

Talk of the Town Toastmasters Club #2555 2nd and 4th Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Mauldin Cultural Center Mauldin, SC

Facts About Toastmasters International and District 58 (South Carolina):

- 1. Toastmasters International is a non-profit educational organization that teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of meeting locations.
- 2. Headquartered in Rancho Santa Margarita, California, the organization has more than 280,000 memberships in 13,500 clubs in 116 countries.
- 3. Since 1924, Toastmasters International has helped people of all backgrounds become more confident in front of an audience.
- 4. South Carolina has 121 clubs, of which 79 are community clubs, and the rest are either corporate or specialty clubs.
- 5. Clubs are made up of about 20 people and meet twice a month.
- 6. Club meetings are usually one hour long with an agenda listing speakers and other meeting roles.
- 7. When a person joins Toastmasters he/she will receive in the mail a new member kit with two manuals to work from; one is for speaking and one is for leadership.

 Members work out of both manuals at the same time, and projects are at your own pace. You will also receive the *Toastmaster* magazine every month.

Facts about Talk of the Town Toastmasters Club #2555:

- 1. We currently have 19 members and are a very diverse club. Our members range in age from 20 to "over 65", and we have members with less than 1 year of Toastmasters membership and we have 4 members with over 8 years. Our members are students, entrepreneurs, self-employed small business professionals and company professionals.
- 2. We have been meeting at the Mauldin Cultural Center for since Fall 2011.
- 3. Our club webpage is <u>2555.toastmastersclubs.org</u>

Costs to join:

- 1. International dues: \$36 for 6 months, prorated based on month joined
- 2. Club dues: \$6 for 6 months, prorated based on month joined (International and club dues are renewed April 1 and October 1)
- 3. New Member fee: \$20 paid one time to cover new member kit

To join this month (March 2013) is \$69 and covers the new member kit, and International and club dues through the end of September. Checks can be made out to Toastmasters Club #2555.