



Toastmasters, District 45, Area 16

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Toastmasters International District 45, Area 16 Speech Contest Results

The Toastmasters International District 45, Area 16 clubs held their Spring Contest at 5:30 PM on Saturday, May 1, 2004 at Madden's Restaurant, 39 Crystal Ave., and Derry, NH.

Competing in the International Speech Contest were Dina Crawford of Chester; Betty Dingman of Henniker; Dale Coperanis of Manchester; and Dawn Knight of Windham. Taking the top two spots in the International Speech Contest were Dina Crawford (first place) and Betty Dingman (second place).

Table Topics Contestants were Tom Tomai of Bedford; Diana Mancuso of Windham; Vivian Pilot of Bedford; and Dale Coperanis of Manchester. Tom Tomai won first place and Diana Mancuso won second place.

Competitors in the International Speech Contest give five- to seven-minute inspirational speeches. The Table Topics Contest contestants have two minutes to answer a question that they hear for the first time just before answering it.

Winners of these two contests move on to compete at the District 45 International and Table Topics contests. The District contests will be in Concord, NH May 21-23, 2004. For more information on the District Conference and Contests, see: http://www.toastmasters45.com/Spring%20Conference/Spring%20Con_cover.htm.

Guests are always welcome at Toastmasters meetings and contests. Guests can always attend regular Toastmasters meetings for free. Member dues vary by club, but are usually around \$48 per year. For more information, see: <http://www.ToastmastersNH.org>

About Toastmasters clubs: The mission of a Toastmasters club is to provide a mutually supportive and positive learning environment in which every member has the opportunity to develop communication and leadership skills, which in turn foster self-confidence and personal growth. See <http://www.toastmastersnh.org> for more information.



About Toastmasters International: Toastmasters International is the leading movement devoted to making effective oral communication a worldwide reality.

Through its member Clubs, Toastmasters International helps men and women learn the arts of speaking, listening and thinking -- vital skills that promote self-actualization, enhance leadership, foster human understanding, and contribute to the betterment of mankind. See <http://www.Toastmasters.org> for more information.