

QUOTA INTERNATIONAL, DISTRICT 18
LT. GOVERNOR'S SPRING UPDATE
May 2008

It was so wonderful seeing and chatting with so many of you at the training seminar and the conference this year. Throughout the conference there were 70 enthusiastic Quotarians in one room enjoying each other's company, sharing ideas, gaining new ones, and lots of happy faces and laughter too. Isn't it such a great feeling to meet up with people that all have the same mind-set towards service and the opportunity to renew and make new friends?

Those that attended the training seminar have received the results and now I'll give you a synopsis of the D&G Lt. Gov. Breakfast meeting. First off, thank you for your responses to the handout that you received from me. The following comments are from 8 clubs:

Recruitment

Word-of-mouth is the preferred method for recruitment.

Two clubs are planning on recruitment evenings – Collingwood and Owen Sound. Two are considering it for the first time and the remainder will invite recruits to a program meeting.

New Members

After tallying up the possible number of new members that each club thought they could **recruit** I'm very happy to say that the **grand total is 29 new members!** Now that would be a truly remarkable feat!! **LET'S DO IT TOGETHER!**

Here are some of the ways that were reported to get new members

You may find that you could use one or more of these in your club.

Develop a more visible Quota profile in the community; partner with other organizations; wine and cheese night; expanding service agendas in your community and invite potential members to club fundraisers and fun nights.

New clubs

There is a potential for new clubs in the future – Orillia, Peterborough and Ottawa are considering specific locations outside their areas. In addition, two clubs- Collingwood and Grey-Bruce are looking into target areas.

Now, I did say I would come up with a Development and Growth plan for 2008-09 after I got to know more about your clubs. I have digested all of the written feedback from you from the Training Seminar, the D&G Breakfast meeting and verbal comments.

D& G Plan 2008-09

Goal 1. Read the CLUB SUCCESS GUIDE for guidance to strengthen your club from within. Make a copy for your Vice/Pres-elect. All the members of your D&G team in your club would benefit from a copy too! That way it will put all of you on the same page and reinforce a team work approach. **All of the clubs expressed a desire to have more members in their clubs and that some clubs were lacking in drive/zing/pride! Well if you read the guide it will help you get the enthusiasm back in your club and 29 new members could become a reality. TRY IT!**

Goal 2. All of the clubs in District 18 become a + 1 Club. Refer to the + 1 PLANNING GUIDE that is supplied in the President's package. Once again make copies for the Vice/Pres-elect and the D&G committee. This guide has so many helpful tools for your use. **Wouldn't it be extra special if all of our clubs in our district rate the + 1 Club status. The criteria is that you gain one new member over last year's (April 2008) final membership number. YOU CAN DO IT!**

Goal 3. Create a Quota Garden: We Care. We Share. We Grow. As the D&G meeting comments noted that there is a potential for new clubs in the future. Five clubs are considering a new club outside their community. This is an ongoing project, so take a look at the A NEW CLUB GARDENERS GUIDE. There is a wealth of suggestions in the packet and the steps for starting a new club are clearly outlined. Read about it and consider it for a location near you. A copy can be printed from the Quota International web site at www.quota.org.

ALL OF THE ABOVE GOALS ARE DOABLE! YOU JUST HAVE TO GET STARTED!

**Helpful hint: If you set your “slinky” in motion it will only go forward.
So let’s SPRING FORWARD TOGETHER in 2008-09.**

Other Newsy Items

Membership:

Our current membership in the district is 218 members.

The Mariposa club added 3 new members in April.

And good news coming out of Peterborough is that 3 new memberships are in the works and the members will be installed in June!

This year the Grey-Bruce Silver Q club is our District Dynamo Winner for 2008 with 37 members!

Congratulations to all of you!!

Other:

The DVD “The Secret” is available for your use. Just drop me a line and I will be happy to mail it off to you.

I have emailed the Campbell Soup Company and am still waiting for a reply concerning the collection of soup labels. For the time being continue collecting them. I’ll inform you if there are any changes.

Well summer is just about upon us, so try and think about new members as you mingle with your family, your new and old friends and most of all just enjoy it.

If you have any concerns or queries drop me a line or call me as I’m here for you.

Yours in Quota,

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