

District 6 Toastmasters

Where Leaders Are Made



October 2012



Dear Member,

Fall Conference Update

I have one word for Fall Conference 2012...incredible, relevant, remarkable! I admit, that is three words but one word just does not seem adequate. We truly did experience a flawless two-day Conference.

We kicked off with Friday Fun Night; an evening filled with a scrumptious Northwoods buffet, an excellent Evaluation contest, and a rousing round of karaoke. Oh and we cannot forget a roaring bonfire by the lake-the perfect setting for a group of Toastmasters just itching to tell a campfire story!

Saturday began with another bountiful breakfast buffet and recognition of fellow Toastmasters, followed by a well-rounded choice of educational sessions. The business meeting followed and it was good to see the room filled to capacity. All in all, the morning activities were time well spent.

Lunch gave us an opportunity to hear from the C&L Award Recipient, Donald Pfeffer. He gave a moving speech that focused on taking care of our military men and women, and their families.

There were more than marshmallows roasting at the resort! Our Immediate Past District Governor, Catherine Rai Cardenuto, had a hot seat at lunch for the traditional District Governor Roast. Stephen Shaner served as the Roastmaster and did an awesome job of mixing poignant and humorous moments. This was a time to laugh, reminisce, and pay tribute to Catherine and her service to the District for the past 3 years.

The afternoon offered additional Educational sessions that touched upon a wide array of relevant, interesting subjects.

Even with a full schedule during the day, the Saturday night banquet was met with great anticipation and excitement. Not only did we have a fabulous dinner, but we sat back and watched some of the best Humorous speakers in the District. Ten speakers had us rolling on the floor as each showcased their incredible talent.

If you were not able to attend Fall Conference, you were missed! The good news, however, is that Spring Convention next May promises to be just as exceptional. There is no better forum where Toastmasters can come together, learn together, laugh together.

Congratulations again to all of our contestants and our winners. Job well done! Thanks again to everyone involved in designing an incredible Fall Conference; what a time we had!

Dru Jorgensen, DTM
District Governor
2012-2013

Fall Conference 2012 "Call of the Wild"

Discover what IS "Wild"

October 19-20, 2012

Congratulations to the Winners!

Evaluation Contest Winners:

First Clint Calvert
Second Cindy Dainsberg
Third Brian Rice

Humorous Contest Winners:

First Eric Schurr
Second Deanna Reiter
Third Conor Hesch



Area Governors

Web Pro in Under a Minute

Are you an Area Governor? Do you want to know where to download the forms you need? Did you miss an AG training session? You can find what you need in a flash. Simply go to: d6tm.org, click on the AG Resources link at the top left corner of the banner. There you have it...all you need to assist you in carrying out your AG duties...in under a minute!

New Members are Calling!

Is your club phone number up to date?

Area Governors, please contact each club in your area, using the phone number quoted on Toastmasters International website, to ensure phone numbers noted on the website are active.



Education & Training

Sharon Rollefson Lt Governor, Education & Training



As Fall makes itself known with cooler temperatures and beautiful fall days, I am able to pause and reflect on how our District's 1st round of training was such a terrific success: 1,467 Club Officers were trained; 248 Clubs had 4 or more officers trained, and 93 Clubs had all 7 Officers trained!

The Trio was present at all 10 Division Contests. We had the pleasure of hearing some very talented Toastmasters! The Fall Conference at Cragun's was a great success. The Best of the Best competed on October 19 and 20th. Congratulations to all who competed and to our

Marketing

Clinton Hunt, Jr. Lt Governor, Marketing



Club Building:

To-date, District 6 has chartered four new clubs. Two other clubs are close to charter status, lacking only one and two applicants respectively. We had a Kick-Off meeting on October 15 and the second one is scheduled for October 30.

All leads are important, whether from Toastmasters International or members, and contact is quickly made while interest is high. District 6 has lost only one club so far this year. In an effort to bolster our club-building efforts,

winners. During the conference we recognized 59 President's Distinguished Clubs from 2011-2012, and presented 10 Distinguished Toastmaster medals! Excitement was in the air! Finally, 8 educational sessions were offered. The subjects were varied, relevant and definitely stretched our learning and enjoyment! If you missed the conference, we extend our invitation to join us at Spring Convention in April.

Congratulations! Education Awards

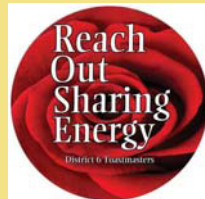
2012-2013 Distinguished Toastmasters!

**Richard T Andresen
Lisa Marie Burnside
Helen H Chen
Daryl R Henderson
Curt J Johnson
Paul McNelly
Kimberlee A Redington
Stephen Shaner
Hugh Sherry
Kim L Windingland**

ROSE Awards

September

Theo Black
Kristine Campbell
Karen Constantinides
Brian Nelson
Terry Ragan
Don Rollefson
Stephen Shaner
Mary Swanson
Dan Vesey



October

Ruth Alliband
Margaret Brunner
Emma Frost
Shikha Goodwin
Kathryn Keeler
Jim Kickul
Marvel Kummer
Larry Marik
Sandi Robarge
Diane Windingland

any member who provides a viable lead that becomes a chartered club will receive a rolling backpack as a gift.

Club Strengthening:

Keeping clubs strong is important. For clubs needing some additional guidance, nine Club Coaches, five sponsors and four mentors have been appointed to work around the District this Toastmasters year.

In Summary:

Overall, we are on track to make District 6 a distinguished district by June 30, 2012!

Public Relations



**Diane
Windingland
Public Relations
Officer**

Come to Speak the Movie!

Be inspired and invite a friend, family member or coworker to a free screening of the Toastmasters movie *Speak* on 11/29 at the Brookdale Library. *Speak*, a documentary film about the fear of public speaking and the Toastmasters World Championship of Public Speaking, follows six contestants as they overcome life's hurdles while participating in the largest speech contest in the world.

Register here:

<http://speakmovie.eventbrite.com/>

More about the movie:

<http://speakthemovie.com/>

Plan ahead for PR contests

Video contest

Make a video that promotes your club (not longer than 2 minutes) and enter it via the District 6 Facebook Page Jan 15-30. More details in December.

PR Contests

Best: Website, Newsletter, Flyer/Brochure, Press Release, Guest Packet, Social Media. Submissions due April 1.

[Flyer for Video and PR Contests](#)

Is Your Club Website Working for You?

When prospective members search for a club on Toastmasters International, will your website get them to visit?

#1 Does your club have a website? Websites are your 24/7 promotional tool.

#2 Does your website link work? A few clubs have broken links.

#3 Is the contact, time and location information correct? Have you updated the information?

Click [here](#) for information on creating or updating a website.



**Where does your club stand on
the Distinguished Club Plan Goals?**

[Click here to find out!](#)