

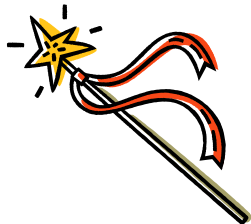
Discover the Mysteries of the Enchanted Forest



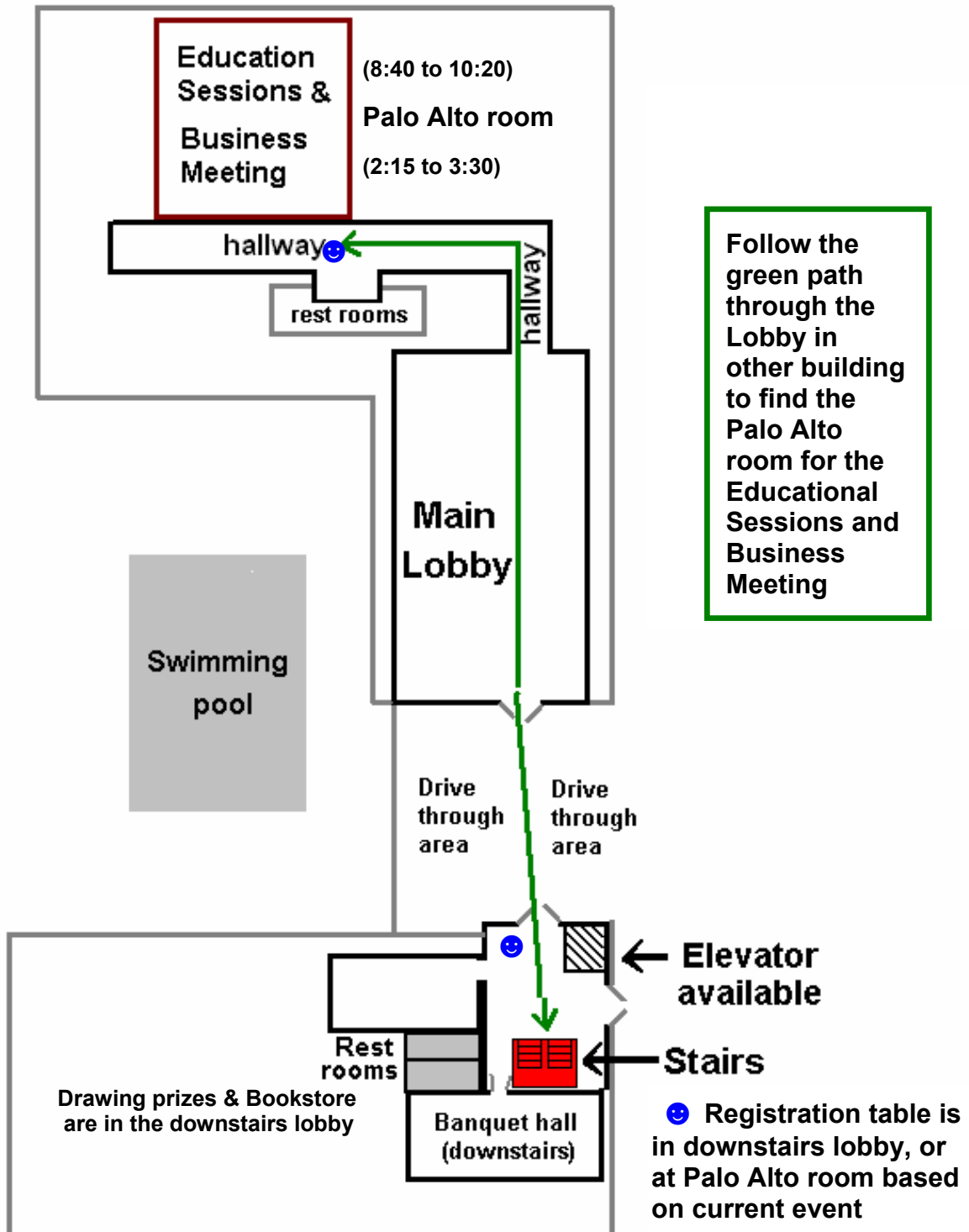
***TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 4 - FALL CONFERENCE
SHERATON SAN JOSE
NOVEMBER 18, 2006***

Conference Schedule

7:00 am	Registration	Banquet room
7:30 am	Breakfast	Banquet room
8:00 am	Opening Ceremony	Banquet room
8:25 am	Break	
8:40 am	Educational Session 1	Palo Alto room
9:40 am	Educational Session 2	Palo Alto room
10:15 am	Break	
10:30 am	Evaluation Contest	Banquet room
12:30 pm	Communication and Leadership Luncheon	Banquet room
1:30 pm	Hall of Fame	Banquet room
2:15 pm	Business Meeting	Palo Alto room
3:45 pm	International Director Keynote	Banquet room
4:00 pm	Humorous Speech Contest	Banquet room
6:00 pm	Conference ends	



Sheraton San Jose - 1801 Barber Lane, Milpitas, Calif.



Breakfast, Opening Ceremony, Evaluation Contest, Humorous Speech Contest, Communication and Leadership Luncheon and the Hall of Fame will be in the downstairs Banquet hall



Ken Cawley, DTM
District 4 Governor

Welcome

Welcome to the District 4 2006 Fall Conference

The Division G team led by our conference chairs Al Lo and Anne Hu have put together a great program for you today. Their theme, *Discover the Mysteries of the Enchanted Forest* was inspired by the venue they chose, the Sheraton San Jose. I want to thank them and all the members who put in countless hours preparing for today.

For the new members and those who haven't attended a district conference before, what follows is a quick overview of the day.

Following breakfast and a quick opening ceremony, we'll begin our day with educational sessions led by International Director candidates, Linda Kenney, DTM and Richard Snyder, DTM. Next, during the Evaluation Contest, we'll learn from the best as the finalists from all eight divisions provide feedback and encouragement for our guest speaker from District 57.

After a short break for members to network, pick up ballots, shop at the bookstore and get your opportunity drawing tickets, we'll convene for the Communication & Leadership Luncheon. District 4 will be honoring Christa Gannon, Founder and Executive Director of Fresh Lifelines for Youth (FLY). FLY provides services to at-risk and disadvantaged youth, preventing juvenile crime and incarceration through legal education, mentoring, and leadership training.

Following the luncheon, we will honor members of District 4 with our Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame recognizes member achievement in public relations, membership education, training and leadership. We will close the ceremony with our traditional hug line for the members who have recently achieved the highest level in the Toastmasters program – Distinguished Toastmaster.

The Business Meeting which follows is open to all members. Club Presidents and Vice Presidents Education or their representative should be sure to stop by the Credentials Desk early to exchange proxies for ballots. This meeting will be much shorter than that conducted in the spring, but will still include important items such as the budget and the ratification of our appointed district officers.

We've saved the best for last – the Humorous Speech Contest. After a short keynote speech from our International Director, Ann Hastings, DTM, we will hear from the best humorous speakers in all of District 4. This contest will determine who will represent District 4 at the Region II Humorous Showcase in June 2007.

Again, I thank the entire team who helped put today's conference together. Enjoy the day as we *Discover the Mysteries of the Enchanted Forest* together.

Archana Naik, ACB/CL
District 4 Governor



Host Governor's Message

Dear members of District 04,

On behalf of the wonderful District 04 planning committee, I warmly welcome you all to this magical conference. This Enchanted Forest holds delightful surprises from the talented speakers, bewitching contestants and the industrious gnomes of the executive committee.

We present to you a plethora of learning opportunities – from educational sessions, discerning evaluations, meeting the International Director and the members of the Hall of Fame, conducting our productive business meeting – right down to the endless laughter in the Humorous Speech Contest.

I promise to you that at the end of the day, you will have added many new spells to your bag of Toastmaster skills.

This is about communication and leadership, and more importantly about teamwork. I invite you all to join us and enjoy this glorious District 04 event, for together we can weave magic!

Welcome !



Ann Hastings, DTM, ID, PDG

***International Director
Distinguished District Governor
Division Governor of the Year
Area Governor of the Year***

Keynote Speaker for Conference

Ann Hastings of Santa Monica, California, has been elected to the Board of Directors of Toastmasters International, a worldwide, nonprofit organization teaching skills in public speaking and leadership.



Toastmasters members elected her to the two-year volunteer term during the organization's recent 74TH annual International Convention in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

A dedicated Toastmaster for 11 years, Hastings has held a number of distinguished leadership positions within the organization.

Hastings spent 40 years in Corporate America before retiring in 2000. She now sits on the board of HRD Management Co. LLC, a real estate enterprise, and teaches young professionals to overcome their fear of public speaking for UCLA Extension. She is the vice president of fund-raising for the John Douglas French Alzheimer's Foundation.

"In teaching and real estate, it's necessary to have a wide range of skills," she says. "Toastmasters has helped me learn to effectively think on my feet, organize and strategize, and find the best possible outcomes to share with my students and clients."

Since its founding in 1924, Toastmasters International has helped four million men and women develop their communication and leadership skills – skills that, in turn, have helped countless people lead more successful lives. The organization now has approximately 220,000 members in 10,500 clubs in 90 countries.

For more information on Toastmasters International and the meeting times and locations of local clubs, please visit www.toastmasters.org.



Linda Kenney, DTM, PDG
Candidate for International Director
Education Speaker
Club Evolution

Linda is a Doctoral Candidate in "Management in Organizational Leadership". Linda is involved with several volunteer groups that support the activities of her grandchildren. Campbell Middle School Drama; Chandler Tripp School for children with special needs; Modesto Charter School; NOAH (National Organization for Albinism and Hypopigmentation); and has conducted several "Youth Leadership Programs" (a program for Communication and Leadership for children ages 10-17).

Linda worked for Lockheed for 20 ½ years as a Supervisor in Material, and a Trainer in the Process and Quality Improvement area. Linda has developed and conducted several workshops for Facilitation, Team Building, Accelerated Learning, Leadership and Team Building, Goal Setting, Personal Quality and Communications Skills. Currently, she is a Global Program Manager for Network Appliance Inc.

Linda is a Past District Governor of District 4 which is from San Francisco to King City, has 200 Toastmasters Clubs and over 4,000 members. Linda Kenney is a true Servant-Leader and a "Powerful Woman who Empowers others".

Richard Snyder, DTM, PDG

Candidate for International Director

Education Speaker

Developing Your Leadership Skills

In today's fast paced life, leadership skills are more important than ever in our daily lives and in the business world. In this interactive workshop we will define leadership and what qualities make good leaders, discover our present leadership skills, and how we can become better leaders.

A Toastmaster since July 1991, Richard Snyder, DTM, served as District 12 Governor during the 2000/2001 Toastmaster year, and was proud to serve a committed team that earned Distinguished status. Since serving as District Governor, Richard has continued to serve in a number of capacities including New Member Chair and is currently serving his fourth year as New Club Extension Chair.

Richard teaches adult English-as-a Second Language in Pomona and lives with his wife Saira and two children, Robert and Sarah, in Upland.



Communication and Leadership Award Recipient

Christa Gannon

***Founder and Executive Director
Fresh Lifelines For Youth (FLY)***

FLY helps teens in trouble learn to make healthy decisions. Founded in 1998, FLY provides at-risk and disadvantaged youth with vital information regarding the decisions they make in their lives. Its mission is to reduce juvenile crime and incarceration through legal education, mentoring and leadership training. Its vision "is that our most marginalized and underserved youth will gain the life skills and character needed to avoid the criminal justice system and transform from delinquent youth into positive community leaders." FLY provides volunteer mentors who listen, and gives graduates the opportunity to advance to a leadership program where they have the chance to use their knowledge and skills to help other teens in trouble. So far, FLY has helped nearly 10,000 youths.



FLY, located in the Sobrato Center for Nonprofits in Milpitas, is a cost-effective, proven success. The cost to incarcerate one youth for one year in California's youth prison system is \$71,000. More importantly, the state run facility has only a 25% success rate. In comparison, FLY's most expensive yearlong program, our Leadership Program, costs less than \$7,000 and has an 88% success rate.

Christa Gannon is FLY's Founder and Executive Director. After graduating with honors from the University of California at Santa Barbara (where she played basketball and finished as UCSB's seventh all-time leading rebounder) with a B.S. in Sociology and Law and Society, she attended and also graduated with honors from Stanford University Law School. While at Stanford in 1996, she created a volunteer program where law students provided legal education to youths who were confined in Santa Clara County's Juvenile Hall. At the end of the program, she had the youths design services that they felt would prevent juvenile crime. This program became FLY.

In 1997, the Open Society Institute selected Christa as one of ten people in the United States to receive funding from the George Soros Foundation to develop an innovative criminal justice program. In 1998, Christa was admitted to the State Bar of California, which gives attorneys the right and privilege to practice law in California. Also in 1998, FLY was incorporated as nonprofit organization for youth. It had 1 staff member, 5 volunteers, 25 clients, 2 programs, and a budget of \$32,500. Now, only eight years later, FLY has 22 staff members, 80 volunteers, 3,000 clients, 3 program areas, and a budget of nearly 1.5 million dollars.

In the fall of 2000 the National Law-Related Education Consortium (funded by the Federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention) selected Christa to be California's State Coordinator of Law-Related Education. She acts as the expert for the State of California, supporting individuals and organizations that want to start law-related education projects. Christa is the youngest state coordinator in the country.

Among the many awards that Christa has received for her work over the years, on October 25, 2006 Stanford Law School's new Center for Public Service and Public Interest Law awarded to her its Alumni Public Service Award for her work on behalf of underserved California youth. In addition to her full time work at FLY, Christa is also a wife and a mother to three year old daughter Hailey Morgan.

For more information about FLY, please see <http://www.flyprogram.org> or phone 408-263-2630.

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Host Division G Governor Archana Naik and
Conference Co-Chairs Anne Hu and Al Lo

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