

“WHAT’S GREAT IN 598”

The Diablo Toastmasters Club is a community Toastmasters Club that meets every Thursday at 7 PM in the Sizzler Restaurant, 1353 Willow Pass Road, Concord, CA.

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The mission of a Toastmasters Club is to provide a mutually supportive and positive learning environment in which every member has the opportunity to develop communication and leadership skills, which in turn foster self-confidence and personal growth.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 11, 2009 – Roast of Past District 57 Governor and Diablo 598 member Ashley Harkness!!!!

6-9:30pm
Pier 29 Restaurant
1148 Ballena Blvd, Alameda, CA

Club Officers have been Inducted!

Club Officers have assumed their duties for the 6 month term beginning July 1, 2009. The Club Leadership is prepared to ask the members of Diablo 598 to assist in implementing the programs needed to keep Diablo 598 on track for this term. Incoming President John Peterson is committed to maintaining the excellence of the Club, predicting yet another President's Distinguished Club year for 598!

Our new Club Officers are:

President: John Peterson
VP Education: Michael Ginsburg
VP Membership: Carrie Featherstone
VP Public Relations: Mike Daley
Treasurer: Rosa Lynn Adams
Secretary: Judy Rice
Sgt at Arms: Jerry Horton

CONTEST SEASON IS APPROACHING!

The Fall Contest season is quickly approaching. The District will host two contests at the Fall Conference: the Humorous Speaking Contest; and the Evaluation Contest. Those Members who wish to compete should begin preparations for each contest now, as the club Contest will be set for some time in August.

Competing in Toastmasters Contests is one of the quickest ways to develop advanced speaking skills. All Newer Members should consider competing in one of the contests. If you aren't sure what to do, ask your mentor or any other member. The Contests are a lot of fun, particularly since this is the season for Humorous Speaking!

AWARDS

Diablo 598 has, once again, attained the honor of being a President's Distinguished Club! This reporter is informed that this is the 31st time that the Club has attained such an honor.

We will receive a new ribbon to add to our collection. We will also reap the benefits of the educational achievements of our members as they continue to develop into the best speakers in the District.

WE BEAT THE CLOCK

The Beat the Clock membership contest began May 1st and ran thru June 30th. Clubs that inducted 5 new members during that time received recognition from WHQ.

District 57 clubs that inducted 5 new members during the Beat the Clock contest are eligible to win one of five video cameras to be awarded by drawing at the D57 Officer Installation and Roast on July 11, 2009. Hopefully, we will be one of the lucky winners, so that Ashley can now video all of our speeches (or at least some of them).

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Fellow Toastmasters,

This is my first edition of "**What's Great in 598**" as editor. I attempt to do the impossible: fill the shoes of my predecessor Louis J. Stifter, DTM. For all who know Lou, you are well aware that this task is daunting at best. Yet I shall try.

We say our farewells to Lou, who was always a shining example of how good each of us could be, through hard work, practice and dedication to our own progress and the progress of others. Lou will always be with us in spirit, even if he is off living his dream in Arizona!

Happy Toastmastering!

Michael J. Daley, CC, CL **Editor**

Quote from the Past Editor

Those are the facts -- I can't fake it: If you want the news, ya gotta make it!

LJS

HAVE A STORY? HAVE AN IDEA?

The editor invites our members to share their Toastmasters story with their peers. To be considered for publication, articles must be well written, must be related to Toastmasters activities, and submitted in *Word* format. The editor reserves the right to accept or reject all submissions.

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