

# TEAMWORK

## Member Spotlight

*Yvonne Devine (ATM-S, Past President, and current Area 23 Governor)*



Retired from the Marie Corps as a Lieutenant Colonel after 23 years of service, she is now a realtor with HelpUSell, coaches individuals, and teaches public speaking workshops on the side. She is also our new Area 23 Governor after holding positions as VP Education, Secretary, Treasurer, and our immediate Past President.

Yvonne originally joined Toastmasters in Antioch, California in 1995 after reading an article that said women could earn up to \$5,000 a speech (for men that became \$50,000), and thought it would be a fun way to earn money, and will work on closing that dollar discrepancy.

She credits the skills she has developed in Toastmasters for changing her level of confidence in everything she does and is a proponent of lifetime participation in Toastmasters for "about everyone on the planet".

As area governor her objectives are to get in touch with individual club needs and help them move forward on their own goals. She would also like to see an advanced club start up where speakers who have their CTM could meet and challenge themselves to move beyond their usual speaking style.

In her ten years as a Toastmaster she credits Twin Oaks Toastmasters as one of the finest clubs she has experienced.

### Club News



### Announcing Another Marathon!

Coming in October to the Twin Oaks Toastmasters - another marathon!

This is still in the planning stages but we are anticipating a great day full of interesting table topic questions & answers and humorous speeches along with evaluations and good entertainment. All TM's are invited to take part.

So, start your training now so you will be ready for the challenge!



## DID YOU KNOW?

"Workflow of a Twin Oaks Toastmasters Meeting" is an excellent resource on our website that details the way our meetings run.

Twin Oaks Toastmasters was formed in 1999. Most of the members knew one another and were associated with Cal State San Marcos. Twin Oaks Toastmasters have not always met in their current location. They met for a times at the CSMU "Ranch", a retirement home, and at a health clinic.

We have six past presidents in our current club: Don Larson (CTM & CL), Loren Bailey (CTM & CL), Tanis Brown (CTM & CL) Sassan Haghgoo (CTM), Bridgette Keene (CTM) and Yvonne Devine (ATM-S).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



Club Contests in September! Consider using your speaking skills in the Table Topics and/or Humorous Speech Contests. We have had members from both types of contests go to Area level and beyond in recent years.

Member semi-annual dues are due by October 1, 2005. The club Treasurer is already notifying members and appreciates timely remittance. Paying member dues on time is part of the Distinguished Club Awards Program we participate in every year.

It's not too early to think of the Winter Party that is becoming a tradition in our club. In the past years, Tom Savell (ATM-S & CL), Tanis Brown, and Lela Hankins were our hosts and all who attended had a great time.

## OUR AWARD WINNING TM'S

Recently ribbons were awarded to...

**Best Speaker:** Cy Chadley, Maria Dolores Chadley, Diana Sanchez (ATM-B & CL), Jackie Basa

**Best Table Topics:** Tanis Brown (CTM & CL), Lela Hankins (ATM-B & CL), Yvonne Devine, Dale Spangenberg

**Best Evaluator:** Yvonne Devine, Don Larson, Lela Hankins, Sassan Haghgoo

