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District 39 Governor



We are beginning the second half of our Toastmaster year on target for our goals. With all of us continuing to focus on the Distinguished Club Program, that will result in Distinguished Areas and Divisions, so we can proudly see District 39 become Distinguish. Reaching our goals is proof that we are successfully maintaining strong clubs and meet our member's needs and that's what it is all about.

Our International theme this year is "Find Your Voice and Serve Your World" . President Dilip Abayasekara talks about this monthly in his Viewpont article in the TM Magazine. To find your voice means that you have discovered the unique spark within yourself and your unique way of expressing it. How does Toastmaster serve their world?

Every act to help another person grow is an act of service. Consider the people who have helped you find your voice. They are your heroes.

Membership is a crucial issue for us each year. Making the benefits of our wonderful organization available to more and more people still needs our focused attention. You have been empowered to "Serve Your World". A personal invitation given with sincerity and follow up is still the best way to gain new members.

My sincere desire is that each and every member will work and make their dream a possibility.

**District 39 Goals**

	Goal	Current
Clubs	162	158
CTMs	218	154
ATM-G	62	69
CLs	79	42
Members	6397	2837*

\*Membership is computed using dues paid semi-annually. Thus, if the 2837 who paid in October also pay in April, we will be at 5674. So we are short only 723 new members or 5 new members per club!

**Invite a friend to Toastmasters today!**

**DUES ARE DUE**

Remember to get your club's dues into TI  
And your  
Club Officer Lists

Proxy and Club Officer forms are in your District Directory

**Exercise your Privilege to VOTE!**

At District 39's Spring Conference Business Meeting Club Presidents and Vice Presidents Education are the ONLY District Council members who may authorize proxy votes. All other District 39 Council members must cast their own vote. There is no voting by mail. If you are a Club President or Ed V.P. and you will not be attending the Spring Conference, please sign your **PROXY** to a member of your club who is attending.

**TLI Schedule**

There will be no TLI in April or May.

The next Leadership Institute will be June 18 at 9:30 a.m. at Chapman University 855 Howe Ave. Sacramento.

**SPRING DIVISION INTERNATIONAL SPEECH & EVALUATION CONTESTS**

- A—May 6 1:00 pm Lodi Library 201 W. Locust St. Lodi
- B—April 1 11:30 am UNR—WRB 2030 Reno
- C—April 29 10:00 am Kountry Kitchen 729 4th St. Orland
- D—April 7 7:00 pm Sac Co Admin Bldg 700 H St. Sac

- E—April 21 7:00 pm Sac Co Admin Bldg 700 H St. Sac
- F—April 22 7:00 pm Maidu Reg Park Library Roseville
- G—April 28 7:00 pm RC Sheriff 10361 Rockingham R.C.
- H—April 14 7:00 pm DHHS 7001-A East Pkwy Sac

For information on your **AREA CONTESTS** see the District's website at [www.district39.org](http://www.district39.org).

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John W. Gardner observed, "If I had to name a single all purpose instrument of leadership, it would be communication." If you cannot communicate, you will not lead others effectively.

When you lead your team, give yourself three standards to live by as you communicate—

Be Consistent    Be Clear    Be Courteous

We are looking for District Leaders, the nomination forms can be found on the District Website. As leaders, when we talk of serving others it is the intentions that count more than our words; what we do counts more than what we say. Our members are interested in our integrity than our speech about integrity. Take the next step and help our members to continue to reach their potential.

It's Speech Contest season. Why not step out of your comfort zone and raise the bar for yourself. Take that step and enter a contest. The time is now to step over the line. Clubs are moving forward with their International Speech and Evaluation Contests. Why not volunteer to be a model speaker for an Evaluation Contest. You will receive several different suggestions for improvement as well as speak outside of your home club. You also will meet other Toastmasters and spread your wings. Check out the District Website - [www.district39.org](http://www.district39.org) for the schedule.

The District is doing extremely well with Educational Achievements. Our members have been busy reaping the benefits of the Toastmasters Program. Remember that you can submit your educational awards online, this is the quickest and easiest way! Thank you to those who have completed achievements and thank you to those who are working towards completing one my June 30<sup>th</sup>. The Time is NOW!!!

Help your fellow Toastmaster club members to reach their potential. "Its not how long you live, but how well you live" - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



