

## REvitalize Your Toastmasters Goals

I just love coming to my Toastmaster Club meetings - both of them.

The S'MartMasters Club at Sprint provides me with an opportunity to speak in front of my peers. All of our members work at Sprint and are familiar with the corporate culture and telephone jargon that inevitably sneaks into our speeches or Table Topics. It's a comfortable, safe environment where I can try out a few new things in my speeches. Here I can be a mentor for the newer members.

On the other hand, the Masters club is more challenging for me; it's full of very experienced Toastmasters. I can't just waltz through a speech at these meetings. At this club, I can't assume that anyone understands my work environment or the telephone jargon! At the Masters Club, I feel I'm the one who needs the mentoring.

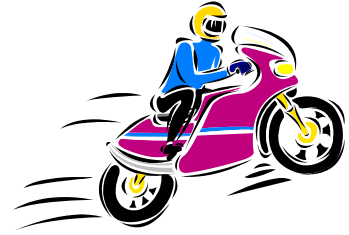
Reflecting on this, I have some thoughts about how we can revitalize our Toastmasters goals.

**Reach Out**—Being in two clubs has distinct advantages. First of all, I get evaluations from two different aspects, one with a corporate slant and one with a worldlier outlook. Hopping back and forth between the two clubs keeps me on my toes and energized. As a club officer, I can "borrow" the good ideas from one club and help to establish them in the other club. In this way both clubs grow and prosper from the sharing of good ideas.

**Expand**—District 22 also provides ample opportunities where TI members can stretch and grow. Here are a few examples:

- attend or participate in your club and area contests,

- participate in the twice-yearly District 22 club officer training sessions, and
- attend District 22 conferences.



Each of these events provides you with plenty of opportunities to learn, meet other Toastmasters, and get great ideas for your own club.

**Volunteer**—Take advantage of events at local high schools. The schools are often looking for experienced speakers to serve as judges for speaking and debate competitions. Volunteer - you'll be amazed at what these teenagers can accomplish!

**Reach out** - Join another club and increase your comfort zone.

**Expand** - Use district events to add more techniques to your speech-making kit and add more friends to your social list.

**Volunteer** - Give back a little of what Toastmaster's gave you by investing in the youth of this country.

**REV** it up - you'll be surprised how much you'll grow!

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