

### **Program Quality Director Report**

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We are almost to the finish line folks! The 2023-2024 year is rapidly coming to a close, and before you know it, we will be training new Area and Division Directors, we will be preparing for new club officers and what we can offer them for a new year, and we will be marching ever forward... No pun intended! I want to start this report with a simple question what many have been asking me. That is, have you heard and felt the buzz around Toastmasters lately? Yes, I have...

Despite all the issues we have faced, let me share some of the buzz I have heard and felt lately...

Clubs maintaining their numbers like Yes And Toastmasters at 34 members, ADM Toastmasters at 33, Confident Communicators at 29, and New Lenox at 31!

Clubs having an influx of new members like State Farm Talk of the South and ADM City Center with (at least) 9 new members respectively, Pioneer Club, State Farm Windjammers, and RLI Toastmasters with 7 new members respectively, and many others achieving at least 4 new members to gain their goal #7 on the DCP!

Clubs are having amazing reports from open houses and guest days. Reporting 2x the attendance of guests, and even on club that reported a guest traveling more than a half an hour to visit their club!

This is all amazing! As leaders let's reach out to these clubs and celebrate them, recognize their achievements, and keep this buzz going!

## **CELEBRATIONS:**

The Winter TLI session have concluded, and I am proud to announce the following clubs that trained ALL their officers for both the Summer and Winter TLI sessions:

Rock On!
Four Seasons Toastmasters Club
Thursday Noon Talkers
Sunrise Speakers
Delightful Greeters
Yes And Toastmasters
Fireside Toastmaster Club
The Leadership Train

Let's not forget those that committed to getting ALL their officers trained for the Winter TLI session:

Talk of the Town
De Kalb Are Toastmasters
Pimiteoui Club
RLI Toastmasters



# **INCENTIVES:**

Month	Winners	Club	Prize
June	Margaret Grundmeier	Listen, Learn, Lead	Book: Personally
		Club	Speaking; Set of
			Affirmation Card
July	Patrick Olson	Quad Cities	TBD
		Toastmasters	
August	Vaneet Anand	Yes And Toastmasters	TBD
September	Karen Walsh	Talk of the South TM	TBD
October	Sally Zuhn	Delightful Greeters	TBD
November	Mary Peterson	State Farm OAKS	TBD
December	Stacey Nordhues	Pioneer Club	TBD
January			TBD
February			TBD

2 of 2 TLI Incentive – Clubs that complete BOTH the Summer & Winter TLI's with ALL registered club officers trained! (Incentive prize TBD)

## **TRAINING:**

Area/Division Director Training – Conducted on Saturday, June 24th. We have 12 of the 16 Directors fully trained. That is 75% of the total directors. Make-up sessions will be scheduled after TLI's are completed.

Date	July 8 <sup>th</sup> (Saturday) 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM	July 10 <sup>th</sup> & 11th (Monday & Tuesday Evening) 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm both nights	July 16th (Sunday afternoon) 1:00 pm – 5:00pm
Location	In-person (Peoria, IL)	virtual	virtual
Dean(s)	Heather Blase & Gary Vaughn	Tashika Williams	Stephen Jenkins

#### 2023-2024 Summer TLI Results:

<b>Total Clubs</b>	Total Clubs with 4 or more trained	Total Clubs with less than 4 officers trained
49	46	2
	90.20%	3.92%
Total		
Officers	Total Club Officers Trained	Total Club Officers Not Trained
326	258	68
	79.14%	20.86%
	Total Clubs with ALL officers trained	Total Clubs with NO officers trained
	13	3
	25.49%	5.88%



#### 2023-2024 Winter TLI Results:

Total Clubs	Total Clubs with 4 or more trained	Total Clubs with less than 4 officers trained
48	38	10
	74.51%	19.61%
Total		
Officers	Total Club Officers Trained	Total Club Officers Not Trained
316	238	78
	75.32%	24.68%
	Total Clubs with ALL officers trained	Total Clubs with NO officers trained
	12	1
	23.53%	1.96%

## **DISTRICT 54 TALENT SEARCH:**

The talent search never ends. I am looking for the following:

District Contest Functionaries – emails will be going out this week looking for functionaries! More details in the email, but if you do not have a contestant from your club competing, and you are willing to assist during the District Contest on 04/20 then don't wait for the email, LET ME KNOW NOW!

2024-2025 Summer TLI's – with the HUGE success of the previous years TLI's we want to keep that momentum going. Even though I will not be the incoming PQD that doesn't mean I can't help whomever it may be. We are looking for committee members NOW! TLI Deans, Committee members, functionaries, and others. If you are interested in helping to make the next Summer TLI session better than the last one LET ME KNOW NOW!

## **FINALY THOUGHTS:**

I am going to close like I began, with a simple thought, and that is WE ARE DISTRICT 54! Henry Ford said that "Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success!"

I believe we have come together this year, I believe that we are staying together through the progress we are all witnessing, and all we need to do is work together in order to see HUGE success in District 54!