

Speakers Corner

NEWSLETTER OF VIENNA SPEAKERS CLUB 01174718



The new Executive Team, here to serve you:

Thomas Puntus, Christoph J. Martin, Martha Auer, Rolf F. Rehe, Renata Dorner, Andrea Lapitza, Harry Christ (from left to right).

President's Column

MARTHA AUER, TM



Welcome friends and fellow Toastmasters! I hope that you all had a great summer and very nice holidays, and are eager to start into the next Toastmasters year.

It is my pleasure and honour to welcome you as President to the third season of the Vienna Speakers Club and to introduce my Executive Team – Christoph J. Martin as VPE will put together our agendas, Thomas Puntus is VPM and responsible for any questions related to membership, Rolf Rehe as VP PR will write our

Newsletter, Renata Dorner serves as Secretary, and both Andrea Lapitza and Harry Christ are serving in their positions as Treasurer and Sergeant-at-Arms for the second year.

They all aim at the functioning of VSC and mostly work in the background, rather unnoticed from you. But, if you have got any wishes or miss anything in our club, please let me and my team know and do not hesitate to address one of us. Only by meeting the needs of our members, we can develop and stay dynamic, and for this we also need your contributions and ideas.

Due to my late holiday I missed the first meeting, but I am very much looking forward to meeting you soon and serving as president for the year that lies ahead.

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Our Club Meetings:

Second and fourth Tuesday at 7 p.m. (sharp) at Hotel Biedermeier, Landstraße-Hauptstraße 28, 1030 Vienna, Telephone 716-710. Dinner (optional) 8 pm to 9 pm.

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Vienna Toastmasters Club: Meets every first and third Tuesday, 7 pm. at Hotel Biedermeier.
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Wiener Toastmasters Rhetorik Klub (in German): Meets every first and third Wednesday, 7 pm, at Wipplinger Gasse 13



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Editor's Column

ROLF F. REHE, ACS



This is the first edition of your 'Speakers Corner' Newsletter. It is my privilege to serve as the Newsletter editor. This little publication will appear once every month of the Toastmasters year – God willing and the creek don't rise, as the saying goes.

It is your Newsletter and needs your contributions. Especially photos from our various activities will be welcome.

I would like to thank Jakob Denk for his fine work as the pre-

vious editor. His work has been recognized with the 'Golden Quill' award from Toastmasters International (see separate story).

Much gratitude is also due our Immediate Past President, Andrea Hierman. Under her gentle but very effective leadership the club has expanded and has attracted many new members. (It may or may not be a coincidence that Andrea is assistant to another pillar of Toastmasters in Vienna, Günther Aschenbrenner.)

Off and on to a new Toastmasters year! I look forward to making this publication a welcome and informative part of our club life.

And don't forget: Your ideas and contributions are not only welcomed, but needed.

VP Membership

THOMAS PUNTUS, CC



I am happy to announce that our Toastmasters club, the Vienna Speakers Club, is very attractive for visitors.

In recent weeks we welcomed several guests to our meetings. Most of them came to our club because they specifically searched for Toastmasters in Vienna and found our website.

Some of our guests were: Konstanze Kroiss, Fatime Hedyi, Michael Obayelu, Alasia Ibifuro, Esteban Clavijo.

We hope you join us again!

In October, our new home page went online. New style, old address. You still find the home page at www.viennaspeakers.at, but it has a brand new design and also some new valuable features.

1. Members only area: Only our members will have access, as this area contains sensible information, for example, a membership list with all contact data of our members. You can also find information about manuals, the Distinguished Club Program, and much more!

2. News: On the right side of every page, under the log-in section, you find the news box. Here we will post the latest news, location or date changes, etc.

3. Club Calendar: It contains dates of our meetings. Click on

Past President

ANDREA HIERMAN, CCL



the date and you will be linked to Easyspeak, where you can sign up for meeting roles.

4. Education: Questions on what to do after CC or CL? Here you'll learn more about the steps necessary to move forward.

5. Downloads: Here you find the newsletters, links and many more valuable downloads.

We hope that you enjoy the new homepage. If you have any comments, feedback, ideas how to improve it, please just contact us at info@viennaspeakers.at.

Phrase of the day

Traditionally, at each meeting a new, unusual word is to be introduced and should be used by the members.

In our club, we have used a slightly different approach for some time now: a phrase (not a word) of the evening. Hence here in the Newsletter I would like to present such a phrase:

"tongue in cheek"

It means to say something that one does not intend literally or seriously. Example: "He made the statement tongue in cheek."

Welcome aboard!



It is a pleasure to welcome two new members to the Vienna Speakers Club:

Barbara Cvikl
Dr. Fatime Barbara Hegyi

All our members look forward to meeting you soon at one of our meetings!

Important dates

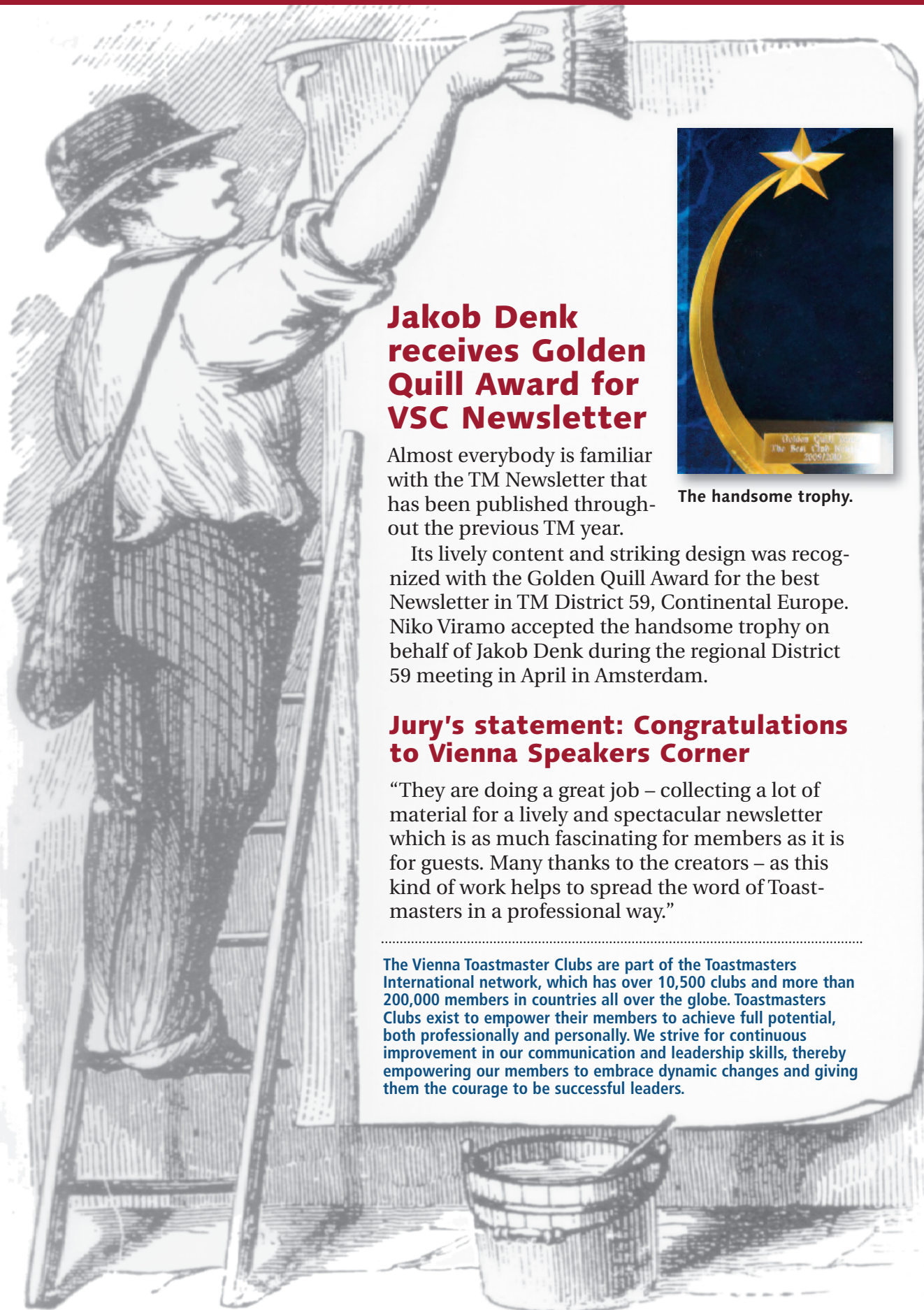
Please mark these events in your calendar:

October 23, 2010, Most, Czech Republic, Division D Conference
<http://www.d59divisiond.org>

November 19-21, 2010, Barcelona, Spain, District 59 Fall Conference

<http://toastmasters-euroconf-2010barcelona.org/site/index.html>





Jakob Denk receives Golden Quill Award for VSC Newsletter

Almost everybody is familiar with the TM Newsletter that has been published throughout the previous TM year.

Its lively content and striking design was recognized with the Golden Quill Award for the best Newsletter in TM District 59, Continental Europe. Niko Viramo accepted the handsome trophy on behalf of Jakob Denk during the regional District 59 meeting in April in Amsterdam.



The handsome trophy.

Jury's statement: Congratulations to Vienna Speakers Corner

“They are doing a great job – collecting a lot of material for a lively and spectacular newsletter which is as much fascinating for members as it is for guests. Many thanks to the creators – as this kind of work helps to spread the word of Toastmasters in a professional way.”

The Vienna Toastmaster Clubs are part of the Toastmasters International network, which has over 10,500 clubs and more than 200,000 members in countries all over the globe. Toastmasters Clubs exist to empower their members to achieve full potential, both professionally and personally. We strive for continuous improvement in our communication and leadership skills, thereby empowering our members to embrace dynamic changes and giving them the courage to be successful leaders.



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Each indecision brings its own delays and days are lost lamenting over lost days. What you can do or think you can do, begin it.

For boldness has magic, power, and genius in it.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

1749-1832, German Poet, Novelist, and Scientist