A HISTORY OF

DISTRICT 19

OF TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

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DISTRICT NINETEEN

Toastmasters came to Iowa December 9, 1937, when a speech club at the YMCA at Waterloo was chartered as Club No. 101. It was the fourth club in the new District 6 which comprised the Northwest of Mid-America. In 1941 a Toastmasters Club started at Keokuk, Iowa, as a part of District 8 (out of St Louis) with Charter No. 184. It disappeared two years later. Meanwhile Club 101 made contacts in several Iowa cities and founded Marshalltown Toastmasters Club No. 164 in December 1939, at the YMCA. It ran out of members with World War II. After the war Club 101 was successful in helping a group in Des Moines to organize Club 335 and to sponsor Club 386 in Mason City. These three clubs worked to establish a fourth club No. 380, Centerville in April 1946.

District 6 divided into three districts effective July 1, 1946, with Iowa and South Dakota areas from District 6 and the undistricted clubs of Nebraska constituting the new DISTRICT 19. The 11 clubs were increased to 21 in the first year and Nebraska formed District 24 July 1, 1948. Growth continued and on July 1, 1953, South Dakota became District 41. District 19 gave up its claim to Council Bluffs so Omaha clubs could include that area for service to Toastmasters. In the Quad-cities area the only clubs were on the Iowa side for many years but when clubs started in Moline and Rock Island on the Illinois side they requested and Toastmasters International assigned them to District 19. At this writing there are almost 100 clubs in District 19.

DEDICATION

There has been no greater dedication to a husband's interests in Toastmasters than that of my wife Billie who has endured hundreds of practices of my speeches, club ladies' nights, speech contests, Area and District meetings and 32 International Conventions. She was a gracious first lady as I served as International President. She has shared my joys as I dug out a few more obscure facts for the two years I have worked to compile and write this work. This book is dedicated to Billie Miller, my wife.

John B. Miller

November 1990
John B. Miller
compiler and author
District 19
Governor 1958-59
International
President 1966-67

John & Billie at
1989 International
Convention

John B. Miller was born April 3, 1917, at Ames, Iowa, and was raised on the edge of the Campus of Iowa State University. He graduated from Ames High School in 1935 and Iowa State College in 1940. Up to that time he had little interest in speaking but pursued an interest in radio engineering. In September 1940 he entered the College of Law, State University of Iowa at Iowa City. He realized at once his need for speech training, but his schedule had no room for such extra pursuit. Prior to World War II he enlisted in the Navy V-7 Officer Training Program and was called from school to report to the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, January 9, 1942. He received a commission as an Ensign, USNR, May 5, 1942, and volunteered for submarine duty. He served more than 3 1/2 years with promotions to Lieutenant and a Bronze Star for his part destroying a Japanese submarine. After the war he continued to be active in the Naval Reserve and retired with the rank of Captain, USNR. In September 1945, he reentered the College of Law and received his Juris Doctor degree in August 1946. Since he had already completed the Iowa Bar Examination he was sworn in at once and started the practice of law at Ames, September 1, 1946. While at Ames he again realized his need for speech training and attempted to join Club 569 which was then being organized. The conflict of the chosen meeting time with Naval Reserve left him without a club. On September 1, 1948, he moved his law practice to Nevada, Iowa, as a partner in Hattery and Miller; he has practiced Law in Nevada, Iowa, ever since. In the summer of 1949 he was transferred to a different Naval Reserve Unit and contacted a Toastmaster friend to join Club 569 in September, 1949. He has been a continuous Toastmaster member ever since. In the summer of 1955 having recruited several Toastmaster members for Club 569 over the years he led a drive to put a club in Nevada and Club 504 was chartered with 35 members on October 4, 1955. John B. Miller was the first president of Club 504. The following year he served as Area 4 Governor and first met Cap Sias who was then a Past International President. He served one year as Lt. Governor of District 19 and attended the Toastmasters International Convention at Dallas, Texas, in 1957, where he met Ralph Smedley and had numerous conversations with our Founder. The attraction of the International Convention was so compelling that his interest
continues to this date and he has attended every Toastmasters International Convention since then. Since he carried the club proxies to Dallas he instituted a District 19 caucus of all members in attendance to determine how to vote the District votes. This caucus has been followed every year since Dallas as the fairest way to discharge the responsibility to the clubs. In April 1958, while John was in California on Naval Reserve duty the Spring Conference at Iowa City voted him to the office of District Governor of District 19. His program for the year was growth. Contacts were initiated from the District Officers and a plan of action followed that was later adopted by other Districts. The fruits of the labors came in that year and the following as clubs were chartered at Vinton, Eldora, Ames, Newton, Atlantic, Grinnell, Tama-Toledo and Clarinda. While at the Dallas convention John contacted Districts which had humorous speech contests. He was convinced Toastmasters needed to develop humor in speaking in order to assume their proper role in the communities as the source of speakers for public and club meetings. At the Fall Conference at Ottumwa in 1958 he initiated the Humorous Speech Contest in District 19. It has been very popular, spices the Fall Conference and helps attendance.
In 1958 and 1959 John became involved with the political process of election of International Directors and addressed the business meeting both years on behalf of Walter A. Steigleman. This experience challenged him to seek a Directorship in 1961 and he was elected to a two year term. The experiences of membership on the Toastmasters International Board of Directors and added contacts with Dr. Ralph Smedley, our Founder, convinced him to seek the lowest Vice Presidency at the 1963 Convention at St. Louis, and he was elected Vice President for Administration for the 1963-64 year. He failed by a small vote to attain the office of Vice President for Education for 1964-65, but he returned to win the Senior Vice President post for 1965-66 and International President for 1966-67. John's great interest in community service as evidenced by his active participation in service clubs community activities and chamber of commerce including presidencies in many organizations led to his challenge to Toastmasters, Clubs and the International with his theme "SERVE AND GROW". This was used by the three following administrations. It has been 22 years since John left the Board of Directors but his interest in Toastmasters has never diminished. His interest in a history started in 1973 when he served as Historian of District 19 and wrote a hundred letters to clubs and past officers. It was not until 1988 that he found time to start assembling this work. He hopes the District 19 Executive Committee will produce a year by year supplement to keep this up to date.
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Good Publicity

From the Des Moines Register of Sept. 17. This shows how a clever reporter can write up a regular club program. The heading was "Takes Thick Hide To Be A Toastmaster." It is reproduced verbatim.

Moral of Monday night's meeting was that you, too, can become a toastmaster, if your hide is thick enough.

Thirty Des Moines businessmen got together at Hotel Kirkwood, as they have weekly for the last 11 months, to continue learning how to become better parliamentarians and after-dinner speakers.

Tore Performances

For an hour and a half they talked supersonic speed, Swiss cheese, DDT, insurance. Then they tore each other's performances to shreds and went home feeling much better. It's brutal, but effective, they agreed.

They say they no longer suffer butterflies in the stomach when the boss looks their way and says, "and now we would like to have a few words from . . . ."

Members may not be polished professional speakers, but they're ready to make with the words at the drop of a soup bowl.

Tossed a Subject

Here's how they did it Monday.

Between the fruit salad and the steak, Topicmaster Frank Carroll, a telephone company man, tossed out a question about the advisability of returning war dead to the United States. Half a dozen men batted this one around for a minute each.

Following the orange sherbet, six men made five minute talks on assigned subjects.

Then six other toasts evaluated the presentations. Later the group as a whole evaluated the evaluations and before the meeting adjourned everybody was sizzling.

Martin Seltzer, insurance man and president-elect, discussed a meeting he attended recently. "Fine, said the evaluators, but "he left the speaker's table and his eyes wandered from the audience."

Tom Miller, employee of a publishing concern, talked about supersonic airplanes with speeds of 1,500 miles an hour. "Interesting talk," said the critics, but "he fumbled his notes and toyed with his fingernails."

Chester Adamson, representing a petroleum company, told how the Swiss make their famous cheeses. Very interesting, the boys decided, but "too much attention to his notes."

Lack of salt in the system may be a cause for that tired feeling, said Harold Kersey, a building manager, who talked on why people are fatigued. "Okay said the gang mercilessly, but "not enough animation; weak gestures."

Carried away by his talk on the evils of bureaucracy, Concretesman L. V. Kendall went beyond his time limit. "Concensus was, including opinions of some governmental agency executives present, that Kendall's delivery "had sincerity but lacked passion."

Finally George Westberg, chemical businessman, let fly a lyrical description of the wonders of DDT. His listeners applauded enthusiastically.

Evaluator Hugh Gotch, an oilman, mixed praise with a grumble to the effect that Westberg "bounced around too much under the influence of DDT."

But Westberg's speech was adjudged best of the evening.

Adamson's speech won second honors; Miller's, third. All three received custody of the organization's most precious trophies, bill clips which the winners are permitted to carry until the next meeting.
DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS OF TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL FROM IOWA

1944 - 1946  Gordon A. Spry,  Director, 
             Waterloo, Club 101

1948 - 1950  Carleton P. Sias,  Director, 
             Waterloo, Club 101

1950 - 1951  Carleton P. Sias,  Vice Pres., 
             Waterloo, Club 101

1951 - 1952  Carleton P. Sias,  President, 
             Waterloo, Club 101

1953 - 1955  Paul R. Brasch,  Director, 
             Waterloo, Club 101

1958 - 1959  Walter A. Steigleman,  Director, 
             Iowa City, Club 164

1961 - 1963  John B. Miller,  Director, 
             Nevada, Club 504

1963 - 1964  John B. Miller,  Vice Pres., 
             Nevada, Club 504

1965 - 1967  Randall E. Winters,  Director, 
             Des Moines, Club 451

1965 - 1966  John B. Miller,  Sr. Vice Pres., 
             Nevada, Club 504

1966 - 1967  John B. Miller,  President, 
             Nevada, Club 504

1972 - 1974  Robert G. Glenn,  Director, 
             Ames, Club 875

1988 - 1990  Ian B. Edwards,  Director, 
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The Humorous Speech Contest was originated at the Fall Conference 1958, as a voluntary entry by clubs with an elimination in the morning and four finalists as the noon program. In 1965 Area contests were started and Area winners competed at the Fall Conference.

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The Cap Sias Award for the outstanding Toastmaster of the year was first awarded for 1961 with a plaque donated by Mrs. Carlton P. Sias. Later it became the District 19 Toastmaster of the Year award.

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COMMUNICATION AND LEADERSHIP AWARD

Presented to a non-Toastmaster in recognition of Outstanding Accomplishment in Communication and Leadership

First awarded
1971-72   Bill Riley, Talent Director Channel 8 TV, Des Moines
1973-74   Frank Miller, Cartoonist, Des Moines Register
1975-76   Robert Ray, Governor of State of Iowa
1976-77   John "Jack" Callaghan, Director Iowa Law Enforcement Academy
1977-78   Russ Van Dyke, News Director, KCCI-TV, Des Moines
1978-79   Dan Gable, Wrestling Coach, University of Iowa
1979-80   Bishop Maurice Dingman, Des Moines Diocese
1980-81   C. Maxwell Stanley, Muscatine, President of the Stanley Foundation promoting world peace
1981-82   Bishop Wayne K. Clymer, Iowa United Methodists
1982-83   Roger Sweet, (posthumously), Ames, photographer
1984-85   Evelyn R. Villines, Des Moines, Chairperson of the Governors Committee on the Handicapped.
1985-86   V. Hale Starr, Ph.D., Des Moines, recognized for non-verbal work in the Courtroom
1986-87   Chuck Offenburger, Des Moines, the Des Moines Register's "Iowa Boy"
1987-88   Russell H. Anthony, D.V.M., Cedar Rapids, the 1986-87 Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America
1988-89   Kay Kretschmar Runge, Davenport, Director of Davenport Public Library
1989-90   Governor Terry Branstad and First Lady Chris Branstad, Des Moines, Governor of the State of Ia.
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1989-90   Almo Hawkins, Des Moines, communications personality and speech writer
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At the 1966 Toastmasters International Convention District 19 stood high in district prestige with (left to right):

John B. Miller, newly installed International President, Club 504, Nevada, Randall E. Winters, second year International Director, Club 451, Des Moines, and Sam R. Zickefoose, Club 569, Ames, winner of third place in the Finals of the International Speech Contest.
OUR FOUNDER
Dr. Ralph C. Smedley, L.H.D.

Ralph C. Smedley was born February 22, 1878, at Waverly, Illinois, about twenty miles southwest of Springfield. Upon finishing high school he taught in country schools in the area before enrolling at Illinois Wesleyan University at Bloomington, Illinois, where he graduated in 1903. His first full time job after college was in YMCA work at Peoria, Illinois, and soon he was employed as the Educational Director of the new YMCA at Bloomington, Illinois. He always had an interest in making speeches and conducting meetings. As Educational Director of the "y" he worked with the boys and young men of the Association in special interest groups and clubs. He soon discovered there was a need for training in speech. The General Secretary of the "y", George Sutton, agreed to a boys club to practice short speeches, debates and work in chairmanship. A name was needed and George Sutton suggested calling it a Toastmasters Club. The boys liked the name and the club was a success. There was a rotation of duties with members taking turns at presiding and speaking. Short speeches were evaluated by Ralph and the other older men, and the boys were invited to join in the evaluation to learn more. The club performed its intended purpose as leadership and speech improved in the other educational groups with which these young men were associated.

In May 1906 Ralph C. Smedley became General Secretary of the YMCA at Freeport, Illinois. Adult education was started at this "y" in the fall of 1906 with night school work in various practical lines. The need for speech and chairmanship training immediately was evident, and Ralph C. Smedley proposed to the Board of Directors that a Toastmasters club for boys be established at Freeport. The Board liked the idea but objected to having it for boys so the Freeport Toastmasters Club for Men came into being in March 1907. They followed the principles of learning by doing and improving through evaluation. The group included the leaders of the city and business and professional men so they did not need outside teachers and they did their own evaluating with excellent results. The Club was strong and popular, but it only lasted a year after Ralph Smedley moved to the YMCA at Rock Island, Illinois, as General Secretary in 1910. He quickly
organized a Toastmasters Club at the Rock Island "Y" which soon reached a membership of 75. When Ralph Smedley left the Rock Island "Y" the Toastmasters Club soon perished.

After he spent over two years with an architect working on YMCA architecture he accepted the post of YMCA Secretary at San Jose, California, in September, 1919, and soon had a Toastmasters Club flourishing at his new YMCA. Again the club lasted only a short time after Ralph C. Smedley moved to Santa Ana, California, in 1922. His primary task at Santa Ana was to build a home for the new YMCA so it was not until September, 1924, that he introduced the Toastmasters Club idea and the first meeting was held at the YMCA Building on October 22, 1924. We measure Toastmaster history from that date. A club was immediately organized and still exists as Club No. 1 of Toastmasters International. Until now the Toastmasters Club was an educational arm of the YMCA but this was to change. In the autumn of 1925 J. Clark Chamberlain of Anaheim, California, visited the Toastmasters Club and the following winter Ralph C. Smedley helped a group in Anaheim to form a Toastmaster Club. It still exists and has charter No. 2 from Toastmasters International. The Toastmasters Club idea spread to Los Angeles, Long Beach and other southern California cities. Representatives of these clubs met and organized an association. In order to save the time consumed in replying to many letters and inquiries Ralph prepared a "Manual of Instructions" and "Ten Lessons In Public Speaking" which he mimeographed and bound in paper covers. On October 25, 1928, Ralph C. Smedley obtained copyrights on his publications and copyrighted the name Toastmasters Club all of which he later assigned to Toastmasters International.

The new association needed a name and because of one club in British Columbia, Canada, they chose to call it Toastmasters International. There were about 30 clubs when the association was formed in 1930 and in 1932 Toastmasters International was incorporated as a California Non-profit corporation. In another section I record the growth of Toastmasters International. The Toastmasters Club was the brain child of Dr. Ralph C. Smedley and we honor him as our Founder.

In addition to his time consuming job as Secretary of the YMCA Ralph was the Secretary and Bulletin Editor of the Santa Ana Rotary Club and now undertook the dual role of Editor and Secretary of the new Toastmasters International. In 1936 Ralph published his first article to give special recognition to General Henry Martyn Robert the author of Robert's Rules of Order. His interest in General Robert continued for the rest of Ralph's life and culminated in the book "The Great Peacemaker" by Dr. Ralph C. Smedley published in 1955. Among Toastmasters he will always be remembered for "Basic Training". Dr. Smedley recalls the problem and the solution in "The Story of
Toastmasters" 1959 page 39, "It came as a result of many demands for some kind of guide for the new member.......I was then, as always, opposed to the use of any 'course' in public speaking for our clubs, but under pressure I bowed to the inevitable.....This publication met with good reception.....It has been used by a number of colleges and universities as a textbook for beginners in speech.....The sales of the book outside our organization have contributed a considerable amount to our income." Later in 1950 Dr. Smedley yielded to the pressure and wrote "Beyond Basis Training" which two works served as the basis of the Toastmasters formal speech training until after Dr. Smedley's death. As Toastmasters grew his work load became heavier and at an age when most men consider retirement he resigned as YMCA Secretary in 1941 to devote more time to Toastmasters International. Through the war years he operated out of a small office and kept the organization together for its destiny. When the war was over it was time to turn the reins over to a new Secretary, Ted Blanding, but Ralph was to remain active as Educational Director for the rest of his life and a permanent member of the Board of Directors. In 1950 Illinois Wesleyan University recognized his service to mankind by conferring the degree of L.H.D. - Litterarum Humaniorum or Doctor of Humane Letters. He would be Dr. Ralph C. Smedley to the hundreds of thousands of men who benefited from Toastmaster training in all those years.

In the summer of 1964 Ralph's health began to decline and by the next summer he was confined to a medical facility and died September 11, 1965. The memory of our Founder and the self-help idea he started for the benefit of all who would accept it will hold his name in the highest honor as long as Toastmaster Clubs continue.

The family asked the officers of Toastmasters International and the Executive Director to act as pall bearers. President Charles C. Mohr was not available. In the picture left to right are: Sheldon M. Hayden, Past Int'l. President; Lothar Salin, Vice President for Education; John B. Miller, Sr. Vice President; Paris S. Jackson, Immediate Past Int'l. President; Earl M. Potter, Vice President for Organization and Maurice Forley, Executive Director.
In Memory of
DR. RALPH C. SMEDLEY
1878-1965

Place and Time of Services
SMITH & TUTHILL CHAPEL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1965
at 2:00 p.m.

Clergymen
DR. HARRY E. OWINGS
REVEREND FRED W. NIEDRINGHAUS

Organist
ESTHER M. GORDON

Pallbearers
PARIS S. JACKSON    CHARLES C. MOHR
JOHN B. MILLER      LOTHIAR SALIN
EARL POTTER         MAURICE FARLEY

Honorary Pallbearers
JAMES STEPHENSON    WILBUR SMITH
ALEX BROWNIDGE      E. B. SPRAGUE
D. H. TIBBALS        WALTER VANDERMAST

Entombment
PACIFIC VIEW MEMORIAL PARK
TOASTMasters INTERNATIONAL

Its organization and growth

The several Toastmasters Clubs that spawned from Ralph Smedley's Toastmasters Club at the YMCA in Santa Ana, California, kept in communication with each other and a federation was discussed as early as 1927, but it took several years to firm up a plan. An organizational meeting was held July 26, 1930, on the campus of Whittier (California) College. It was there the name Toastmasters International was adopted as one club was located in British Columbia, Canada. On October 4, 1930, a general meeting was held at Los Angeles, California, to complete the organization and elect permanent officers. The original club at Santa Ana was designated Club No. 1, and its founding date October 22, 1924, was declared the founding date of Toastmasters. J. Clark Chamberlain, the man who carried the Toastmaster idea to a second club in Anaheim in 1926, was elected President and served for two terms 1930 to 1932. Since then Presidents have only served for one term. This infant organization had less than twenty clubs but immediately undertook to publish a magazine which was called The Gavel. On December 19, 1932, Toastmasters International was incorporated as a non-profit corporation in the State of California. The magazine's name was changed to its permanent name The Toastmaster with the first issue in April 1933.

As part of the incorporation the interests of Ralph Smedley in Toastmasters had to be transferred to the corporation. Ralph Smedley had obtained copyrights to the name Toastmasters Club and to the early manuals on organization of a club and speech lessons. The copyright was dated October 25, 1928. In assigning his proprietary rights and copyrights to Toastmasters International Ralph Smedley took steps to assure that Toastmasters International would always be a nonprofit, noncommercial movement for the benefit of its members by providing that in the event it was operated for profit-making the profits would revert to him or to his estate.

Every one knows the story of the better mouse trap's success that was based on a good sales manager. Ralph Smedley invented the better speech training, and he is our Founder, but we need to give credit to the salesmen who spread Toastmaster Clubs from Santa Ana all over the world.

Growth on the West Coast continued and the great leap to the midwest came December 14, 1933, when Pioneer Toastmasters Club was chartered at Indianapolis, Indiana. When charter numbers were issued to all clubs in 1933 Pioneer Toastmasters was issued Club No. 17 and it still exists. It took until February 18, 1936, to complete 50 clubs, but two years later Charter No. 100 was presented to Century Toastmasters Club, Santa Ana, California. The next club, Charter No. 101, started Toastmasters in Iowa with Waterloo Toastmasters Club. It was one of 4 clubs in a new District No. Six (6) comprised of Minnesota, Iowa,
Wisconsin, North and South Dakota and the province of Manitoba in Canada. The concept of Districts started in 1934 with two Districts but the growing organization needed more local control and a basis for more expansion. The West Coast and Arizona had the first five Districts so District Six (6) was a recognition of growth potential in the great Northwest. It was organized with 4 clubs being: No. 75 and No. 82 in Minneapolis, No. 91 in Albert Lea and No. 101 in Waterloo, Iowa. We now have Clubs and Districts all over the world, but the first overseas club was No. 86 in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1937.

On July 1, 1946, District 6 was split into three Districts. The old District 6 retained 26 clubs. The new District 19 took the Iowa and South Dakota Clubs to which were added the undistricted clubs of Nebraska to form a District of 11 clubs. The new District 20 took the Manitoba, North Dakota and Northwest Minnesota clubs to form a District of 9 clubs.

Toastmasters was growing rapidly. There were about 400 outstanding charters at the close of World War II, but it was estimated that only 250 of the clubs were active. By 1951 there were over 1,000 Toastmasters Clubs and in the next fifteen years Toastmasters International grew to 3500 clubs and over 73,000 men in over 40 countries around the world. Since women were admitted to Toastmaster Clubs in 1972 the growth has again speeded up and there are now over 7,000 clubs and over 160,000 members.

Toastmasters International, built on the basic ideas of our Founder, Dr. Ralph C. Smedley, has accepted new ideas, tried them, discarded some and retained some. The best known addition was "Table Topics" which was introduced in various forms by several California clubs in the early 1930's and standardized in its present form for impromptu speaking at all club meetings. International President Dunlap 1937-38 encouraged interclub speech contests which was the forerunner of our International Speech Contest now held each year at the International Convention.

The growth of District 19 is shown on the following page on a graph. The Toastmasters who contributed to the District's growth and educational success are honored in the year by year reports of the District on the following pages starting July 1, 1946.
GROWTH OF DISTRICT 19, TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
(From Annual Directories)
THE FATHER OF DISTRICT NINETEEN

Carlton P. "Cap" Sias, 1877 - 1961
1st Governor District 19, 1946-47
International President TMI 1951-52

Carlton P. "Cap" Sias was born in Spensersport, N. Y., November 22, 1877, and died in Waterloo, Iowa, April 10, 1961. He graduated from Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., with a Bachelor of Law degree in 1898. He was admitted to the New York Bar in 1900 and practiced law in New York until 1903 when he moved to Waterloo, Iowa, was admitted to the Iowa Bar and spent the rest of his life practicing law in Waterloo where he was a partner in the firm of Pike, Sias, Butler and Hoxle.

Cap Sias was very active in community organizations and spent 15 years as a member of the Waterloo school board. He was known for his speaking ability, and that led to Toastmasters. He was asked to attend the Waterloo Toastmasters Club as a critic or evaluator in January 1940, and became so interested that he joined the club in 1941. (Be sure to read his own explanation in his letter to Dr. Walter Steigleman attached). He started an annual social event for Toastmasters when he hosted the club at a picnic at his home July 17, 1940, which he repeated every year until his death. He had an early interest in activities of District 6 and Toastmasters International Conventions.

Cap was the leader of the four Iowa clubs in 1946 when District 6 was ready to divide its huge territory to form new districts. Working with Gail Braithwaite of Sioux Falls, S. D. and Hugh McEvoy of Omaha, NE., he formed District 19. Three clubs in South Dakota and four in Nebraska completed District 19.

Cap was a tireless worker as District Governor and almost met his goal of doubling District 19 in its first year. He named a young Toastmaster from Club 101 as his District Secretary and Paul R. Brasch also served as driver to take Cap to every club in the district and to every Charter Night as new clubs were formed. District 6 had offered to split its treasury with the new districts, but District 19's share would only be $50.00 so Cap declined. Cap paid practically all the expenses of District 19 that first year and the treasury carried a surplus of $150.00 to the second year of District 19's operations.

Cap continued his interest in Toastmasters until his death. He served the Board of Directors two years as a director, one year as Vice President and in 1951-52 he served as International
President. He had a very successful year as president and Toastmaster leaders held him in high esteem. He attended most District 19 executive committee meetings and conferences. At age 79 he took an overnight railroad coach round trip to Dallas with the District 19 delegation to attend the International Convention. W. H. "Bill" Nanny (DG '54-55) often drove Cap or went with him. On Cap's 83rd birthday Toastmasters from all over the midwest honored him with a Testimonial Dinner at Waterloo which was well attended. District 19 can have only one FATHER and that Toastmaster is Carlton P. "Cap" Sias.

For several years District 19 honored its Toastmaster of the Year with The Cap Sias Award with special criteria, but these were later changed to conform to International's rules.

Memorial Resolution

Presented to District 19 Council, May 6, 1961, at Marshalltown, Iowa

WHEREAS death has removed from our ranks Carleton (Cap) Sias, truly the No. 1 Toastmaster of District 19,

AND WHEREAS Cap's genial warmth, his advice and counsel down through the years to district officers and members alike have enabled Iowa to become one of the most important districts in all Toastmasters International,

AND WHEREAS although Cap's prime interest was in his club and in his district, his counsel and advice and work in international offices from director through president, contributed immeasurably to the phenomenal growth of the organization along solid educational and business lines;

AND WHEREAS every Toastmaster in Iowa has not only lost a leader and co-worker but also a kind, warm friend,

BE IT RESOLVED that District 19, through its annual council meeting, officially express its deepest regrets on our tremendous loss

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District officially extend its sincere and heart-felt sympathy to Mrs. Carleton Sias and thank her for the help and encouragement she gave to Cap which enabled him to carry on his wide-flung Toastmasters activities.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the proper district officers to the president of Cap's Club No. 101, Waterloo, for personal presentation to Mrs. Sias.
(letter from Cap Sias to Walt Steigleman, editor, District 19 News)

April 29, 1959

Dr. Walter Steigleman
Post Office Box 695
Iowa City, Iowa

Dear Walter:

In connection with your request for some information from me about the early history of things in this part of the Toastmaster domain I enclose herewith a letter which I asked Paul Brasch to write regarding the early development of the District. Paul was my District Secretary and Treasurer and an invaluable help in a new enterprise. Rather briefly my own recollection of my own situation was that I joined Waterloo Toastmasters Club 101 in 1941. The Club was chartered in 1938 prior to which there had been a so called Toastmasters Club in the YMCA.

Dr. Ralph Smedley visited our Club when I was acting as sort of a critic or evaluator. This was in the early day and I had the pleasure of taking Dr. Smedley out around the country by auto and he attended our meeting in the evening. So our members had the privilege of meeting our Founder.

As Paul Brasch says in his letter, our Club was originally a part of District 6 and the oldest Club in the State of Iowa. Our Club members were very active in attending meetings of District 6 in St. Paul and Minneapolis, and sometimes in Albert Lea and Stillwater. We became very well acquainted with the Toastmasters in that District and it was naturally a great help to Paul and myself in the District just established.

My first International Meeting was in 1946. George Westberg, later a District Governor, and I attended the meeting in a special car going out of Minneapolis and with District 6 members.

My first experience on the International scene was a talk at the 1946 Convention at Seattle, which talk was prepared by the President of our Club, Gordon Spry, of Waterloo, who was to give it at the Seattle meeting. He requested me to give it for him. At Seattle I had the privilege of meeting members from Canada and the West Coast.

The next International Meeting was at Minneapolis where I was rather surprised to be nominated for a member of the Board of Directors of Toastmasters. I did not get enough votes at Minneapolis which did not disturb me as I did not expect such rapid advancement. However, at San Francisco I was again
nominated by someone and was elected a member of the Board. That was when Mr. McAninch was President.

Later, I believe at the Convention at St. Louis, I was nominated for Vice President and finally, whether you believe it or not, was elected President and installed at the San Diego International Meeting. Even my wife attended that meeting.

I bowed out at Chicago and whatever the record may be for 1951-52 I suppose the then President is responsible for it.

I am really more interested in my rather long experience as a Toastmaster and member of Club 101. Like all of us I belong to many organizations, all of them having their benefits and high qualities. However, Toastmasters is a unique organization in that every member has a very definite purpose in view which he can attain if he applies himself to the type of education in preparation and in speech which is furnished to him. It gives the opportunity of many many friendships which I have cherished and will cherish so long as I shall live, not only in my own locality but all over the country and Canada. The value of these friendships and personal satisfaction and in personal education I cannot over-estimate.

The quality of the membership intellectually and as members of society is most valuable to them, but also to all whom they meet.

May we all do honor to our Founder, Ralph C. Smedley, and to those who have labored with him and under him in the field of better personality and better citizenship.

Very truly yours,

Carlton Sias
Waterloo, Iowa
April 29, 1959

Dr. Walter Steigleman
Post Office Box 695
Iowa City, Iowa

Dear Walt:

"Cap" has asked me to send some notes to you concerning the early history of District 19. I'll ramble and leave it to you to decipher and organize.

We were originally a part of District 6 and were permitted to organize our District in the spring of 1946. I recall a meeting held at the President Hotel in Waterloo at which time our District was formed. Among others, Tracy Jeffers helped get the ball rolling. They (District 6) offered to split a portion of the money with us, but the amount was around $50.00 or less and "Cap" turned it down. Consequently we started with nothing except 11 clubs in Iowa, South Dakota and Nebraska.

I believe "Cap" and I visited every Club during the year and assisted in the charter night of all the new ones. Our goal was to double the 11 to 22. We missed and ended up with only 21. "Cap" paid nearly all expenses out of his own pocket and we ended the year with a balance of approximately $150.00 for the next Governor who was Gail Braithwaite of Sioux Falls, South Dakota (1947-48). George Westberg of Des Moines was Governor in 1948-49 and I followed as Governor in 1949-50. I believe my year ended with about 33 clubs.

Nebraska broke away and formed their own District a year or two after "Cap" started District 19 in 1946-47. Getting back to the first year, we, "Cap" and I drove to Mitchell, South Dakota, at least twice, visited Sioux Falls, and several clubs in Nebraska as well as our Iowa Clubs.

"Cap" had been nominated once or twice for District Governor of old District 6 before District 19 was formed, and Waterloo Club 101 always took an active part in District 6 activities. However, for several years 101 was the only Iowa Club and "Cap" fortunately was never elected in District 6.

Hugh McEvoy of Omaha and Gale Braithwaite of Sioux Falls were very helpful to "Cap" in 1946-47. I'm sorry I can't be more specific but all records I had as "Cap's" District Secretary in 1946 and 1947 and in 1949-50 when I was Governor were turned over to the incoming Governor and I know not where they are now.

Sincerely,

Paul R. Brasch
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS - Clubs by Cities
*Active clubs Jan. 1, 1990 per Int'l. Directory

Aberdeen, S.D. (to District 41 in 1953)
   Club No. 924, Hub Toastmasters Feb. 1951
   Club No. 1346 Aug. 1953

Algonia, Iowa
   Club No. 779 Algonia Toastmasters Feb. 1950

Amana, Iowa
   *Club No. 1824 Amana Refrigeration TM March 1973
   Club No. 2919 Sunrise Toastmasters March 1977

Ames, Iowa
   *Club No. 569 Ames Toastmasters Jan. 1948
   *Club No. 875 Town & College TM. April 1959
   *Club No. 1339 Rodeo (now Encore) TM March 1961
   Club No. 2359 Interfraternity TM April 1969
   *Club No. 3595 NADL Early Risers TM April 1972
   *Club No. 2187 Transportation TM March 1974

Ankeny, Iowa
   Club No. 1649 Ankeny Toastmasters Jan. 1967
   *Club No. 4477 Ankeny Toastmasters March 1981
   *Club No. 6746 Golden Circle TM Feb. 1988

Armstrong, Iowa
   Club No. 2253 Arts Way Toastmasters July 1972

Atlantic, Iowa
   Club No. 3082 Atlantic Toastmasters March 1960
   *Club No. 6650 Early Risers TM Sept. 1987

Audubon, Iowa
   Club No. 1984 Audubon Toastmasters April 1967

Belmond, Iowa
   *Club No. 1328 Belmond Toastmasters June 1953

Bettendorf, Iowa

Boone, Iowa
   *Club No. 184 Boone Toastmasters April 1949
   Club No. 2919 Sunrise Toastmasters March 1977

Brookings, S. D. (to District 41 in 1953)
   Club No. 586 Brookings Toastmasters 1948

Burlington, Iowa
   *Club No. 1340 Burlington Toastmasters March 1954
       Re-chartered April 1974

Carroll, Iowa
   Club No. 1147 Carroll Toastmasters Nov. 1952
   *Club No. 6443 Toastmasters of Carroll Dec. 1986

Cedar Falls, Iowa
   Club No. 1199 Cedar Falls Toastmasters March 1953
   Club No. 1026 Cedarloo Toastmasters 1959

Cedar Rapids, Iowa
   Club No. 431 Cedar Rapids Toastmasters Nov. 1946
   *Club No. 617 Hawkeye Toastmasters June 1948
   *Club No. 1529 Jay Cee Toastmasters May 1954
   Club No. 3619 Five Seasons TM Aug. 1973
   *Club No. 3250 Collins Avionics TM March 1961
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*Club No. 3154 Collins Communicators  March 1981
*Club No. 5866 Cedar Tower TM  May 1985
   Club No. 4813 Silver Tongue Singles TM  May 1988
*Club No. 6969 Timber Talkers TM  Sept. 1988

Centerville, Iowa
   Club No. 380 Centerville Toastmasters  April 1946
*Club No. 2190 Centerville Toastmasters  Sept. 1978

Chariton, Iowa
   Club No. 3582 Chariton Toastmasters  April 1963
*Club No. 5995 Chariton Toastmasters  Jan. 1990

Charles City, Iowa
   Club No. 1062 Cedar Valley Toastmasters  March 1952

Cherokee, Iowa
   Club No. 3690 Cherokee Toastmasters  Feb. 1964

Clarinda, Iowa
   Club No. 2390 Clarinda Toastmasters  April 1961

Clarion, Iowa
   Club No. 1412 Clarion Toastmasters  Dec. 1953
*Club No. 2316 Clarion Toastmasters  Oct. 1969

Clear Lake, Iowa
   Club No. 4794 Univac Toastmasters  April 1982

Clinton, Iowa
   Club No. 1319 Clinton Toastmasters  June 1953
*Club No. 4874 Clinton Toastmasters  Jan. 1990

Creston, Iowa
   *Club No. 804 Creston Toastmasters  Dec. 1953

Davenport, Iowa
   Club No. 875 Davenport Toastmasters  Oct. 1950
   Club No. 1007 Quad Cities Toastmasters  Nov. 1951
   Club No. 1501 Palmer Chiropractic TM  April 1954
   Club No. 1817 On The Spot Toastmasters  July 1955
   Club No. 1917 Hi Fi Toastmasters  Nov. 1955
   Club No. 3486 Loras Council Toastmasters  June 1962
   Club No. 3482 Reveillers Toastmasters  Jan. 1962
*Club No. 1325 Downtowners Toastmasters  March 1969
*Club No. 4386 ALCOA (W)rappers TM  Oct. 1980
   Club No. 4728 Caterpillar Toastmasters  Aug. 1981

Decorah, Iowa
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Denison, Iowa
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*Club No. 3288 Denison Toastmasters  March 1974

Des Moines, Iowa
*Club No. 335 Executive Toastmasters  Oct. 1945
*Club No. 451 Opportunity Toastmasters  March 1947
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   Club No. 682 Meredith Toastmasters  1948
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DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1946 - 47

International President - Joseph P. Rinnert

District Governor - Carlton P. Sias. Club 101, Waterloo, Iowa
Attorney at Law

District Officers:

Sec.-Treas. Paul R. Brasch, Club 101, Waterloo

Lieutenant Governors For Areas:
Area 1 - Lloyd D. Loers, Club 386, Mason City
Area 2 - Lynn P. Zenner, Club 224, Sioux Falls, S. D.
Area 3 - George W. Westberg, Club 335, Des Moines
Area 4 - Hugh E. McEvoy, Club 229, Omaha, NE

Speech Contest Winner:

Doug Sherwin, Club 386, Mason City (Clear Lake) won with the
Title: "I Speak For Veterans" at Hotel President, Waterloo, May
24, 1947. He won the Zone Speech Contest at Des Moines with the
Title: "Leave Me Where I Lie". He won the Toastmasters
International Speech Finals at Auditorium Theatre, St. Paul,
Minn., in August, 1947, with the title: "Solution By Force".

New Clubs:

Cedar Valley Toastmasters Club No. 431, Cedar Rapids, Ia. Nov.
1946
Blackhawk Toastmasters Club No. 444, Waterloo, Ia. Feb. 6, 1947
Opportunity Toastmasters Club No. 451, Des Moines, Ia. March 19,
1947
Waukon Toastmasters Club No. 470, Waukon, Ia. May 1947
Osceola Toastmasters Club No. 504, Osceola, IA June 1947
JayCee Toastmasters Club No. 430, Sioux Falls, SD Nov. 1946
Mitchell Toastmasters Club No. 495, Mitchell, SD June 1947
Marquette Toastmasters Club No. 509, Sioux Falls, SD June 1947
Sundowners Toastmasters Club No. 381, Omaha, NE Sept. 1946
"Y" Toastmasters Club No 387, Omaha NE September 1946

Of Special Note:

District 19 started with 11 clubs on July 1, 1946.
District 19 Spring Conference and Speech Contest at Waterloo, IA, May 24, 1947, at Hotel President. Two hundred members attended.

The Fall Conference was held November 2, 1946, at Sioux Falls, S. D.; eleven clubs were represented, and total attendance was 54.

Toastmasters from Waterloo clubs 101 and 444 went to Waukon December 17, 1946, to put on a program for interested prospects. Waukon Toastmasters Club No. 470 was chartered in May 1947.

July 26, 1946 the By-laws of Toastmasters International were changed to provide for a Board of Directors of 14 being 8 Directors, President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, First Honorary President (Smedley) and Immediate Past President.

Six or more clubs could apply to the Board for District Status and if granted the District would be governed by a District Committee consisting of the District Governor, the Lieutenant Governors (for Areas) and one representative of each club designated as the Deputy Governor.
Opportunity Toastmasters Club No. 451, Des Moines was the second club in Des Moines. It was spearheaded by P. W. Jarvis and received its Charter March 19, 1947, from James A. Clark of San Francisco, California, a Director of Toastmasters International.

P. W. Jarvis receives the Charter from Director James A. Clark.

District 19 Governor Carlton P."Cap" Sias addresses the newly Chartered club.
February 18, 1977

Mr. Gerald B. Winget  
Past District Governor  
Toastmasters International  
3239 - 40th  
Des Moines, Iowa 40310

Dear Mr. Winget:

This will acknowledge your letter of February 12.

At the time we won the Toastmasters International Speech Contest in 1947 the subdivisions of area were, it seems to me, somewhat different than they are today. We used the same speech - "I Speak For Veterans" at the club contest, the district contest in Mason City, Iowa, and the area contest in Waterloo. (District was smaller than the state, and the area represented the state at that time.) The zone contest, which called for a different topic - "Leave Me Where I Lie", was used at Des Moines. The zone represented several states. Then the finals were held in St. Paul, Minnesota, with a different speech title - "Solution By Force". It seems to me that the judges at the International finals in St. Paul were past International Presidents or at least with highly responsible Toastmaster administrative positions. Early Governor Capp Sias was in attendance as were a good many supporters from Mason City. Another International winner, Charles Hilton, also came from the Mason City club and won in Seattle a few years later.

We incidentally were a Charter Member of the Shibboleth Chapter of Toastmasters International in Mason City, founded by Lloyd Loers. I might say that it was an extremely viable club those years following World War II when all of us had many things to get off our chest.

We hope this is helpful to you, and we are complimented that you were thoughtful enough to write. Good luck in your history-gathering.

Cordially yours,

Douglas F. Sherwin

(In 1977 Past District Governor Winget was District 19 Historian)
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Douglas F. Sherwin recently furnished us a copy of his winning speech as delivered at the Auditorium Theatre, St. Paul, Minnesota, August 12, 1947, as part of the 16th annual Toastmasters International Convention.

SOLUTION BY FORCE

Be it enacted by the Senate and Houses of Representatives of the United State of America in Congress assembled that: every male citizen of the United States, upon attaining the age of eighteen years shall be subject to induction into the Army or Navy of the United States for one year.

I oppose this bill... I oppose peacetime military conscription in the United States... I oppose conscription as a way, as a means of preparedness. Let me show you what I mean.

First... Military training leads toward the centralization of power. Conscription in the United States would be a federal enterprise, not for one year, not for two, or five, or ten, but a permanent part of our government. Such a national move could not take place without weakening state, local and individual rights. The democratic system is based on the strength of these rights. Country after country that has relinquished the local responsibility of citizenship and individual rights to the government has progressed to a totalitarian state. Centralization of power in industry, in finance, in education is the insidious danger against which we have always fought. Always a centralization of power works against individual initiative and the vitality of local self government which are, in effect, the essence of the American way of life. Centralization of power is not our goal. Peacetime military conscription is solution by force... the wrong way to strive for peace.

Second: A peaceful, educated people is also best prepared for war. Let's think about Joe for a minute, the boy around the corner. In a couple of years Joe will be eighteen. Shall we pay for his year of military training or shall we take the same amount of money and educate him for four years... in the physics laboratory, where he will learn of science and research; on the football field, where he will develop teamwork and endurance, in college activities, where he will learn of organization and leadership... Young Americans trained in advanced education and
industrial experience today are better equipped to lead the world in peace and to cope with the unfounded war weapons of tomorrow. They are better able to form the core of a highly organized, tightly knit army. Small enough to substantiate our belief in world disarmament... large enough to back the United Nations. Peacetime military conscription is solution by force... the wrong way to strive for peace.

Third: Conscription indicates lack of faith in the United Nations. The adoption of military conscription in the United States would be very real, tangible evidence to the rest of the world that, we as a people, had little faith in the future of the United Nations. As we know, the United Nations has a Security Council and in the making an International Police force. When this world police force becomes a reality, it will be its task, the task of the United Nations to stifle aggressive moves made by any country. Until this police force can take effect, we as a nation already have insurance for peace, both with our reservoir of atomic bombs and our great reserve of war experienced personnel. This reserve, these discharged veterans are the great personal insurance that we hold until that day when the full power of the United Nations is felt and shadows are removed from all corners of the Globe. From the beginning we have had hope, faith and confidence in the future of the United Nations. The U. N. needs the support of the United States. We can't compromise the United Nations and expect the world to believe we have faith in its future. Conscription would be a very definite contradiction to our policy of backing the United Nations. Peacetime military conscription is solution by force... the wrong way to strive for peace.

Let me say again... Oppose peacetime military conscription in the United States. Because (1) it leads toward the centralization of power; (2) a peaceful, educated people is also best prepared for war; (3) conscription indicates our lack of faith in the United Nations.

Now I ask you...the people, the citizens of the United States, which shall it be? Solution by force... or, solution by peace?
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1947 - 48

International President - George W. Benson

District Governor - Gale B. Braithwaite, Club 210, Sioux Falls, S. D. Attorney at Law

District Officers:

Secretary - Treasurer - George Funk, Club 224, Sioux Falls, S.D. Past Governor - Carlton P. Sias, Club 101, Waterloo, Ia.

Lieutenant Governors for Areas:

Area 1 - Wendell Butler, Club 101, Waterloo
Area 2 - Deming Smith, Club 210, Sioux Falls, S. D.
Area 3 - Martin L. Selzer, Club 335, Des Moines
Area 4 - Hugh E. McEvoy, Club 229, Omaha, Nebraska

Speech Contest Winner:

Warren A. Ruby, Club 386, Mason City, won at the Spring Conference at the Cataract Hotel, Sioux Falls, S.D., May 8, 1948, and competed at the Zone B Speech Contest, June 12, 1948, Rome Hotel, Omaha, Nebraska.

New Clubs:

Sioux City Toastmasters Club No. 579, Sioux City, Ia. Mar. 1948
JayCee Toastmasters Club No. 625, Des Moines, Iowa June 1948
Hawkeye Toastmasters Club No. 617, Cedar Rapids, IA June 1948
Wayne Toastmasters Club No. 557, Wayne, NE March 1948
Brookings Toastmasters Club No. 586, Brookings SD April 1948
Capitol Toastmasters Club No. 611, Lincoln, NE June 1948
South Omaha K of C TM Club No. 633, Omaha, NE June 1948

Of Special Note:

From The Toastmaster, August 1947, "Gale B. Braithwaite is a lawyer in Sioux Falls, S. D. .... for more than 25 years.....He came into 'Two-Ten' Toastmasters Club of Sioux Falls in 1941 and has gone through the various offices and experiences including a year as Lieutenant Governor of his Area (Area 5, District 6, 1942-43). District 19 is only a year old, and the problem will be to continue the expansion work so ably carried on under the leadership of Governor 'Cap' Sias."
On July 1, 1948, the Nebraska Toastmaster Clubs detached from District 19 to become District 24 with Hugh McEvoy of Club 229, Omaha, as first District Governor.

Governor Braithwaite made a trip to Ames, IA, Jan. 26, 1948, to present a Charter to Ames Toastmasters Club 569, and a trip to Cedar Rapids, IA, in June 1948, to present a Charter to Hawkeye Toastmasters Club 617. He must have presented several other Charters as new clubs were chartered much closer to his home during his year as District Governor.

The Fall Conference was held in Omaha, Nebraska, November 15, 1947.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1948 - 49

International President - I. A. Mc Aninch

International Director from District 19, Carlton P. Sias, Club 101, Waterloo

District Governor - George Westberg, Club No. 335, Des Moines, Ia
President, Westlin Co.

District Officers:

Educational Chairman - Howard Holmes, Club 101, Waterloo, Ia.
Sec.-Treas. - Martin Seltzer, Club 335 Des Moines, Ia.
Past Governor - Gail B. Braithwaite, Club 210, Sioux Falls, SD

Lieutenant Governors for Areas:

Area 1 -
Area 2 -
Area 3 - Tom Miller, Club 335, Des Moines, Ia.
Area 4 -

Speech Contest Winner:

Wendell Butler, Club 444, Waterloo, Iowa, won at the Spring Conference, May 21, 1949, at the Standard Club, Des Moines, Ia., with the title "A Letter To My Son". He competed in the Zone 8 Speech Contest in Minneapolis, Minn., June 1949.

New Clubs:

Ottumwa Toastmasters Club No. 663, Ottumwa, Ia. Dec. 2, 1948
Boone Toastmasters Club No. 184, Boone, Iowa April 27, 1949
Meredith Toastmasters Club No. 682, Des Moines, Ia. March 1949
Middle Border Toastmasters Club No. 685, Mitchell, SD 1948
Corn Belt Toastmasters Club No. 225, Ft. Dodge, Ia. June 2, 1949

Of Special Note:

From The Toastmaster, July 1948,"George W. Westberg came from Chicago, where he spent his early years getting an education and his business training. Twenty years ago he moved to Iowa, where he established a successful safety and sanitation business, of which he is the owner. He was instrumental in organizing the Executive Toastmasters Club of Des Moines (No. 335) and assisted in establishing the Des Moines Toastmasters Club (No. 451) and the Jay Cee Toastmasters Club (625), as well as several clubs in the state. Objects for the coming year in District Nineteen are numerous, but the keynotes are expressed in the two words 'co
-operation' and 'enthusiasm'. The goal as to expansion is at least 12 additional clubs, and Governor Westberg is optimistic about the prospects."

Executive Toastmasters Club No. 335, Des Moines, IA, was one of ten runners-up for Toastmasters International Club-of-the-Year Award at the 1948 Convention.

From The Toastmaster, November 1949, "Since I joined Toastmasters in 1945, my salary has almost doubled, and I attribute much of this increase to Toastmaster training, which has enabled me to speak out and be listened to." E.F.F., Des Moines, Iowa.

On December 2, 1948, Toastmasters International President I. A. McAnich of Los Angeles, California, visited District 19 at Des Moines, Iowa. The meeting was well attended by Toastmasters from Iowa, South Dakota and Nebraska. Among those in attendance were five from the new club at Ottumwa, Iowa. Ottumwa Toastmasters has 30 members all employees of John Morrell & Co. Their charter application was all in order and President McAnich presented Charter No. 663 to Donald Schaub (president), Richard Smith, Tom Foreman, W. O. Hansen and E. W. Richards representing the new club.

On May 31, 1949, District Governor George Westberg of Des Moines, Iowa, addressed a meeting of women in Ft. Dodge, Iowa, and helped them to organize a Toastmistress Clubs. He had previously helped Des Moines women to organize a Toastmistress Club.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1949 - 50

International President - Lewis C. Turner

International Director from District 19 - Carlton P. Sias Club 101 Waterloo

District Governor - Paul R. Brasch, Club 101, Waterloo
Public Relations for Rath Packing Co.

District Officers:
Educational Chairman - Victor H. Foster, Club 101, Waterloo
Sec.-Treas. - W. H. Nanny, Club 101, Waterloo
Past Governor - George Westberg, Club 335, Des Moines

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Dallas V. McGinnis, Club 444, Waterloo
Area 2 - Lynn P. Zenner, Club 224, Sioux Falls, S. D.
Area 3 - Clarence Graves Club 504, Osceola
Area 4 - Rev. L. C. Bartholomew. Club 380, Centerville
Area 5 - Gus U. Silzer, Club 579, Sioux City, IA

Speech Contest Winner:

Charles Hilton, Club 386, Mason City won at the Spring Conference at Masonic Temple, Waterloo, May 6, 1950, with the title: "Science or Religion - Savior of the World". He won the Zone Speech Contest June 10, 1950, at Moorhead, Minnesota, with the title: "Spare Tires" and thus became a finalist at the Toastmasters International Convention at Spokane, Washington, August 26, 1950, where he was declared the 1st Place winner with the title: "The Challenge of Limitation". (See the text of that speech on following pages.)

New Clubs:

Hampton Toastmasters Club No. 780, Hampton, IA Apr. 18, 1950
Storm Lake Toastmasters Club No. 804, Storm Lake, IA Apr. 1950
Jefferson Toastmasters Club No. 774, Jefferson, IA May 1950
Algona Toastmasters Club No. 779, Algona, IA Feb. 20, 1950
Spencer Toastmasters Club No. 856, Spencer, IA June 1950

Of Special Note:

Zone B Meeting, Moorhead, Minn., June 10, 1950

Club 579, Sioux City, Iowa, won the McCrillis award for community Service at the International Convention, St. Louis, Missouri, August 12, 1949.
The group organizing as a new club at Hampton, Iowa journeyed to Mason City January 31, 1950, to observe Club 386 in action.

The two clubs in Ft. Dodge sent a large delegation to Algona April 18, 1950, to attend the Charter Night for Algona Toastmasters.

THE CHALLENGE OF LIMITATION

From The Mason City Globe-Gazette. Editor's Note: This is the 7 minute talk given by Charles D. Hilton, news director for KGLO, Mason City, Iowa, in winning top honors in Toastmasters International 1950 oratorical competition. The championship event was started at Spokane, Wash., Aug. 26, as the highlight of the international convention. This was the culmination of a far-flung competition which at its beginning involved about 20,000 aspiring orators in some 1,000 individual clubs. Hilton will deliver this speech tonight at the Golf and Country Club where the local Toastmasters Club will hold its charter night anniversary program.

No man lives unto himself. Consequently when man overcomes his handicaps, he benefits not only himself but everyone about him. One cannot easily estimate the spiritual stimulus, the inspiration that comes from handicapped people finding within themselves the ability to overcome that which hinders them.

Surely there is inspiration in the story told by Ben Hecht, the dramatist and journalist, in his "Testament of a Reporter."
Said Hecht, "I saw Lou Gehrig knock out his last home run with his spine tied in a knot."

"I saw George Gershwin write his last tunes for the Goldwyn Follies with his brain tumor driving an ice pick through his skull."

The pages of history are filled with stories of men who left great benefits to mankind....but who suffered untold agonies in doing so. Milton wrote poetry though blind. Beethoven wrote music though deaf. The scientist Pasteur suffered a paralytic stroke at the age of forty-six. Yet each of these refused to let his handicaps defeat his purpose.

It seems that it's not what destiny does with us but what we do with destiny, that determines what we shall be. When a man is determined, who can stop him?

Cripple him and you have a Walter Scott.

Throw him in prison and you have a John Bunyan.

Have him born in abject poverty and you have an Abraham Lincoln.

Afflict him with asthma until as a child he lies choking in his father's arms and you have a Theodore Roosevelt.

Bankrupt him at the age of forty and you have a Henry Ford.

Put him in the grease pits of a locomotive roundhouse and you have a Walter P. Chrysler.

Now, there may be some smart young, stalwart individual who does not recognize his limitations. But I know of none. I have never known a person, who upon intimate acquaintance, did not reveal that he was dealing with some handicap. We all have them....be they physical, educational, financial or even spiritual.

How then must we deal with our limitations?

If we are to deal handsomely with our handicaps, we must take a positive attitude toward them, even though our first reaction is a negative one....that of self pity.

We must not feel sorry for ourselves. We must realize that few people get their choice in life. Whoever heard of anyone living their entire life out under the ideal conditions that they would have chosen. But to take a second choice and make something of it, that's an accomplishment.
When one takes a positive attitude toward his handicaps they become a challenge....sometimes fascinating.

However, if we do take a positive attitude toward our handicaps, we might see where our outward services could be limited. Nevertheless we can always make a spiritual contribution to the world, and in doing so can do our part in solving the problem of age.

The basic principals of Christianity and democracy are much the same. Both uphold the dignity of man and the rights of the individual. These forces are opposed today by that ideology which places state above man....and yes, even above God.

This ideology is the handicap we face today. A challenge which can only be met by the individual. The time has passed when man's major problems concerned forces of physical nature. From now on, everything of importance that happens on this planet depends upon man's ability to solve the problems of human nature. And this is indeed an individual problem. Because this mass of humanity does not change as the tides ebb and flow. Humanity changes only as individuals change....change their way of living....their way of thinking.

Dr. Albert Einstein, in a New York Times interview said, "We cannot change the hearts of other men by mechanism. But only by changing our own hearts and speaking bravely can we surmount the fear that haunts the world today."

Our humanity....our being human....is not our weakness, but our strength.

Let us be challenged by the heights to which men like ourselves can rise. Let us be proud of the fact that we are human beings. And because we are human beings contain within ourselves sources of strength and energy great enough to enable us to climb high and far.

Let life challenge you. And be confident in your reply. For you are man, and the hardships of life are sent you....not by an unkind destiny to crush you....but to challenge you.

Face the challenge of limitation. And face it in the same determined spirit as described by a World War One reporter when he said...."I saw an AEF soldier lying on a cot. Both of his legs shot off. A fake jaw riveted where his face had been. I saw him move his mouth stiffly and squeak like a mama doll, 'We won--we won'."
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1950 - 51

International President - George W. S. Reed

International Officer from District 19 - Carlton Sias, Club 101, Waterloo, Vice President

District Governor - Lynn P. Zenner, Club 224, Sioux Falls, S. D.
Insurance Officer, Veterans Admin. Center

District Officers:

Educational Chairman - Dean Berkley, Club 224, Sioux Falls, S. D.
Sec.-Treas. - Earling Haugo, Club 224, Sioux Falls, S. D.
Past Governor - Paul R. Brasch, Club 101, Waterloo, IA

Area Governors:

Area 1 -
Area 2 - Dr. George G. Faber, Club 495, Mitchell, S. D.
Area 3 -
Area 4 -
Area 5 -

Speech Contest Winner:

Wendell Butler, Club 444, Waterloo, won at the Spring Conference, at the Cataract Hotel, Sioux Falls, S.D., May 5, 1951, and won the Zone B Speech Contest, June 9, 1951, at Savery Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa. He took second place at the International Speech Contest, August 11, 1951, at U. S. Grant Hotel, San Diego, Calif.

New Clubs:

Davenport Toastmasters Club No. 875, Palmer School of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa Oct. 1950
Huron Toastmasters Club No. 878, Huron, S. D. Oct. 1950
Old Capital Toastmasters Club No. 164, Iowa City, IA April 1951
Perry Toastmasters Club No. 225, Perry, Iowa May 1951
Hub Toastmasters Club No. 924, Aberdeen, SD Jan. 1951
Cap Sias Toastmasters Club No. 864, Waterloo, IA Aug. 1950

Of Special Note:

Zone B Meeting and Educational Conference was held at Savery Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa, June 8 & 9, 1951. Toastmasters International had six Zones. It was the first of the new Regional Educational Conferences and Dr. Ralph C. Smedley, our Founder, conducted it. There were 324 registered for the
sessions.

District Governor Lynn Zenner of Sioux Falls, S. D., traveled to Boone, Ia. for the Area 3 Speech Contest March 17, 1951, at the American Legion Cabin. He got caught in the terrible St. Patrick's Day snow and was not able to drive home for three days.
Hilton

DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1951 - 52

International President - Carlton P. Sias, Club 101, Waterloo,

District Governor - Charles D. Hilton, Club 386, Mason City
News Director, Radio Station KGLO

District Officers:

Educational Chairman - Dr. Richard Hoy, Club 101, Waterloo
Sec.-Treas. - T. Henry Hvattum, Club 386, Mason City
Past Governor - Lynn P. Zenner, Club 224, Sioux Falls, SD
Lt. Governor - Norman E. Noyes, Club 509, Sioux Falls, SD, was
elected at Fall Conference after office was
established by Council vote.

Area Governors:

Area 1 - Thor J. Jensen, Club 386, Mason City
Area 2 - Donald W. Walker, Club 224, Sioux Falls, SD
Area 3 - Walter Schultz, Club 184, Boone
Area 4 - Walter A. Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City
Area 5 - Allen K. Buchanan, Club 779, Algona

Speech Contest Winner:

Dean F. Berkley, Club 224, Sioux Falls, SD, won at the Spring
Conference, at the All Veterans Social Center, Clear Lake, Iowa,
May 10, 1952, and competed at the Zone B Speech Contest, June 14,
1952, at Masonic Temple, Waterloo, Iowa.

New Clubs:

Waverly Toastmasters Club No. 1026, Waverly, IA Dec. 1951
Cedar Valley Toastmasters Club No. 1062, Charles City, IA Mar.
1952
Quad Cities Toastmasters Club No. 1007, Davenport, IA Nov. 1951
Muscatine Toastmasters Club No. 685, Muscatine, IA June 1952
Osage Toastmasters Club No. 1084, Osage, IA Apr. 1952
Washington Toastmasters Club No. 1089, Washington, IA May 1952

Of Special Note:

At the Annual Business Meeting of Toastmasters International the
Board of Directors was increased by four more directors. Carlton
P. "Cap" Sias, Club 101, Waterloo, Iowa, was elected
International President for 1951-52.
The Fall Conference was held at the American Legion Cabin, Boone, Iowa, October 6, 1951, with 150 persons in attendance. The noon program was a Hi-Jinks luncheon. The business meeting of the Council amended the District By-laws to create a new office of Lt. Governor. The dinner was in honor of Carlton P. "Cap" Sias, President of Toastmasters International.

The Spring Conference was held at the All Veterans Social Center, Clear Lake, Iowa, May 10, 1952. The guest of honor was our own Cap Sias, the International President.

The Zone B Speech Contest was held at the Masonic Temple, Waterloo, Iowa, June 14, 1952. Paul R. Brasch, Club 101, was General Chairman.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1952 - 53

International President - Nick Jorgenson

District Governor - Walter E. Schultz, Club 184, Boone, Ia. Businessman

District Officers:

Lieutenant Governor - Donald W. Walker, Club 224, Sioux Falls, SD
Educational Chairman - Wendell Butler, Club 444, Waterloo
Sec. - Treas. Bayard Williams, Club 184, Boone
Past Governor - Charles Hilton, Club 386, Mason City

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Dr. A. M. Walling, Club 856, Spencer
Area 2 - Dr. Alwin F. Toensing, Club 780, Hampton
Area 3 - Victor F. Foster, Club 101 Waterloo
Area 4 - Paul H. Darling, Club 617 Cedar Rapids
Area 5 - Dr. L. Parks Clow, Club 380, Centerville
Area 6 - Donald E. Boland, Club 451, Des Moines
Area 7 - Earl Chase, Club 774, Jefferson
Area 8 - Ray G. Cikanek, Club 878 Huron, S. D.
Area 8A - E. E. Sullivan, Club 1326, Rapid City, S. D.

Speech Contest Winner:
Paul Schoenbeck, Club 617, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, won at the Spring Conference at Hotel Holst, Boone, May 9, 1953, with the title: "Tear Off the Label". He won 1st place at the Zone D Speech Contest at Downtown YMCA, St. Paul, Minn., June 13, 1953. He competed in the Final TMI Speech Contest held in the open air of Red Rocks Park during the Denver, Colorado, convention September 4, 1953 with the title: "A House of Sticks".

New Clubs:

Carroll Toastmasters Club No. 1147, Carroll, IA Aug. 1952
Webster City Toastmasters Club No. 1154, Webster City, IA Jan. 1953

Pierre Toastmasters Club No. 1195, Pierre, SD Nov. 1952
Cedar Falls Toastmasters Club No. 1199, Cedar Falls, IA Mar. 1953
Scenic City Toastmasters Club No. 682, Iowa Falls, IA Feb. 1953
Meredith Toastmasters Club No. 1233, Des Moines, IA Apr. 1953
Sibley Toastmasters Club No. 1263, Sibley, IA Apr. 1953
Yankton Toastmasters Club No 1293, Yankton, S. D. May 1953
Clinton Toastmasters Club No. 1319, Clinton, Ia. June 1953
Belmond Toastmasters Club No. 1328, Belmond, Ia. June 1953
Rodeo Toastmasters Club No. 1307, Ft. Madison, IA June 1953
Redfield Toastmasters Club No. 1149, Redfield, S.D. 1952
Rapid City Airforce Base Officers No.1 Toastmasters Club No. 1186, Weaver, S.D. Dec. 1952
Rapid City Airforce Base Airmen Toastmasters Club No. 1187, Weaver, S. D. Dec. 1952

Of Special Note:

Zone D Meeting was held June 13, 1953, Downtown YMCA, St. Paul, Minn.

On July 1, 1953, the South Dakota Toastmasters Clubs detached from District 19 to become District 41, with George Faber, Club 495, Mitchell, SD, as first District Governor.

The Toastmasters International speech contest rules required each contestant to present a prepared five to seven minute speech and to speak extemporaneously for two minutes on an assigned Table Topic.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1953 - 54

International President - Russell V. Puzey

International Director from District 19, Paul Brasch, Club 101, Waterloo

District Governor - Wendell Butler, Club 444, Waterloo (Galloway Company) resigned and on October 1, 1953, he was replaced by

Dr. Walter A. Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City
Prof. of Journalism, S. U. I.

District Officers:

Lieutenant Governor - Dr. Walter A. Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City
Lieutenant Governor - Joe Simonson, Club 780, Hampton
Educational Chairman - Russell E. Sohner, Club 101, Waterloo
Sec.-Treas. - Robert J. Libby, Club 164, Iowa City
Past Governor - Walter E. Schultz, Club 184, Boone

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Stanley Swanson, Club 579, Sioux City
Area 2 - Gerald Jeffers, Club 1154, Webster City
Area 3 - Everett Gross, Club 470, Waukon
Area 4 - George Patterson, Club 685, Muscatine
Area 5 - Dr. A. W. Clow, Club 1089, Washington
Area 6 - John A. Hansen, Club ____, Des Moines resigned and
Orlando Kreider, Club 569, Ames, replaced him
Area 7 - Robert Morrow, Club 1147, Carroll

Speech Contest Winner:
Dr. Don Michaelson, Club 164, Boone and Rod Gelatt, Club 451, Des Moines were named co-winners at the Spring Conference at the Elks Club, Waterloo, May 8, 1954. They competed at Zone H Speech Contest, June 12, 1954, at St. Louis.

New Clubs:

Creston Toastmasters Club No. 804, Creston, Iowa Dec. '53
LeMars Toastmasters Club No. 1385, LeMars, Iowa Nov. '53
Iowa Field Toastmasters Club No. 1387, Des Moines, Ia. Nov. "53
Red Oak Toastmasters Club No. 1462, Red Oak, Iowa May '54
Decorah Toastmasters Club No. 1428, Decorah, Iowa Dec. '53
Palmer Chiropractic Toastmasters Club No. 1501, Davenport, Ia.Apr. '54
JayCee Toastmasters Club No. 1529, Cedar Rapids, Ia. May '54
"Ft. Madison Toastmasters Club No. 1307, Ft. Madison, IA Nov 1953
Dubuque Toastmasters Club No. 1337, Dubuque, IA July 1953
Burlington Toastmasters Club No. 1340, Burlington, IA July 1953
Clarion Toastmasters Club No. 1412, Clarion, IA Dec. 1953

Of Special Note:

Toastmasters International now has 12 Zones. District 19 was
assigned to Zone H which met at St. Louis, Mo., June 12, 1954.

Spring Conference and Speech Contest was held May 8, 1954, at the
Elks Club, Waterloo, Iowa.

The Speech contest rules of Toastmasters International were
changed to make Contest Speeches more extemporaneous by assigning
subjects not more than 24 hours before the contest.

Aug. 1953 Muscatine Club No. 685 held the first annual Watermelon
Bust and Catfish Fry. This activity continued to gather
Toastmasters from all parts of District 19 until 1960 when the
Muscatine Club terminated it.

This was an early gathering at Muscatine.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1954 – 55

International President - Charles H. Griffith

International Director from District 19, Paul Brasch, Club 101, Waterloo

District Governor - W. H. Nanny, Club 101, Waterloo

District Officers:

Lieutenant Governor-Robert S. Morrow, Club 1147, Carroll
Lieutenant Governor-George Patterson, Club 685, Muscatine
Educational Chairman-Dr. Richard L. Hoy, Club 101, Waterloo
Sec.-Treas.-Donald C. Whitmore, Club 101, Waterloo
District Editor - Dr. Walter Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City
Past Governor-Dr. Walter Steigleman, Club No. 164, Iowa City

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Frank Lee, Club 1385, LeMars
Area 2 - Don Bunnell, Club 1328, Belmond, resigned and was replaced by Walt Aman, Club 1154, Webster City
Area 3 - Edward Obele, Club 1199, Cedar Falls
Area 4 - George Dane, Club 164, Iowa City
Area 5 - Thomas E. Clague, Club 663, Ottumwa, resigned and was replaced by John Schweitzer, Club 663, Ottumwa
Area 6 - Chester Adamson, Club 335, Des Moines
Area 7 - Jay Yaryan, Club 184, Boone

Speech Contest Winner:
William R. Schorman, Club 1328, Belmond, won at Spring Conference at Hotel Roosevelt, Cedar Rapids, April 30, 1955. He competed at the Zone H Speech Contest at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill., June 11, 1955, where he placed second with the title "What Is Success?".

New Clubs:

Oskaloosa Toastmasters Club No. 1339, Oskaloose, Ia. Oct. 13,'54
Shenandoah Toastmasters Club No. 1233, Shenandoah June 1955
Marshalltown Toastmasters Club No. 1857, Marshalltown May 1955
Fork & Gavel Toastmasters Club No. 1026, Waterloo June 25, 1955

Of Special Note:

District 19 voted to add a second Lieutenant Governor at the Fall Conference at Carroll. George Patterson was elected to fill the post.

At the Fall Conference District Dues of $1.00 per member per year were adopted to be paid by the clubs to the District.
The Fall Conference, October 23, 1954, was held at Hotel Burke, Carroll, Iowa.

The Spring Conference and Speech Contest, was held April 30, 1955, at Hotel Roosevelt, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

At the 1954 TMI Convention in Washington, D.C., changes in the Club Constitution eliminated the Club Officer "Deputy Governor" and replaced him with an "Educational Vice President" effective October 1, 1955. The other Vice President will be titled "Administrative Vice President". Each club will have 2 voters at District Meetings to be drawn from the President and two Vice Presidents. At the same Convention Districts were authorized to elect additional Lieutenant Governors. District 19 had started the process of amending its by-laws to authorize a second Lt. Governor so proceeded at the Fall Conference in Carroll to elect George Patterson as its second Lt. Governor.

Zone H of Toastmasters International has been expanded to include Wisconsin (District 35) with Districts 8, 19 and 30.

Dayton Countryman of Nevada, Iowa, has been a Toastmaster since October 1949 in Club 569, Ames, Iowa. In the General Election November 1954 he was elected Iowa Attorney General (in 1955 he was one of 11 members of Club 569 who transferred to the new East Story County Toastmasters Club 504, Nevada, Iowa.

The YMCA Speech Club, Marshalltown, Iowa affiliated with Toastmasters bringing 30 members and 10 years experience to District 19. It received Charter Number 1857.

Region II Speech Contest was held June 25, 1955, at Waterloo Elks Club, Waterloo, Iowa, with Carlton P. Sias as General Chairman. The Fork and Gavel Club No. 1026 received its Charter at the Regional Meeting.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1955 - 56

International President - John W. Hayes

District Governor - George Patterson, Club 685, Muscatine Manufacturers' Representative

District Officers:

Lieutenant Governor - Robert S. Morrow, Club 1147, Carroll
Lieutenant Governor - Martin Seltzer, Club 335, Des Moines
Educational Chairman - George Dane, Club 164, Iowa City
Sec.-Treas. - William Spieth, Club 685, Muscatine
District Editor - Walter Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City
Past Governor - W. H. Nanny, Club 101, Waterloo

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Charles Milligan, Club 579, Sioux City
Area 2 - Robert Rosene, Club 1328, Belmond
Area 3 - George Brown, Club 101, Waterloo (Cedar Falls)
Area 4 - Robert Eppel, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Area 5 - John Gamon, Club 1089, Washington
Area 6 - Ross Baumann, Club 569, Ames
Area 7 - Russell Kellogg, Club 184, Boone

Speech Contest Winner: Reggie Gold, Club 1917, Davenport, won at the Spring Conference at Memorial Union, I.S.U., May 5, 1956. He competed at the Zone H Speech Contest at the Pfister Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 16, 1956, where he placed third.

New Clubs:

On The Spot Toastmasters Club No. 1817, Davenport July 1955
East Story County Toastmasters Club No. 504, Nevada Oct. 4, 1955
HiFi Toastmasters Club No. 1917, Davenport Oct. 12, 1955
Hawarden Toastmasters Club, No. 1387, Hawarden April 27, 1956
Delaware County Toastmasters Club, No. 1122, Manchester June 1956
Humboldt Toastmasters Club No. 1385, Humboldt May 21, 1956

Of Special Note:

The new HiFi Toastmasters Club makes the fifth club in Davenport but more unusual is the fact that four of the clubs are in the Palmer School of Chiropractic.

The new club at Nevada chose the 25th anniversary of the organizing of Toastmasters International for its Charter Night.
The District voted at the Fall Conference to assess all clubs a new District Dues of $1.00 per member to help defray the expenses of operating District 19.

The Fall Conference was held at Des Moines and the Spring Conference was held at Ames.

Dr. Clarence D. Clark who was the first president of Club 101, Iowa's pioneer Toastmasters Club, died at age 63 of a heart attack.

The new club at Nevada boasts one very unusual member. Colonel H. E. Hadley is a recognized public speaker in Story County but sought membership when the new club was organizing. He wants to have his bad speech habits called to his attention by the evaluator. Colonel Hadley was 79 years old when he became a Toastmaster.

Muscatine Club 685 Hosted the Executive Committee of District 19 at the Club's Annual Melon Bust and Cat Fish Fry September 11, 1955.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASMasters INTERNATIONAL

Year 1956 - 57

International President - T. Vincent Mc Intire

District Governor - Martin L. "Bromo" Seltzer, Club 335, Des Moines, Aetna Insurance General Agent

District Officers:

Lieutenant Governor - George Dane, Club 164, Iowa City
Lieutenant Governor - Robert Rosene, Club 1328, Belmond
Educational Chairman - Russell Kellogg, Club 184, Boone resigned
and Robert Rosene, Club 1328, Belmond finished the year
Secretary-Treasurer - Melvin J. Thompson, Club 625, Des M.
Past Governor - George Patterson, Club 685, Muscatine

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Kenneth M. Wallace, Club 1116, Rock Rapids
Area 2 - Edward Ruszat, Club 386, Mason City resigned and
Neal Casey, Club 386, Mason City, finished the year
Area 3 - Thomas E. Clague, Club 1337, Dubuque resigned and
W.H. Nanny, Club 101, Waterloo, finished the year
Area 4 - Harold C Lounsberry, Club 1007, Davenport
Area 5 - Charles P. Miller, D.C., Club 1340, Burlington
Area 6 - John B. Miller, Club 504, Nevada
Area 7 - Mel Eyberg, Club 1233, Shenandoah

Speech Contest Winner: Reggie Gold, Club 1917, Davenport, won at
the Spring Conference at Hotel Kirkwood, Des Moines, May 4, 1957,
with the title: "Success". He competed at the Zone H Speech
Contest of Toastmasters International, June 22, 1957, at the
Blackhawk Hotel, Davenport, Iowa.

New Clubs Chartered:

Esquire Toastmasters Club, No. 2388, Des Moines, May 1957
Grundy Center Toastmasters Club, No. 1263, Grundy Center,
November 28, 1956.
Storm Lake Toastmaster Club No. 2390, Storm Lake Apr. 1957

Of Special Note:

The Fall Conference was held at Tallcorn Hotel, Marshalltown,
October 21, 1956. The Spring Conference was held at Hotel
Kirkwood, Des Moines, May 4, 1957.

For those who think a dead club should be forgotten Opportunity
Toastmasters Club No. 451, Des Moines, ceased to meet and wrote
to Toastmasters International that they were ceasing operations.
Gov. Seltzer and Area Gov. John Miller got them going again with heavy transfusions of new members from small groups wanting to be Toastmasters and the help of JayCee Toastmasters; they are now a full complement club.

Dr. Walter Steigleman has gone to Chester, Pa., to be Editor of the Chester Times for two years as a sabbatical leave from S.U.I. In his absence the Executive Committee has voted to continue District 19 News with three issues this year.

The Executive Committee again joined the eastern Iowa Toastmasters at Muscatine Club 685 Cat Fish Fry and Watermelon Bust at the Box Car Ranch, September 16, 1956, and planned the District 19 Fall agenda.

THE BRIDGE IS DOWN

But

HOSPITALITY IS UP

at Muscatine Toastmasters

Fourth Annual Fish Fry and Melon Bust for Toastmasters and their Ladies at Boxcar Ranch, Muscatine, Iowa--2:37 P.M.

You Are Invited--Please Come

Official Toastmasters District 19 Executive Committee meeting and Fall Kick Off...
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1957 - 58

International President - Paul W. Haeberlin

District Governor - George Dane, Club 164, Iowa City
Dane Coal Company

District Officers:

Lieutenant Governor - Harold C. Lounsberry, Club 1007, Davenport
Lieutenant Governor - John B. Miller, Club 504, Nevada
Educational Chairman - Robert W. Rosene, Club 1328, Belmond
Secretary-Treasurer - J.A. Bertramsen, Club 164, Iowa City
Past Governor - Martin L. Seltzer, Club 335, Des Moines

Area Governors:
Area 1 - John S. Lowenberg, Club 856, Spencer
Area 2 - Everett N. Baldus, Club 779, Algona
Area 3 - Lynn Potter, Club 1428, Decorah (Cresco) resigned
        Eldon Crandell, Club 1428, Decorah
Area 4 - Ralph B. Hoover, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Area 5 - Randall E. Winters, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Area 6 - Harry O. Olson, Club 579 Sioux City
Area 7 - Duane L. Modrow, Club 1233, Shenandoah
Area 8 - John P. Miller, Club 335, Des Moines
Area 9 - William Spieth, Club 685, Muscatine

Speech Contest Winner:
At The Spring Conference at SUI Memorial Union, Iowa City, May 4, 1958, David M. Stanley, Club 685, Muscatine won the Speech Contest and competed in Zone B, Region IV contest Hotel President, Waterloo, Iowa, June 7, 1958 where he placed second with the title: "Youth, War and Freedom".
George Coontz, Club 617, Cedar Rapids was 2nd in the District and also competed at the Zone B contest.

New Clubs:

Estherville Toastmasters Club No. 2708, Estherville April 1958

Of Special Note:

Fall Conference was held September 29, 1957, at Warden Hotel, Ft. Dodge. Lt. Gov. Miller presented an educational program based on the Int'l. Convention program of Professor Hoover on Parliamentary procedure. District dues of $1.00 per member were established for another year.

TMI Convention was held at Dallas, Texas, with District 19 represented by Cap Sias, Bill Nanny, John B. Miller, Martin Selzer and John P. Miller. A major revision of Toastmasters
International By-laws provided 16 Directors nominated from eight Regions, an Executive Committee of the Immediate Past President, the President, First and Second Vice Presidents and the Executive Director (formerly Executive Secretary). The Board was 22 members being the Directors, the Executive Committee and the Founder, Ralph C. Smedley. Director candidates will no longer be elected at large but must come from Regions with each of two Zones nominating one but nominations from the "floor" at the TMI Business Meeting will be permitted. District 19 was assigned with District Six to Zone B, Region IV while Zone A is composed of Districts 20, 41, 42 and 64.

Speech Contests above the District will be at the Zone (with at least four speakers) and run offs of two regions each at the International Convention will pick four finalists for the International Speech Contest.

Muscatine Club 685, hosted the annual Fish Fry and Watermelon Bust, September 8, 1957, at the Box Car Ranch. District 19 Executive Committee met with the many Eastern Iowa Toastmasters.

At The Spring Conference, May 4, 1957, at Iowa City, John B. Miller was elected District Governor in absentia and spoke to the conference briefly by long distance telephone from California fed into the public address system.

District Governor Dane presents 1st place Speech Contest trophy to David M. Stanley Club 685, Muscatine at the Spring Confernce at Iowa City while 2nd and 3rd place winners hold their trophies. Upper left - George Coontz, Club 617, Cedar Rapids. Upper right - M. C. Metcalf, Club 779, Algona.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1958-59

International President - Aubrey B. Hamilton

International Director from District 19 - Walter Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City

District Governor - John B. Miller, Club 504, Nevada
   Attorney at Law

District Officers:

Lieutenant Governor - Harold C. Lounsberry, Club 1007, Davenport
Lieutenant Governor - Duane L. Modrow, Club 1233, Shenandoah
Educational Chairman - Ralph B. Hoover, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Secretary-Treasurer - Harold E. Walter, Club 504, Nevada
News Editor - Walter Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City
Past Governor - George Dane, Club 164, Iowa City

Area Governors:

Area 1 - B. J. Keninger, Club 856, Spencer
Area 2 - R. Wayne Shaw, Club 1062, Charles City
Area 3 - Henry D. Kadavy, Club 864, Waterloo
Area 4 - J. A. Bertramsen, Club 164, Iowa City
Area 5 - Leo J. McCurnin, Club 597, Ft. Dodge
Area 6 - Lloyd Otto, Club 1147, Carroll
Area 7 - Melvin E. Seymour, Club 804, Creston
Area 8 - C. L. Callum, Club 663, Ottumwa resigned
   Melvin Thompson, Club 625, Des Moines
Area 9 - Royal Law, Club 1340, Burlington

The Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference
October 5, 1958, at the Ottumwa Country Club, Ottumwa, Iowa, and
won by Richard Smith, Club 184, Boone.

International Speech Contest-District 19 Winner - Rev. Paul
Freeman, Club 1116, Rock Rapids, at the Spring Conference, May 9,
1959, at Indian Creek Country Club, Nevada, with the title: "The
Best Ten Years of Man's Life". He competed at Zone B Region IV
Speech Contest June 6, 1959, at the Kahler Hotel, Rochester,
Minn. Don Goranson, Club 386, Mason City, took second place and
also competed at Zone B Region IV at Rochester.

New Clubs Chartered:

Vinton Toastmasters Club, No. 2895, Vinton Feb. 15, 1959
Eldora Toastmasters Club, No. 1387, Eldora Apr. 3, 1959
Town and College Toastmasters Club, No. 875, Ames Apr. 6, 1959
Newton Toastmasters Club, No. 1385, Newton June 9, 1959
Capital Toastmasters Club No. 1412, Des Moines Apr. 13, 1959

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Of Special Note:

At the International Convention at Pittsburgh Walter Steigelman was elected to a one year term on the Board of Directors of Toastmasters International. Two one year terms were filled as the Board of Directors expanded from 12 to 16 Directors.

The Executive Committee of District 19 held its Fall Planning session at the Muscatine Fish Fry and Watermelon Bust September 7, 1958.

At the Fall Conference of District 19 at Ottumwa the first Humorous Speech Contest was held. Clubs were invited to enter their contestant. Four elimination contests were held in the morning to determine four finalists. The luncheon program was the final contest to pick a winner.

District Governor Miller selected Randall E. Winters as Club Extension Chairman and announced a goal of growth for District 19. Five new clubs were chartered during the year with ground work started for additional clubs next year. The method of making the contacts and building a club were publicized over Toastmasters International and widely used by other Districts.

Fall Conference was at Ottumwa, October 5, 1958, and the Spring Conference was at Nevada, May 9, 1959, with 200 attending.

At the Spring Conference at Nevada, the local club (504) was in charge of the program for a fun luncheon. The first speaker was the Mayor of Nevada who gave the usual welcome with high praise for the Toastmasters. When he tried to give examples of how helpful they had been to his administration he stopped each time as they had opposed him. He became angry and called them a bunch of Toastmasters. His language became so offensive he was asked to leave by local members in the audience but refused and the local officers escorted him from the room. His parting shot was "You better not come to my Traffic Court; I'll throw the book at you." After a full program Mayor Ambrose who had been at the head table through it all was introduced and gave the official Mayor's welcome. The fake Mayor was Toastmaster Frank Ledbetter, Publisher of the Nevada Evening Journal, and later (1966) winner of the District 19 Humorous Speech Contest.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1959 - 60

International President - Emil H. Nelson
District Governor - Harold C. Lounsberry, Club 1007, Davenport
Attorney at Law

District Officers:
Lieutenant Governor - Ralph B. Hoover, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Lieutenant Governor - Randall E. Winters, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Educational Chairman - J. A. Bertramsen, Club 164, Iowa City
Secretary-Treasurer - Bernard L. Messmer, Club 1007, Davenport
News Editor - Walter Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City
Past District Governor - John B. Miller, Club 504, Nevada

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Bernie J. Keninger, Club 856, Spencer
Area 2 - Arlynn S. Mendell, Club 1084, Osage
Area 3 - D. A. Keough, Club 101, Waterloo resigned
  James W. McNitt, Club 407, Waukon
Area 4 - Albert H. Potter, Club 1319, Clinton
Area 5 - Sam R. Zickefoose, Club 569, Ames
Area 6 - C. E. McIlvain, Club 1147, Carroll resigned
  James Olson, Club 579, Sioux City
Area 7 - Dr. J. W. Rapp, Club 1462, Red Oak
Area 8 - Melvin Thompson, Club 625, Des Moines
Area 9 - Ralph Cullen, Club 685, Muscatine

The Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference, Boone, October 4, 1959, and won by James Griffith, Club 1233, Shenandoah.

International Speech Contest-District 19 Winner - Rev. Richard H. Jackson, Club 1328, Belmond, won at the Spring Conference at Lend A Hand Club, Davenport, May 14, 1960, with the title: "The Dangers of Conformity". The Runner Up was David Stanley, Club 685, Muscatine with the title: "The Communists' Greatest Threat". Both speakers advanced to the Zone B, Region IV Speech Contest, June 11, 1960, at Roosevelt Hotel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where Rev. Jackson was ruled ineligible by reason of lack of membership time. David Stanley won the Zone Contest and took second place out of four in the Regional elimination contest held at TMI Convention, Atlanta, Ga., to pick one of the four finalist for the International Speech Contest held the following day.

New Clubs Chartered:

Atlantic Toastmasters Club No. 3082, Atlantic Mar. 21, 1960
Emmetsburg Toastmasters Club No. 1199, Emmetsburg June 1960
Greater Des Moines Toastmasters Club No. 3049, Des Moines Mar. 1960

Of Special Note:

At the TMI Convention, July 1960, in San Francisco, International Director Walter Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City, was unsuccessful in his campaign to be elected to a two year term.

Again on September 13, 1959, the Executive Committee of District 19 joined the eastern Iowa Toastmasters for the Annual Fish Fry and Watermelon Bust hosted by Club 685 at the Box Car Ranch where the Executive Committee planned the fall schedule of District 19.

The Fall Conference was held at Boone, October 4, 1959 and eighteen club entries competed in the Humorous Speech eliminations to pick four finalists.

The Spring Conference was held at Davenport, May 14, 1960, at Lend A Hand Club.

July 1, 1959, District 19 had 56 clubs and ended the year June 30, 1960, with 59 clubs.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1960-61

International President - George Mucey

District Governor - Randall E. Winters, Club 1857, Marshalltown
President, Iowa Operations, Borden Co.

District Officers:

Lieutenant Governor - Melvin Thompson, Club 625, Des Moines
Lieutenant Governor - Jerry Bertramsen, Club 164, Iowa City
Educational Chairman - Dr. J.W. Rapp, Club 1462, Red Oak
Secretary-Treasurer - Donald Trowbridge, Club 1857, Marshalltown
News Editor - Walter Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City
Past Governor - Harold C. Lounsberry, Club 1007, Davenport

Area Governors:

Area 1 - James Waage, Club 579, Sioux City
Area 2 - James McNitt, Club 470, Waukon
Area 3 - Merle Fishel, Club 1529, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - A. W. (Weldon) Walsh, Club 569, Ames
Area 5 - La Verne Babbitt, Club 184, Boone
Area 6 - Ernie Graham, Club 451, Des Moines
Area 7 - Bernard Messmer, Club 1007, Rock Island, IL

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference, October 2, 1960, at the Casa Loma Restaurant, Des Moines, and won by Jerry Cupperman, Club 1116, Rock Rapids, with the title: "The Superb Speaker".

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner: John B. Miller, Club 504, Nevada, won at the Spring Conference at the Fisher Community Center, Marshalltown, May 6, 1961, with the title: "The First Freedom". He competed in the Zone B, Region IV Speech Contest, June 3, 1961, at Parkway Motel, Minneapolis, Minn. Harry Griffin, Club 101, Waterloo, took 2nd place in the District and also competed in the Zone B Speech Contest.

New Clubs Chartered:

Marion Toastmasters Club No. 3250, Marion, Iowa, March 25, 1961.
Ames Rodeo Toastmasters Club No. 1339, Ames, Iowa, March 27, 1961
Clarinda Toastmasters Club No. 2390, Clarinda, Iowa, April 27, 1961.

Of Special Note:

Carleton P. "Cap" Sias Testimonial Dinner was held November 12, 1960, at the President Hotel, Waterloo, Iowa. Cap's 83rd
birthday was approaching (Nov. 22) and District 19 and Cap's friends from other Districts honored the 1st Governor of District 19 and the 1951-52 International President of Toastmasters International on his 20th anniversary of Active Toastmaster Membership. Randall E. Winters, District 19 Governor presided and speakers included: Emil H. Nelson, Immediate Past President of Toastmasters International, Herman E. Hoche, First Vice President, Toastmasters International, Walter Steigelman and John Lamparter, Past International Directors.

In April 1961 Cap Sias died at age 83.

District dues were discontinued and Districts started receiving $1.25 per member from Toastmasters International for District expenses.

The Master Toastmaster Club was organized (but not chartered) for members of District 19 who had completed Basic Training and were working on or had completed the Beyond Basic Training. The first meeting was held at Marshalltown November 20, 1960. Past District Governor Harold Lounsberry was recognized as the father of the idea and was elected to serve as its first president. By meeting at the time and place of the Executive Committee Meeting this group has added enjoyment and camaraderie to these meetings.

At the Spring Conference the District accepted the gift of Mrs. Carlton P. Sias of plaques to be awarded at subsequent Spring Conferences as the "Cap Sias Award" to the Outstanding Toastmaster of District 19.

July 1, 1960, District 19 had 59 clubs and ended the year June 30, 1961, with 62 clubs.

District 19 endorsed John B. Miller as candidate for International Director from Region IV. At Zone B Region IV Conference in Minneapolis District 6 endorsed Norval Anderson who withdrew in favor of John. Zone B nominated John and Zone A did not nominate a candidate. At Toastmasters International Convention Business Meeting at Seattle, Washington, August 6, 1961, he was elected to a two year term on the Board of Directors.

After several years District 19 Executive Committee held its last meeting at the Muscatine Fish Fry and Watermelon Bust September 28, 1960, as Club 685, our hosts discontinued this annual Toastmasters event after seven years. It has been great fun and we thank Club 685 Toastmasters.
At Toastmasters International Convention at Atlanta, Georgia, August 18-20, 1960, Dr. Ralph C. Smedley shows the model of the new Toastmasters International Headquarters, 2200 North Grand, Santa Ana, California, (which was so occupied until June 1990) to the District 19 delegation: left to right David M. Stanley, speech contestant in Regional Speech Contest, Club 685, Muscatine; John B. Miller, Past District 19 Governor, Club 504, Nevada; Dr. Smedley; Randall E. Winters, District 19 Governor, Club 1857, Marshalltown; and Jerry Bertramsen, District 19 2nd Lt. Governor, Club 164, Iowa City.
TO: ALL CLUB PRESIDENTS

RE: ANNUAL CAP SIAS AWARD

Attached is an Activity Sketch. If you have a member in your club whom you feel should be a candidate for Toastmaster of the Year in District 19, please fill out the Sketch (with the assistance of your Executive Committee) and return to Mel Thompson, 2524 57th St., Des Moines, Iowa 50310.

Candidates will be judged on two areas of Activity:

1. On all Toastmaster activities during the year prior to February 1st of the award Year - 1964.

2. On all Toastmaster activities since they first became a member of an Iowa Toastmasters Club.

This program is designed to strengthen Toastmasters at the local level and, therefore, past (elected) district officers and elected district officers will not be considered for this award.

Mr. President, be sure to acquaint your club members with this Award project. Give serious consideration to honoring one of your members by nominating him.

Seven finalists will be selected by the Selection Committee of District 19. They will be invited to attend the District Council Meeting to be held in Ames, Iowa during the month of May. At that time the seven finalists will be interviewed by the Selection Committee and the winner will be announced and his award presented.

Deadline for entry will be March 21, 1964.

Mel Thompson, Chairman
1. History
Nominee's background in Toastmasters from the date he became a member of an Iowa Toastmasters Club.

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Rate of development and basic training Accomplishments:

2. ATTENDANCE
Meetings attended since February 1st of Last Year
Attended Absent

3. PROGRAM PARTICIPATION
Efforts of Nominee to improve programs at the club level.

Nominee's response to speaking assignments

Nominee's contributions as a member of the audience
NEW MEMBER ACTIVITIES

- Guests presented to club by nominee since February 1st of Last Year
  (Do not include new members.)

- New members introduced to club since February 1st of Last Year.

TOTAL GUESTS

INTER CLUB ACTIVITIES

- Review of nominee's efforts to promote club exchanges

- Efforts of nominee to extend new Toastmasters club

PARTICIPATION IN CLUB APPROVED ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE OF THE LOCAL CLUB

- Review projects endorsed by the local club. Example, Speakers Bureau.

If space is not ample to give complete details... attach typewritten supplement.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1961-62

International President - Herman Hoche

International Director from District 19 - John B. Miller, Club 504, Nevada

District Governor - J A. Bertramsen, Club 164, Iowa City
Contractor - former IA Highway Partrolman

District Officers:

Lieutenant Governor - Melvin Thompson, Club 625, Des Moines
Lieutenant Governor - James McNitt, Club 470, Waukon
Educational Chairman - Sam Zickefoose, Club 569, Ames
Secretary-Treasurer - S. W. McAllister, Club 164, Iowa City
News Editor - Walter Steigleman, Club 164, Iowa City
Past Governor - Randall E. Winters, Club 451, Des Moines

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Dave Hollowell, Club 1328, Belmond  resigned
          Earl Webb, Club 1154, Webster City
Area 2 - Martin Borchelt, Club 444, Waterloo (Cedar Falls)
Area 3 - Robert Globus, Club 774, Grinnell  resigned
          Richard Bice, Club 3250, Marion
Area 4 - James Cleverly, Club 1385, Newton
Area 5 - Robert Chapman, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - Art McGiverin, Club 663, Ottumwa
Area 7 - Bernard Messmer, Club 1007, Rock Island, Ill.

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at Grinnell, October 1, 1961, and won by Neal Doyle Club 774, Grinnell (Fairfield).

International Speech Contest-District 19 Winner:
David Stanley Club 685, Muscatine won at the Spring Conference at Iowa City, May 19, 1962, and competed at the Zone B, Region IV, Speech Contest at Hanford Hotel, Mason City, Iowa, June 2, 1962. Owen J. Newlin, Club 625, Des Moines was runner up at the District contest and also competed at Zone B at Mason City.

New Clubs:

Loras Council Toastmasters Club No. 3482, Davenport June 1962
SCI Toastmasters Club No. 2895, Sioux City Feb. 1962
Johnson County Toastmasters Club No. 1147, Iowa City June 1962
Oelwein Toastmasters Club No. 3484, Oelwein, June 1962

Of Special Note:

Toastmasters International President Herman E. Hoche of
Minneapolis, Minnesota, visited District 19 on an official visit in October 1961. President Hoche's lovely wife Edna accompanied him. They visited Cedar Rapids for a day of Public Relations and Governor Bertramsen drove them to Des Moines where District 19 Toastmasters honored them with a dinner meeting to hear President Hoche's inspirational speech.

District 19 hosted Zone B, Region IV Conference June 2, 1962, at Hotel Hanford, Mason City. International Directors, John B. Miller from District 19 and Arthur E. Dracy from District 41 were in charge of the meetings for training and the Speech Contest.

District 19 By-laws were amended at Spring Conference to change Lt. Governors and Educational Chairman offices to: 1st Lt. Governor, 2nd Lt. Governor and 3rd Lt. Governor.

The first Cap Sias Award (for 1961) was presented to Donald Trowbridge, Club 1857, Marshalltown, at the Spring Conference at Iowa City, May 19, 1962. The rules adopted for this award in honor of the late Carlton P. (Cap) Sias exclude from consideration all current District officers and all past elected District officers. Its purpose is to honor Toastmasters at the club level.

The Executive Committee met at Nevada's Steak Fry August 22, 1961.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASMSTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1962 - 63

International President - Frank I. Spangler

International Director from District 19 - John B. Miller, Club 504, Nevada

District Governor - Melvin Thompson, Club 625, Des Moines
Auditor for Merchants Motor Freight

District Officers:

1st Lieut. Governor - James McNitt, Club 470, Waukon resigned
Sam Zickefoose, Club 569, Ames

2nd Lieut. Governor - Bernard Messmer, Club 1007, Rock Island, Ill.

3rd Lieut. Governor - Richard Bice, Club 3250, Marion
Secretary-Treasurer - Robert W. Anderson, Club____, Des Moines
Past Governor - J.A. Bertramson left Iowa at end of this term as
District Governor and Randall E. Winters, Club
451, Des Moines 1960-61 DG served as Past Gov.

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Gene Grear, Club 579, Sioux City
Area 2 - Bill Jenner, Club 101, Waterloo
Area 3 - Frank Stauff, Club 3250, Marion
Area 4 - Robert Button, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Area 5 - Ervin Fickle, Club 3082, Atlantic
Area 6 - Owen Newlin, Club 625, Des Moines
Area 7 - Max Churchill, Club 685, Muscatine

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference, Wahtonsa
Hotel, Ft. Dodge, September 30, 1962, and won by Edgar Dobson,
Club____, Des Moines, with the title:"Verbal Paint Brushes".

International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:
Ben Hogan, Club 444, Waterloo, won at Spring Conference May 11,
1963, at Standard Club, Des Moines. Title: "Youth". Ben Hogan
won the Region IV Contest at St. Paul with the title: "Youth"
and competed at the International Speech Contest at the TMI
Convention at the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel, St. Louis, Mo.,
August 24, 1963, where he placed third (among 8) with the title:
"Youth".

New Clubs:

Chariton Toastmasters Club No. 3582, Chariton April 1963
Hubbard Toastmasters Club No. 1917, Hubbard, Nov. 1962
Of Special Note:

Toastmasters International dedicated its new World Headquarters, 2200 N. Grand, Santa Ana, California, Oct. 27, 1962. It contains 27,000 sq. ft. on a two acre tract and was built at a cost of $650,000.00. It has space for 36 employees and allowance has been made for future expansion.

The Second Cap Sias Award (for 1962) was presented to William Spieth, Club 685, Muscatine, at the Spring Conference in Des Moines, May 11, 1963. The Cap Sias Award recognizes the Outstanding Toastmaster of the Year in District 19.

The Region Speech Contest combined both Zones for the first time and the winner became one of eight finalists at the TMI Speech Contest at the Convention at St. Louis.

The hosts of the Region IV Conference offered competition for the "Best Club In Region IV" and Club 504, Nevada, won the recognition and plaque.

The Executive Committee again met at Nevada's Steak Fry August 28, 1962. This annual steak fry signals the start of the fall Toastmaster season in central Iowa.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1963 - 64

International President - Alex P. Smekta

International Officer from District 19:
John B. Miller, Vice President for Organization, Club 504, Nevada

District Governor - Sam R. Zickefoose, Club 569, Ames
Manager Central Stores, I.S.U.

District Officers:

1st Lt. Governor - Bernard Messmer, Club 1007, Rock Island, Ill.
2nd Lt. Governor - Richard Bice, Club 3250, Marion
3rd Lt. Governor - Owen Newlin, Club 625, Des Moines
Sec. - Treas. - Tom Brooks, Club 569, Ames
Public Relations - Bob Button, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Past Governor - Melvin Thompson, Club 625, Des Moines

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Charles Twedt, Club 597, Ft. Dodge
Area 2 - Bill Jenner, Club 101, Waterloo
Area 3 - Earl Barber, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - Ernie Ulish, Club 569, Ames
Area 5 - Cleon Babcock, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - Wilbur O. Hanson, Club 663, Ottumwa
Area 7 - Max Churchill, Club 685, Muscatine

Humorous Speech Contest held at the Fall Conference October 6, 1963, at the Town House Motel, Cedar Rapids, and won by Phil Vanos, Club ____, Sioux City, with the title "Suburban Party".

International Speech Contest-District 19 Winner: At Spring Conference, May 16, 1964, at ISU Memorial Union, Ames, Roger C. Hart, Jr., Club ____, Waterloo, won with title: "Look To The Trees". He competed at Region IV contest, June 6, 1964, at Oak Manor Motor Lodge, Fargo, North Dakota.

New Clubs:

Activity Toastmasters Club No. 3631, Des Moines Aug. 12, 1963
Harlan Toastmasters Club No. 1501, Harlan Jan. 1964
Cherokee Toastmasters Club No. 3690, Cherokee Feb. 1964
DeWitt Toastmasters Club No. 3744, DeWitt March 1964
Independence Toastmasters Club No. 3729, Independence March 1964
Gladbrook Toastmasters Club No. 1428, Gladbrook Apr. 1964
Of Special Note:

Capital Toastmasters Club 1412, Des Moines, obtained one of only 15 copies of Basic Training Manuals in Braille when Manuel Urena became a Toastmaster. Mr. Urena has been blind since early childhood.

The third Cap Sias Award (for 1963) was presented to Rev. Glen Cadwell, Club 804, Creston, at the Spring Conference in Ames, May 16, 1964. The Cap Sias Award recognizes the Outstanding Toastmaster of the Year in District 19.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1964 - 65

International President - Paris C. Jackson

District Governor - Bernard L. Messmer, Club 1007, Rock Island, Illinois, Salesman - Nation Wide Insurance

District Officers:

1st Lieut. Governor - Richard W. Bice, Club 3520, Marion
2nd Lieut. Governor - Owen J. Newlin, Club 625, Des Moines
3rd Lieut. Governor - Max Churchill, Club 685, Muscatine
Sec. - Treas - Max C. Hanson, Club 1007, Rock Island, Ill.
Past Governor - Sam R. Zickefoose, Club 569, Ames

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Preston Briden, Club 597, Ft. Dodge
Area 2 - Dick Morrell, Club 386, Mason City
Area 3 - Earl Barber, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - Ernest Ulish, Club 569, Ames
Area 5 - Cleon Babcock, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - Robert Hufstader, Club 1412, Des Moines
Area 7 - Alex Day, Club 1007, Davenport

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference, Nevada, Oct. 11, 1964, and won by Paul Williams, Club 1387, Eldora (New Providence) with the title: "Make Up Your Mind".

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner - Ben Hogan, Club 444, Waterloo, won at the Spring Conference, May 8, 1965, at YM-YWCA, Davenport, with the title: "The Birkenhead Drill". He competed at the Region IV Speech Contest, June 12, 1965, at the Thunderbird Motel, Minneapolis, Minn.

New Clubs:

Airport Toastmasters Club No. 380, Des Moines Nov. 1964

Of Special Note:

At Toastmaster International Annual Business Meeting at the Convention in Denver, Colorado, John B. Miller, as Chairman of the OPA Committee of the Board led the drive to equalize the sizes of Regions by requiring periodic boundary adjustments to a maximum and minimum percentage of all clubs in Toastmasters International. It was the principal of one club = one vote in selecting Directors. A vote exceeding 2/3's was required and it
was adopted by 79%. John B. Miller lost his bid for Vice President for Education by 73 votes but returned a year later to win over the same candidate by 747 votes.

The Cap Sias Award for 1964 was presented to George W. Hertema, Club 1857, Marshalltown, at the Spring Conference, May 8, 1965, at Davenport.

Assignment of Clubs to Areas:

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DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1965 - 66

International President - Charles C. Mohr

International Officers from District 19:
John B. Miller, Senior Vice President, Club 504 Nevada
Randall E. Winters, Director, Club 451, Des Moines

District Governor - Richard W. Bice, Club 3250, Marion
Sales Manager, Hubbard Milling Co.

District Officers:
1st Lieut. Governor - Owen J. Newlin, Club 625, Des Moines
2nd Lieut. Governor - Max Churchill, Club 685, Muscatine
3rd Lieut. Governor - Cleon Babcock, Club 804, Creston
Sec. - Treas. - Frank Ball, Club 3250, Marion
Publicity Chairman - John Robertson, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Past Governor - Bernard L. Messmer, Club 1007, Rock Island, Ill.

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Preston V. Briden, Club 597, Ft. Dodge
Area 2 - Harold Younger, Club 386, Mason City
Area 3 - Jack Hotchkiss, Club 3250, Marion
Area 4 - George W. Hertema, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Area 5 - Bill Pitka, Club 3082, Atlantic
Area 6 - Leo Goulden, Club 625, Des Moines
Area 7 - Alex Day, Club 1007, Davenport

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference, Hotel Talcorn, Marshalltown, November 14, 1965, and won by Jim Foy, Club 3690, Cherokee, with the title "The Long Grey Nine."

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner: Sam Zickefoose, Club 875, Ames, won at the Spring Conference, at Town House, Cedar Rapids, May 14, 1966, with title: "The Modern Pied Pipers". Sam won Region IV Speech Contest at Saskatchewan Hotel, Regina, Sask., June 11, 1966, and competed in the International Speech Contest at TMI Convention at San Diego, CA, where he placed 3rd among eight with the same speech.

New Clubs:
Scottish Rite Toastmasters Club No. 1817, Des Moines, July 1965
Indianola Toastmasters Club No. 2895, Indianola Aug. 30, 1965
John Deere Toastmasters Club No. 1116, Moline, Ill. Sept 20. 1965
Moline Toastmasters Club No. 2790, Moline, IL Apr. 22, 1966

Of Special Note:
Dr. Ralph Smedley, Founder of Toastmasters died September 11, 1965. John B. Miller and Randall E. Winters attended the
funeral; John B. Miller was one of the pall bearers.

District 19 sponsored B O J Gavel Club No. 73 at the Ft. Madison Penitentiary.

The Traveling Trophy for Participation and Attendance (a large banner) for District activities was started.

Region IV boundaries were expanded to equalize it with other Regions. Districts 17 (Montana), 24 (Nebraska) and 55 (Wyoming) were added before the Regional Conference and Speech Contest held June 10-12, 1966, at Regina, Saskatchewan.

The Humorous Speech Contest was changed to allow Area Humorous Speech Contests and Area winners competed at the District Contest. The change in the Club Officers terms to start January 1st allowed a later Fall Conference so Area Humorous Contests could be completed.

The Cap Sias Award for 1965 was presented to Robert R. Hufstader, Club 1412, Des Moines, at the Spring Conference, May 14, 1966, at Cedar Rapids.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1966 - 67

International President - John B. Miller

International Officer from District 19, John B. Miller, International President, Club 504, Nevada

International Director from District 19, Randall E. Winters, Club 451, Des Moines

District Governor - Owen J. Newlin, Club 625, Des Moines
            Officer of Pioneer Hibred Companies

District Officers:
1st Lieut. Governor - Max W. Churchill - Club 685, Muscatine
2nd Lieut. Governor - Cleon C. Babcock - Club 1412, Des Moines
3rd Lieut. Governor - Jack H. Hotchkiss - Club 3250, Marion
Secretary-Treasurer - David P. Hopley - Club 451, Des Moines
Publicity Chairman - Robert P. Hogan - Club 335, Des Moines
Past Governor - Richard W. Bice - Club 3250, Marion

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Ronald H. Ehrich, Club 3690, Cherokee
Area 2 - Ben G. Hogan, Club 444, Waterloo
Area 3 - James E. Roan, Club 1263, Toledo
Area 4 - George Hertema, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Area 5 - Edwin N. Ritter, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - Leo E. Goulden, Club 625, Des Moines
Area 7 - Glenn W. Kahle, Club 2790, Moline, Ill.

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference, November 13, 1966, at Gates Hall, Nevada, and won by Frank Ledbetter, Club 504, Nevada, with the title: "I am a Criminal".

International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:
Richard W. Bice, Club 3250, Marion, won at Hotel Ft. Des Moines, Des Moines, May 6, 1967, with the title: "Freedom's Folly". He competed at the Region IV Speech Contest, June 24, 1967, at the Northern Hotel, Billings, Montana.

New Clubs:

Dutchmasters Toastmasters Club, No. 1139, Pella  Oct. 22, 1966
Storm Lake Toastmasters Club No. 2206, Storm Lake Jan. 10, 1967
Ankeny Toastmasters Club No. 1649, Ankeny  March 4, 1967
Speak-Easy Toastmasters Club No. 3588, Dubuque  Feb. 18, 1967
Audubon Toastmasters Club No. 1984, Audubon  April 11, 1967
Desiderata Toastmasters Club No. 2667, Rock Island, Ill.  June 1967
Knoxville Toastmasters Club No. 3148, Knoxville  June 1967
Publicity Chairman Robert P. Hogan prepared a feature story on John B. Miller, President of Toastmasters International, which appeared in many Sunday newspapers. A copy of the article was sent to the TV show "To Tell The Truth" and John was invited to New York City and appeared on the show as "The Real John Miller".

Iowa Governor Harold Hughes proclaimed the week of February 19 to 25, 1967, as Toastmasters Week making note of the achievements of Iowan John B. Miller, President of Toastmasters International.

The Fall Conference was held at Nevada November 13, 1966, and the Spring Conference was held at Des Moines, May 6, 1967.

The Area Governor of the Year was George Hertema, Club 1857, Marshalltown.

The Cap Sias Award for 1966 was presented to 85 year old Harold D. Hughes (Prof Hughes of ISU) at the Spring Conference, Day 6, 1967, at Ft. Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines.

On February 25, 1967, District 19 hosted the President's Recognition Dinner for John B. Miller and his lovely wife Billie at Hotel Kirkwood, Des Moines. Over 200 Toastmasters and their guests took part in the evening of accolades for President John. Out of state guests present included Robert T. (Buck) Engle, Manager of TMI World Headquarters, Santa Ana, California, Ralph E. Howland, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, Vice President for Administration, Toastmasters International, International Directors Jack Pelinka, Minneapolis, Minnesota and Art Diamond, South Bend, Indiana. International Director Randall E. Winters, Des Moines, Iowa, was active in the party. District Governors in attendance included Owen J. Newlin of District 19, Bernard Symczak of District 6 and George Ireland of District 24.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year - 1967-68

International President - Lothar Salin

International Officer from District 19 - John B. Miller, Club 504, Nevada - Immediate Past International President

District Governor - Max W. Churchill, Club 685, Muscatine Kent Feeds Inc.

District Officers:

Lieutenant Governor - Cleon C. Babcock, Club 1412, Des Moines
Lieutenant Governor - Jack H. Hotchkiss, Club 3250, Marion
Lieutenant Governor - George Hertema, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Secretary-Treasurer - John W. Axel, Club 685, Muscatine
Public Relations - Robert P. Hogan, Club 335, Des Moines
Past Governor - Owen J. Newlin, Club 625, Des Moines

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Ronald H. Ehrich, Club 3690, Cherokee
Area 2 - John Cazanas, Club 1062, Charles City (Rockford)
Area 3 - Norman J. Goodwin, Club 3744, De Witt
Area 4 - Robert G. Glenn, Club 875, Ames
Area 5 - Larry Rusco, Club 1462, Red Oak
Area 6 - Gerald B. Winget, Club 451, Des Moines
Area 7 - Glen W. Kahle, Club 2790, Moline, Ill.
Area 8 - Andy Norton, Club 663, Ottumwa

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference, Memorial Union, Ames, November 12, 1967, and won by Craig Sathoff, Club 682, Iowa Falls with the title: "A Day in the Life of Man's Best Friend".

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner:
Ben Hogan, Club 444, Waterloo, won at the Spring Conference at the Elks Club, Muscatine, May 18, 1968, with the title: "The Black Shroud". He competed at Region IV Speech Contest, June 29, 1968, at Sheraton Cataract Motor Inn, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

New Clubs:

Denison Toastmasters Club No. 3285, Denison Apr. 1968
Reveillers Toastmasters Club No. 2931, Davenport Jan. 1968

Of Special Note:

The Cap Sias Award, District 19's Toastmaster of The Year Award, for 1967 was presented to John Curoe, Club 3588, Dubuque, at the Spring Conference at Muscatine, May 18, 1968.
The Area Governor of the Year was Larry Rusco, Club 1462, Red Oak, Iowa.

Since 1982 Max Churchill and his wife Cathy have been portraying Mark and Livy Twain. They make appearances in parades, festivals, on river boats and the like. The Churchills have researched the Twain family and have a 35 minute dialogue on the Life and Times of Mark and Livy Twain. Ninety percent of the program is authentic. They have appeared in a radius from Des Moines to Buffalo, N. Y.; and from Dubuque to St. Louis. They were invited to Hannibal Missouri, in 1985 to do two performances for the 150th birthday anniversary of Mark Twain.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1968 - 69

International President - Earl Potter

District Governor - Cleon C. Babcock, Club 1412, Des Moines
Insurance Inspector

District Officers:
1st Lt. Governor - Jack H. Hotchkiss, Club 3250, Marion
2nd Lt. Governor - George Hertema, Club 1857, Marshalltown
3rd Lt. Governor - Robert G. Glenn, Club 875, Ames
Sec.-Treas. - Gerald B. Winget, Club 451, Des Moines
Past Governor - Max Churchill, Club 685, Muscatine

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Wayne Lentz, Club 579, Sioux City
Area 2 - Harlan Saug, Club 386, Mason City
Area 3 - Larry Huegli, Club 1319, Clinton
Area 4 - Mack A. Emmerson, Club 569, Ames
Area 5 - Larry Rusco, Club 1462, Red Oak
Area 6 - Jim Hopper, Club 1649, Ankeny
Area 7 - Arthur Edwards, Club 1116, Moline, Ill.
Area 8 - Andy Norton, Club 663, Ottumwa

Humorous Speech Contest held at the Fall Conference November 10, 1968, at Town House, Cedar Rapids, was won by James Wolfe, Club 3250, Marion, with the title: "The Evils of Alcohol". This was the first District 19 Humorous Speech Contest with written rules.

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner:
Sam Zickefoose, Club 875, Ames, won at the Spring Conference, at the Scottish Rite Temple, Des Moines, May 17, 1969. He competed at Region IV Contest at Oak Manor Motor Hotel, Fargo, N.D., June 29, 1968, and placed 2nd out of 9.

New Clubs:

YMCA Toastmasters Club No. 3247, Des Moines Nov. 1968
Iowa Great Lakes Toastmasters Club No. 2941, Spirit Lake Dec. 1968
Euphasia Toastmasters Club No. 1209, Iowa City Feb. 1969
Downtowners Toastmasters Club No. 1325, Davenport Mar 1969
Floyd Valley Toastmasters Club No. 1753, LeMars Mar 1969
Interfraternity Toastmasters Club No. 2359, Ames Apr 1969
Federal Toastmasters Club No. 2517, Des Moines June 1969
Of Special Note:

Many Toastmasters and wives joined a special tour of Cape Coral, Florida, home sites promotion to get an inexpensive trip to the Toastmasters International Convention at Miami, Florida, in July 1968. All transportation plus meals and lodging at Cape Coral cost only $119.95 per couple. There were 93 on the flight.

Toastmaster of The Year Award (Cap Sias Award) for 1968 was presented to Dale Weideman, Club 1340, Burlington, at the Spring Conference in Des Moines, May 17, 1969.

Area Governor of the Year Award was presented to Art Edwards Club 1116, Moline, Ill.

TMI's Top Ten Club Bulletin Award was won by Club 451, Des Moines, "Opportunity Knocks", Phil Holzman, Editor.

Long time Toastmaster and winner of top speech contests, David Stanley, Club 685, Muscatine, was the Republican nominee for United States Senator from Iowa but lost to Governor Harold Hughes by only 6415 votes out of 1,143,353 in the general elections, November 1968.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1969 - 70

International President - Ralph Howland

District Governor - Jack H. Hotchkiss, Club 3520, Marion
Administrative Manager, Collins Radio Company

District Officers:
1st Lt. Governor - George Hertema, Club 1857, Marshalltown
2nd Lt. Governor - Robert G. Glenn, Club 875, Ames
3rd Lt. Governor - Gerald B. Winget, Club 451, Des Moines
Sec-Treas. Roy M. Seiler, Club 3520, Marion
Public Relations - Michael A. Malone, Club 431, Cedar Rapids
Past Governor - Cleon C. Babcock, Club 1412, Des Moines

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Wayne Lentz, Club 579, Sioux City
Area 2 - Kenneth L. Hoer, Club 864, Waterloo (Cedar Falls)
Area 3 - Richard H. Rehman, Club 1529, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - Mack A. Emmerson, Club 569, Ames
Area 5 - Floyd R. Persels, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - Jim Hopper, Club 1649, Ankeny
Area 7 - James L. Shaw, Club 1007, Davenport (Rock Island, Ill.)
Area 8 - Ray Fairbank, Club No. 663, Ottumwa
Area 9 - Paul L Williams, Club 1387, Eldora (New Providence)

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference Nov. 9, 1969, Ames, and won by Harry Edwards, Club 1529, Cedar Rapids with the title: "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly".

International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:

New Clubs:
Clarion Toastmasters Club No. 2316, Clarion Oct. 1969
Nokomis Toastmasters Club No. 1061, Humboldt July 1969
Oskaloosa Toastmasters Club No. 3123, Oskaloosa Nov. 1969
Top-O-Morning Toastmasters Club No. 2061, Sioux City Jan. 1970
Story Tellers Toastmasters Club No. 1383, Story City May 1970

Of Special Note:

Iowa Governor Robert Ray proclaimed October Toastmasters Month in Iowa.
The first attempt to organize a Past District Governor's Club was held Saturday evening for dinner November 8, 1969, preceding the Fall Conference on Sunday, November 9, 1969, at Holiday Inn, Ames. They also met for dinner May 15, 1970, at Bill Zuber's Dugout, Homestead (Amana), with International President Howland.

Ralph E. Howland, President of Toastmasters International, visited District 19 at the Spring Conference, Hotel Roosevelt, Cedar Rapids, May 16, 1970.

District 19 received a Distinguished District rating by Toastmasters International for the first time. (This is a recently offered award)

The Area Governor of the Year was Kenneth Hoer, Club 864, Waterloo (Cedar Falls).

The first District 19 Evaluation Contest was won by George Dane, Club 164, Iowa City, at the Fall Conference at Ames.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award (Cap Sias Award) for 1969 was presented to Charles Stalker, Club 1328, Belmond, at the Spring Conference, Cedar Rapids, May 16, 1970.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1970 - 71

International President - Arthur Diamond

District Governor - George W. Hertema, Club No. 1857, Marshalltown
Seed Corn business

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Robert G. Glenn, Club 875, Ames
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Gerald B. Winget, Club 451, Des Moines
Western Division Lt. Gov. - Wayne Lentz, Club 579, Sioux City
Eastern Division Lt. Gov. - Andy Norton, Club 663, Ottumwa
Sec - Treas. - Richard W. Elliott, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Public Relations - George Coffin, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Past Governor - Jack H. Hotchkiss, Club 3520, Marion

Area Governors:
Area 1 - James Whitehouse, Club 2708, Estherville
Area 2 - Jack Meggison, Club 444, Waterloo
Area 3 - Roy M. Seiler, Club 3250 Marion
Area 4 - Gene Stewart. Club 184, Boone
Area 5 - Dennie Thornburg, Club 1462, Red Oak
Area 6 - Steve Hopkins, Club 625, Des Moines
Area 7 - Jack Hughes, Club 3482, Davenport
Area 8 - Delmar Ebersole, Club 1089, Washington (Mount Pleasant)
Area 9 - Robert Wilson, Club 1328, Belmond

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at
Waterloo, Nov. 8, 1970, and won by William "Bat" Masterson,
Club 431, Cedar Rapids, with the title: "Fun With Ventriloquism"

International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:
Ron McFarland Club No. 2931, Davenport, won at the Spring
Conference at Tallcorn Motor Hotel, Marshalltown, with the title:
"Are You a Steel Disc?" He placed second out of nine at the
Region IV Speech Contest June 26, 1971, at Johnny and Kay's Hyatt
House, Des Moines, Iowa.

New Clubs:

Carver Enterprises Toastmasters Club, No. 3896, Muscatine Oct.
1970

Of Special Note:

District 19 hosted Region IV Conference and Speech Contest June
25 and 26, 1971, at Johnny & Kay's Hyatt House, Des Moines, with
Past District Governor Owen J. Newlin as General Chairman.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award (Cap Sias Award) for 1970 was awarded to Bruce Alexander, Club 617, Cedar Rapids, at the Spring Conference at Marshalltown.

The Area Governor of the Year was Eugene Stewart, Club 184, Boone.

The Past District Governors met for dinner May 14, 1971, at the Tallcorn Motor Hotel, Marshalltown as part of the Spring Conference.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1971 - 72

International President - Russell G. Herron

District Governor - Robert G. Glenn, Club 875, Ames
Iowa Highway Patrolman

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Gerald B. Winget, Club 451, Des Moines
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Andy O. Norton, Club 663, Ottumwa
Eastern Div. Lt. Gov. - Roy M. Seiler, Club 3250, Marion
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - C. Eugene Stewart. Club 184, Boone
Public Relations and News Editor - Dave DoBell, Club 875, Ames
Sec. - Treas. - Fred M. Bunce. Club 875, Ames
Past Governor - George W. Hertema, Club 1857, Marshalltown

Area Governors:
Area 1 - William L. Conner, Club 2941, Spirit Lake
Area 2 - William J. J. Weier, Club 444, Waterloo
Area 3 - Roger D. Ferguson, Club 431, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - Robert W. Johnson, Club 1385, Newton
Area 5 - Lester L. Mc Daniel, Club 3082, Atlantic
Area 6 - Frank "Rod" Johnston, Club 2388, Des Moines
Area 7 - Gayle A. McCoy, Club 2667, Rock Island, Ill.
Area 8 - Larry W. Arch, Club 774, Grinnell
Area 9 - Donald L. Morrison, Club 386, Mason City

Humorous Contest was held at the Fall Conference, Sheraton Motor Inn, Mason City, November 6, 1971, and won by Ron Miner, Club 875, with the title: "Ask The Right Question".

International Speech Contest-District 19 Winner:
Merlin Swanson, Club 2790, Rock Island, Illinois, won at the Spring Conference at Ames, May 13, 1972, with the title: "Understanding Your Expressions". He competed at the Region IV Speech Contest, June 3, 1972, at the Ramada Inn, Casper, Wyoming.

New Clubs:
Mt. Pleasant Toastmasters Club No. 3849, Mt. Pleasant Sept 18, 1971
Sibley Toastmasters Club No. 1598, Sibley Jan. 5, 1972
NADL Early Risers Toastmasters Club No. 3595, Ames Apr. 30, 1972
Winnebago Toastmasters Club No. 2759, Forest City, June 15, 1972

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Of Special Note:

The Executive Committee of District 19 met at Nevada and attended the 15th Annual Invitational Steak Fry of East Story County Toastmasters Club 504, August 31, 1971. One of the speakers was District Governor Robert Glenn. The program notes "Everyone evaluates Him".

The Past District Governors met for lunch, November 6, 1971, at Sheraton Motor Inn, Mason City as part of the Fall Conference. They also met for dinner May 12, 1972, at Holiday Inn, Ames as part of the Spring Conference.

District 19's First Communication and Leadership Award was presented to veteran broadcaster Bill Riley at Spring Conference May 13, 1972.

District 19 endorsed the candidacy of Robert G. Glenn for International Director from Region IV. Past Governor Glenn was the only candidate submitted by Region IV and was elected as International Director at TMI Convention at Chicago.

Ron Miner, Club 875, Ames, won the District 19 Humorous Speech Contest November 6, 1971. In the spring of 1972 he moved to Corvallis, Oregon, and joined Club 982, District 7. He won the District 7 Humorous Speech Contest in 1972 with the same speech re-titled "Manure Is My Bag ---Humility Is My Virtue".

District 19 received a Distinguished District rating by Toastmasters International.

Toastmaster of the Year was awarded to Loren Appenzeller, Club 184, Boone, for 1971, at the Spring Conference at Ames, May 13, 1972.

Area Governor of the Year was Gayle McCoy, Club 2667, Rock Island, Illinois.

The Evaluation Contest was won by Captain Albyn Pearn, Club 2667, Rock Island, Illinois.

The District Table Topics Winner was Richard Elliott, Club 1857, Marshalltown.
After standing in the wings waiting for his chance to run for International Director, Past District Governor ('66-'67) Owen J. Newlin, Club 625, Des Moines, withdrew April 16, 1972, at the Executive Committee Meeting. He has been named President of Pioneer Seed Co. and can not spare the time to be Director.

Walter A. Steigleman, Past District Governor ('53-'54) and Past International Director ('58-'59) died Jan. 28, 1972, at Tampa, Fla. He was well known to a decade of District 19 Toastmasters as the Editor of District 19 News.

The Executive Committee met with central Iowa Toastmasters at Nevada for the annual invitational steak fry of Club 504:

Hail! Hail! The gang's all here.

Everyone evaluates him.
Governor Robert D. Ray, of Iowa declared Toastmasters Month for October 1971, with (left to right) Gerald Winget, Educational Lt. Governor District 19, Club 451, Des Moines, John B. Miller, Past International President, Club 504, Nevada, District 19 Governor, Robert G. Glenn, Club 875, Ames, Governor of Iowa, Robert D. Ray, Past District 19 Governor, Owen J. Newlin, Club 625, Des Moines and Past District 19 Governor, Cleon C. Babcock, Club 1412, Des Moines.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERs INTERNATIONAL
Year 1972 - 73

International President - Donald W. Paape

International Director from District 19, Robert G. Glenn, Club 875, Ames

District Governor - Gerald B. Winget, Club 451, Des Moines
Central Life Assurance Co.

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Andy Norton, Club 1412, Des Moines
(Pleasantville)
Administrative Lt. Gov. - C. Gene Stewart, Club 184, Boone
Eastern Division Lt. Gov. - J. Delmar Ebersole, Club 3849,
Mt. Pleasant
Western Division Lt. Gov. - Donald L. Morrison, Club 386, Mason
City
Public Relations - Gayle McCoy, Club 2667, Rock Island, Ill.
Sec. - Treas. - James T. Wells, Club 451, Des Moines
Past Governor - Robert G. Glenn, Club 875, Ames

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Donald E. Hoffman, Club 856, Spencer
Area 2 - Robert J. Vanderlippe, Club 3588, Dubuque
Area 3 - Ronald G. Haugland, Club 164, Iowa City
Area 4 - Neil Longseth, Club 1383, Story City
Area 5 - John A. Wise, Club 3082, Atlantic
Area 6 - Irving Deihl, Club 451, Des Moines
Area 7 - W. G. McCroskey, Club 2667, Rock Island, Ill.
Area 8 - Michael W. Dean, Club 663, Ottumwa
Area 9 - W. J. Buckendahl, Club 597, Ft. Dodge

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference November 5, 1972, at The Harbor House, Storm Lake was won by Tom Thomas, Club 1089, Washington (West Chester) with the title: "Problems".

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner:
Dr. Ron Masters II, Club 386, Mason City, won at the Spring Conference at Scottish Rite Temple, Des Moines, May 12, 1973, with the title: "A Measure of History". He competed at the Region IV Speech Contest at the Holiday Inn, Omaha, Nebraska, June 16, 1973, where he placed second among eight with the title: "The Magic Potion".

New Clubs:
The Statesmen Toastmasters Club No. 1937, Des Moines Aug 11, 1972
Oakdale Toastmasters Club No. 2321, Oakdale Dec. 1972
Of Special Note:

The Toastmaster of the Year Award (Cap Sias Award) for 1972 was awarded to Bert O. Borg, Club 1412, Des Moines, May 12, 1973, at the Spring Conference in Des Moines.

Area Governor of the Year was Irving Deihl, Club 451, Des Moines.

The Evaluation Contest winner was John Goihl, Club 444, Waterloo.

The Table Topics Contest winner was Richard Elliott, Club 1857, Marshalltown.

The Banner Club Winner was Marshalltown Club 1857 (for attendance at District functions).

Town and College Club 875, Ames, was distinguished as a President's 40 Club by Toastmasters International at the Convention.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1973 - 74

International President - David A. Corey
International Director from District 19, Robert G. Glenn, Club 875, Ames
District Governor - Andy Norton, Club 663, Ottumwa
Insurance Man

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - C. Eugene Stewart, Club 184, Boone
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Donald L. Morrison, Club 386, Mason City
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Neil Longseth, Club 1383, Story City
Sec.-Treas. - Todd Reed, Club 663, Ottumwa
Public Relations - Warren Smalley, Club 1412, Des Moines
Past Governor - Gerald Winget, Club 451, Des Moines

Area Governors:

Area 1 - Tom Mc Crill, Club 2206, Storm Lake
Area 2 - Travis Smiley, Club 444, Waterloo
Area 3 - Jerry Sheeley, Club 3250, Marion
Area 4 - Paul Lundy, Club 1339, Ames
Area 5 - Richard Adams, Club 1462, Red Oak
Area 6 - Leo Cleton, Club 1412, Des Moines
Area 7 - John Wakefield, Club _____, Davenport
Area 8 - Kevin Koehn, Club 1089, Washington resigned
Al Henigan, Club 3319, Fairfield
Area 9 - Dewayne Knoshaug, Club 2316, Clarion

The Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at
John Deere and Co., Moline, Ill., November 10, 1973, and won by
John Cazanas, Club 386, Mason City (Rockford) with the title:"A
Tale".

The International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:
Dennis Brown, Club 875, Ames, won with the title:"Winning in
Life" at the Spring Conference, May 11, 1974, Holiday Inn,
Ottumwa. He competed at the Region IV Speech Contest at the
Ambassador Motel, Minneapolis, Minn., June 22, 1974.

New Clubs:

Five Seasons Toastmasters Club No. 3619, Cedar Rapids Aug. 1973
Fairfield Toastmasters Club No. 3319, Fairfield Oct. 1973
River City Toastmasters Club No. 3429, Mason City Feb. 1974
Packwood-Pekin Toastmasters Club No. 3277, Packwood Apr. 1974
Of Special Note:

At the Annual Business Meeting of Toastmasters International held at the Convention at Houston, Texas, August 16, 1973, the membership adopted the most far reaching amendments to: (1) The Bylaws of Toastmasters International (2) The Club Constitutions of the member clubs and (3) The Standard Club Bylaws for member Clubs. These changes permitted women to become members of those Toastmaster Clubs amending their bylaws to provide for women members. Attached are (1) Explanation of proposed action sent to all clubs May 4, 1973. (2) Article III, Section 2, of TMI Bylaws before and after the Amendment. (3) Article III of the Club Constitution of member clubs before and after the Amendment. (4) Article I, Section 1 of the Standard Club Bylaws before and after the Amendment. This left the decision for each club to its membership as the Club Bylaws could only be amended by the members. The reasons set forth on page 2 of the letter of May 4, 1973, were compelling if the Toastmaster movement was to survive.

Frank Miller, Cartoonist with the Register and Tribune, received District's 19's Communication and Leadership Award at the Spring Conference at Holiday Inn, Ottumwa, May 11, 1974.

Toastmaster of the Year for 1973 was awarded to Cleon Babcock, Club 1412, Des Moines, at the Spring Conference, Ottumwa, May 11, 1974.

The Area Governor of the Year was Leo Cleeton, Club 1412, Des Moines.

The Evaluation Contest winner was Ken Snodgrass, Club 3588, Dubuque.

District 19 received a Distinguished District rating from Toastmasters International At the TMI Convention at Anaheim, CA.

Attendance contest at the Fall Conference was won by NADL Club 3595, Ames.
May 4, 1973

MEMO: To each Toastmasters Club President

FROM: Donald W. Paape, President, Toastmasters International


On August 16, 1973, at the Annual Business Meeting of Toastmasters International, the Delegates to the International Convention at Houston will vote upon the proposal, which is herein set forth, for amendments to the Bylaws of Toastmasters International and to the Club Constitution concerning criteria for Toastmasters Club membership.

The effect of these amendments, if they are adopted by the Delegates, will be to give to each club the options of either opening its membership roll to women or of continuing to restrict its membership to men.

Your Board of Directors unanimously recommends adoption of the following amendments:

1. Amend ARTICLE III, Section 2, of the Bylaws of Toastmasters International, by deleting the first sentence and substituting the following:

"Unless otherwise specifically authorized by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors, every Toastmasters club shall be composed of members at least 18 years of age. Each club may decide whether to confine its membership to men or to admit both men and women by the appropriate provision in its Bylaws. Such provision shall become effective when a copy has been mailed to the Executive Director of Toastmasters International for attachment to the copy of the club's Bylaws filed at World Headquarters."

2. Amend ARTICLE III of the Club Constitution, by deleting the first sentence and substituting the following:

"All members shall be at least 18 years of age. The composition of the membership shall be as provided in the Bylaws of this Club."

(OVER)
If the Delegates vote affirmatively upon the Board's recommendation, ARTICLE I of the Standard Club Bylaws will also be amended, effective at the close of the Houston convention, by the addition of a new section to be numbered "1" and to read as follows:

"Sec. 1. Membership in this Club shall be open to men and women at least 18 years of age"; and by renumbering the present sections 1-9 to become Sections 2-10.

Thereafter each existing club, and each new club, will have the right to select whichever membership criteria best suits its needs and wishes.

The following are some of the considerations which caused the Board of Directors to conclude that this proposed local club membership option provision is in the best interests of Toastmasters International: During the past two years, because of the United States Government regulations concerning the use of Federal facilities, and because of policies in effect in many companies in business and industry requiring equal opportunity in all sponsored activities and programs, the Board of Directors of Toastmasters International has adopted guidelines for the granting by the Board of exemptions to the all-male membership criteria for so-called "associated" clubs which needed to open their membership to women in order to survive or to continue to receive support. As a result nearly 10% of all Toastmasters clubs, and more than 25% of the most recently chartered clubs, have applied for and have received such membership criteria exemptions. A number of "community" clubs (whose members are from various occupations and backgrounds rather than being primarily employees of, or otherwise affiliated with, a specific organization or industry) complain, with considerable justification, that they are being discriminated against when they are denied the same membership criteria exemption.

While many, and possibly most, of the existing and new clubs will not elect to open their membership rolls to women, fairness dictates that all options should be uniformly available to all clubs. This is especially true in today's changing circumstances, with society increasingly demanding equal opportunities for everyone. It is not only the younger people who are attracted to programs with that concept and who are potential members, but many organizations, businesses, industries and associations are increasingly endorsing that philosophy. Toastmasters International, as an organization devoted to the promotion of better communication among all people, should be in the front ranks in adapting to the needs of people as circumstances and conditions change.

The Board, with every Director agreeing, urges your favorable consideration of these amendments which, if they become effective, will not obligate your club to change its membership criteria but which will give it an option not presently available to all clubs.
MEMBERSHIP:

Sec. 1. HOW CONSTITUTED: The membership of Toastmasters International shall consist of Toastmasters clubs which, having subscribed to the purposes and ideals of Toastmasters International and having been granted a charter, continue to function in compliance with the conditions set forth in the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, the policies established by the Board of Directors, and the decisions of the Board and its authorized agents and representatives.

Sec. 2. COMPOSITION OF CLUBS: Unless otherwise specifically authorized by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors, every Toastmasters club shall be composed of male members at least 18 years of age. The recommended active membership of any Toastmasters club is thirty active members and no club shall have more than forty such members, unless a greater number is authorized by the Board of Directors because of exceptional circumstances. Clubs may have other than active members under the following classifications: Associate, Inactive or Honorary.

"Unless otherwise specifically authorized by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors, every Toastmasters club shall be composed of members at least 18 years of age. Each club may decide whether to confine its membership to men or to admit both men and women by the appropriate provision in its Bylaws. Such provision shall become effective when a copy has been mailed to the Executive Director of Toastmasters International for attachment to the copy of the club's Bylaws filed at World Headquarters."

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP:

Any man of good moral character, at least 18 years of age, may become a member upon election as provided in the Bylaws of this Club. At no time shall the total enrollment exceed forty (40) active members. The Bylaws of this Club may provide for other classifications of members consistent with the purposes of this Club and of Toastmasters International.

"All members shall be at least 18 years of age. The composition of the membership shall be as provided in the Bylaws of this Club."
BYLAWS

OF THE

TOASTMASTERS CLUB

OF

ARTICLE I

MEMBERSHIP:

"Sec. 1. Membership in this Club shall be open to men and women at least 18 years of age."; and by renumbering the present sections 1-9 to become Sections 2-10.

2. Sec. 1. Applicants who have been elected to membership shall be classified by the Membership Committee. The membership of this Club may be divided into four classifications: ACTIVE, ASSOCIATE, HONORARY, and INACTIVE.

3. Sec. 2. ACTIVE MEMBERS shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of the Club, and shall share in its responsibilities. Associate and inactive members shall be given priority in filling vacancies in the active membership.

4. Sec. 3. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS are members awaiting a vacancy in the active roster.

5. Sec. 4. HONORARY CLUB MEMBERSHIP may be conferred upon any person by a two-thirds vote of the total active membership.** Such memberships shall be restricted to persons whose activities and public utterances are consistent with the purposes of Toastmasters International; and shall be conferred for a period of one year only subject to renewal annually by vote of the Club.

**Honorary membership usually is conferred only on an adult male person who has distinguished himself by meritorious service in the furtherance of the ideals of the Toastmasters Club. It is an honor not to be lightly or indiscriminately conferred.

6. Sec. 5. INACTIVE MEMBERS are those members not otherwise classified. An inactive member may become an active or associate member upon his request and recommendation of the Membership Committee; except that he may become an active member only if there is a vacancy in the roster.

7. Sec. 6. Associate, honorary and inactive members are not eligible to any office, or voting privileges. They are eligible to participate in table discussions and to serve as critics. They are not entitled as of right to places on the regular speakers' program but may serve as substitute speakers when requested by the President or the Toastmaster of the meeting.

8 Sec. 7. Any member may sponsor an eligible prospective member. Application for membership shall be made on the form supplied by Toast-
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1974 - 75

International President - John F. Diaz

District Governor - C. Eugene Stewart, Club 184, Boone
Office Manager - Doboy Feeds, Ames

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Donald Morrison, Club 386, Mason City
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Neil Longseth, Club 1383, Story City
Eastern Division Lt. Gov. - Jerry Sheeley, Club 3250, Marion
Western Division Lt. Gov. - Leo Cleton, Club No. 1412, Des Moines
Sec.- Treas. - Loren Appenzeller, Club 184, Boone
Bulletin Editor - Gerald B. Winget, Club 451, Des Moines
Public Relations - Irving Deihl, Club 451, Des Moines
Past Governor - Andy Norton, Club 663, Ottumwa

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Martin Zauhar, Club 3690, Cherokee
Area 2 - Al Mescher, Club 1337, Dubuque
Area 3 - Glade Drake, Club 3250, Marion
Area 4 - Larry Helton, Club 504, Nevada
Area 5 - Bill Ray, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - Jim Wells, Club 451, Des Moines
Area 7 - Lloyd Efflandt, Club 2667, Moline, Ill. resigned
Larry Madlem, Club 1116, Moline, Ill.
Area 8 - Al Henigan, Club 3319, Fairfield
Area 9 - Ed Banning, Club 1328, Belmond

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at Memorial Union, Ames, November 2, 1974. Harold Michels, Club 101, Waterloo, was the winner with the title: "Nervousness In Speaking".


New Clubs:

After Hours Toastmasters Club No. 3216, Rock Island, IL Sept. 1974
Diplomats Toastmasters Club No. 3298, Des Moines May 1975
Of Special Note:

Toastmasters International counts its birthdays from the first meeting of Club 1, Santa Ana, California, October 22, 1924, so celebrated its 50th birthday at the 1974 Annual Convention at Anaheim, CA., August 1974.

District 19 Executive Committee held its fall planning meeting at Nevada, and joined Central Iowa Toastmasters in a fall kick-off at the Annual Steak Fry hosted by Club 504, Nevada.

Past International Director Randall E. Winters was honored at a special 50th Anniversary Program at Adventure Land Inn, Des Moines, September 22, 1974.

International President John Diaz paid District 19 an official visit for our Fall Conference at Ames November 2, 1974, and was a welcome guest as the District and especially Club 504 ROASTED Past International President John B. Miller of Club 504 at a special John Miller Dinner November 1, 1974, at Ramada Inn, Ames.

Toastmaster of the Year honor for 1974 was awarded to Gayle McCoy, Club 3216, Moline, Ill., at the Spring Conference at Boone, May 3, 1975.

Area Governor of the Year was Al Mescher, Club 1337, Dubuque.

The Evaluation Contest was won by David Lofdahl, Club 2790, Moline, Ill.

President Diaz, District Governor Stewart and Past International Director Glenn start the Presidential Visit.
HELP US ROAST JOHN MILLER

Harold E. Walter, Past District 19 Sec.-Treas. (1958-59), Club 504, Nevada

Alfred E. Ritchie, Club 504, Nevada

President Diaz,
Harold L. Miller,
Club 504, Nevada, &
John B. Miller,
Past Int'l. Pres.
TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL SPEECH CONTEST FINALS

District 19 won two first places and one second place in its first five years as a District. Doug Sherwin in 1947 and Chuck Hilton in 1950 each won the First Place Trophy and Wendell Butler in 1951 received Second Place.

Third Place Trophies went to Ben Hogan in 1963 and Sam Zickefoose in 1966.

In 1976 Max Isaacson, Club 2388, Des Moines, won the Region IV Speech Contest at Fairmont Hot Springs, Montana, and at the International Convention in New Orleans, La., August 21, 1976, he was awarded the Second Place Trophy.

Hubert Dobson, Third Vice President of Toastmasters International, presents Max Isaacson the First Place Trophy at the Region IV Speech Contest.

Liz, Max and the Trophy

Neil Longseth, Dobbie Dobson, Max Isaacson and Leo Cleeton.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1975 - 76

International President - George C. Scott

District Governor - Donald L. Morrison. Club 386, Mason City
Branch Manager, GMAC, Mason City

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Neil Longseth, Club 1383, Story City
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Leo Cleton, Club 1412, Des Moines
Eastern Div. Lt. Gov. - Rod Johnston, Club 2388, Des Moines
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Robert A. Jenkins, Club 2388, Des Moines
Sec. - Treas. - Charles Dickey, Club 386, Mason City
Past Governor - C. Eugene Stewart, Club 184, Boone

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Harvey Hansen, Club 856, Spencer
Area 2 - John Lindaman, Club 444, Waterloo
Area 3 - Don Nidey, Club 3250, Marion resigned
Loren Capron, Club 1529, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - Merlin Hove, Club 875, Ames
Area 5 - Dean Swanson, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - Leander Harral, Club 3049, Des Moines
Area 7 - Larry Madlem, Club 1116, Moline, Ill.
Area 8 - Jim Miller, Club 663, Ottumwa resigned
Bob Olson, Club 1340, Burlington
Area 9 - Harold Johnson, Club 597, Ft. Dodge

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at Alpine Village Inn, Des Moines, November 15, 1975. The winner was Steve Hopkins, Club 625, Des Moines, with the title: "Good Old Duke".

International Speech Contest-District 19 Winner:
Max Isaacson, Club 2388, Des Moines, won at the Spring Conference at Holiday Motor Lodge, Clear Lake, May 1, 1976. He won Region IV Speech Contest at Fairmont Hot Springs, Montana, June 5, 1976, and competed in the finals of the International Speech Contest at TMI Convention at New Orleans August 21, 1976, receiving 2nd place out of eight speeches. His title was "If I Can't Take It With Me, I'm Not Going".

New Clubs:

Massey-Ferguson Toastmasters Club No. 3029, Des Moines Apr. 1976

Of Special Note:

The Executive Committee of District 19 again planned the fall activities while attending the Annual Invitational Steak Fry of Club 504, Nevada, August 26, 1975.
Iowa Governor Robert Ray proclaimed November 15, 1975, to be Toastmasters Day.

Iowa Governor Robert D. Ray received District 19's Communication and Leadership Award at the Spring Conference at Clear Lake, May 1, 1976.

Sam Zickefoose was District 19's candidate for International Director at the Region IV Conference at Butte, Montana, June 5, 1976, in a crowded field but placed 3rd (only two were certified to the New Orleans TMI Convention).

Toastmaster of the Year honor was awarded to Irving Deihl, Club 451, Des Moines.

Area Governor of the Year was Larry Madlem, Club 1116, Moline, Ill.

The Evaluation Contest was won by Max Churchill, Club 685, Muscatine.

International Director Don Plaskett of Thunderbay, Ontario, Canada, visits with Past District Governors Glenn, Winters, Norton, (Plaskett), Stewart, Zickefoose and Winget at the Fall Conference, Nov. 15, 1975, at Des Moines, Iowa.

Iowa Governor Robert D. Ray addresses District 19 Spring Conference, Clear Lake, Iowa, May 1, 1976, on receiving District 19's Communication and Leadership Award.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1976 - 77

International President - Robert W. Blakely

District Governor - Neil Longseth, Club 1383, Story City
Iowa Highway Patrolman - Trainer

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Leo Cleeton, Club 1412, Des Moines
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Robert A. Jenkins, Club 2388, Des Moines

Eastern Div. Lt. Gov. - Larry Madlam, Club 3216, Rock Island, IL
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - William Conner, Club 2941, Spirit Lake
Sec. - Treas. - Dwight Scoville, Club 1383, Story City
Bulletin Editor - Sherri Bohning, Club 1383, Story City
Public Relations - Roger Sweet, Club 875, Ames
Past Governor - Donald L. Morrison, Club 386, Mason City

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Bob Straiton, Club 1753, Le Mars
Area 2 - Jim Johnson, Club 3588, Dubuque
Area 3 - Ron Rath, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - Dave Tucker, Club 184, Boone
Area 5 - Dean Swanson, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - Jim Blaney, Club 380, Des Moines
Area 7 - Merlin Swanson, Club 2790, Moline, Ill.
Area 8 - Robert Olson, Club 1340, Burlington
Area 9 - Harold Johnson, Club 597, Ft. Dodge

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at Ramada Inn, Waterloo, November 6, 1976, and was won by Larry Ferguson, Club 875, Ames, with the title "The Evaluator".

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner:
Ben Hogan, Club 444, Waterloo, won at the Spring Conference at the Ramada Inn, Marshalltown, April 30, 1977, with the title: "Thanks For The Memory". Ben competed at the Region IV Speech Contest at the Armory in Sioux Falls, S. D., June 11, 1977, and was awarded second place out of eight speakers with the title: "The Bridge". Region IV meetings were at Downtown Holiday Inn.

New Clubs:

Hamilton College Toastmasters Club No. 3911, Mason City, July '76
Greene Speakers Toastmasters Club No. 2799, Jefferson, Sept. 11,
Northwest Toastmasters Club No. 3566, Urbandale, Sept. 15
Sun Risers Toastmasters Club No. 1147, Ft. Dodge, Sept. 25
Toast O'Town Toastmasters Club No. 2094, Sioux City, Jan. 1977
Sunrise Toastmasters Club No. 2919, Boone, March 1977
Of Special Note:

The By-Laws of Toastmasters International were amended by the required two-thirds vote to read "Each club may decide whether to confine its membership to men or to women or to admit both men and women by the appropriate provision in its By-Laws".

Old Capital Toastmasters Club 164, Iowa City, celebrated its 25th Anniversary Jan. 20, 1977, with special guest Terry McCann, Executive Director of Toastmasters International, who was the featured speaker. Terry McCann wrestled for University of Iowa and later won a Gold Medal at the 1960 Olympic Games in Rome.

John "Jack" Callaghan, Director of the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy, received District 19's Communication and Leadership Award at the Spring Conference at Marshalltown, April 30, 1977. He is the 4th person honored by District 19. Earlier recipients were Bill Riley (1972), Frank Miller (1974) and Gov. Robert Ray (1976).

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1976 was presented to Larry Huegli, Club 386, Mason City.

The Area Governor of the Year was Harold Johnson, Club 597, Ft. Dodge.

The Evaluation Contest winner was Larry Huegli, Club 386, Mason City.

District 19 was awarded a Top Ten District Bulletin Award by Toastmasters International - Co-Editors were Sherri Bohning and Neil Longseth.

Toastmasters International selected Opportunity Toastmasters Club 451, Des Moines, for a Top Ten Club Bulletin Award: Opportunity Knocks, Gerald Winget, Editor.

A dinner on Friday, April 29, 1977, at the Spring Conference at the Ramada Inn, Marshalltown, Iowa, honored the Past District Governors of District 19. It was well attended.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL  
Year 1977 – 78

International President - Durwood English

District Governor - Leo Cleton, Club 1412, Des Moines Insurance Industry

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Robert Jenkins, Club 2388, Des Moines
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Larry Madlem, Club 3216, Rock Island
Eastern Div. Lt. Gov. - Merlin Swanson, Club 2790, Rock Island
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Irving Deihl, Club 451, Des Moines
Sec. - Treas. - Mary "Little Bit" Hugeback, Club 3029, Des Moines
Bulletin Editor, Neil Longseth, Club 1383, Story City
Past Governor - Neil Longseth, Club 1383, Story City

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Wendel Hefner, Club 2061, Sioux City
Area 2 - Leo Kueper, Club 3588, Dubuque
Area 3 - Ralph Fandel, Jr., Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - Lamar Stanley, Club 3595, Ames (Kelly, Ia.)
Area 5 - Bill Cullen, Club 3588, Denison
Area 6 - Dwight Scoville, Club 3298, Des Moines
Area 7 - Boyd McIntire, Club 2790, Rock Island, Ill.
Area 8 - Keith Hill, Club 663, Ottumwa
Area 9 - William Moffatt, Club 597, Ft. Dodge
Area 10 - Charles Jansen, Club 1937, Des Moines
Area 11 - Ray Stevens, Club 1325, Davenport

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at Amana Holiday Inn near Amana Colonies November 19, 1977, with Nick Penney, Club 3216, Rock Island, Ill. winning with the title: "The Connoisseur, The Wino and Me".


New Clubs:
Art's Way Toastmasters Club No. 2253, Armstrong July 1977

Of Special Note:
Russ Van Dyke, News Director for KCCI-TV, Des Moines, received
the District 19 Communication and Leadership Award at the Spring Conference, April 29, 1978, at Rolling Prairie Inn, Des Moines.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1977 was presented to John Cazanas, Club 386, Mason City (res. Rockford, Ia.), at the Spring Conference at Rolling Prairie Inn, Des Moines, April 29, 1978.

The Area Governor of the Year was William Moffatt, Club 597, Ft. Dodge.

The Evaluation Contest Winner was Gene Smith, Club 2061, Sioux City.

The Past District Governors held a dinner meeting April 28, 1978, at Rolling Prairie Inn as part of the Spring Conference.

Evelyn Jane Davis, Club 1152, District 36, Washington, D. C., was a finalist at the International Speech Contest at Toronto, Canada, and became the first woman Toastmaster to win the Toastmasters International Speech Contest.

At the noon lunch on Saturday.
Roger Hanes ATM, banjo in hand, introduced the song "Toasts-
masters is the name we're known by." Roger composed the
music; the words are by Ida Briden, wife of Preston Briden, a
30-year veteran of Toastmasters. The song was received well by
all and appears below.

Ida works part-time at the Ford Dodge Civil Defense office. She
has had one song published, and does writing of different kinds as
a hobby. Roger is a professional musician, who has his own band,
plays banjo or piano for special occasions, and also tunes pianos.
He has been a member of Fort Dodge Toastmasters #569 for
eight years.

Congratulations to Ida and Roger from all of us!

A TOASTMASTERS SONG?

With a
Little
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A first
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DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year - 1978 - 79

International President - Hubert E. Dobson

District Governor - Robert Jenkins, Club 2388, Des Moines
Retired Pressman from Meredith's

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Larry Madlem, Club 3216, Rock Island, Ill.
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Irving Deihl, Club 451, Des Moines
Eastern Div. Lt. Gov. - John Dunn, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Larry Huegli, Club 386, Mason City
Sec. - Treas. - Mary "Li'l Bit" Hugeback, Club 3029, Des Moines
Bulletin Editor - Rod Johnston, Club 2388, Des Moines
Past Governor - Leo Cleeton, Club 1412, Des Moines

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Hazel Watje, Club 2061, Sioux City
Area 2 - Leo Kueper, Club 3588, Dubuque
Area 3 - Bob Peterson, Club 3250, Marion (Cedar Rapids)
Area 4 - Bob Randall, Club 1857, Marshalltown (Gilman)
Area 5 - Bill Cullen, Club 3288, Denison
Area 6 - Mary R. Young, Club 3298, Des Moines
Area 7 - M. A. (Bode) LaBode, Club 685, Muscatine
Area 8 - Keith Hill, Club 663, Ottumwa
Area 9 - George Trent, Club 1147, Ft. Dodge
Area 10 - Bessie Gerstenberger, Club 1937, Des Moines
Area 11 - Robert W. Smith, Club _____, Bettendorf

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at Starlite Village Inn, Ft. Dodge, November 18, 1978, and won by John Curoe, Club 3588, Dubuque, with the title "A Tall Tale About a Tall Dog"

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner:
Nick Penny, Club 3216, Moline, Ill. won at the Spring Conference, April 28, 1979, at Colony Haus, near the Amana Colonies and competed in Region IV Speech Contest at Winnipeg, Manitoba, June 9, 1979, where he placed 3rd in a field of 8. Nick Penny is the first winner of both the Humorous Contest and the Serious Speech contest in District 19 having won the Humorous Contest November 19, 1977, also at Amana.

New Clubs:

Centerville Toastmasters Club No. 2190, Centerville, Sept. 1978
Ruan Center Toastmasters Club No. 1991, Des Moines, Sept. 1978
HON Industries Toastmasters Club No. 1039, Muscatine, Mar. 1979
Sleepy Eye Toastmasters Club No. 1019, Webster City, Apr. 1979
Fairfield Toastmasters Club No. 2029, Fairfield, Apr. 1979
Centel Toastmasters Club No. 3957, Ft. Dodge, June 1979

Of Special Note:

District 19 endorsed the candidacy of Neil Longseth for International Director from Region IV. At the Region IV business meeting at Winnipeg, Manitoba, Neil received 48% of the vote and was certified to the International Convention at Minneapolis where Mario Pedercini of Minneapolis prevailed.

Dan Gable, Wrestling Coach at University of Iowa received the District 19 Communication and Leadership Award at the Spring Conference at Colony Haus, Amana. Dan has been called the greatest amateur wrestler in the world. He was All-American for all three years of college and as a coach has built his team into the number one team in the country.

District 19 was recognized at the TMI Convention as a Distinguished District for 1978-79 year. The last such recognition for District 19 was the 1973-74 year.

Jim Johnson, Club 451, Des Moines was honored as Toastmaster of the year for 1978 at the Spring Conference. He died of a stroke September 3, 1979, after his election as Eastern Division Lieutenant Governor for 1979-80.

Area Governor of the Year was Mary R. Young, Club 3298, Des Moines.

The Evaluation Contest was won by Jim Wells, Club 451, Des Moines.

At the Toastmasters International Convention for 1978 at Vancouver, B. C., Canada, Helen Blanchard was elected the first woman on the Board of Directors of Toastmasters International.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1979 - 80

International President - Eric K. Stuhlmueller

District Governor - Larry Madlem, Club 3216, Rock Island, Ill.
Administrator, John Deere Co.

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Irving Deihl, Club 451, Des Moines
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Mary R. Young, Club 3298, Des Moines
Eastern Div. Lt. Gov. - James Johnson, Club 451, Des Moines died
Eastern Div. Lt. Gov. - Leo Kueper, Jr., Club 3588, Dubuque
Sec.-Treas. - M. A. "Bode" LaBode, Club 685, Muscatine
Bulletin Editor - Larry Huegli, Club 386, Mason City
Past Governor - Robert Jenkins, Club 2388, Des Moines

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Hazel Watje, Club 2061, Sioux City
Area 2 - Nick Stoeckel, Club 3588, Dubuque
Area 3 - Lou Mandle, Club 1529, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - Dale Mount, Club 875, Ames
Area 5 - Dean Swanson, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - Bill Currier, Club 3029, Des Moines
Area 7 - Robert Cassell, Club 3896, Muscatine
Area 8 - Dwight Riley, Club 2190, Centerville
Area 9 - Dave Lawler, Club 597, Ft. Dodge
Area 10 - Roger Farrow, Club 625, Des Moines
Area 11 - Kenneth Morelack, Club____, Davenport

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at
Adventureland Inn, Des Moines, November 11, 1979, and won by
Joan Johanson, Club 597, Ft. Dodge (Gowrie) with the title: "A
Woman's Favorite Pastime".

International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:
Larry Huegli, Club 386, Mason City, won at the Spring Conference
at Jumer's Castle Lodge, Bettendorf, May 24, 1980, with the title
"Sand". He competed in the Region IV Speech Contest at Five
Seasons Hotel, Cedar Rapids June 7, 1980, where he placed 2nd in
a field of 8 contestants with the title: "WASP -World Ass'n for
Short People."

New Clubs:

Master Toastmasters of Iowa Club No. 4098, Newton, Nov. 1979
Phonetics Toastmasters Club No. 4192, Des Moines, Apr. 1980
Sioux Sayers Toastmasters Club No. 4193, Sioux City, Apr. 1980
Speak Easy Toastmasters Club No. 2578, Waterloo, May 1980
FMC Corp. Toastmasters Club No. 4239, Cedar Rapids, June 1980
HON After Hours Toastmasters Club 4251, Muscatine, June 1980

Of Special Note:

Toasters International President Eric Stuhlmueller of Winnipeg, Manitoba, paid an official visit to District 19 May 23 and 24, 1980, by visiting Toastmasters in Des Moines and attending the Spring Conference at Bettendorf. He renewed many friendships and made numerous new friends.

Bishop Maurice Dingman of the Des Moines Diocese received the District 19 Communication and Leadership Award at the Spring Conference at Bettendorf. He was instrumental in organizing the visit to Des Moines last fall by Pope John Paul II. He is the sixth public personage to be so honored by District 19.

Iowa Governor Robert Ray proclaimed May as Toastmaster Month in Iowa. This is another recognition of the growing importance of Toastmasters in Iowa.

District 19 was recognized at the TMI Convention as a Distinguished District for the 1979-80 year. This was a team effort and all the officers and members who worked so hard to achieve it are recognized and thanked for a job well done.

Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1979 was presented to George Trent, Club 1147, Pt. Dodge, at the Spring Conference at Bettendorf.

Area Governor of the Year was Robert Cassell, Club 3896, Muscatine.

Past District Governor Neil Longseth, Club 1383, Story City, received the Toastmasters International Presidential Citation from President Eric K. Stuhlmueller at the Convention at Milwaukee, Wis.

Past District Governors met with International President Stuhlmueller at the Spring Conference at Bettendorf, Iowa, and had their picture taken:
Back row- Babcock, Madlem, Hotchkiss, Rudy Schmidt PDG 22, Winget, Jenkins, Norton, Cletton, Morrison and Longseth
Front row- Churchill, Dane, Pres. Stuhlmueller, Miller and Patterson.
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DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year  1980 - 81

International President - Patrick A. Panfile

District Governor - Irving Deihl, Club 451, Des Moines
Agronomist, Pioneer Hi-Bred Co.

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Mary R. Young, Club 3298, Des Moines
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Leo Kueper, Club 3588, Dubuque
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - George Trent, Club 1147, Ft. Dodge
Sec. - Treas., -Phyllis Allen, Club 635, Des Moines
Bulletin Editor - Larry Huegli, Club 386, Mason City
Past Governor - Larry Madlem, Club 3216, Rock Island, Ill.

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Ray Young, Club 2094, Sioux City
Area 2 - Reed Craft, Club 101, Waterloo
Area 3 - Vic Schuerman, Club 1824, Amana (Cedar Rapids)
Area 4 - Dale L. Mount, Club 875, Ames
Area 5 - Dean Swanson, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - G. Ruth Miller, Club 1911, Des Moines
Area 7 - Robert Cassell, Club 3896, Muscatine
Area 8 - James Knedler, Club 2190, Centerville
Area 9 - Norman Ottman, Club 2253, Armstrong
Area 10 - Kenneth Pitcher, Club 2388, Des Moines
Area 11 - Dr. Ronald Hill, Club 3744, DeWitt

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at the
Newton Inn, Newton, November 8, 1980, and won by Chuck Knodle,
Club 451, Des Moines, with the title "Opera's Worst Hour".

International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:
Fred Wienecke, Club 1337, Dubuque, won at the Spring Conference
at Starlite Village Motel, Ames, May 9, 1981, with the title:
"The Torch". He competed at Region IV Speech Contest at
Columbus, Nebraska, June 13, 1981, where he placed third among
eight speakers with the title: "Punching Holes in the Dark".

New Clubs:

Alcoa (W)Rappers Toastmasters Club No. 4386, Davenport, Oct. 1980
Early Risers Toastmasters Club No. 3135, Des Moines, Mar. 1981
CTPD Toastmasters Club No. 3154, Cedar Rapids, Mar. 1981
Ankeny Toastmasters Club No. 4477, Ankeny, Mar. 1981
Park Place Toastmasters Club No. 4521, Des Moines, May 1981
Of Special Note:

C. Maxwell Stanley, President of the Stanley Foundation, Muscatine, Iowa, received the District 19 Communications and Leadership Award for 1980, at the Spring Conference at Ames. Through The Stanley Foundation he has encouraged the study, research and education toward promoting world peace.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1980 was presented to Ronald Rath Club 617, Cedar Rapids at the Spring Conference.

The Area Governor of the Year was Ken Pitcher, Club 2388, Des Moines.

The Evaluation Contest was won by Ralph Jackson, Club 685, Muscatine.

District 19 was recognized as a Distinguished District by Toastmasters International.

District 19 was awarded a Top Ten District Bulletin Award by Toastmasters International for "The Corner Post", Editor, Larry Huegli, Club 386, Mason City.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1981 - 82

International President - William D. Hamilton

District Governor - Mary R. Young, Club 3298, Des Moines
Federal Employee

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Leo Kueper, Jr., Club 3588, Dubuque
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Ronald E. Rath, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Eastern Div. Lt. Gov. - Robert Cassell, Club 3896, Muscatine
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Dean Swanson, Club 804, Creston
Sec. - Treas. - Phyllis Allen, Club 335, Des Moines
Bulletin Editor - Roger Farrow, Club 625, Des Moines
Past Governor - Irving R. Deihl, Club 451, Des Moines

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Ray Young, Club 2094, Sioux City
Area 2 - Wayne Collins, Club 1337, Dubuque
Area 3 - Scott Rausch, Club 3250, Marion (Cedar Rapids)
Area 4 - Robert M. Davis, Club 875, Ames
Area 5 - Dennis W. Kooyman, Club 1501, Harlan
Area 6 - Larry Murphy, Club 451, Des Moines
Area 7 - Marvin Wilson, Club 1039, Muscatine
Area 8 - Mike Hennenfent, Club 1340, Burlington (Smithshire, Ill.)
Area 9 - Herb Bishop, Club 597, Ft. Dodge
Area 10 - Corwyn Hicks, Club 1937, Indianola died Dec. 25
Robert Letsch, Club 625, Des Moines finished year
Area 11 - John Hoenshell, Club 2667, Rock Island (Davenport)
Area 12 - Marshall Davis, Club 1412, Des Moines
Area 13 - Carroll H. Abbey, Club 3049, Des Moines

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at the
Sheraton Inn, Cedar Rapids, November 7, 1981, won by Robert
Jenkins, Club 2388, Des Moines, with the title: "The Buggy Ride".

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner:
Nancy Kirstein, Club 1412, Des Moines, won at the Spring
Conference at The Breckenridge Westmark Inn, Des Moines, May 15,
1982, with the title "As Far As I Can Step". She competed at the
Region IV Speech Contest in St. Paul, June, 1982, with the title:
"Soar With The eagles"

New Clubs:

V A Medical Center TM Club No. 4680, Des Moines, Aug. 1981
Caterpillar Toastmasters Club No. 4728, Davenport, Aug. 1981
Sunrise Toastmasters Club No. 3515, Marion, Oct. 1981
GPC-KFI-ASI Toastmasters Club No. 4737, Muscatine, Nov. 1981
Heatilator Toastmasters Club No. 4773, Mt. Pleasant, Feb. 1982
Univac Toastmasters Club No. 4794, Clear Lake, Apr. 1982
Good Morning Toastmasters Club No. 4920, Ottumwa, June 1982

Of Special Note:

Bishop Wayne K. Clymer, Bishop of United Methodist Churches of
Iowa, received District 19's Communication and Leadership Award
at the Spring Conference at Des Moines, May 15, 1982.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1981 was presented to Leo
Cleeton, Club 1412, Des Moines, at the Spring Conference.

The Area Governor of the Year was Marvin Wilson, Club 1039,
Muscatine.

The Evaluation Contest was won by John Curoe, Club 3588, Dubuque.

The Table Topics winner was Owen Jordahl, Club 682, Iowa Falls.

District 19 was recognized as a Distinguished District by
Toastmasters International.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1982 - 83

International President - William O. Miller

District Governor - Leo Kueper, Jr., Club 3588, Dubuque
High School Spanish Teacher

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Ronald E. Rath, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Robert Cassell, Club 3896, Muscatine
Eastern Div. Lt. Gov. - Marvin Wilson, Club 1039, Muscatine
Sec. - Treas. - Angela C. Chartier, Club 3896, Muscatine
Bulletin Editors - Teri Johnson and Jan Cassell, Club 685, Muscatine
Past Governor - Mary R. Young - Club 3298, Des Moines

Area Governors:
Area 1 - Brian Crees, Club 2061, Sioux City (S. Sioux City, NE)
Area 2 - Walter Church, Club 444, Waterloo
Area 3 - Kathy Harrington, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - Ron Nauman, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Area 5 - Dean Swanson, Club 804, Creston
Area 6 - Gordon Hotchkiss, Club 451, Des Moines
Area 7 - Tom Graves, Club 3896, Muscatine
Area 8 - Steve Duerwachter, Club 1340, Burlington
Area 9 - Karl Kiihlholm, Club 779, Algona
Area 10 - Robert D. Letsch, Club 625, Des Moines
Area 11 - Bruce Byorum, Club 1325, Davenport
Area 12 - Phyllis Allen, Club 335, Des Moines
Area 13 - Barb Porter, Club 4192, Des Moines

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at Adventureland Inn, Des Moines, November 13, 1982, and won by Merlin Swanson, Club 4098, Master Toastmasters of Iowa, (Rock Island, IL), with the title: "Training Wheels for a Motor Cycle".

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner:
John Carlson Club 4251, Muscatine, won at the Spring Conference at Starlight Village, Ames. May 21, 1983, with the title: "Stove Lids". He competed at the Region IV Speech Contest at Calgary, Alberta, Canada, June 25, 1983.

New Clubs:

Mercy Health Center Toastmasters Club No. 3394, Dubuque, June '83
Of Special Note:

Roger Sweet, Club 875, Ames, was posthumously awarded District 19's Communication and Leadership Award for 1982 at the Spring Conference at Ames. Roger was a photographer for District 19 for 1977 to 1980. He was a trainer at Iowa Department of Transportation. Roger died August 7, 1982.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1982 was presented to Ian Pau, Club 1325, Davenport, at the Spring Conference at Ames.

The Area Governor of the Year was Robert Letsch, Club 625, Des Moines (Johnston).

The Evaluation Contest was won by Becky Bray, Club 3135, Des Moines.

The Table Topics Contest winner was Jan Haar, Club 4477, Ankeny.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1983 - 84

International President - Eddie V. Dunn (D. 20, Region IV)
District Governor - Ronald E. Rath, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
College Administrator

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Robert Cassell, Club 3896, Muscatine
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Robert M. Davis, Club 875, Ames
Eastern Div. Lt. Gov. - Phyllis Allen, Club 335, Des Moines
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Dean Swanson, Club 804, Creston
Sec. - Treas. - John Stapley, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Bulletin Editor - Jan Cassell, Club 685, Muscatine
Past Governor - Leo Kueper, Jr., Club 3588. Dubuque

Area Governors:
Area 1 - David Pundt, Club 2094, Sioux City
Area 2 - John Curoe, Club 3588, Dubuque
Area 3 - Fred Stieglitz, Club 1529, Cedar Rapids
Area 4 - Steve Vogelzang, Club 875, Ames
Area 5 - Verlin Frank, Club 3288, Denison
Area 6 - Karen Rotschafer, Club 1991, Des Moines
Area 7 - John Carlson, Club 1089, Muscatine
Area 8 - Ethel Mae Champ, Club 4920, Ottumwa
Area 9 - Dale Rhodes, Club 1147, Ft. Dodge resigned
Shirlee Trent, Club 1147, Ft. Dodge
Area 10 - Roger Farrow, Club 625, Des Moines
Area 11 - Ian Pau, Club 1325, Davenport
Area 12 - Steve Bolie, Club 1412, Des Moines
Area 13 - Barb Porter, Club 4192, Des Moines

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at the
Best Western Regency, Marshalltown, November 12, 1983, and won by
Bill Telle, Club 4251, Muscatine, with the title "T V Commercials
- Watch and Weep"

International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:
Bill Telle, Club 4251, Muscatine, won at the Spring Conference
at The Ironmen Inn, Iowa City, April 28, 1984, with the title:
"Do it Again". He won the Region IV Speech Contest at Great
Falls, Montana, June 2, 1984, and competed in the TMI Speech
Contest Finals at Orlando, Fla. August 26, 1984.

New Clubs:
Red Rock Toastmasters Club No. 5128, Knoxville, Aug. 1983
Communicators Toastmasters Club No. 974, Des Moines, Jan. 1984
Johnston Toastmasters Club No. 4605, Des Moines, Apr. 1984
Reddy Toastmasters Club No. 5295, Sioux City, Jan. 1984
Speakers of Tomorrow Toastmasters Club No. 5313, Emmetsburg,
Jan. 1984
J. D. Voice of Distinction Toastmasters Club No. 5361, Waterloo, Jan. 1984

Of Special Note:

Mary Young was District 19's candidate for International Director at the Region IV Conference at Great Falls, Montana. Lou Novak of District 6 exceeded 75% of the vote and was the only candidate certified to TMI election at the Convention at Orlando, Florida.

Charles H. "Chick" Dykeman of Waterloo received District 19's Communication and Leadership Award at the Spring Conference at Iowa City April 28, 1984. Mr. Dykeman is the International President of the International Order of Golden Rule, the largest selected membership organization in funeral service. He has been active in civic organizations and in 1981 he was named Waterloo Citizen of the Year.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1983 was presented to Don Southwood, Club 1325, Davenport, at the Spring Conference.

The Area Governor of the Year was John Carlson, Club 4251, Muscatine.

The Evaluation Contest winner was Eric Zarnikow, Club 1412, Des Moines.

The Table Topics Contest winner was Ken Snodgrass, Club 3588, Dubuque.

District 19 was recognized as a Distinguished District by Toastmasters International.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year 1984 – 85

International President – John S. Latin

District Governor – Robert Cassell, Club 3896, Muscatine
Corporation Management Employee

District Officers:
Educational Lt. Gov. – Robert M. Davis, Club 875, Ames
Administrative Lt. Gov. – Phyllis Allen, Club 335, Des Moines
Western Div. Lt. Gov. – Verlin Frank, Club 3288, Denison
N. Central Div. Lt. Gov. – Steve Vogelzang, Club 875, Ames
N. East Div. Lt. Gov. – Kathy Harrington, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
S. East Div. Lt. Gov. – Ian Pau, Club 1325, Davenport
Sec. Treas. – Sue Funk, Club 4251, Muscatine
Bulletin Editor – Jan Cassell, Club 685, Muscatine
Past Governor – Ronald E. Rath, Club 617, Cedar Rapids

Area Governors:

WESTERN DIVISION
Area 11 – Ed Weddall, Club 2094, Sioux City
Area 12 – Stan Thorpe, Club 5313, Emmetsburg
Area 13 – Ernie Johnson, Club 625, Des Moines
Area 14 – Barbara Porter, Club 4192, Des Moines (resigned)
          Charles Ness, Club 2388, Des Moines
Area 15 – Galen Bornhoft, Club 3288, Denison

NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION
Area 31 – Doug Johnson, Club 386, Mason City
Area 32 – Shirlee Trent, Club 1147, Ft. Dodge
Area 33 – Dale Mount, Club 875, Ames
Area 34 – Fred Laughlin, Club 504, Nevada (Marshalltown)
Area 35 – Brad Thomas, Club 4477, Ankeny

NORTH EAST DIVISION
Area 51 – Tom Waterman, Club 3588, Dubuque
Area 52 – Dave Crow, Club 5361, Waterloo
Area 53 – Joe Enzler, Club 1529, Cedar Rapids
Area 54 – John Stapley, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Area 55 – Don Southwood, Club 1325, Davenport

SOUTH EAST DIVISION
Area 71 – Rod Johnston, Club 2388, Des Moines
Area 72 – Ethel Mae Champ, Club 4920, Ottumwa
Area 73 – Gene Wallace, Club 2367, Ft. Madison
Area 74 – Tom Hammer, Club 4251, Muscatine
Area 75 – Joe Wahlen, Jr., Club 2790, Moline, Ill.

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at Best
Western Starlite Village, Ft. Dodge, November 17, 1984, and won
by Darryl Ashley, Club 875, Ames, with the title "Death of a
Bachelor".
International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:
John D. Carlson, Club 4251, Muscatine, won at the Spring Conference at Amana Holiday Inn, near the Amana Colonies, April 20, 1985, with the title: "Don't Grow Up". He competed at the Region IV Speech Contest at Rapid City, S.D. June 15, 1985.

New Clubs:
IMMC Toastmasters Club No. 5619, Des Moines, July 1984
Easy Speakers Toastmasters Club No. 5845, Moline, IL May 1985
Cedar Tower Toastmasters Club No. 5866, Cedar Rapids, May 1985

Of Special Note:
Evelyn R. Villines, Des Moines, received District 19's Communication and Leadership Award at the Spring Conference at Amana, April 20, 1985. She was the Chairperson of the Governors Committee on the Handicapped. She is the Director of Client Assistance Program for the Easter Seal Society of Iowa.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1984 was presented to Tana O'Dean, Club 1325, Davenport, at the Spring Conference.

No Area Governor of the Year was designated.

The Evaluation Contest winner was Ken Snodgrass, Club 3588, Dubuque.

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The Table Topics Award winner was Dick Pankey, Club 1529, Cedar Rapids.

John Cazanas, Club 386, Mason City, (Rockford) was one of 110 teachers in United States selected as final candidates for the teacher's seat on the space shuttle "Challenger". He did not win the seat. Challenger was destroyed and all hands lost on takeoff.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1985 - 86

International President - Helen M. Blanchard

District Governor - Robert M. Davis, Club 875, Ames Researcher

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Phyllis Allen, Club 335, Des Moines
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Kathy Harrington, Club 617, Cedar Rapids

Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Verlin Frank, Club 3288, Denison
N. Central Div. Lt. Gov. - Brad Thomas, Club 335, Des Moines
N. East Div. Lt. Gov. - Lou Mandle, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
S. East Div. Lt. Gov. - Dwight Riley, Club 2187, Centerville
Bruce Byorum, Club 1325, Davenport

Sec.-Treas. - Dale Mount, Club 875, Ames
Past Governor - Robert Cassell, Club 3896, Muscatine

Area Governors:

WESTERN DIVISION
Area 11 - Jack Fries, Club 2094, Sioux City
Area 12 - Bill Conner, Club 3223, Spirit Lake
Area 13 - Minetta Friedman, Club 625, Des Moines (Ankeny)
Area 14 - Charles Ness, Club 2388, Des Moines
Area 15 - Don Kuehnhold, Club 3288, Denison

NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION
Area 31 - Deb Brastrum, Club 4794, Clear Lake
Area 32 - Adela Griffel, Club 597, Ft. Dodge
Area 33 - Donald M. Roberts, Club 875, Ames
Area 34 - Fred Laughlin, Club 504, Nevada (Marshalltown)
Area 35 - Stan Kuhn, Club 4477, Ankeny

NORTH EAST DIVISION
Area 51 - Carol Smith, Club 1337, Dubuque
Area 52 - Bill Scholz, Club 444, Waterloo
Area 53 - Bettie Hanson, Club 617, Cedar Rapids (Marion)
Area 54 - Marilee Kyte, Club 1824, Amana resigned
Brenda Mc Dole, Club 1529, Davenport
Area 55 - Pat Sheller, Club 3216, Bettendorf

SOUTH EAST DIVISION
Area 71 - Clare Jergens, Club 4680, West Des Moines
Area 72 - Keith Sherman, Club 2190, Centerville
Area 73 - Milt Cerny, Club 1340, Burlington
Area 74 - Bill Telle, Club 4251, Muscatine
Area 75 - James H. Canada, Club 1117, Rock Island, Ill.

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference Conway Civic Center, Waterloo, November 16, 1985, and won by Ray
Hutchison, Club 3896, Muscatine, with the title: "Adam and Eve".

International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:
Joe O'Rourke, Club 4728, Bettendorf, won at the Spring Conference at Hotel Savery, Des Moines, April 12, 1986, with the title: "How You Play The Game" and competed at the Region IV Speech Contest, Bismarck, N.D., June 21, 1986.

New Clubs:
Northwest Iowa Country Toastmasters Club No. 5980, Sheldon, Sept. 1985
Esprit de Corps Toastmasters Club No. 5999, Rock Island, IL, Sept. 1985
Capital Squares Toastmasters Club No. 6000, Des Moines, Sept. 1985
Oskaloosa Toastmasters Club #1, Club 6021, Oskaloosa, Oct. 1985
Norwest Speak Easy Toastmasters Club No. 2701, Storm Lake, Apr. 1986
Heart-Landers Toastmasters Club No. 6113, Waterloo, Feb. 1986

Of Special Note:
Helen M. Blanchard of San Diego, California, International President of Toastmasters International for 1985 - 1986 year made her official visit to District 19 at the Spring Conference at Des Moines April 11 & 12, 1986. Helen is the first woman to be elected to the presidency of Toastmasters International. Helen charmed our Toastmasters and the business leaders of Des Moines whom she visited to further public relations of Toastmasters. She took an active part in our Spring Conference with a keynote address, a seminar and installation of the newly elected District 19 officers.

V. Hale Starr, Ph.D. of Des Moines, received District 19's Communication and Leadership Award at the Spring Conference in Des Moines. Dr. Starr has received recognition for her work in the area of non-verbal communications in the courtroom.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1985 was presented to Joan Johanson, Club 597, Ft. Dodge, at the Spring Conference.

Area Governor of the Year was Jack Fries, Club 2094, Sioux City.

Table Topics Winner was Ken Snodgrass, Club 3588, Dubuque.

Evaluation Contest was won by Bill Rohde, Club 4794, Clear Lake.

District 19 was recognized as a Distinguished District by Toastmasters International.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1986 - 87

International President - Theodore C. Wood

District Governor - Phyllis Allen, Club 335, Des Moines (West Des Moines) Executive Assistant/Office Manager

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Kathy Harrington, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Verlin Frank, Club 3288, Denison
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Charles Ness, Club 2388, Des Moines
N. Central Div. Lt. Gov. - Minetta Friedman, Club 625, Des Moines (Ankeny)
N. East Div. Lt. Gov. - Bettie Hanson, Club 617, Cedar Rapids (Marion)
S. East Div. Lt. Gov. - Clare Jergens, Club 4680, Des Moines (West Des Moines)
Sec. - Treas. - Stan Kuhn, Club 4477, Ankeny
Past Governor - Robert M. Davis, Club 875, Ames

Area Governors:

WESTERN DIVISION
Area 11 - Kevin Heinrichs, Club 5295, Sioux City
Area 12 - Lee Beem, Club 5313, Emmetsburg
Area 13 - Dave Newman, Club 380, Des Moines
Area 14 - Gordon Rowe, Club 3566, Des Moines
Area 15 - Don Kuehnhold, Club 3288, Denison

NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION
Area 31 - Tod Cornell, Club 386, Mason City resigned Jan. 1987
Al DeBuhr, Club 386, Mason City
Area 32 - Adela Griffel, Club 597, Ft. Dodge
Area 33 - Raola Giles, Club 3595, Ames (Nevada)
Area 34 - Marilyn Loupee, Club 2187, Ames
Area 35 - Rosemary Smith, Club 335, Des Moines

NORTH EAST DIVISION
Area 51 - Carol Smith, Club 1337, Dubuque
Area 52 - Lela Hankins, Club 101, Waterloo
Area 53 - Bobbie Nerison, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Area 54 - Daryl Bruxvoort, Club 824, Amana (Williamsburg)
Area 55 - W. J. "Bill" Huebner, Club 1325, Davenport

SOUTH EAST DIVISION
Area 71 - Dave Wells, Club 451, Des Moines
Area 72 - Tim Ensor, Club 663, Ottumwa (Fairfield) resigned Jan. 1987, Kevin Kelly, Club 663, Ottumwa (Agency)
Area 73 - Milt Cerny, Club 1340, Burlington
Area 74 - Ray Hutchison, Club 3896, Muscatine
Area 75 - Dan McCarty, Club 4728, Davenport
Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at Carrollton Inn, Carroll, November 1, 1986, and was won by Larry Huegli, Club 386, Mason City, with the title: "The Deal ".

International Speech Contest- District 19 Winner:
Rod Johnston, Club 2388, Des Moines, won at the Spring Conference May 2 1987, at Adventureland Inn, Des Moines,with the title: " Return With Us now... ". He competed at the Region IV Speech Contest at Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, June 27, 1987, with the title: "A Cupcake of a Tip" and placed second among eight.

New Clubs:

Toastmasters Of Carroll Club No. 6443, Carroll Dec. 1986
Mercy Toastmasters Club No. 6462, Des Moines Dec. 1986
Valley Orators Toastmasters Club No. 5495, Des Moines March 1987

Of Special Note:

District 19's Communication and Leadership Award for 1986 was presented Chuck Offenburger, the Des Moines Register's "Iowa Boy" at the Spring Conference, May 2, 1987, at Adventureland Inn, Des Moines.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1986 was presented to Merrold Blair, Club 597, Ft. Dodge (Lake City) at the Spring Conference.

Area Governor of the Year was Kevin Heinrichs, Club 5295, Sioux City.

The Table Topics Winner was Peter Wagner, Club 5980, Sheldon (Sibley).

Evaluation Contest was won by Ian Edwards, Club 335, Des Moines (West Des Moines).

District 19 was recognized as a Distinguished District by Toastmasters International.

Mary R. Young, Club 3298, Des Moines, Past District Governor of District 19, received the Presidential Citation from Toastmasters International President Ted Wood at the Convention in Columbus, Ohio.

Past District Governor Mary R. Young was honored as "Toastmaster of the Decade" at the Spring Conference, May 2, 1987, at Adventureland Inn, Des Moines.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERs INTERNATIONAL

Year 1987 - 88

International President - John A. Fauvel

District Governor - Kathy Harrington, Club 617, Cedar Rapids
Public Relations

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Verlin Frank, Club 3288, Denison
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Charles Ness, Club 2388, Des Moines
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Bob Pederson, Club 5295, Sioux City
N. Central Div. Lt. Gov. - Dave Newman, Club 380, Des Moines
N. East Div. Lt. Gov. - Carol Smith, Club 1337, Dubuque
S. East Div. Lt. Gov. - Milt Cerny, Club 1340 Burlington
Sec. - Treas. - Bettie Hanson, Club 617, Cedar Rapids (Marion)
Past Governor - Phyllis Allen, Club 335, Des Moines

Area Governors:

WESTERN DIVISION
Area 11 - Judy Vande Zandschulp, Club 2061, Sioux City
Area 12 - Jack Campbell, Club 856, Spencer
Area 13 - Shamsher Brar, Club 1937, Des Moines (West Des Moines)
Area 14 - Jeannine Schulze, Club 2388, Des Moines
Area 15 - Marcia Frank, Club 3288, Denison

NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION
Area 31 - Trent Backels, Club 386, Mason City
Area 32 - Merle Oxley, Club 2701, Storm Lake (Newell)
Area 33 - Roala Giles, Club 3595, Ames (Nevada)
Area 34 - Harold Dolling, Club 875, Ames
Area 35 - Betty Jo Wells, Club 974, Des Moines

NORTH EAST DIVISION
Area 51 - Karen Chesterman Club 1337, Dubuque (Peosta)
Area 52 - Nancy Price, Club 6113, Waterloo (Cedar Falls)
Area 53 - Bonnie Mohr, Club 1529, Cedar Rapids (Walker)
Area 54 - Barbette McNaughton, Club 164, Iowa City
Area 55 - Daniel McCarty, Club 4728, Davenport

SOUTH EAST DIVISION
Area 71 - David Wells, Club 451, Des Moines
Area 72 - Kevin Kelly, Club 663, Ottumwa
Area 73 - Allen Motley, Club 1340, Burlington
Area 74 - Linda Pretz, Club 4737, Muscatine
Area 75 - Margaret Welsh, Club 4728, Davenport (Bettendorf)

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference, Nov., 1987, at Holiday Inn, Clear Lake, and was won by Sam Splear, Club 1116, Moline, Ill. with the title "Hospital Hostage".

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner: John Carlson, Club 1991, Des Moines, won at the Spring Conference at Dubuque Inn, Dubuque, May 14, 1988 with the title: "The A, B, C's of Success". He competed at the Region IV Speech Contest, Sioux City, Iowa, June 4, 1988, with the title: "Expect The Best".
New Clubs:

Public Speaks Toastmasters Club No. 4927, Waterloo July 1987
Swea City Toastmasters Club No. 6595, Swea City Sept. 1987
Wallace Toastmasters Club No. 6649, Des Moines Sept. 1987
Atlantic Toastmasters Club No. 6650, Atlantic Sept. 1987
Bob Jenkins Toastmasters Club No. 671, Des Moines Jan. 1988
Golden Circle Toastmasters Club No. 6746, Ankeny Feb. 1988
Silver Tongue Singles Toastmasters Club No. 4813, Cedar Rapids May 1988
St Luke's Toastmasters Club No. 3060, Sioux City May 1988
Noon Orators Toastmasters Club No. 5903, Mason City June 1988

Of Special Note:

Ian Edwards, Club 335, Des Moines, a Past District Governor of District 20, moved from Fargo, N. D., to Des Moines in 1985 and immediately took part in District 19's activities. For his active participation in our District he was made an Honorary Past District Governor of District 19. At the Fall Conference he stood as candidate for International Director from Region IV and received District 19's endorsement. At the Region IV business meeting at Sioux City, Iowa, June 4, 1988, he received 43.3% of the vote and was certified along with Pat Kirk of District 6 (56.7%) to the Toastmasters International business meeting at the Convention in Washington, D. C., where he was elected International Director for a two year term. The last time District 19 had a member of the International Board of Directors was 1974 when Robert G. Glenn finished his two year term.

District 19 was recognized and designated a Distinguished District by Toastmasters International at the Convention at Washington, D. C.

Toastmaster of the Year (1987) was awarded to Robert Held, Club 5295, Sioux City (Merrill), at the Spring Conference at Dubuque.

Area Governor of the Year was Raola Giles, Club 3595, Ames (Nevada).

The Evaluation Contest of District 19 was won by Leo Kueper, Club 3588, Dubuque.

The District Table Topics Contest winner was Leo Kueper, Club 3588, Dubuque.

District 19's Communication and Leadership Award was presented to Russell H. Anthony, D. V. M., Cedar Rapids a former Toastmaster (Club 617), a veterinarian of state-wide repute, a former president of Iowa Veterinary Medical Association and the 1986-87 Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America (A.A.O.N.M.S.) at the Spring Conference May 14, 1988, at Dubuque.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
Year - 1988 - 89

International President - Tom B. Richardson

International Director from District 19 - Ian B. Edwards, Club 335, Des Moines (West Des Moines)

District Governor - Verlin Frank, Club 3288, Denison Businessman

District Officers:
Educational Lt. Gov. - Charles Ness, Club 2388, Des Moines
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Carol Smith, Club 1337, Dubuque
Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Marcia Frank, Club 3288, Denison
N. Central Div. Lt. Gov. - Betty Jo Wells, Club 974, Des Moines
N. East Division Lt. Gov. - Bettie Hanson, Club 617, Cedar Rapids (Marion)
Secretary - Mary Jane Stallmann, Club 804, Creston
Treasurer - Milt Cerny, Club 1340, Burlington
Past Governor - Kathy Harrington, Club 617, Cedar Rapids

Area Governors:

WESTERN DIVISION
Area 11 - Hank Schelling, Club 5980, Sheldon
Area 12 - Bill Conner, Club 3223, Spirit Lake (Milford)
Area 13 - Bill Saunders, Jr., Club 1817, Des Moines
Area 14 - Fred Pins, Club 4192, Des Moines
Area 15 - Pat Simmons, Club 6650, Atlantic
NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION
Area 31 - John Jaszewski, Club 386, Mason City
Area 32 - Joan Johanson, Club 597, Ft. Dodge (Gowrie)
Area 33 - Steve Vogelzang, Club 875, Ames
Area 34 - Jane Kennedy, Club 504, Nevada
Area 35 - Sharon Tahtinen, Club 3298, Des Moines (W. Des M.)
NORTHEAST DIVISION
Area 51 - Steve Ales, Club 3588, Dubuque
Area 52 - Ron Schmadeke, Club 101, Waterloo (Cedar Falls)
Area 53 - Doug Vrasnek, Club 1824, Cedar Rapids (Fairfax)
Area 54 - Jim Rankin, Club 3250, Marion
Area 55 - Tina Hoover, Club 5428, Davenport
SOUTH EAST DIVISION
Area 71 - Dave Schroeder, Club 451, Des Moines (W. Des M.)
Area 72 - Barb Wellkomm, Club 2190, Centerville
Area 73 - Ferd Marie, Club 1089, Washington
Area 74 - Barbara Godlove, Club 685, Muscatine resigned
Linda Pretz, Club 5999, Rock Island, Ill.

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at Black Hawk Hotel, Davenport, November 5, 1988, and was won by Laurie
Dvorak, Club 335, Des Moines, with the title: "Single and I Love It".

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner:
Gary McLaughlin, Club 5588, Grinnell, won at the Spring Conference at Village East, Lake Okoboji, April 29, 1989, with the title: "Keys to Success". The runner-up was Tom Hammer, Club 4251, Muscatine. Toastmasters International disqualified the winner due to length of membership so Tom Hammer competed in the Revion IV Speech Contest at Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, June 10, 1989.

New Clubs:

Iowa Lutheran Hospital Silver Tongues, Club No. 516, Des Moines July 1988
Bankers Trust Co. TM Club No. 4441, Des Moines, July 1988
Tri-County Speakers TM Club No. 6903, Forest City, Aug. 1988
Timber Talkers TM Club No. 6969, Cedar Rapids, Aug. 1988
Premium Toastmasters Club No. 7005, Des Moines, Oct. 1988
Grinnell Toastmasters Club No. 5585, Grinnell Nov. 1988
Golden Speakers TM Club No. 7515, Fairfield, June 1989

Of Special Note:

Kay Kretschmar Runge, Director of Davenport Public Library, Davenport, Iowa, received District 19's Communication and Leadership Award at the Fall Conference at Davenport, November 5, 1988.

Berkley Bedell, businessman and former United States Congressman of Milford, Iowa, received District 19's Communication and Leadership Award April 29, 1989, at the Spring Conference at Lake Okoboji.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1988 was presented to Tom Gill, Club 5295, Sioux City at the Spring Conference, Lake Okoboji.

Area Governor of the Year was Pat Simmons, Club 6650, Atlantic.

The Evaluation Contest was won by Leo Kueper, Club 3588, Dubuque.

The Table Topics Contest was won by Gary Snook, Club 6650, Atlantic.

Keith Larson, Club 1824, Amana, was the 150,000th active member of Toastmasters International. He was presented from the stage at the Toastmasters International Convention opening session August 16, 1989, at Palm Desert, California.
DISTRICT NINETEEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Year 1989 - 90

International President - John F. Noonan

International Director from District 19 - Ian B. Edwards,
Club 335, Des Moines

District Governor - Charles Ness - Club 2388 Des Moines

District Officers:

Educational Lt. Gov. - Carol Smith, Club 1337, Dubuque
Administrative Lt. Gov. - Marcia Frank, Club 3288 Denison
(Lake View)

Western Div. Lt. Gov. - Pat Simmons, Club 6650 Atlantic
(Gowrie)

Brad Thomas, Club 335, Des Moines (Clive)

Sec. - Treas. - Jeannine Schultz, Club 2388, Des Moines
Past Governor - Verlin Frank, Club 3288, Denison (Lake View)

Area Governors:

WESTERN DIVISION

Area 11 - Robert D. Held, Club 5295, Sioux City (Merrill)
Area 12 - Darlene Stoemner, Club 856, Spencer (Gillette Grove)
Area 13 - William J. Saunders, Club 1817, Des Moines
Area 14 - Kathy Lehnen, Club 6000, Des Moines
Area 15 - Sister Angela Marie, Club 6443, Carroll

NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION

Area 31 - Catherine Neel, Club 5903, Mason City (Clear Lake)
Area 32 - Mary F. Chiles, Club 2701, Storm Lake (Fonda) resigned
Clyde Knupp, Club 597, Ft. Dodge
Area 33 - Don Roberts, Club 875, Ames
Area 34 - Kay Hockett, Club 1857, Marshalltown
Area 35 - Darrel Hildreth, Club 974, Des Moines (Ankeny)

NORTH EAST DIVISION

Area 51 - Mark W. Breitback, Club 3588. Dubuque (Dyersville)
Area 52 - Bruce Wedeking, Club 101, Waterloo (Clarksville)
Area 53 - Joe Rayer, Club 3515, Cedar Rapids
Area 54 - Rosemarie Petzold, Club 164, Iowa City
Area 55 - Deborah K. Lamphier, Club 1116 Moline, Ill. (Rock Island, Ill.)

SOUTH EAST DIVISION

Area 71 - Dave Schroeder, Club 451 Des Moines
Area 72 - Catherine Berude, Club 7515, Fairfield (resigned)
Bonnie L Gould, Club 7515, Fairfield
Area 73 - Howard Lunning, Club 1089, Washington
Area 74 - Joe Brinson, Club 3896, Muscatine
Area 75 - Jack Smith, Club 1116 Moline, Ill. (resigned)
    Sam Splear, Club 1116, Moline, Ill. (Geneseo)

Humorous Speech Contest was held at the Fall Conference at the Quality Inn, Fort Dodge, November 4, 1989, and was won by Sam Splear, Club 1116, Moline, Ill., (hone Geneseo, Ill.) with the title "Down Hill Skiing - My First Experience".

International Speech Contest - District 19 Winner:
Gary McLaughlin, Club 5588, Grinnell, won at the Spring Conference, Holiday Inn South, Des Moines, April 28, 1990, with the title: "You Can Make a Difference". He competed at the Region IV Speech Contest, Holiday Inn, Bloomington, MN, June 16, 1990.

New Clubs:
Chariton Toastmasters Club No. 5995, Chariton, IA, Jan. '90
Clinton Toastmasters Club No. 4874, Clinton, IA, Jan. '90
Red Oak Toastmasters Club No. 4996, Red Oak, IA, Feb. '90
Perry Toastmasters Club No. 7769, Perry, IA, June '90

Of Special Note:
Iowa Governor Terry Branstad and First Lady Chris Branstad received the District 19 Communication and Leadership Award from District Governor Charles Ness.

Almo Hawkins of Des Moines, a communication personality and speech writer, received the District 19 Communication and Leadership Award at the Spring Conference, Des Moines, April 28, 1990.

The Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1989 was presented to Jacque Johanson, Club 597, Ft. Dodge, at the Spring Conference, Des Moines, April 28, 1990.

The Evaluation Contest was won by Todd Oxley, Club 1339, Ames.

The Area Governor of the Year was Kay Hockett, Club 1857, Marshalltown.

The Table Topics Contest was won by Bud Young, Club 2316, Clarion.
TWO EARLY IOWA CLUBS THAT DID NOT SURVIVE TO JOIN DISTRICT 19

MARSHALLTOWN TOASTMASTERS CLUB NO. 164, MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA

Waterloo Toastmasters Club No. 101 made contacts and trips to spread Toastmasters to Dubuque, Mason City and Marshalltown. At the Marshalltown YMCA they helped to establish a new club which received its Charter September 18, 1940. Its Charter officers were: President-Clarence Reaugh of Marshall Printing, Vice President-James Morgan of Western Union, Secretary-Dr. Walter Hill, Treasurer-Max Gold of Nash-Finch Co., Sgt. at Arms-Don Mowry of Railway Express Agency and Deputy Governor-Martin Noreen of Marshall Printing Co. The new club was assigned to Area 4 of District 6 (Minnesota).

Waterloo 101 minutes record activities in the Area and club exchanges with Marshalltown. Other names of members appear in those minutes: E. C. Glans, Gus Fraken, Mike Roskopf, Newell Cadwell, David Lenox and Homer Rinehart. Homer Rinehart said Gilbert Blue was also a member.

The last entry in Waterloo 101 minutes was April 1, 1942, a report by Area Governor Ed Foster on activities with Marshalltown. Homer Rinehart said the members were called to World War II and the club died. After the war a speech club was organized at the YMCA, but it did not join Toastmasters until 1955.

KEOKUK TOASTMASTERS CLUB NO. 184, KEOKUK, IOWA

The Toastmaster issue of April 1941, reports a new club at the YMCA at Keokuk, Iowa, organized with 20 members. It was assigned to District 8 (Chicago to St. Louis). The President was Dr. F. L. DeWees, the Secretary was Frank C. Pearson and the Deputy Governor was J. O. Boyd. Later the Directory reported R. A. Kling as President. Still later Walter Schwarz was President. The Club usually met evenings at the YMCA but for a while met for lunch at the Hotel Iowa. The Toastmaster Directory failed to list this Club January 1, 1944. A letter to the Editor of the Keokuk newspaper inquiring about members and activities failed to get a response.
Three men organized the first speakers club at the YMCA in Waterloo in the Fall of 1935: Dr. Clarence Clark, Blair Wood and Martin Tarbell. They operated without officers until the Fall of 1936 when Dr. Clark was elected president and they adopted the name Toastmasters without realizing the name was copyrighted by Toastmasters International. After many heated discussions and the passage of many months affiliation with Toastmasters International was voted and an application was made. Charter 101 was issued to Waterloo Toastmasters Club December 9, 1937, but the formal presentation of the Charter was held up until March 11, 1938, when the first Governor of the newly organized District Six, Leif Larson, made the trip to Waterloo. There were four clubs in the new District Six: Minneapolis Club 75, Russell H. Conwell Club 82, Minneapolis, Albert Lea Club 91 and Waterloo Club 101. Club 101 operated on a regular basis with a large membership. They held exchange meetings with other speech clubs (non-Toastmasters) and tried to start Toastmaster clubs in Marshalltown, Dubuque and Mason City. They established Club 164 at Marshalltown in December 1939, but World War II so depleted the membership that it ceased to function. After the war Club 101 helped a Des Moines group to organize Executive Club 335. Club 101 again tried Mason City and helped to organize Shibboleth Toastmasters Club 386 in 1946. The 3 Iowa clubs helped to organize Centerville Toastmasters Club 380 in April 1946. Iowa now had four clubs and was ready for "District" status. District Six covered North Central United States and that part of Canada lying next north. Iowa was the southernmost area. It was designated Area 4 when District Six divided into Areas in 1941. Ed Foster, LeRoy E. Hieber, Gordon A. Spry, Cash J. Cahill and Joseph A. Adair served as Area Governors from 1941 to 1946. No Iowan served as District Governor of District Six, but Gordon A. Spry served as International Director for 2 years 1944 to 1946. One of his objectives was to make Iowa a separate District. The history of District 19 tells that story.


In October 1954, 29 members of Club 101 gathered for a picture. On the next page are the old timers.
Executives Toastmasters Club No. 335, Des Moines

The 1st Toastmasters club in Des Moines was Executives No. 335 which was chartered in September 1945. It was one of the four Iowa clubs at the organization of District 19 July 1, 1946; it formerly was a part of Area 4 in District 6 (Minnesota). George W. Westberg was the organizer and charter President of Executives. All of the charter members were business owners or professional men. They adopted a By-law that members must be at least 30 years of age. The Charter Party was held October 22, 1945, with 40 charter members. The By-laws provided only 30 Active Members but no limit on Associate Members so they were legal. The 21st Anniversary Celebration in 1945 featured eleven charter members returning and John B. Miller, International President of Toastmasters International as featured speaker. At the Club's 40th Anniversary three charter members attended and one of them, W. T. Dahl, was presented a Communications and Leadership plaque for continually encouraging Dahl Grocery Stores employees to participate in Toastmasters and his business Leadership.

The Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program was started in 1966 and Executive Club No. 335 was one of the first to present this program. An Explorer Scout group were the students 1966-67.

George W. Westberg was District 19 Governor 1948-49; Martin L. "Bromo" Seltzer was District 19 Governor 1956-57 and Phyllis Allen was District 19 Governor 1986-87. Ian Edwards, a former District 20 Governor, was International Director 1988-90.

Laurie Dvorak won the District 19 Humorous Speech Contest in 1988.


Club 335 has had many Area and Division Speech Contest winners and is still trying for a District serious winner.
One of the original four Iowa clubs in District Nineteen was Centerville Toastmasters Club No. 380. It received its charter March 19, 1946, at a ladies' night dinner with International Director Gordon Spry presenting the Charter to Rev. L. C. Bartholomew the first president of Club 380. The club lasted for many years being last listed in the Toastmasters International Directory of January 1, 1964, as meeting alternate Thursdays at 6:15 p.m. at June's Cafe. Dr. L. Parks Clow served as Area 5 Governor, District 19, for the 1952-53 year.

Much of the history of this club is gleaned from the pages of the Centerville Daily Iowegian & Citizen. On December 26, 1945, "SEEK TO ORGANIZE TOASTMASTERS CLUB FOR CENTERVILLE" explains that a dinner will be held tonight at the Eastern Star Hall as Al Farber, Secretary of the Association of Commerce will take the initiative to organize the club. Several others are interested and will be announced at the meeting. On December 27, 1945, "ELECT OFFICERS AT TOASTMASTERS CLUB MEETING LAST NIGHT" explains that George Westberg, President of a club in Des Moines was present at the meeting of 15 men and explained the Toastmasters Club operation. The group elected temporary officers to hold office until the regular elections in March. Officers elected were: Rev. L. C. Bartholomew, President, Dr. L. P. Clow, Vice President, Floyd R. Bankson, Sergeant at Arms, R. K. Beck, Deputy Governor, and Al Farber, Secretary & Treasurer. Meetings were to be held weekly on Tuesday evenings in the basement of the Presbyterian Church from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. The newspaper reported on meetings almost every week and on Wednesday, February 20, 1946, the report of last night's meeting stated the club now has 25 members and is applying for a charter from Toastmasters International. On March 18, 1946, a front page story with a picture of Rev. L. C. Bartholomew, President of the club announced the Charter Night on March 19th with Gordon Spry, George Westberg, Martin Seltzer, Dr. Forer, Chet Adamson, Dr. August Baier and Harry Christianson from out of town to take part in the Chartering of the new club. Members listed in the several newspaper articles were: Rev. L. C. Bartholomew, Dr. L. P. Clow, Floyd R. Bankson, R. K. Beck, Al Farber, Don Pullman, Robert Webb, Chi Woodin, Lee Straight, George Brody, O. S. Klipping, P. E. Norris, Henry Dukes, John Simpson, Bill Reipe, Roy Smith, Ernest Patterson, Frank Klum, F. L. Sawyers, Francis Oehler, Paul Caylor, Harold Lamb, J. A. Bradley, W. F. Sharpe, James C. Powell, Tom Olds, LaMont Wiles and E. E. Fletcher.

The club was active civically as it put on a speaking demonstration at the Tuesday noon Association of Commerce luncheon May 21, 1946, with a Toastmaster and 4 speakers.

In later years a full set of new officers were installed: from left to right C. Evans Parks, Raymond Flowers, Milo Murphy, Waldo Imus and David Stuart.
Shibboleth Toastmasters Club No. 386, Mason City

Shibboleth Toastmasters Club No. 386, Mason City, has the distinction of being the only club in Toastmasters International to have two International Speech Contest winners: Doug Sherwin in 1947 and Charles Hilton in 1950. The Club was Chartered as a Toastmasters Club in May 1946 and one of the four Iowa clubs in the original District 19. Before July 1, 1946, Club 386 was a part of Area 4 of District 6 (Minnesota). Earlier attempts by Club 101, Waterloo, to form a club never succeeded even though it was so close in Dec. 1939, that Dr. Smedley's "The Story of Toastmasters" on page 33 lists a new club at Mason City.

Lloyd Loers, the founder of Club 386, learned his personal need for Toastmasters in Yuma, AZ, in 1944. He was a young "Hot Dog" radio announcer and a guest at a club, "When I stood to speak one minute on the evenings 'topic', my mouth became dry, my palms became wet, and I had to lean forward on the table to prevent anyone from seeing my 'knocking knees'". Lloyd returned to Iowa in 1945 and brought Toastmasters to Mason City by organizing Club 386.

The Charter Party was held at the Pine Room of the Hotel Hanford with 125 members, guests and visiting dignitaries present. The Charter was presented by Gordon Spry of Waterloo, Director of Toastmasters International to Lloyd Loers, President of the new club. Joe W. Adair, Lt. Governor of District Six for Area 4, turned over the gavel to President Loers. The new club had 22 members, but it had plenty of help from Toastmasters with 42 guests from Albert Lea, Minn., 20 from Waterloo and 4 from Des Moines. Other Charter officers were: Vice President Steve Stahl, Sec.-Treas. Merlin McGowan, Deputy Governor Kennedy and Sergeant-at-Arms Dave Murphy.


District 19 Humorous Speech Contests were won by: John Cazanas in 1973 and Larry Huegli in 1986.

The Cap Sias Award now called Toastmaster of the Year Award was won by Larry Huegli for 1976 and by John Cazanas for 1977.

Two members have been District Governor of District 19: Charles Hilton 1951-52 and Donald Morrison 1975-76.

Area Governors from Club 386 were: Lloyd D. Loers 1946-47, Thor J. Jensen 1951-52, Edward Ruszat and Neal Casey 1956-57, Dick Morrell 1964-65, Harold Younger 1965-66, Harlan Saug 1968-69 all in Area 2, Donald Morrison, Area 9, 1971-72, from which he advanced yearly to District 19 Governor 1975-76. Doug Johnson was Governor Area 31 for 1984-85 and Todd Cornell and Al de Buhr were successive Area 31 Governors for 1986-87, Trent Backels for 1987-88, John Jaszewski for 1988-89 and Catherine Neel for 1989-90.
The First Annual Club Speech Contest (and Ladies Night) was held at Hotel Cerro Gordo, January 28, 1947, with four contestants: (left to right) Doug Sherwin, Steve Stahl, Dave Murphy and Lloyd Loers. Doug Sherwin won the contest and proceeded with wins at Area One Contest, District 19 Contest, the Zone Speech Contest and finally Toastmasters International Speech Contest at the Auditorium Theatre, St. Paul, Minnesota, at the Toastmasters International Convention.
Amana Refrigeration Toastmasters Club 1824, Amana

The Amana Refrigeration Toastmasters Club 1824 was Chartered in March, 1973, with 26 members. The Club was organized by Derrel Kay, Manager of Employee Development at Amana Refrigeration, Inc. The Club requested and received permission to charter both male and female members because the International Charter at that time had not been revised to permit members of both sexes to join. The Club was informed that it was one of the first to be granted an exception to this policy. Dave Penn was elected to be the first President of the newly chartered Club which was sponsored by Cedar Valley Toastmasters Club 431.

Hundreds of Amana employees have been members of the Club over the 18 years of its history. J. R. Munnik is the only charter member of the club who still remains a member.

In 1989 the Club welcomed the first member who was not employed at Amana Refrigeration. He was Keith Larsen who is a local area pastor. Mr. Larsen was the 150,000th member of Toastmasters International and was flown to the International Conference held in Palm Springs, California.

Marilee Kyte served as an Area Governor in 1985-86 and Daryl Bruxvoort served in the same capacity in 1986-87. The Amana Club hosted the Fall District Conferences in Nov. of 1985 and 1990.

Ames Toastmasters Club No. 569, Ames, Iowa

Charles Everett a Toastmaster in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, moved back to Ames in 1945 and there being no club in Ames he joined Des Moines Toastmasters Club. When he grew tired of the long weekly trips he persuaded his club to give a demonstration meeting in the "39 Room" at Memorial Union, Ames, in November 1947. Interest was spontaneous and a new club was organized and Chartered January 26, 1948, with 24 members. It was the 8th Club in Iowa. Gail Braithwaite, Governor of District 19, traveled from Sioux Falls, S.D., to present the Charter to Chuck Everett the first president. Club 569 was slow in attaining District status for its members, but former members W. W. Lord of District 15 and John B. Miller of District 19 were District Governors the same year. Member Sam R. Zickefoose was District Governor District 19 for 1963-64. H. R. (Prof) Hughes at age 85 won the Cap Sias Award for Outstanding Toastmaster in Iowa for 1966. Sam R. Zickefoose won the District 19 Speech Contest in 1966 and again in 1969. In 1966 he won the Region IV contest and took third place in the International Speech Contest. Area Governors from Club 569 were: Orlando Kreider 1953-54, Ross Baumann 1955-56, Sam R. Zickefoose 1959-60, Ernie Ulish 1963-64. and Mack A. Emmerson 1968-69. Sam R. Zickefoose served as District Educational Chairman and Lieut. Governor of District 19. Club 569 split its East Story County members off and sponsored Club 504 in 1955. Five clubs are active in Ames in 1990.
Town and College Toastmasters Club 875, Ames

District 19 Governor John B. Miller of Nevada undertook to establish a second club in Ames by writing 25 letters. The first meeting was held October 24, 1958, and a steering committee was elected November 15, 1958. Six members applied for permission to organize a Toastmasters Club October 22, 1958. On March 2, 1959, 31 members were Chartered as Town and College Toastmasters Club No. 875. District Governor Miller presented the charter to Ray Schweitzer, the first president of the new club. The Club has always met for breakfast at Memorial Union, ISU, and has enjoyed a good mixing of University and town persons. Membership and activity has always been high, and Club 875 was a President's 40 club in 1971. International President John Diaz visited in 1974. Dennis Brown won the District 19 Speech Contest for 1973-74. The District Humorous Speech Contest winners were: Ron Miner 1971, Larry Ferguson 1976 and Darryl Ashley 1984.


Encore Toastmasters Club No. 1339, Ames

Encore Toastmasters Club was chartered as Roadeo Toastmasters Club No. 1339, March 27, 1961, at a dinner meeting with District 19 Governor, Randall E. Winters, presenting the Charter to James Hoag, the Club President. There were 20 charter members. The club was organized by Ameil John, right-of-way engineer of the Iowa Highway Commission, a past member of another Toastmasters club. The first members were highway construction oriented thus the name "Roadeo". Soon new members of other interests made the club community oriented. About 10 years ago the name was changed to Encore Toastmasters Club.

Bill VanMeter was a District 19 Speech Contestant in 1971.
Paul Lundy was Area 4 Governor for 1973-74.
For many years the Club met at The Memorial Union, I.S.U. but changed to a Downtown location and meets at Municipal Electric Building, 205 E. Fifth St.
NADL Toastmasters Club No. 3595, Ames

A Toastmasters Demonstration Meeting was held at the National Animal Disease Laboratory in Ames, Iowa, March 15, 1972, at 7:00 a.m. District Governor Bob Glenn served as Toastmaster. This was the beginning of the NADL Early Risers Toastmasters Club No. 3595 which chartered in April 1972. The Club has continued to meet regularly, keeping the name Early Risers, but the time has changed to 11:30 a.m. This inconsistency never fails to create a response, even to getting mentioned on the Johnny Carson show.

On April 7, 1972, in response to the club application, the Club was granted an exception to the all male membership provisions of the Club Constitution and By-laws. The Early Risers meeting in a facility of the United States Department of Agriculture was restrained from discriminating or barring anyone from membership because of gender, etc.

The 1st President was Richard Davis. There were 26 Charter members and two still are members: Matteo Cardella and Deane Dennis; they and others have been active in contests and meetings. LaMar Stanley was Area 4 Governor 1977-78 and Raola Giles was Area 33 Governor 1986-87 & 1987-88; She was Area Governor of the Year for 1987-88 in District 19.

Boone Toastmasters Club No. 184, Boone

Charted 4/27/49 w/30 mem.; mtg wire-recorded. Sponsor Walter Schultz, was 1st Pres.; John Clark, VP. Two new offs elected Nov. 49, i.e. Deputy Gov., H.C. Overbeck and Sgt.at Arms, Frank Welch. In 50 Schultz & Overbeck succeeded each other. Some Club "Firsts": local demo mtg (Rotary, May 49); traveling demo mtg (Perry, IA Jr. C ofc, Feb 51; hosted Dist. Council Mtg (Dist 19 Spring Conference, Mar. 17, 1951, mtg wire-recorded); Spkers Bur. org. (8 men, to give radio spots on behalf of Cancer Fund, Mar. 51); contest teams org. Apr.-May, 51 (pnts for memb. participation); joint mtg (w/Webster City, May 54: Youth Ldrship proj. ('69, spons. by Juel Haaland); Speechcraft (72, spons. Dave Tucker); and first lady memb. Ms. Pam Mackey, '74. Notables: W. Schultz (spons. Toastmistress Club, 52); Dr. Don Michaelson (Co-winner, Dist. 19 Spch Cont., 54); Loren Appenzeller (Winner, Cap Sias Award (TM of the Year), 72; and Dr. David Tucker (spons.Sunrise TM of Boone,76). Extra-club TM serv.: W. Schultz, Gov. Dist. 19, 52-53; C. Eugene Stewart, Gov. Dist. 19, 74-75, spons. Greene Spks. Jefferson TMs No. 2799, '76; Bayard Williams, Sec. Treas. Dist. 19, 52-53; LuVerne Babbitt, Area 3 Gov., 60-61; Loren Appenzeller, Sec.-Treas. Dist. 19, 74-75; Dr. David Tucker, Dist. 19 Educ. Chmn. 72-77 and Area 4 Gov., 75-76. Since charter, Club 184 has served more than 225 members. By Al Ritchie
Centerville Toastmasters Club No. 2190, Centerville

People from Centerville, Iowa, and the surrounding area formed the Centerville Toastmasters Club No. 2190 at a meeting on June 27, 1978, in the Iowa Southern Utilities Coffee Room. The Charter was presented at a Charter Party in September 1978. The moving forces in organizing the Club were Bill Weaver and Dick Baze who were among the charter members of the Club. The Toastmaster idea again took root after ten years without a club. Centerville was one of the four Iowa clubs forming District 19.

Dwight Riley was Area 8 Governor in 1979-80. James Knedler was Area 8 Governor in 1980-81. Keith Sherman was Area 72 Governor in 1985-86. Barbara Willkomm was Area 72 Governor in 1988-89. The Club continues to be active in District 19.

Civically the Club has hosted the kiddie tractor pull at the Centerville Pancake Day for the last several years.

Chariton Toastmaster Club No. 5995, Chariton

Our club was formed in the spring of 1989 by two enthusiastic individuals, Randy and Karen Craft. Verlin and Marcia Frank extended their hand to help us in the first few months. Previous years gone by there was a Toastmasters Club in Chariton. Many of our members have given speeches in other organizations and clubs in our community. We have found that Toastmasters truly does benefit all who participate.

The former club was Chariton Toastmasters Club 3582 which was chartered April 23, 1963, with Howard E. Hilburn of the Lucas County A.S.C.S. as first president and the prime mover to organize the club. It lasted 11 years. Howard E. Hilburn was chosen Citizen of the Year in Chariton for 1972.
Creston Toastmasters Club No. 804, Creston

Creston Toastmasters Club received its Charter December 8, 1953, and has been active ever since. It has been rewarding, especially to the long-time members, to see potential leaders with underdeveloped communications skills come to Toastmasters and progress in their careers. Creston members regularly take part in contests and have hosted contests on numerous occasions. The third winner of the Cap Sias Award was Rev. Glenn Cadwell for 1963.


Creston has a combination Fourth of July and Railroad Heritage Days Celebration each year. Club 804 annually prepares a float appropriate to the year's theme. This year over 200 hours of work on the float paid off with FIRST PLACE. It is used in parades in other towns to advertise Toastmasters.

Airport Toastmasters Club No. 380, Des Moines

Airport Toastmasters Club was founded in October 1964 with 23 members. The Charter was presented to Alden Norem, the 1st President in November 1964 at a dinner at the old Commodore Hotel on Grand Avenue; it has since been torn down. We have varied from a high of 32 to a low of 12 members over the 26 years of our life. We celebrated our 25th anniversary in 1989. When the club was founded almost all members were from the Des Moines Airport, but over the years we have a mix of all occupations from all walks of life. We still have three of the charter members on our active rolls. We have always met at noon (11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.) starting at the Cloud Room at the Airport. We moved to Bishops Cafeteria at the Wakonda Shopping Center until it closed and now meet at Dennys restaurant on Fleur Drive. The club has a summer picnic and a combination Christmas Party and new officer installation near the end of the year. We chartered as a men's club but now have five active women members. Howard Peterson, one of the three remaining charter members wrote this history.

Jim Blaney was Area 6 Governor in 1976-77; Dave Newman was Area 13 Governor in 1986-87 and North Central Division Lt. Gov. in 1987-88.
Opportunity Toastmasters Club No. 451, Des Moines

The 2nd Toastmasters Club in Des Moines was Chartered by James A. Clark of San Francisco, California, Director of Toastmasters International March 19, 1947, at the Savery Hotel, Des Moines, with P. W. Jarvis as the Charter President. The mayor of Des Moines, John Mac Vicar welcomed the new club and the many visitors. I. A. McAninch, Secretary, and later President of Toastmasters International, from Los Angeles attended and spoke at the Chartering. District 19 Governor and later International President Carlton P. Sias also spoke at the meeting. At the 25th anniversary dinner March 11, 1972, four of the Charter Members including President P. W. Jarvis attended.


Jay Cee Toastmasters Club 625, Des Moines

The Jay Cee Toastmasters Club had its origins within the Des Moines Junior Chamber of Commerce and was chartered in June 1948. George Westburg assisted in getting the group organized and chartered. The Jr. C of C age limit caused the Toastmasters Club to break away, but they retained their name. They met at Bishop's Cafeteria downtown and followed Bishop's to Wakonda and later to Bishop's at Merle Hay. Uncommon diversity of interest has been the hallmark of the club from its start, and continues to the present. A mix of professional and business trade backgrounds form a stimulating atmosphere in which to learn Toastmaster basics. We have been privileged to know each other. The club has had its share of Area Governors and two District Governors. Area Governors were: Mel Thompson, Area 8, 1959-60; Owen J. Newlin, Area 6, 1962-63; Leo Goulden, Area 6, 1965-66 and 1966-67; Steve Hopkins, Area 6, 1970-71; Roger Farrow, Area 10, 1979-80 and 1983-84; Roger Letsch, Area 10, 1981-82 and 1982-83; Ernie Johnson, Area 13, 1984-85; Minetta Friedman, Area 13, 1985-86. Both Mel Thompson 1962-63 and Owen J. Newlin 1966-67 became District Governors after serving Lt. Governor terms. In 1962 Owen J. Newlin placed second in the District 19 Spring Speech Contest and competed at the Zone B, Region IV Speech Contest. In 1975 Steve Hopkins won the District 19 Humorous Speech Contest. Today we are still growing in continuity of diverse interest. We meet 6:15 to 8:00 p.m., Mondays, Bishop's at Merle Hay.
The Bob Jenkins Toastmasters Club No. 671, Des Moines

The Bob Jenkins Toastmasters Club No. 671 was chartered in October 1987. At age 61 and retired, Bob Jenkins joined Toastmasters and was an active member for 15 years. He served as a club officer, attained DTM and was District 19 Governor 1978-79. Bob took the Toastmasters program to weekly meetings at Shepherd's Center (an International organization for active retirees). Bob Jenkins died in June 1986. That fall, District Governor Phyllis Allen began the Toastmasters meetings at Shepherd's Center. Mary Lynch, Bob's constant companion for 40 years, was a member of Shepherd's Center and helped the club form. She would never speak in public but as a charter member she agreed to speak on the charter program December 14, 1986. It was not to be; she died December 11, 1986.

The Bob Jenkins Club was the first club in District 19 "especially for retirees". People in their 60's, 70's and 80's joining Toastmasters for the first time, find it an excellent way to exercise the mind. Charter President Jim Pivcecoat, CTM, continued as president the first full year and was 87 when he completed his term in December 1988. Ten members earned CTM's by the club's second anniversary. The 1989 president, Slim Allen, CTM, took office at age 61. The 1990 president, Joe Montgomery, CTM, took office at age 82.

The Communicators Toastmasters Club No. 974, Des Moines

The club meets at Communications Data Services, 1901 Bell Avenue. It was the dream of Toastmaster Don Ross, President of CDS and was organized by Bob Jenkins who held a Speechcraft at CDS. The membership is open but heavily CDS employees. The Charter was presented at Willow Creek Golf Course dining room in October, 1983, with Jacci Willets as our first president.

District Officers from our club have been: Betty Jo Wells, Area 35 Governor 1987-88 and Area 45 1990-91; Darrel Hildreth, Area 35 Governor 1989-90 and Chuck Erickson Assistant Area 45 Governor 1990-91. Betty Jo Wells was North Central Division Lt. Governor 1988-89.

In contests Betty Jo Wells was Area 35 Toastmaster of the Year for 1985 and Ray Gamel was Area 35 Toastmaster of the Year for 1989. Ray Gamel won the District Tall Tales Contest at Ft. Dodge, 1990. Betty Jo Wells, Darlene Blake, Sharon Senger, Mary Pals and Ray Gamel have all competed at Area contests with excellent results.
The Capital Toastmasters Club No. 1412, Des Moines

Iowa Capital Stock Insurors Toastmasters Club No. 1412 grew out of a social club of field representatives of the industry. Earlier a club called Iowa Field Toastmasters existed in the same group. The Charter was presented by District 19 Governor, John B. Miller, to Virgil M. Day, President of Club 1412, April 13, 1959. There were 28 charter members. Later the name was shortened to The Capital Toastmasters Club and the doors were opened to non-industry members.

The Club has been active in District 19. In 1982 Nancy Kirstein became the first woman in District 19 to win the District Speech contest and represent District 19 at Region IV.

Charter Member Robert R. Huffstader became the 5th Cap Sias Award winner (for 1965) and as the Cap Sias Award merged with the new Toastmaster of the Year Award winners were: Bert O. Borg for 1972, Cleon Babcock for 1973 and Leo Cleeton for 1981.


Two Rivers Toastmasters Club No. 1817, Des Moines

In July 1965 Two Rivers Toastmasters Club was chartered under the name Scottish Rite Toastmasters, for members of the Scottish Rite only. Sophis Christensen asked John B. Miller to organize the club. It was very successful for Scottish Rite and later for all Masons. Our first president was Robert Wampler. Some of our charter members were Jim Winter, Doyle Champion and Sophis Christensen. Later the club expanded to eventually become a club open to anyone. Our club philosophy has always been that we can help a poor speaker become better. We are proud of our diverse mixture of members.

Several of our members have held area and district offices including Charles Ness, Past District Governor, Bill Saunders Past Area Governor and Howard Porter, Past Assistant Area Governor. Some of our area contest winners have been: Bill Saunders, Howard Porter and Mary Reeves. Our club's membership normally runs from 13 to 17 quality members. Some of the highlights of our club have ranged from an Animal Lover, Jim Rork who waded in to rescue a squirrel in a fountain after one meeting, to our club recently adopting a section of highway, under the Iowa Department of Transportation's Adopt-a-highway program. Prepared by Bill Sanders, ATM.
The Statesmen Toastmasters Club No. 1937, Des Moines

The Statesmen Toastmasters Club No. 1937 was organized in the spring and summer of 1972 among Iowa State employees at Des Moines and met at Lucas State Office Building. Opportunity Toastmasters Club and other Des Moines clubs assisted in organizing the new club. The Charter Party was held at Ninos Steak Ranch, Des Moines, August 11, 1972, with Gerald Winget, Governor of District 19 presenting the Charter to Albert R. Maricle, State Director of Civil Defense, the Club President. The Club had 22 charter members. Corwyn Hicks took 2nd place in the District 19 Humorous Speech Contest in 1972. Charles Jansen was Area 10 Governor for 1977-78, Bessie Gerstenberger was Area 10 Governor for 1978-79 and Corwyn Hicks was Area 10 Governor for 1981-82 until his death. In February, 1973, The Statesmen sponsored a new club called Red Rock Toastmasters Club, Knoxville, and it was chartered in May, 1974. The Club meets at 7:00 a.m. at Grimes State Building.

Ruan Center Toastmasters Club No. 1991, Des Moines

The Ruan Center Toastmasters Club was organized in September, 1978, as a Blue Cross - Blue Shield company club. The charter was presented on November 7, 1978, by District 19 Governor, Bob Jenkins, to Ruth Miller the charter President. Other charter officers were: Educational Vice Pres., Mike Morley, Adm. V. Pres., Herb Ruble, Secretary, Mary Irvin, Treasurer, Betty Dailey, and Bulletin Editor, Dan Sweeney.

Club meetings are held in lower level I, Ruan Center. Phyllis Allen and Mary Young, Toastmaster Specialists, reorganized the club to an open club when Blue Cross-Blue Shield chose not to continue as a company club. In December 1988 the 10th anniversary of the club was celebrated at Younkers Tearoom with some of the charter members attending.

Esquires Toastmasters Club NO. 2388, Des Moines

On January 21, 1957, The Executives and Jaycee Toastmasters Clubs combined in a demonstration meeting for a new group at McNeal's Hotel, Urbandale Ave. and Merle Hay Road. The group organized that night with Henry W. Tyler, a new Des Moines resident and former Toastmaster from Mitchell, S. D., as Temporary President and Irving Hoffbauer as temporary Secretary. The new club was authorized to organize a Toastmasters Club and assigned No. 2388 Jan. 28, 1957. The name Esquires was chosen and the Charter presented by Martin L. Seltzer, Governor District 19, on May 20, 1957.


District 19 Speech Contest winners were: Max Isaacson, 1975-76, who won the Region IV Contest and placed 2nd at the International Convention Contest, New Orleans, La. August 21, 1976, and Rod Johnston, 1986-87, who placed 2nd at Region IV. District 19 Humorous Contest was won by Bob Jenkins in 1981. The Area winners of Speech and evaluation contests are numerous. Esquires sponsored four new clubs to keep Toastmasters growing.

Greater Des Moines Toastmasters Club No. 3049, Des Moines

Greater Des Moines Toastmasters Club received its Charter March 16, 1960. It was organized by a group of men in the West Des Moines area; it met at Holiday Inn South on Gray's Lake. Later it moved to Bishop's Cafeteria downtown and again to Bishop's Cafeteria in Merle Hay Mall where it now meets at 6:00 p.m. every Tuesday.

Through the years the Club has maintained an average of twenty members or better. There are several longstanding members: Carroll Abbey with 28 years, Jim Bennett with 27 years and Leander Harral, Jim Bloem, Emerson Blome, Arlo Ranninger and Herb Smith each with between twenty and twenty-five years of service.

Greater Des Moines Toastmasters Club was the first club in the Des Moines area and possibly the first in Iowa to accept women in to their membership. Now women comprise about forty percent of the Club.

This is a diversified group having a variety of professions represented and a very successful Toastmasters club.
Diplomats Toastmasters Club No. 3298, Des Moines

The Diplomats Toastmasters Club No. 3298 was chartered in May 1975 with 23 members, primarily Federal Government employees. Officers were Betty Smith, President; Stan Barker, Educational Vice President; Mary Young, Administrative Vice President; Elinor Canright (now Diehl), Secretary; Donna Lane, Treasurer; and Lt. Cmdr. Tom Pursel, as Sgt. at Arms. The Charter Party was held on July 8, 1975. The Charter was presented by C. Eugene Stewart, District 19 Governor.

Bob Driscoll, Club 3298, won the Area 6 Humorous Speech Contest on October 22, 1977. Dwight Scoville was Area 6 Governor for 1977-78. Mary Young was Area 6 Governor for 1978-79. Mary progressed on to become the first woman elected to District office in District 19 Toastmaster History, and served as Administrative Lt. Governor in 1979-80, Educational Lt. Governor in 1980-81, and District Governor 1981-82. The District 19 team attained Distinguished District status in each of those terms.

The Diplomats Toastmasters Club has sponsored 4 clubs in District 19: IMMC Toastmaster at Iowa Methodist Hospital, Des Moines, Club No. 5619, chartered July 1984; Capital Squares Toastmasters Club No. 6000, chartered September 1985; Mercy Hospital Toastmasters Club No. 6462, chartered December 1986; and Wallace Toastmasters Club No. 6649, chartered June 1987.

Northwest Toastmasters Club No. 3566, Des Moines

Northwest Toastmasters Club No. 3566 was organized through the efforts of Neil Longseth, Bob Jenkins and Leander Harral. It has always met in Urbandale. The Charter Party was held September 15, 1976, with District 19 Governor, Neil Longseth presenting the Charter to Dr. Don Green the Club President for the 21 charter members. Initially the Club met at Continental Western Company, but for many years it has met at 7:00 a.m. at Super Valu Stores, Inc., General Office, at 3900 106 Street, Urbandale, Iowa. The Club is strongly supported by SuperValu which promotes it as a career building opportunity for its employees. Member from outside of the company are welcomed.

Gordon Rowe was Area 14 Governor in 1986-87. Dee McCaleb competed in the Area speech contest.
Phonetics Toastmasters Club No 4192, Des Moines

Phonetics Toastmasters Club was sponsored by the Jay Cee Toastmasters Club No. 625. The Charter was presented on April 28, 1980, by Toastmasters International President, Eric Stuhlmueller, who was in Iowa on an official Presidential visit. District 19 Governor Irving Deihl also attended the Charter Party. The Charter was received by Dick Myers, the first President of Phonetics Toastmasters Club.

The Club has always met at its present location the former Northwestern Bell Telephone Company now U. S. West at Tenth and High in downtown Des Moines. The meeting is at noon on Thursdays for one hour. Membership is not closed and people from outside the corporation are welcome.

ILH Silver Tongues Toastmasters Club No. 5176, Des Moines

The first official meeting of the Iowa Lutheran Hospital Silver Tongues Toastmasters Club was held on February 22, 1988, in room C of the hospital's conference center. Charles Ness and Dave Wells of the Esquire Club helped us get organized. The official charter was dated April 6, 1988 and assigned number 5176-19. There were 24 charter members composed of a physician, nursing staff, department heads, dietitians, clerical staff, volunteers and auxiliaries. The charter officers were: President, Connie Ciallrimboli; Educational Vice Pres., Linda Kelley; Adm. Vice President, Sandy Huisman; Secretary, Cindy Pearson; Treasurer, Nancy Spies; and Sergeant at Arms, Cindy Smith.

Meetings are every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 12:30. If a 5th Monday is in a month, the meeting is for giving speeches. Current membership is fourteen. Our current officers are: President, Sister LaDonna Woerdeman; Educational Vice Pres., Amy Fletcher; Admin. Vice Pres., Paul Brockett; Secretary, Larry Stumbo; Treasurer, Mark Leeper; and Sergeant at Arms, Sandy Huisman.

Two of the members, Sandy Huisman and Sister LaDonna Woerdeman served at judges for the National Academic Decathlon held in Des Moines on April 21, 1990.
The IMMC Toastmasters Club No. 5619, Des Moines

The IMMC Toastmasters Club No. 5619 was chartered July 30, 1984, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines. Mary Young sponsored the club. Other Toastmasters who assisted with the first organizational meeting were Phyllis Allen and Andy Norton. There were 32 charter members in the club. Eight continue with the club today. The club was created with the specific intention of offering a growth experience for Iowa Methodist Medical Center employees. The club continues to exist as a fun and friendly medium for learning to speak with ease and precision.

Wallace Toasters Toastmasters Club No. 6649, Des Moines

Two members of Diplomat Toastmasters Club No. 3298 met with interested persons in Wallace State Office Building on May 1, 1987, to apply for a charter from Toastmasters International. The club was organized with 22 members and has enjoyed membership levels of 15-20 persons. The Charter was issued June 29, 1987, but the Charter Party was postponed until September 29, 1987. The Charter officers were Eugene Bateman, President; Anna Conradt, Educational Vice-President; Berniece Hostetler, Administrative Vice-President; Eileen Bruening, Secretary-Treasurer and Jim Nelson, Sergeant-at-Arms. Members who have served at District level include: Paul A. Lundy, DTM, Area 4 Governor 1973-74, Fall District Conference Chair 1974 and District Speechcraft Chair 1979-80; Stanley Kuhn, ATM, Area 35 Governor 1988-89. The following members have distinguished themselves in competition: Stanley Kuhn, ATM, second place, 1988 Area 14 Spring Speech Contest; Tami Kuhn, first place, 1988 Area 14 Humorous Speech Contest; Paul A. Lundy, DTM, first place 1989 Area 14 Table Topics Contest and second place, 1990 Spring Speech Contest; Jim Jones, CTM, first place, 1990 Area 91 Evaluation Contest and second place 1990 Southwest Division Evaluation Contest; Anna Conradt, CTM, second place, 1990 Area 91 Humorous Speech Contest.
Applause Masters Toastmasters Club No. 7925, Des Moines

In March 1990 we held an informal meeting and scheduled Speechcraft courses. The courses merged into one group June 14, 1990. Bob Jenkins Club No. 670 was our sponsor. We meet at United Way Human Services Campus, 1111 Ninth St., Suite 120, every Thursday from 12:05 to 12:55. We received our Charter on December 6, 1990, at the United Way Campus and gained two new members from guests in attendance. Our Charter officers were: Deb Schmacker, President; Abe Sommerville, Educational Vice President; Jo Norton, Administrative Vice President; Theresa Larson, Secretary; Ric Yingling, Treasurer; and Kathy McDonald, Sergeant at Arms.

We are all very excited about the future of Applause Masters Club and our own futures as Toastmasters.

DeWitt Toastmasters Club No. 3744, DeWitt

In January 1964, members from Clinton Toastmasters Club 1319 helped to stimulate interest in DeWitt with a meeting at the Farm Bureau building and a new Toastmasters Club started its organization. DeWitt Toastmasters Club No. 3744 received its Charter March 10, 1964, at the Izaac Walton Club Rooms from First Lt. Governor of District 19, Bernie Messmer presented to Club President Roger Shaff. Speakers at the chartering were Al Potter of Clinton, John Robertson of Cedar Rapids and Area 3 Governor, Earl Barber. Other officers of the new club were Earl Loving, Ed. VP., Loren Christiansen, Admr. VP., Norm Goodwin, Sec.-Treas., and Pat Gallup, Sgt. at Arms. At first officers were elected for six months terms and later for 12 months terms.


Norm Goodwin was Area 3 Associate Area Governor 1966-67 and Area 3 Governor 1967-68. Al Keen served as Associate Area 3 Governor 1968-69 and Dr. Ron Hill served as Area 11 Governor 1980-81. Present membership stands at 19.
Dubuque Toastmasters Club No. 1337 was instrumental in organizing a second club in Dubuque. The organizational meeting was held April 6, 1966, and regular meetings started one week later. The Charter Party was held February 18, 1967, with 21 charter members. The Club has always met the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month.

Fred Weinecke won the District 19 Speech Contest, May 9, 1981, and placed 3rd in a field of 8 at the Region IV contest.

John Curoe won the 1978 District 19 Humorous Speech Contest. Robert J. Vanderlippe was Area 2 Governor 1972-73, Leo Kueper as Area 2 Governor 1977-78 & 1978-79, he was Eastern Division Lt. Gov. 1979-80 and advanced yearly to District 19 Governor 1982-83. Nick Stoeckel was Area 2 Governor 1979-80. John Curoe was Area 2 Governor 1983-84. Tom Waterman was Area 21 Governor 1984-85. Steve Ales was Area 51 Governor 1988-89 and Mark Breitback was Area 51 Governor 1989-90.

Fort Dodge Orators Toastmasters Club No. 597, Ft. Dodge

The Fort Dodge Toastmasters Club No. 597 was chartered April 27, 1948, when President Milton Bondus received the charter from Area Governor Wendell Butler of Waterloo. Others from Waterloo were Cap Sias and Preston Briden who in later years moved to Ft. Dodge and still is a member of Club 597. The new club as sponsored by the local YMCA and a Toastmasters Club from Cedar Rapids. The final speech of the evening was by Douglas Sherwin, Club 386, Mason City, the 1947 Toastmasters International Speech Contest Champion. 33 charter members and 2 new members received the charter. To mark their 40th anniversary the club changed its name in April 1988 to Fort Dodge Orators Toastmasters Club No. 597 and received a new charter.

Area Governors from Club 597 were: Joseph E. Skram, Area 5, 1948-49; Leo J. McCurnin, Area 5, 1958-59; Charles Twedt, Area 1, 1963-64; W. J. Buckendahl, Area 9, 1972-73; Harold Johnson, Area 9, 1975-76 and 1976-77; William Moffatt, Area 9, 1977-78; Dave Lawler, Area 9, 1979-80; Herb Bishop, Area 9. 1981-82; Adela Griffel, Area 32, 1985-86 and 1986-87; Joan Johanson, Area 32, 1988-89; Clyde Knupp, Area 32, 1989-90. A former member moved to Cedar Rapids and became District Governor 1983-84: Ronald Rath. Joan Johanson is on the ladder toward District Governor. She won the 1979 District Humorous Speech Contest. Club 597 has had three District 19 Toastmaster of the Year winners: 1985 - Joan Johanson, 1986 - Merrold Blair and 1989 - Jacque Johanson (daughter of Joan). The club initiated a District 19 annual invitational Tall Tales Contest which they plan to continue.
Fort Dodge "Ah" Masters TM Club No. 2791, Ft. Dodge

A new club for singles was advertised, but prospects ignored the "singles" advertising so the pitch was changed to "any interested people". Speechcraft was offered as a training format for the newly signed members. The drive started in April and the charter was presented October 27, 1990. The sponsoring club was Fort Dodge Orators Toastmasters Club No. 597. Past International Director, Dr. Ian Edwards of Des Moines was the keynote speaker and District 19 Governor Carol Smith presented the charter to President Nicholas Walsh. The officers were installed by Merle Oxley, Northwest Division Lt. Governor. Others taking part in the charter party included Joan Johanson, Jacque Johanson, Adela Griffel, a representative of the Mayor's office and one from the Chamber of Commerce. The 25 charter members have accepted the challenge of Toastmasters by adding six new members and are off to a flying start. Meetings are 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. room 449 Vo-Tech. Bldg., Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge.

OLD CAPITAL TOASTMASTERS CLUB NO. 164, IOWA CITY

In the fall of 1950, an instructor in journalism at the University of Iowa mailed postcards to a cross section of Iowa City leaders inviting them to a meeting about "Toastmasters". Some knew about it from recent publicity, but most did not know it from something that made bread brown. The group met regularly at the D&L Grill for more instruction. The Hawkeye Club of Cedar Rapids came and put on a demonstration meeting. They brought three speakers, who spoke for a total of 19 minutes. The evaluation lasted for 25 minutes. The budding club almost died right there.

The club formally organized January 23, 1951, and was Chartered April 24, 1951, with Walter Steigleman as President, Stephen G. Darling as Vice President, David Day as Deputy Governor, Robert Riggs as Sec-Treas, and Nate Moore Jr. as Sgt. at Arms. There were 23 members in the newly chartered club.


Old Capital was instrumental in chartering: Johnson County Farm Bureau Club 1147, Euphasia Club 1209 of Iowa City, Anamosa, Washington Club 1089 and Muscatine Club 685.

Old Capital celebrated its 25th anniversary January 19, 1976, with Terry McCann, Exec. Director of TMI as featured speaker.
Euphasia Toastmasters Club No. 1209, Iowa City

The University of Iowa College of Medicine Toastmasters Club began 22 years ago and was intended to facilitate the introduction of the new Medical curriculum instituted at that time. The name, Euphasia, meaning "good speech" was chosen by one of the early members, among whom were: R. Caplan, Dermatology; G. Kalnistsky, Biochemistry; C. Thayer, Animal Care Veterinarian; C. Johnson, Pediatrics; F. Stamlar, Pathology; and T. Kent, Pathology. Through the years membership in Euphasia has expanded beyond medical faculty to include non-medical faculty, graduate students, staff from a variety of areas, medical students, and others. Our programs have usually been rather traditionally structured, although there have been some significant experimental deviations. We have invited outside speakers at times to discuss relevant matters such as vocal control and non-verbal expression or language. Membership has ranged in size from about 10 to 35. Dues are paid for by the College of Medicine. Participation in Euphasia is a factor which counts as an educational activity toward faculty promotion. The membership has been derived from a variety of sources, but those areas most represented to date have been Pharmacology, Dentistry, Medical Administration, Internal Medicine and Pharmacy.

Johnston Toastmasters Club No. 4605, Johnston

The original initiative for the Club came from the then Area Governor, Bob Letsch, husband of a Pioneer Hi-Bred Int'l. employee. He approached two Pioneer employees, Irv Diehl and Walt Phillips, about the possibility of a new club in Johnston, a Northwest suburb of Des Moines. The first thought was to have a club of Pioneer personnel. Former Toastmaster and now Pioneer Sr. Vice President, Owen Newlin, advised against it. He said the Corporation encourages such activity, but a wider range of persons would be more effective. Time has shown the advice to be sound.

Diehl and Phillips convened meetings in late spring and summer of 1983 drawing in others as their interest increased. A fall election established the first officers. The chartering of Johnston Toastmasters Club No. 4605 on January 28, 1984, was a very special occasion. A banquet was held at Crown Point, the Club meeting place in Green Meadows complex of Johnston, Iowa.

The Club meets at 12:00 each Wednesday and since the lunch hour is used the meeting is structured to be over by the 1:00 fall of the gavel. We are particularly proud to have as a member Toastmasters International Director, Ian Edwards. Club members have assisted when called on to help start other clubs, help Johnston C of C and participate in spring and fall Area Contests.

Johnston Toastmasters looks to the future with anticipation as we improve and help our new members to improve and enjoy Toastmasters.
Marshalltown Toastmasters Club No. 1857, Marshalltown

The YMCA Speakers Club was founded in 1945 and after 10 years of independence the members decided to embrace Toastmasters. The Club chartered May 12, 1955, with 20 members signing the Charter. The Charter was presented to Don Trowbridge, the President, by District 19 Governor Bill Nanny who brought Cap Sias with him from Waterloo. The original name was The Marshalltown YMCA Toastmasters Club and in 1973 the name was changed to The Marshalltown Toastmasters Club. The Club was so popular that there was a waiting list for memberships.

Don Trowbridge won the first Cap Sias Award for 1961; he was also District 19 Secretary-Treasurer 1960-61. Randall E. Winters was Area 5 Gov. for 1957-58, District Lt. Gov. 1959-60 and District Governor 1960-61 and then moved to Des Moines. Bob Button was Area 4 Governor 1962-63. George W. Hertema won the Cap Sias Award for 1964, served as Area 4 Governor 1965-66 & 1966-67, was Lt. Gov. of District 1967-68, 1968-69 & 1969-70, and District Governor 1970-71. Dick Elliott was District 19 Sec.-Treas. 1970-71. Bob Randall was Area 4 Governor 1978-79. Ron Nauman was Area 4 Gov. 1982-83. Kay Hockett was Area 34 Governor 1989-90.

The Club welcomed lady members when they were permitted memberships and Leona Hertema (widow of George) was the first lady president of the Club and four times assistant area Gov.

Moline Toastmasters Club No. 2790, Moline, Illinois

A request to organize a Toastmasters Club was sent to Toastmasters International by Walter M. Roll of Deere & Co. December 15, 1965. The preliminary organization began November 23, 1965, and a Charter was presented to President Robert D. Wismer on March 4, 1966, by a representative of District 19. This was the first club chartered on the Illinois side of the Quad-cities and was assigned to District 19 at its own request. Moline Toastmasters Club No. 2790 chartered with 29 members.

Other club officers were Gerald W. Guinn, Ed. VP., Rev. David W. Clark, Adm. VP., Victor C. Pierrot, Sec., Donald T. Sorlie, Treas., and Douglas L. Bosworth, Sgt. at Arms. The Club has always met the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at Hasty-Tasty Cafe.

District 19 Speech Contest winner in 1971 and 1975 was Merlin Swanson. He also won the Humorous Speech Contest in 1982 as a representative of Master Toastmasters of Iowa, Club 4098, his second club.


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Muscatine Toastmasters Club was undertaken with the help of
Iowa City Club 164 and Washington Club 1089 at a meeting May 20,
1952. Toastmasters International President Carlton P. "Cap" Sias
presented the Charter to Muscatine Toastmasters Club No. 685 at a
dinner June 19, 1952. Area Governor Walter A. Steigleman of Iowa
City and District Governor Elect Walter Schultz of Boone were
among the many out of town guests. President Robert Sweany
received the Charter. The club chartered with 24 members.

District 19 officers from Club 685 were: George Patterson,
District Governor 1955-56 and Max Churchill, District Governor
1967-68. District Sec.-Treas.'s were: William Spieth, 1955-56,
Governors from Club 685 were: William Spieth, 1957-58, Ralph
Cullen, 1959-60, Max Churchill 1962-63 & 1963-64, Bode LaBode,

In speech contests David Stanley was the big winner with 1st
place in District 19 in 1958 and 1962. In 1960 he took 2nd
place, but the winner was declared ineligible and David Stanley
won the Zone Speech Contest and placed 2nd at the Regional Contest
at the Atlanta Convention to pick one of only four finalists.
Winners of Area speech contests were: (spring) Gordon Rogers,
In District Evaluation Contests Max Churchill won 1st place in
1975 and Ralph Jackson won 1st place in 1980. Ralph Freese won
the Area Evaluation Contest in 1985.

The Second Cap Sias Award (Toastmaster of the Year) was won

From 1953 to 1961 the club hosted an Annual Fish Fry and
Watermelon Bust at the Boxcar Ranch for members, wives and
sometimes the District Executive Committee also attended.

East Story County Toastmasters Club No. 504, Nevada

Eleven members of Ames Toastmasters Club No. 569 from East
Story County held a meeting in Nevada with help from 569 and
found enough interest to organize Club 504 which was chartered
October 4, 1955, with 35 members. The first president was John
B. Miller and the charter was presented by District Governor
George Patterson. Membership has varied from 49 down to 12.
John B. Miller was District 19 Governor 1958-59, International
Director 1961-63, 2 times Int'l. Vice President and International
President 1966-67. Harold Walter was District Sec.-Treas. 1958-
59. Area Governors from Club 504 included John B. Miller '56,
Larry Helton '74, Fred Laughlin '84 and '85 and Jane Kennedy '88.
The club has been active in speech contests with finalists in
District (Spring): Harold Walter '60, John B. Miller '61, Robert
Link '64, and Douglas Sampson '90. Miller took 1st and Sampson
took 2nd. In the District Humorous Speech Contests (Fall) Harold
Miller '62 and Frank Ledbetter '66 were finalists and Ledbetter
took 1st Place. The 1963 Regional Meeting in St. Paul offered a
plaque for the "Best Club in Region IV". Entries were mailed in
and Club 504, Nevada, Iowa, was declared the winner. From 1956
to 1976 the club hosted a kick-off steak fry for Central Iowa
Toastmasters Clubs and sometimes the District Executive
Committee. In 1977 it was replaced with a member's and spouse's
Beer and Brats picnic about Labor Day each year.
Perry Toastmasters Club No. 7769, Perry

Former Toastmasters Charles Painter (Ottumwa) and Denny Glick (New Ulm, Minn.) spearheaded a drive to re-establish Toastmasters in Perry. They called on Esquire Club of Des Moines for help and Jean Babcock and Linda L. Skeers became club sponsors. Kathy Lehnen was the Club Mentor. The Charter Party was held at the First Presbyterian Church, Perry, June 23, 1990, with District 19 Governor Charles Ness presenting the Charter to Dennis Glick the charter President.

Already Laura Painter has captured first place in the District 19 Humorous Speech Contest at the Fall Conference 1990 at Amana. She will represent District 19 at Region IV at Omaha.

The Club meets Monday nights at 6:00 at the Perry State Bank. They have joined forces with ten Toastmasters from Panora who commute to Perry for meetings.

Perry had a Toastmasters Club (No. 225) from 1951 to 1968 with many community leaders as active members.

Rock Island Arsenal Toastmasters Club No. 2667, Rock Island, Ill

The Rock Island Arsenal Toastmasters Club was chartered on October 2, 1967, as Club 75 TM, Charter No. 2667. Max Churchill, Governor of District 19, presented the Charter to President Orville Ziegenhorn. The purpose of the Club was to serve the training needs in public speaking for the military and civilian personnel working on Arsenal Island, although occasionally members were admitted from outside Arsenal Island.

The Club called itself Seventy-five until 1972, when it adopted the name "Desiderata", meaning "that which is to be desired", after an essay and song of the same name. During this period, there were about 30 members of the Club, and they actively participated in Area and District speech contests.

Gayle McCoy was Area 7 Governor in 1971-72 and Eastern Division Lt. Governor 1973-74. W. R. McCroskey was Area 7 Governor in 1972-73. Lloyd Efflandt was Area 7 Governor in 1974-75. John Hoenshell was Area 11 Governor in 1981-82.

In 1988 the Club name was changed to Rock Island Arsenal Toastmasters. Membership has decreased and is now down to nine people. The Club is still trying new ideas, one of the latest being joint meetings by video teleconferencing with other clubs around the country.
Reddy Toastmasters Club No. 5295. Sioux City

Past Toastmaster member Edwin C. Weddall obtained permission from Toastmasters International September 28, 1983, to organize an in-house Toastmasters Club at the Iowa Public Service Company. The first meeting was October 4, 1983, in the Community Room at corporation headquarters with a sample meeting provided by Toast O' Town Toastmasters Club No. 2094 of Sioux City. Reddy Toastmasters Club No. 5295 chartered with 29 members in January 1984, with Mark Jacobs as Charter President. Membership has generally held between 20 and 30 in the 7 years of the club.

The educational programs of the club have been outstanding, and many members have achieved ATM. Kevin Heinrich has received DTM, Robert Held has received ATM-Silver and both of them plus Tim Gill have received ATM-Bronze.

Kevin Heinrichs and Bob Pedersen were both Charter Members of Reddy and missionaries to help form a new club at St. Lukes Regional Medical Center, Sioux City on March 7, 1988.

District Nineteen Toastmaster of the Year Award for 1987 was presented to Robert Held and for 1988 to Tom Gill both of Reddy.

Our members have been active in District 19 administration with Bob Pedersen as Western Division Lt. Governor for 1987-88 and three Area Governors: Kevin Heinrichs, Area 11 1986-87, Robert Held, Area 11 1989-90 and Tim Gill, the newly formed Area 21 1990-91.

Norwest Speakeasy Toastmasters Club No. 2701, Storm Lake

The Storm Lake Toastmasters Club No. 2701, Norwest Speakeasy, was chartered April 21, 1986. The charter was presented by club President, Merle Oxley, by Phyllis Allen, District 19 Governor, at their Charter Party held in the Forum at Buena Vista College on June 14, 1986. Sponsors for the newly formed club were 1st Natinal Bank and Ellrich-Overgaard Auctioneers, both of Newell, Iowa.

The formation of the club was a result of Carma Belz hearing a speech given by Joan Johansen. Verlin and Marcia Frank, along with Joan Johansen, were instrumental in getting the club chartered.

Of the 20 original charter members, there are still seven who are active at the present time. They are: Agnes Barr, lorna Burnside, Dick Crawford, LaVern Polziien, Merle Oxley, Millie Oxley and Lori Jensen-Wells.

The Storm Lake club is very active and believes in mixing fun with the learning of Toastmasters. They are known throughout the state for their fun-loving attitude.
Tama - Toledo Toastmasters Club No. 1263, Tama

Early day railroad lines and local rivalry started two towns with a common boundary. Their combined population warranted planting a Toastmasters Club between them, and in the 1958-59 year District Governor John B. Miller and Extension Chairman Randall Winters made the contacts in each town and brought the groups together to form Club 1263. The Charter was presented to President Ben Morris by District 19 Governor, Harold Lounsberry, at Dick's Restaurant, Toledo, October 8, 1959. The Club meets Thursday mornings for breakfast for one hour as it has since an early change from evening was needed.

Feb. 29, 1972, the Club voted to permit women as Associate Members. Women immediately joined and took part in the speeches. In August 1973 Toastmasters International amended its By-laws to permit women members and "Associate" was dropped.

Jim Roan was Area 3 Governor for 1966-67.

The Tama-Toledo Club celebrated its 31st anniversary October 8, 1990, with 16 active members. Its programs are interesting and varied. The members enjoy a great deal of camaraderie. They feel starting Thursday mornings together at Toastmasters is the best way to begin the day.

Washington Toastmasters Club No. 1089, Washington

The Washington Toastmasters Club No. 1089 was chartered in February 1952. Dr. Arbor Clow was the moving force to organize the club and Old Capitol Club of Iowa City was the sponsor. George Dane and Walter Steigleman of Iowa City worked with the new club and Dr. Arbor Clow was its charter president. The Club chartered with 24 members. Charter Member John Ganon has been a continuous member to date.

Tom Thomas won the District 19 Humorous Speech Contest in 1972. Several members have been finalists in the District 19 Speech Contests.

Area Governors from Club 1089 were: John Ganon, Area 5, 1955-56; J. Delmar Ebersole, Area 8, 1970-71; Ferd Marie, Area 73, 1988-89 and Howard Lunning, Area 73, 1989-90.

The Club has been active hosting several Area and Division Speech Contests, working with BOJ Gavel Club at Ft. Madison prison, conducting Youth Leadership, judging speech contests of other organizations and helping with the formation of a Toastmasters club in Mt. Pleasant in 1971.

The thirty-fifth anniversary in 1987 was well attended by past and present members and their spouses.