

Fellow Toastmasters:

Greetings.

Can you help YOUR club become distinguished by completing the pending educational goals and in getting additional members needed in becoming a distinguished club? I realize that it is easy to say and a little more difficult to do. For your information, 14 clubs in the district have already become distinguished clubs and now it is YOUR club's turn! This will help you achieve your individual goals and in-turn achieve goals and in addition, help district 65 become distinguished district!

We have about 15 more weeks to accomplish the stated goals of membership, new club building and becoming a distinguished club. It can be done with some planning and determination. Remember, 14 clubs have already become distinguished.

Here are some critical membership and club numbers as of April 10, 2013. This shows what the clubs and division have accomplished over the last nine months.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

DIVISION	October 2012 Renewals	April 2013 Renewals	New Members since 7-1-2012	Charter Members
Central	499	440	166	22
Eastern	449	371	194	0
Southern	199	179	101	20
Western	306	267	130	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1453</b>	<b>1257</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>42</b>

- The April 2013 membership renewals are about 200 members less than October 2012 membership renewals.
- We are averaging about 58 new members a month over the past 9 months and only 42 charter members to-date.
- At the beginning of the current TM year, i.e., July 1, 2012, the district had paid membership of 2,003 members. To-date, the district has conservatively lost over 600+ members.

**CLUBS:**

CLUBS	Club Base 7-1-2012	No. of Clubs who have not yet paid April dues 4-10-2013	No. of Low Minimum, not yet met 4-10-2013	No. of Clubs Suspended	No. of New Clubs as of 4-10-2013	No. of Distinguished Clubs as of 4-10-2013
Central	34	2	1	1	1	5
Eastern	31	4	0	2	0	4
Southern	18	1	1	1	1	1
Western	25	1	3	2	0	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>

- Eight clubs have not yet paid their April 2013 membership renewals and in addition, 5 clubs have not met the minimum requirement of 6 members for renewals.
- Six clubs have been suspended during the current year
- The district has formed only 2 new clubs over the past 9 months and/or since July 1, 2012 and both these clubs were chartered from leads of previous year.
- To-date 14 clubs have become distinguished (two of them presidents distinguished clubs).
- There are 31 clubs currently having between 3 to 4 DCP goals completed. These clubs need to ensure that additional 1 or 2 goals are completed by June 30, 2013.
- Per TI website, there are approximately SEVEN prospective clubs (4 in western division; 2 in central division and 1 in eastern division) in making. Chartering of some of these clubs need to be expedited prior to June 30, 2013.

**SUMMARY:**

The district needs **771 additional members** (new, charter, renewals) in order to become distinguished district. (GOAL= 4,128 payments in year and ACTUAL to-date= 3,357)

The district needs to build **6 new clubs** in order to become distinguished district. (GOAL= 110 clubs and ACTUAL paid clubs to-date = 104)

The district needs **29 additional clubs to become distinguished club** for the district to become a distinguished district. (GOAL= 43 distinguished clubs and ACTUAL to-date = 14)

Once again if each member in each of the club takes upon himself/herself to achieve the goals in becoming a distinguished club; it is doable. And for the last time ..... 14 of the clubs have already become distinguished and now it is YOUR turn to help YOUR club become a distinguished club.

Let's do it. Let's do it starting now.

Thank you for your time.

Sam Mehta, DTM, PDG  
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