the result of 2008-2009 Common Activity "100,000 Smiles"

Please check the detailed information on the BCIO website.

Presentation of the BCIO affiliation certificate

Mr. Iwamoto, the BCIO Managing Director, presented the certificate to each PA whose BC affiliated to the BCIO with participants' applause and pictures were taken.

We heard JAs were talking that "I want to be a PA in the future !" during this meeting.

#### ④ PA/Chaperon Meeting

Information of H1N1, introducing APCC Vision, explanation of Mission Project 2010 questionnaire

### 5. 2) PA Camp in the Global Arena

Date : July 13<sup>th</sup>

#### Orientation

At first, there was a greeting from Mr. Iwamoto, BCIO Managing Director, and he talked the objectives of this camp and then, we all introduced ourselves.

Also we had a small conference with PAs from non-BC established countries about their problems and difficulties to set up a BC in their countries.

#### Session1: Regarding APCC/BCIO

We watched a video "Fan Fun", this is the video to show how APCC started in 1989. The PAs understood that there were a lot of problems and difficulties to carry out the very first Invitation Project at that time, but finally, it succeeded by many people's effort, like many supporters and volunteers. Then, the BCIO HO made a brief remark about the whole of APCC and BCIO with the chart of organization.

#### Session2: Responsibilities as a PA

The BCIO HO had sent "Peace Ambassador Invitation Agreement" to PAs before finalizing the selection, asked them to read carefully and signature it. It was as below.

To: BCIO HO

1. I will do my best to establish a new BC or strengthen the BC in my country/region, which meets the above criteria without neglecting any necessary preparation or action.
2. I will stay in my home country and continue to participate in BC activities at least ONE YEAR after the APCC Invitation Project. I will be a President or a leader to take the initiative in establishing / leading a BC.

3. I will inform other members (liaison officer, former JAs, etc.) of items decided during the PA Camp and take the lead in conducting BC common activities.
4. I will keep in contact with other PAs, BCs and BCIO Head Office members actively before and after the invitation, and will reply to E-mails from the BCIO Head Office by the designated deadlines.
5. I will actively report to the BCIO Head Office on BC activities in my home country after returning home.

It was to make PA's role and mission clear and lead PAs to continue BC activities, after going back to their countries. We confirmed again these items together during the session, had the group discussion about what they should do for fulfill their responsibilities and each group leader presented their opinions.

### **Session3: Preparation for Exhibition at the JA Performance Event (Fukuoka Bayside circus 2009)**

All PAs made posters to introduce their BC activities, or what they did as 2009 PA, or their future BC activity plans for BCIO Exhibition at JA Performance Event. All participants were well-prepared, we had wonderful posters finally.

Unfortunately, JA Performance Event was canceled due to the H1N1 flu. However, thinking highly of their contribution to this plan, BCIO HO decided to do the followings;

- Taking pictures of all posters and distributed the data (copy) to PAs.
- updating those pictures on BCIO website.
- having any exhibition with the posters.

Date : July14<sup>th</sup>

### **Session4: BC Establishment training**

Reported By Colby Takeda

This year, nine Peace Ambassadors, from countries without an established BRIDGE CLUB, joined PA Camp 2009. They represented Thailand, Singapore, Philippines, New Zealand, Maldives, Laos, Fiji, and Atlanta. As we strive towards the dream of having established BRIDGE CLUBs in all of the APCC participating countries, it was our immediate goal to help these PA establish a BC for their country.

After successfully establishing a BRIDGE CLUB in Hawaii in 2008, I was my honor to return to Fukuoka to share the steps that BCH took in its formation. I created a BRIDE CLUB Establishment Packet with resources, helpful tips, and examples for each PA to refer back to (a condense version can be found on the BCIO website). At PA Camp, it was my objective to help others garner a better understanding of the BC network, breakdown the steps to BC establishment, and augment their enthusiasm. Following my PowerPoint presentation regarding BC Establishment, I opened up discussion for the PA to ask questions, give suggestions and help each other overcome problematic situations. For those PA who represented established BCs, this was an opportunity to learn about other clubs, gain ideas for future events, and represent their own BC by sharing their stories and experiences for others to benefit from.

I also met with every PA from non-BC established countries and devised a plan for them to organize their BC establishment. I will continue to monitor their progress, serve as a mentor and resource, and motivate them until new BRIDGE CLUBS are formed. We all can look forward to seeing many more BC being established in the near future, as we will not cease our efforts until all APCC-participating countries are represented by thriving BRIDGE CLUBS.

For more information about BC Establishment, please contact Colby Takeda at [colby41@gmail.com](mailto:colby41@gmail.com).

## **Session5: How to maintain a strong BC**

Reported by Salman Bari

### Introduction

On the 20<sup>th</sup> APCC 2008, the executive members, Peace Ambassadors from 22 countries and regions decided to establish "BRIDGE CLUB International Organization (BCIO)" with an aim to further accelerate the set up of BCs in currently non-BC countries and regions and enhance the building of networks between existing BCs. BCIO is committed to improve and vitalize BRIDGE projects and bring together the capacities of each BC to produce concrete results toward fostering real global citizens. And also strengthen the BC Network with the use of love, hope and congenial understanding in order to maintain a strong BC.

That's why this year on the occasion of 21<sup>st</sup> APCC 2009; BCIO has invited me as a Head Office Member to work on "*How to maintain a Strong BC*". After commencing and coordinating the 1<sup>st</sup> Inter BC Exchange Project'06 in the history of APCC successfully, it was my 2<sup>nd</sup> huge mission to accomplish. Before the convention, all the Peace Ambassadors from different countries sent the checklists to BCIO regarding on BC Strength. And during 21<sup>st</sup> APCC, we got lots of positive ideas and opinions from PA interviews and discussions. We had worked a lot on that and discussed about the prospects, problems, expectations of BC and the possible solutions.

Our prime objective was positively motivating the fresh PAs. During PA Program in Global Arena, "*Group Dialogue*" was very much crucial and we had emphasized on that. Also "*Person to Person Interview*" was there so that everyone could participate and experience the already launched BC formation. It helped us a lot to know their current BC circumstance and position. We had noted down these and developed a detailed "*Suggestion Package*" by which we need to work for long time. I believe, the solution of the problem should be sustainable and effectual so that we can make something fruitful. A success doesn't come in short time. Abundant effort, diligence, sacrifice and commitment make something credible and flourishing.

### Anticipated Action Plans & Ideas

After going through to all the checklists and having lots of discussion and interview with the Peace Ambassadors, so many optimistic and enthusiastic ideas and opinions have come out. Also I have shared my personal opinions and experience with them. It's very good to see that all the BCs are positively thinking of maintaining a strong BC. Here are the summarized key points,

- Aware JAs of their duties as BC member during APCC.
- Update JA/PA contact lists of each and every BC.

- Prepare a local BC mailing list with members' email address and develop fellowship in between them by exchanging mails.
- Necessary to maintain BC membership strongly.
- Organize local BC activities regularly with the JAs including their friends and families.
- Hold regular BC get together or parties and develop fellowship.
- Create public awareness on APCC, BCIO and Local BC and integrate them as BC friends and families.
- Create branches in different zones and states under the supervision of central BC and develop membership using it.
- Encourage new candidates for Peace Ambassador.
- Keep a strong connection with Liaison Office and try to overcome entire crisis with LO if any.
- For complete guidance, APCC and BCIO need to publish a formal strict complete guideline for Liaison Office and Bridge Club so that they can understand the importance of Bridge Club, APCC and BCIO.
- Encourage all the APCC participants to use social network like Facebook, Hi5, Social Networking Service (SNS) etc. it will be very easy to keep in touch with Local and Overseas BCs.
- Employ some devoted and dedicated overseas members by BCIO from different BCs permanently so that they can work on that under BCIO and develop some fruitful steps towards maintaining a strong BC.
- Try to spread the BC Network to Non APCC Participants so that we can have some more manpower and promote our aims and objectives swiftly. But it will depend on the BC whether they need it or not.
- Be positive and make someone positive.

According to my perception, we need to work on the following activities for at least *one year or more* if we really want to make a sustainable and effectual BC Network. We who are the ex-PAs has already been committed and motivated towards APCC and Bridge Clubs Goal. A positive mind can be created when another positive mind assists him. So according to my notion, our primary target should be "*Be Positive & Plow Someone Positive*". We have lost many people to our road to "*Peace and coexistence*" as because of they became de motivated. They have lost because they didn't have the right spirit and positive approach. So it's the time for us to turn our upcoming JAs and PAs to positive by keep enduring the counseling. If we can turn 60% of them to be positive in their attitude and behavior, we will get some dynamic BC Leaders in prospect those are capable of taking significant decision making. I strongly believe, "*Positivism can make every heart optimistic, booming, effective and productive*".

#### **Session6: Regarding BCIO and BCIO General Meeting**

---Regarding BCIO---

We made sure once again the detail of BCIO, its objectives, affiliation system, affiliation conditions and about BCIO HO while checking the material together.

---Regarding BCIO General Meeting---

BCIO HO has proposed to hold BCIO general meeting in the country other than Japan in the future before the PA camp. That was as below.

### **Background of proposal**

BCIO HO / APCC has invited PAs to bring up leaders for establishing a BC in non- BC established countries or to bring up active members in each BC established countries. We put emphasis on BC establishment in all APCC participated countries and consolidating the foundation of each BCs to maintain it. In addition, BCIO HO needs to promote the affiliation of BCIO and to make BCIO much progress as an upper - level organization to support each BCs. Also we think BCIO should be run by PAs not only Japanese members in the future. Therefore, we think it is important to hold a BCIO general meeting in a country except Japan.

### **Objectives**

- 1.To strengthen the relationship among the leaders in each BCs
- 2.To strengthen the BCIO network
- 3.To enhance the sense of being one of the BCIO
- 4.To share the information of BCIO
- 5.To make a plan of BCIO affiliated countries' project

### **Time**

In the near future

### **Place**

BCIO HO select

\*Receive applications for host country of the BCIO General Meeting

\*Select one country

### **Participating Countries & Members**

Several members in each BCIO Affiliated countries

BCIO HO has asked each PA or BC to consider this to give some opinions to BCIO HO before the PA camp. Most of opinions were affirmative and in fact, PAs were positive to have this meeting in their countries in near future.

In the BCIO General Meeting session at the camp, BCIO HO collected opinions from 2009 PAs. We need to consider many things, such as host country, budget, participants, time, agenda, and do forth.

### **Opinions:**

#### Objective

Some PAs asked the difference between annual PA camp and the general meeting.

They felt that the most important thing is the objective to hold the General Meeting.

#### Time to hold the meeting

In some opinions, it should be held in the beginning of the year – January or February, for 3-5 days. There was also an opinion that we should hold such meeting regularly.

### Place (country) to hold and Cost

This depends on the situation of the host country...climate, safety, accommodation fee, transportation fee, the venue, and so on. Accommodation cost can be reduced by home staying, and we have to consider lots of elements to realize this general meeting, including fund raising. Some PAs suggested that all BC should work on the fund raising program and help each other.

### Agenda

Some ideas were proposed during the PA camp.

- Discuss social issues (ex. Deforestation, world peace, pollution, global warming)
- Community visit
- Invite experts for leadership development
- Cultural Exchange
- Meeting past JAs
- Do some project in the host country

### PA's Opinions:

- \* Participants should be core members of each BC.
- \* Participants of PA camp is limited. Therefore, it will be good to invite BC members who could not participate PA camp in the past.

BCIO HO will consider these opinions carefully and make utmost efforts to realize this meeting.

### **Session7: BCIO Website/BC Friends**

Reported By Colby Takeda

This session began with an explanation and purpose of BCfriends, the Social Networking Service (SNS) for former participants of the Asian-Pacific Children's Convention. While this online network is a great communication tool, technical difficulties with the website, cosmetic discrepancies, and lack of publicity cause BCfriends to be under utilized. The goal of this discussion was to discuss these issues and devise a plan to fix it.

After much open dialogue, we formed a small committee of PA who will continue to investigate the problems of the BCfriends website, and work to improve its ease of use, awareness, and visual aesthetics. We plan to re-launch the site in 2010 while changing the way it is integrated into the APCC exchange camp. We will also make a strong effort to reestablish ties with the thousands of former participants who have since been disconnected with the program.

For questions or comments regarding the renovation of BCfriends, please contact Colby Takeda at [colby41@gmail.com](mailto:colby41@gmail.com).

## **Session8: Common Activity**

Reported by Karuna Shrestha

### **Introduction:**

Prior to the 2009 Peace Ambassador (PA) camp, all attending PAs shared their suggestions for new Common Activity. After many discussions and homework BCIO selected one idea from all the ideas submitted to BCIO for common activity. During the PA camp, on July 15 2009, BCIO presented one proposal for "Common activity 2009". It was collectively discussed and decided that "Visions of Harmony" would be the Common Activity for 2009.

The members of BRIDGE CLUB have a common dream to achieve "*Peace and Co-existence*" throughout the world by promoting "*respect and understanding*" amongst all people. BRIDGE CLUB members also strive towards a strong network of "*Global Citizens*" free from religious, political and economic constraints. To promote this dream, we launched our "Visions of Harmony" as the BCIO common activity for 2009-2010, sharing our cultures and the APCC experience with people around the world.

### **Objectives:**

1. To share our cultures with the people around the world.
2. To share our experiences as a JA, PA in APCC with the people around the world.
3. To make aware to people about APCC, BCIO and BCs'.

### **Procedure:**

This is a photo exhibition that will travel to the 24 countries/regions that participated in PA camp 2009 to share their country's beauty, local culture and the experience of JAs at the Asian-Pacific Children's Convention (APCC) with people around the world. Beginning in August of 2009, "Visions of Harmony" will begin its year long journey until reaching its final destination, Fukuoka, Japan for the 22<sup>nd</sup> APCC.

- Each of the participating countries/regions in PA Camp 2009 sent in three photos (one to satisfy each of the following three categories: country's culture, nature and APCC experience) for this exhibition.
- Two identical exhibitions were made and the countries/regions were divided into two groups, Crane group & Panda group, to decide which of the two exhibitions they would showcase.
- Each country/region will hold an exhibition to display the 72 photos and share about the APCC, BCIO and BC.
- The two "Visions of Harmony" exhibitions will move from country to country, according to the exhibition schedule, and conclude their journey at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Asian-Pacific Children's Convention in Fukuoka, Japan in July of 2010.



**Exhibition Schedule:**

Crane Group	Panda Group	Approximate date
Hawaii	Hong Kong	August, 2009
Atlanta	Laos	September, 2009
Fiji	Thailand	October, 2009
Kiribati	Sri Lanka	November, 2009
Vanuatu	Maldives	November-December, 2009
New Zealand	India	December, 2009
Australia	Pakistan	January, 2010
Indonesia	Nepal	February, 2010
Singapore	Bangladesh	March, 2010
Malaysia	Bhutan	April, 2010
Philippines	Mongolia	April-May, 2010
Taiwan	Russia	May-June, 2010
Japan	June-July, 2010	

**Excerpt of ideas from 2009 PAs':**

- Photo exhibition is a very good suggestion where we can pass the exhibition therefore the non BC countries could also take part & will also be motivated by this exhibition.
- As our dream is to establishing Peace & Bridge over the world, we can re-establish the dream by holding an exhibition. The process will go on and end at 22nd APCC on a final exhibition
- To make project on Ecology i.e. 'BRIDGE CLUB GREENERY.
- To progress the BC Friends Social Networking Service
- To organize Culture Research Competition.
- To organize information exchange program between young people by BCIO network.
- Send BC/APCC postcards and distribute car stickers to people around the country including non BC members in order to promote APCC and country's BC to more people.
- All BRIDGE CLUBs should film their BRIDGE CLUBs doing some of activities.
- Encourage more numbers of people to involve in BRIDGE CLUB activities by organizing letter exchange program, BC exchange program, live video conversation, online gathering between BCs', former PAs, JAs' and interested persons in BCs'.
- Organize video conferencing with at least one other BC in the coming year.

# ♪ We are the BRIDGE ♪

この広い世界 両手をひろげて  
そっと笑顔でつつもう  
心に国境はない

手をつないだら いっしょに歩き出そう  
誰もみんな きっと素晴らしい  
翼を持ってるから

※ We are the BRIDGE 心と心を  
希望の橋でつなぐ  
夢を追いかけて  
立ち止まらないで  
明日が待っている  
We are the BRIDGE みんなの笑顔が  
輝く虹に変わり  
胸にあふれてる  
夢は必ず叶うよ  
信じていて

悲しい時でも ひとりきりじゃない  
そばに仲間がいること  
いつでも忘れないでね

見上げてごらん 夜空に光る星が  
どんなときも 僕たちの未来  
明るく照らしている

We are the BRIDGE みんなの笑顔が  
輝く虹に変わり  
胸にあふれてる  
夢は必ず叶うよ  
信じていて

たとえ言葉が違って  
同じほし(地球)の仲間  
さあ 手をとりあって歌おうよ  
願いはひとつ・・・

※ 繰り返し

胸にあふれてる  
夢は必ず叶うよ  
信じていて

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Sometimes  
It's hard to make a friend  
We talk  
But words keep us apart  
But with hope  
And Love and understanding  
We find we speak  
The same language in our hearts

This world has room for us all  
And we could be one happy family  
So let's stand hand in hand  
And sing our song together  
And we can make it better  
Wait and see

\* We are the BRIDGE of love  
From heart to heart  
We have a dream  
For everyone to share  
All our tomorrows bright and new  
Starting here and now, me and you  
The bridge we build  
Will take us there  
\*\* We are the BRIDGE of love  
From friend to friend  
A rainbow bright  
When all the rain is through  
And if we listen to our hearts  
Keep our eyes upon a star  
Then someday soon  
All our dreams will come true

Sometimes  
The road may seem so long  
We walk  
But there's so far to go  
But each step  
Will take us that much closer  
So don't give up  
We'll be there before you know

This world is home for us all  
And we could be one happy family  
So let's stand hand in hand  
And join our hearts together  
And we can make it better  
Wait and see

\*\* Repeat

And when we're lonely  
And we feel a little lost  
If we just care for one another  
You know there are no fences  
And no borders we can't cross  
When we are joined together

\* Repeat  
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# We are the BRIDGE

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この広い世界 両手をひろげて  
 手と手をつなぎあわせ  
 心と心をつなぐ  
  
 手をだしてはるばる  
 手と手をつなぎあわせ  
 心と心をつなぐ  
  
 We are the BRIDGE 心をつなぐ  
 希望の架け橋  
 手と手をつなぎあわせ



But there's so far to go  
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We are the BRIDGE みんなの笑顔が  
 架け橋に  
 つなぐ  
 手と手をつなぎあわせ  
 心と心をつなぐ  
  
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 手と手をつなぎあわせ  
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