

Toastmasters Without Borders

District 28 Toastmasters

Spring Conference

2016



May 6-7, 2016

Caesars Windsor Hotel and Casino, 377 Riverside Dr E, Windsor

Schedule at a Glance



Friday, May 6

Time*	Event	Location
5:45 pm – 6:15 pm	Judges Briefing	Mercuri
5:45 pm – 6:15 pm	Contestants Briefing	Augustus Ballroom III
6:30 pm	Opening Ceremonies <i>(Doors open at 6:20 pm)</i>	Augustus Ballroom III
6:45 pm Keynote Welcome	Jana Barnhill, DTM, AS, PIP	Augustus Ballroom III
7:10 pm	Evaluation Contest	Augustus Ballroom III
8:10 pm	Full Meal—Market Buffet <i>(Downstairs)</i>	Market Buffet

Saturday, May 7

Time*	Event	Location
7:30 am – 1:20 pm	Credentials Desk <i>(Intermittent closures)</i>	
7:00 am – 9:00 am	Breakfast Buffet	Augustus Ballroom II
7:25 am – 7:55 am	First Timers Session	Saturni
8:00 am – 8:10 am	Welcome	Augustus Ballroom II
8:10 am – 9:00 am Keynote Address	Jana Barnhill, DTM, AS, PIP “No Borders, No Limits”	Augustus Ballroom II
9:00 am – 9:15 am	Break <i>(Visit the Credentials Desk)</i>	
9:15 am – 10:00 am	Educational Workshops: Session I	Mercuri/Luna/Saturni
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break <i>(Visit the Credentials Desk)</i>	
10:15 am – 11:00 am	Educational Workshops: Session II	Mercuri/Luna/Saturni
11:00 am – 11:15 am	Break <i>(Visit the Credentials Desk)</i>	
11:15 am – 12:00 pm	Educational Workshops: Session III	Mercuri/Luna
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm	Lunch Program <i>(Doors open at 12:00 pm)</i> C&L Award Recipient: Tamara Kowalska	Augustus Ballroom II
1:15 pm – 1:30 pm	Break <i>(Last chance to turn in your proxy!)</i>	
1:30 pm – 2:45 pm	District Council Business Meeting <i>(Doors open at 1:20 pm)</i>	Augustus Ballroom III
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm	Break	
3:00 pm – 3:45pm Keynote Workshop	Jana Barnhill, DTM, AS, PIP “Which Way Did They Go? I’m their Leader”	Mercuri/Martis/Luna
3:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Break	
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Contestants’ Briefing	Augustus Ballroom III
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Judges’ Briefing	Saturni
3:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Break	
4:00 pm – 5:45 pm	International Speech Contest <i>(Doors open at 3:50 pm)</i>	Augustus Ballroom III
5:45 pm – 6:45 pm	Social Hour	Main Hallway
5:45 pm – 6:20 pm	DCP Reception <i>(By invitation only)</i>	Jovis
6:45 pm – midnight	District Director’s Banquet—Semi Formal <i>(Doors open at 6:30 pm)</i>	Augustus Ballroom II



Toastmasters Without Borders

Welcome to the District 28 Spring Conference!

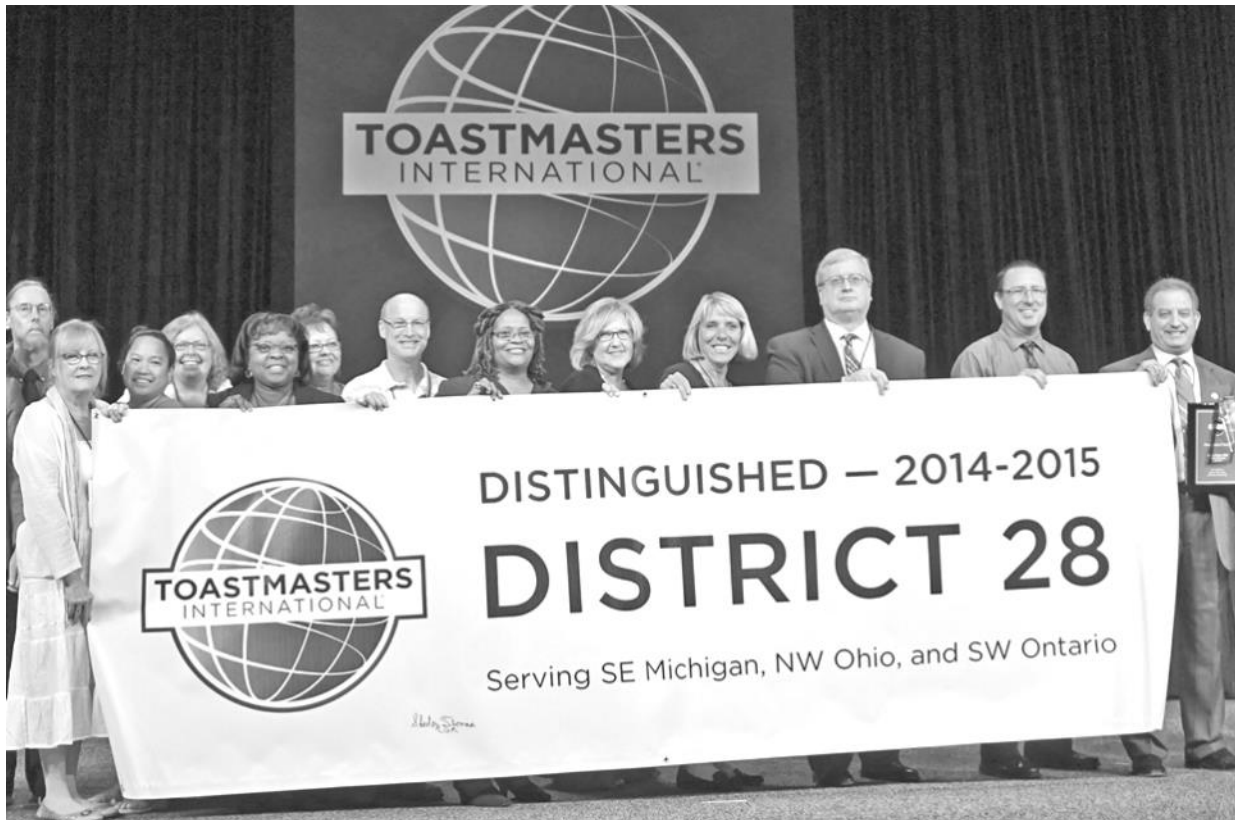
One of the best things about District 28 for me has always been that it is an international organization.

Here are a few suggestions for having a great conference:

1. Ask every first timer a question to get to know them and to help make them feel welcome
2. Listen with your head and heart to Jana Barnhill
3. Sit with someone new at lunch
4. Congratulate one of our new DTMs
5. Learn something by attending one of the educational workshops
6. Get your picture taken (with a boa or top hat!)
7. Congratulate the contest winners
8. Ask a colleague for their favorite quote
9. Let something someone says change your life
10. Thank Christine, Darla, and LaShon for making this conference successful

Enjoy the conference!

Ray Metz, DTM
District Director 2015-16, District 28



Toastmasters Without Borders



Hello District 28 Toastmasters!

If you were to take a glance at the Toastmasters International website you would find many references to the word leadership. One particular aspect of leadership is the growth component that can be compared to a journey. Under the membership tab and heading "A Toastmaster's Journey", there is an opening statement of "I wasn't born a leader" and the leadership journey of a Toastmaster is chronicled with the concluding statement of "I am a leader—and I was made". In our clubs, areas, divisions and district each of us can find many instances of individual leadership evolution through Toastmasters membership. This growth has no limits or boundaries—it is immense.

Your spring conference theme is Toastmasters Without Borders. It is a testament to the breadth of membership and connectedness possibilities of Toastmasters. At this conference, you will be immersed in a great Toastmasters conference vibe - tremendous speakers, informative workshops and fantastic camaraderie.

Each of us has the opportunity to progress as leaders and to help others realize their leadership potential. Enjoy the conference experience as you experience Toastmasters without borders!

In Toastmasters,

Randie Jacobs DTM
Region 6 Advisor 2014-2016, Toastmasters International



Greetings, District 28!

Welcome to your Spring Conference! I am so honored to join you and experience first-hand the theme of Toastmasters Without Borders, as you meet for the first time in 20 years in Canada, at the beautiful Caesars Windsor, Ontario!

But geographical borders aren't the only areas being broadened this weekend. You will have the opportunity to attend educational sessions that broaden your knowledge. Educational sessions will provide you a plethora of information from becoming a more effective listener, communicator - both in and outside your club, adding humor to your presentations, motivating your members to thrive and reach their ultimate success or become a better leader. You can learn more about our upcoming Revitalized Education Program. You will have the opportunity to elect your leaders who will serve you in the 2016-2017 year and of course, experience amazing speech contests. You will broaden your connection with other Toastmasters from throughout your district, even from Texas!

I encourage you to take advantage of every opportunity this weekend affords you. I promise you, if you do, you will leave this place with a broadened perspective of what you can do and who you can become! I look forward to meeting every one of you!

Jana Barnhill, DTM, AS
2008-2009 International President





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DREW DILKENS, DBA
MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

"TOASTMASTERS DAY"

MAY 7, 2016

WHEREAS: The ability to speak in a clear and effective manner is a powerful and important skill that can help people overcome barriers to a measurable performance in virtually every endeavour and line of work; and

WHEREAS: By assisting in the development of essential communication skills, Toastmasters International performs a valuable service for its members and those who hear their message of opportunity, initiative, and good fellowship; and

WHEREAS: Boasting more than eight and a half decades of outstanding achievement, Toastmasters International has grown to over 11,500 clubs in 106 countries worldwide, with more than 75 members in the City of Windsor; and

WHEREAS: This remarkable expansion is a direct result of the enhanced knowledge and experience that Toastmasters provides its members

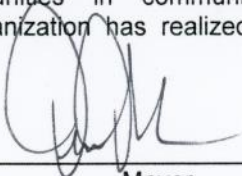
THEREFORE: I, Drew Dilken, Mayor of the City of Windsor, do hereby proclaim

MAY 7, 2016

TOASTMASTERS DAY

in the City of Windsor and I urge all citizens to recognize the many accomplishments and opportunities in communication and leadership this outstanding organization has realized for people everywhere.





Mayor

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By attending this Conference, attendees and speakers are hereby notified that their image or likeness in the form of live video, recorded video and still photography may be taken and used on the District 28 website and/or in our the District 28 Communication Products.



Welcome

Augustus Ballroom III

Doors Open	6:20 pm
Parade of Flags	6:30 pm
Opening Remarks	6:40 pm
Keynote Welcome—Jana Barnhill, DTM, AS, PIP	6:45 pm



Girl Guides
of Canada
Guides
du Canada

Evaluation Contest • 7:10 pm

Augustus Ballroom III

(Doors will be closed when the contest begins.)

District 28 Evaluation Contestants

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|---------------------|-----------------|
| ◇ Joel Book | ◇ Ron McKenzie |
| ◇ Stephanie Coleman | ◇ Daniel Miller |
| ◇ Charlene Diehl | ◇ Doug Monds |
| ◇ Christine Eason | ◇ Harold Vroman |



Dinner

Market Buffet (Basement)



**WHEN WE TALK ABOUT CHANGE,
WE DON'T MEAN THE KIND YOU
FIND IN YOUR COUCH.
UNLESS YOU HAPPEN TO BE
FINDING THOUSANDS OF
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First Timers Meeting • 7:25 am – 7:55 am

Meet your Mentor!

Saturni

Katherine Grady, CC, CL

Everyone at this conference wants you to have an amazing time! Your mentor will be an experienced Toastmaster who will show you around and answer any questions you might have. He or she will make sure this conference is everything you hoped it will be.



Opening Remarks • 8:00 am – 8:15 am

Augustus Ballroom II

Sergeant at Arms:	James Brown, ATMB, CL
Toastmaster:	Connie Loh, CC, CL
Conference Chairs:	Darla Delaire, CC, ALB Christine McKenzie, ACB, ALB
District Director:	Ray Metz, DTM

Breakfast Buffet
7:00 am – 9:00 am

Credentials Desk
7:00 a.m.–1:20 p.m.
Main Hallway

Keynote Address • 8:15 am – 9:00 am

Augustus Ballroom II

No Borders, No Limits!

Jana Barnhill, DTM, AS, PIP

Do you ever dream of being the best? The best you can be as an individual? At your job? In Toastmasters? This organization has a way of bringing out our best, sometimes without us even realizing it, but we cannot allow borders or self-imposed limitations to hold us back. Past International President, Accredited Speaker Jana Barnhill wants everyone to experience what it means to be your very best and in this high energy keynote will show us exactly how we can make that happen.





Session I • 9:15 am – 10:00 am

The Heart of the Art

Mercuri

Robert Alan McKenzie, ACS, ALB

Are you always the best listener that you can possibly be, in every situation - especially those situations that are one-on-one or small groups? Are you really paying attention, or are you waiting & itching for that chance to speak up & respond? Is your mind wandering somewhere else? Have you tuned out the speaker completely? Intentional listening is art & science; body language & eye contact; mental & physical; executed by design & intent. Come in and join Robert, as you learn to develop your skills in active listening, listening to understand, avoiding distractions, and asking great questions. Walk away with the ability to be known as "The best listener in the world!"



Speakers Bureau: Take-out or Carry-out?

Saturni

Rennette Gordon, ACS, ALB

If you're excited about an opportunity to take your presentation skills to the next level while expanding your speaking venues & horizons, we can help you! We will discuss stepping outside your club to promote better skills for other members; going beyond Toastmasters to take your passion out to the community; embracing various speaking opportunities far and wide to carry out your mission. Gain insight from personal accounts, experiences, and techniques to increase your potential & find your path to success! You'll discover how to go from good speaker to great to experienced professional communicator!



Are you Surviving or Thriving?

Luna

Jan Glowe-Janke, ACS, CL

Craig Carrel, ACS, CL

We came all the way from the shores of Lakes Michigan & Huron (a.k.a. District 62) to bring you this exciting message! Jan Glowe-Janke and Craig Carrel will present an uplifting and interactive workshop. By using real life experiences and audience involvement, they will remind every person in the room of their extraordinariness [yes, that's a real word!]. For all who attend: Revisit your passions, and leave this workshop "Empowered to THRIVE in them!"





Session II • 10:15 am – 11:00 am

Empower Yourself in 5 Easy Steps!

Mercuri

Tammy Revesz, ACS, ALB

Discover how you can achieve your dreams, your goals - the things in life you want for yourself and/or impact the lives of others! Liberate your abilities by empowering yourself in a way that allows your efforts to be more effective, rewarding, and get results. Experience engaging, interactive exercises as you learn about effective listening and communicating techniques, & you'll come away from this workshop energized, inspired, and ready to soar to new heights of achievement & success!



All Members Matter

Saturni

David Wiley, DTM

We imported David all the way from NW Ohio, (a.k.a. District 10), as he's providing innovative and exciting techniques to motivate your members! These invaluable tips and techniques are surprisingly simple, and it's this simplicity that allows them to be effectively, elegantly energizing! Join David as he shares these nuggets and gems that you'll walk away with, & delight in delivering to your club.



Ho-Hum to Humorous

Luna

Members of the Laff Out Loud Toastmasters Club

If you're giving a speech and someone is yawning or looking at a cellphone, it might be that your speech lacks humor. Not wise cracking jokes but a bit of lightness that helps you connect with your audience. In this workshop, you will learn when, how and why to add humor to your speeches. Join us for a fun, interactive session. It won't be a lecture, so you won't be yawning!





Session III • 11:15 am – 12:00 pm

Safe and Secure Online

Mercuri

Colleen L'Abbe, CC, CL

Do you bank, purchase, or use social media on the internet? If so, this workshop is for you! Come in and learn how to "buckle your seatbelt for safety" when driving in cyberspace! As a Certified Information Systems Security Professional with over 30 years' experience in the IT industry, Colleen, will escort you through understanding the fundamentals of Cyber Security, Safety, & Ethics. As none of us were born into the cyber world, these precautions should be of paramount importance for all digital immigrants. You will walk away with the fundamentals to help you protect yourself against the risks of malware, scams, & fraud, while being in control of your digital presence!



Communication is the Key: The Toastmasters' Revitalization Program

Saturni

Heather Lane, DTM, PDG

In an effort to offer members improved opportunities to learn and grow, Toastmasters is working to revitalize our education program. This new program will include tailored learning paths, new technological resources, mobile access and expanded video and digital content.

Attend this workshop to garner information regarding the status of Toastmasters' revitalization program. What are the benefits and how will it help as we continue to grow as communicators and leaders? Heather Lane serves as a Chief Ambassador. She will inform you of the past, present and pending happenings with the revitalization program.





Lunch Program • 12:00 pm – 1:15 pm

Augustus Ballroom II

Sergeant at Arms:	James Brown, ATMB, CL
Toastmaster:	Collyer Smith, DTM
Toast to The United States:	Ian Chalmers, CC
Toast to Canada:	Suren Uswatta, CC
Fall 2016 Conference:	LaShon Bowers, DTM, PQD
District Director:	Ray Metz, DTM
C & L Award Recipient:	Tamara Kowalska Executive Director, Co-founder Windsor Youth Centre
Recognition of First Timers:	Katherine Grady, CC, CL
Recognition of Achievements and Special Awards for 2015-16 Toastmasters Year:	Ray Metz, DTM, District Director

Credentials Desk
1:15 p.m.–1:20 p.m.
Main Hallway
Last Chance to turn in
your proxy, and/or
claim voting ballot





Presented to Tamara Kowalska

Tamara Kowalska is the founder and Executive Director of the Windsor Youth Centre (WYC), a drop in centre for homeless and at risk youths in Windsor Ontario. She came across the idea after a perspective changing experience with a young woman asking for a glass of water. A simple exchange led to the idea, then the reality, of a place young people could go to have a hot meal and a safe space for a few hours every evening. She will share her communication and leadership experiences in the development and ongoing growth of the centre and ask us how we can use our own skills to better our communities.

Tamara earned her BA of ED from Boston University and is a thesis away from her Masters of Communications and Social Justice at the University of Windsor. Prior to starting WYC she was a teacher for 12 years, leading classrooms in Canada, The United States and Asia. For 6 of those years she lived in Korea where she taught media literacy at the University.

One of the current projects undertaken by the youth at WYC is, "Almost Home - We're almost Home, help us get there" a short documentary film outlining the reality of "What is home?" for the youth that frequent the centre and how influential the experiences at WYC are on their lives. This project, like so many others, was created on site at WYC in the dedicated arts studio where Tamara and her staff encourage their guests to fully use their voices in positive and creative ways.

This is a pivotal year for the WYC, as Tamara seeks to secure core funding for the centre. She also continues to grow the services available for the youth that have come to call the centre home. She has partnered with the Stephanie and Barry Zekelman Foundation to provide "The Student Success Program", with Steve Green to create a Community Garden that allows access to green space and with local theatre mentor, Chris Rabideau, to bring creative outlets and youth justice awareness for everyone involved with WYC.

According to Tamara, "I started WYC because there was a need for it. I take big leaps of faith every day. Five years later there's still a need, a bigger need actually and bigger leaps of faith to take."





Agenda • 1:30 pm – 2:45 pm

Augustus Ballroom III

Call to Order

Karen Baird, CC, ALB

Welcome

Ray Metz, DTM

Reading of the District Mission
Introduction of Sergeant at Arms
Introduction of Parliamentarian

Credentials Committee Report

Sheryl Kubiak, DTM, PDG

Adoption of the Agenda

Administration Manager Report

Kathleen Coutts Umstead, CC, ALS

Nominating Committee Report

Jeff Kirsch, DTM

Election of District Officers

Ray Metz, DTM

Approval of Minutes

Fall District Council Meeting - Nov. 7, 2015

Realignment Report

Shirley Thomas, DTM

Audit Committee Report

Gayle Lawson, DTM

Finance Manager Report

Vera Johnson, DTM

Reports by the Executive Leadership Team

Club Growth Director
Program Quality Director
District Director

Collyer Smith, DTM
LaShon Bowers, DTM
Ray Metz, DTM

New Business

Region 6 Candidates for International Director

Announcements

Date and Place of Next Meeting

Nov. 11-12, 2016, The Radisson, Toledo, Ohio

Adjournment



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Welcome to Canada

Established in June 2009, Union Gas LDN Toastmasters is one of thousands of corporate clubs worldwide that are open to employees who are interested in developing their speaking and leadership skills.



Afternoon Workshop • 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm

Which Way Did They Go? I'm Their Leader!

Jana Barnhill, DTM, AC, PIP

Just as we learn to become skilled speakers, we can also learn to become skilled leaders. After all, Toastmasters is *Where Leaders Are Made*, right? But becoming an effective leader is not easy. It can be puzzling. Manuals and training don't cover everything. There is also the hard-learned, trial by fire lessons that not everyone is willing to share. But Past International President, Accredited Speaker Jana Barnhill does not want it to be a mystery for you. In this engaging session, she will share some tips she has learned on her leadership journey in hopes that they can help you become the leader that others want to follow...and keep you from making some of the mistakes she made! Don't miss, "Which Way Did They Go? I'm Their Leader!"



International Speech Contest • 4:00 pm – 5:45 pm

Augustus Ballroom III

(Doors will be closed when the contest begins.)

District 28 International Speech Contestants

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|------------------|-----------------|
| ◇ Dan Dubin | ◇ Doug Monds |
| ◇ Ashlesha Joshi | ◇ Don Ritter |
| ◇ Judey Kalchik | ◇ Cliff Suttle |
| ◇ Ron McKenzie | ◇ Krisi Vadnais |





District 28 Leaders



Ray Metz
DTM
District Director



LaShon Bowers
DTM
Program Quality Director



Collyer Smith
DTM
Club Growth Director



Kathleen Coutts Umstead
CC, ALS
Admin. Manager



Connie Loh
CC, CL
Public Relations Manager



Renette Gordon
ACS, ALB
Division D Director



Irena Postiff
DTM
Division E Director



Jeanette Milliean
CC, CL
Division F Director



Dawn Nakamura
ACS
Division G Director



James Brown
ATMB, CL
Division H Director



Ryan Morton
CC
Area 12 Director



Yugo Ashida
CC
Area 13 Director



John Courson
ACB, CL
Area 14 Director



Von White
CC, CL
Area 16 Director



Adriane White
CC
Area 17 Director



Priscilla O'Neill
CC, ALB
Area 18 Director



Crystal Farmer
CC
Area 29 Director



Steve Moore
CC
Area 31 Director



Gretchen Vroman
ACS, ALB
Area 32 Director



Bill Moylan
DTM
Area 33 Director



Alycia Hall
CC, CL
Area 34 Director



Al Albee
DTM, PDG
Area 37 Director



District 28 Leaders



Vera Johnson
DTM, PDG
Finance Manager



Karen Baird
CC, ALB
Logistics Manager



Jeffery Kirsch
DTM
Immediate Past
District Director



Robert Conboy
ACB, ALB
Division A Director



Pam Harvey
CC
Division C Director



Amanda Sebastian
DTM
Division I Director



Brenda Jackson-Cross
Area 1 Director



Terry McCauley
ACG, ALB
Area 3 Director



Darlene Shepard
ACB
Area 4 Director



David Clarke
DTM
Area 11 Director



Annie Adams
ACG, ALB
Area 19 Director



Joette Theutt
CC
Area 21 Director



Sheena Monnin
ACG, ALB
Area 23 Director



Maureen Hurley
DTM
Area 25 Director



Kristie Stocker
CC, ALB
Area 26 Director



Robert McKenzie
ACS, ALB
Area 28 Director



Marilyn Albee
DTM, PDG
Area 39 Director



Diane Malenfant
CC, ALB
Area 41 Director



Christine McKenzie
ACB, ALB
Area 42 Director



Marie Wood
ACG, ALB
Area 43 Director



Mark Moeckel
ACB, ALB
District Webmaster



District Director's Banquet • 6:30 pm

Augustus Ballroom II

Call to order:	Karen Baird, CC, ALB
Toastmaster:	LaShon Bowers, DTM, PQD
Invocation:	John Salalila, DTM, PDG
Anthems:	District 28 Choir (please sing along)

Dinner is served. Enjoy your meal and get to know your tablemates.

Outgoing District Governor's remarks:	Ray Metz, DTM, DD
First Timer winners:	Katherine Grady, CC, CL
50/50 and Raffle winners	Cindy Roehler, CC
Thank you/Acknowledgments:	Ray Metz, DTM, DD
Adjournment	

Thank You from Darla Delaire

The journey of co-chairing this first conference to be held in Canada for District 28 in over 20 years, has been longer than your average conference chairing experience, but so worth it! My part in this conference could not have happened without the guidance, assistance and unselfish hours of mentorship from the District 28 seasoned Toastmasters who were/are always on standby to fill in / talk you through / suggest solutions / etc....Your support is extremely appreciated.

I hope that the workshops offer you tools for your toolbox, that Jana Barnhill offers inspiration to reignite your passion, and that the friendships you forge will enrich your lives and your Toastmaster experience for years to come.

Thank you, Christine McKenzie for sharing this journey with me. I could not have done it without you.





National Anthems - Sing Along

O Canada

O Canada!
Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all thy sons command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The True North strong and free!
From far and wide,
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.



Star Spangled Banner

O say can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there;
O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?



Thank You! Huge Hugs! from Christine McKenzie

What an Awesome International Signature Event!

Our mission was to ensure that the event was educational, memorable and entertaining (aka FUN ☺) During this adventure to create a fantastic experience for you, I fell more times than I can count. In the end I learned the difficult lesson that I could not do this alone. I needed Toastmasters members' knowledge, support and resources in completing each of the goals in the planning, organizing and implementation of this event. I want you all to know that I appreciate your efforts and felt fully supported from start to finish.

The Spring Contests were fantastic. Without them, I would never have met and heard from so many fabulous members of District 28. Without the assistance of my fellow Toastmasters in Ohio, Michigan and Ontario, this event would not be the success it is.

Thank you to Ron for being the rock that kept me grounded. Thank you for the sage advice from so many PDGs and DTMs. Thank you to my HPL committees. Thank you to my Conference Committee Chairs and volunteers. Thank you to Kim Van, the student who painted our logo. Thank you to our seven sponsors who added value to our conference experience. And most especially, Thank you to my fellow adventurer, Darla Delaire who breathed the idea of a Canadian Conference into life.



Past District Directors



1947-48 Stanley Weber ... ID 1954-56	1985-86 Don A. Clausing
1948-49 Richard Newman .. ID 1958-60	1986-87 Robert G. Lathrup
1949-50	1987-88 George Gorday
1950-51 Don Harris	1988-89 Mary M. Reigner
1951-52 John E. Little	1989-90 Emily J. Olivero
1952-53 Vernon D. Ebersole	1990-91 Bert W. Farmilo
1953-54 Stanley T. Weber ... ID 1954-56	1991-92 Jolene B. Weaver
1954-55 Lynn R. Harris	1992-93 Linda Ann Sharp
1955-56 Douglas Horst	1993-94 Robert Bauer
1956-57 Dean W. Peterson	1994-95 Sandra A. Buchanan
1957-58 Richard Newman ... ID 1958-60	1995-96 Marilyn S Albee ☺
1958-59 Charles C. Mohr. .. IP 1965-66	1996-97 Marilyn Knapp
1959-60 Frederic N. Lyon	1997-98 Bill Roberts
1960-61 James E. Nally	1998-99 Dulce Renaud
1961-62 Judson Fisher	1999-00 Al Albee ☺
1962-63 William Langdon	2000-01 Cynthia Pavella ... ID 2002-04
1963-64 Robert H. Nickel	2001-02 Marlene Purdy ☺
1964-65 Geoffrey F. Gray	2002-03 Dulce Renaud
1965-66 Harold Hyatt	2003-04 Gloria Hamilton ☺
1966-67 William V. Smith ... ID 1967-69	2004-05 Sheryl Blessing (nee Kubiak) ☺
1967-68 Jay C. Dennis	2005-06 Tony Slawinski ☺
1968-69 Robert E. Ralph	2006-07 Todd Brockdorf
1969-70 Norman W. Jennings	2007-08 Karen Holland ☺
1970-71 Dale A. Davis	2008-09 Kevin Olmstead
1971-72 Phillip B. Richards ... ID 1974-76	2009-10 Nancy Zychowicz ☺
1972-73 Keith R. Hullinger	2010-11 Vera Johnson ☺
1973-74 Ray C. Lopez	2011-12 Heather D. Lane ☺
1974-75 Harold "Bud" Gilley	2012-13 John Salalila ☺
1975-76 H. Fritz Schroeder, MD ... ID	2013-14 Jason Schumacher ☺
1976-77 Michael Fogoros	2014-15 Jeff Kirsch ☺
1977-78 Steve Stephens	2015-16 Ray Metz ☺
1978-79 Sharon A. Mohr	2016-17 -- Go to the Business Meeting ☺
1979-80 Jim Szigeti	
1980-81 Ed Pohlman	
1981-82 Virginia Houser	
1982-83 John Burkett	
1983-84 Ben Hambrick	
1984-85 Chris Hiller	

Legend:

IP= International President

ID= International Board of Directors

☺ = still active in the district



The History of District 28

District 28 was formed in 1947, and was honored that same year by a visit by founder Dr. Ralph Smedley to club #404 in Grand Rapids, MI. The District originally consisted of Toledo, northwest Ohio, and southwest Ontario west of Chatham, and the entire State of Michigan. District 28 grew, and in 1958 the District was divided to create District 62, which encompasses most of Michigan and Lambton County (Sarnia) in Ontario. The current District 28 alignment includes Toledo and northwestern Ohio; southeastern lower Michigan, including Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw, Monroe, and Lenawee counties; and Essex and Chatham-Kent Counties in southwestern Ontario. From a total of about 40 clubs in 1958, the District has grown to include 126 clubs as of July 1, 2016.

District 28 has produced two International Presidents (Charles Mohr and Terry Daily) as well as several members of the International Board of Directors. Through August 2015 we have achieved Distinguished District status or better 22 times, and earned the Excellence in Leadership award in 2000, 2006-2009 (for three or more successive years as a Distinguished District). We achieved Select Distinguished District status in 2007-2008. In 2006, District 28 became the first in the world to create its own Strategic Plan to complement Toastmaster International requirements. The Plan received the endorsement of World Headquarters and the suggestion for other Districts to take a similar approach.

The District has hosted the International Convention once, in 1956. We have been honored with Presidential visitations on several occasions, including Tom Richardson in 1988-89, Neil Wilkinson in 1994, Len Jury in 1998, Gavin Blakey in 2002, and Jana Barnhill in 2009. Presidential citations have been awarded to Charles Mohr in 1978, Harry Merigian and Robert Lathrup in 1983, Ben

<i>Joe B.</i>	<i>1953</i>	<i>(Club unknown)</i>
<i>David Holmes</i>	<i>1956 (Champion)</i>	<i>Anthony Wayne Club #1380</i>
<i>Jim Butler</i>	<i>1967 (Third Place)</i>	<i>Maumee Valley Club #1637</i>
<i>Frank Smith</i>	<i>1972 (Second Place)</i>	<i>Anthony Wayne Club #1380</i>
<i>A. David VanEcke</i>	<i>1980</i>	<i>Northwood Club #1329</i>
<i>Don Sarbacher</i>	<i>(Year unknown) (Second Place)</i>	<i>(Club unknown)</i>

The following members competed in and won the Region VI Evaluation Contest (no longer held):

Bill Moylan
Debra Wiertalla

Past District awards (no longer presented) established in honor or memory of prominent local Toastmasters include the John Little Award, the Robert Lathrup Award, the George Gorday Award, and the Judson Fischer Award.

District 28 currently presents a number of awards to clubs and others, some named for past District officers. These include:

- The Chris Hiller award (club with greatest percentage increase in membership)
- The Harold Eastman award (club with most new members)
- The Unsung Hero Award (presented to a non-District Officer who does a lot of things "behind the scenes")
- Toastmaster of the Year (presented to a non-District Officer who has been prominent in District activities)
- Area Governor of the Year (presented to the Area Governor with the most successful performance)
- Division Governor of the Year (presented to the Division Governor with the most successful performance)
- The Communication and Leadership Award (presented to a prominent non-Toastmaster)



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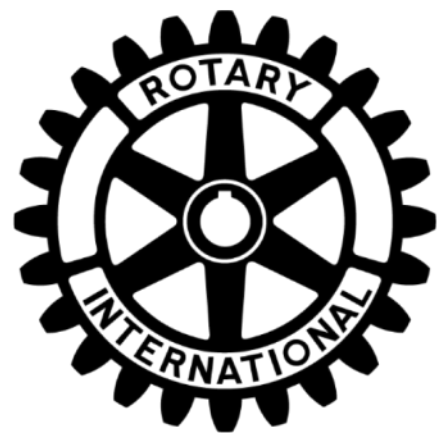
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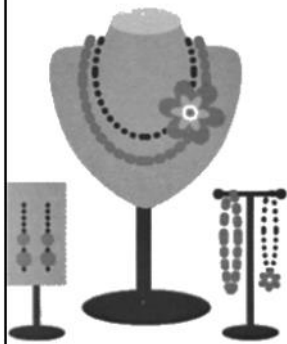
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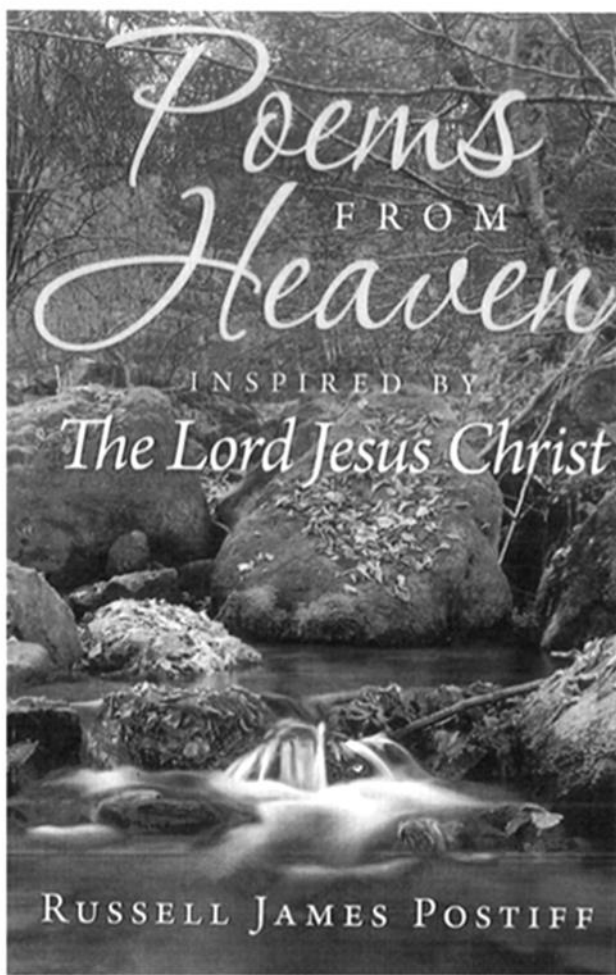


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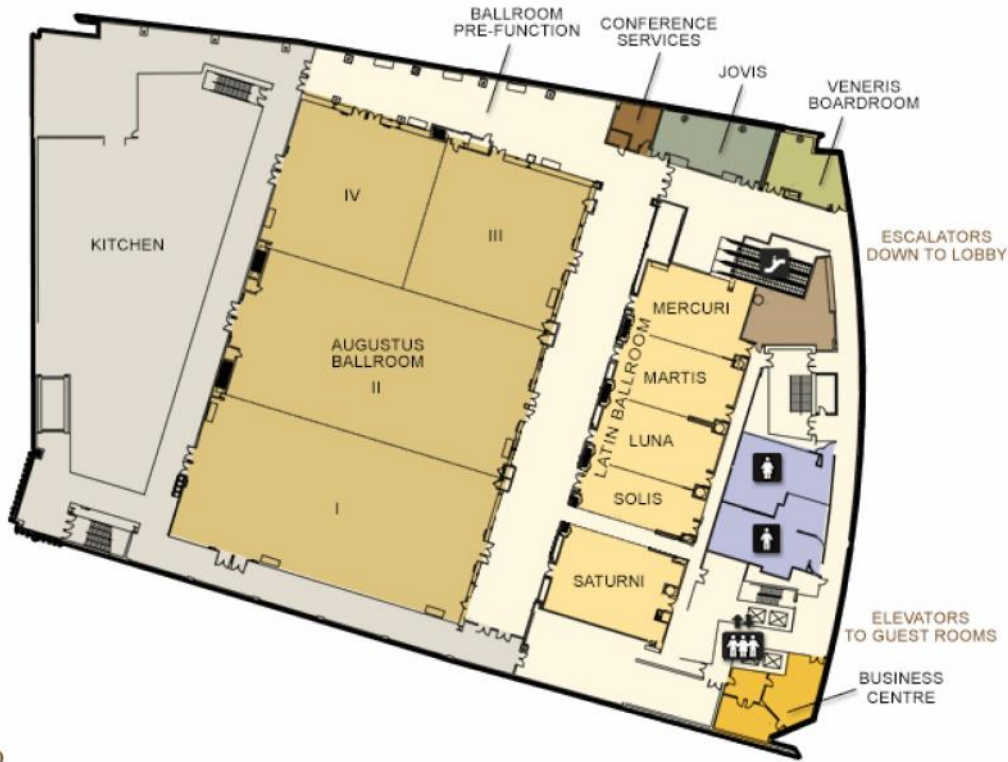
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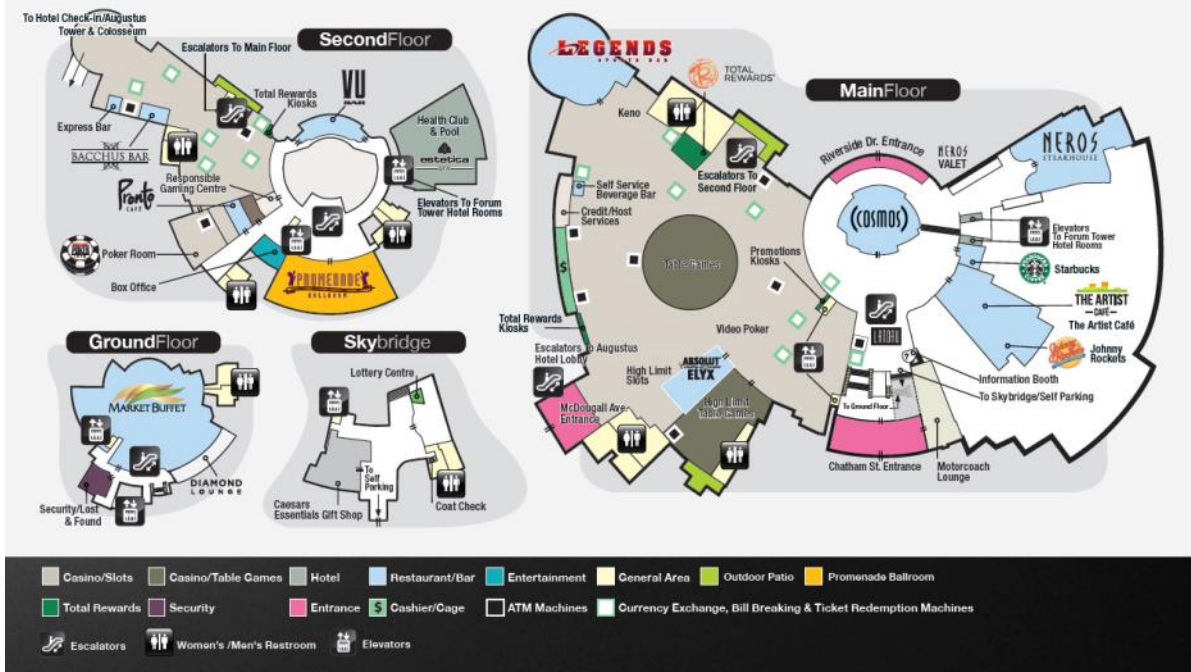
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