

## **Speechcraft Coordinator for Distract 8 Toastmasters**

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Phyllis Thesier, MAT, CCC-SL, of Saint Louis, MO is the chief trainer and owner at Accent Management Group, LLC and a nationally certified speech pathologist / pronunciation and presentation coach for international professionals.

Phyllis has been of multiple Toastmasters clubs across the years. While visiting her father's club, she found multiple individuals with speech struggles being nurtured by club members, prompting a change from majoring in neurology to speech pathology.

On the "Have Husband – Will Travel" program, in 1998 she has belonged to many clubs, including *The Articulators Toastmasters* club in Hudson MA as well as the MIT Toastmasters in Cambridge, MA, the *Xujiahui (Shu-jia-way) Toastmasters* in Shanghai, China, the *Eastside Toastmasters* club in Shaker's Heights OH, *SpeakEZ* club in Kohler WI, *Capital Voices Club* in Lincoln NE before coming to Saint Louis. She is currently the SAA of the "Central West End" (St Louis) Toastmasters club and Treasurer for the "Voices in Unity" Toastmasters in Clayton MO.

Phyllis has worked with and helped several clubs in Boston, Wisconsin and Nebraska to start and/or expand their clubs via offering a 4, 6 or 8-session Speechcraft course in the fundamentals of public speaking to non-members in their community or company.

Clubs benefit by having a membership-building tool when offering the Speechcraft program.

The Speechcraft participants now know that their newly learned skills can be strengthened and expanded within a familiar club. Participating Club members also benefit thru achieving leadership goals and receiving recognition through Toastmasters, International.

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