

Toastmasters District 9

May 2013 Newsletter

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Good News ... Good News ... and More Good News ...

**Conference Offers Special 1st-Timer Volunteer Discount,
 Stimulating International Speech and Evaluation Contests,
 and Plenty of Discounted Rooms at the University Inn**

Eligible to compete at District Conference (1st/2nd-place winners)

<i>Evaluation</i>	<i>Division A</i>	<i>Division B</i>	<i>Division C</i>	<i>Division D</i>
1st	Dustin Reischman, Cascade Toastmasters	Roy Jones, Cay-Uma-Wa	Kris Riley, Spokane Falls Toastmasters	Maura Durrant, Talk of the Town
2nd	Jackie Kilian, Apple Valley Communicators	Colleen McCloy, High Noon Toastmasters	Rick Durand, Spokane Falls Toastmasters	Ethan Beebe, Liberty Lake
3 rd /Alternate	Brandon Marsh, Ellensburg		Gloria Lopez, Lamplighters	Mike Murray, Coeur d'Alene Toastmasters

<i>International Speech</i>	<i>Division A</i>	<i>Division B</i>	<i>Division C</i>	<i>Division D</i>
1st	Lynette Charity, Atomic City	Rob Tooley, Tumbleweed Toastmasters	Rick Durand, Spokane Falls Toastmasters	Mike Murray, Coeur d'Alene Toastmasters
2nd	Lloyd Smith, Cascade Speakeasy	Wayne Engel, My Time - Our Time	Lisa DesRosiers, Colville Toastmasters	Paul Nikora, Liberty Lake
3 rd /Alternate	Edward Schwier, Richland Desert Wind	Roy Jones, Cay-Uma-Wa	Sam Le, Moonlighters	Pam Peterson, Hog Heaven

The latest announcements from the D9 Spring 2013 Conference Committee offer nothing but great news.

Exciting Evaluation and International Speech Contests on June 1 will be a highlight of District 9's Spring Conference in Moscow, ID, Friday, May 31 to Sunday, June 2. "We've had some amazing Area and Division contests," observes District Governor Nancy Shatto. "I'm excited to see who our District will be sending to Cincinnati in August!"

Toastmasters throughout District 9 have participated in contests this

Join the District 9 Facebook Group



The [District 9 Facebook group](#) has 156 members and is growing every month. It's a terrific way to share successes and keep up with District news and announcements. Any group member can post to the group and add more members.

The past month has seen many spring speech-contest winners, including a [montage](#) from the Division C contest:



Mark Your Calendar!



spring at the Club, Area, and Division levels, culminating in the District contests at the conference for the top two winners in each Division contest (see chart above). All eyes will be on the winner of the International Speech contest, who advances to the World Championship of Public Speaking at the Toastmasters International Convention in Cincinnati. "What a great opportunity to experience high levels of competition and to support your fellow Toastmasters," says Conference Chair Christine Meyer.

In more good news, the conference committee has extended the early-bird discount for first-time conference attendees who are willing to serve as volunteers. "If you've never attended a conference, and are willing to serve your fellow Toastmasters, you can take advantage of the discounted price of \$95 until May 27," urges Christine.

Available volunteer positions:

- Speech contests timer
- International Speech contest chair
- Evaluation contest chair
- General Sergeant-at-Arms (will work with Facilities Chair)
- International Speech contest Sergeant-at-Arms
- Registration table workers

Plenty of rooms are still available at the [University Inn](#) for conference-goers, and the conference discount will continue to be offered based on availability. Those interested in other accommodations can review [this site](#).

And ...

- Clubs are encouraged to contribute Silent Auction baskets and should [contact Pam Peterson](#) for further information.
- Area C2 Governor Dave Moore has been added as co-presenter (with Dwayne Normandeau) to the education session, "From Speaker to Trainer."
- The Sunday-morning event will be a Roundtable Discussion over Breakfast (\$20) with the District Trio: Planning for the 2013-2014 Toastmasters Year.
- Although registrations can be taken up through the time the conference opens, meal choices cannot be guaranteed after May 27
- Download [Tentative Schedule](#) here.
- [Register](#) here.

District Governor's Corner:

**Nine Clubs Are Now Distinguished or Better;
Will Your Club Achieve Its DCP Goals?**



By District Governor Nancy Shatto, DTM

The momentum is in our favor! In the last month we've gone from three Distinguished+ clubs to nine Distinguished+ clubs! Plus, we've got four prospective clubs in the works in our district; talk about finishing the year strong!



Important dates in May, June, and beyond:

May

Club Officer Elections

May 1-June 30 – [Beat the Clock Membership Drive](#).

May 31-June 2 – [District 9 Spring Conference](#), University Inn, Moscow, ID. Contact publicity chair [Patti Mann](#) for more information.

May 31 – Area Governors: [Club Visit Reports](#) due.

June

June 30 – Deadline to submit updated officer list to World Headquarters. Whether your club elects officers annually or biannually, it's time to hold elections for the next term. To receive Distinguished Club credit, please notify World Headquarters of your newly elected club officers by June 30. Simply log in to submit your updated officer list. Go to [toastmasters.org](#), log in, and go to Club Central.

Ongoing



1+1 Campaign: 2012-2013
Toastmasters International President John Lau invites all Toastmasters to join him in

inviting friends and acquaintances to visit a Toastmasters Club and be part of the Toastmasters Movement. Members can visit [this page](#) to learn more about the 1+1 campaign and how members, clubs, and districts can participate and be

Three critical success factors are required for a district to achieve Distinguished status:

Paid Clubs – Our goal is 65; we have 62, so need three more (if we can charter some of our prospect clubs quickly).

Membership Payments – Our goal is 2,149; we have 1,868, so need 281 more (much better than the 400+ we were looking at last month).

Distinguished Clubs – Our goal is 26; we have nine, so need 17 more (we shot from three to nine in one month, let’s triple the total again!)

Collect those spring dues for all your current members and hold a membership drive to earn “Beat the Clock” to give your club that shot of excitement in finishing our year on top!

How’s your club doing on the DCP requirements? To see where your club stands, [click here](#).

Goals to Date	# of clubs	
5+ goals	33	OH MY! 7 more clubs have moved up!
4 goals	6	Keep up the great work – almost there!
3 goals	5	YEA! 5 clubs have moved up!
2 goals	9	Keep going! 1 club moved up; you can too!
1 goal	9	2 goals a month; you can do it!

Members needed	# of clubs	
0-1 member	15	WOW! 9 clubs moved up!
2-3 members	6	EXCELLENT! 1 member a month!
4-5 members	15	YEA! 4 clubs have moved up!
6-7 members	15	Collect those spring dues!
8+ members	11	Take the 1+1 Challenge!

Our business meeting on June 1 will need a quorum to conduct business. Be sure to attend or send your [proxy](#) so your club will be represented in voting in our incoming district leadership team and club alignment structure for 2013-2014.

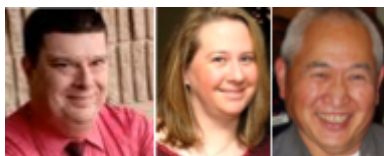
Come and enjoy the fun at the Spring Conference in Moscow – [register](#) today!

Nominations are in!

Members Nominated for District-Officer Positions; Several Positions Still Open

The District 9 Nominating Committee has submitted the following members as nominees for district leadership for 2013-2014:

- District Governor – Jon Meyer
- LGET – Natalie Palmer
- LGM – Jim Marquardt
- Division A Governor – vacant
- Division B Governor – Jan Taylor
- Division C Governor – Susie Hicks



can participate and be rewarded.

District 9 Officers 2012-2013

District Officer listings include the District Trio – District Governor, Lieutenant Governor Education and Training, and Lieutenant Governor Marketing – and will alternate to include Division and Area Governors one month and additional district officers the next. You can download the complete list of officers [here](#).

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Club Sponsor/Mentor Chair

Brenda Pangborn
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District Chief Judge

Tina Hull
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LGET Letter

Competent Leadership, Karate Kid Style



- Division C Governor – Justin Hicks
- Division D Governor – Christine Meyer

This slate of officers will be voted on at the business meeting on June 1 at the Best Western Plus University Inn at our Spring Conference in Moscow, ID. "I'd love to see every club represented," District 9 Governor Nancy Shatto says. [Register](#) today. If you are unable to attend, you may give your [proxy](#) to another member of your club who is attending.

Nominees are still sought for these positions:

- Division A Governor
- Area A1 Governor
- Area A2 Governor
- Area A3 Governor
- Areas B3 Governor
- Area D4 Governor
- District Secretary
- Club Sponsor/Mentor Chair
- District Chief Judge
- District Sgt-at-Arms
- District Parliamentarian
- District Communication Specialist

[Contact District Governor Nancy Shatto](#) if you'd like to volunteer for one of these positions.

Consider Volunteering for Leadership

Serve Yourself a Big Helping of Toastmasters Memories

By Jacqueline Picard, DTM

I attended the Division D Contest in Coeur d' Alene recently. What a great contest with wonderful inspiring messages; plus, I got to expound on my own ideas.

Lieutenant Governor Education and Training Jon Meyer asked that Toastmasters volunteer to serve for various leadership roles. I was Division D Governor of the Year 2003-2004. It was quite a job being Division Governor, but I made so many good memories. I attended all the area contests and got to hear many wonderful speeches. I was thrilled and so proud when all my area governors showed up at the

conference. I worked with all the clubs, helping and encouraging them to attain their goals. I helped by making sure that deadlines were met, serving as a judge, providing master forms for the contests, and finding answers to members' questions. Once, I served as the target speaker, which was fun. I also identified some old-timer Toastmasters and brought them into service. It is exciting when they are shown that they are still really needed. Many of them have gone through the manuals but are excited by redoing their first manuals.

As Toastmasters slowly filled the room at the recent contest, I saw many of my Division D Toastmaster friends. I wistfully wondered, "Now, who is missing?" Should you decide to serve as an Area or Division Governor, remember that the job mostly consists of



*By Lieutenant Governor
Education and Training Jon
Meyer*

Sometimes fellow Toastmasters ask me about the projects in the *Competent Leadership* manual.

Some, like organizing a membership contest or membership drive, or mentoring a new member may seem pretty clearly to be leadership oriented, but what about timing speeches or listening to the question in Table Topics? How do these help us grow as leaders? Inquiring minds, or, at least, inquiring Toastmasters, want to know.

Have you ever seen the movie, *The Karate Kid*, the one from the 1980s, not the more recent remake? Young Daniel wants to learn karate and Mr. Miyagi agrees to teach him. When Daniel shows up for class, he gets a big surprise. Instead of teaching him to kick, punch, head-butt, etc., Mr. Miyagi has him start waxing vintage cars (Mr. Miyagi seems to have an endless supply of them) and painting Mr. Miyagi's fence. Not only that, but Mr. Miyagi is extremely particular about exactly how Daniel does each of these things. Ultimately, much of the fence is painted, and Mr. Miyagi has a long line of

gleaming automobiles, but Daniel is very frustrated. He's supposed to have been learning karate, not doing Mr. Miyagi's grunt work. Then, to Daniel's amazement, Mr. Miyagi demonstrates that while doing chores, Daniel has been practicing basic movements and building muscle memory that will be the foundation for the karate he wants to learn.

Some of the CL manual projects are a little like this. All the CL manual tasks work on simple building blocks for leadership.

organizing to help clubs stay on track and help members get the most out of their Toastmasters experience.

A lady I met once said, "Many hands make the job easy." Same with Toastmasters. Lots of little jobs are available, and when you work together, you make friends.

People just need to be more than a flash in the pan. You as a leader can provide the opportunity for others to be heard. You – yes I said, you. Be the one who makes that positive and powerful difference in many people's lives.

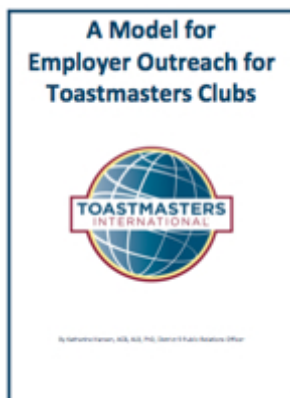
Success Ideas of the Month

Promoting Toastmasters at the Supermarket



Vic Racicot and Jacqueline Picard recently handed out more than 200 Toastmasters brochures at the Roseaus in Lewiston, ID, and garnered five solid membership leads.

A Model for Employer Outreach



Want to raise awareness of Toastmasters and your club among employers in your locale? District PRO Kathy Hansen has created a model for Employer Outreach that clubs can follow. This project was part of Kathy's High-Performance Leadership (HPL) project at Colville Toastmasters. Kathy and her HPL Guidance Committee believe the project may be especially successful in one of the large, urban areas of District 9 and are eager for a club in one of those areas to test the protocol.

You can [download](#) a narrative of the project, along with samples of components that were mailed to employers. This is a compressed file (.zip) and may take a few minutes to download. Please [contact Kathy](#) with any questions about the project.

Listening closely, combined with thinking and speaking on your feet, is clearly an important skill for a leader. Learning to respect time and keep on task despite other, more interesting things going on are important (I don't know about you, but I've struggled as timer, at times, to remember to do my job as timer because I get caught up in the speeches).

Being grammarian requires the same sort of ability to remember to do your job, and builds the same sorts of skills in providing positive, constructive feedback that serving as evaluator does.

As a leader in my day job, I can tell you this last skill is key.

Working through the Competent Leadership projects won't transform anyone into a great leader in 10 easy lessons.

However, just as waxing and painting helped Daniel develop the foundational tools for karate excellence, practicing the small steps of Competent Leadership, along with the frequent suggestions for improvement we, as Toastmasters, receive from our peers, can help us build a sound foundation for leadership excellence.

Briefly Speaking ...

Handbooks for Incoming Officers Are in the Mail



Seven *Club Leadership Handbooks* (Item 1310) are being shipped to your club's mailing address this month. The updated

District, International Proxies Needed

District 9 needs a quorum at its June 1 business meeting at the Spring Conference to conduct district business (election of district officers and approval of club-alignment proposal). District Governor Nancy Shatto's goal is to see every club represented. The form to assign your proxy (if you are a Club President or Vice President Education) is found [online](#).

Every club President and Secretary should have received a letter regarding Toastmasters International's Annual Business Meeting (Saturday, Aug. 24, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. at the Duke Energy Center, Cincinnati, OH), at which votes will be cast to elect the international officers and directors to the 2013-2014 Board of Directors. One proposal will be voted on this year. Information on the proposal can be found at www.toastmasters.org/ProposalA. Nancy Shatto is encouraging 100 percent of District 9 clubs to designate their proxies to the 2013-2014 District Governor or to another Toastmaster planning to attend the International Convention in Cincinnati on Aug. 24.

If you have questions or need additional information, please [email](#) or visit [Proxy Frequently Asked Questions](#).

District Mission

The mission of this district is to enhance the quality and performance and extend the network of the member clubs of Toastmasters International within the boundaries of this district, thereby offering greater numbers of people the opportunity to benefit from the Toastmasters educational program by focusing on the critical success factors as specified by the district educational and membership goals, ensuring that each club effectively fulfills its responsibilities to its individual members, and providing effective training and leadership-development opportunities for club and district officers.



information, insight and direction they provide will help all club leaders carry out their role-specific responsibilities. Please distribute one to each newly elected club officer.

■ Area and Division Governors: Partake in Interactive Online Training

Training materials for area and division governors can be downloaded for free. Find facilitator guides, participant workbooks, and more on the [Toastmasters International Web site](#). The interactive learning sessions are designed to provide the practical knowledge that area and division governors need to succeed in their leadership roles throughout the year.

May Club Anniversaries



Happy anniversary to District clubs that were chartered in May:

- Walla Walla Club, May 1, 1937, 76 years
- Lamplighters, May 1, 1947, 66 years
- Evergreen Toastmasters Club, May 1, 1947, 66 years
- Blue Mountain Toastmasters Club, May 1, 1948, 65 years
- Cascade Club, May 1, 1978, 35years
- Liberty Lakers Toastmasters Club, May 1, 2002, 11 years

Go to registration form now.



Conference Registration

- Go to the [conference registration form](#).

Schedule

- Download [tentative schedule here](#).

Keynote

[Darren LaCroix](#), 2001 World Champion of Public Speaking

Social Events

*Friday night social featuring appetizers and a theater [murder-mystery party](#)
Sunday Roundtable Discussion over Breakfast (\$20) with the District Trio:
Planning for the 2013-2014 Toastmasters Year*



■■■ **Contests**

- Evaluation Contest
- International Speech Contest

Education Sessions:

- Area B4 Governor Ed Keeney, DTM: Good Leaders Practice Servant Leadership
- Sergeant-at-Arms, Evergreen Toastmasters

Club, Dwayne Normandeau, CC, and Area C2 Governor Dave Moore: From Speaker to Trainer

- District 9 PRO Kathy Hansen, ACB, ALB: Promoting Clubs in Local Markets

More!

- Silent Auction
- Business Meeting: [Download Proxy Form here](#). (At the district council business meeting, each club president and vice president education in attendance is entitled to one vote. However, if either or both officers cannot attend, they may designate, in writing, any other active member of their club to act as proxy or proxies for their club.)





Hotel

- [Best Western Plus University Inn](#) • Mention the Toastmasters D9 Spring Conference.

Attendance Options

- *Special First-Timer/Volunteer Full Conference Package (must register by May 27).* Includes all individual conference sessions, meals, and Friday night social featuring appetizers and a theater mystery party. (Does not include Sunday Breakfast): \$95
- *Full Conference Package.* Includes all individual conference sessions, meals, and Friday night social featuring appetizers and a theater mystery party (Does not include Sunday Breakfast): \$125



Historic Downtown
Moscow, Idaho

A la Carte Options:

- *Educational Sessions:* \$25
- *Friday Night Social:* \$20
- *Contests:* \$10
- *Saturday Breakfast:* \$15
- *Saturday Lunch:* \$25
- *Saturday Dinner:* \$35
- *Sunday Breakfast:* \$20

Saturday Lunch Choices

- *Moroccan Chicken Wrap Mediterranean with spiced chicken breast, tomato, sliced black olives, sweet peppers and onion.* Served in a tomato tortilla wrap. Pasta OR

crisp green salad. Touch of Sweetness.

- *Grilled Portabello Sandwich.* Grilled Portobello mushroom layered with sauteed baby spinach, roasted red pepper and goat cheese. Drizzled with olive oil and Balsamic syrup and served on a bagel with fresh fruit. Pasta salad OR crisp green salad. Touch of Sweetness.

- *Roast Turkey Submarine Sandwich.* Slow roasted turkey layered with Swiss cheese, tomato and lettuce on a Ciabetta roll with roasted garlic mayonnaise. Touch of Sweetness

Saturday Dinner Choices

- *Chicken stuffed with mushrooms and pancetta* and topped with chive cream sauce. Seasonal vegetables. Chef's choice starch.

Mixed green salad with grated cheddar cheese, sliced black olives, cherry tomato, and garlic ranch. Fresh baked artisan rolls and butter. Dessert.

■ *Roast Sirloin* with fresh mushroom and sage. Tomato, onion, and white wine demi-glaze. Seasonal vegetables. Chef's choice starch. Mixed green salad with grated cheddar cheese, sliced black olives, cherry tomato, and garlic ranch

Fresh baked artisan rolls and butter. Dessert

■ *Manicotti stuffed with mushrooms, spinach and Provolone cheese*. Mixed green salad with garlic ranch dressing. Fresh Baked Artisan Rolls and butter. Dessert.



Questions

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Conference Registration

■ Go to the [conference registration form](#).

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