

SPRING CONFERENCE D86, 2026

Official Conference Program • May 2–3, 2026

SATURDAY • MAY 2, 2026

START	END	ACTIVITY / DESCRIPTION
MORNING – REGISTRATION & OPENING CEREMONIES		
7:00	9:00 AM	Breakfast Buffet • Registration & Networking • Hospitality
8:00	9:00 AM	Opening Ceremonies <i>Land Acknowledgement • Welcome Remarks • Welcome from TI Rep • Parade of Banners • US & Canadian Anthems • Call for Invoc...</i>
9:00	10:00 AM	Keynote – Jim Kokocki, DTM, PIP <i>'Your Leadership Journey Inside and Outside of Toastmasters'</i>
10:00	10:15 AM	Comfort Break
10:15	10:40 AM	DTM & First Timers Event <i>Pair a DTM with a First Timer for quiz activity</i>
10:40	10:45 AM	Logistics Manager Team – Rings 5 min. Warning Bell
WORKSHOP SERIES #1A — 10:45 – 11:45 AM		
10:45	11:45 AM	Personal Growth – Pacing Yourself for Success <i>Renato Marco</i>
10:45	11:45 AM	Leadership – Rooted in Leadership: How Communication Creates Clarity, Confidence and Influence <i>Kiyasha Naidu</i>
10:45	11:45 AM	Emerging Technologies – Augmented Intelligence: Becoming More Capable, Not Less Necessary <i>Michael Whitehouse</i>
MIDDAY		
11:00	12:00 PM	Hotel Buffet Set-Up
11:45	12:00 PM	Comfort Break
11:45	1:30 PM	Authors' Corner
12:00	1:15 PM	Champions' Lunch
12:45	12:55 PM	DTM Recognition Presentation
12:55	1:10 PM	District Keynote – Sadok Ben-Khelifa <i>'Small Moves. Big Momentum. The Daily Decisions that Change Everything'</i>
1:15	1:45 PM	Comfort Break
1:15	1:40 PM	Speakers' Corner 1 – Kensington 1
WORKSHOP SERIES #1B — 1:45 – 2:45 PM		
1:45	2:45 PM	Personal Growth – Pacing Yourself for Success <i>Renato Marco</i>
1:45	2:45 PM	Leadership – Rooted in Leadership: How Communication Creates Clarity, Confidence and Influence <i>Kiyasha Naidu</i>
1:45	2:45 PM	Emerging Technologies – Augmented Intelligence: Becoming More Capable, Not Less Necessary <i>Michael Whitehouse</i>
1:45	2:45 PM	Sound Check – Table Topics Contestants
AFTERNOON		
2:45	3:00 PM	Comfort Break • Registration for Contest-Only Attendees
3:00	4:30 PM	TABLE TOPICS CONTEST <i>Kensington 1 • Follow Contest Agenda</i>
4:30	5:00 PM	Comfort Break & Snacks in Hallway • Speakers' Corner 2 (Kensington 1)
5:00	5:45 PM	Leadership Panel <i>Chaired by PQD Jeff Burroughs, DTM</i>
5:45	6:30 PM	Comfort Break
EVENING – DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S GALA		
6:30	9:10 PM	District Director's Gala
7:30	7:50 PM	District Director's Team Recognition
7:50	8:05 PM	Installation Ceremony – Trio & Division
8:05	8:30 PM	Leadership Panel – Incoming Trio <i>Chaired by Bhushan Rele, DTM, DD</i>
8:30	—	Trivia Game • Silent Auction Bidding
8:45	8:50 PM	Closing Remarks & Announcements
8:50	9:05 PM	Comfort Break
9:05	1:00 AM	Dancing – Live Music (King Jives) <i>Networking & Glamshots • Silent Auction Bidding Continues</i>

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MORNING		
7:00	8:30 AM	Breakfast Buffet
8:30	8:45 AM	Hospitality
8:30	9:00 AM	Comfort Break
8:30	8:55 AM	Speakers' Corner 3 – Kensington 1
10:30	1:30 PM	Authors' Corner (ongoing)
9:00	9:12 AM	Opening Ceremonies
9:12	10:00 AM	Keynote – Jim Kokocki, DTM, PIP <i>'The Idea That Gnaws At You'</i>
10:00	10:15 AM	Comfort Break • Sound Check – International Speech Contest
WORKSHOP SERIES #2A — 10:15 – 11:15 AM		
10:15	11:15 AM	Emerging Technology – How to Make Use of AI to Your Advantage <i>Linda Huang</i>
10:15	11:15 AM	Personal Growth – Beyond Excuses. A Journey Into Possibilities <i>Gary Brown</i>
10:15	11:15 AM	Leadership – Planning with Purpose: Your Roadmap to a Successful Event <i>Nancy Movrin</i>
11:15	11:30 AM	Comfort Break
C&L LUNCHEON — 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM		
11:30	1:00 PM	C&L Luncheon
11:45	11:48 AM	Acknowledgements: PIDs, Past District Directors, Out-of-District, First Timers
11:48	11:50 AM	Call for Invocation (2 min) – Cynthia Ayres, DTM
11:50	11:51 AM	Toast – US (1 min) – Lorne Devarajan
11:51	11:52 AM	Toast – Canada (1 min) – Rabia Ahmedullah
12:35	12:40 PM	C&L Presentation
12:40	12:47 PM	C&L Award Winner
12:47	12:55 PM	Conference Committee & Hotel Staff Recognition
12:56	1:00 PM	Silent Auction Results
1:00	1:15 PM	Comfort Break
WORKSHOP SERIES #2B — 1:15 – 2:15 PM		
1:15	2:15 PM	Emerging Technology – How to Make Use of AI to Your Advantage <i>Linda Huang</i>
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AFTERNOON		
2:15	2:30 PM	Comfort Break
2:30	2:45 PM	Registration for Contest-Only Attendees
2:40	2:45 PM	Logistics Manager Team – Rings 5 min. Warning Bell
2:45	4:00 PM	INTERNATIONAL SPEECH CONTEST
4:30	4:35 PM	Closing Remarks & Announcements • Logistics Manager Team – Picks Up Evaluation Forms
4:45	—	CONFERENCE ADJOURNED <i>Comfort Break & Snacks • Evaluation Forms collected</i>