March 2, 2014

# **Club Membership Renewal**

Toastmasters dues are due by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Now is the time for clubs to promote renewals. Submit your club's renewals promptly as they are received. Starting on February 28<sup>th</sup>, club officers may submit renewals through the Toastmasters website by accessing Club Central. (Remember, a club must have at least eight members to stay an active Toastmasters club.)

### **2014 Spring Contests**

Spring Contests will include the International Speech and Table Topics Contests. Club contests start in March and must be completed by April 5<sup>th</sup>. Plan early and have fun at the contests!

Area Contest Deadline: April 19<sup>th</sup>
Division Contest Deadline: May 3<sup>rd</sup>
District Contest: May 17<sup>th</sup>

## **Special Recognition**

Congratulations to our new *District 31 Triple Crown Award* Winners - Benjamin Drozdenko, Cherylle Garnes, Susan Lecht, Erik Siersdale, Jennifer Tam!

Special thanks and congratulations to Central Club, Lake Williams Wordsmiths, Saturday Brunch Bunch Club, and V.O.L.U.M.E. for sending *all seven club officers* to the Winter TLI! Welcome to our *new clubs*, SHIFT Toastmasters, #3612014 and Toastoscopy, #3661004!

#### **Membership Building Initiatives**

Does your club need some help with membership building? Contact lget@district31.org to receive an enhanced *Membership Building Kit*. How about holding an *Open House*? Please mail your club's reimbursement request with original receipt(s) to District Governor by June 1<sup>st</sup>. The District will reimburse your club up to \$50.00.

#### Marketing and Club Building

A Community Club is about to be born in Brookline. Please ask anyone you know who might be interested in joining a Toastmasters club to attend a meeting at 7:00 pm on 2<sup>nd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at *Brookline Interactive Group*, 46 Tappan St, Brookline. An *Advanced Club is coming to the North Shore* and Merrimack Valley area! If you've already achieved a Competent Communicator award and want to be a charter member of this new Advanced Club, attend the first meeting at 7:00 pm on March 11<sup>th</sup> at CLEANtech Center, 10 Mulliken Way, Newburyport. Become a proud charter member of either this Community or Advanced Club. Contact <a href="mailto:lgm@district31.org">lgm@district31.org</a> with questions or to support the club building process.

## **Leadership Opportunities**

If you are interested in serving as *Conference Host*, *Decoration Chair*, or *Bookstore Coordinator* at the Spring Conference on May 17<sup>th</sup>, please contact <u>lget@district31.org</u>. Are you interested in serving as a *District Leader* in 2014-2015? Please contact dg@district31.org.

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