

JA AP WORKS

January 2017

Message from Vivian Lau, President of JA Asia Pacific

With Lunar New Year just round the corner, I would like to wish everyone a healthy and prosperous year of the Rooster!

2017 took off with a flying start with the honor and pleasure to share JA Asia Pacific updates with the JA China team at JA China's annual retreat and dinner event held in Hong Kong in early January. Heartful appreciation to a great team that has developed millions of young leaders in the last 24 years. Congratulations to Celia Wang; Shelley Zheng; and Sun Zhong for 5 years of dedicated service and Judy Wu for 10 years of dedicated service with JA China.



Please join me in welcoming Mr. Garrick Lau in the JA network family as Deputy CEO for JA Hong Kong, effective January 3, 2017. Please find out more about Garrick in the JA People section of this newsletter. In addition, we are proud to feature Ghea in the JA Story section – An outstanding JA Alumna from Indonesia, Ghea is selected as one of the JA Alumni to be featured in the JA Worldwide 100 lives campaign.

Looking ahead, I look forward to our first 2017 JA AP SLT meeting on Thursday, February 23, 2017 in Tokyo, Japan. I would like to thank JA Japan for their hospitality to not only host the 2017 JA AP COY, but also to host the JA AP SLT meeting in their office and to show us their Student City and Finance Park. We are in the process of developing the agenda for the meeting. If you have any items that you would like to include in the agenda, please kindly let us know by January 27.

As a heads-up for the next JA AP WORKS, we will be featuring the many exciting and memorable moments from the JA AP COY competitions in February; as well as sharing

highlights of the updates from the JA Worldwide/INJAZ Al-Arab joint board meeting in Doha and the JA AP SLT and board meeting in Tokyo.

Let's continue to work together to inspire and empower our future leaders. Look forward to meeting many of you at the JA AP COY event and meetings in February very soon!

The JA Story

Get to know Ghea – one of the proud JA Alumni from Prestasi Junior Indonesia (PJI)



About Ghea

- Full name: Nyi Mas Gianti Bingah Erbiana
- Commonly known as: Ghea.
- Selected as one of the JA Alumni to be featured in the JA Worldwide 100 lives campaign.
- Currently on study leave from PT Krama Yudha Ratu Motor (Mitsubishi Vehicle Assembling Company) in Indonesia, where she serves as Legal Head and Compliance Secretary
- Pursuing master of law (LL.M) at University of California, Davis.
- Will be working in Mitsubishi International Corporation in New York after graduation.

When asked why law in business? Ghea responded:

Getting a law degree and specializing in business and commercial law has been one of my dream. It started to grow since my involvement in JA Company Program with PJI. Since then, I have found a strong connection between business and law. I have learnt that a company is not just about profit but should be an agent of change that promotes ethical behavior and social awareness through its product and social activities. Therefore, in creating such goal, law provides tools in the form of rules and regulation (code of conduct) that has to be respected by the business players.

Sharing her student company experience with PJI...

I joined the student company CEPot'S in 2004 as financial staff in the Department of Finance, and subsequently became President in the following year. During my term of service as President, we have succeeded earning more than 100% profit. Participating in the National Business Simulation, we could not conduct export due to technical problem. We replaced the export activity by creating new opportunities that not only earn profit, but also unleashed our creativities. We produced new products such as fresh nuggets to be sold to the community and held event called "Kebun (Kreativity Ibu dan Anak)" or creativity for Mothers and Children - where we combined the event by holding cooking demo and bazaar for the mothers and drawing competitions for children. Participated by hundreds of participants, the event was extremely successful and became an annual activity of CEPot'S.

PJI's company program impact on Ghea:

The experience gained from PJI's company program has influenced me both professionally and personally. For the first time, I have learnt about leadership and professionalism, which was reflected on the organization's activity. The best moment I had was when I needed to decide alternative solutions as replacement to the failing export activity. At that time, I needed to decide immediately the resource of earning for the company. After discussing with the team, I took the risk by creating an innovative event that was so well received that it became a recurring event of the company since then.

The experience and achievement from the program had also enabled an invitation to law school from the Faculty of Law of University of Indonesia.

Ghea's dreams and aspirations

I have a huge dream of creating a good place for everyone to work, creating not only good products but also good people. I strive to contribute more in the development of law business and ethical management. As we know that we spend more time in office every day, creating convenience and respectful place to work is a must because it will directly influence people's behavior socially. I also have a passion in writing and hope to write a book to share my idea about ethical business and social issue with many others. My love for children and education is also driving my plan to building a kindergarten or pre-school in the future, so I can educate the young generation with what I have learnt at t early ages.

JA alumni know that JA programs empower students to make the connection between what they learn in school and how it can be applied in the real world. Alumni can become powerful, passionate community JA supporters - they can support JA as volunteers, mentors, judges, board members, or as financial contributors. After all, who are better to speak about the importance of JA than those who have put lessons to work for actual results?

Please visit www.jaasiapacific.org to register as JA Alumni and for more information on volunteering opportunities in the Asia Pacific region.

#JAAPAlumni

Regional Initiatives, Programs, and Events

Counting down - 2017 JA Asia Pacific Company of the Year Competition (JA AP COY) is happening in less than 4 weeks' time!



JA Asia Pacific is proud to announce that the 7th JA AP COY competition in Tokyo is going to be the largest representation since the competition started in 2011!

This year marks the 7th JA AP COY competition, there will be 76 students representing 19 student companies from 13 locations participating in the competition. The student companies are coming from 13 JA locations: Brunei, China, Guam, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

With the dedicated support from our event host JA Japan, we look forward to an enjoyable and fun learning experience in Tokyo.

Bloomberg Scholars Program

Exciting scholarship opportunity offered by Bloomberg for JA students!



The Bloomberg Startup Scholarship is offered to high achieving, needs-based students to help in the cost of attending top colleges and universities.

The scholarship will award up to \$5,000 USD per year to high-achieving students affiliated with JA, who plan to attend university, vocational or polytechnic school anywhere across the globe no later than January 2018.

The program is open for applications from January 2017 through March 2, 2017. As part of the application, students will provide the contact information for their JA local office, who will receive an electronic link to submit their nomination. The application process closes on March 2nd and the students will be notified in late April.

We encourage students to apply who ...

- Are high-achieving low- to moderate- income students
- Current JA students or JA Alumni
- Are in the final year of upper (higher) secondary school
- Plan to enroll in full-time undergraduate study at university, vocational or polytechnic school no later than January 2018

The program is now open! Please share and promote this scholarship opportunity with your network of students locally! More details about the scholarship program, eligibility rules, and selection criteria can be found at www.scholarsapply.org/bloomberg/

Please contact [Winnie Ho](#) in JA Asia Pacific should you have any questions about the program or application process.

JA Marketing & Branding

**ONE VISION.
ONE BRAND.
ONE IDENTITY.**

Branding

At JA, we work hard to unleash the power of the network. Aligning the JA brand and visual identity across our digital and print communications platform is one of the first, yet very important task for all JA members globally. Please contact [Winnie Ho](#) directly should you have any questions or doubts about the JA logo or visuals adopted in your local collateral materials and digital platforms.

Please find click to download the latest [JA AP fact sheet](#) and [JA AP Overview PowerPoint deck](#) for reference and use locally.

Introducing Garrick Lau, Deputy CEO of JA Hong Kong



Garrick has been a keen supporter for JA Hong Kong through volunteering for JA programs since 2014. He has been a speaker for various JA programs including JA Dialogue with Gen Y Leaders, JA Career Dimensions and JA Personal Spending 101.

With extensive experience and key roles in coaching and development of fresh graduates and intrapreneurial managers from regional conglomerates, Garrick is a certified management consultant. He has obtained his bachelor and master degree from the University of Hong Kong and received senior executive training from Stanford University.

An Interview with Garrick Lau

JA AP: Please share with us your journey like to get to where you are as the Deputy CEO for JA Hong Kong.

Garrick: I first started volunteering for JAHK in 2014, when my previous employer was sponsoring JAHK's program in work readiness. At that time, I was also trying to figure out how I could utilize my experience on business and talent development to help local youth. JAHK naturally became my invaluable learning platform, and gradually I got the chances to experience different JA programs and got "converted"! Then recently I decided to change my role to devote myself to youth development and am honored to be a part of the JA family.

JA AP: What do you enjoy outside of work?

Garrick: I enjoy having breakfast with my children! And spending the weekend with family doing nothing serious. Besides, I like to read about motivation and workplace happiness. My favorite writers include Daniel Pink, Adam Grant and Clayton Christensen. Also like to keep myself updated with local youth through mentorship programs and social enterprises.

JA AP: How do you see JA Hong Kong changing in two years, and how do you see yourself creating that change?

Garrick: Maybe too soon to give a thoughtful answer as I have joined for just a couple of weeks. Nevertheless, I foresee some of the perspectives that we would be paying attention to include:

1. How UX for all stakeholders can be optimized to enhance engagement
2. How we can continue to be a content provider, AND also strengthen our role as a collaborator and curator
3. How we continue to TEACH students what we know, while LEARNING WITH students on things we are not familiar with.

To figure out how we can approach these, I see myself having a lot of listening and learning through experience, with a discipline of asking the “why” of everything.

JA AP: If there is one thing you can change in this world, what would that be?

Garrick: Would like to see everyone in the world has the courage to define and pursue his / her authentic version of happiness.

JA AP: What three words would you use to describe yourself?

Garrick: Curious Relax, Intrapreneurial

Local Events' Highlights

Microsoft and JA Korea team up to recruit ‘Coding Heroes’ from universities to learn and to mentor younger students! Please click [here](#) to see memorable moments from the ‘Upgrade your world with code’ program.



The 9th JA Singapore Annual Appreciation Reception

JA Singapore held its 9th Annual Appreciation Reception on Tuesday 24th January 2017 to honor and thank all the volunteers, schools, teachers, champions, sponsors, supporters and Board of Directors for all their support of JA Singapore's programs in 2016. In addition to showing appreciation, it was a night of students' achievements celebrations as well! 2016 was a great year with Singapore JA students achieving a few awards at the regional and global competitions.



In addition to Ms. Ng Hau Yee, ED of JA Singapore sharing their accomplishments for the year and a thank you address by Board of Director Raymond Wong, JA Singapore Alumni had shown great support by impressing the audience with their winning presentations and products at ITC and JA AP COY 2016. The evening ended with a presentation of Certificates to all attendees in total, over 1800 certificates were printed and each one was signed personally by Hau Yee as she took a moment to thank everyone for their support and dedication for JA's worthy cause.

JA India's Mumbai manager Shruti Sharma address as a chief guest at Auxilium Convent High School in early January 2017. As one of the women creating social impact on Savitribai Phule birth anniversary, Shruti encouraged the girls audience to take up social activities and giving back to society in their own way.



A Unique learning opportunity. JA Job Shadow Day at General Electric/GE in Hong Kong



15 Form 4 students from Christian Alliance Cheng Wing Gee College joined a Job Shadow day organized by **JA Hong Kong and GE** in early January. The GE mentors were from different departments including Capital, Healthcare, Global Operations, Digital, Power, Energy Connections, Global Growth Organization and GECAS (Risk Management), which covered most of the core businesses of their Hong Kong Office. Participating students enjoyed the program as they learn and interact with people from a real work environment.

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#Jajobshadow #Generalelectric

Upcoming JA events in February

<u>Hong Kong</u>	<u>Japan</u>
<p>JA Success Skills Date: 2017.2.18 Venue: Bloomberg L.P.</p>	<p>National competition of "Social Innovation Relay" Date: February 5 Venue: NN Japan office</p>
<p>Money Month Education Fair Date: 2017.2.18-2017.2.19 Venue: Plaza Hollywood/ Booth No.: A10</p>	<p>JA Asia Pacific Company of the Year Competition Date: February 19-22 Venue: Tokyo Midtown</p>
<p>JA More than Money™ Fun Day Target Students: Primary 4 -6Date: 2017.2.25</p>	<p>JA Success Skills for high school in Fukushima Date: February 25 Venue: Bloomberg Japan office (for students impacted by the earthquake)</p>

Venue: Asbury Methodist Primary School	
<p><u>Indonesia</u></p> <p>PJI Board Meeting Date: February Venue: Menara Karya Building, South Jakarta</p> <p>Sociopreneur Student Company Presentation supported by Citibank Date: February 8 Venue: @america in Pacific Place Mall</p>	<p><u>Malaysia</u></p> <p>A More Than Money Workshops Date: February 7 Venue: SK Seafiled, Subang</p> <p>Date: February 22 Venue: SK Subang Jaya, Subang</p>
<p><u>Korea</u></p> <p>HSBC-JA Aim High Camp for middle school students Date: February 8 -10 Venue/location: Seoul Olympic ParktelCiti-JA</p> <p>Career Camp for vocational high school students Date: February 17 ~ 19 Venue: Busan Youth Hostel Arpina</p>	<p><u>Vietnam</u></p> <p>Closing ceremony of “JA More than Money” Date: February 17 Venue: Dong Da Friendship Children Nurturing Center</p>

To see what’s happening locally around the region, please view the [Event Calendar on JA Asia Pacific Event page.](#)

A story on a JA Alumni or Volunteer? News on people?

Please email [Winnie Ho](#) to share with the network through the JA AP WORKS!

Until the next JA AP WORKS, have an inspiring and empowering day!

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