

District 45 Toastmasters Newsletter

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CLUB GROWTH IN DISTRICT 45

D45 CLUB GROWTH DIRECTOR PAUL CODDINGTON, DTM



What does “club growth” mean in District 45? Look at the District Mission statement for a moment. *“We build new clubs and support*

all clubs in achieving excellence.” Simple, straightforward, and true to the Toastmasters core values.

So “club growth” in the district really means two things—to sponsor new clubs and to build the membership base of existing clubs.

Why is club growth so important for the district? First, new clubs bring us new members, as most clubs charter with only a handful of current Toastmasters members. This expands the district membership with new and original personalities and a flow of new ideas. Second, that influx of new people and ideas holds true for individual clubs as well. And, more members in each club means a stronger base of club leaders. Keep that in mind this March when your club starts its new officer nominations work.

Most importantly, new members help keep our meetings original and interesting which, in turn, helps achieve the district’s mission of supporting all clubs in *achieving excellence*. Full meeting agendas, a well-trained executive committee, high levels of Pathways project completions and recognizable personal and professional growth for all members are the hallmarks of an excellent Toastmasters club.

What is in club growth for *you* personally? First, if you provide the District with a new club lead and it results in a new club chartering, you will receive a very nice gift from the District and be named as the club’s sponsor. That last part is one of the requirements for the Distinguished Toastmaster designation and club sponsorship is one of the most difficult to complete. Tell us about your employer, your school or that group of your contemporaries (the homeowners’ association with dreadful meetings) that you know can be helped by participation in Toastmasters, and we will assist you from there! When you help start a new club, you learn more about the Toastmasters program and you help new members on their journey to success. When your club grows its membership, you have the opportunity to be a mentor and to benefit from the views of new members.

Second, we begin the *“Talk Up Toastmasters”* membership campaign today for the clubs. This Toastmasters program is linked with a District 45 incentive that can earn your club some money, with a top prize of \$100. For the next two months, bring a guest to every meeting. Let them enjoy it and then ask them to become a member. After all, isn’t that how you became a Toastmaster?

We build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence. Be part of accomplishing the mission of District 45!

ARE YOU READY FOR DISTRICT LEADERSHIP?

5 Leadership Tips

- ✓ Inspire and lead by example
- ✓ Listen and communicate effectively
- ✓ Encourage new ideas
- ✓ Give incentives and recognition
- ✓ Be positive and passionate

Be a District 45 Leader

Leadership has been defined by many professionals, prime ministers, presidents and authors, to name a few. For instance, the former US President, Ronald Reagan, said *"The greatest leader is not necessarily the one who does the greatest things. He is the one that gets the people to do the greatest things."* As a former District 45 Governor (or District Director today), I can attest to this statement. It is not about me; it is about you. You growing, you learning, and you leading others. I want you to do extraordinary things and have others do extraordinary things.

The definition of leadership may change to meet the needs of an organization, a company, a situation or a person. Generally, people look to leaders when they need assistance, guidance, a strategy, a vision, and even truth. Does the leader have good ethics, morals and integrity? Is the leader sincere and honest?

What do you believe is a leader and would you work with someone that can inspire and motivate you with a clear vision? Are you a leader that wants to help our District? Are you hesitating because you're not sure? There are many current and former leaders in our District that you may contact to discuss your thoughts about serving as a "leader".

District 45 and every other District of Toastmasters International is seeking new leaders. Our District has opened the door for YOU to serve, to motivate and to lead our District to success. Leaders currently being sought include five (5) Division Directors, a Club Growth Director, a Program Quality Director and a District Director for the 2023-2024 Toastmasters year. **Nominations are open until February 12, 2023 at 11:59pm.** Your nomination can be submitted to Patricia.MacNevin@gmail.com, the District Leadership Committee Chairperson. All forms are available on the District 45 website.

I leave you with one more quote. *"The task of the leader is to get their people from where they are to where they have not been."* --Henry Kissinger

Why not take the leap into District leadership?

Patricia MacNevin, DTM, PDG
D45 Leadership Committee Chairperson 2023-2024

INSPIRE AND CELEBRATE IN CHARLOTTETOWN

Our conference theme is *Inspire and Celebrate!*

Join us in beautiful Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, as we gather to inspire each other and celebrate each and every one of you! Yes, you! This will be our first in-person conference since May 2019 and the co-chairs and members of the planning committee look forward to seeing you there!

As our theme indicates, the conference will include inspiring educational presentations and award-winning speakers participating in three speech contests: Humorous, Evaluation and International Speech contests. And don't forget the celebration part. District 45 would not exist if it were not for its dedicated members. It's time to celebrate you and all your accomplishments from this past Toastmaster year.



All of this will be held in a quaint and charming town that is looking forward to welcoming you! Click on [Discover Charlottetown](#) to learn more about the host city.

If you would like to help out in the festivities, it is not too late to sign up for one of the many planning committees. Please reach out to [Crystal Cobb](#), District Director, [Anne Doucette](#) or [Heather Fairchild](#), Co-Chairs of the Conference, if you are interested in contributing in any way. Even if you cannot make it in person, you can still make a difference **AND** you may be able to work it into a Pathways Project.

Information on registration will be available soon. Watch the District website and Facebook where we'll let you know when you can register. We look forward to inspiring and celebrating you!

CONFERENCE INCENTIVE



For the last three conferences, we have not been able to present the highly coveted Malagash Trophy. We're happy to once again be able to present this award. The Malagash Trophy goes to the club with the greatest "kilotoasts". What a kilotoast? It's the number of miles/kilometres each club member travels to the conference. For example, a member travelling from Concord, NH to the conference would travel approximately 600 miles or 960 kilometres. If there is only the one member from that club, the club's kilotoasts would be 960. A member from a club travelling from Halifax, NS to the conference would travel about 200 miles or 320 kilometres. If 4 members from the club attended the conference, the club would have 1,240 kilotoasts. A club which is closer could have more kilotoasts by having more members attend the conference. This award is presented on Sunday morning. Which club will it be?



District 45

CALL FOR PRESENTERS

Looking for the opportunity to present in person to an audience of 30, 50 or maybe even 100? This is your chance. Submissions for Educational Presentations are now being accepted for our D45 2023 Annual Conference! Presentations will be on Saturday, May 27, 2023. They may be either 45 or 20 minutes in length and must be given in person by members who have registered for the conference.

POSSIBLE TOPICS

- ✔ Contest Judging
- ✔ Effective Evaluations
- ✔ Pathways
- ✔ A topic that inspires you

Use your presentation as a project! This is your opportunity to speak and reach a wider audience and help us celebrate all our accomplishments.

To submit a proposal for a presentation, complete the form on the D45 website. You must also include a headshot.

IMPORTANT DATES

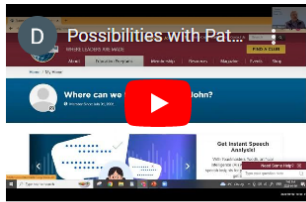


More Information

<https://d45toastmasters.org/spring-conference-2023>

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DISTRICT EVENTS JANUARY RECAP



January 2023 Session

The January Possibilities With Pathways meeting was held on Monday Jan 9th. John Blumsum provided a comprehensive

overview of the new TI Website concentrating on Pathways. His comparisons between the old and new websites were very helpful.

Michael Lawlor presented an informative speech on the "Reflect Your Path" project in Pathways. He provided excellent tips on how to prepare for this while you're on your Pathways journey. Casey Jenkins delivered a helpful and entertaining L5 speech on "Preparing to Speak Professionally". (Recording available on the [D45 website](#).)

On Wednesday, January 11th 2023, Club Growth Director, DTM, Paul Coddington presented a webinar on "Hybrid Meetings - Embrace the Change"

Paul invited members who shared their hybrid meeting best practices and tips that have worked for them. This meeting was filled with questions and collaborative solutions on how this format can help increase membership and build strong clubs. (Recording available on the [D45 website](#).)



Hybrid Clubs

FEBRUARY EVENTS

POSSIBILITIES WITH PATHWAYS



Our 2nd Possibilities With Pathways meeting of 2023 on its new night will be Monday February 13 at 6 ET/7AT. We are excited about this as we branch out to cover topics relevant to pathways. John Blumsum will share tips for choosing speech topic and how to avoid "perfection paralysis." Michael Lawlor will take you deeper into the use of the District 57's Paths and Project catalog. Casey Jenkins will talk about a nifty tool you get when you do the Engaging Humor Path. We will also cover Speech craft and may have a surprise guest for that one! So Join us on February 13th at 6/7 and be sure to bring your pathways questions. Please spread the word to your clubs about this Possibilities With Pathways.

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WEBINAR
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SOCIAL MEDIA GRAPHIC DESIGN FOR YOUR CLUB THAT ANYONE CAN USE

WEDNESDAY | **TIME**
FEBRUARY 15 | **7:00 PM ET**
| **8:00 PM AT**

SPEAKER
LESLEY CARTER

STRIVING FOR SUCCESS
D45TOASTMASTERS.ORG

DOES YOUR CLUB STRUGGLE TO CREATE EXCITING GRAPHICS FOR YOUR CLUB SOCIAL MEDIA? Join us at our February 15 webinar, as Lesley Carter gives a demonstration on the how to use Canva, a free to use online graphic design tool. Lesley will show us how to use it to create social media posts and stay on Toastmasters brand. This presentation is essential for all VPPRs plus anyone else in your club who wishes to learn to create graphics including social media, posters, presentations, videos, logos and more.

PARLIAMENTARY MINUTE

At the recent TLIs, there was discussion on meeting minutes. It was apparent that different clubs keep different information and in different manners. Minutes are important as they are the record of what the club has done and whether there are items that affect the club moving forward. Some clubs only record minutes of meetings where there is a business meeting. Minutes should be kept of every club and executive meeting. You never know when you may need to reference information from a previous meeting. For example, one club in which I am a member started doing an “educational minute” each meeting. I wanted to compile a list of topics that had been addressed and I was able to do this by referencing minutes.

In this *Parliamentary Minute* we’ll review what should be kept in minutes according to Robert’s Rules. The following are items that should be included in meeting minutes.

- Kind of meeting – is it a regular club meeting or executive meeting?
- Date, Place and Starting Time
- Members present and absent – some clubs just record regrets and some just those who are present. For Toastmaster purposes, it is more important to know whether there was a quorum than which members were absent.
- Presiding officer – for some clubs, this is always the President while in others, it can be the Toastmaster of the Day
- Reading and approval of past minutes – if minutes are posted or distributed in advance, they do not need to be read. If your club does not have a business meeting every club meeting, this only needs to be done during a business meeting.
- Balance of treasurer’s report – only during a business meeting
- Name of member introducing motion
- Action taken on motion – was it carried or defeated
- Vote if counted.
- Other actions/items which affect the club.
- Adjournment and time
- Secretary’s name and/or signature – since most clubs keep their minutes electronically, this can be an e-signature or you can accept that by the secretary sending or posting, they have signed.

It is not necessary to record who seconded a motion – it is sufficient to simply record that the motion was seconded. Nor is it necessary to record discussion or comments; only motions and decisions need be recorded. In addition to the items listed above, you will want to record the names of speakers, their projects and speech titles, who served in various roles and you may also want to record the names of those who participated in Table Topics.

Consider developing a template for your minutes. This will help ensure you record all the necessary information in a consistent manner and will allow you to finalize the minutes after the meeting in a timely manner.



77 DAY VIDEO CHALLENGE

Have you heard of the 77 Day Video Challenge? District 45 challenges you to join us and make your own 77 videos!

How does it work?

Post a 1–2-minute video on any topic every day for 77 days! You decide where to post your video: Instagram....Facebook....YouTube – it’s your preference. Just make sure to add our D45 hashtag (#77DayD45Challenge) and the international hashtag for the challenge (#77DayVideoChallenge)!

Our district leaders are starting February 1 (have you seen the first ones?) but you can start anytime - don't forget your hashtag! Let’s all get better at making videos and impromptu speaking at the same time!

Check out this article on the Toastmasters International website to learn more about the challenge!

<https://www.toastmasters.org/magazine/magazine-issues/2022/sept/77-day-challenge>

FRIENDSHIP DAY

International Friendship Day is in July. Why not celebrate it early? Instead of celebrating Valentine’s Day where some members may feel excluded, celebrate friendship. We make friends in Toastmasters – some of which will last the rest of our lives. Consider making your meeting the week of February 13 one of celebrating the friendships you have made and those yet to come.



VOLUNTEER NEEDED



Are you a creative and organized Toastmaster? The District is looking for a newsletter editor for the 2023 – 2024 year. The job entails preparing the newsletter monthly. Most of the information is provided. However, the editor can also look for articles of general interest to members and to encourage others to submit articles. If interested, contact [Heather Perkins](mailto:heather@perkins.com.es).

IT'S NOT TOO LATE

Many officers have already attended the Toastmasters Leadership Institute sessions. If you are not of those officers, it’s not too late. All five sessions will be offered on February 4th. Sessions 1 and 2 will be offered on February 8th and Sessions 3, 4 and 5 will be offered on February 10th. You can pick and choose – the important thing is to ensure you attend all five sessions. Plan on one of these dates to ensure you have the knowledge needed to help your members achieve success.

Be the Best
Club Officer
You Can Be

Since
1924

Toastmaster Leadership Institute
Sessions Will Help

EVALUATING YOUR SUCCESS

"Not everything that can be counted counts, and not everything that counts can be counted." (Albert Einstein)



Einstein might have been talking about Toastmasters. In Toastmasters, we measure success by the number of levels completed, new members, and new clubs, but we also measure it by the experiences of club members and their perceptions of what they have gained. These individual successes are the most important ones, but they are impossible to count.

Club statistics are valuable measures of success. It's important that members work through Pathways because this is what helps members develop their communication and leadership skills. It's important that clubs continually recruit new members because this ensures clubs have enough members to operate and it keeps the clubs vital and energetic.

There are, however, many other indicators of success – ones that are more difficult to count. When you ask members how they have benefited from Toastmasters, you will often hear responses about benefits such as increased confidence, improved self-esteem, improved ability to talk to people in social situations and the ability to communicate better. How many organizations can claim such benefits?

I can't stress enough that Toastmasters is a learn-by-doing organization. The more that you take on speaking and leadership roles at the club meetings and the more that you get involved outside of the club, both through both leadership and educational events, the more you'll gain from the Toastmasters program. Compete in the upcoming contests, attend the Pathways sessions and webinars, attend your Area and Division contests, and attend the District conference.

Think about what success in Toastmasters means to you. Evaluate where you stand with respect to what you want to accomplish. Determine the gaps and what you need to do to reach your goals. Once a goal is achieved, establish a new goal for yourself. Reflecting on your successes and how far you've come since joining the organization will help you appreciate how you've changed and how you can continue to strive for success.

INCENTIVES

Track Your Success Member Incentive – How many points have you accumulated so far? This incentive is to encourage members to participate in all facets of a meeting and to participate in events outside of the club. Each member should keep track of his or her results. The incentive started January 1, 2023 and runs to March 31, 2023. The completed form must be submitted by April 10, 2023 to [Paul Coddington](#). The form can be downloaded from our website at <https://d45toastmasters.org/incentives>.



First place will receive a basket of varied goodies worth \$150 US; 2nd place - a basket of varied goodies worth \$100 US; and then 4 member names will be randomly drawn from the remaining entries for a basket of varied goodies worth \$50 US each. Remember, it is a random draw from all members who submitted a completed form. You could win a basket regardless of the number of points you achieve. Participate in club meetings and outside the club and you will be a winner from your own growth.



The **Talk Up Toastmasters** membership campaign begins today, the first of February and runs until the end of March. This is a campaign run by Toastmasters International. If you recruit five new, dual or reinstated members during February and March, your club will receive a ribbon for its banner and a discount on its next order from the Toastmasters store. To supplement this membership campaign, the District is also offering an incentive. There will be three levels of incentive for those clubs – one for recruiting 1 or 2 members, one for recruiting 3 – 4 members and one for recruiting 5 or more members. There will be a draw from all qualifying clubs at each level. Let's have 100% of our clubs qualify for one of the draws.

AWARDS

The Darlene Dunn Outstanding Mentor Award – presented at the annual conference. This award recognizes a member who has exhibited the heart and soul of what Toastmasters mentorship: “Encouraging success of others before self”. Any member may nominate a mentor. All nominations must include a 200--500-word essay, focusing on 4 points: the commitment of your mentor, how mentor helped you achieve your Toastmaster goals, what you gained from the protégé/mentor relationship, and why you would recommend this mentor to others. The nominated mentor must have completed the Mentor Path in the Pathways.

Ted Nichols award – this award is presented at the annual conference to the club with the greatest membership retention. The base membership on July 1 is the starting point and is compared to the membership after the April renewals with new members being taken into account. A club must have a minimum membership number of 20 to qualify. This award is automatically calculated by the District based on reports from Toastmasters International.

Shirley Kelly Memorial award – presented at the annual conference. This award is presented to a member who exemplifies the mission and values of a Toastmaster and empowers fellow Toastmasters to be successful by sharing the spotlight. Nominees must be a DTM, served on the District Executive, have been a Toastmaster for at least 5 years, and served the District in various capacities. Nominations can be made by any member; however, recipients must be nominated by at least two Toastmasters.



IT'S CONTEST TIME

All clubs, Areas and Divisions held their Humorous Speech Contests in the fall. It's now time for clubs to hold Evaluation and International speech contests. For the International speech contest, you must be a member in good standing of a club in good standing and you must have completed at least two Levels in one Path or have attained a DTM. However, **all** members except District leaders are eligible for the Evaluation contest.

Start planning your club contest now. Plan to hold the contest at least two weeks before the Area contest. Dates for Area contests are shown below (unless otherwise stated, both contests are being held on the same date) and all Area and Division contests are on the [District calendar](#). Serving as Contest Chair or Chief Judge potentially could be used as a project in your Path. Encourage all members to participate as a contestant or helping run the contest. These experiences are learning opportunities that can benefit all members. Your club contest can be in person, online or hybrid. Area and Division contests will be online while the District contest will be hybrid. Remember, the World Champion of Public Speaking must first compete at the club level. Dream big and participate.

Date	Areas
March 4	2, 6, 15, 17, 24
March 11	5, 14, 19
March 16	12, 16 (Evaluation)
March 18	8, 13
March 24	1, 18
March 25	20
March 30	12, 16 (International)
April 1	7
April 15	9, 11



AROUND THE DISTRICT

Division A

Concord Toastmasters welcomed a New Year with its first meeting of 2023. Kicking off the year with the theme Deployment, were 15 members: in person: Sarah Chaffee, Ann Walls, Betsy Black, Dale Randall, Rick Dymment, Jennie Parisi, Cary Gladstone, Ryan Davis, Gregory Naigles and Laura Magzis; and On Zoom: Cara Meeker, Alex Campbell, Joanne Martin and Ariana Ziminsky.

Donna Moore set the tone with quoting Neil Gaiman's My New Year Wish: "May your coming year be filled with magic and dreams and good madness. I hope you read some fine books and kiss someone who thinks you're wonderful, and don't forget to make some art -- write or draw or build or sing or live as only you can. And I hope, somewhere in the next year, you surprise yourself."

Leading off the New Year with "Best" were Cary Gladstone: Best Table Topics; Betsy Black: Best Speaker; and Gregory Naigles: Best Evaluator.

Challenging the Listen skills of all was Rick Dymment as Quizmaster.

Dale Randal as General Evaluator wrapped up the meeting giving his feedback: The meeting started right on time. The invocation was appropriate for the time of year and referencing the quote with its originator makes it easy to find on the internet. The word was well delivered and appropriate for the theme. The jokes were this guy's favorite kind. The table topics questions were interesting and challenging. He recognized Jennie and Rick for handling the technical difficulties well during this segment. "it is not what happens to you, it is how you handle it." The speaker used the feedback from last week effectively. Our quizmaster also effectively challenged our listening skills. The speech evaluator found useful suggestions while recognizing the many strengths in the speech. The grammarian named names delicately which lets us know more specifically on what we should improve. Dale closed with recognition of the toastmaster's theme and how just by being adjacent to her, he feels smarter.

Happy New Year to ALL!!!

Division C

Spotlight Toastmasters would like to extend congratulations to **Jeanne Mance Cormier** on her retirement from Toastmasters. She enjoyed a rich and rewarding Toastmaster career that spanned 20 years. According to Jeanne Mance, her learning journey supported her in becoming a leader that she "was proud of". Her job and career benefitted every day from her Toastmaster experience. May her memories, friendships and skills continue to serve her successfully as she focuses on her career as curator and head of department at Acadian Museum of the Université de Moncton. Congratulations, Jeanne Mance!

Spotlight Toastmasters offers its member an opportunity to learn Parliamentary Procedures at each meeting. The value in learning Parliamentary Procedures is that applying them gives every member an opportunity to speak, the meeting has more flow and ease and there is more cohesion to team decisions. Not only do we hear educational tips, we also apply the practices to the running of our meetings effectively. Spotlight Toastmasters is now meeting on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 7 pm AT. If you are interested in visiting Spotlight to learn more about how to run effective business meetings using Parliamentary Procedures, contact us yppr-9985@toastmastersclubs.org

AROUND THE DISTRICT CONT'D

Division D



Tony receiving the Best evaluator award.



Inducting new members to the club.

**Sears-Halifax Toastmasters Club**

wishes all the best to **Tony Easton** who, after 35 years as a member, has decided not to renew his membership this term. Tony is a respected member who provided each of us knowledge to help us grow as individuals and as members. For many years, Tony held the office of Treasurer – too numerous to count. He never missed a deadline. Tony taught us many things during his time as a member. He was the best teacher for ensuring we used proper grammar. As the Parliamentarian, you couldn't compete with Tony. We will always remember how he would

correct us when we were presenting a motion. Sometimes we have a habit of saying "I would like to present a motion". Tony would always correct us by saying "So Why Don't You?" Seriously we all admire Tony – he is smart, particular, precise, passionate – a man of honor. The club truly appreciates all of Tony's hard work and dedication. His contribution as the club historian, statistician, consummate parliamentarian, will be very hard to replace. Sears-Halifax Toastmasters would like to wish Tony the best of luck in his next endeavor. Some of us knew him as "Tony the Tiger!" Tony, keep on roaring. We will sincerely miss you and your expertise! Cheers from your Toastmaster Friends.

On January 28, **Toast of the Coast** member Albert Cormier presented his seminar called *The Psychology of Stage Fright*. Albert had presented this for a Strive for Success webinar but the webinar was not recorded. The presentation at Toast of the Coast has been recorded and is available through the District website.

Division G

Happy New Year from **Mount Washington Valley**! We had an exciting month of meetings (with not enough snow for our liking)! Our club hosted our Sorta Secret Santa, a little belated so that everyone could join in the fun. We hosted this activity with a twist- instead of exchanging gifts, we would guess each other's items, Table Topics style! Some of the most interesting items included a monitor for Solar Power wattage, a wearable device that tests the strength of internet connection, a DIY ceramic heating device for winter storm outages, and a temperature gauge used for patients in surgery. We had fun guessing each other's items, and there were many laughs when we tried to explain them!

We also elected a new Vice President of Public Relations. Sarah Plowman has been in Toastmasters for 8 months now. She previously assisted the club in planning their year-end gathering. She is currently busy planning future events for our club and valley community. She also launched our club's Instagram page, which will help members and guests keep track of events, meetings, and important information! The most recent post got readers thinking about what kind of Toasts (bread or speaking) they might create this year.

A TOASTMASTER TRANSFORMATION – A MEMBER’S STORY



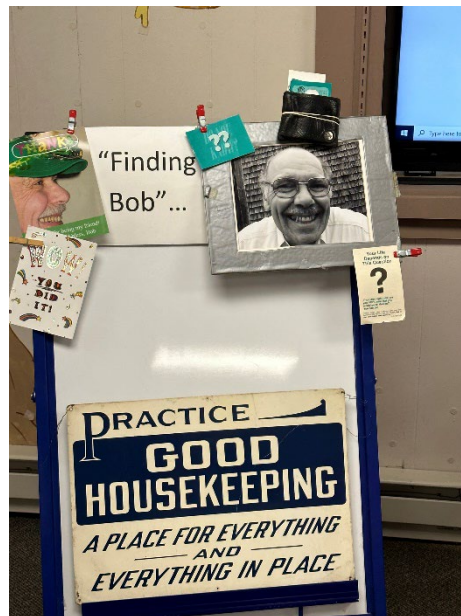
On a cold Tuesday evening, I had the opportunity to watch Blueberry Hill Toastmaster **Carol Niles** give an outstanding presentation to an audience at the Waterboro, Maine Public Library. She used the Level 3 “Inspire your Audience” project from her Visionary Communication Pathway to wow and inspire the crowd there. Carol is the author of “*The Hoarder’s Widow*” a book she wrote about her late husband “Bob” and his struggles with hoarding.

Carol used just the correct amount of humor, vocal variety, questioning of the people

there, and props woven into her speech. I’ve known Carol for a couple of years now and I’ve seen how our organization has assisted her – both with completing and publishing her book **and with her increased confidence and public speaking ability**. Her goal tonight for her project was to inspire us; Carol had all of us on the edge of our seats as she told her story, used amazing props, sprinkled in just the right amount of humor, used vocal variety and engaged the audience. All this while delivering a great message.

Our theme this year in D45 is *Inspire and Celebrate*. Carol Niles inspired us – let’s celebrate her accomplishment!

Tom Macisso
D45 Program Quality Director



Anniversaries



Of the 1,100 members in our District, 44.2% have been a member for at least 5 years, 24.3% have been a member for at least 10 years and 13.8% have been a member for 15 years or more. Each month we will celebrate those members who celebrating an anniversary in that month. 5th, 10th, 15th etc. anniversaries will be recognized. The following are celebrating their anniversary with the club noted in **February**.

Name	Club	# of Years
Richard Baker	Rutland Area Toastmasters	20
Sue Francesco	White Mountain Toastmasters	20
Dora Levison	BrattleMasters	5
Lorelei Grecian	Spotlight Toastmasters, Riverview Canusa Toastmasters	5



Clubs celebrating any 5th anniversary of their club charter are recognized. Once a club has reached the **half-century mark**, every anniversary is included and celebrated. The following clubs are celebrating significant anniversaries in the month of **February**.

Sears-Halifax Club #1555 of Halifax, Nova Scotia chartered 67 years ago on February 1, 1956.

White Mountain Toastmasters #5122 of Plymouth, New Hampshire chartered 20 years ago on February 6, 2003.



Every month, members who have achieved designations in Pathways are recognized. If you feel you have not been recognized, it may be because of your privacy setting. You must answer yes to “Your Name on Public Reports” in your profile. Otherwise, you can’t be recognized publicly by the District. Get the recognition you deserve.

Member Awards

Level 1 – January 2023

Name	Club	Designation
Pattie Abrams	True Blue Toastmasters	DL1
Danilo A. Buchner	Riverview Canusa Toastmasters	LD1
Adam A'Hearn	Premiere Toastmasters	SR1
Emma Brown	Riverside Toastmasters	EH1
Cecilia Dahl	Brunswick Toastmasters	PM1
Gordon Green	River Valley Toastmasters	EH1
Joseph Grondin	True Blue Toastmasters	VC1
Faisal A. Khan	3285 Cape Breton Toastmasters	SR1
Gisela N. Lefebvre	Provincially Speaking Toastmasters	PM1
Antoine Legresley	Arcadie du Grand Caraquet	LD1
Katharine K. Mann	Brunswick Toastmasters	EH1
Brian G. Richards	Winning Speakers Club	PI1
Michael Thompson	East Hants Toastmasters	IP1
Rosie W. Williams	Champ Masters	EC1

Level 2 – January 2023

Name	Club	Designation
Anne Doucette	Charlottetown Toastmasters Breakfast Club	VC2
Melissa Hartz	Kennebec Valley Toastmasters	PM2
Sherry L. MacDonald	Provincially Speaking Toastmasters	VC2
Cheryl L. Norden	Beyond Toastmasters	LD2
Marion Taylor	River Valley Toastmasters	PM2
Elise Thorsen	Savvy Speakers	SR2
Dawna-Jean Turchon	The Maine Thing Advanced Toastmasters	PI2
Kathleen Zwicker	Women Changemakers	LD2

Mentoring Path – January 2023

Name	Club
Kelley Demers	Millyard Toastmasters

Member Awards

Level 3 – January 2023

Name	Club	Designation
John D. Blumsum	Spirit-Ed Toastmasters	MS3
Farhana Kanth	Provincially Speaking Toastmasters	PI3
Cheryl L. Norden	Beyond Toastmasters	LD3
Shelley Petit	Arcadie du Grand Caraquet	SR3
Linda J. Ramrath	The Maine Thing Advanced Toastmasters	EH3
Catherine Ryan	Concord Toastmasters	PM3
Marion Taylor	River Valley Toastmasters	PM3
Elise Thorsen	Savvy Speakers	SR3
Donna R. Tutty	George Burton Club	DL3
Kathleen Zwicker	Women Changemakers	LD3

Level 4 – January 2023

Name	Club	Designation
Martha Archibald	Creatively Speaking Toastmasters	IP4
Jennifer L. Bonnevie	Cole Harbour Toastmasters	IP4
Taylor Remy	Keene Toastmasters	LD4
Marion P. Taylor	Riverside Toastmasters	MS4
Jennifer Theriault	Dartmouth TIC Talkers Toastmasters	MS4
Kathleen Zwicker	Women Changemakers	LD4

Level 5 – January 2023

Name	Club	Designation
Crystal Cobb	Charlottetown Toastmasters Breakfast Club	VC%

Trailblazer Award – January 2023

Name	Club
Kathleen Zwicker	Women Changemakers

District Calendar

February 2023 Events

- 4 TLI Club Officer Training 8:30 am ET/9:30 am AT
- 8 TLI Club Officer Training 6 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 10 TLI Club Officer Training 6 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 13 Possibilities with Pathways 6 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 14 VPE Peer Call 6:30 pm ET/7:30 pm AT
- 15 Newsletter submissions due
- 15 Striving for Success Webinar 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 21 VPPR Peer Call 6:00 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 21 Areas 11 and 18 Area Council meeting
7:30 pm ET/8:30 pm AT
- 22 SAA Peer Call 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 23 VPM Peer Call 6:30 pm ET/7:30 pm AT
- 28 President Peer Call 7 pm ET/8 pm AT

March 2023 Events

- 4 Contests – Areas 2, 6, 15, 17, 24
- 8 Striving for Success Webinar 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 11 Contests – Areas 5, 14, 19
- 13 Possibilities with Pathways 6 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 14 VPE Peer Call 6:30 pm ET/7:30 pm AT
- 15 Newsletter submissions due
- 16 Contests – Areas 12, 16 (Evaluation)
- 18 Contests – Areas 4, 8, 13
- 21 VPPR Peer Call 6:00 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 21 Areas 11 and 18 Area Council meeting
7:30 pm ET/8:30 pm AT
- 22 SAA Peer Call 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 23 VPM Peer Call 6:30 pm ET/7:30 pm AT 24
- 24 Areas 1 and 18 Speech Contests 6 pm ET/7pm AT
- 25 Contests – Area 20
- 28 President Peer Call 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 30 Contests – Areas 12, 16 (International)

April 2023 Events

- 1 Contests – Area 7, 9 am ET/10 am AT
- 10 Possibilities with Pathways 6 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 11 VPE Peer Call 6:30 pm ET/7:30 pm AT
- 12 Striving for Success Webinar 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 15 Newsletter submissions due
- 15 Areas 9 and 11 Contests 8 am ET/9 am AT
- 15 Contests – Divisions B and C
- 18 VPPR Peer Call 6:00 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 18 Areas 11 and 18 Area Council meeting
7:30 pm ET/8:30 pm AT
- 22 Contests – Division G
- 25 President Peer Call 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 26 SAA Peer Call 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 27 VPM Peer Call 6:30 pm ET/7:30 pm AT 24
- 28 Division D contests 6 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 29 Contests – Division A

May 2023 Events

- 8 Possibilities with Pathways 6 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 10 Striving for Success Webinar 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 15 Newsletter submissions due
- 16 VPE Peer Call 6:30 pm ET/7:30 pm AT
- 21 VPPR Peer Call 6:00 pm ET/7 pm AT
- 21 Areas 11 and 18 Area Council meeting
7:30 pm ET/8:30 pm AT
- 23 President Peer Call 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 24 SAA Peer Call 7 pm ET/8 pm AT
- 26 VPM Peer Call 6:30 pm ET/7:30 pm AT 24
- 26 – 28 District annual conference

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