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TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL - WHERE LEADERS ARE MADE

Welcome to the November issue of the Tree City Toastmasters monthly *e-Topics* e-newsletter! Our goal is to keep you informed about upcoming events and activities, share goals and accomplishments of our club and individual members, and to provide you with motivational and educational information to assist you in your growth with Toastmasters.

The Mission of the Club

To provide a mutually supportive and positive learning environment in which every individual member has the opportunity to develop oral communication and leadership skills, which in turn foster self-confidence and personal growth.



- *Monday, November 7, 2011: Officer's Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
Tree City Toastmasters Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- *Friday, November 11, 2011: Veterans Day
- *Monday, November 14, 2011: Tree City Toastmasters Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- *Saturday, November 19, 2011: District 10 Fall Conference – 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- *Monday, November 21, 2011: Tree City Toastmasters Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- *Thursday, November 24, 2011: Thanksgiving
- *Monday, November 28, 2011: Tree City Toastmasters Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

**District 10 Fall Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Cleveland West*

**All Tree City Toastmasters meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Kent Presbyterian Church located at 1456 E. Summit St., Kent, Ohio 44240 unless otherwise notified.*





WELCOME to our new Tree City Toastmasters Members for the month of:

August

Phillip Neal of Columbus, OH

October

Jessica Hudson of Canton, OH

&

Catrina Palmer of Cuyahoga Falls, OH

Welcome back! - Brett Tipton!

CONGRATULATIONS to our member(s) who earned certification(s)

2 TREE CITY TOASTMASTERS RECEIVE INTERNATIONAL AWARDS



From left to Right: **Nicholas Coia, Vice Pres. of Ed. - Rich Bedell & Charles Kramer**

The Tree City Toastmasters Club is proud to announce that member Charles Kramer has achieved the Toastmasters International Advance Leadership Silver (ALS) Award; additionally, member Nicholas Coia has received both the Toastmasters International Competent Communicator (CC) and Competent Leadership (CL) Awards.

Kramer has devoted approximately ten years of diligent work and devotion to Toastmasters International. While presenting more than 40 speeches in Toastmaster Clubs from Chicago to Kent, Kramer has attained several Toastmaster communication awards. Receipt of the ALS award will qualify Kramer for the designation of Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM), the highest honor bestowed by Toastmasters International on a member. DTM status is achieved by only one percent of Toastmaster members worldwide. Kramer currently serves the Tree City Toastmasters Club as Vice President of Membership.

Coia achieved both of his awards in record time, earning them over the course of one year by completing 10 speech projects and 10 leadership projects. Coia currently serves the Tree City Toastmasters Club as President.

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CONGRATULATIONS to our member(s) who earned certification(s) continued...

INDIANA BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL AWARD



From left: **President Nicolas Coia Congratulates Charles Kramer which earned the Distinguished Toastmaster Award**

Charles Kramer has achieved the Toastmasters International Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) Award, the highest honor bestowed by Toastmasters International on a member. DTM status is achieved by only one percent of Toastmaster members worldwide. Kramer is a resident of Huntington, Indiana and works in Kent, Ohio; he currently serves the Tree City Toastmasters Club as Vice President of Membership.

During his tenure with Toastmasters International, Kramer has been a respected leader and has served in such leadership roles as Secretary, Vice President of Education, Vice President of Membership and President. He has conducted the High Performance Leadership Program, sponsored the chartering of an Advanced Toastmasters Club, and has served as the District 10 Central Division Governor during 2010-2011 term. Kramer has completed more than 40 speech projects in Toastmaster Clubs in the Kent and Akron areas, as well as special speeches promoting better speaking and better leadership skills.

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DISTRICT 10 FALL 2011 CONFERENCE

The Fall Conference is scheduled for Saturday, November 19, at the Holiday Inn Westlake. Western Division is the host! Download the flyer [here](#).

The conference committee chairs are Walter McCormick and Debora Curtis. We are recruiting members for volunteer opportunities in the following areas:

Education, Hospitality, Volunteers, Registration, Site Coordinating/Decorations, Operations & Marketing/Advertising/Public Relations

If you have any questions, please contact Walter or Debora at waltermccormick@ymail.com or debora.curtis@chanet.org.

Early bird registration for the whole conference is \$55.00 and has been extended to November 1st. After November 1st, the cost will go up to \$65.00.

[START REGISTRATION PROCESS](#)

CONGRATULATIONS to our member(s) who earned Contest Award(s)

TOM TADSEN PLACES SECOND IN THE AREA 13 TABLE TOPICS CONTEST!



Tom Tadsen filling in for Nicholas Coia and Paul Moskun placed second in the Area 13 Table Topics Contest. Tom is an Advanced Communicator Bronze and is one of Tree City Toastmasters Founding Members.

A quote from Pete Punwani (Area 10 governor & Tree City Toastmaster Member) “Congratulations to Thomas Tadsen on his second place finish in the Area 13 Table Topics contest. He did an incredible job representing our club!”

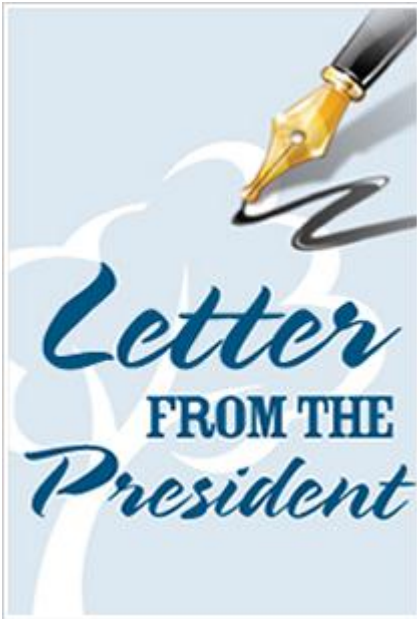
CONGRATULATIONS NICHOLAS COIA OF TREE CITY TOASTMASTERS!



From left: **(Central Div. Governor) John Niles, Paul Moskun, Nicholas Coia & (VP of Education) Rich Bedell**

The Tree City Toastmaster Club held its annual Table Topics Contest at The Kent Presbyterian Church. We are proud to announce that Nicholas Coia of Brimfield placed 1st and Paul Moskun of Ravenna took 2nd. Table Topics is a form of Impromptu Speaking that measures one’s ability to organize your thoughts and speak quickly. During the contest a subject is given to the participants and each is asked to speak about the topic in the next 1-2 minutes. Nicholas has been a member of Tree City Toastmasters since March of 2010 and is the current President of the Club. Paul has been a member of Tree City Toastmasters since May 2004 and is soon to become a Distinguished Toastmaster.

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Letter from the President Pro tem

After Nicholas Coia could not fulfill his duties as President, I agreed to take over his term. I will be able to cover this position until the end of January. If Nicholas will not be able to return we will need to hold an election to replace me. So please take the time to think if you would like to take on a leadership role...it will count towards your Competent Leadership Award! I truly appreciate your confidence in my ability to lead. I want to continue to fulfill the goals Nicholas & the board have set for the club. To that end we all need to step up & fill the roles at each meeting...take a good look at the CL manual...many of these roles fulfill the requirements for the CL! So bring your book & get it signed! Also help yourself & the club by signing up for a speech! We want all of you to finish whichever of the books you are working on...sign up to give yourself a deadline to get that speech done!

About me: I am Jean Cooper, a CPA. I have my CC & CL and am working on the next level in both! I was a Tree City member when I got those. I served as Sergeant at Arms. I was with the club for 2 years and took time away to work on my business. I am back because I missed the camaraderie & recognized a need to work on my communication skills.

Respectfully,
Jean M Cooper

Message from the Vice President of Public Relations



Ron Heaps CC,CL

Have any news that you'd like to pass on? Submit any Toastmaster's-related announcement for consideration to me at ron_heaps@yahoo.com by the 15th of each month for publication in a future newsletter. Also, please feel free to forward this e-newsletter on to others you think might be interested in our Club. Stay tuned for the next issue of *e-Topics* in December!



IMPORTANT LINKS TO REFERENCE:

Tree City Toastmasters Website: <http://treecity.freetoasthost.org>
Toastmasters International: <http://www.toastmasters.org>
Global e-mail to all officers: treecity-officers@freetoasthost.org
Tree City Toastmasters Facebook group Page: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/108085918714/>
Tree City Toastmasters Twitter Account: <http://twitter.com/#!/TreeCityToast>

If you have any difficulty in accessing these websites, please feel free to contact our Tree City Toastmaster Officers for assistance.

Tree City Toastmasters Roster of Officers 2011-2012

Interim President: Jean Cooper - jeanm.cooper@yahoo.com
President: Nicholas Coia - coia_nicholas@ymail.com
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Vice President of Public Relations: Ron Heaps - ron_heaps@yahoo.com
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Our District 10 Officers

Area 13 Governor: Linda McInnes - mcscottishgirl@yahoo.com
Central Division Governor: John Niles - jjn1952@yahoo.com
District 10 Governor: Dave Wiley - wiley@mayfran.com

the LAST Word

1st Week of November: "Optimism is the one quality more associated with success and happiness than any other."
~ Brian Tracy

2nd Week of November: "We don't see things as they are, we see them as we are." ~ Anaïs Nin

3rd Week of November: "If you want to be successful, it's just this simple. Know what you are doing. Love what you are doing. And believe in what you are doing." ~ Will Rogers

4th Week of November: "Peace begins with a smile." ~ Mother Teresa

5th Week of November: "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."
~ Nelson Mandela