

Speech Contests Are Great Fun

Fall Conference Features Winners of Division Contests

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Another speaking opportunity for which everyone qualifies! Did you miss it? Speech contests occur twice a year. The only speech contest that has requirements, other than being a member in good standing of a club in good standing, is the International speech contest. Contestants must have completed six manual speeches to be eligible to compete. The International speech is also the only one that goes beyond the district level. Winner of the International speech contest at the district level goes on to the Region III contest. Winner of the Region III contest goes to the International Convention and competes with the other world class speakers. The winner becomes the **World Champion of Public Speaking**.

Speech contests occur in the fall and again in the spring every year. The International Speech contest is always in the spring. The District Governor will determine what speech contest, will accompany the International Speech i.e. Table Topics, Evaluation, etc.

Protocol dictates that each participating club hold a club contest, following the criteria set by Toastmasters International. Winners (or second place winners) of the club contest will move on to the area contest. Winners (or second place winners) of the area contest will move on to the division contest. Winners (or second place winners) of the division contest will move on to the district contest. Then on to Region III and, hopefully, International. It gets tougher and tougher at each level but it's worth the effort.

Below is a partial list of area contest winners both first and second place. In some instances, there were no second place contestants, some contests had not been held at the time of printing, and some results we were unable to get. First place winners will compete in their respective division contests, second place winners will compete in the event the first place winner cannot compete (i.e. not able to attend, not present at time of briefing, etc. All competitors must be briefed.)



Area Contest Winners (partial)

Area	Tall Tales – 1 st Place	Tall Tales -- 2 nd Place	Humorous – 1 st Place	Humorous – 2 nd Place
L-43	Frederick Paerce	Anne Marie Braun	Jim Hamilton	Brenda Gayle
M-30	Keith Romaine	John Martin	Ning Cheng	Judy Karonika
M-31	Susan Stranahan		Michael Plaks	
M-32	John Mann	Martina Tate	Daniel Villarreal	Kirit Modi
N-20	Christine Griffith		Jim Hale	
N-21	Tim De Rosa	John Chen	Tim De Rosa	Don Parker
N-22		J. Christopher Ricks, III	J. Christopher Ricks, III	
N-23	Jill Rowland	Charles West	Scott McCleskey	Bob Le Cour
O-10	Shawn Stolle	George Gallamore	Yolanda Bynum	Donna Futch
O-11	Jo Ann Wingert		Bill Murray	Susan Lee Taylor
O-12	Peyman Momeni	Bill Murry	Peyman Momeni	Sharyne Johnson
P-2	May Shek		Mark Farren	
P-3	Alan Asp	Andrew Tucker	Lou Cioletti	Mareen Lowbridge
P-4	Karen Pennington		James Mulberry	
Q-50	Renay Jacobs	Edith Parks	Tina Riley	Sylvia Price
Q-51	Rebecca Leppala	Sheila Armstrong	Syed Zafer	Margit Winstrom
Q-52	Paul Ralph	Greg Hennig	Brannon Lloyd	Homer Franklyn
Q-53	Bonnie Sandberg		Fredis Busby	Bob James



Areas O-10, O-11, and O-12 held a joint area contest on September 18, 2004 at the Sharpstown Mall. This page contains 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. All received trophies. These are good advertisements for Toastmasters. The photographer was Kelton Starkey. Thanks Kelton!



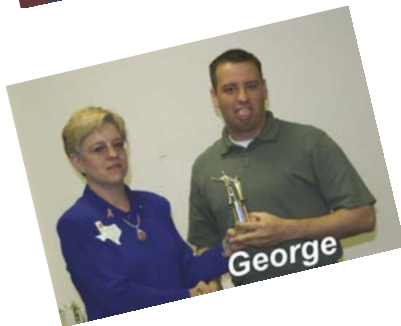
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