TOASTMASTERS

Lyon English Toastmasters Newsletter

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We meet on Tuesdays from 18:30 to 20:30 at:

iaelyon School of Management or Mairie in the 6th or Video-Conference

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www.lyonenglishtoastmasters.org

Words from our President:

Dear Lyon English Toastmasters and Readers,

After an unexpected but fantastic year, our new board members and I have already started to prepare a new amazing season for you.

I am honored to be part of this new team as your President to serve and work in the development of our club's membership, to provide supportive leadership for all members and to represent our club.

We have been through hard times with COVID 19, but we survived thanks to our hidden resources. We have been through a terrible lockdown, but we survived thanks to new digital means of communication. We are returning to a normal era and we will continue to grow thanks to your energy, your strength and your willingness to share, care and work together. LET's success depends on the whole team, the President, Board Officers and its' members ready to commit, contribute and improve as a strong team. Toastmasters is not a family but rather a community with people aiming towards the same goals: improve public speaking and leadership skills and above all growing as a better person.

So as Booker T. Washington once said "If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else." So let's walk this journey together!

Your devoted President, Nathalie Sanchez

Seasons 2019-2020 and Achievements:

This season had been led by Helène VERREY, President and was a particularly difficult one because of the Covid-19 disease starting in March.

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From September 2019 to March 2020, our meetings were held at the iaelyon and Mairie 6th with short table topics, speeches, evaluations and toasts. User-friendly meetings are our specialty.

From March 2020 to the end of June, our meetings took place using video-conferencing. We were small groups which gave the participants time to speak, evaluate and to give table topic Speeches. These exchanges between members were a good test as a group.

Before Corona, we had 33 members and lots of guests that came to our meetings at the iaelyon School of Management and at the City hall in the 6th.

Our new president won the Club Contest and participated to Area Contest with success. Because of the Pandemic, there was no international contest, only video-exchanges between Toastmasters' Clubs from around the world.

A new action of our group was launched this season: The Youth Leadership Program: 12 teenagers participated in 8 video-meetings with external speakers.

This action was under Nathalie SANCHEZ, Monika VERHULST and Sybille JANSONNE's supervision. It was a real success to enable public speaking for young people. These young speakers learned a better ways to speak in public and how to develop their leadership skills.

Season 2020-2021

The Carrefour des Associations on September 5th was a great success along with our Open House on September 22nd at the iaelyon School of Management attended by a number of students from the iaelyon.

Now, we are back in business, won't you come and join us at one of our future events? Thanks, LET it happen....