**SCRIPT FOR CONTEST TOASTMATER FOR AREA CONTESTS**

SAA – confirms with Contest Toastmaster & Chief Judge that they are ready to start contest

*Give a 5 minute warning*

*SAA announces:* May I have your attention, please. The contests will begin in 5 minutes. Please make your way to a seat.

*Give a 2-minute warning*

*SAA announces:* May I have your attention, please. The contests will begin in 2 minutes. Please take your seats.

*SAA announces:*

Toastmasters and Guests – the contests are about to begin.

By attending this contest, you agree to the privacy policy of Toastmasters International. Some of your personal information, such as name, image, may be used by District 5 and Toastmasters International.

As a courtesy to our contestant and other Toastmasters, we ask that you do not take photographs or video during the contest and that you turn off cell phones and all electronic recording devices.

Please join me in welcoming the Area \_\_\_\_ Director *insert name*

*Area Director announces:*

Thank you for joining us at the combined Area \_\_\_\_ & Area \_\_\_\_ Table Topics & International Speech Contests

We are honored to have numerous dignitaries of our district in attendance. When I mention your name, please stand and remain standing until all dignitaries have been recognized. Read list of dignitaries in attendance *(See Dignitaries List). Lead applause and state you may be seated,*

*Area Director announces:*

Please help me welcome our Contest Toastmaster, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Contest Toastmaster announces:*

Today, we have contestants from the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Division for Area \_\_\_\_ Table Topics & International Speech Contests

We will start with the Table Topics Contest.

We will then take a BREAK (10 mins) and start the International Speech Contest.

The Chief Judge has informed me that the contestants, judges, timers, and ballot counters have been briefed prior to the beginning of this contest.

Please help me welcome our Chief Judge \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so I can select the Table Topic Question for our contestants.

Thank you Chief Judge. Open the envelope with the Table Topic Question read it to yourself twice. Next give the speaking order of the contestants.

Here is the speaking order of the contestants:

Contestant 1

Contestant 2

Contestant 3

Contestant 4

Ask the SAA to please escort all contestants from the room except for the first contestant. Once the other contestants are in a designated area where they cannot hear the proceedings, invite the first contestant to the stage,

(Introduce each contestant by announcing):

*The contestant’s name, the question, the question, The contestant’s name*

Announce: After each contestant has finished. We will observe one minute of silence for the judges to mark their ballot.

SAA: During the one minute of silence the SAA will bring in the next contestant. *Repeat for all contestants*

Contest Toastmaster announces:

*After the last contestant has spoken announce: The judges will be given all the time they need to complete their ballots. Please remain quiet until the Chief Judge announces that the ballots have been collected.*

Chief Judge announces: All ballots have been collected. You may continue.

Chief Judge leaves the room with the ballot counters

Contest Toastmaster announces: Let’s give our contestants a round of applause! Ask contestants to line up in their speaking order and interview each contestant.

**DO NOT INTERVIEW A CONTESTANT IF THEY ARE ALSO COMPETING IN THE INTERNATIONAL SPEECH CONTEST**

*Follow this format for all contestants*

***Ask each contestant the following****:*

*1) what club they are representing,*

*2) How long they have been a Toastmaster member*

*3)Refer to speaker profile to ask additional questions*

*When you are done interviewing each contestant give contestant certificate and thank them for their participation in the contest.*

*Once all contestants have been interviewed check to see if the Chief Judge and ballot counters are back in the room.*

***If not*** *ask if there are any announcements.*

***If the Chief Judge is back in the room*** *Contest Toastmaster announces this concludes the Table Topic Contest.*

*Ask if there are any announcements from the district leaders in attendance (District Director, Program Quality Director, and Club Growth Director). Once announcements are done announce We will take a* ***10 minute break****.*

*Timer* ***please time 10 minutes.***

*SAA announces: (Give a 2-minute warning:)*

May I have your attention, please. International Speech Contests will begin in 2 minutes. Please take your seats.

Contest Toastmaster announces:

We will now begin the Area International Speech Contest!

For the International Speech Contest each contestant has selected their own speech topic and prepared a 5- to 7-minute speech. Some of the content may be personal in nature and contain language, ideas, or beliefs that some audiences may consider sensitive.

The Chief Judge has informed me that the contestants, judges, timers, and ballot counters have been briefed prior to the beginning of this contest.

Here is the speaking order of the contestants:

Contestant 1

Contestant 2

Contestant 3

Contestant 4

Contestant 5

Contest Toastmaster announces:

*There will be* one minute of silence between each contestant.

*After the last contestant has spoken, the judges will be given all the time they need to complete their ballots. We are now ready to begin.*

**Contest Toastmaster** Contestant 1, please indicate you are present by saying Mr. Toastmaster. Thank you contestant 1. Toastmaster announces

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| Contestant name |
| Title of Speech |
| Title of Speech |
| Contestant name |

*(Contestant delivers the speech). At conclusion of speech*

Toastmaster announces: One minute of silence for the judges to mark their ballots

**Contest Toastmaster** Contestant 2, please indicate you are present by saying Mr. Toastmaster. Thank you contestant 2. Toastmaster announces

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| Contestant name |
| Title of Speech |
| Title of Speech |
| Contestant name |

*(Contestant delivers the speech). At conclusion of speech*

Toastmaster announces: One minute of silence for the judges to mark their ballots

**Contest Toastmaster** Contestant 3, please indicate you are present by saying Mr. Toastmaster. Thank you contestant 3. Toastmaster announces

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| Contestant name |
| Title of Speech |
| Title of Speech |
| Contestant name |

*(Contestant delivers the speech). At conclusion of speech*

Toastmaster announces: One minute of silence for the judges to mark their ballots

**Contest Toastmaster** Contestant 4, please indicate you are present by saying Mr. Toastmaster. Thank you contestant 4. Toastmaster announces

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| Contestant name |
| Title of Speech |
| Title of Speech |
| Contestant name |

*(Contestant delivers the speech). At conclusion of speech*

Toastmaster announces: One minute of silence for the judges to mark their ballots

**Contest Toastmaster** Contestant 5, please indicate you are present by saying Mr. Toastmaster. Thank you contestant 5. Toastmaster announces

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| Contestant name |
| Title of Speech |
| Title of Speech |
| Contestant name |

*(Contestant delivers the speech). At conclusion of speech*

Toastmaster announces: After last contestant announce

***Please remain silent while the judges have all the time they need to complete their ballots. Remain silent until the Chief Judge informs me that all the ballots have been collected.***

*Let’s give all of our contestants a round of applause. Ask contestants to come back up and line up in their speaking order.*

*Do this for all contestants*

***Ask each contestant the following****:*

*1) what club they are representing,*

*2) How long they have been a Toastmaster member*

*3)Refer to speaker profile to ask additional questions*

*When you are done interviewing, each contestant give contestant certificate and thank them for their participation in the contest.*

*Once all contestants have been interviewed check to see if the Chief Judge and ballot counters are back in the room.*

***If the Chief Judge is back in the room – Contest Toastmaster*** *announces* This concludes the International Speech Contest.

It is my pleasure to introduce to our Area Contest Chair, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Area Contest Chair**

*(Acknowledgements)*

Let’s give a round of applause to the entire contest team whose contributions have been instrumental in making this contest possible (if you have certificates for your contest functionaries let them know they can pick them up from you at the end of the contests).

Thank audience for their attendance.

Area Contest Chair Announces

The winners from today’s contests will move forward to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Division Contests to be held at a later date.

Call up Area Director to make or ask for any last announcements.

Area Director announces area contest results.

**Table Topics Contest**

*State either*

There were \_\_\_\_\_\_ time disqualifications.

or

There were NO time disqualifications.

Here are the results

3rd Place\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2nd Place\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1st Place\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**International Speech Contest**

*State the correct sentence below:*

There were \_\_\_\_\_\_ (how many) time disqualifications.

or

There were NO time disqualifications.

Here are the results

3rd Place\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2nd Place\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1st Place\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

DO NOT MAKE ANY OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS AFTER THE WINNERS HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED - JUST STATE THE FOLLOWING:

**The contests are adjourned.**