



Double Dozen

A Lesson In Excellence — Valmont Toastmasters Club Revives by Steven Dawkins, CTM, Area B12 Governor

As Toastmasters we have all participated in a conversation at one time or another centered around the “Spirit of Toastmasters” and what it means to have the internal drive, commitment and courage to pull ahead of the ordinary standards to achieve excellence. This article is about an extraordinary event that embodies those values.

Valmont Toastmasters Club located at Valmont Industries in Valley Nebraska was chartered on June 6, 2012. The club started as most do with a full complement of enthusiastic members all striving for the same goal, to become better speakers. Valmont Toastmasters Club continued to enjoy energized meetings full of laughter and fun. The club culture made for an exciting meeting which drew

members closer as a group and left everyone with the desire to attend the next meeting for more!

Then it happened! Valmont Industries began to enjoy a

robust economic upturn as business began to increase. Due to increased level of commitments to the new business most of the club’s members simply did not have
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Celebrating the rebuilding of Valmont Toastmasters Club are from left to right: Gilly Niyazova, VP of Education; Steven Dawkins, acting Club Mentor; Sunny Faronbi, 2013/2014 LGM for District 24 and Grahame Barker, President of Valmont Club.

Take Action!

[RSVP](#) for a Toastmasters Leadership Institute session by . . . well, **now** would be good

Arrange for a club [Humorous Speech Contest](#) and [Evaluation Contest](#) during the date range of **July 26 to August 15**

[RSVP](#) for the Toastmasters Year-End Party by **August 2**

[Submit](#) news, notes, announcements, and trivia about Malaysia for inclusion in the Double Dozen by 11:59 p.m. **August 3**



Greetings From The District Governor Shellie Pointer, DTM

If you do not already know, I love RACING. I not only have a passion for mini sprint RACING but also the passion for Toastmasters club members. This year, my vision is **Reaching All Club members In Nurturing their Goals.** *Continued on page 4*

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Valmont Toastmasters (continued)

the time to commit to the Toastmasters club meetings. In three months the club's membership fell to only three members. It seemed as though Valmont Toastmasters club was doomed to fail. All appeared lost. Not so fast!

Like a Phoenix rises from the ashes, Valmont would rise again to become an even stronger club! The continued and unending commitment of the club President Grahame Barker and VP of Education Guluh (Gilly) Niyazova made a dynamic team! Together they provided the strong foundation necessary to pull the club from the clutches of doom. Valmont Toastmasters would be back on the map! The club ended

this year with only 3 points away from celebrating the Distinguished status! It is absolutely a fantastic outcome!

Most of the credit for Valmont's success comes from the deep commitment and dedication of Grahame and Gilly. These two members met on many occasions off site to discuss the strategies of rebuilding the club. Division B Governor Marian Gramlich, DTM and Area B12 Governor Steven Dawkins, CTM worked many hours behind the scenes to help realign the club with the elements it needed to assist Grahame and Gilly in steering the club back to a strong and viable path for sustainable success.

Valmont Toastmasters celebrated its comeback with homemade treats by Marian Gramlich and a visit from Kathy Henvey, DTM, District Governor and Sunny Faronbi, DTM, 2013/2014 Lieutenant Governor Marketing (LGM).

Grahame and Gilly's commitment to excellence has not only set the bar higher for the rest of us but it helps us all understand that with focus and commitment we can all achieve a higher level of excellence in all we do.

Thank you Grahame and Gilly for your dedication and efforts in rebuilding Valmont Toastmasters Club!

More Exciting Changes on the Way

by Sunny Faronbi, DTM, LGET

As the world is changing, so are a few things in the world of Toastmasters. In addition to the Revitalized Educational Program (REP), which is currently being planned for takeoff next July, here are a few more changes in the offing:

- The [Toastmasters International \(TI\) website](#) is being redesigned, and the new version will soon be ready to launch. Stay tuned for updates.
- The titles of District Leaders will be changing effective July 1, 2015. Check out the new titles at <http://www.toastmasters.org/districttitles>.



Take Note!

In the Humorous and Evaluation Contests, for clubs with 4 or fewer clubs in an area, each club may advance 2 contestants to the area contest, and each area may advance two contestants to the Division contest.

Revitalized Education Program

by Kathy Henvey, DTM, Chief Ambassador, Immediate Past District Governor

Did you know that, on the average, Toastmaster members remain members for 18 months?

Did you know that, on the average, it takes 2 years for a member to achieve a Competent Communication status; and 3 years to achieve the Competent Leadership status? Therefore, many members quit Toastmasters before achieving any educational status goal. The Toastmasters International Revitalized Education Program (REP) is being developed to enable Toastmaster members to achieve an educational status goal within 18 months, and therefore, encourage them to continue their membership in Toastmasters, achieving greater growth in the areas that suit their needs.

The REP plans are moving forward, with a

scheduled implementation date of July 1, 2015. Members who are working on the current educational tracks will have two years after the REP implementation date, to complete current educational goals; before moving into the REP.

I am your District 24 Chief Ambassador for the REP. Assisting me are the Ambassadors:

Angela Peterson
Ann Gentle
Colleen Bozarth
Floy Westermeier
Keith Jones
Lynn Redding
MeganJo Pearson
Susan James
Vivian Hancock

Each Ambassador will be contacting his/her set of clubs to set up a time to visit, and update club members on the REP. Also, Ambassadors will be assisting me in making 15 minute presenta-

tions at all of the Round 1 Toastmaster Leadership Institutes (TLIs) in July and August. Please feel free to ask questions and make comments regarding the REP. I will pass on your comments to Toastmasters International.

As Toastmasters International updates me on the REP, I will work with the Ambassadors to make sure you are updated, too.

The REP Learning Masters from District 24: Anthony Armstrong, Janine Jernigan, Jonathan Gardner, and Sunny Faronbi, continue to be great REP resources and are scheduled to be Beta Testing the REP in early 2015.

Best wishes for a wonderful 2014-2015 Toastmasters Year!

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For more information, call Kathy at 402-650-1579

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From the District Governor

Shellie Pointer, DTM

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I would like to introduce to you the District 24 Officers:

Shellie Pointer, DTM	District Governor
Sunny Faronbi, DTM	Lieutenant Governor Education and Training
Marian Gramlich, DTM	Lieutenant Governor Marketing
Jonathan Gardner, DTM	District Public Relations Officer
Lynn Redding, ACS, ALB	District Secretary
Kim Hoock, CC, ALB	District Treasurer
Kathy Henvey, DTM	Immediate Past District Governor
John Paul Arias, DTM	Division A Governor
Laria Lovec, ACS, ALB	Area A1 Governor
Sandy Yager, ACG, ALB	Area A2 Governor
Carol Sullivan, ACS, ALB	Area A3 Governor
Gail Brabec, CC, CL	Area A4 Governor
Don Karnish, CC, CL	Division B Governor
Christine Jones, ACS, ALB	Area B10 Governor
Robert C. Friedman, ACB, CL	Area B11 Governor
Steve Dawkins, CC, ALB	Area B12 Governor
Kim Kuhle, ACG, ALB	Area B13 Governor
Tammie, Lang, ACS, ALB	Division C Governor
Ron Snyder, ATMS, CL	Area C20 Governor
Yolanda Gomez	Area C21 Governor
Jean Dier, DTM	Area C22 Governor
Greg Carlson, ACB, CL	Area C23 Governor
Bob Schapp, ACS, ALS	Division D Governor
Pam Hughes, ACB, ALB	Area D30 Governor
Amy Schapp, ACB, ALB	Area D31 Governor
Diana Behrends, CC, ALB	Area D32 Governor
Jeffrey Williams, ACB, ALB	Area D33 Governor
Ayele Vossah, ACS, ALS	Division E Governor
Rebecca Fegan, ACS, ALB	Area E41 Governor
Don Hotz, ACS	Area E42 Governor
Vivienne Friday, ACB	Area E43 Governor
Mark Fegan, DTM	Area E44 Governor

With focusing on all club members and their goals, we will be President’s Distinguished on all levels — club, area, division, and district.

From the Lieutenant Governor Education and Training

Sunny Faronbi, DTM

As we begin this new Toastmasters year, I'd like to start by congratulating every one of you for helping our district to achieve Distinguished status last year. It was possible because of the excellent team work that we saw, not only in the district leadership, but throughout our entire district. I'm confident that with the same level of dedication and hard work, we will be able to reproduce the success this year.

July is traditionally a busy period of the year as we get ready for the first round of Toastmasters Leadership Institute (TLI) trainings and the Fall Speech Contests. TLI happens early in the year because incoming club officers need to be trained to prepare them for the responsibilities that lie ahead. Although the TLI is primarily for club officers, it's **open and free to all District 24 Toastmasters**. For club officers however, attendance carries a special reward as each club will earn half of the Distinguished Club Program (DCP) point #9. The other half will be earned during the second round of training from December – February.

Although the Toastmasters Leadership Institute (TLI) is primarily for club officers, it is **open and free to all District 24 Toastmasters**.

Please take the time to register and attend a TLI session during this first round. RSVP your attendance by clicking on the [link](#) provided or send me an [email](#).

For this first round, we will have six TLI sessions as we have had in the past. Here are the session dates, times and locations:

<p>Tuesday, July 8, 2014 Food 5:00 pm/Training 5:30 - 9:30pm Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital 5401 South St, Lincoln, NE 68506</p>	<p>Saturday, July 12, 2014 Training 10:00 am – 2:00 pm; Lunch at noon Northeast Community College 801 E Benjamin Ave., Norfolk, NE 68702</p>	<p>Saturday, July 19, 2014 Training 10:00 am – 2:00 pm; Lunch at noon YWCA – 211 E Fonner Park Road Grand Island, NE 68801</p>
<p>Tuesday, July 29, 2014 Food 5:00 pm/Training 5:30 - 9:30pm Blue Cross Blue Shield 1919 Aksarben Drive, Omaha, NE 68180</p>	<p>Saturday, August 2, 2014 Food 7:30 am/Training 8:00 am – 12 noon Christ Lutheran Church 4325 Sumner St, Lincoln, NE 68506</p>	<p>Saturday, August 9, 2014 Food 7:30 am/Training 8:00 am – 12 noon ConAgra Foods, Building 11 Auditorium 11 ConAgra Drive, Omaha, NE 68102</p>

Please take the time to register and attend a session during this round. Click [here](#) to RSVP your attendance or send me an email.

As we prepare for the Fall Speech Contests, remember that we shall be having the Evaluation & Humorous Speech Contests. In addition, the following date ranges have been assigned for the contests.

Clubs: July 26 - August 15, 2014

Areas: August 16 - September 12, 2014

Divisions: September 13 – 27, 2014

Once again, I look forward to another successful year for every one of our clubs in District 24. I'll see you soon at either a TLI session or a speech contest near you!



Time to Celebrate!

Who: YOU

What: YEAR END CELEBRATION

When: AUGUST 9, 12:30-3:00 p.m.

**Where: CONAGRA CAMPUS, BUILDING 11
DOWNTOWN OMAHA**

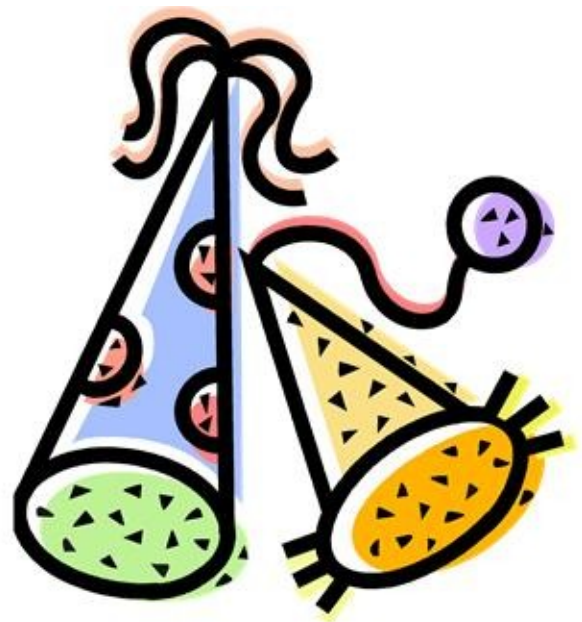
How: RSVP BY AUGUST 2:

<http://tinyurl.com/D24TM2014YearEnd>

**Celebrate the
2013-2014 Toastmasters year,
&**

65 YEARS

**of
District 24,
Where
Leaders
Are
Made**



From the Lieutenant Governor Marketing

Marian Albin Gramlich, DTM

Ever hear of a team of one? Probably not the most successful team if one is doing it all. It also does not describe how I would paint a self-portrait. Instead, I believe in empowering and motivating others to grow and take ownership of their destiny.

According to Toastmasters International, what are the **responsibilities** of the Lieutenant Governor Marketing (LGM)?

This person is responsible for all aspects of marketing, club-building, and member- and club-retention efforts within the district. This includes defining an overall marketing strategy for the district, developing outreach and retention efforts with existing community and corporate clubs, and penetrating new markets. Additionally, the LGM supports challenged clubs and helps them to become Distinguished.

A **Distinguished District** is not the result of one person's effort. It takes teamwork. Our goal is Presidents Distinguished. In the words of our District Governor Shellie Pointer, WE CAN DO IT!!! To accomplish this, we must have a net membership payments growth of 8% (July 1 is 3,154 and on June 30 it needs to reach 3,406), 8% net club growth, and 50% of our club base must be Distinguished or better. Consider the following, if a member joins prior to September 30, the member counts as three paid memberships during the Toastmasters' year (July 1 – June 30).

Coaches have a playbook of plays/plans with the overall goal of winning! The playbook helps the players align to work together as a TEAM - together everyone achieve more. Let's draw on our experiences in creating a **D24 PlayBook**. What worked in the past in your club, area and division? What did not work? Let your area and division governors know and offer potential solutions! Let's focus on our strengths! Let's bring ideas to the table and create plans to successfully build on them!

The main role of Area and Division Governors is to help clubs grow and listen for leads of potential new clubs. The Area and Division Governors are the Athletic Directors in that they help the Club Captains (officers) and team members (members of the club) by answering questions and helping clubs. The Area and Division Governors submit dates of the contests to the Lieutenant Governor Education and Training (LGET). It is important that Area and Division Governors delegate to members the opportunity to chair contests. To assist the contest chairs, Christine Jones is serving as the District 24 Contest Chair for her HPL with the LGET Sunny Faronbi.

To aid in the process of discovering new club leads I am creating a team of **Extension Chairs**. These are the people who are additional recruiters for the team (District). My goal is having two Extension Chairs in each division in different demographic locations. Once the team is complete, their names will be shared with all.

In the words of Ralph C Smedley, "Here we are, with tremendous opportunity before us. I challenge you to get to work to bring us up to a higher level of service. Let us share with others the benefits we have gained for ourselves."



Division A Happenings

Photos by Lynn Redding, ACB



At left, Kearney Toastmasters celebrated the end of the year with a special club event organized by Lynn Redding, ACB. Below, from left to right: members of Strictly Speaking, the advanced club in Lincoln, pose with the club banner at their June meeting; District Governor Kathy Henvey, DTM (left), and LGM-elect Marian Gramlich, DTM (right), were on hand to serve the club lunch won by club member Linda Wilson, DTM (center); Kathy Henvey and Carol Sullivan, ACS, ALB, Area A3 Governor, install club officers for 2014/2015.



New Club in Lincoln has the Gift of Gab

By Denise Masek, ACB, ALB

Government Gabbers held their Charter Party on Thursday, June 12, 2014 during their normal meeting time. 2013/2014 LGM Sunny Faronbi presented the club with their club banner and club plaque. Marian Gramlich, LGM-elect, was on hand to hand out the charter member certificates to those members in attendance. Pictured below: Club members and Sunny Faronbi pose with the new club banner.



30 Year Anniversary!

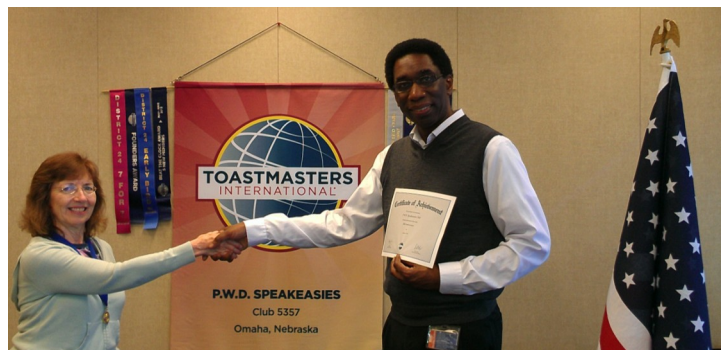
By Sheri Wells-Chesley, DTM

On the morning of Wednesday, June 11, P.W.D. Speakeasies Toastmasters Club #5357 hosted a 30th Anniversary Celebration with a presentation from our 2013-2014 District Governor (DG), Kathy Henvey, DTM. While members and guests were enjoying homemade food, Jonathan Gardner entertained the group with a 1984 Quiz

making everyone laugh and Teresa Barnes shared her insights on how Toastmasters has helped build her self confidence over the last year as a new member. Club President, Mark Purnell, accepted the 30th Anniversary Certificate of Achievement from DG, Kathy Henvey, DTM. The club offers a special thanks to our guests Kathy Hen-

vey, Mark and Rebecca Fegan and Keith Jones for attending our special celebration.

2013-2014 District 24 Governor, Kathy Henvey, DTM, presents the 30th Anniversary Certificate of Achievement to P.W.D. Speakeasies Toastmasters Club #5357 Club President, Mark Purnell, DTM, on June 11, 2014 during their anniversary celebration!



Ameritoasters Goes Public!

By Amie Carnahan

Ameritoasters has become a public club! No longer restricted to TD Ameritrade employees. Everyone is invited to attend our meetings!

Ameritoasters meets in TD Ameritrade Headquarters in the Multipurpose Room (2nd Floor-East-4) at 5:00pm on the first and third Tuesday of the month.

Contact: contact-1532502@toastmastersclubs.org

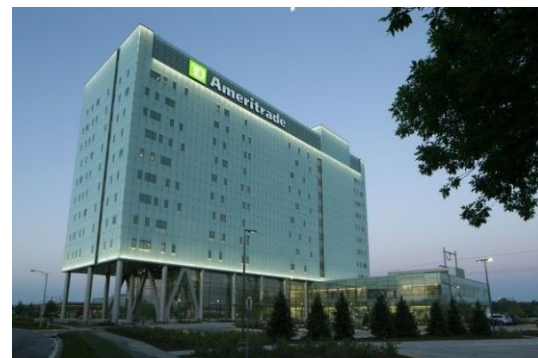
if you plan to attend, so we can greet you at the front lobby.

Located at:

TD Ameritrade Headquarters (pictured)
200 South 108th Avenue
Omaha, NE 68154

Website: <http://ameritoastersomaha.toastmastersclubs.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ameritoasters>



Ameritoasters club president Zachary Braun (left) and VPE Eric Fischer (right).

Start the New Year Right by Sandy Yager, ACG, ALB, Area A2 Governor

Yakkity Yakkers invited Shellie Pointer to her first club meeting as District 24 District Governor, during their noon meeting at Hy-Vee, Tuesday, July 1st. Pictured is District Governor, Shellie Pointer and Club President, Lee Meents. The flowers potted in a car vase was presented by Yakkity Yakkers' club members,

Past District Governor, Melinda Haag, Division Governor, John Paul Arias and Area A2 Governor, Sandy Yager joining her on her race to the finish line this year guided by her R.A.C.I.N.G vision for D24 (Reaching All

Club members In Nurturing their Goals).



Call to Action!

Sandy Yager has been asked to lead a Boy Scout event on August 9th, "Popcorn University," with special request from the Overland Trails Council for TM assistance! Sandy Yager

and Keith Jones will be leading a breakout titled, "Door to Door Confidence" and are seeking assistance from other Toastmasters to help that day. Your assistance will be rewarded with

free sampling of the varieties of popcorn and lots of fun! Please contact Sandy or Keith if interested in helping!



Gateway Year End Celebration

Gateway Toastmasters in Grand Island celebrated the end of the Toastmasters year on July 9, and as part of the festivities, recognized club members for their achievements. District officials, including District Governor (DG)

Shellie Pointer, DTM, and Immediate Past District Governor (IPDG) Kathy Henvey, DTM, participated in the meeting. Pictured is Sandy Yager, ACG, ALB, Area A2 Governor, awarding club member Troy Johnson

his Competent Communicator.



June Visit by Region 4 Advisor Monique Levesque-Pharoah

By Marian Albin Gramlich, DTM, LGM

As the incoming Lieutenant Governor Marketing (LGM), I had the pleasure of accompanying our Region 4 Advisor Monique Levesque-Pharoah on a whirlwind visit. Her 3-day visit included calling on businesses that could support a Toastmasters Club, formally recognizing the Madonna Rehabilitation Center with a Corporate Award, visiting two existing clubs and attending the District Officer Training at Carol Joy Holling.



Monique visits with Area E41 Governor Rebecca Fegan, ACS, ALB, at District Officer Training. Photo courtesy of Mark Fegan, DTM, Area E44 Governor.

All but the first items are self-explanatory. Recognizing a company that supports Toastmasters, visit clubs that worked with the time schedule, and help facilitate the District Officer Training at Carol Joy Holling for incoming district leaders.

The first item is paramount – building clubs and increasing membership. Together we will work to expand the number of clubs and increase our membership in District 24. How were businesses identified? Some were visits in person or by phone that were follow-ups to prior inquiries about what Toastmasters is and what we can do for them. Other companies considered, named as the best places to work, were at the top of the list.



Monique (center) at Networking on the River with (from left to right) future Toastmaster Lisa; Kathy Henvey, Immediate Paste District Governor; Marian Gramlich, Lieutenant Governor Marketing; and Jonathan Gardner, Public Relations Officer.

Why? These companies' values align closely to those of Toastmasters and place a high value on the continued education of their employees.

While our visit to Division A did not materialize, we did conduct visits from Council Bluffs to Lincoln and contacted others by telephone. One of these telephone conversations became a visit and a tentative demo has been scheduled. What makes this lead and subsequent visit special? The lead came from a local Toastmaster who suggested the company might be interested. Together this Toastmaster and I visited the company the second week in June and a tentative demo meeting has been scheduled for October! As more details are finalized more information will be shared so stay tuned!

When you are networking, talk up Toastmasters! While attending an event, Networking on the River at the Holiday Inn-Ameristar, business cards were exchanged and from that networking event three leads for members were shared with the clubs in Council Bluffs!

If you think a company might be interested in helping their employees grow, please send me an [email](#) with their contact information of title, email and telephone number. Together we can visit the company and explain the benefits Toastmasters can offer, whether it is for a corporate or community club. Maybe the company is reorganizing, supervisors needs assistance when giving evaluations, increase general communication up, down and sideways through the company – whatever the need is, Toastmasters can help increase communication and leadership skills.

2014-2015 District 24 Incentives for Clubs and Members

Early Recruitment Individual Award	
Target Audience:	Individual Members
Description:	Sponsor 5 new, dual or reinstated members from July 1 through September 30, 2014
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	September 30, 2014
Award:	Trophy engraved with personalized information

Early Recruitment Club Award	
Target Audience:	Clubs
Description:	Add 5 new, dual or reinstated members from July 1 through September 30, 2014
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	September 30, 2014
Award:	\$100 in Toastmasters gift certificates for EVERY 5 new, dual or reinstated members added during this period.

Early Club Sponsor Award	
Target Audience:	Individual Members
Description:	Sponsor new club from July 1 through September 30, 2014. Contact Lt. Governor Marketing, Marian Gramlich (marian.d24tm@gmail.com) with information on new club leads.
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	September 30, 2014
Award:	Multi-Purpose Scroll engraved with personalized information

Talk Up Toastmasters District Award	
Target Audience:	Clubs
Description:	Add 5 new, dual or reinstated members from February 1 through March 31, 2015
Start Date:	February 1, 2015
End Date:	March 31, 2015
Award:	\$50 in Toastmasters gift certificates

High Retention Award

Target Audience:	Clubs
Description:	Award to the top 3 clubs with the best membership retention for the year
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	June 30, 2015
Award:	1 st place — \$100 in Toastmasters gift certificates 2 nd place — \$50 in Toastmasters gift certificates 3 rd place — \$25 in Toastmasters gift certificates

Early Bird Award

Target Audience:	Clubs
Description:	Clubs submitting membership dues renewal by September 15, 2014 or March 15, 2015
Award:	Early Bird Ribbon

Beat the Clock District Award

Target Audience:	Clubs
Description:	Add 5 new, dual or reinstated members from May 1 through June 30, 2015
Start Date:	May 1, 2015
End Date:	June 30, 2015
Award:	\$50 in Toastmasters gift certificates

Annual Recruitment Award

Target Audience:	Individual Members
Description:	Sponsor 5 new, dual or reinstated members by June 30, 2015. (excludes members sponsored if Early Recruitment Individual Award was awarded)
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	June 30, 2015
Award:	Toastmasters Executive Pad Folio

2014-2015 District 24 Incentives for Clubs and Members (continued)

7 for 7 Award	
Target Audience:	Clubs
Description:	Clubs who have all 7 club officers attend club officer training (TLI's)
Award:	7 for 7 Ribbon

Early Distinguished Award	
Target Audience:	Club
Description:	Earn at least 5 Distinguished Club Points by April 15, 2015, with at least 20 members or a net growth of 5 members
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	April 15, 2015
Award:	\$50 in Toastmasters gift certificates

Triple Crown Award	
Target Audience:	Individual Members
Description:	Achieve any three educational awards during the Toastmaster year
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	June 30, 2015
Award:	TBD

High Achievement Individual Award	
Target Audience:	Individual Members
Description:	Awards to the top three members in District 24 who achieve the most educational awards.
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	June 30, 2015
Award:	TBD

High Achievement Club Award	
Target Audience:	Clubs
Description:	Awards to the top three clubs with the most educational awards achieved.
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	June 30, 2015
Award:	TBD

New Club Lead Individual Award	
Target Audience:	Individual Members
Description:	Provide a new lead that turns into a chartered club from October 1 through June 30, 2014. Contact Lt. Gov. Marketing, Marian Gramlich
Start Date:	October 1, 2014
End Date:	June 30, 2015
Award:	Plaque engraved with personalized information

Above & Beyond Club Challenge	
Target Audience:	Clubs
Description:	Earn club points by going above and beyond the DCP (form available in the Public Downloads section on the district website – www.d24tm.org)
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	August 31, 2015
Award:	\$100 Gift Certificate and Pizza Party with the Trio to the club with most points.

Go Outside Your Club Individual Award	
Target Audience:	Individual
Description:	Earn points for participating Toastmasters activities outside your club by April 30, 2015 (form available in the Public Downloads section on the district website – www.d24tm.org)
Start Date:	July 1, 2014
End Date:	April 30, 2015
Award:	10 points - Toastmasters Pen & Pencil Set (Item 5999) 15 points - Toastmasters Glass Mug with Smedley Quote (Item 366A) 20 points - Toastmasters Notebook with business card holders & stickies (Item 6822) & Leather Business Card Holder (Item 6816) Grand Prize (Given to the individual with the most points) – Toastmasters Computer Messenger Bag (Item 6819)

Drivers, Start Your Engines!!!



**Did you meet your goals
for Toastmasters *last year*?**

If not, how can your club or the district help you?

What are your goals for Toastmasters *this year*?

Are you planning to have FUN this year?

—Shellie Pointer, DTM, District Governor

Earn Competent Leader Credit for Project 6 or 8! Use Area/Division Contests as Membership Drives

Organize a membership drive or publicity campaign to help build your club membership! If you are looking to increase your membership, consider a “**CLUB NAME**” **Membership Building Drive Campaign** or “**CLUB NAME**” **Publicity Campaign** by promoting your club, area or division contest to potential members!

While you **cannot receive credit for coordinating an area or**

division contest, you can receive credit if you are promoting your CLUB’s membership campaign or as a CLUB special event! Be creative, think “outside the box” and earn credit for Project 6 and 8 that is restricted to Club events. An added bonus – help your Area and/or Division Governor by coordinating an Area or Division Contest at the same time!

How can you do this? Sally from TM County Club in Area 50 and Sam from TI City Club in Area 51 coordinate a membership drive for their respective home clubs. Sally’s challenge to TM County Club is to bring one guest and the club member that brings a guest and joins within the next week will win the club’s membership contest! The challenge for Sam’s is for TI City Club to add five members to win the Smedley Award!



**Get the credit
you deserve!**