

TBF EVENTS COMING UP..

APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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6	7	8	9 HUNG KING ANNIVERSARY FACTORY CLOSED	10	11 TBF BOARD MEETING 3pm TEAM MEETING	12 SOCCER GAME 4 - 6PM Estrella Field
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 KHOA'S B-DAY	22 EARTH DAY	23	24	25	26 SOCCER GAME 4 - 6PM Estrella Field
27	28	29	30 FACTORY CLOSED			

Wear you TBF T-shirt Day

April 9 & April 30: To celebrate Hung Kings' Anniversary and Vietnam's independence date, the factory will be closed.

April 11: Celebrating the completion of the 1st Quarter of the business year, the board members will be having their quarterly meeting.

April 22: On this earth day, we will shut down all power (computers and monitors) for 1 hour between 3 - 4PM for tea and coffee.

REMINDER !!

DRINK LOTS OF WATER DURING THE UPCOMING HOT SEASON

STRETCH AND WALK AROUND EVERY 2-HOURS

TURN-OFF MONITORS DURING LUNCH AND BEFORE LEAVING THE OFFICE - BUT LEAVE COMPUTER ON FOR SYNCING

ALWAYS KEEP YOUR DESK AREA CLEAN !!

SHOT OF THE MONTH



JAN - "Are we missing the 'e' in our own logo?"



FEB - "I believe I can FLY !!"



MAR - Super non-efficient team work

welcome our newcomers



Nguyen Hoai Nam



Nguyen Thanh Huy



Pham Van Anh



Cu Minh Nhi



Tran Buu Thuan



Do Hong TI

For the month of January, February and March, our TBF team welcome 5 more newcomers to the family:

TBF No.	Name:	Company / Title:	DOB:	Start Date:
15	Nguyen Hoai Nam	The BIM Factory / Architectural Engineer	02-July-1990	15-March-14
16	Nguyen Thanh Huy	The BIM Factory / Architectural Engineer	20-September-1988	17-March-14
17	Pham Van Anh	The BIM Factory / MEP Engineer	21-June-1990	17-March-14
D2	Cu Minh Nhi	DHC / Architectural - Interior Designer	14-August-1987	24-March-14
D3	Tran Buu Thuan	DHC / Architectural Designer	28-January-1988	25-March-14
D4	Do Hong TI	DHC / Architectural Designer	10-August-1988	25-March-14



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THE FUTURE OF BIM

FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD



Coronation Project by: Trang, Duc, Khoa & Triet

The cloud is BIM's next big thing

The shift from desktop to the cloud and mobile will transform BIM and upend the world of architecture once again. Among the changes that you can expect: Cloud computing will support BIM with detailed analytical tools, zapping answers to directly to client meetings and construction sites in real time.

"When BIM data is cloud-based, it becomes accessible for CPU-intensive analytical processes that can leverage the representation to create simulations," Phil Bernstein, an architect and technologist with Autodesk explained. "Imagine

an energy analysis routine running virtually in a parallel with a designer's copy of Revit, giving her real-time feedback on her scheme as it unfolds?" With that idea in mind, BIM software developer Graphisoft recently released the public beta version of its EcoDesigner STAR, which places energy analysis in the heart of the architect's familiar BIM work environment.

Down the line, projects teams will use smartphones and tablet computers to query huge BIM models - a "significant shift from traditional desktop-based workflows," Bernstein said. That "likely portends an age where that same information drives computer-controlled fabrication equipment that creates buildings that are assembled, not stick-built."

Wisdom From The Guru

First and foremost, I would like to welcome everyone to the TBF family and I am delighted to introduce all of you to the first edition of our monthly newsletter **BIM and TONIC**.

When Maryline and I decided to start this company, we had a vision of creating a unique environment that is different from any other company in Vietnam. We wanted to have a place that is fun to work at, generate creative visions of our future and most importantly, a comfortable environment that we all want to be a part of and want to come to everyday.

Maryline and I are so very proud of everyone who contributed in the building effort of OUR factory. We hope that you are as proud we are of our creation and we are looking forward to **BUILDING OUR FUTURE** together with you and our entire TBF family.



HERO OF THE MONTH



AKA: 007 - 00TALK & 00SEE
Specialty: Arch BIM - BCA Submission
Degree: Architectural
Projects: Gambas 1 & 2, Coronation, Alexandra Hotel
Joined TBF: December 16th, 2014

Our Hero of the month is no other than our mysterious and distinguished gentleman, **Duc Quoc Dang**, also known as "Agent 007 - No No Talk", but recently acquired the temporary nick name of "Mr. Singapore" due to his admiration and frequent visits to our partnering country in the last 3 months. Better known for his "talkative nature", many believe that Duc recently have secretly tied the knot with a Singaporean supermodel.

Duc recently sat down and chat with our Guru during a recent trip to Singapore.

GURU: What do you value the most in life?
007: My parents, both father and mother equally.

GURU: What do you value the most in life besides people?
007: Nothing

GURU: How many siblings do you have?
007: I have 3 older sisters. The closest to me is 4 years older, then the next is 8 years and the oldest is 9 years older.

GURU: What do you like the most about Singapore?

007: I love the environment

GURU: What do you like the least about Singapore?

007: The food

GURU: If you were to take on another profession besides BIM or Architectural engineer, what would the other profession be?

007: I would be a professional Martial Artist - with the discipline Karate. I've been doing Karate since I was a child and got highest as brown belt. Then when I went to the city for architectural school, I had to start all over again at white belt. But I will continue to do Karate again in the future.

GURU: Who is your hero?

007: My first Karate Sensei

GURU: Who would you love to meet dead or alive?

007: My Grandpa

FACTORY NEWS

On January 11th, 2014, The BIM Factory officially open for business. With subsidiary companies DHC and TBF Design & Construction, The BIM Factory started to take on work from BIM to interior design to construction. With the support from everyone involved, we were able to literally build everything for our office from desks to partitions to sleeping sofas. The few super-heros who were involved in building our factory are (in alphabetical order):

Binh	Khoa	Thang
Chau	Long Lee	Thin
Dien	Long	Tran (Catherine)
Dong	Luan	Trang
Hoai	Phuc	Triet

Reminder: Keep in mind that we all wear our TBF T-shirt every Saturday!!



JANUARY

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WHAT HAPPENED?

For the first 3 months of operation, the TBF family were able to secure, completed and/or in the process of working on 14 projects and 6 events. Below are the few happenings during our first 3 months:

2013

- DEC - 16 - TBF - Jurong Consulting - GAMBAS Projects
- DEC - 17 - TBF - W Architects - Coronation Project
- DEC - 18 - TBF - PDC - Kranji - ACMV Project
- DEC - 18 - TBF - PDC - Kranji - FP Project

2014

- JAN - 11 - THE BIM FACTORY GRAND OPENING!!
- JAN - 20 - TBF D&C - URBAN Restaurant Design & Construction
- JAN - 23 - The 1st Golden Paddle Tournament
- JAN - 25 to FEB 06 - Tet Holiday Closure

- FEB - 10 - Tet Holiday Celebration / Grand Opening
- FEB - 10 - TBF / DHC - Delverton Resort Villa Modeling
- FEB - 10 - TBF - RAAS Energy Power Plant
- FEB - 15 - First Soccer / Football Game at Estella
- FEB - 27 - TBF - Jurong West Condo

- MAR - 3 - TBF - Roysth / Unity Schools MEP
- MAR - 7 - Celebrated Duc and Chau's Birthday
- MAR - 17 - TBF D&C - ITG Office Interior Design
- MAR - 17 - TBF D&C - Sin Lounge Interior Design
- MAR - 21 - TBF D&C - Essential Flavours Exhibition Booth
- MAR - 24 - TBF - Koeng Hong - Alexandra Hotel
- MAR - 25 - DHC - SWK Master Plan Site Model



ENGLISH vs. VIETNAMESE

This section is our monthly English and Vietnamese learning section where we translate important and critical words related to our field and or industry.

Annotation(s)

A critical or explanatory note or body of notes added to a text.

Gross Floor Area (GFA)

A real estate term referring to the **total floor area** inside the building envelope, including the external walls, and excluding the roof.

Verging Lines

Something that borders, limits, or bounds: as (1): an outer margin of an object or structural part. Typically, we use the verging lines to calculate the GFA of a particular floor plan

Lời phụ chú

Một lưu ý quan trọng hoặc giải thích hoặc ghi chú thêm vào một văn bản.

Tổng diện tích sàn

Một từ bất động sản đề cập đến tổng diện tích sàn bên trong khu vực xây dựng, bao gồm các bức tường bên ngoài, không bao gồm các mái nhà.

Đường biên giới / bờ vực

Thành phần là biên giới hoặc giới hạn: như (1): một lề bên ngoài của một đối tượng hoặc một phần cấu trúc. Thông thường, chúng ta sử dụng các đường biên giới / bờ vực để tính toán diện tích sàn của mỗi mặt bằng.

*Please let Chau know if there's a word or phrase that is ideal for everyone to learn for both English and Vietnamese



SPORTS

Football / Soccer News:

Estella - The 1st ever power match between MEP (Orange) and Arch/Sir (Non-Orange) goes to the team with our MVP **Thang** who ran circles around the counterparts and scored countless goals without any shoes. The following match our MVP was stocked with shoes and socks but was knocked unconscious by his own goal post during play was declared a super friendly and was not counted as a actual match.

GOLDEN PADDLE TOURNAMENT:

Ping Pong News:

Hong Ha - The 1st Golden Paddle Tournament took place the week before Tet Holiday to inaugurate the opening of the factory and the long up coming holiday. After donating to the factory the ping pong table that has been sitting in his storage for the past 3 years, **anh Thang** took full ownership of it again as he claimed the first title of the GPT and hailed as the **King of the Golden Paddle**. Without even breaking a single sweat in the non-air-conditioned factory, anh Thang yawned his way through the ranks of wannabes such as Binh, Trang and the easiest of them all, the Guru himself. Even with multiple chances for Dien, Duc and Trang, the only that took advantage of advancing to the later round was Trang. As a favorite, Binh who also "owned" the table at Stynectics, couldn't get past the determined Trang. But in the end, only one stood his ground and that's the true owner of the table himself - anh Thang.

Game Manners:

Please note that anyone who plays with the Guru either in Ping Pong or Foolsball, he or she must be prepare to buy coffee.



★ REVIT TIP OF THE MONTH!

Managing Revit and CAD Links

- > Check and double check that all linked CAD and Revit files in every file are linked with a relative path.
- > Do not link using UNC paths
- > Use Drive Letter Mapping (ie: L:/) for all links
- > Keep all of Revit files within the same Revit folder so that relative pathing is simple and always works.
- > Common file naming here is very helpful.

THE MEANING OF BIM & TONIC

BIM and TONIC was selected as the name for this newsletter simply because of the correlation from the term *Gin and Tonic* which happens to be our Guru's favorite alcoholic beverage. Additionally, "tonic" can also refer to as anything invigorating physically, mentally, or morally. Since we see BIM as our center of the universe we believe that adding "tonic" to it is an action that can change the way we imagine BIM as well as our industry and perhaps eventually, our world.

