

# District Director's Corner

## August 2019

August is a great month for all District 37 Toastmasters to REFOCUS, REFRESH and RESPOND.

Club officers **REFOCUS** by taking advantage of the three remaining Toastmasters Leadership Institutes.

- Saturday, 8:30 AM, August 3<sup>rd</sup> Charlotte Ballantyne
- Saturday, 8:00 AM, August 3<sup>rd</sup> Durham
- Thursday, 5:20 PM, August 8<sup>th</sup> Charlotte Uptown

The TLI is a great opportunity to **REFOCUS** your club leadership skills for the 2019-2020 Toastmasters year. Remember, your goal is to achieve four or more officers trained. The TLI is not only for club officers. Attend if you are thinking of a club leadership position in the future. Attend if you want to expand your knowledge of Toastmasters and network with fellow Toastmasters. It is worth it!

**REFRESH** by putting a plan in place to achieve at least one Education Award. Last month I challenged all 4,530 Toastmasters in District 37 to achieve at least one education award in 2019-2020. This month I am challenging you to put a plan in place to achieve that education award. REFRESH yourself on what is required to achieve it. How many speeches or how many projects are needed? Then make a month-by-month plan to achieve it.

District 37 Club Presidents and Club Secretaries have a once in a year opportunity to select the new leaders of Toastmasters International by **RESPOND**ing to a proxy sent to your club in July. Return the proxy to me, your District Director, who will be attending the business meeting in Denver in August. Don't delay! Use Club Central to **RESPOND** to the proxy. Give it to the District Director or another Toastmaster who you know who will be attending the International Convention in Denver starting August 18<sup>th</sup>. Please don't delay. **RESPOND**, so that your club has a say in who will lead Toastmasters International.

In summary, use August to REFOCUS, REFRESH and RESPOND. **REFOCUS** by attending one of the remaining TLIs. **REFRESH** by putting in place a plan to achieve an education award during the 2019-2020 Toastmaster year. **RESPOND** by returning the club proxy so your club has a say in who will lead Toastmasters International.