



Spotlight on District 30

"The Power Of One"



Chicagoland District 30 Toastmasters



RUN TO THE HOUSE, JAKE!

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*Earl Bateman, DTM
District Governor, 2002-3*

There was an event this past week that brought tears to my eyes. By mutual consent, two teams in a high school football game handed the ball to a young man with a disability. At first, Jake was a little confused and started to take a knee as he had been told to in practice. But the quarterback, the wide receiver and even the referee pointed him in the direction of the goal line and Jake ran 42 yards for a touchdown! Imagine the thrill Jake must have felt and how that memory will last him a lifetime.

Teamwork in action is a hallmark of Toastmasters. How many times have we helped a timid and frightened member give his or her first speech? How many times have we ourselves been slightly intimidated by standing in front of a group of strangers to talk about something that we don't have the slightest idea if they will accept from us? Cautiously we start to speak and we get confused, but we look out at our audience and there is that coach, that team, and yes, even that referee, saying "take the ball to the house".

We are accomplishing great things in District 30. Our first half results are tremendous. There is a sense of accomplishment and pride in this district that is taking place. When I gave my report to our district council, Charles Brooks asked me why I didn't mention that we were #2 in the world of Toastmasters [now #1]. Well, I am proud and excited about our accomplishments. But you know what, the best is yet to come. When I look down the road to Atlanta this year, I see an empowered

and energized membership that has just gotten an idea of what being a successful district is all about. Now we are going to move forward in the second half of this term and beyond by building on this success.

I see a district that reaches out to the youth of our community with a vibrant and strong youth leadership program. We must build a house that includes our young people. I believe in a network of clubs that supports young professionals in developing their leadership and communication skills. Our society's formal education process has not helped in this area and I see us as the gap for people between college and the business world. Our strong network of clubs built by caring individuals helps the business community match employers and employees by hosting employer appreciation meetings. In addition, clubs that have theme meetings are helping members develop job skills. Toastmasters — an area that trains and develops skilled employees — isn't that a great idea !

Our district marketing team is supporting and holding speechcrafts all over the four county area to help the non-Toastmaster "take the ball to the house". Speechcraft is an area whose potential we have just begun to tap.

I envision a district with a large staff of leaders working outside their individual clubs for the betterment of the community and community outreach teams designed to bring our program to the diverse population that is Chicago. The list of projects that we want to engage in goes on and on.

So for the second half of my term with you, the best is yet to come. I know you are excited by the accomplishments of the past few months. But we have many more opportunities for success in the coming months, and lets see District 30 "Take the ball to the house".

**District 30
Spring 2003 Conference
"Rev It Up!"**

April 25-26, 2002

Adam's Mark Hotel
2875 N. Milwaukee Ave
Northbrook

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EDUCATION AND TRAINING IS MUCH, MUCH, MORE

Charles Brooks, DTM

Lt. Governor of Education & Training, 2002-2003

My responsibility to the District as the Lt. Governor of Education & Training is more than just making sure members achieve CTM, ATM, CL, AL and DTM. It is more than making sure clubs present the Success Club Series, the Better Speakers Series and the Leadership Excellence Series to its members. It is much more than putting on great club, area, division and district speech contests. It is much, much more than encouraging officers to attend officer training. It is much, much, much more than encouraging members to attend Toastmasters Leadership Institutes (TLIs), fall, spring, and regional conferences or going to international. It is all of these things and more.

While attending club meetings, area and division contests, I became acutely aware of the educational level of our membership. I asked questions of our audience members and found that very few members could answer questions I thought were basic and should be known by our membership. One question was, and I quote, "What are the **FOUR CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS** we should be focused on? Our members looked back at me like deer in headlights. Very few knew the answer to this question. This started me to thinking about the education level of our membership and about other important information our members should know. I began to wonder what could we do better to educate our membership.

I began to brainstorm ideas and remembered a conversation with Pam Melick last year at Chicago's Black Expo. She said she would like to see the education at the district level standardized. I asked if she would like to work on this and she responded that she would. Be careful what you ask for! While sitting in "Top 3" training in Chesterfield, Mo., last June, I started to write down the curriculum for the winter TLI.

When I returned from training, I con-

tacted Pam and asked her to take on the job of winter TLI dean, a position being tried for the first time in District 30. I asked her to put together a team with members from each Division and plan the winter TLI based on the curriculum I wrote down at the training. I felt that we should be educating our membership in the basics of effective communication & leadership by starting with the tools provided by our parent, Toastmasters International. TI has provided us with the best information on how to speak effectively and how to lead effectively. We should be using this information on a regular basis.



By using the Successful Club Series we can educate our member on **Finding New Members for Your Club**. We can teach them how to **Evaluate to Motivate**. They can also benefit from learning the importance of **Closing the Sale**. **Creating the Best Club Climate** allows members to learn the **Meeting Roles and Responsibilities** and the importance of **Mentoring**. **Keeping the Commitment and Going Beyond Our Club** are very valuable tools for our members to know also. Finally, the **Moments of Truth** is a report on the success of your club. By using these modules we will be helping your club members learn the ingredients of a successful club and developing Competent Leaders (CLs) in the process. Distinguished Club can not be far behind.

The Better Speakers Series will really be beneficial to your newer members. New members will learn **Preparation and Practice**, how to **Select Your Topic** along with **Creating an Introduction**. They will learn the importance of **Organizing Your Speech, Knowing Your Audience and Impromptu Speaking**. Finally, they will learn how to **Take the Terror Out of Talk** and the art of **Beginning Your Speech and Concluding Your Speech**. New members and veteran members alike can benefit from these modules and the information that sits inside waiting to be found and digested. By eating from this menu your club and member-

ship will be healthier for it. ATM-Bs working on their ATM-S will benefit by being the presenters of these modules. If you are a CTM working on a CL or an ATM-B working on ATM-S and would like the opportunity to present at one of the five TLIs, do not hesitate to contact Pam Melick at Pmelick@earthlink.net or 847-251-4500.

The Leadership Excellence Series is new and untried by most of us. We will introduce these modules to the club leadership at this winter's TLI. These modules will be reserved for those in club leadership as an elective after attending their required club officer training class.

New members will have classes to attend that are specially designed for them. So, if you are a new Toastmasters member and are thinking this is not for you, think again. Come on out to the TLI nearest you and enjoy a full day of learning in an environment that will be both helpful and friendly and fun.

One of the Top 3 will be at each TLI and will present a full group presentation on the "Power of One" and they will answer the question, "What are the Four Critical Success Factors?" in a later group presentation. You will have to be there to find out.

NEW CLUBS

July

7974-Riverwoods-Talk of Twn, N2, open
8254-Kan U Speak, N4, closed

August

8560-Unitech Systems, SW1, closed
8707-People Toast, S4, closed

September

9733-Boise Office Sol'ns, NW2, closed
9723-Phoenetic Fanatics, S1, open

October

7301-Mercer, C5, closed
8968-BMO/Harris/Alltel, C5, closed
9883-Hartford Aurora Cntr, SW1, closed
6082-Coaches Elite, SW4, closed
286-GCG Rising Stars, N2, open

242-Sprint Loud and Clear, N4, closed

November

1526-Ameritech Center, NW1, closed

2001-02 AWARDS PRESENTED AT FALL CONFERENCE

Immediate Past District Governor Eric Matto, DTM, presented District 30 awards for the 2001-02 year at the recent fall 2002 conference in Chicago. In their own words, here are those honored:

Toastmaster of the year:

Mei Li, ATM-B

I joined Toastmasters in April 1997 to improve my English speaking ability and to advance my career. I have been a member of Sears, Crystal Lake, Fox Valley and XL Toastmasters clubs [Note: Mei was instrumental in starting these last two clubs]. The Toastmasters program empowers me to be the best I can be in all aspects of my life — family, work and community services. It gives me the opportunity to learn from and make friends with many successful and kind people.

This award goes to my Toastmasters friends around the world. This award will inspire many more people like me (a foreigner with English as a second language) to join, experience, and promote this wonderful program. I want to acknowledge my mentors Art Budelier, Bill Baruth and Karolle Terner; my fellow club builders Bruce Burrow, Mat Perrone, Bruce McElroy, Will Hsiung and Cindy Dingwall, and Toastmasters friends in mainland China, Hong Kong and Singapore. I am forever grateful to my personal coach, best friend, fellow Toastmaster and beloved husband Mr. Bing Wang for his love and support. Finally, if Mei can do it, YOU can do it!

Division governor of the year:

Bruce Burrow, ATM-S

Serving as division governor last year was especially rewarding as it gave me the opportunity to work with over a half dozen groups from their first inquiry to chartering their brand new Toastmasters club. Inspired by some of our long-term members at Crystal Lake who keep coming to meetings mostly to help the newer members, I had the opportunity to do the same for these new clubs as they struggled to form. I've realized that helping others is one of the best things about Toastmasters. I feel both honored and humbled with this award considering the great work done by all the district officers last year. I've learned with each opportunity Toastmasters has provided and

I look forward to new challenges and continual growth.

Area governor of the year:

Jill Stanger, CTM, CL

I joined Woodridge Toastmasters club #983 in March 2000. Holding the position of area governor was a wonderful experience for me. I saw how other clubs operated, developed a broader sense of the organization, and became aware of the planning that went on behind the scenes to make the district run well. I believe that the purpose of my life on earth is that I should be a person

who inspires, motivates, and spreads ideas around like sowing a field with seeds. What the award means to me is that I accomplished that purpose in motivating the clubs in my area to achieve their best. It is an award indicating a win-win situation. A person in Toastmasters who inspired me in many ways to do my best and be my best was Mr. Sporty King. Other inspirations to me along the way were many of the great motivational speakers whose tapes I listen to, videos I watch, and books I read as often as I can.



L to R: Mei Li, ATM-B, Toastmaster of the Year; Bruce Burrow, ATM-B, Division Governor of the Year; Jill Stanger, CTM, CL, Area Governor of the Year; Eric Matto, DTM, Immediate Past District Governor.

DISTRICT 30 TO ASSIST WITH WTTW PLEDGE DRIVE

Over fifty of Chicagoland District 30's best and brightest will "smile for the camera" as they support one of Chicago's major cultural institutions — WTTW Channel 11. March 1, 2003, has been designated Chicagoland District 30 Toastmasters Day!

Club officers and members alike will unite as they create awareness of Toastmasters as an organization committed to community outreach through the formation of clubs supporting their personal development and active community participation.

Since 1955, WTTW Channel 11 has been a source of education, information, and entertainment, providing Chicago, the Midwest, and the nation with high-quality television programs.

District Chicagoland 30 Toastmasters on WTTW Channel 11 are "must see TV".

TOASTMASTERS AND EMPLOYER APPRECIATION MONTH

Given the current state of affairs in our economy, many of our members are experiencing job changes and layoffs. This has disrupted the lives of many of our Toastmasters' friends and family.

Some are moving away, while others, for their own reasons, have had to take positions that take them away from our organization.

If you are a club officer, take the time to find out how Toastmasters can help out. It might mean having some theme meetings directed to helping job seekers improve some of their skills. I also suggest that much can be learned during the social time spent during breaks or after meetings. This is a painful time for many in the District 30 family. A good Toastmaster friend is often a good tonic for those who are suffering.

It is a direct application of the listening skills we learn as part of our educational process.

Aristotle said "Education is an ornament in prosperity and a refuge in adversity." We must encourage members who are suffering the loss of a job to keep up their membership in our learning society. To do so, we must accommodate them by having meetings that are directed to their needs. If you are a vice president of membership, consider doing a membership survey to help the vice president of education plan interesting

and helpful meetings.

Another membership-promoting idea would be to publicize that your club is open to job seekers and plan meetings around networking activities using our educational tracts. If you haven't already, please review the Excellence in Leadership and the Better Speaker Series educational workshops. Present one at your meetings. They are full of ideas and skills for the job seeker.

I am also designating the month of February as employer appreciation month. I would ask all clubs to hold meetings honoring our employers. Invite your supervisor and corporate executives to your meetings. It might be an opportunity where you can bring a member together with a potential employer. You will have done a service for the organization you work for (some of them pay a bonus for employees who recommend a person who is hired). In addition, you will have done a service for Toastmasters in bringing potential new members to our organization. Remember, supervisors and executives need help with their communications skills also.

This is the year that the "Power of One" shines through out District 30. Join us on the road to Atlanta by helping out a fellow member.



James Moore (7401-21st Century Fasttrackers) and Bruno Wells (6799-MJM Speakers' Circle) took first place and second place, respectively, in the international speech contest at the district 30 fall conference on Nov. 16, 2002.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: 2003-2004 DISTRICT OFFICERS

The genius of a good leader is to leave behind him (her) a situation which common sense, without the grace of genius, can deal with successfully.

— Walter Lippmann (1889-1974)

District 30 is looking for a few good men (and women).

Ready for your next step? Ready to step out of your comfort zone? Do you recognize talent and potential in others? District 30 wants to hear from you!

Call for Nominations

Whether you're new to Toastmasters or a long-time beneficiary of the Toastmasters' incomparable communication and leadership program, District 30 needs you. If you're ready for your next step in

personal development, your first move outside the club may be as an area governor. AGs are the eyes and ears of the district, and have the privilege of being the first line contact with the four to six clubs in their immediate geographic area. Each club visit is an opportunity to speak from your manual, delivering announcements and your greetings from the district and while meeting specific project objectives. Coordinating two area contests is an exercise in team leadership.

Division governors lead their clubs and area governors by example. They serve as elected officers on the district governor's staff, and encourage a team of four to six area governors in their club service. Division governors must have served a full year as a club officer.

Your lieutenant governor of marketing is charged with both maintaining and building clubs and members, and should be committed to serving the district for three successive years in the "Top Three". A LGM must have served one full year as a club officer, and one year as a division governor.

Your lieutenant governor of education and training is charged with membership development through educational accomplishments and club officer training. Helping members and clubs realize their full potentials through manual speeches, excellent evaluations, and officer training are both encouraged and exemplified. The LGET must have served one full year as both a club officer and as division

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE D-30 MARKETING GROUP



*Dietmar Wagenknecht, ATM-G, CL
Lt. Governor of Marketing*

As you have probably read in the district governor's report, the status of the district is very good. This excellent result at the mid-year point is the outcome of a team effort. You may ask: "What team?" — is it the Top Three? NO. Is it the district officers? NO. It is ALL of us, including every one of you! How-

ever, every team also needs a leader and this month I would like to single out three Toastmasters leaders' special efforts:

One is Ralph Dellar, who has and is doing an outstanding job encouraging clubs to file their semi-annual reports in a timely fashion. This results in an increased paid membership per the Toastmasters International recording period and is an important aspect of the distinguished district program. Ralph also has been helping clubs resolve many procedural questions and challenges.

Another special leader is Charles Brooks, our lieutenant governor of education and training, who had the vision as lieutenant governor of marketing last year that there exists every reason and opportunity that this district could grow significantly, and he set a program in motion to do just that.

Third, Earl Bateman, who kept saying that change was needed if District 30 was to move from the bottom in the world to the top. "Doing what we've always done will give us what we've always got," he likes to say. Since we all resist change to some degree, some of the changes were not so popular at first, but we can now already see the results. Thank you for the vision.

Thus, as we pass the middle of the Toastmasters year, we find our district to be among the best of the world. But — as several past district governors have correctly said — our job in the second half is to stay there. And we will, with your participation.

One of the best ways to stay at the top is to build and service new clubs, and to strengthen existing clubs. Both of these result in extending the personal growth opportunity offered by Toastmasters to more people in this district and in your neighborhood. Building new clubs is one of the two fundamental goals of the district mission: Enhancing the performance of the Toastmasters clubs and to extend the network of these clubs.

There are many reasons to start new clubs, here are a few:

- Extend the benefits to greater numbers of people
- Offer better communication skills to community members and company employees
- Leadership development
- Contacts and new friendships
- Recognition

[adapted from TI #218C, "Build New Clubs"]

As District 30 sits on top of the world, we can also be sure that other districts will challenge us before the year is over. We got the train moving, now let's keep it moving!

I talked at the beginning of this message about the team effort of which you are a part. If you have been involved in starting a new club or in strengthening an existing low-member club, then you know first-hand the excitement and the gratifying rewards.

If you have not yet done so, I challenge you to get involved — don't be the weak link in the chain. Be a club sponsor, be a club mentor, participate in a demonstration meeting, attend a new club's meeting and share your TM experiences.

During the holiday season we heard so much about sharing and giving joy to others. Let us carry this message also into our Toastmasters lives, let us share the communication and leadership skills with more people in our neighborhoods, our communities, and our workplaces.

Have a very healthy, successful, enjoyable, and blessed New Year 2003.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

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governor.

The district governor has the privilege of seeing his/her fine-tuned team work together toward district success. The DG must have served one full year as both a club officer and division governor, and one year as either LGM and/or LGET.

There are few better ways to realize personal growth and development than through getting out of one's comfort zone and stretching leadership, educational, and interpersonal skills. If you know of a particularly talented club member who is ready for their next step, why not nominate them? This opportu-

nity could be just that which awakens the sleeping giant within, as Tony Robbins would say. You may nominate them anonymously or with credit; either way, they will be fully encouraged for a position that will match their time and talent.

If that sleeping giant that needs awakening is you, and you're ready for your next step, contact Marilyn Craig or Earl Bateman for more details.

Nominations must be submitted by January 31, 2003 for the nominating committee meeting on February 22, 2003.

Your district needs you, your eyes, your ears, and your willingness to serve the greatest communication and leadership program on earth!

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WINTER TLI: TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

Who: Club officers, members interested in holding office, regular members, and invited guests.

What: TLI (Toastmasters Leadership Institute) sessions are proven ways to help clubs and their members

Why:

1. Help clubs provide best educational opportunities for members
2. Meet minimum training requirements of officers to achieve official recognition of efforts from TI ("distinguished clubs")
3. Gain personal education and growth

When/Where:

All TLIs are on a Saturday. You may go to any one, whichever is most convenient for you. It does not need to be your "home" division, although a club might like to go as a group.

Date	Location
Jan. 18 South division	Hines VA Center 5th Avenue & Roosevelt Road Hines (Maywood)
Feb. 1 Southwest div.	Argonne National Labs 9700 S. Cass Ave. Argonne (see note)

Feb. 8 Northwest div.	Allstate, C Conference Center 2775 Sanders Road, C dock entrance Northbrook
Feb. 15 Central div	LaSalle Bank 200 W. Monroe Chicago
Feb. 15 North division	College of Lake County 19351 W. Washington Grayslake

Typical Schedule of Events

8:15 am	Registration
9:00 am	Welcome Keynote
9:30 am	Educational Session 1
10:30 am	Educational Session 2
11:30 am	Special Presentation: "The Power of T.E.A.M" (Together Everyone Achieves More)
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Evaluate to Motivate
1:30 pm	Educational Session 3
2:30 pm	Educational Session 4
3:30 pm	Closing ceremony
4:00 pm	Final gavel

Each educational session will have courses in 3 or 4 "training rooms."

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Rev It Up !



2003 Spring Conference

April 25-26, 2003

Adam's Mark Hotel
2875 North Milwaukee Avenue
Northbrook, IL 60062

Registration \$28.00
(Fri. Light Buffet, Fun Nite, Table Topics Contest,
Sat. Continental Breakfast, ALL Education sessions,
Hospitality Room, Speech Contest, Sat. Fun Nite)

Award Luncheon \$26.00
Installation Dinner \$36.00
-or-

Full Conference Registration \$85.00
(Includes all the above)

-or-
Early Bird Registration \$80.00
(Postmarked by 2/28/03)

Name _____
Club Name/No. _____
Address _____
City/Zip _____
Phone _____
E-Mail _____
Lunch: Turkey / Veg **Dinner:** Chicken / Fish /Veg

Select meal choice and send check or money order to:
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Charles Johnson, Registrar
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WINTER TLI: TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

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Choose your courses

Required officer training

(Attendance at one of these courses fulfills requirements toward Distinguished Club recognition.)

Officers learn key material to help their clubs prosper.

Elective courses. Each session will offer education modules drawn from various Toastmasters series including:

- Better Speakers
- Successful Club
- Leadership Excellence

What's my benefit?

- Enjoy the Toastmaster learning experience
- Network with fellow Toastmasters
- Benefit from program variety – things you can USE

- Learn advanced techniques — Better Speaker Series
- Develop the leader within you — Leadership Excellence Series
- Build management skills and enrich your club — Successful Club Series
- Bring recognition to your club — fulfill Distinguished Club Program (DCP) requirements
- Polish advanced techniques for the real world — Evaluation
- Plan for the future — attend multiple club officer training sessions

Details

Costs: \$10.00 registration fee is non-refundable, but may be applied to any later date session.

Box lunches (optional) offered at each TLI for \$7.50. Payment must be made at least two weeks ahead.

Argonne TLI (on Feb. 1) requires prior government permission to enter compound. U.S. citizens must register prior to Jan 27. Non-US citizens must register by Jan. 1 and all must include country of citizenship.

District 30 presents "The Power of T.E.A.M.: Together Everyone Achieves More"

Winter 2003 TLI's

Choose your date and location! You may register to attend more than one TLI. All locations have same registration fee \$10.00, most have box lunches available. Sign-up for box lunches is available up to two weeks prior to each TLI.

TLI Date	Location (addresses inside brochure)	Registration	Box lunch (optional)	
			Regular or Vegetarian (circle)	Quantity
Jan. 18, 2003	South Div. Hines VA, Maywood		R / V	
Feb. 1, 2003	Southwest Div. Argonne (see note) Country of citizenship: _____		R / V	
Feb. 8, 2003	Northwest Div. Allstate, Northbrook		R / V	
Feb. 15, 2003	Central Div. 200 W. Monroe, Chicago		R / V	
Feb. 15, 2003	North Div. College Lake County		R / V	
Total quantity				
	Price each	x \$10.00		x \$7.50
	Total	\$		\$
Grand total (registration plus lunches)		\$		

Note: Pre-registration required by Jan. 27 for Argonne, include country of Citizenship, Jan. 1 for non-U.S. Citizens.

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY for name to appear on name tag and certificate of attendance)

Name _____ CTM, ATM -B, ATM-S, ATM-G, DTM, CL, AL (Circle)

Club name and number _____

Your street address _____

City and state _____ ZIP code _____

Telephone (work) _____ Telephone (home) _____

Email address _____

Make checks payable to:
**DISTRICT 30
TOASTMASTERS**

Please return check and this form by Dec. 31 to:

Pam Melick
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Wilmette, IL, 60091
Phone: 847-251-4500
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No refunds – rainchecks for later TLI

(receive an updated agenda of all TLI events by email)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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SEND AND RECEIVE

We obtain our mailing list from TI world headquarters. We have found that over 20% of our district mail is being returned because of incorrect or insufficient addresses. **Home addresses are preferred.** Please ask your club members if they are receiving *The Toastmaster* magazine and District 30 mail. If not, email address changes to: tmmis2@toastmasters.org

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

2003

- Jan. 1 Next club contests begin (international and table topics)
- Jan. 18 South division TLI, Hines VA Center
- Feb. 1 Southwest division TLI, Argonne
- Feb. 8 Northwest division TLI, Allstate
- Feb. 15 Central division TLI, LaSalle Bank
- North division TLI, College of Lake Cnty
- Feb. 22 Nominating committee meeting
- Feb. 28 Second round of club officer training ends
- March 1 WTTW pledge day
- March 7 Submission deadline for next Spotlight
- March 8 Area contests begin
- March 31 Division contests begin
- Deadline for news release contest
- Deadline for "Talk Up Toastmasters" (membership contest)
- April 1 Semi-annual membership reports and dues
- Apr. 25-26 **Spring district conference**
Adam's Mark Hotel, Northbrook
- June 20-21 Region V conference, Arlington Sheraton, Arlington Heights
- Aug. 20-23 International convention, Atlanta



Chicagoland District 30 Toastmasters



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