



SATURDAY MORNING LIVE CRUMPET

May 2025

**Saturday Morning Live
#2470, Area D3, District 115**

Club Meetings/Events

May 10
May 17 Speech-a-Thon
May 24

District 115 Doings

District 115 Conference ➔

May 2 & 3, Gold Coast Hotel/Casino
4000 W. Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas
Registration for in-person
attendance is closed. To register to
see the conference online:

[https://forms.gle/tmCaArBUGCBfQP
Gs9](https://forms.gle/tmCaArBUGCBfQP Gs9)

Pathways Lab

Mon., May 5, 6 – 7 pm, online
To register:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8121212121?
pwd=Z0pG9DQe5wRifW9DRWWH9G
p8R](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8121212121?pwd=Z0pG9DQe5wRifW9DRWWH9Gp8R)

Enrichment Night

Mon., May 19, 6 – 7 pm, online
To register:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8121212121?
pwd=Z0pG9DQe5wRifW9DRWWH9G
p8R](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8121212121?pwd=Z0pG9DQe5wRifW9DRWWH9Gp8R)

Deadlines

E-mail photos, articles, etc. to
zeezolnay@cox.net by 2nd monthly
meeting. Thanks.

Saturday Morning Live meets on
2nd and 4th Saturdays at
AutoNation Buick-GMC,
330 N. Gibson Rd., 2nd Floor,
Henderson, NV from 10:00
to 11:30 am

For more information,
visit our website
2470.toastmastersclubs.org
Toastmasters International
www.toastmasters.org



Justin Tietjen Will Compete at District Conference



Justin Tietjen won the Division D International Speech contest against strong competition. Now he takes his inspirational speech, “Positive Conditioning,” to the District 115 Conference, where he will compete against the best speakers in the district on May 3.

If you want to cheer Justin on, know that registration for in-person attendance has closed, and walk-ins are not allowed. You can still see Justin and the rest of the conference online by clicking on the link in the sidebar to the left to register for online viewing. You must register to access the conference. When you do, the district will send you the link directly. Then you can see the conference, including the Tall Tales and International Speech contests, the Hall of Fame presentation, a show by magician John Lewit, educational presentations, and a keynote address by management consultant Ondra Berry. For further details, visit the District website: <https://d115tm.org/>.

“April is the Cruellest Month...”

So said T.S. Eliot in his poem “The Wasteland.” Our club is hardly a wasteland, but this past month was difficult for us. We still had fun, but illness among our ranks, difficulties in getting a place for our picnic, and a disappointing dues cycle made for sparse meeting attendance and a shrinking of our club down to just 13 members.



Indeed, we haven’t had a prepared project speech since March. At our April 12 meeting, we had only seven participants and all our prepared speakers had dropped out. Topics Master Zee Zolnay put together a series of quotations on the topic of history. Everyone there got the chance to speak, including Area D1 Director James Pesutich. The award for best Table Topic response went to guest Hsang Lu.

And then, there was our picnic on the 26th. We couldn’t reserve a pavilion at Sunset Park, so we switched the venue to Desert Bloom Park. Then a member noticed that the weather was predicted to be windy with a chance of rain. With one day to go, we moved the event indoors to Norma Schwartz’s home. Further absences due to illness left us, again, with seven participants.



We improvised another Table Topics session where everyone had 4 to 5 minutes to speak on whatever they wanted to talk about. Then we chowed down on hamburgers, hot dogs, and Filipino egg rolls.

The lesson learned: we are now a small, struggling club, so we all need to have an improvised speech ready to give on the spot, as the situation requires.

Looking Ahead: “It isn’t June 30th yet!”

This late in the year, our club is in the unusual position of not meeting any requirements to be distinguished. We need to bring in new members and to complete all pending educational requirements. Hence, we are scheduling three meetings in May, including a Speech-a-Thon on May 17. A Speech-a-Thon is a special meeting with only project speeches and evaluations. This, plus a June 14 Open House meeting, should put us back on the Distinguished Club track.

