

Division B Director Report Toastmasters Year: July 2023 - June 2024

Division B Leadership:

Division Director: Meg White

Area B1 Director: Greg Alvord

Area B2 Director: Al Kunz

Area B3 Director: Pamela Lattin

In 2023-2024, Division B faced the challenge of welcoming numerous new leaders amidst their responsibility for organizing the District 15 conference. Despite this hurdle, the year saw remarkable achievements from the area directors. Notably, they achieved a 100% completion rate for fall area visits, demonstrating their dedication and commitment to their roles. Additionally, they successfully conducted area speech contests even amidst adverse weather conditions, navigating through a snowstorm with efficiency and ensuring the smooth execution of the events. These accomplishments underscored the resilience and effectiveness of the area directors, contributing significantly to the division's overall success.

Geographical Challenges

The division grappled with its most pressing challenge yet: managing a large geographical area with few clubs and declining membership, worsened by the imminent loss of Ruby Mountain Club. Compounding the issue was the persistent lack of district-level engagement from Upper Valley and NRF Toastmasters clubs. The mandate from Toastmasters International to go back to fully in-person contests will only increase the challenges seen in this division due to the increased difficulty to get all clubs engaged in area and division level speech contests and other events.