

D7 Spring Conference

Inza Wood Middle School

Wilsonville, OR

May 2, 2009

Self In!

Welcome to the D7 Spring Conference!

Saturday, May 2, 2009

- Registration Desk (*Entrance*) 8:00am to 5:00pm
- Country Store (*Commons "A"*) 8:00am to 6:00pm
- Raffle Items (*Commons "A"*) 8:00am to 6:00pm

At A Glance..

7:30AM	Entrance	Registration Opens
8:30AM	Room 183	Trio meet w/1st time attendees
8:30AM	Commons Area "A"	Country Store & Raffle Area are open
9:00AM	Commons Area "B"	General Session: Contest Winners Panel
10:00AM	Rooms 154, 155, 183, 185, and 186	Ed Sessions #1a-1e (<i>See details below</i>)
11:00AM	Rooms 154, 155, 183, 185, and 186	Ed Sessions #2a-2c (<i>See details below</i>)
11:00AM	Commons Area "B"	Speech Contestant & Participant Briefing
12:00PM	Commons Area "A"	Lunch; Keynote w/Gary Schmidt
1:45PM	Commons Area "B"	Evaluation Contest
3:15PM	Commons Area "B"	D7 Business Meeting
4:30PM	Commons Area "B"	International Speech Contest

Session Details

GENERAL SESSION

9:00am to 9:45am

"Winning Speaker Panel"

Facilitated By David Jamieson (Commons "B")

Panel: *Lou Radja*, Motivational Speaker; *Michael Ard*, '08 International Speech Contest 2nd runner up; *Robert Killen*, '08 Humorous Speech Contest winner & '07 World Champ finalist; *David Taylor*, '07 TableTopics & '08 Evaluation Contest winner

Objectives When you complete this session, you will be able to:

- Prepare a speech suitable for the International and/or Humorous Speech Contest
- Understand what it takes to enter and win the Table Topics and/or Evaluation contest

Description

- **WHO:** Anyone who wants to learn how to choose a topic, construct a speech and give it the right "oomph" to make it a winner. Also, those of you who want to be great impromptu speakers or provide fabulous evaluations so you can take those skills to the contest level.
- **WHAT:** In this session you will learn hands-on approaches to being a successful contest participant.
- **WHY:** You can try and go this alone or you can learn from the best and reach your goals that much faster.
- **HOW:** Come prepared to listen, act, and ask questions of our panelists.



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EDUCATION SESSION I

10:00am to 10:45am

1A "I'm Their Leader – Which Way Did They Go?"

By Carl Cottingham (Room 183)



Objectives When you complete this session, you will be able to:

- Understand why Toastmasters is a "Communication **and** Leadership" organization, not just "Communication"!
- Beg D7 officers to allow you to volunteer as one of their leaders!

Description

- **Who:** Anyone who wants to challenge themselves and their skill; anyone who enjoys having fun!
- **What:** WIIFM, everyone's favorite radio station (What's In It For Me)
- **Why:** If you can motivate volunteers, there are no obstacles to what you can accomplish! Afraid of being a leader? Today the world needs more leaders!
- **How:** Practice in a supportive environment: the best laboratory for learning is Toastmasters!!

1B "Showstopper Meetings"

By Emmy Hager (Room 185)



Objectives When you complete this session, you will be able to:

- Identify the learning styles of adult learners and feed that style in high-energy club meetings.
- Implement key components that will attract new members and challenge seasoned members

Description

- **Who:** New and experienced Toastmasters.
- **What:** How to use the basic roles of our regular meetings as a springboard for creative learning and fun
- **Why:** This session will give you immediate ways to turn guests into members and retain those who feel they are stagnating.
- **How:** Participants will discover through small groups and audience feedback how to create Showstopper Meetings every meeting, every time, for every member.

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1C "Evaluation Idol"

Facilitated by Mary Brunette & Adele O'Neal (Room 186)

Objectives When you complete this session, you will be able to:

- Improve your ability to give constructive feedback to others
- Give more effective evaluations within and beyond your Toastmasters club

Description

- **Who:**
 - Anyone who gives feedback to others
 - New Toastmasters who want to observe how to give an actual evaluation
 - Experienced Toastmasters who want to polish their evaluation skills
- **What:** You will learn the process, techniques, and skills involved with giving great evaluations
- **Why:** It's a fun and engaging way to learn what some evaluators do well and how they can improve by seeing them in action.
- **How:** As a participant or observer, you will watch a variety of individuals evaluate the same speech, then see them receive feedback on their evaluations from a panel of Toastmaster judges.



1D "Thrill Of The Quill – Demo Meeting"

Facilitated by Maria Lee (Room 154)

Objectives When you complete this session, you will be able to:

- Start a satellite club
- BE INSPIRED

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- **Who:** Everyone who wants to write
- **What:** Example of a meeting
- **Why:** To see if they would like to start a satellite club in their area
- **How:** Participate in a demo meeting

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1E "Marketing Your Club: The Best Show on Earth"

Facilitated By PJ Kleffner (Room 155)

Objectives When you complete this session, you will be able to:

- List various methods of marketing Toastmasters
- Identify external and internal opportunities to market Toastmasters

Description

- **Who:** Anyone who wants to help Toastmasters grow
- **What:** How to use mass media and one-on-one techniques to increase membership
- **Why:** Because we always need new members!
- **How:** Presentations by panel consisting of *Phyllis Harmon, Kay Bridges* and *PJ Kleffner*, followed by a Q&A session.

KEYNOTE (lunch)

12:15pm to 1:00pm



"New TMI Governance Proposal"

Gary Schmidt, Sr VP, TMI WHQ (Commons "A")

Gary will present information and updates to Proposal "A": Global Representation and Support which will be voted upon at the next TM Conference in August

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2C "Mentoring, the Key to Club Success"

By Shelley Dalmau (Room 186)

Objectives When you complete this session, you will be able to:

- Mentorship cements new members into the Toastmasters program and gives an opportunity to indoctrinate them into your club's unique culture.
- Mentoring leaders allows for smooth secession and maintenance of club quality.
- Mentoring advanced members keeps them engaged and moving forward toward personal goals.
- Mentoring is a great thing to receive; and probably even better thing to give.

Description

- **Who:** You should attend this session if you want to learn more about excellent mentoring.
- **What:** Mentoring is a broad topic! Why do we mentor? When do we mentor? Who gets mentored? Who does the mentoring? Who's responsible? We'll get deep into the 'who, what, when, where, why and how' of mentoring in this audience interactive discussion. We'll discuss the advantages to your club of having an active mentoring program as well as suggestions for implementation!
- **Why:** There are very positive advantages to having an active mentoring program that will help you and your club!
- **How:** You will learn 'who, what, when, where, why and how' from this audience interactive discussion.

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2D "Club Websites: Talk While You Sleep"

By Rose Wellman (Room 154)

Objectives When you complete this session, you will be able to:

- Know how to get a free Club website.
- Know why a Club website is important.

Description

- **Who:** This session is designed for Club members that are responsible for creating and/or maintaining their Club website. Most particularly the VP of Public Relations or the Club webmaster.
- **What:** This **session** will cover different options available for Clubs to create a website with particular emphases on FreeToastHost.org. We'll also cover what important elements should be on every Club's website.
- **Why:** The Internet has revolutionized how people search for information and how organization can increase their marketing awareness. In this session, we'll cover why a Club's website is not only a cost effective means of marketing a Club, but it can also be an invaluable tool to run the Club itself.
- **How:** Due to time constraints, this session will be covered with powerpoints. However, you will be very ENTERTAINED. No "death-by-powerpoints" here my friends..



2E "eNewsletter Enthusiasm?"

By Le Snelling (Room 186)

Objectives When you complete this session, you will be able to:

- Write a meeting summary that will energize your club
- Understand the basics of building a club newsletter
- Get EXCITED about club motivation!

Description

Who:

- Club VP of Public Relations
- Any club member or officer with a passion to see their club grow!

What:

- A simple formula for email meeting summaries
- The mechanics and principles for building an Enewsletter

Why:

- Recognition is a powerful motivator.
- Members respond to a convenient source of information.
- Enewsletters give a professional & successful look to your club.
- It is easy to do!

How:

- Write a sample email summary
- Sketch a newsletter format
- Brainstorm innovative headlines

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Conference Floor Plan

