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## **Larimer County Resident to Receive Toastmasters Communication Achievement Award at District 26 Spring Conference**

**Denver, Colorado, May 1, 2018** — Larimer County Commissioner **Lew Gaiter III** will be honored by **District 26 Toastmasters** for his achievement in the field of communication & leadership. The event will be held on **May 19, 2018 at 12 p.m.** at the **Radisson Hotel Denver Southeast**, 3155 S Vaughn Way, Aurora CO 80014.

**“Often the ‘trick’ to succeeding in leadership is to find those great ideas around you. Having those ideas is not a requirement. Recognizing those ideas when they present themselves, and communicating those ideas to inspire, motivate, encourage and empower others around you is one of the hallmarks of a true leader,”** says Mr. Gaiter. His leadership achievements comprise various chair and board member positions of multiple for-profit and nonprofit organizations since 1990. Some of his latest roles are chair of Larimer County Board of Commissioners from 2012 - 2017, past president of Colorado Counties Inc. and past vice president of Front Range District. Lew is currently a Larimer County commissioner representing the northern third of Larimer County. He was appointed in a vacancy election in January 2010 and elected in the general election in November 2010. He was re-elected in November 2014.

**“District 26 is pleased to honor Lew Gaiter III as the 2018 recipient of the Communication and Leadership Award. Lew has demonstrated exemplary communication and leadership skills while serving the public as both a patrol director of the Loveland Ski Patrol and as a county commissioner of Larimer County,”** says Rhea Thompson, District Director for District 26 Toastmasters.

The Toastmasters’ Communication Achievement Award is presented to a non-Toastmasters member who is a distinguished individual in the community in the fields of communication or leadership.

To interview Lew Gaiter III, and to learn more about the conference or Toastmasters, contact Marieta Ferrington, Public Relations Manager, District 26 Toastmasters, e-mail: [PRM1718@D26Leaders.org](mailto:PRM1718@D26Leaders.org) Mobile: 303-520-1938.

### **About District 26**

District 26 comprises almost 200 corporate & community clubs with more than 4,000 members representing Colorado, Wyoming and western Nebraska. To learn more about District 26, please visit: <http://www.d26toastmasters.org/>

### **About Toastmasters International**

Toastmasters International is a worldwide nonprofit educational organization that empowers individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders. Headquartered in Englewood, Colo., the organization’s membership exceeds 352,000 in more than 16,400 clubs in 141 countries. Since 1924, Toastmasters International has helped people from diverse backgrounds become more confident speakers, communicators and leaders. For information about local Toastmasters clubs, please visit [www.toastmasters.org](http://www.toastmasters.org). Follow @Toastmasters on Twitter.



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