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Countdown to the end of the 2018-2019 Toastmaster year !

Congratulations to the clubs who have already become distinguished !!

DISTRICT 9

FINISH STRONG !

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District 9

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Liberty Lakers TM club at Club Showcase -Photo Credit:Jennifer Ferrero

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE Jan Taylor, DTM

Remember back to the beginning of this 2018-19 Toastmaster year. We were fresh faced and excited to start a new journey. The path was long and we could see there were high peaks to climb. Knowing this, we carefully charted out a path on the District success plan.

This plan included how we would communicate, how often we would meet, and how we would reach out to the members of District 9. All of this planning and effort was to reach the end goal of becoming a Distinguished District. Here we are, almost to the end of this journey together. We have had ups and downs.

Some of the highs were the chartering of 4 new clubs, Spoken-Ites, Well Spokane, Paving the Way, and Lake Pend Oreille Toastmasters early in the year. That was followed by losing 4 clubs. This was not for the lack of trying to hold on. We just could not jump start them back to life. At the beginning of each year as your club completes the "Moments of Truth" from the Successful Club Series, be truthful with yourselves. If your club is not doing a best practice, ask why. Ask how you can add this to your club culture. With each improvement in the club functionality and culture more people will return. Toastmasters has been around for many years. This program has worked all over the world. There is no need to recreate the wheel. Use the pattern of best practices already set up for your meetings.

"The perfect ending to any day, year, race or project is to finish strong" (GR Blair). This is end of this year's race. We have 45 clubs that are almost DCP. What barriers exist to having these clubs finish strong? For most of these clubs they lack sufficient membership targets to reach DCP. I challenge each of you to bring guests to every meeting. Encourage them to join. Let them be a part of the success of the club.

District 9 has a consistent history as a strong finisher. We, as a leadership team, want to reach out to each of you at the close of the 2018-19 journey. Do not give up. Remember, "How you start is important, but it is how you finish that counts. In the race for success, speed is less important than stamina, the sticker outlasts the sprinter. (B.C. Forbes) Be that stubborn sticker that sticks to the plan until the goal

District Mission

We build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence

Toastmaster Values:

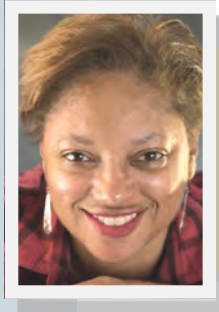
- Integrity
- Respect
- Service
- Excellence



District Director Jan Taylor Article Continued

is met. Be that club that refuses to quit or slow down before the finish line has been crossed.

Finish Strong!



Maria McDonald McNamar, DTM Program Quality Director District Director Elect

Encouragement – Making Great Things Happen!

Do you remember the first time you stepped into a Toastmasters meeting or gave your Ice Breaker Speech? If you were like me, you probably had a lot of fear and excitement. Recently, I relived that same feeling. I sang a friend's funeral. I was terrified. My body and voice shook. I forgot some of the lines and fumbled through the words. I went off-key. I was accompanied by a band that I did not rehearse with. People in the audience were singing along, so I could not even hear my own voice. I could not get myself to settle down. In my head, it was a disaster that I managed to finish without crying or breaking down. However, I took pride knowing that I did it. It was my friend's wish. It was FAR from perfect, but I did it.

What REALLY shocked me afterwards was when people approached me with words of encouragement. Some said, "I did not know that you could sing!" One person said that she was led to tears. One lady (who was an "accomplished" singer) stated that she did not know I had it in me and that she enjoyed it.

I wondered, "Do these people need hearing aids? What just happened here?" To validate my position, I listened to a video of my singing the song. Nope! I was right. The song was a disaster. Correction, the song ("I Can Only Imagine") was beautiful. The lyrics and the musicians were superb. I believed that my delivery, however, had much to be desired.

"LIFE BEGINS
at the end of
your **comfort**
zone"

-Neale Donald Walsch

“What did these people hear that I did not hear?” After I thought about it for a while, I determined that they heard a new person delivering a presentation to the best of her ability. They heard the message of the words. They heard the intent, and they heard someone taking a “Leap of Faith.” It was not about my low self-impression or my imperfections. It was much more.

When I look at Toastmasters as a whole, I see place that enables people to “Take that Leap of Faith” and to get out of their comfort zones. It is really then that we truly grow.

What are your personal challenges/fears/ goals?
What are your club’s?

I challenge each member of District 9 and each club to take that step toward doing the impossible or improbable. If your goal is to become a stronger speaker, then take the leap and find many opportunities to speak. If your club is low in membership (and needs 20 or 5 above your baseline), think outside the box. Have faith. Identify your desired goal. Plan. Take an action. Do your best. But, whatever you do, don’t give up!

Most of our clubs are struggling with membership. Don’t give up! Last month Lewis & Clark Toastmasters Club #369, conducted a regular meeting. They were shocked when suddenly 7 guests to walk in unexpectedly. They made the best of the situation, made the guests feel welcomed and some joined that day. It would not surprise me it that club becomes distinguished.

As we are winding down this last month of this fiscal year, keep your faith strong as a member and as a club. Know what your goals are. Do something different. (Run for a club office. Mentor someone. Visit another club. Invite someone new ... even a stranger). Take a leap of faith. Encourage one another! Then expect great things to happen! You will be surprised at what might come your way!



Tri-Cities Toastmaster members, Kenneth Williams and Linda Moore, working together

“THE
SECRET TO
**GETTING
AHEAD IS
GETTING
STARTED.**”

UNKNOWN



Club Growth Director, Debra Kroon, DTM Program Quality Director Elect

First of all, THANK YOU, for having faith in me and electing me to 2019-2020 Program Quality Director! I am excited about that new venture – but first, I want to help all of District 9 finish strong in my current role of Club Growth Director.

We are in the midst of the District-wide challenge of Beat the Clock. Clubs were encouraged to participate in the Showcase week in May. Many clubs did hold an open house. Thank you. Our membership numbers are increasing daily thanks to your efforts. As of this writing, Ellensburg Toastmasters, in Area A1 added six new members. Speech Masters Advance Toastmasters added 9 new or reinstated members and Toastmasters at the Gate added 5 new members. Both of those clubs are in Division B4. Congratulations to these clubs working hard to Beat the Clock! I will be watching the numbers rise across the District as we go into the home stretch for this Toastmaster year.

I am excited about the potential for new clubs in D9, one of which should be chartered by the time this newsletter hits your in-box. This new club is located in near Toppenish on the Yakama Indian Reservation. The new members are charged with gusto and rapidly learning a whole new language – Toastmasters! Stay tuned for more details about this club.

Mentoring opportunities abound. If you would like to be a club mentor, please reach out to me and let us chat!

Serving as a Club Coach is another way to help clubs out, as well as help yourself to your DTM. Did you know that more than half our clubs in D9 qualify for club coaches. Unfortunately, I just am not able to fulfil the requests for coaches. We need you! If you sign up to be a club coach right now, you will also receive credit for a year of District Leadership Service. But you must do it now in order to help your appointed club become distinguished by June 2020. Call me or email me soon!

Congratulations to **Bo Liu**, ACS, ALB, of Spokane Valley Toastmasters, coaching Lake City Toastmasters, and **David Mauel**, ACG, ALB, of Liberty Lakers Toastmasters, coaching Vision Speaks. These two coaches have worked hard with their assigned clubs and have helped their members and club achieve Distinguished, for Lake City, and Select Distinguished for Vision Speaks. My crystal ball sees two new DTMs on the way!

Area Directors have been busy making their club visits and submitting their reports. Thank you for helping your assigned clubs, as well as, keeping your commitment as an Area Director.

**”The ladder
of success is
better
climbed by
stepping on
the rungs of
opportunity**

Ayn Rand



“Good leaders must first become good servants.”

Robert K.

Greenleaf

One of my most enjoyable aspects of being in Toastmasters is watching members grow! Please enjoy hearing some of the stories that have reached my ears and heart recently.

Heidi Martinez, President of Chinook Toastmasters #40, was recently surprised to be receiving the **ICON Award**, which stands for Inspirational Commitment to the Organization, as a part of her work with Washington Association Medical Staff Services (WAMSS). During the presentation, Sally Rowland President of WAMSS shared “Heidi Martinez, CPCS is the first recipient of the WAMSS ICON Award. I believe that Heidi represents what this award is all about. For the past 15 years, I have been a witness to and the beneficiary of Heidi’s commitment to the Washington Association Medical Staff Services (WAMSS), both as a member and in a leadership role. Through these past 15 years, I have watched her move into leadership roles within WAMSS, as Eastern Chapter President, President of WAMSS and most recently WAMSS Strategic Planning Chair. Her platform as President envisioned “Speak with One Voice” and created the “Triangle of Connection” between hospitals, health plans and provider enrollment to enhance not only our membership, but our relationship with our colleagues outside of the Medical Staff office environment. She worked hard to break down barriers within our organization and reach a hand out to members who may have not stepped up to volunteer in the past but made us feel welcome and part of the team. So much so, that we in turn, have stepped into volunteer positions.”

Heidi credits her involvement with Toastmasters in helping her share the word and mission of WAMSS. Here is Heidi, middle, with both the current and past presidents, of WAMSS.



Joanna Albrecht, Cascade Club 993, joined Toastmasters to build her confidence and gain her voice. Just 8 months into her Toastmasters journey, she has not only found her voice, she is taking it on the road! Joanna works as a firefighter for the City of Yakima. She is known as the quiet one, staying in the background and not drawing attention to herself. One of Joanna’s goals when she first joined was to be able to give a Retirement Roast to one of her co-workers. Joanna practiced and practiced, delivering her speech to her

Continued—Debra’s article—Spotlight on Members

SAVE THE DATE

June 1 –
District
Executive
Committee
(DEC) Training

June 22 –
Division C
Club Officer
Training in
Spokane

June 29 –
Division B
Club Officer
Training in
Richland

July 13 –
Division A
Club Officer
Training in
Yakima

Watch tmd9
webpage to
see updates
on which
division and
what location
the trainings
will be held

home club at least twice, to hone it and make it perfect. It seems the entire audience was blown away when the quiet Joanna stood up in front of 200 co-workers, family and supporters, to deliver a spot-on roast of her friend.

Joanna is also paying forward what she is learning through Toastmasters. She was just elected to VP of Education for her club for 2019-2020. Recently, her middle son (she has three boys) was running for Student Council Leadership. The contestants all had to record a short video about why they should be elected. Joanna worked with Brock to help him organize his thoughts into a well-organized, short delivery. He took her advice to heart and won the election! Congratulations to both Joanna and Brock!

Debra Byrd, newly elected President, and founding member of, soon to be chartered **Yakama Dream Talkers** on the Yakama Indian Nation Reservation, delivered her Ice Breaker at one of the first demonstration meetings. As a part of her speech, she created a sweet Ode. I asked her to share her thoughts here:

An Ode To The New Toastmaster Club Members:

Toastmasters is an opportunity to learn, grow and have fun. You may feel that you want to stay and other times you may feel you want to run.

Anxiety, fear and nervousness is natural

Learning to be a better speaker is eternal

Speaking in public to some is equivalent to seeing the dentist.

Although we do have those characters that could tackle this venture like “Dennis the Menace?”

Within us all shines a beautiful light made to glimmer

Make sure no one...not even yourself stands in the way and makes your light dimmer

Regardless the reason you have chosen to join

This experience will prove to be more valuable than any coin

Remember all toastmasters young and old belong to a group of elite adventurer....a title that you now also hold

We are all friends, sharing a common goal

To speak from our hearts and share a little of our soul

Remember the world is waiting for your story

Thank you for allowing us to share in that glory



Continued—Debra’s article—Spotlight on Members



Karen Malcom, Division E Director, Member of Cay-Uma-Wa Toastmasters, at Wildhorse Resort & Casino, shares her experience in Toastmasters. She encourages others to visit clubs and discover the benefits of Toastmasters. Karen joined Cay-Um-Wa in 2016, when her supervisor suggested she attend one of their club meetings. She was very impressed by the clubs atmosphere, friendly smiles, and especially receiving a member guest packet. She continued to visit and joined after the third meeting. She has found a positive learning experience at each club visit. She has gained confidence in her speaking and leadership abilities. She went on to be elected Club President in 2017; she joined Pend-

leton Toastmasters in 2017, and became the Area E2 Director in 2017-2018, and now is serving as Division Director in 2018-2019. Co-workers have noted her improvements and enhanced self-confidence. As a volunteer in a national cancer advocacy organization, Toastmasters has been a tremendous help to her, in gaining skills to use, when approaching law makers for research funding and health related issues. She is very close to achieving her ACG, which is just a few steps from her goal of DTM.



To all the clubs that have beaten the

CLOCK

CLUB NEWS



"We learn best in moments of enjoyment."
– Ralph Smedley

Toastmaster Member gets Volunteer Award



Awards were recently presented by Pendleton Mayor, John Turner, to volunteers nominated by city staff. The **2018 Volunteer of the Year** was awarded to Roy Jones, a volunteer in the Pendleton Public Library, for the initiative and impact he has made through his volunteer efforts. Roy is a member of the Cay-Uma-Wa Toastmasters club and an often contestant at District 9 speech contests. Congratulations Roy!



Ryan Urie interviews District Director, Jan Taylor

The changing of the guard is upon us! Soon, new leaders will be taking charge of District 9 and guiding us toward a successful 2019–2020 Toastmasters year. But, before we move on, now is a good time to reflect on the year that is past and lessons we learned. I reached out to our outgoing District Director, Jan Taylor, to learn more about her experience leading District 9 and what wisdom she had to offer her successors.

What lessons have you learned during your time as District Director?

I learned to budget my time and to respect the time and efforts of others. I greatly appreciate members at all levels that are willing to help to create a happy Toastmaster experience. Toastmasters International leadership are there and very willing to support the District in achieving excellence. I also learned to always be on the lookout for individuals with passion and enthusiasm. Excitement is contagious and people who are having fun also tend to be more productive. Networking is the secret of building good teams.

What were your goals for your time as District Director, and were you able to meet them? How?

My main goal was to build leaders. We have seen many individual members grow and develop over the course of the year and it has

“Whatever your grade or position, if you know how and when to speak, and when to remain silent, your chances of real success are proportionately increased.”

– Ralph Smedley

been wonderful to have played a part in that.

At the beginning of the year, the Trio and Public Relations Manager completed a success plan. We set high goals for every aspect of running the District. As time went on it became apparent that our targets were perhaps overly ambitious. We redefined our goals and recalibrated our efforts. Of course, one of our goals was to continue being a President’s Distinguished District. I am happy to announce that Club Grow Director, Debra Kroon, has chartered four new clubs. Two more clubs are anticipated by the end of the month, and another two in the works. Unfortunately, we also lost 4 clubs this year. Despite this setback, our numbers are strong. Our metrics are holding steady or even slightly outperforming the previous year. Many clubs are achieving the goal of being a “Distinguished” club. Program Quality Director, Maria McDonald, has worked with members around the district to conduct Club officer training, speech contests, and workshops. In order for the District to receive Distinguished status, we need clubs to BEAT THE CLOCK and bring in more members.

Liliana Mandigo has done an outstanding job as the District Public Relations Manager. She ran a great advertising campaign to keep the world informed about the outstanding Toastmasters clubs in District 9. As webmaster and Powerhouse editor, Darlene Marquardt has given the District the facelift it needed and continues to add great points of interest.

Where would you like to see the District go in the year to come?

It is wonderful to see all the new members in many of the clubs. As each club embraces the Pathways program and runs “Toastmasters Moment of Truth” sessions, they will continue to see growth in every area. Learning the Pathways program will help each of the members to achieve their personal goals.

What lessons would you like to pass on to your successor and other future District Directors?

I would wish to pass on how important it is for the team to be on the same page. It is by working on our own tracks together that we all reach the station at the same time. Along the way we can each fill our trains with more good Toastmasters. It is so important that we communicate and coordinate so each of us knows what the other is doing to contribute to the success of the whole.

You had to face a number of difficult situations and handle them with grace and tact. Would you like to share some of those experiences?

The past two years have been a rollercoaster. At my age, I like things to stay

Interview Conclusion

the same and to keep doing it the way we have always done it. That was not to be my case. I was asked to step into the Program Quality Director position under unusual circumstances, and half of the existing leaders did not agree with the decision. I had to overcome this resistance and gain their trust.

Next came the announcement about Pathways launching on March 20, 2018. I had to recruit guides, train people, get them excited about the program, and convince old timers (like me) that this is not the end of their Toastmasters experience, only a new beginning. It was also the first year with only one conference instead of the usual fall and spring conferences and all the changes that go along with that. District 9 LOVES their traditions. We did an awards luncheon to replace the fall conference. The District council meeting in the fall is now held virtually, which is another first for the District.

What's your fondest memory from your time serving as District Director?

I have so many fond memories of this year. Two highlights for me were, first, seeing Mike Anthony on the stage competing with other Toastmasters from all over the world. Second was being able to see the faces of individual members as their names were called to receive a special recognition at the award ceremony. I am excited to see the awards for this year in October. I will always be thankful to the Immediate Past District Director, Jennifer Zerba, for believing in me and asking me to fill a void in the Trio. Jennifer helped me to gain confidence in my leadership abilities and she inspired me to visualize myself in the role of District Director someday.

What's next for you in your Toastmasters journey?

My next step is to serve as the Past Immediate District Director. This role has varied responsibilities like being on the nomination committee, being on the alignment committee, assisting where requested, and generally being a support for the incoming district leadership team. Personally, I will be working on my own Pathways program and mentoring others.

Anything else?

With my free time, it's time to go back to gardening, family history, quilting, and vacationing with my family. My husband and I are a his-hers-and-ours or blended family: Ross has 7 children, I have 6, and together we raised a total of 10 children. We now have 20 grandchildren who keep us very busy with their adventures.



**"Good, Better, Best"
High Desert TM #1348808
Umatilla, OR**

**GOOD-BETTER-BEST
NEVER LET IT REST
UNTIL YOUR GOOD IS BETTER &
YOUR BETTER IS YOUR BEST
-UNKNOWN AUTHOR-**

In Toastmasters we learn to express and inform. We learn to listen and ascertain. We take steps towards becoming better versions of ourselves. We don't only learn new skills, but we forge our own learning style until "OUR GOOD IS BETTER AND OUR BETTER IS BEST".

I studied hard in college. I thought I was an effective communicator. One day when it mattered most, I found myself in a situation fraught with verbal attacks, confused, I was unable to convey important facts which would have preserved my freedom.

My first day in prison someone told me about Toastmasters. Although I didn't know what it was, I signed up for a meeting. Within a month I had given my first speech and I won a paper award for Best Speaker. This boosted my confidence and fostered my desire for more growth. I have since garnered many skills related directly and indirectly to Toastmasters.

The skills in Toastmasters help people become their "BEST" self. This is especially true inside an institution where anti-social behaviors are common.

One of the most rewarding occurrences I witness in Toastmasters is when an inmate realizes they can be MORE!

At the High Desert TM club we work to be better versions of ourselves. I hope to become my "BEST" self.

(If you are interested in becoming a Toastmaster's prison club volunteer, please contact Ed Keeney, DTM13, (509) 366-4912

James Kerne, CC

VPPR



**"Sweets, Sodas & Speakers"
High Desert TM #1348808
Umatilla, OR**

{A Perfectly Executed Speech Contest Creates "Buzz" for a local club}

On April 27th in the small town of Umatilla, Oregon, A Humorous speech contest took place. Refreshments were enjoyed, comical speeches were presented and the event ran like a well-oiled machine. If it weren't for the fact that 90% of the audience wore the same blue shirt and jean combo, you might have forgotten this speech contest was held in a prison.

High Desert Toastmasters' Vice President of Public Relations (VPPR) James Kerne, CC, was the mastermind. (Sure, our club liaison hit send on the email to prison administration sending the activity proposal and we are grateful for all our wonderful volunteers who helped judge the contest and bring in treats) but Mr. Kerne put a lot of effort into his High Performance Leadership (HPL) project.

As a member of his HPL Committee, he thoroughly explained his vision to me. While we walked laps on a yard that has three fences between us and freedom, he painted a picture of a large crowd entertained by the benefits of membership. He succeeded, not through micromanagement, but through clear objectives. We all knew our roles that night and executed them perfectly.

The prison population is still buzzing! We have already seen new guests show up and have actually gotten a new member! If your club needs a resurgence, consider a well-publicized speech contest that showcases the best your club can offer.

Congratulations to the contest winners (Left to right)

Sam Sarsten-3rd, Todd Stafney-1st, Thomas Bray-2nd



A big thanks to all the High Desert Toastmasters who put such an incredible event. An EVEN BIGGER thanks to all our volunteers; Ed Keeney, Gary Hildebrand, Wayne Engel, Sean Eiholzer, Brenda Pangborn and Mary Solomon. None of this would have been possible without them.

High Desert is President's Distinguished again this year making it the 8th of 10 years. If you are interested to see how a prison club works, or for pointers on how your club can achieve President's Distinguished, contact Ed Keeney.

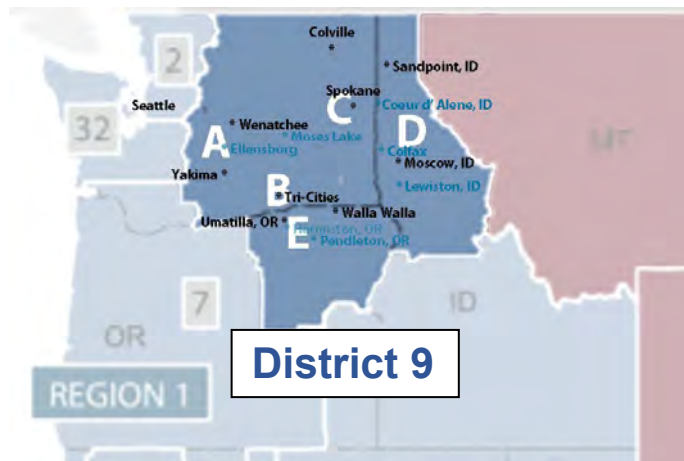
Sam Sarsten, ACB, ALB
High Desert TM President

About Our District and Our Leadership Team

By Maria McDonald McNamar, DTM

Program Quality Director 2018-2019 / District Director Elect 2019-2020

We thank you for electing us (The Trio and Division Directors) during the Spring Conference District Council meeting for the 2019 - 20 Fiscal Year (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020). This article will give you an overview of the District and its incoming leaders. It will also let you know who your District leaders are.



About the District Executive Committee

Since then, an Administration Manager, a Finance Manager, a Public Relations Manager and Area Directors have been appointed. Together, this team, the Trio (District Director, Program Quality Director, and Club Growth Director) with the Immediate Past District Director make up what is called the “**District Executive Committee**” (DEC). This committee meets at least 4 times a year. The DEC’s duties include (but are not limited to) approving the District Success Plan, presenting the district budget to the district council for approval, oversees the district’s financial operation.

About the District Council

The District Council includes district leaders, **club presidents** and **vice presidents of Education**. They serve as the administrative governing body of the district. This council conducts all business of the district, assumes responsibility for the payment of all debts incurred in the presentation of the district council meeting.

The council holds at least 2 regular meeting during each year. In our district, one was held at the Spring Conference. The other will be **September 11, 2019**. It will be a virtual meeting. They will approve the budget and appointed officers. The agenda will be sent no later than August 28.

About the Divisions and Areas

At the District Council meeting, clubs were assigned to Areas (4 to 6 clubs per area) via the Alignment vote. District 9 currently has 66 clubs that are grouped into Areas. Areas are grouped into Divisions. In this district, Division **A** is mostly the Central Washington clubs (ie. Yakima, Wenatchee) and a virtual club, **Division B** is composed mostly of Tri-Cities Clubs and surroundings. **Divisions C and D** are clubs in the Spokane area and northern Washington and Idaho, **Division E** are clubs around south eastern Washington and north eastern Oregon.

About the Division and Area Directors

There are Area Directors and Division Directors who are your direct liaison between the clubs and the district. They are an essential part of the team. They help to facilitate the achievement of area, division and district goals. Division Directors help with administrative activities such as contests, meetings and training. Area director help ensure that clubs fulfill its responsibilities to its members and become a distinguished club and many other responsibilities. Below are your elected and appointed District Leaders for 2019-20 as of 5/30/2019:

District 9 Leaders

Position	Name	E-mail
District Director - <i>elect</i>	Maria McDonald McNamar, DTM	MariamcmcDTM@aol.com
Program Quality Director- <i>elect</i>	Debra Kroon, DTM	DebraKroon@gmail.com
Club Growth Director- <i>elect</i>	Ceitllyn Connal, DTM	CeitllynD9@gmail.com
Administration Manager *	Sheila Weber, ACB	
Finance Manager *	Brenda Pangborn, DTM	
Public Relations Manager*	Cody Dickinson	
Logistics Manager *	Mike Anthony, DTM	

* Appointed

Division / Area**	Director Name	Clubs		
Division A Director	Ritva Kinzel, CC			
A1 Area Director	Mary Syre	Cascade Speakeasy	Ellensburg TM Club	Electric Toasters
A2 Area Director	Christopher Omlin	Chinook Club	Sun City TM Club	Greater Yakima Chamber
A3 Area Director	Tom Gaulke	Cascade Club	Tree Top TM	Faculty Club Advanced
A4 Area Director	Scott Peterson	Columbia Basin TM	Audible Experience	Apple Valley Communicators
Division B Director	Jung Pyung Choi ACB, CL			
B1 Area Director	Wayne Engel	Global Speakers Club	Sun Country Club	My Time-Our Time Club
B2 Area Director	Hongfei Rasmussen	Lab Oratories TM Club	Atomic City Club	Richland Desert Wind
B3 Area Director	Dan Dotta	Tri-Cities TM Club	Lamb Weston Tater Talkers	City Slickers
B4 Area Director	C. Fletcher	Speech Masters Advanced TM Club	Tl of Coyote Ridge	Tl of Connell
Division C Director	Jan Van Hoven ACS, ALB			
C1 Area Director	Deb Biseneus	Sunrise TM Club	Moonlighters TM Club	Vision Speaks
C2 Area Director	Dennis Aleksandrov	Colville TM	Fairchild TM	Lake City TM
C3 Area Director	Charles Richardson	Lamplighters Club	Evergreen TM Club	Spokane Uptowners
C4 Area Director	Carol Tevenan	Gaveliers TM Club	Spokane Falls TM Club	Risky Business: Travelers Spokane TM
Division D Director	Jon Meyer, DTM, PDG			
D1 Area Director	Bella Anne Pekie	Frank E Balmer	Hog Heaven	SEL TM
D2 Area Director	Christine Meyer, DTM	Lewis-Clark TM Club	Twin River Club	Clearwater Communicators
D3 Area Director	Jacqueline Malinauskas	Post Fall TM Club	Talk of the Town	Lake Pend Oreille TM
D4 Area Director	Alan Donnelly	EWU TM Club	Liberty Lakers TM Club	Itron Energetic Speakers
Division E Director	Rick Aguilar ACS ALB			
E1 Area Director	Ginger Gatewood	Walla Walla Club	Blue Mountain TM Club	Vineyard Voices
E2 Area Director	Elaine Entermille	Pendleton Club	Tumbleweed TM Club	Cay-Uma-Wa
E3 Area Director	A. Meredith	High Desert	Articulate Ambassadors	Creating Entrepreneurs in Oregon
E4 Area Director	TBD	Insider	Verbal Architects	Veritas Warriors

** To be approved by District Council Meeting (Sept. 11)

Start the New Year Off Successfully with Club Officer Training

By Maria McDonald McNamar, DTM

Program Quality Director 2018-19/ District Director-elect 2019-20

Hopefully, by now your club has elected its officers. Each club has 7 officers (President, Vice Pres of Membership, Vice Pres. of Education, Vice Pres. of Public Relations, Treasurer, Secretary, and Sergeant at Arms). These names must be submitted online no later than the end of June.

It is important that each officer attend Club Officer Trainings (COT) twice a year. To make sure that they start off the new fiscal year, the Program Quality Director and new Division and Area Directors are planning the COT trainings for these officers. Below are the dates, times, locations of the COT's. Make sure that your club officers attend these trainings so that your members and you club will have the BEST opportunity for achieving excellence! It is also one of your clubs' Distinguished Club Program (DCP) goals to have at least 4 officers trained twice a year. Be sure to check the District Website and Calendar (www.TMd9.org) for the most up to date information on when the trainings are offered.

Division A:	July 13	Murphy Auditorium , Yakima, WA
Division B:	June 29	Tentatively at the Benton PUD , in Kennewick, WA
Division C:	June 22	Moraine Prairie Library in Spokane, WA
Division D:	July 13 or 20	Tentatively in Lewiston, ID
Division E:	Aug. 3	Walla Walla Community College

Discuss with your club, will your club be one that will strive to meet the minimum of 4 officers trained or will you be one striving for the best with all 7 officers? Who will accept the challenge of all 7? (A.K.A. "Making it Happen!") Will it be your club?

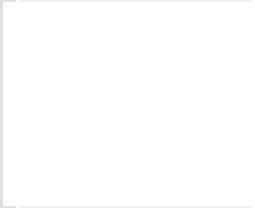
Did You Know? You can always check your club's DCP goals status by going to the Toastmasters Dashboard. (<http://dashboards.toastmasters.org/District.aspx?id=09&hideclub=1>)



Updates! Check dashboard:
District 9 Performance
tmd9.org

June

Please refer to Calendar on District Website for times and locations



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District Officer Training
Moses Lake

2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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ELT Zoom mtg. 6 pm 10 11 12 13 14 15

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Happy Father's Day 17 18 19
DEC Zoom mtg. 6 pm 20 21 22
Division C Club Officer Training in Spokane

23 24 25 26 27 28
Area Director reports due 29
Division B Club Officer Training in Richland

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Beat the Clock ends
Toastmaster year ends
New Officers take over on July 1st
Coming up: Division A Club Officer Training on July 13 in Yakima
International Convention August 21-24 in Denver, CO "A Peak Experience"