

# District 8 Toastmasters

## Annual Conference



## Conference Program



## Friday, April 14

Time	Event	Description
6:00 PM	Zoom Doors Open	Opportunity to Network
6:30 PM	Area Director Who Went to Prison in 2017  Responsible for District Leaders Going Behind Bars  Evelyn Pearman	Curious about Toastmasters in prison? What could federal inmates who have made poor choices that led to incarceration possibly gain from public speaking? The answer: Everything.  Join us for this keynote to learn how to support, attend and the impact of outreach from District 8.
7:30 PM	Social Time/  Game of District 8 Knowledge	
8:00 PM	Humorous Speech Contest Briefings	Contestants and Functionaries for this contest please join your appropriate breakout room for briefing.
8:30 PM	Humorous Speech Contest	Be entertained by 5 speakers who are competing for the District 8 Humorous Speech Contest winner.

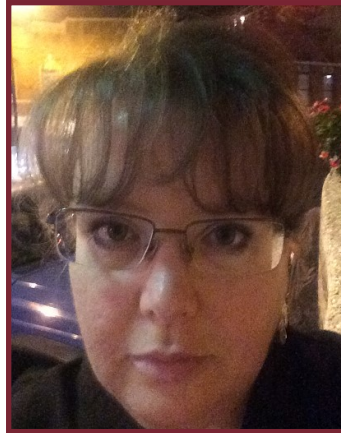
## Saturday, April 15

Time	Event	Description
8:00 AM	Zoom Doors Open	Opportunity to Network
8:15 AM	Candidates Corner	Meet your 2023-2024 Candidates who will lead District 8!
9:00 AM	Annual Business Meeting	Join this meeting to hear changes to District 8 such as alignment committee, District Leader Elections, mid year audit report, finance report, CGD report, PQD report and the District 8 Director.
12:00 PM	Lunch Break	Opportunity to Network

## Saturday, April 15 (CONT.)

Time	Event	Description
1:00 PM	<p><b>"Go the Distance"</b></p> <p>Elaine Curry, DTM</p>	Have you ever wanted to quit? Let's talk. Elaine Curry is going to share with you some proven tips and strategies to help you Go the Distance. Hear her compelling message how she overcame fears and disappointments that made her want to quit. Today she is thriving and wants to inspire and motivate you. You'll want to hear her story. Toastmasters played a major role.
2:00 PM	<p><b>"Compelling Communication"</b></p> <p>Erik Budlong</p>	Learn how to captivate any audience, influence decision-makers, and persuade your partner to take out the garbage
3:00 PM	<p><b>"Communicating to Different Generations"</b></p> <p>Julius Adewunmi</p>	Understand the different generations and those needs of different age groups to be engaged with your message
4:00 PM	<p><b>"Less is More"</b></p> <p>Monnica Rose</p>	Learn how to effectively speak with verbal and non-verbal cues.
5:00 PM	Roast of David Kincade, IPDD	Celebrate David Kincade with us. Our Immediate Past District Director for 2021-2022 will participate in our ceremonial roast from fellow Toastmasters, PDD, and others!
6:00 PM	Dinner Break	Opportunity to Network
6:30 PM	International Speech Contest Briefings	Contestants and Functionaries for contest please join appropriate breakout room for briefing.
7:00 PM	International Speech Contest	Be entertained by 5 speakers who competing for District 8 International Speech Contest Winner.
After Contest	<p>Officer Swearing-in Ceremony</p> <p>Monnica B. Rose, DTM</p>	Join as we install our district leaders for the July 2023 through June 2024 Toastmaster's year.
After Contest	Announcements of D8 International Contest Winners	Announcement of 3rd, 2nd and 1st place awards for the District 8 International Speech Contest
After Contest	Social Time	Opportunity to Network

## Meet Your Keynote: Evelyn Pearman



Evelyn Pearman joined Toastmasters in February of 2017.

By summer of that year she was not only obligated to visit one of the oldest and highly decorated clubs in Toastmasters, but she was also responsible to present a speech that expressed the respect and dignity the club had achieved. She did her homework and prayed she would come out alive.

Evelyn gave her speech to Talu Toastmaster Club at Moberly Correctional Center in Moberly, Missouri.

At the end of her speech, when taking questions, she was challenged by one of the most seasoned members and current Club President who “voluntold” her to hold her Spring Area Contest at the facility. With the intense level of suppressed anticipation she knew, “No!” was not an option she wanted to be responsible for.

Before she left Evelyn was informed that she was also responsible to invite everyone to this event especially the Districts Highest Leaders; “THE TRIO”: Kat Mokriakow, Elaine Curry, James Childress and Division Director Natalie Meghan. But would they attend?

They and many others have graciously accepted invitations to contests, banquets, DTM Award Ceremonies and to just visit.

Here to honor all those who have supported the members of Alpha, Omega and Talu Toastmaster Prison Clubs for over 30 years, and to answer your questions about Prison Clubs is Evelyn Pearman.

# Speech Contests

## Humorous Speech Contestants

Speaking Order		Place
___	Bill Collier	___
___	Shannon Geier	___
___	Tracey Shanklin	___
___	Janet Martin	___
___	Tom Ahillen	___

## International Speech Contestants

Speaking Order		Place
___	Charmin Gans	___
___	Burchell McGhee	___
___	Pamela Rodney	___
___	David Evans	___
___	Henry Greene	___

## Contest Roles

**Contest Chair**

**Contest Master**

**Chief Judge**

Timer

Timer

Timer

Ballot Counter

Ballot Counter

Zoom Master

**Josh Monken**

**Neil D'Souza**

**Kathryn Callaghan**

Meng Zhao/ Brook Meadows

John Bean

Aimee Woodside

Mark Strothmann

Paula Williams

Tom Coscia





# Humorous Speech Contest

## Judge's Guide and Ballot

JUDGING ITEMS		SUGGESTED POINT VALUES				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		E X C E L L E N T	V E R Y  G O O D	G O O D	F A I R										
<b>Speech Development</b> Structure, Organization, Support Material	C O N T E N T  S S	15	12-14	10-11	0-9										
<b>Effectiveness</b> Achievement of Purpose, Interest, Reception		10	8-9	6-7	0-5										
<b>Speech Value</b> Ideas, Logic, Original Thought		15	12-14	10-11	0-9										
<b>Audience Response</b> Attentiveness, Laughter, Interest, Reception		15	12-14	10-11	0-9										
<b>Physical</b> Appearance, Body Language, Speaking Area	D E L I V E R Y  3 0	10	8-9	6-7	0-5										
<b>Voice</b> Flexibility, Volume		10	8-9	6-7	0-5										
<b>Manner</b> Directness, Assurance, Enthusiasm		10	8-9	6-7	0-5										
<b>Appropriateness</b> To Speech Purpose And Audience	L A N G U A G E  1 5	10	8-9	6-7	0-5										
<b>Correctness</b> Grammar, Pronunciation, Word Selection		5	4	3	0-2										
<b>TOTAL SCORE (100 Points Possible)</b>															

(Detach and submit to counters)

### Judge's Official Ballot – Humorous Speech Contest

Name of Contestant

First Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Place: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Votes must be cast for first, second and third place or the ballot will be voided.

PLACE	RANKING POINTS (for counters' use only)
First Place	3 points
Second Place	2 points
Third Place	1 point

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Judge)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Judge's Name; Please Print)



# International Speech Contest

## Judge's Guide and Ballot

JUDGING ITEMS		SUGGESTED POINT VALUES				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		E X C E L L E N T	V E R Y  G O O D	G O O D	F A I R										
<b>Speech Development</b> Structure, Organization, Support Material	C O N T E N T	20	14-19	9-13	0-8										
<b>Effectiveness</b> Achievement of Purpose, Interest, Reception		15	11-14	6-10	0-5										
<b>Speech Value</b> Ideas, Logic, Original Thought		50	15	11-14	6-10	0-5									
<b>Physical</b> Appearance, Body Language, Speaking Area	D E L I V E R Y	10	7-9	4-6	0-3										
<b>Voice</b> Flexibility, Volume		10	7-9	4-6	0-3										
<b>Manner</b> Directness, Assurance, Enthusiasm		30	10	7-9	4-6	0-3									
<b>Appropriateness</b> To Speech Purpose And Audience	L A N G U A G E	10	7-9	4-6	0-3										
<b>Correctness</b> Grammar, Pronunciation, Word Selection		20	10	7-9	4-6	0-3									
<b>TOTAL SCORE (100 Points Possible)</b>															

(Detach and submit to counters)

### Judge's Official Ballot – International Speech Contest

**NOTE:** Votes must be cast for first, second and third place or the ballot will be voided.

Write contestants' names in the space below. Counters will assign points.

First Place (receives three points): \_\_\_\_\_

Second Place (receives two points): \_\_\_\_\_

Third Place (receives one point): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Judge)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Judge's Name; Please Print)

## Meet Your Saturday Keynote

**Elaine Curry, DTM**

(Distinguished Toastmaster)



Elaine Curry is a Motivational Speaker and is currently Vice President of Education for St. Clair Toastmasters Club 496 2022- 2023. She is a Past Region Advisor 2021-2022 and the Past District 8 Director 2019-2020. Elaine retired from Wells Fargo Advisors in St. Louis, MO January 2017. She spent a total of 43 years in the Financial Services industry. Her career spanned several years in leadership for which thirteen years included being a Director of Merrill Lynch Banque Suisse in Geneva Switzerland. She has worked in the international arena for twenty-eight years of her career (Germany and Switzerland) and speaks German and French. She is a member of the Board of Directors for a Swiss non-profit called ASK-All Special Kids since 2007.

She joined St. Clair Toastmasters of Belleville, IL in 2011. Toastmasters was instrumental in assisting her successful journey on the road to becoming a mentor, skilled communicator, and leader.

In 1996 Elaine became an ordained minister and was the Senior Pastor and co-founder of Outreach Deliverance Center Church in Geneva, Switzerland for twelve years.

Elaine and her husband Lemont have 2 children and 4 grandchildren. They enjoy travelling, meeting new people, and working on their personal development goals in retirement together. She is available to conduct workshops motivating and encouraging you to find your success, giving keynote speeches and mentoring.



## Saturday Education Sessions



Erik Budlong joins us today from Cambridge, Massachusetts. He's been a member of Somerville Toastmasters since 2018. In his professional life, Erik works at Hult-EF, where he helps organizations transform their culture with experiential talent development programs

A business strategist and executive coach, Julius Adewunmi is fondly referred to as the "CEO whisperer" for his compassionate approach in guiding executive and trailblazer to explore new way of thinking and facing challenges, both personally and professionally. A graduate of Saint Louis University and entrepreneur who has owned multiple business in his 30 years as a St. Louis resident. Julius is passionate about empowering leaders.

Julius is a Nigerian-born US citizen who has lived in Africa and Europe. Julius is an internationally certified John Maxwell speaker, trainer and business executive coach. This CEO whisperer has also served on the board of the YMCA for more than 10 years, coached youth soccer for nonprofit programs and served on various nonprofit committees. His latest book, "Speak No: An Introduction to Presentation Skills and Collection of Speeches" is available on Amazon.com. He is a husband and father of three.



Monnica B. Rose, DTM, of Rowlett, Texas, is a retired mechanical engineer. During her career, Rose spent 30 years working for L3Harris Technologies, where she led, mentored, and project-managed a team that supports aircraft and ground station systems for the United States Air Force. She provided input on budgets in excess of 24 million USD, providing monthly work force forecasts.

Rose earned a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering technology from Southern University and Agriculture & Mechanical College. She is an advanced certified paralegal and holds a certification in conflict resolution from Cornell University. In 2020, Rose was recognized with the National Society of Black Engineers S.T.E.M. award for her impact in her community. Currently, she serves as the board president for Women of Visionary Influence.

A Toastmaster since 2006, Rose is a member of her home club, Awesome Articulators, in Greenville, Texas. She has held a number of high-profile leadership positions within Toastmasters and has attained the Distinguished Toastmaster designation—the highest level of educational achievement in the organization.

## Upcoming Events



Date	Event	Time
April 18, 2023	Free Toast Host Training Q&A	10:00 AM -11:00 AM
April 26, 2023	New Member Orientation	6:00 PM -7:00 PM
May 1, 2023– June 30, 2023	Beat the Clock Program Begins	It's simple—add five new, dual or reinstated members to your roster within the contest dates above to win this award.*  *For club and individual contest rules and details, go to <a href="http://www.toastmasters.org/membershipcontests">www.toastmasters.org/membershipcontests</a> .
May 1, 2023– May 30, 2023	Start Club Officer Elections at your club and turn into TI	When your club has elected new officers, the current president or secretary should submit their names and contact information to World Headquarters online through <a href="#">Club Central</a> .
May 10, 2023	Pathways Training	6:00 PM -7:00 PM
May 20, 2023	Free Toast Host Training	10:00 AM -11:00 AM
May 22, 2023	Club Retention Information	6:30 PM-7:30 PM
May 23, 2023	New Member Orientation	6:00 PM -7:00 PM
June 3, 2023	Summer Training Leadership Institute	8:30 AM -3:30 PM
June 26, 2023	Club Retention Information	6:30 PM-7:30 PM
June 27, 2023	New Member Orientation	6:00 PM -7:00 PM
June 30, 2023	Last day of Toastmaster Year	

# Our Last Two Big Hurrah's of 2022-2023

TOASTMASTERS  
INTERNATIONAL

## District 8 Award Ceremony

District 8 will come together in June 2023 to recognize both clubs and individuals for their outstanding performances during the year .



Save the Date for Summer TLI June 3, 2023



## Thanks to the following individuals who made our District 8 2023 Annual Conference possible!

Speech Contest Chair	Josh Monken
Webmaster/ Registration	Tom Coscia, DTM
Education Chair	Andrew Welter
Public Relations Campaign	Darlene Willman, DTM
Program Quality Director	Sarah Van Meter

### Zoom Master

Zoom Master Liaison	Tom Coscia, DTM
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## District 8 Members Who Earned Education Awards from July 2022– April 11, 2023

### Division A

#### **Aetna Toastmasters**

- Gio Sparks, PM1
- Karen Dew, EH1, EH2, PM1
- Tammy Graves, LD5, Mentor Program
- Terri Brown, IP1

#### **Capital T Toastmasters**

- Sharon Maddox, SR3
- Tom Coscia, DL1
- Willie Blue, EH4, VC3, VC4

#### **Centene Speaks**

- Jennifer Bourquin, DL1
- Neeharika Jaladanki, SR1, SR2, SR3
- Stacey Costin, TC3

#### **Crossroads**

- Andy Mai, PM1, PM2
- Art Stanze, PM1, PM2, PM3, PM4, PM5
- Bret Nichols EC4
- James Adams, PM1
- Margret Mathews, PI3
- Robert Heaton, EC3, EC4
- Robert Brinkley, SR4, SR5
- Tamara Ablan, EH1

#### **Heartland Storytellers**

- Patti Howard, PI1

#### **High– Noon Toastmasters Club**

- Andrew Welter, PI1, PI2, SR4
- Arielle Bohnert, VC2, PM4
- Ellen Kirchdoerfer, SR2
- Michal Prosser-Burlison, PM3, PM4
- Sophia Scott, EC3

#### **Jeff Co Challengers**

- Charmin L. Gans, VC1
- Josephine Marino-Emde, IP4, IP5, DL1
- Kathy Berri, SR4

#### **Rabo Masters**

- Jason Koch, MS1

#### **RGA Toastmasters**

- Christina Wissman, PM2
- Jennifer Johnson, PM1
- Nentanya Martin, TC4
- Prasad Boppana, DL4
- Sam Steinmann, PM1

#### **South County Toastmasters Club**

- Adam Fox, PM1
- Arvin Elangovan, LD1
- Debbie Young, PM1
- James Perper, IP3, IP4, IP5, PM 4, PM5
- James Slaih, EC3, PM3, PM4, PM5
- Julie Zeitler, MS1
- Kathryn Denton, MS1
- Steven Burchett, VC2, VC3, VC4, VC5
- Victor Mattison, DL1
- Alaina Hawley, VC1
- Eboni Buckels, VC1, VC2, VC3
- Ireen Smithers, PM1
- Michelle T. Sturdivant, MS2

# District 8 Members Who Earned Education Awards from July 2022– April 11, 2023

## Division B

### Aerospace Orators

- Kevin Law, IP3
- Rhonda Green , EC5, VC1, VC2, VC3, VC4
- Ross Jones, PI1
- Yutaka Ikeda, EH2

### Ascension Health Toastmasters

- Lauren Himmelberg, IP2

### Creve Coeur Toastmasters

- David Workman, PM1
- Nina Riaz, PM2
- Sandra Kardis, EH3
- Stuart M. Manewith, PM2

### Moneta Voices

- Kristen Zlatic, PM1

### Noontime Toastmasters

- Jeffrey Mudd, LD4, LD5
- LaJuanna Williams, EH1
- Melissa Kelley, EH2
- Sarah Van Meter MS1
- Shannon Brown, PM4
- Steffnee Audsit IP2, IP3, IP4
- Viral Shah, IP2

### Script Master Club

- Jackie Kam-Blackard, MS1, IP4
- Michael Smith PI1, PM1, PM2, PM3, PM4
- Michael Smith, PW Mentor Program

### Shalom Church Toastmasters

- Burchell D. McGhee, SR1
- Catherine R. Jamerson, DL2
- Christina Rogers, PM3
- Donna Cannon, PM3, PM4
- Keith Jamerson, EC1, VC5
- Trisha R. Gordon, PM1

# District 8 Members Who Earned Education Awards from July 2022– April 11, 2023

## Division C

### Capital City Toastmasters

- Bridget Ingebrigtsen, LD2
- Brittany Henton, SR2
- Curt M. Evoy, PI4

### Collinsville Toastmasters Club

- Art Anderson, DL1, DL2, DL3, DL4
- Lisa Griebe, TC4

### Fairview Heights Toastmasters Club

- Suzanne Slovak, EC5

### Gem City Toastmasters

- Bryant Holliday, PM2
- Carol Hudgens, EC1, EC2
- Kathy Dieker, PM5
- Margaret Williams, TC2
- Roger A. Leenerts, PM3
- Sherry Nelson, VC4

### Horace Mann Toastmasters

- Patricia Zillen, IP1

### League of Our Own Toastmasters

- Donald Smith, EH1

### Marion VA Toastmasters

- Dara J. Shaner, DL3

### McBrian Lincoln-Douglas Club

- Ana Manriquez, VC4, VC5
- Anwar Azeem, LD1, LD2
- Nathaniel Randall, EH1, EH2, EH3, EH4, EH5

### Montgomery County Toastmasters

- Brenda Masters-Stout, IP1

### Mount Vernon Toastmasters

- Karl Jalkanen, PI4
- Linda Mlot, MS1, MS2
- Patti Howard, VC4
- Timothy Scarbrough, PI2

### O'Fallon Toastmasters

- Anita McKee, PM1
- Justine Smith, PM1, PM2
- Leslie Heilig, EC4, MS2
- Warren Lambert, PM4

### Scott Speakers Association

- Amy Holem, PI1
- Charice Manor, PM4
- Dawnella Bowser, LD4, MS4
- Pamela D. Rodney, EC1, EC2, EC3

- Yolanda Wood, DL1, DL2

### Southern Illinois Toastmasters Club

- Jonalyn Miller, IP3
- Kristen Anderson, PM2
- Timothy Scarbrough, MS2

### St. Claire Toastmasters

- Herman Koester, LD1
- KeNeshia Williams, DI1, DL2
- Toi Wiley, LD1

### Toast of Belleville

- Cindy A. Middendorf, PM1, PM2, PM3
- Cindy A. Middendorf, VC4, VC5
- Cindy
- Raymond L. Stratton, EH1

# District 8 Members Who Earned Education Awards from July 2022– April 11, 2023

## Division E

### Alpha Toastmasters

- Aldano Loschiavo, SR1, SR2
- Charles DeCarr, EC1, EC2
- Daniel Thompson, DL1, DL2, DL3
- Daniel Thompson, DL3
- Daniel Thompson, DL3
- Pierre Davis, IP1, IP2

### Cave Spring Toastmasters

- Darlene Willman, DTM
- David Evans, PM1
- David Woods, PI3, PI4, PI5
- Glennon Brady, PM1, PM2
- Joshua McGaughey, DL2, DL3, DL4
- Lisa Bianco, PM4, PM5
- Ran Disko, PM2
- Wynne Hindt, LD5
- Zachary Breckle, IP1

### Continental Communications

- Annetta Works-Salley, SR5
- Fredena Moore, MS1
- Jessica E. Shine, MS1
- Laura Breksa, IP5, VC2, VC3,
- Laura Breska, Mentor Program
- Mark Campbell, SR2
- Mary J. Rowe, TC1
- Terri Orban, MS1

### Downtown Toastmasters

- Christina Gilbert, PM1
- Leigh Kottwitz, PM1
- Meg Langland, PM1, PM2, PM3, PM4,
- Meg Langland- Pathway Mentor Program
- Renee Powers-Scott, PM1
- Becky Klein, DL1
- Kat Schudel, PM1
- Kelli Risse, PM1
- Kathryn Mokriakow, MS3
- Timothy Spezia, DL2
- Timothy Spezia, Pathway Mentor Program
- Barry Lane, EH5, LD4
- Joseph McChesney, DL1, DL2, DL3
- Patricia Kohlmann, PM1

### MasterToasters Club

- Wayne Allen, EH3
- Waqas Ur Rehman, PM1, PM2
- Philip Dennis, IP2
- Neha Yadav, EH1, EH2

### Techmasters

- Satya Yellampalli, IP2
- Suresh Gopalakrishnan, DL5

### Unigroup

- Kayla Zimmermann, VC1
- Kimberly Perez, PI1
- Mark Zinn, PM1, PM2
- Terri Orban, PM1, PM2



# District 8 Members Who Earned Education Awards from July 2022– April 11, 2023

## Division F

### Free Speaker Toastmasters

- Cheryl Hammond, PI5
- Deborah Bush-Munson, DL1
- Henry Greene, PM2, PM3, PM4
- Shannon Dunphy, EC5

### Grand Center Club

- Ellen White, PI3
- Pierre Smith, PM2
- Rhonda Green, SR5

### Midtwon Clayton Toastmasters Club

- Kay Flannery PM2
- Michael Hanrahan, PM1
- Angela Breinin, MS2

### Rent-A-Toast Club

- Jim Morrison, SR1
- Joshua Thomas, DL3

### Smedley Hometown Memorial Toastmasters Club

- Lora Mather, PM2
- Christina Ritter, PM4
- Robert Foster, PI3

### SPEAK UP! Club

- Richard W. Porter, VC1

### Square Talkers Toastmasters Club

- Adrienne Maull, PM1
- Alex J. Miller, EH1
- Andrea Davidson, PI1
- Clifton J. Copeland, MS1, MS2, MS3, MS4, MS5
- Gina Porter, PM1
- Kristina E. Manciocchi, PM2
- Soon Kiat Lau, PI1, PI2, PI3, I4

### Toast of WU

- Elizabeth Gunn, IP2
- Harriett E. Green, DL1
- Jennifer Huck, TC3
- Maureen A. Kleekamp, MS3, MS4, MS5

### ToastUS

- Anne Dunn, IP2, IP3

### Voices in Unity Club

- Jeannie Lamb PI3, PI4
- Jerry Chapman– LD4

### Wash U Med Masters

- Eileen M. Lynch, PM1
- Elaine L. Thomas, DL2
- Reetika Ghag, SR1
- Tassia Mangetti Goncalves, IP2, SR1

### Webster Groves Toastmasters Club

- Dawna Moore, PM3
- Debbie Young, PM1
- Jim Musec, PI1
- Joseph D. Taylor, VC4, PM1

### Wells Fargo Advisors Toastmasters

- John A. Steckert, VC1
- Rachal Hamor, TC1, TC2
- Peter Ogunniran, SR2
- Rhonda F. Green, SR1, SR2, SR3, SR4