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Life Lessons at Toastmasters Leadership Institute (TLI)

By Shreya Gopal

Toastmasters is a forum not only for self-improvement, but it is also a unique learning experience. The Toastmasters Leadership Institute (TLI) is a primary platform for learning, ideas and education. The June TLI provided just that avenue for each and every Toastmaster. The keynote speech “Life Lessons” by Cornelius Bowe awakened and invigorated the audience. In his eloquent speech, he spoke of life lessons and how these experiences impact our lives. Within his 30 minute speech, he presented vivid life experience stories which he said dictated his life path and gave us inspiration to follow our own paths. As co-chairs Sudi Gopinath and I had one goal in mind—an invigorating day. The June 21st TLI proved to more than exceed our one goal with the keynote speech as the perfect start.

While sitting at the registration desk, I was thrilled to see over 200 Toastmasters walk in to participate in the training and breakout sessions. Officer training is an important segment of each TLI, but there is much more than officer training available at any TLI. Breakout sessions are a vital part of the TLI. These “breakouts” provide Toastmasters with an opportunity to learn about a plethora of interests. This TLI included sessions on speaking techniques, humorous speeches, parliamentary procedures, gestures and even one to learn more about creating and distributing the Communic~8. In District 8, breakout sessions have become a long standing tradition and are a great opportunity to learn.

As I stood listening to various training sessions, the theme—learning through life experiences—resonated throughout the day. The “trainers” enthusiastically shared their own experiences and their various ideas. At the end of every session, we collected “passports” from the attendees. More than once a Toastmaster came by commenting on what a great day it was and how invigorating the speakers were!

Our measure of success was not just the praise but also the new ideas gained from these sessions. We saw first time trainers, experienced trainers and so many Toastmasters eager to learn. The June TLI was a gathering of over 200 Toastmasters with one goal—to learn from each other’s life experiences. We thank all the speakers (trainers) who stepped forward with their unique ideas and everyone who attended the TLI.

Any event is often made possible by a team of people. Sandy Kardis (and her awesome to-do list) was instrumental in supporting us throughout the process and making this event a success. The UMSL team and their on-site coordinators were the best people to have on our side. We also had the help of many Toastmaster volunteers at the TLI. Thank you Sandy Kardis, UMSL team, volunteers and speakers. Together we achieved our goal—An Invigorating Day! ☀

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A Message from the Governor

Hi District 8 Toastmasters!

What do you find in District 8?

D—Dedication to excellence. This is one of Toastmasters International's four core values as well as District 8's. I am encouraging educational excellence in all of our clubs because it is fundamental in accomplishing the mission to empower individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders. It also brings to mind Distinguished. For the 2013-2014 Toastmaster year, District 8 earned Distinguished for the Distinguished Clubs' goal. We had 45 clubs who met the membership requirement and earned five or more goals. We had 18 clubs earn President, 15 earn Select and 12 earn Distinguished. A shout out to two clubs in Division A—Mastertoasters Club # 4431 in Area 2 and South County Club #1957 in Area 4—these clubs attained 10 Distinguished Club Program goals!!



I—Integrity—the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles. This is the second core value. You can count on me to follow the rules and deliver what I promise.

S—Service to the member. As your District Governor, I will be working for you and with you. As we move through the 2014-2015 Toastmaster year, a consistent concern will be where District 8 is on the path to Distinguished and what can be done to help attract and retain members and achieve success. My goal is for every member to have outstanding Toastmaster experiences at club meetings, TLIs, contests and conferences.

T—Team. This year we have 21 Area Governors and five Division Governors who are excited about their district leadership roles. Before the July DEC meeting, Chuck Carpenter took their picture. Our webmaster, Tom Coscia, will be updating our district website with their photos. Check out 'Our Team' page on the district website www.dist8tm.org for our entire 2014-2015 team and committee chairs.

R—Respect for the Individual. This is the fourth core value. "Respect ... is appreciation of the separateness of the other person, of the ways in which he or she is unique." - Annie Gottlieb

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A Message from the LGET

*If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more
and become more, you are a leader.*

~ John Quincy Adams

“Where Leaders are Made” is more than a simple slogan. Being a leader spans over every facet of our personal and professional life. To be successful in life, each one of us needs to have effective communication and leadership skills. Whether it is a presentation at work, communicating with peers, interacting with family, children or friends, we use these skills in many different ways every day in our lives.



We are leaders and communicators every step of the way!

And, when we are in that position, no matter what, then we ought to utilize the maximum potential of education and training which is offered by Toastmasters International as part of its educational program for all Toastmasters. As your Lieutenant Governor of Education and Training, my vision for this Toastmaster year is to initiate a “Leadership Development Program for District 8 (LDP D8).” What is the LDP D8? This basically means that each of you, every Toastmaster of District 8, is encouraged to volunteer for leadership roles in various committees for District Conferences, TLI, contests and educational programs. By stepping up, to these leadership roles, you will enhance your leadership skills. You could also use your involvement within these committees to earn credit toward your High Performance Leadership (HPL) project. Completing the HPL project further develops your leadership skills. This leads to you becoming effective future leaders in your own life and in our District 8 long-term.

My expectation for your journey during this Toastmaster year is to first clearly identify your education goals and then to work toward achieving them. We are all on the path to accomplish education goals together. As we remember that we are on this journey together, we will be supportive to develop leaders with effective communicative skills through CCs, CLs, HPLs and DTMs.

As Public Relations Officer (PRO) last year, my year was a remarkably rewarding experience under the leadership of DG Lora Mather and her team. This year I am looking forward to being of service to all District 8 Toastmasters as your LGET and part of the leadership team. Our objective is to work toward providing an outstanding member experience for all District 8 Toastmasters.

Please join me in strengthening District 8 this year! Let’s live the slogan—*Where Leaders are Made*—District 8! Your active participation and mutual support builds current and future leaders within District 8. ☀

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A Message From the LGM

If you want to go quickly, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.

~~ African Proverb ~~

Toastmasters will no longer be one of St. Louis' best kept secrets! District 8 will execute the mission of Toastmasters which says, "We empower individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders" by delivering on the district's mission which states, "We build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence." How? The mission will be accomplished through the collaborative efforts of all Toastmasters.

What may appear to be a daunting task is really attainable with all hands on deck. To start, the objective is two-fold: build new clubs and support all clubs.

The district is comprised of five divisions with 21 areas collectively. A new club in each area translates into 21 new clubs in the district. The division and area governors are committed to building new clubs and need your help.

Here is how you can help:

Join the Demo Team

Each division will build a demonstration team. Let your area and/or division governor know that you want to be instrumental in starting a new club.

Provide Club Leads

The district receives leads from TI, however, that cannot be the only source.

- A company with 150 plus employees is a good base for starting a club. Is there a Toastmasters club at your company? If not, why?
- A community with a population of at least 10,000 is a good base for starting a club.

- Local organizations, conversations with friends and neighbors are also great sources for club leads.

Once a new club is formed a support team (club sponsors and mentors) ensure club sustainability; thus, meeting the second part of the mission to "support all clubs." Here again your Toastmasters expertise is needed. The "What's in it for me?" is that you have an opportunity to help others develop effective communication and leadership skills, and it checks a leadership box putting you closer to meeting your leadership goal(s).

Now the concept of supporting clubs includes existing clubs as well—club membership growth is a key component to club sustainability. Speaking of membership growth, it's open house time!

Schedule your club's open house around Toastmasters International membership building contests:

- Smedley Award (August 1 to September 30)
- Talk Up Toastmasters! (February 1 to March 31)
- Beat the Clock! (May 1 to June 30)

Clubs that add five members (new, dual or reinstated) to its roster within the specified contest dates above will receive a ribbon from TI to display on its banner and special



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**Lora Mather, DTM**

Immediate Past District Governor
District 8

A Message from the IPDG



Together we fly higher. As in every flight, there must be a downwind leg towards a base airport. I am beginning that downwind leg this year as your Immediate Past District Governor. In aviation, pilots report through radio calls about any opportunities or hazards they've experienced on their flight. Metaphorically, I will be in radio contact with your current leaders to help them along their flight.

Just as in Toastmasters, we evaluate; so do pilot's review their flights. The most important aspect of flying is that the number of take-offs equal safe landings. District 8 landed safely this year. Although we lost a net of 4 clubs, we gained 7 new clubs. Another 10 clubs gained coaches. We gained 931 new members and our high point was that 19 of our members received their Distinguished Toastmaster awards. Together we flew higher.

On a personal note, I experienced a new level of trust, started a new career and discovered that I was married to a motivational speaker. Most important to me, the wind beneath my wings was YOU. Because of YOU, I flew higher and became a better communicator and leader. What a wonderful flight! ☀



Toastmasters International Founder
Ralph Smedley was born in District
8 in the small town of Waverly, IL.

Smedley Hometown Memorial Toastmasters Club #4115

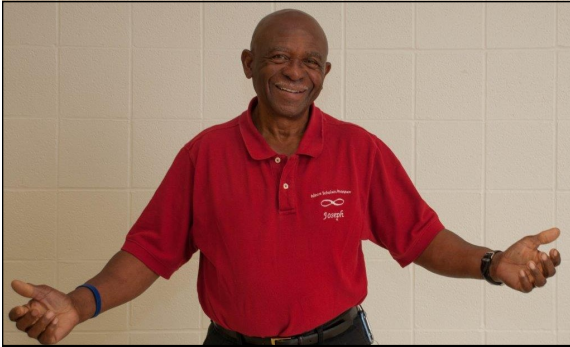
Special Event Meeting—August 16th

Time: 1:00—2:00 PM Meeting
2:00—3:00 PM Officer Training

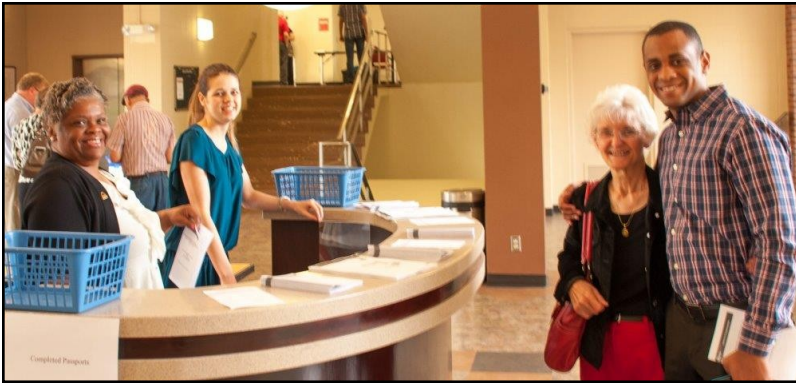
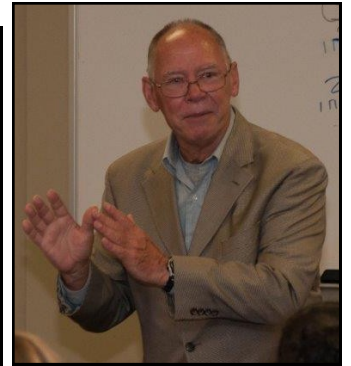
Where: Waverly, IL (Ralph Smedley's birthplace)
Senior Citizen Center
161 N. Pearl St., Waverly, IL

Come to Ralph Smedley's birth town and celebrate District 8's deep connection with the Toastmasters International founder. Weather permitting, we will go across the street to the park and take photos behind or around the special Ralph Smedley lectern.

June TLI—Officers Training Snapshots



More Photos from the TLI



Capital T Announces Mentoring Program

All the benefits of advanced mentoring without the membership fee

By Wendy Clothier, DTM



Sometimes you have to break out of your Toastmasters club to achieve a growth spurt. I learned this lesson a few years ago. As a member of two clubs, I enjoyed both but wasn't getting the hard-hitting evaluations, challenges and leadership examples that would stretch my speaking and leadership skills. About that time, a fellow Toastmaster and Area Governor recommended I visit an advanced club. With only two in the district, Capital T was an easy choice.

Capital T is teeming with district leaders, Distinguished Toastmasters and award-winning speakers. It only meets once a month which makes it the perfect supplemental club for any District 8 Toastmaster with Competent Communicator (CC) and Competent Leader (CL) awards. I remained active in my other clubs and benefited from advanced leaders and speakers once a month at Capital T. That was then.

Today Capital T is offering a targeted mentoring program for Toastmasters of *all* levels, even those who are still working on their CCs and CLs. You may have a big speech on the horizon and need a coach to prepare you for the special occasion. Perhaps you have a leadership project that requires expert guidance. Come to Capital T, state your intent and you'll be paired with an advanced Toastmaster who fits your speaking and/or leadership goals.

If that seems too simple, here are the **don'ts** and **do's** of Capital T's advanced mentoring program:

- You **don't** have to give up your current mentor relationship in another club. Capital T's program augments and compliments that longer-term relationship.
- You **don't** have to join the club to participate in the program.
- You **do** need to participate in speaking and functionary roles at Capital T meetings.
- You **do** have to be a member in good standing of at least one Toastmasters club. (If you **don't** have a home club, **do** make it Capital T!)

Of course, if you decide to remain with us at the end of your mentorship, we'd be thrilled to have you as a full-fledged member. Who knows, by then you may be ready to be an advanced mentor yourself! ☀

Who:	Capital T Toastmasters
What:	Advanced mentoring for Toastmasters of all levels
Where:	Cornerstone Evangelical Free Church, Webster Groves, MO (south of I-44 at the Elm Avenue exit)
When:	7-9:00 p.m. the second Friday of every month
Why:	Hit your Toastmasters speaking and leadership targets!
How:	Come and we'll show you!
Website:	capitalt.toastmastersclub.org
Directions:	921 Edgar Road Webster Groves, MO 63119

Communicate to Communic~8: Storytelling Contest

By Tony Gartner, DTM

Storytelling is the conveying of events in words and images, often by improvisation or embellishment. Stories or narratives have been shared in every culture as a means of entertainment, education, cultural preservation and instilling moral values. Crucial elements of stories and storytelling include plot, characters and narrative point of view. Modern storytelling has a broad purview. In addition to its traditional forms, it has extended itself to representing history, personal narrative, political commentary and evolving norms. So says Wikipedia.

On Monday evening, July 16, 2014 a small group of six speakers entertained a mixed group of Toastmasters and other guests in a scheduled annual Storytelling Contest which has been a staple of Wry Toastmasters for the past three years. Before the current Storytelling Contest, Wry Toastmasters had sponsored an annual Tall Tales Contest which was open to all District 8 Toastmasters.

Dale Lancaster served as the Contest Master for the Storytelling Contest. Dale and his contest functionaries successfully managed a Storytelling Contest that was not only enjoyable to the audience but also to those who were participants in this epic event. Each of the three winners were awarded an "Official" Wry Toastmasters "Clown Nose."

First Place Winner—John Barry from Wry Toastmasters with his speech "A Night to Remember"

Second Place Winner—Elaine Dreher from Wry Toastmasters with her speech "St. Louis' Most Notorious Citizen"

Third Place Winner—Chris Rigdon from Monsanto Noontime Toastmasters with his speech "The Best Joke I Ever Told"



John Barry, Elaine Dreher and Chris Rigdon

Congratulations Winners!



Left to right: Chris Rigdon, John Barry, Phil Stephensen, Elaine Dreher, Tony Gartner, Rebecca Now, and Dale Lancaster



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recognition in the Communic~8.

Taking this one step further, the district will award clubs achieving two of the three awards with a \$25 gift certificate for use at the district's bookstore or to apply toward a conference registration. Clubs should use the awarded certificate as a challenge to its members and award based on the member who brings in the most guests and/or new members.

Building new clubs and growing club membership is doable provided everyone believes that "many hands make light work ... Large tasks become small when divided among several people" (Dictionary.com).

Working together, District 8 will achieve great things and experience many successes! Let us all get busy. ☀

LEIGH BRITT RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED TOASTMASTER AWARD

Kenneth Freeman, DTM Division E Governor

Congratulations to Assistant Division E Governor Leigh Britt, a member of the Downtown Toastmasters Club # 1119527. On July 11th, Leigh received the Toastmasters International Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) award which is the highest award and recognition a member of the organization can attain.

Last year (2013—2014) under her leadership as Assistant Division Governor—Education the Heartland had six members earn this award. Leigh now joins this group as the first recipient for 2014—2015. Ms. Britt began her pursuit to the now accomplished recognition in 2005 when she joined the Columbia Toastmasters Club #4492. Leigh has many achievements to her record as a 9-year member of Toastmasters International.

She is a former "Select Distinguished" Club President of the Columbia Toastmasters Club #4492, a 2006 Club Sponsor and Charter member of the Downtown Toastmasters Club #1119527. In 2009, Leigh became a Heartland Division Omer Roberts Memorial Award recipient as the Division Toastmaster of the Year. She also served as 2012—2013 Area 21 Governor and recently served as co-conference chairperson for the 2013—2014 District 8 Spring Conference. Ms. Britt is currently serving in a second term as Assistant Heartland Division Governor and chairs the division's Omer Roberts Memorial Award program committee.

To reach the DTM award Leigh had to present a minimum of 45 evaluated communication projects earning all awards in the communication track including—Competent Communicator (CC), Advanced Communicator Bronze (ACB), Advanced Communicator Silver (ACS) and the Advanced Communicator Gold (ACG). These presentations ranged from giving timed 4-6 minute speeches to facilitating 90 minute workshops. This is quite an accomplishment in itself and yet it is only 50% of the requirement.

Leigh also had to complete 20 club level leadership projects to earn the Competent Leader (CL). She had to serve at least one six month term as club officer and present two evaluated 15 minute programs on leadership skills to earn the Advanced Leader Bronze (ALB). She then had to serve a full and credited one year term as a district officer, complete a "High Performance Leadership" (HPL) program to earn the Toastmasters Leadership Excellence award and serve as a sponsor or mentor to a new club to earn the Advanced Leader Silver (ALS) award.

All of these awards are required before a member is qualified to submit an application for the DTM. Members who earn their DTM are added to the Toastmasters International Hall of Fame, receive a recognition plaque and a DTM medallion that is presented by their district at the next most immediate Fall or Spring District Conference. It is quite an accomplishment shared by only 2% of the current members of Toastmasters International.

The Heartland Division Council congratulates Leigh Britt on her recent educational achievement and wishes her continued success in all of her future endeavors. ☀



WUSTL Speaks—Washington University's New Club

Charter Party on July 10, 2014

By Farzana Chohan, DTM LGET

Chatter in the room was full of enthusiasm and camaraderie. The good humor exchange between fellow members is a unique mark of friendship and easiness with each other.

The "WUSTL Speaks" newly chartered Toastmasters club at Washington University was only four months old and celebrated their club charter party on July 10th. As per tradition of Toastmasters International



"WUSTL Speaks" Toastmasters, smiling with their Charter certificate, banner and LGET Farzana Chohan.



and District 8, club President Jackie Lorraine and fellow Toastmasters were presented with their club banner, charter certificates and timing device by LGET Farzana Chohan.

One of the members, Jessica Barber, captured the value of being a Toastmaster by saying, "I have always shuddered at the idea of speaking in front of large crowds. In fact, in the past when applying for jobs I have often passed up opportunities due

to the requirements of giving frequent presentations. However, after just a short time of being a member of WUSTL Speaks, one of the charter Toastmaster groups at Washington University, those fears are starting to fade away. I have given my first speech out of the Competent Communicator manual. This feat was accomplished in part because my fellow Toastmasters are a kind, patient and supportive group. This dynamic has helped create a safe place for all of us to develop our public speaking and leadership skills. Thank you, WUSTL Speaks!"

Others expressed similar sentiments. Thanks to John Barry (club mentor) and Farzana Chohan (club sponsor and mentor), who have attended meetings regularly every week. Through their mentoring and guidance, the club is now well established and conducting smooth and fun meetings.

As club President Jackie Lorraine wrote, "*Farzana, I am excited to see how our club is growing. Everyone is becoming more relaxed in their roles. As you know I had not planned to hold a leadership position in the club, but I am glad that I took on the challenge of club president. Others have noticed my growth and confidence as a result of speaking in front of the group. We have a great team and I look forward to coming each week to see what exciting new things will happen. Thanks for your encouragement and support. Jackie.*" This sentiment is shared by Mary Clemens who is "amazed as to how quickly our group has come together and melded into such an easy group of colleagues to be with. While we take our work very seriously and are all ready to hone our individual speaking skills, we also have been able to take time to laugh with each other, learn about each other and learn about ourselves. I look forward to my own personal growth in the public speaking arena, but I look forward to watching my new found friends as they master the skill of public speaking." ☀



Jackie Lorraine, President of "WUSTL Speaks", accepts her charter certificate and Ice Breaker ribbon with her beautiful smile!

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—Incentives. Does your club have any incentives to help foster personal growth in active club members? Does your club success plan include motivational awards and incentives?

C

—Communication, Collaboration and Commitment. In the October, 2013 *Toastmasters* magazine, George Yen, 2013-2014 International President, said that these are the three C's of Team-building. Communication is the basic ingredient for establishing trust. Collaboration is what makes members function as a team. Once a team has communication and collaboration, it can get commitment of its members to move toward a shared vision and goal.

T

—Training. During the June and July DEC meetings, Area and Division Governors received training in *Developing Successful Teams* by Kenny Freeman, Division E Governor, and *Conducting Quality Speech Contests* by Carol Steinbach, Division B Governor, and Gail Vaucher, Area 16 Governor. Additional training was provided on *Enhancing Club Quality* by Adam Kutell, Division A Governor, and *Establishing & Supporting New Clubs* by Jacquie Vick, LGM. Farzana, Jacquie and I will be attending Leadership Training in Kuala Lumpur August 18th and 19th. Of course, we'll stay for the convention to follow.

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—We are District 8 and among the 92 districts in Toastmasters International. Proxy letters were emailed to current club Presidents and Secretaries. For District 8's votes to be cast to elect the International Officers and Directors to the 2014-2015 Board of Directors at the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, August 23rd in Kuala Lumpur Convention Center, your club should assign the proxy to the District 8 Governor as your proxy holder. On July 8th and July 22nd, Toastmasters clubs received an email containing proxy information. Only ten clubs have completed the instructions in the email to designate the District Governor as its proxy holder. I encourage each club President and Secretary to check for the July 8th email and follow the proxy instructions.

My year as LGET was an enjoyable and rewarding experience. I look forward to serving as your District Governor this year. Feel free to contact me with any questions, comments or concerns regarding the District. I can be reached at DG@dist8tm.org.

Sandy ☀

Fall Conference: Save the Date—November 14 & 15

Collinsville, IL is the destination of the Fall Conference beginning Friday, November 14th and continuing all day Saturday, November 15th. The Fall Conference will be hosted by the Distinguished Division C. Tom Gillard, Division C Governor is a highly enthusiastic leader who is working hard to prepare a conference with warm hospitality and teamwork with his fellow Division C Toastmasters.

If you would like to volunteer for any role on conference committees, please contact LGET Farzana Chohan at LGET@dist8tm.org. The committee opportunities available are Hospitality Committee, Activities Committee, Contest Committee, the Bookstore, Signage/Graphics Committee, the Education Sessions Committee and Registration Committee.

Please mark your calendars now. Look forward to seeing you all there! ☀



District 8 Members Earn Education & Leadership Awards from May 27, 2014 to June 30, 2014



Division A

Crossroads

- Hammond, R. Barry—LDREXC

Jeffco Challengers Club

- Meadows, Brook Rose—CC
- Link, Elizabeth M—LDREXC

Marion VA Toastmasters

- McSparin, Jennifer—ACB
- Martin, Carla—ACB

Maritz Toastmasters

- Alexander, Lynn M—CC
- Sansone, Catherine E.—ACS

Poplar Bluff Toastmasters

- Suter, Darlene—ACS

SPEAK UP! Club

- Kardis, Sandra M.—CL

West County Club

- Radnov, Carrie F.—CL

WORD Masters

- Trieb, Jeffrey S.—CC

Division B

Aerospace Orators Club

- Randle, Dossie—ACS
- Randle, Dossie—CC

Cable Talk Toastmasters Club

- Smith, Colby—CC
- Smith, Colby—CL

Cave Springs Toastmasters

- Gregory, Diane F.—CC

Creve Coeur Toastmasters Club

- Walker, Patrick N.—CC

- Garzia, Luke J—CC

M-Powered Speakers

- Brown, Thomas Lee—CL
- Wesley, Bridgette—ACG

Mallinckrodt Speaks

- Wilhelm, Jada L.—CL

McCarthy Communication Builders

- Krewson, Joseph M.—ALB
- Cirre, Heather L.—CL
- Walton, Crystal S.—CC

Money Talks Club

- Welchko, Justin Robert—CL

Monsanto Noontime Toastmasters

- Burton, Michelle—CC
- Monken, Joshua A—ACB
- Rigdon, Christopher J.—ACB

Plus Factor Club

- Blue, Willie E.—CL

Save-a-Lot Toastmasters (SALT)

- Quigley, Rachael—CC
- Avery, Kriss—CC

St Charles County Toastmasters Club

- McDaniel, Kim R.—CC
- Tucker, Dawn Stone—ALB
- Tucker, Dawn Stone—ALS
- Lauenstein, James G.—ACB

Wry Toastmasters—A Specialty Club Focusing On Humor!

- Valley, John A—CC
- Perkins, Kenneth M—CC

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Education & Leadership Awards

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Division C

Capital City Toastmasters

- Sharma, Sudeep—CC
- Smith, Donald S.—CL
- Ellis, Betty D.—CC
- Filla, Dan—ACB
- Smith, Donald S.—ALB

Collinsville Toastmasters Club

- Winkler, Keith—CC
- Frosh, Michael C.—CC
- Ramsey, Bob—CC

Horace Mann Toastmasters

- Whalen, Shannon—ACB
- Kloese, Sam—CL
- Randall, Nathaniel H.—ACB

McBrian Lincoln-Douglas Club

- Somani, Shipra—CC

O'Fallon Toastmasters

- Heilig, Leslie—CC
- Boeckmann, Vernon A.—CC

St. Elizabeth's Hospital

- Wilson, Emily J.—CL
- Kippley, Joseph A.—CC

Top Talk Toastmasters!

- Phillips, Tina—CC
- Nichols, Neva—LDREXC
- Nichols, Neva—ALS
- Nichols, Neva—DTM

Division E

Capital Toastmasters Club

- Smith, Ronald—ACG

Cuba Communicators

- Barron, Jessica H.—CL

Downtown Toastmasters

- Britt, Leigh C.—LDREXC
- Fessler, Tracey A.—CC
- Milarsky, Jeremy F.—CC

Fort Leonard Wood Club

- Allen, Edward R.—ACB

Mid-Mo Advanced Club

- Kreigh, Ralph E.—LDREXC

Talu Toastmasters Club

- Hammerschmidt, Kevin—CC
- Lockhart, Jimmie—ACG
- Cooley, Michael Duane—ACS

Division F

Anheuser-Busch Club

- St Pierre, Shannon—CC

F.R.B. Club

- Moder, Dennis M.—CC

Jacobs P3

- Marti, Tom—CL

MAC Toastmasters Club

- Jourdan, Jeanne—CC

Open Line Toastmasters

- Cox, Lori E.—CC

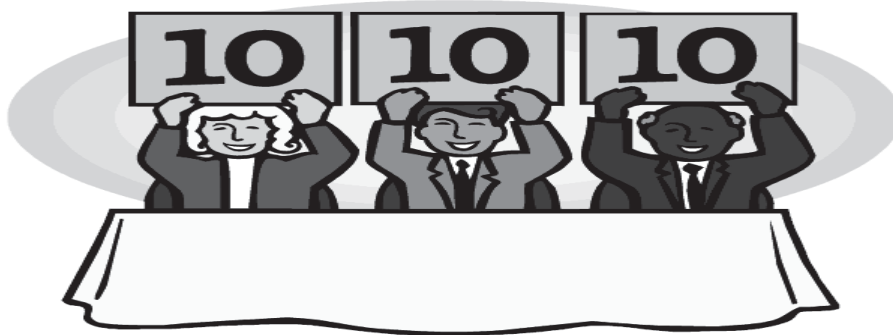
Rent-A-Toast Club

- Hoeffken, Judith K.—CC
- Combest, Monica Lee—CC

Square Talkers Toastmasters Club

- Holtmeyer, Carolina—CC
- Palazzolo, Cindy—CC
- Wagner, Thomas J.—CL
- Hoelscher, Richard—ACB
- Wagner, Thomas J.—CC

District 8 Fall Contest Judges Training



Wednesday, July 30, 2014

6:30p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**St. Louis County Library - Mid-County Branch
7821 Maryland Avenue, Clayton, MO, United States ([map](#))**

RSVP by, July 28 to

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JudgesTraining07302014>

This training is for you:

- ❖ if you have never judged at a club, area, division or district speech contest
- ❖ if you are a speech contestant and want to know what the judging items are
- ❖ if you haven't judged for a while and want to refresh your judging skills

Here's an opportunity to learn the difference between judging and evaluating,

Five traits of a good judge, judging expectations and categories,

and the qualifications for judges.

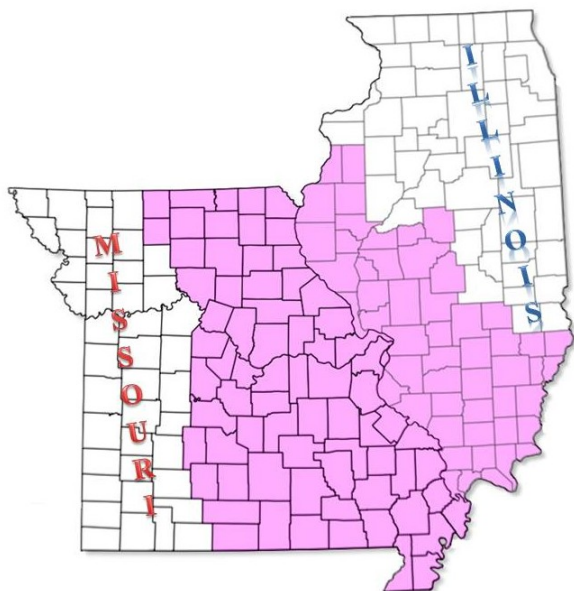
You will start using this training by participating in a mock contest.

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District 8 Calendar

Wednesday July 30	Judge's Training 6:30—8:30 pm St Louis County Library—Mid-County Branch 7821 Maryland Ave., Clayton, MO
Thursday, July 31	Demo Meeting 2:00—3:00 pm Enterprise Fleet Management 9315 Olive Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63132
Saturday, Aug. 9	Division B Officer Training 9:30—10:30 am STLC Library Bridgeton Trails, Room 1
Saturday, Aug. 16	Division A Officer Training 2:30—5:00 pm Tesson Ferry Branch—Auditorium 9920 Lin Ferry Drive, Afton, MO
Saturday, Aug. 16	Smedley Hometown Memorial Toastmasters Club 1:00—2:00 pm Senior Citizen Center, Waverly, IL - Special Event—
Saturday, Sept. 20	Communic~8 Issue 2 Submit Deadline
Nov 14-15 Fall District 8 Conference Doubletree by Hilton 1000 Eastport Plaza Dr., Collinsville, IL 62234	
Saturday, Dec. 6	Communic~8 Issue 3 Submit Deadline
Saturday, Feb. 21	Communic~8 Issue 4 Submit Deadline
Saturday, Mar. 21	Communic~8 Issue 5 Submit Deadline
Saturday, May 30	Communic~8 Issue 6 Submit Deadline

Proxies Needed for Annual Business Meeting in Kuala Lumpur



The Annual Business Meeting, where delegates cast their votes to elect the International Officers and Directors to the 2014-2015 Board of Directors, will be held on Saturday, August 23rd at 12:30 pm in Plenary Hall, the Kuala Lumpur Convention Center, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.



For proxies to be assigned, each club president or secretary must log on to the Toastmasters International website to specify how the club will cast its votes. Designate District Governor, Sandy Kardis, as your proxy holder.

Make sure your club has a vote. Assign your proxy!