What Are You Going To Do?

By Judy Hunt

A new Toastmasters year has begun. We begin again to earn the Distinguished Club status. What will you do to contribute this year? What will your part be?

If a Toastmaster club and its members are not working on the Distinguished Club Program (DCP), they are not following the tenets of Toastmasters. The DCP is the very definition of Toastmasters: learning, achieving, and reaching goals.

There is a limited amount that any outside force can do to make you achieve your goals. You have to have some initiative of your own. Yet the Toastmasters plan has laid the path out for you step by step. If you are following the Toastmaster plan, you are achieving. You will be achieving not only for yourself, but also for your club.

The Distinguished Club Program has three levels of distinction: Distinguished Club, Select Distinguished Club, and President’s Distinguished Club. The goal of every Toastmaster Club should be to reach President Distinguished Club status, the highest level of achievement. Our club is in an excellent position to reach this distinction this year. The following is a list of the possibilities. Are you on this list? What is your part?

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<td>CTM</td>
<td>5 members within reach</td>
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<td>ATM Bronze, Silver or Gold</td>
<td>4 members poised to achieve</td>
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<td>New Members</td>
<td>Each member is responsible to bring visitors.</td>
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<td>Officers Trained</td>
<td>One down, one to go</td>
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<td>Reports submitted on time</td>
<td>Our officers have always been on time.</td>
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Superiorland Toastmasters meet twice each month from 6:30-8:00 pm. 2nd Monday, Heritage Room, Ramada Inn, 412 W. Washington, 4th Monday, Community Room, Peter White Public Library, 217 North Front Street, Marquette.

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Voted the District 35’s Top Club Website 2002 and 2003
Were You Listening? Did You See?

- The Club held a very important vote at the June 24th meeting. What was at issue?
- At which meeting did we play “Go Fish”?
- Who told us about his “first summer romance”?
- How many person were in attendance July 9th?

Area Governor’s Corner

By Judy Hunt, AG N3

Our Area Governor (me) visited us on July 28, 2003. After visiting only two clubs, I can see the enchantment the office of Area Governor can hold.

Being a member of Superiorland Toastmasters and the N3 Area Governor is both an advantage and a disadvantage. The advantage is that there will be little need for advance planning or ‘putting our best foot forward’ to try to impress me—I already know all about our club. The disadvantage is the same. Since I know the club so well, I can practically fill out the official Club Visit form with my eyes closed.

On second thought, maybe you should try to impress me. Invite more guests, give more speeches, achieve more goals, and attend more meetings. Boy, that will surprise me!

Communication is key.
Communicate with your fellow members. Just keep in touch throughout the summer. It will encourage members to return in the fall.

MEMBER NEWS!

- Happy Birthday to Burt and Stacy!

- Mary Belmore, VP/Membership and Judy Hunt, VP/Education are putting together a SpeechCraft. This 8 week program will begin September 22 and end on November 10, Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30 pm. If you would like to assist in this educational, membership building, community project, contact either Mary or Judy.

- October only sounds like it is a long way away. Make plans now to attend the Fall Conference. It is a great way to meet other people from around the District, including our own Area 3.

- Dan’s son was recently here for a visit from Scotland. How exciting!

- Virginia Korte recently visited the Bay de Noc Toastmasters Club in Escanaba with Judy Hunt, AG. The Bay de Noc members would like to have a combined meeting with Superiorland. Sounds like fun! How about a pot-luck or Halloween Party?! What do you think?
Fellow Toastmasters:

When I mention interest what is the first thought that comes to your mind? Should I guess—*Interest on your money you have in the bank*. Well, that is the wrong answer.

The beginning of success in life is “Interest”. What we learn should never be passively or mechanically received as dead information that weighs down and dulls the mind. It must rather be actively transformed by understanding into the very life of the mind and thus strengthen the latter, as wood thrown into the fire and transformed into flame makes the fire strong.

In life it is the responsibility of everyone to be interested. No one can be interested for you and no one can increase your interest unless you so will. It is the basic obligation that you must take especially when taking classes; it is the basic obligation that you must hold up to each assignment. It is the basic obligation you will carry into your life’s work or life will make you a person of no consequence or influence, going from job to job, thinking the grass is greener on the other side of the fence.

Naturally all assignments in the work force will not be interesting to you. Mastering certain subjects or assignments may be boring but will reflect on your ability to perform. You can turn those “boring” assignments into enjoyable jobs. This will give you confidence in your ability to do difficult things as you go through life. Life is full of little duties that carry no immediate appeal, but the individual who can tackle a job whenever it is presented and whether he/she likes it not is a happy person.

There is no simple answer that can be made into a formula or practice can be learned as one learns math, speech or science. Remember, there is no limit to what a human being can do if he or she is interested. It is well know that interest relieves the burdensome drudgery of research or study, subsequently the work disappears. So question yourself, “Am I interested?”

Bob Shimanek
President

**WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP YOUR CLUB?**

*Work towards educational goals
*Invite guests
*Come to meetings
## Calendar of Events

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<td>17-18</td>
<td>Fall conference. Green Bay, WI</td>
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The latest word on Fall Conference is that the educational sessions will feature topics such as:
- Conducting Youth Leadership Programs
- Living Life to The Fullest
- Evaluating and Improving Your Toastmaster Skills

This promises to be a great Conference. Plan now to attend and encourage your Toastmaster friends to attend also.

No one can predict to what heights you can soar,
Even you will not know until you spread your wings.

*Linda Hawke, DTM*
Frequently, clubs ask WHQ how long they should keep certain financial and administrative records. Following is a list of items and the length of time they should be kept as part of the club records.

Depending on your club’s individual needs, you may add items to this list. Your club should have a procedure in place to pass on records from one administration to the next administration. Be sure to include a review of these records as part of your club’s audit.
Answers to Were You Listening, Did You hear?

- At issue was whether or not to hold meetings in the summer. The decision was to continue meetings throughout the year. By continuing to meet we do not deny any member the opportunity for growth.
- July 9th we not only played Go Fish, we had beach sand, candles, and a very good meeting.
- John Baldwin told us about his “first summer romance”.
- Nine persons were in attendance July 9th?
ACROSS
2. To deliver an address or lecture
3. One serving as an example to be imitated or compared
4. A source of enjoyment, amusement, or pleasure
7. Something that promotes or enhances well-being; an advantage
9. A cordial greeting or hospitable reception given to an arriving person
10. To make ready beforehand for a specific purpose, as to an event or occasion
14. To present by experiments, examples, or practical application; explain and illustrate
15. Assigned duty or activity
16. Serving as or being an essential component, as of a system; basic
17. To bring by the use of argument or evidence to firm belief or a course of action
20. The circumstances or conditions that surround one; surroundings
24. To look forward to the probable occurrence or appearance of
27. The achievement of something desired, planned, or attempted
28. To inspire with hope, courage, or confidence; hearten; to give support to; foster
29. The quality of being able to do something, especially the physical, mental, financial, or legal power to accomplish something
30. Pride in oneself; self-respect

DOWN
1. To raise in rank; promote
2. Being without hypocrisy or pretense
5. The business with which a body of persons is charged
6. Acting or ready to act gladly; eagerly compliant
8. Sufficiently valuable or important to be worth one’s time, effort or interest
10. To share in something
11. The act or manner of speaking or singing
12. A vital, crucial element
13. To provide with an incentive; move to action; impel
16. A sense of one’s own proper dignity or value
18. To make zealous or ardent; enliven; to fill with pleasant emotions
19. To perceive and comprehend the nature and significance of; grasp
21. To introduce under new aspects; express in a different manner
22. Great excitement for or interest in a subject or cause
23. To succeed in doing; bring to pass
25. Characterized by continuous change, activity, or progress
26. The object toward which one strives or for which something exists; an aim or a goal
How well do you know the Word of the Day? 
Below you will find the correct definitions. 
How many did you get right?

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<td>1. Acumen</td>
<td>f. Quickness, accuracy, and keenness of judgment or insight.</td>
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<td>2. Allium</td>
<td>j. Any of numerous, usually bulbous plants of the genus <em>Allium</em> in the lily family, having long stalks bearing clusters of variously colored flowers and including many ornamental and food plants, such as onions, leeks, chives, garlic, and shallots.</td>
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<td>3. Ambivalence</td>
<td>d. The coexistence of opposing attitudes or feelings, such as love and hate, toward a person, object, or idea.</td>
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<td>4. Apodictic</td>
<td>g. Necessarily or demonstrably true; incontrovertible.</td>
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<td>5. Assiduous</td>
<td>i. Constant in application or attention; diligent</td>
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<td>6. Disceratum</td>
<td>e. Something considered necessary or highly desirable</td>
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<td>7. Expedite</td>
<td>a. To speed up the progress of; accelerate.</td>
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<td>8. Facilitate</td>
<td>c. To make easy or easier</td>
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<td>10. Supercilious</td>
<td>h. Feeling or showing haughty disdain</td>
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How would the person I want to be do the things I am about to do? 
Jim Cathcart

Every speaker has a mouth; an arrangement rather neat. 
Sometimes it's filled with wisdom. Sometimes it's filled with feet. 
~ Robert Order