

Speaker Biography: David LaManna

David LaManna is a business owner, speaker and trainer. He is the owner of the Thomaston Insurance Center in Thomaston and a partner in the Heritage Insurance Agency in Waterbury. David has been an independent insurance agent for over 20 years and his agencies serve more than 4000 clients throughout the region. David has excelled in his field earning numerous sales and service awards from the insurance companies he represents. He holds the prestigious Certified Insurance Counselor (CIC) professional designation as well as the Accredited Advisor in Insurance (AAI) designation. David has served as President of the Professional Insurance Agents of CT (PIACT) and is a past President of the CT Young Insurance Professionals. He has been an instructor for property/casualty licensing courses and has been a seminar leader for PIACT as well as for many major insurance companies.

David is an accomplished public speaker who has presented hundreds of workshops and presentations on communication, leadership and customer service skills. He is also a highly-regarded keynote speaker known for his results-producing motivational talks. David has provided personalized individual training in communication skills to people and professionals in all walks of life. He has earned the Advanced Toastmaster designation from Toastmasters International and has won several Toastmaster speaking championships.

David is an active volunteer in his community serving as a member of the Thomaston Lions Club, a board director of the Woodbury Business Association, an instructor for Partners in Education, a trustee for the Woodbury Methodist Church and a board director for the Clockwork Repertory Theater. He has organized and taught communication and leadership courses on a volunteer basis for many area high schools, colleges and youth groups for over 15 years. David has earned his 100 hour service pin from the Literacy Volunteers.

David also lends his speaking skills to various charitable organizations serving as emcee or facilitator at various functions. He is often called upon to serve as volunteer auctioneer at charity fund-raising events and has been honored for his work in this area.

David has received recognition for his leadership and speaking abilities from such groups as Rotary International, CT Educators Association, Professional Insurance Agents, National Association of Partners in Education, Professional Insurance Women, Chambers of Commerce and many other professional and academic organizations. Among his awards are the Dean's Award for Best Instructor at Toastmaster University, the Service to Community Award given by the National PIA and the prestigious Business and Community Leadership Award presented by Rotary International. David is a past nominee for National Volunteer of the Year and has received the Educator of the Year Award for his many years of volunteer work with high school and elementary school children. David recently received the 2004 Professional Agent of the Year Award for Connecticut for his dedication to the industry and for his community service and leadership.

David is well-known for his enthusiastic, high-energy style of speaking. His primary goal when presenting is to any audience is to encourage and inspire others to rise to the top and to attain the unqualified success that is within their reach.

David welcomes all questions and comments. He can be reached by email at david@davidlamanna.com or at ph# 860.283.0278. David welcomes you to visit his website for free articles and updated information at www.davidlamanna.com.