

May 6, 2018 – Division E Report. – Jason Karras Division E Director

It has been my honour to work with some of the brightest and the best that Toastmasters has to offer... the 2017 – 2018 Division E Area Directors. They have been Area Directors, Pathway Guides, Conference Aides ... and the list goes on, showing the true meaning of a volunteer and helping where ever needed.

Area 19

Kyle Loeffler has had a challenge...promoting Pathways and a difficult area. This area is mostly a closed group of clubs that have had issues with meetings, club executives and a Bilingual club that seems like it is almost purely French speaking. Most of the clubs failed to get any training as they failed to see the benefit and perhaps; as a result, one club – Kelsey Communicators suspended 03/31/2018

Area 21

Linda Holmevik is the poster child of all that is good about Toastmasters. She has met with all of her clubs many times and submitted all of her reports ahead of everyone I am sure. Her clubs have battled illness, a president moving to Ontario (and losing a meeting location), a club that had forgot to have fun but since has found it again while sealing the deal on new memberships. While yet another club had an executive change ... for the better. Problems had been identified, worked on and there is a positive trend here, and of course ...Don Z's home club. It is awesome, just ask him.

Area 40

Danielle Barrett reports Living Skies Advanced has a coach, and PMI could definitely use one too as it struggles with low membership a less experienced core group. The Battlefords and Lloydminster are doing well, with expected Distinguished club status and possibly Select Distinguished in their future. Bonnyville Lakeland Toastmasters has been added to the fold and President Matt Graham has stated 100% training will be done and President Select is the only acceptable goal to strive for ...Next year!

Area 47

Area Director Judicael Moukoumi has nailed the problem on the head. Most of the issue is from clubs not getting ANY Club officer training. You can't lead a club if you don't have a map and a plan. Overall, though he notes that there is improvement across the area. This may be a result of 2 clubs getting the needed coaches, although, another club could still benefit from a coach as well. Clubs are developing strategies and having open houses in the hopes of increasing memberships.