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| *When you dream alone, it remains just a dream; when you dream together it is the beginning of a new reality.*  **Brazilian Proverb**  As your 2021 – 2022 District Director I want you to dream with me. I want you to dream with me about a District where every member and every club can succeed. We have the possibility for that dream to become a reality in District 45. To do so, we need teamwork, engagement and effective evaluation at all levels of our District.  Helen Keller said “*Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much*.” We cannot succeed as a District unless there is teamwork at every level. A club cannot be successful based on the efforts of one member. Success requires engaged, enthusiastic club officers and engaged, enthusiastic members. The District team has made a commitment to supporting and encouraging members so every member and every club can succeed. Club officers need to make that same commitment to their members. Members should make that same commitment to each other. By working together as a team, everyone can succeed.  Helen Blanchard, the first woman President of Toastmasters, said “*If you get everything you can out of Toastmasters, you will never get out of Toastmasters.*” Yet, every year members leave without getting everything they can out of Toastmasters. They leave because they don’t feel engaged and they | don’t feel their needs are being met. I ask every member to be engaged in every aspect of a club meeting by taking on all meeting roles throughout the year. I ask every member to engage by setting a goal, at a minimum, of achieving one Level in Pathways. I ask every member to engage by participating in Area, Division and District events. If we all stay engaged, we will see how much we can get from Toastmasters. Through teamwork and engagement, we will create the opportunity for every member and every club to succeed.  Ralph Smedley said “*No Toastmasters club is fulfilling its obligation to its members unless it brings them the maximum of training in the art of constructive criticism*.” That constructive criticism is what we now refer to as evaluation. We need effective evaluations if we are to grow and prosper. We need effective evaluations of speeches, of our meetings as a whole and of our leaders. We, as leaders at the club and District level, cannot improve if we are not given that effective evaluation. We do a disservice to our members when we do not provide them with effective evaluation. By embracing effective evaluations, we will create that environment where every member and every club can succeed.  Gloria Steinem said “*Without leaps of imagination, or dreaming, we lose the excitement of possibilities*.” Let’s explore those possibilities together. Let’s dream together to create a new reality where every club and every member succeeds. |

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| District Leadership | |
| Crystal Cobb, EC5, PI5  Program Quality Director | Sherry MacDonald, DTM  Club Growth Director |
| Hello fellow Toastmasters! I am so excited to be your Program Quality Director this year! I have a passion for helping others and enjoy watching our members grow into confident, well-spoken leaders!  I joined Toastmasters in May 2016 and started my journey as a charter member of the Charlottetown Toastmasters Breakfast Club. I am also a member of the advanced Spotlight Toastmasters club. I have held various leadership roles at the club level including President, Vice President Education, Vice President Membership and Secretary. At the District level, I have been Area Director, Division Director, District 45 Administration Manager and District 45 Public Relations Manager.  Being a Toastmasters means working the Pathways program. I have completed the Effective Communication and Persuasive Influence paths and am currently working through Visionary Communication. This year I want to see you achieving your educational goals and taking on new challenges! We have so many opportunities with the 11 different path options; let’s think outside the box and share ideas!  I am excited to connect with you to help you reach your goals and work with you to build stronger clubs! As Helen Keller says, “Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.” | As incoming Club Growth Director I am looking forward to supporting the clubs and members of District 45.  I joined Toastmasters in 2015 to become more comfortable with impromptu speaking.  It wasn’t long before I realized that Toastmasters had much more to offer and I decided I wanted to become comfortable in all kinds of uncomfortable situations.  As your CGD for 2021/22 my focus will be supporting and growing membership within the existing clubs as well as creating new clubs where gaps exist. It isn’t a secret that over the past few years our membership has declined and rebuilding will take some hard work for the clubs as well as their members. This is a group effort and will be accomplished with many hands.  With a little bragging, I have to say I have an amazing team! A team that will work within the scope of club growth and help everyone move towards achieving success. I would like to introduce my amazing team and their area of focus:   * TBD - Marketing * Susanne Melling - Club Recruitment * Elise Thorsen - New Club Quality * Angela Chute - Club Coach   Being such a vast area, we need representatives from every province and state. There is lots of work to be done and still plenty of room if you would like to help. Reach out to me and together we can determine the best fit for you.  Thank you for trusting me as your 2021/22 D45 Club Growth Director. |

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| District Leadership |
| Anne Doucette, MS3, IP5, LD5  Public Relations Manager |
| I joined Toastmasters through Speechcraft in September 2016 not convinced I would stay in Toastmasters more than a few months. By September 2017, I was a charter member of the Charlottetown Toastmasters Breakfast Club, becoming the club’s Vice President Membership. By the conference in May 2018, I set a goal to achieve Distinguished Toastmasters status. I am well on my way and hope to achieve this milestone in 2021. I served as Area 17 Director in 2019-2020 year and Division E Director in 2020-2021.  I am really enjoying my Toastmasters’ journey. Meeting virtually has allowed me to meet wonderful Toastmasters within and outside the District, create new friendships and lasting memories and it has ignited my passion for helping people. Toastmasters has helped me become a better speaker, writer, leader and team player.  As incoming Public Relations Manager, I am very excited to be working with you this year, to learn from you and to serve you. I cannot do this alone, and I look forward to your suggestions and cooperation.  We will have a lot on the go this year! I want to create engaging and interactive communication within the District and with the public. I also want to continue to make improvements to the District 45 website, adding current and relevant information, as well as making the District calendar the place to go to when looking for dates for upcoming training, contests and special events. I look forward to adding some French content on our website for our francophone members. Together we can increase our online presence on social media by providing engaging posts on the District Facebook page as well as looking at other social media platforms to promote the District, such as LinkedIn. Let us continue the excellent and engaging articles on the newsletter and get even more contributions from members, clubs, areas and divisions. I look forward to working with club Vice President Public Relations in helping them promote their clubs.  Again, it’s an honor to be your Public Relations Manager and I look forward to working with all of you this Toastmaster year! |

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| District Leadership | |
| Albert Cormier, EH5, MS5  Administration Manager | Ken Hubley, IP3  Finance Manager |
| I joined Toastmasters immediately after attending my first meeting in late September, 2018. Since then, I have completed two full paths (Motivational Strategies and Engaging Humor), and I have delivered presentations at the Fall Conference in Moncton in November 2019 and at the 2021 District 45 Spring Conference. I served as Area 1 Director for the 2020-2021 year. Not only have I learned a great deal about the Toastmasters organization, but I have learned to further hone my public speaking, communication and training skills through my Toastmasters experience. I have met and worked with some wonderful people in District 45 who appear most times to appreciate my sense of humor (as long as I keep my puns in check).  Being a natural connector, I love to meet, work with, and learn from many different people. As an adult educator and an influencer, I enjoy providing positive support that enables others to step out of their comfort zones and achieve their full potential. Being a Toastmaster in five different clubs over the last two years and serving as Area 1 Director and VP Education have helped nurture those parts of my personality.  As your District 45 Administration Manager, I will be responsible for recording and organizing the minutes of the Senior Leadership Team and District Executive Council meetings and other records of District business. In addition, I will coordinate with other members of the District leadership team to ensure that timely and accurate correspondence is maintained with District 45 clubs. | Ken is a member of Schooner Toastmasters in Halifax, Nova Scotia.  He serves as Vice President of Education.  He is married with two children and a step-child.   As a life-longer learner, Ken is really enjoying his Toastmaster journey and meeting new people.  Ken is a "Covid Toastmaster", having joined just after Schooner started meeting online. While he looks forward to meeting the members in-person, Ken says he already feels as though he has made a personal connection with the members.  In his capacity as your Finance Manager this year, Ken will work with the team to create and monitor the budget and to ensure expense claims are paid on a timely basis.  Ken will ensure transparency, and that all members of the District Executive Committee and District Council are provided with financial updates on a regular basis.  See the source image |
| District Leadership | |
| Kelley Demers, DTM  Division A Director | Tom Macisso, MS5  Division B Director |
| A person wearing glasses  Description automatically generated with medium confidenceHi everyone! I became a Toastmaster in February 2015; these last 6 years have been a whirlwind that I would never change. I have been lucky enough to meet and work with many ‘like-minded’ people looking to improve their speaking and leadership skills while helping me too! Toastmasters has continuously gotten me out of my ‘comfort zone’, and I’ve blossomed into a more confident speaker and leader. In March 2020, I achieved Legacy DTM. I’ve held various officer roles from President, Sergeant at Arms, Secretary and five-time VP Education. This past year, I was the Area 7 Director. The most fulfilling part of being a Toastmaster for me was spearheading a Youth Gavel Club in 2018 where I’m able to work with sixth, seventh, and eighth graders at a local middle school. Their growth in confidence in a short few months always amazes me.  I’m really looking forward to supporting and working closely with the Area Directors this coming year. Things will continue to be a bit different than we are used too; however together we can thrive!  See the source image | A person wearing glasses  Description automatically generated with low confidence"You can't stop the waves, but you can learn to surf." That's a great quote by Zig Ziglar!  Hi Everybody,  I'm excited about my new role in District 45 as Division B Director!  I just want to tell you a little about my Toastmaster journey - so far. I've been part of this great organization since 2006. I began in a corporate club that really didn't follow our methods and overall program too well. However, I was fortunate to meet two great Toastmasters there who were coaches - Donna Tasker and Mike Harris. They both became mentors and advisors for me, in fact, they helped me build and charter a successful club.  From 2014-2018, I took a break from Toastmasters, but I came back “home" and joined Blueberry Hill Toastmasters where Mike and Donna have been great members for over 20 years. Once I came back, I became re-energized by the passion and the professionalism there and served as the VP Membership and then the President of the club. This past year, I had the privilege of serving as the Area 6 Director for Division B. I made new friends and got to know many people both in the Division and in the District.  I look forward to serving as Division B Director. Our clubs are spread out through Maine, and hopefully, I'll get to visit you either virtually or in person.  Please come and visit us!  Feel what it's like to "B" Positive! |

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| District Leadership | |
| Jim Kokocki, DTM, PIP  Division C Director | Suzanne Weiss, DL2  Division D Director |
| A person standing at a podium  Description automatically generated with low confidenceI joined Saint John Toastmasters way back in 1987. I was working as a COBOL-language programmer and one day two co-workers came to my desk and told me I was a pretty smart guy, but I said nothing during meetings – and that was true. They brought me to some club meetings and quite quickly I began to develop in the supportive environment we are all so familiar with as members.  This year as Division C Director I plan to support the Area Directors to do all we can to see clubs and members prosper – I’d love to see all clubs in Division C reach Distinguished club or better, and I believe that’s possible. When members understand the goals to which we aspire, it can be surprising how they will join in to help.  I recall some years ago delivering a brief speech to my club about the DCP and mentioning we aim for four new members, and another four new members. A member who had been with us for a number of months said, ‘I didn’t know we wanted new members.’ I thought to myself ‘how could she not know that,’ but it doesn’t matter what I think – she didn’t know that. At the next meeting she brought two guests.  Leadership has much to do with effectively communicating goals and progress. I hope your club is a Distinguished club in 2021-2022. | H:\Personal\TI\PRM\Newsletter PRM Articles\July\Suzanne2.jpegHello, let me provide you with a bit of my Toastmasters background. I was a chartered member of EastToasters@ADP in 2012. While a member of EastToasters@ADP, I held several executive roles, SAA, President, VP Public Relations and VP Membership. I was also on a Conference committee, as well as several roles in a variety of contests from club level to Division level over the years. For the 2019-2020 year, I was Area 11 Director in Division D.  My home club is now Cole Harbour Toastmasters, where I was warmly welcomed in 2020. Soon after I joined the advanced club, Toast of the Coast. I have thoroughly enjoyed each club and their uniqueness. I originally joined Toastmasters to overcome my crippling fright of public speaking. As an active member of my clubs, Area and Division, I have worked to overcome my lack of self-confidence when speaking in front of a group. Occasionally, I say yes to a role or challenge, to then be in a quandary about the task I have accepted. I have grown and developed leadership skills exponentially from these experiences.  I am now stepping up to the challenge of Division D Director. I am looking forward to this upcoming year and working with the Area Directors and the Club executives. It is sure to be an exciting year! |

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| District Leadership | |
| Madhu Kanji, DTM Division E Director | Tom Goodwin, DTM Division G Director |
| A person smiling for the camera  Description automatically generated with medium confidenceMy toastmaster’s journey began in 2014, when I became a member of the Harbourside TM Club in Saint John, NB. I was unaware at that time that my journey would last a lifetime.  Toastmasters provided me with a community I could belong to, especially being an immigrant from South Africa, and having lived in other provinces in Canada.  I am looking forward to working closely with my team of Area Directors and the District Leadership to deliver to our members. My input is informed by our Toastmaster’s values of Service, Respect, Integrity and Excellence.  Our commitment to our constituency is unwavering. The lines of communication are to be kept open and transparent. We strive consolidation of our present membership and aim to work towards increasing our member base. Our hope is that all our members achieve success in Toastmasters. | A person in a suit and tie  Description automatically generated with medium confidenceI began my Toastmaster journey in 2007 while living in Oregon (District 7) and have been an active member of District 45 since 2012. During that time, I have served in all club officer role and at every level of District leadership. While I first joined Toastmasters to improve my public speaking and presentation skills, the most important lesson I have learned in my journey was to embrace every leadership opportunity and work on the growth of others as much as you work on your personal growth.  I am currently a member of three clubs in Division A, and look forward to working with the members of Division G.  While fulfilling all aspects of our District mission are important, I feel the primary focus for the coming year has got to be helping our clubs transition back to in-person and hybrid meetings and reinvigorating our members in this post-pandemic world. |
| Getting trained for Club Success | |
| Toastmaster Leadership Institutes were held during the month of June. The incoming Senior Leadership Team took turns presenting on quality clubs (Strutting our Stuff) and the Distinguished Club Plan (Measuring What Counts). Outgoing and incoming Division Directors split the duites of hosting the Division breakout sessions and many members stepped up to lead the concurrent sessions and the club officer breakout. There was great discussion in all sessions with “complaints” that breakout rooms were ended too early (sometimes in the middle of someone’s sentence!). There was a good turnout at each of the four TLIs with great feedback on how how much they learned. A big thank you to everyone who helped put on these successful TLIs. | |

Every year, the District presents awards for member and club accomplishments. We also award incentives to encourage members and clubs to achieve their goals. Each month in the newsletter we will highlight several of the awards and incentives. The full list of awards and incentives can be found on the [D45 website](https://content.app-sources.com/s/77922601806578701/uploads/Resources/D45_Incentives-5136903.pdf).

District Awards and Incentives

Awards

Toastmaster of the Year award

This award is presented at the ***annual*** conference, The Toastmaster of the Year award is given to a member who best exemplifies Toastmasters International values in supporting the District and club missions. The Toastmaster of the Year is expected to excel in a variety of leadership and communication; educational; and marketing and public relations activities. The time frame covered will be the previous May 1st to April 30th. Form 1113 Outstanding Toastmaster Guidelines must be completed and given to District Director by May 5th.

Al Ferguson Memorial award

This award is presented to any club that achieves 10 out of the 10 Distinguished Club Plan awards and qualifies for President’s Distinguished club. This will be automatically determined by the District based on the reports from Toastmasters International.

Incentives

Open House Incentive

* Set up your Open House as an event on Facebook.
* Boost the event.
* Submit the bill for boosting and you will be reimbursed up to $25.00.

Membership Growth Recognition

The Smedley Award is a Toastmasters International membership campaign that runs from August 1, to September 30, 2021. To gain recognition from TI, you need to add five new, dual or reinstated members during that time period. Accomplish this goal and you’ll qualify to receive a Smedley Award ribbon, named in honor of Ralph Smedley, which you can display on your club’s banner. Qualifying clubs can also earn a special discount code for 10% off their next club order. (The discount code expires six months from the date of issue and is not valid with any other offer.)

In addition to the TI award for this campaigns, District 45 will award:

* + - * $25 USD/$30 CDN for clubs that gain 1 or 2 new members via a drawing. (3 winners).
      * $50 USD/$60 CDN for clubs that gain 3 or 4 new members via a drawing (3 winners).
      * $75 USD/$95 CDN for clubs that gain 5 or more new members via a drawing (3 winners).

Another District incentive for membership growth is for a membership increase from the 1st of July to the end of September. Clubs that increase their net membership (using club base) by 10% (rounded to the nearest full number) between July 1 and September 30 (with dues paid by September 30,) will be awarded $25 USD/$30 CDN.

Club Coach Recognition

District Awards and Incentives

Because of the great need for Club Coaches, District 45 is offering a special recognition incentive for members willing to serve as coaches for 2 or more clubs. Qualifying coaches will receive $25 USD/$30 CDN per club served. Requirements for this incentive are:

* + - * Such coaches will be required to attend a meeting of their coached clubs at least once per quarter.
      * In addition to those club visits, coaches must have a joint meeting with both/all clubs’ executive committees once per month.
      * Coaches must start in the club role no later than March 1st

Youth Leadership Program

Be among the first twenty-five (25) Toastmasters to complete a Youth Leadership Program and you will be reimbursed for the cost of the YLP materials (one kit per award).

Education Recognition

**Level 1** - Complete your first Level 1 in any path and be entered into a draw (two winners per month) for a Toastmasters travel mug. Note that Level 1s in subsequent paths are not eligible for the draw.

**Mentorship** – Complete the Pathways Mentorship Path by June 30, 2022 and receive a mentor pin and recognition card. The Path must be submitted through Club Central.

New Club Growth

Provide a club lead, with specific contact information, that results in a new club formation and you will be given the first right to sponsor or mentor the club AND be awarded your choice of a Toastmasters Core jacket, Cardigan or Hero Hoodie.



Around the District – Division A

**Concord Toastmasters Club #6984**

As Concord Toastmasters winds down its last month with the leadership for 2020-21, we celebrated with our annual ice cream social in White Park in Concord. This year we were able to do it without masks, so it was a double treat! We treasure our ability to find friends and members far and wide with Zoom, but seeing them in person drove home the point of the long running thread of friendship that ties our club together. With a 30 year history, we have seen births, marriages and loss. It was good to celebrate it together.

Concord Toastmasters recognized the achievements of members with a themed meeting of “Celebrate Achievements.” And there are many!

* Ann Walls completed Level 1 in the Presentation Mastery Pathway.
* Betsy Black completed Level 3 and 4 in the Engaging Humor Pathway and Level 5 in Presentation Mastery.
* Cary Gladstone completed Level 4 in the Innovative Planning Pathway.
* Caryl Lajoie completed her HPL, ALS, and DTM.
* Catherine Ryan completed Level 2 in the Innovative Planning Pathway.
* Dale Randall completed Levels 1, 2 and 3 in the Visionary Communication Pathway.
* Debby Adair completed Levels 1, 2 and 3 in the Visionary Communication Pathways.
* Paul Coddington completed Level 1 in the Visionary Communication Pathway, Level 4 in the Engaging Humor Pathway, and his second DTM!
* Rick Dyment completed Level 1 in the Innovative Planning Pathway.

**What a year!**



Molly Lunn Owen and baby Toastmasters and families at the Ice Cream Social

Clara At Ice Cream Social

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| page1image50288112Speaking with Confidence (Zoom Toastmasters Mini-Series) |
| The project timeline spans three-months, prior to Keene’s regularly scheduled biweekly club meeting. Different club members choose a topic that fits the focus of the presentations and present during the 30 minutes (5:15 - 5:45) prior to the club meeting. The intention is to allow time for potential new members to mingle with established members before the regularly scheduled meetings. The presentations themselves are 15-20 minutes in length followed by a 5-10 minute Q & A session open to all participants.  More About this Opportunity:  Event will be 15-20 minutes of Toastmasters learning proceeded by 5-10 minutes of Q&A.  **Next Sessions:**  July 1st \_ 5:15 PM-5:45 PM ET - Larry Wood: Toastmasters: Gaining Confidence Participating in Contests  July 15th \_ 5:15 PM-5:45 PM ET - Taylor Remy: Leadership: Professional and Personal growth from TM participation  **Visit www.keenetoastmastersclubs.org Questions: please email secretary-1562@toastmastersclubs.org Zoom Link:** https://us02web.zoom.us/j/976794366?pwd=eHB3K1VoTlpLbTVhZnprbmkzWUNDQT09 |

Around the District – Division G



District Social

Pineapple Party Fun

On Sunday, June 27th members of District 45 held a celebratory pineapple party. It was Pineapple Day, so what better way to celebrate!?! The crowd was decked out in pineapple attire, decorations and had their pineapples in hand. Special thanks to Heather Fairchild for leading us through a table topics session that not only provided us with fun pineapple facts but also some laughs and even a debate. Congratulations to our best table topics speaker of the evening - Horace Crozier.

Members were asked to submit their favorite pineapple recipes and we were not disappointed. Seven members shared recipes ranging from a pineapple drink, main course and desserts. Watch for the recipes to be shared with all members soon! We had a vote and the top 3 recipe providers will be sent a prize! Congratulations to the winners:

* First place: Jennifer Bryson with Pineapple Teriyaki Burgers
* Second place: Tom Macisso with Pineapple Crisp
* Third place: Suzanne Weiss with Hawaiian Meatball Kabobs

It’s been a tough year but we have worked hard to build our clubs! The party was an opportunity to celebrate member success and enjoy some good company. Thank you to everyone who came and indulged in the pineapple festivities!



We also congratulated our Immediate Past District Director, **Jonathan Bohm, DTM**, for leading District 45 with grace and dignity through a most challenging year. We, the members, appreciate your leadership and dedication to the District.

Of the 1,200 members in our District, 47.5% have been a member for at least 5 years, 25.8% have been a member for at least 10 years and almost 14.6% 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

Anniversaries

are celebrating their anniversary with the club noted in **July**.

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| **Name** | **Club** | **# of Years** |
| John Blumsum | Spirit-Ed Toastmasters  Toast of the Coast Toastmasters | 20 |
| Patricia MacNevin | Riverside Toastmasters  Rise and Shine Toastmasters | 15 |
| Sheila Mable | Karner Blue Toastmasters | 10 |
| MaryAnn Purnell | Green Mountain Toastmasters | 5 |
| Marilyn Carter | Green Mountain Toastmasters | 5 |
| Hasmeet Chandok | Dal 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 **July.**

**Green Mountain Toastmasters #55508984** of Stowe, VT chartered 5 years ago on   
July 5, 2016



Every month, members who have achieved designations Pathways are recognized. Some members, however, are not getting the recognition they deserve because of the privacy settings they have chosen. If you are not sure what you have chosen, log in and go to your profile. Click on privacy and consent. The final item says “Your Name on Public Reports”. If you have indicated no to this setting, only your member number and club shows on the reports indicating any achievement you may have earned. This means you can’t be recognized publicly by the District. Get the recognition you deserve. Change your setting to this consent to YES. There are currently 72 achievements not recognized because consent has not been given.

Member Awards

**Level 1 – June 2021**

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| **Mentoring Path Completion – June 2021**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Name** | **Club** | | Marion Taylor | Beyond Toastmasters | |  |  |
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| **Level 2 – June 2021** |  |  |
| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Name** | **Club** | **Designation** | | | Donald Winn | Nashua-Hudson Toastmasters | | DL2 | | | Suzanne Weiss | Toast of the Coast Toastmasters Club | DL2 | | | | Pattie Abrams | True Blue Toastmasters | EH2 | | | | Joseph Stehno | Horseshoe Pond Toastmasters Club | IP2 | | | | Edie Murray | Annapolis Valley Toastmasters Club | IP2 | | | | Adam A’Hearn | Premiere Toastmasters Club | LD2 | | | | Horace Crozier | Speak-Easy Toastmasters Club | LD2 | | | | Anne Welsh | Winning Speakers | MS2 | | | | JoAnne Wood | MDI Toastmasters | PM2 | | | | Aidan Gregory | Kennebec Valley Toastmasters | SR2 | | | | Alan Idler | Creatively Speaking Toastmasters Halifax | VC2 | | | | Anne Stewart | Bedford Basin Toastmasters | VC2 | | | | Crystal Cobb | Spotlight Toastmasters Club | DL2 | | | | Jagruti Patel | Winning Speakers | PM2 | | | | Amy Imdieke | Mt. Washington Valley Toastmasters | LD2 | | | |  |  |
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Member Awards

**Level 3 – June 2021**

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| **Name** | **Club** | **Designation** |
| Michelle Snyder | River Talkers Toastmasters | IP3 |
| Lisa McDonald | Rising Tide Toastmasters Club | MS3 |
| Barbara Alberstat | George Burton Club | PM3 |
| Paula Tozer | Riverside Toastmasters | VC3 |
| Dale Randall | Concord Toastmasters Club | VC3 |
| Alan Idler | Creatively Speaking Toastmasters Halifax | VC3 |
| Jill Tallmer | White Mountain Toastmasters Club | SR3 |

**Level 4 – June 2021**

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| **Name** | **Club** | **Designation** |
| Paula Tozer | Riverside Toastmasters | VC4 |
| Marcia Rogowsky | Penmen Toastmasters | VC4 |
| Nidhi Gupta | Winning Speakers Club | VC4 |
| John Blumsum | Spirit-Ed Toastmasters Club | PM4 |
| Jill Tallmer | White Mountain Toastmasters Club | SR4 |

**Level 5 – June 2021**

Member Awards

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| **Name** | **Club** | **Designation** | |
| Pierrette Hache | Arcadie du Grand Caraquet | | EC5 | |
| Maria Winn | 2211 Toastmasters | | EH5 | |
| Darlene Jones | Harbourside Club | | LD5 | |
| Adam Burch | Penmen Toastmasters | | PM5 | |
| Nidhi Gupta | Winning Speakers Club | | VC5 | |
| Geraldine Smith | Premiere Toastmasters | | MS5 | |
| Jill Tallmer | White Mountain Toastmasters Club | | SR5 | |

**Trailblazer Award – June 2021**

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| **Name** | **Club** |
| Horace Crozier | Speak-Easy Toastmasters Club |
| Nidhi Gupta | Winning Speakers Club |
| Andrea Jeffs | Provincially Speaking Toastmasters |
| Sherry MacDonald | East Coast Advanced Online Toastmasters |
| Marcia Rogowsky | Penmen Toastmasters |
| John Blumsum | Spirit-Ed Toastmasters Club |
| Jennifer Bonnevie | Cole Harbour Toastmasters |
| Crystal Cobb | Spotlight Toastmasters |
| Tom Goodwin | Mt. Washington Valley Toastmasters |
| Geraldine Smith | Premiere Toastmasters Club |

Distinguished Toastmaster – June 2021

The Distinguished Toastmaster award is the highest our organization. The DTM recognizes the commitment of members to personal success and to helping the District achieve success. Members who succeed in achieving a DTM give numerous speeches, serve as a club officer and as a District officer, help to start or rescue a club, and complete a major project among other tasks. The following District 45 members are the latest DTMs.

**John Blumsum, DTM** joined Toastmasters in 2001 after a persistent co-worker thought he should have more to say. From 2001 until 2012 John was a member of TIC Talkers in Dartmouth Nova Scotia. In 2013 he joined Spirit-Ed Toastmasters, Halifax, where he is currently the President and, as well, is President of Toast of the Coast Advanced Toastmasters Club, Dartmouth. John's District service was as Area Governor for Area 21 during the 2011 - 2012 year visiting clubs in Halifax and Cape Breton.

For his HPL Project, John completed a club-based project for Spirit-ed Toastmasters. A need was identified to create more readily available resources and records in a digital format to make them more accessible through the Spirit-ed FreeToastHost website. Throughout his Toastmasters journey John has learned commitment to any project big or small requires an understanding of the interpersonal dynamics and maintaining a focus on the end goal beyond occasional hiccups or setbacks.



**Dan Wilson, DTM** joined Toastmasters in October, 2001 with Toastmasters of Manchester, NH. He has been a member of Winning Speakers, #3608 (Windham, NH) for most of his Toastmasters journey. He was Area Governor for Area 7 in 2007-2008 and a Pathways Guide in 2018.

His HPL was to introduce and ensure the perpetual awarding of the Toastmaster of the Year award at his club. Even though it took him 19 years to achieve the DTM designation, he can advocate for taking the long and slow road – there are many, many rewards in taking it slow and exploring the side roads!

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| District Calendar |
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| **For Updated Events and Times, go to the District Calendar at** [**https://d45toastmasters.org/**](https://d45toastmasters.org/) |

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