

District 45 Toastmasters Newsletter

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live, laugh and learn!

Sharon Jacques, CC District Governor

I would like to welcome you to the District 45 Spring Conference. This conference is the penultimate event for our district and wraps up our current year. At this event we will welcome a new executive, select a worthy candidate to represent us at the International Speech Contest in Kuala Lumpur in August, live, laugh and learn.

It has been a long year, yet very insightful, filled with achievements and challenges both within toastmasters and in my personal life as well. I would love to see you at conference to live, laugh and learn... and to share the Power of One.



Stretch, Sing & Soar

Patricia MacNevin, DTM, Lieutenant Governor Education & Training

Spring is finally here and we are two weeks away from our 2014 Spring Conference. I'm excited that we will meet up in Portland, Maine – a beautiful city with many places to explore (and to shop). But...I am most enthused about the eight education sessions, our International Speech and Table Topics contests, our "infamous" Hospitality Suite, our recognition luncheon for many achievers in District 45, and, of course, seeing YOU again and meeting new Toastmasters! There is so much for you to learn at a conference – I believe it is one of the best events where you stretch out of your comfort zone and learn from the many talented Toastmasters in our District. I want as many of our District 45 Toastmasters to come to Portland so they too can seek, stretch and soar. See you soon!



Welcome to District 45 Spring Conference!

Donna Tasker, ACS, Spring Conference Chair

Come to Portland to join in the experience of the spring conference – it's a wonderful time of year to be in Maine! The conference committee have their sleeves rolled up and are working their plans; contestants and educational presenters are practicing and tweaking to give their very best; members of the district team are also working hard to make it a fun, educational and rewarding experience for you. You don't want to miss it!



Spring Conference– Educationals



Neil Billings, ACS, CL

Storytelling For Toastmasters: Using Your Imagination,

tap into your storytelling skill and bring it out to share with the rest of the known universe!

Dr. Yu Ming Ye, ACG, ALB

Secrets of Leadership Success

Explore the secrets of leadership success in an exciting and entertaining way!



David Tucker, ACG, CL

Simple Things – Big Impacts

New ideas about projecting your voice and improving your body language to add impact to your speech.

Cali Crowley, ACG, ALB

Fly Like An Eagle

Fly like an eagle through music and message designed to lift your earth bound energies.



Carol Ann Hanley, ATMG

Clump of Grey Clay – Value of YOU Inside-Out

Gain insight into your social and professional relationships, leaving you lighter of heart and mind and to walk with bounce in your feet.

Carl Duivenvoorden, DTM

The Scoop on the REP

The Toastmasters' education program is undergoing a major review and revitalization process which will provide members with effective and valuable training to meet their needs in the future.



Mark Henkel, DTM

Close 'Em & Clothe 'Em

"Be a Closer" to help guests join and how to "Be a Clothier" to help Members become "clothed" in their own goals.

Heather Perkins, DTM

Making Contests Successful

As well as being ethical, speech contest judges need to be well versed in the rules and standards to select the best speaker on contest day.



Registration

Full conference registration: US\$140.

[Register online](#). Download the **Spring 2014 Registration Form** ([Word Format](#) | [PDF Format](#))

Hotel



Call: 1-207-775-6161 or 1-800-445-8667 to book a room at \$109/night (use "Toastmasters" as the code for our block of rooms).

You may also click on [The Reservation Page](#) to book online.



Map: <https://www.google.ca/maps/@43.6366421,-70.3393675,16z>



Silent Auction

If you have some really nice things that you just don't use, why not donate them to the Silent Auction? Or get creative – assemble a small gift basket with members from your Club or Area for the Silent Auction. Your contributions help support the conference. For more information on the Silent Auction contact Dawn Knight at dawntma7@yahoo.com

Win an iPad Mini and Logitech Ultrathin keyboard case!

This iPad mini, which is valued at \$499, has a stunning 7.9 inch Retina display with over 3.1 million pixels. It also comes with the A7 chip with 64 bit architecture, ultra-fast wireless, iSight and FaceTime HD cameras, powerful apps and up to 10 hours of battery life! The keyboard case, which is valued at \$79, is thin, light and precision designed to provide a fast and comfortable typing experience. The keyboard maintains the same keys as standard keyboard and the case helps protect the iPad!



The draw will be held at the Double Tree Hotel, South Portland Maine, USA. The winner will be announced at the conference, you do not need to be present to win!

Ticket prices are \$15 for 1 or \$25 for 3. Only 200 tickets are available! Go here to purchase tickets online:

<http://www.d45toastmastersraffle2014.eventbrite.com/>

If you have any questions, contact Geoffrey Crain at: Geoffrey.crain@gmail.com

Keynote Speaker

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“Leadership Lessons Learned in Toastmasters”

Jim Kokocki, DTM, First Vice President – Toastmasters International

“I've always considered myself to be just average talent and what I have is a ridiculous, insane, obsessiveness for practice and preparation.”

Will Smith, actor

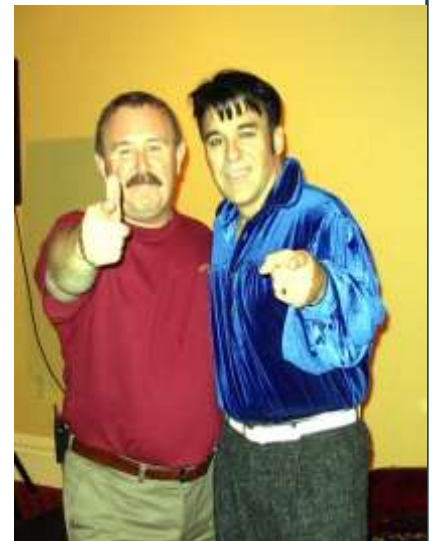
Your Toastmasters membership provides a very broad environment and opportunity for practice and preparation which enables members to be more effective leaders and communicators in their workplaces and communities.

We're thrilled to have First Vice President Jim Kokocki, DTM, discuss the leadership lessons he has learned in Toastmasters. He'll give you practical advice, illustrated by stories, that show you how you can enhance your leadership skills and potential.



Volunteers

Volunteers are key to the success of our conferences. We need volunteers for the hospitality suite, registration desk, workshop helpers, photographers, people to twitter as events transpire, a/v staff, etc. To volunteer click here: [Click here to register and volunteer](#). Or contact the conference chair.



CONFERENCE AGENDA



Friday – May 23 Evening Program

3:00 – 7:30 PM	Registration Desk Open	West Foyer
3:00 – 7:00	Silent Auction, Bookstore & Raffle Tickets Open	Winter Harbor Room
4:30 – 5:30	Past District Governors' Meeting	Breakwater
6:00 – 7:00	First Timers' Event	Suite 718
7:00 – 7:30	Line up Flags & Banners for Parade	Hall
7:30 – 8:30	Opening Ceremonies (including Parade of Flags)	Lighthouse A
8:30 – 10:00	Surprise Fun Event	Lighthouse A
10:00 – Midnight	Hospitality Room	Suite 718

Saturday – May 24 Morning Program

6:30 – 8:00 AM	District Executive Council (DEC) Meeting	Whaleback
7:00 – 8:15	Buffet Breakfast	Lighthouse A
8:00 – 4:00	Registration Desk Open	West Foyer
8:00 – 3:30	District Store & Silent Auction Open	Winter Harbor Room
8:00 – Noon	Credentials Desk Open	Little River
8:30 – 10:30	Contestant Practice / Preparation	Lighthouse A
8:15 – 9:00 AM	Education Session One – Clump of Grey Clay	Sebago
8:30 – 10:00	Education Session Two – Judges Workshop	Whaleback
9:00 – 9:45	Education Session Three – Simple Things-Big Impacts	Sebago
9:45 – 10:30	Nutrition & Networking Break	Pre Function Area / Hall
10:15 – 11:00	Education Session Four – Close 'Em & Clothe 'Em	Lighthouse B
10:15 – 11:00	Education Session Five – Secrets of Leadership Success	Sebago
11:00 – 11:45	Education Session Six – Fly Like An Eagle	Sebago
11:00 – 11:45	Education Session Seven – StoryTelling	Lighthouse B

Afternoon & Evening Program

12:00 – 2:00 PM	Awards Luncheon	Lighthouse A
2:15 – 3:30	District Council Meeting	Lighthouse A
3:45 – 4:30	Education Session Eight - REP	Sebago
4:00 – 4:30	Contest Briefing (Contestants and Contest Chair)	Lighthouse A
4:00 – 4:30	Contest Briefing (Officials and Chief Judge)	Little River
4:45 – 6:15	INTERNATIONAL SPEECH CONTEST	Lighthouse A
6:30 – 7:00	Social / Cocktail Time	Lighthouse B
7:00 – 9:30	District Governor's Banquet	Lighthouse A
9:30 – Midnight	Surprise - Hospitality Room	Suite 718

Sunday – May 25 Morning Program

7:00 – 8:30 AM	Buffet Breakfast	Lighthouse A
7:30 – 8:00	Contest Briefings (Contestants & Contest Chair)	Lighthouse B
7:30 – 8:00	Contest Briefings (Officials & Chief Judge)	White Harbor
8:45 – 10:00	TABLE TOPICS CONTEST	Lighthouse A
10:15 – 10:30	Induction of 2014-15 District Officers	Lighthouse A
10:35 – 10:45	Incoming District Governor's Inaugural Address	Lighthouse A
10:45 – 10:55	Preview of Fall Conference	Lighthouse A
10:55 – 11:00	Closing Remarks – Conf. Chair & District Governor	Lighthouse A
11:00	Adjournment	Lighthouse A

Proxy Form



DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING PROXY FORM

District Number: 45

District Council Meeting Date: May 24, 2014

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 a proxy or proxies for their club. (Use the form below.) No other proxies are valid at this meeting, per Article X: Council Meetings, Quorum, Proxies, and Voting (a) Proxies of the District Administrative Bylaws.

In the event one of these officers does not attend the meeting and has not designated in writing an active member of the club to act as his or her proxy, the officer or proxy holder in attendance is deemed to hold the proxy of the other, and may therefore cast two votes at the meeting. This assures that every club is represented by two votes.

In addition, each district officer, including area governors, in attendance is entitled to one vote. Only district executive committee members carrying both credential or proxy certificates from their club are allowed three votes. All other members are limited to a maximum of two votes each.

IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND

Date:

Club name:

Club number:

Your name:

Officer position:

Club president or vice president education:

indicate your duly authorized proxy below (must be an active member of your club).

Name:

Date:

This form must be submitted to the Credentials Desk at the District 45 Conference to obtain ballot(s).