

# UTAH LIONS DISTRICT 28-U NEWSLETTER

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## NEWS FROM TRIPLE T

Representatives from Wyoming, Colorado, Montana, Idaho, New Mexico, Utah, Oregon, Minnesota, and Alberta, Canada make up the Triple T Development Team and are the key trainers for the program. A staff member from Lions Clubs International also meets with the team three times a year. All expenses incurred by the core team (travel, accommodations, meals) to attend meetings are personal expenditures. Team members receive no financial benefits. Their voluntary effort in time and expenditures indicates a dedication and belief as to the worthiness of the TTT program.

**As training sessions are being conducted, a frequent question asked is, “What makes Triple T different from other programs?” The answer can be summed up by that very question being answered by an attendee at a recent training session who said, “TTT is a common sense approach that illustrates great ideas through an interactive media presentation that clubs can use to recruit, involve and retain members.” Another participant said, “Training sessions that I have attended in the past more or less stressed ‘This is what you need to do.’ TTT gives attendees the opportunity to discuss ideas and interact with the trainer and the ideas stressed through the DVD.”**

How were all of the ideas illustrated in each module of the Triple T program conceived? The Development Team used a technique called “Managing the Thinking Process.” Simply stated this process incorporates a process more advanced than brain storming. For some modules, 20 – 30 ideas were generated. The team realized all of the ideas could not be show cased through the media presentation. However, all ideas are listed at the conclusion of each module for discussion. These ideas are also contained on the CD that comes with the program and can be downloaded and copied.

**As of June 1, 2008, the Triple T program has held training sessions within various districts in 23 states and 4 Canadian provinces. Suggestions gleaned from the evaluations (approximately 600) completed by attendees at these sessions, the development team has developed a notebook for attendees to use during training, a Trainers Manual to be used by those who wish to become involved other than the development team, and a draft of a form to be used following training that provides a step-by-step process of getting the program to the club level. The aforementioned draft is scheduled to be finalized at the September meeting of the development team. Equally as important, less than 1% of those completing the evaluation indicated the 5 ½ hour training session is too long.**

The 13 members of the development team are anxious to have others become involved as trainers. It makes sense to have qualified trainers close to those districts, regions or zones requesting a training session rather than someone coming a great distance. Most recently Wisconsin, Nebraska, and Ontario, Canada have or will have trainers available to conduct TTT sessions in their respective areas.

**Upcoming: Some of the pages on the web site ([www.lionsttt.com](http://www.lionsttt.com)) will soon have major revisions; therefore, please check the web site often. The Triple T DVD is going through some major revisions with a possible release in the fall. A major TTT press release to every Multiple District publication in the U.S. and Canada is planned for release in October.**