

THE District NEWS

Begin With The End In Mind

— A District 18 Publication —

TONY WHITTEN

**BEGIN WITH
THE END IN MIND**

BIAGIO SCHETTINI

**DISTRICT CHAMP
PROCEEDS TO
VANCOUVER**

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It's here! A new Toastmaster year – July 1. The first edition of our district's electronic news.

Let me introduce myself: I am *The District News's* new Editor-In-Chief.

First things first: starting with this July edition—new year, new design, new way of presenting you with digital content—you and I, both, will achieve, accomplish and figure out from one another what a District 18 electronic news publication ought to be, and what it ultimately could be, in our ever-changing, hyper connected, easily-accessible world. Folks across the globe are consuming information from a wider set of channels, and faster than ever before; they are using that same information in even newer ways.

Everyone has a camera these days, immediate video. Anyone with an Internet connection or cell phone can share their idea, sway public opinion, or even trigger a whole movement for change. But, you already know that. Either way, it stands to reason, that our District 18, engages social media *and* innovates fresh, valuable, insightful content on an on-going basis for our valued members across the district. This will provide a creative outlet of self-expression, Toastmaster members writing articles, sending in feedback, commenting on the *The District Buzz* [our new blog under construction] etc. My hope, as your new Editor-in-Chief, is that this should be a story-telling opportunity for our clubs, members and district. Specific to our district. An editorial journey for all of us, myself included, instead of a one-sided, one-dimensional reading experience. Some call it a time of opportunity. Either way, I'm inviting you to embrace it. I hope you, too, will rediscover, redefine and redesign your path to communication and leadership success with me. The world today is a networked society. We're a networked district; our district leadership and division directors are linked to our area directors who are linked to our clubs and members; we're inseparable! Collaborative leadership *is the* new normal; let's collaborate!

About me: I'm like you. A Toastmaster. Okay, so a little more about me. I'm great at crafting meaningful moments that matter while managing every moving piece. I'm a PR Strategist. What do I enjoy?

Diving deep into a business, looking closely at all the touch and data points [site, socials, email, analytics etc.] and bringing in a fresh set of eyes to find the things that are missing or maximize what exists—from conception to post campaign wrap-up. One thing I do passionately is branding; showing how the brand embodies the organization's distinctive difference. I see media relations as 'priming the pump' for our membership base and career-wise, have always been the go-to-person for counsel when things don't go right. Like I said a strategist. Why write, edit, blog, do copywriting and all these other things? I'm a passionate consumer of a broad diet of traditional and social media, various topics and developments with a particular interest in the news; I am what I read. 'Nuf said. My bio is available, simply ask.

Ultimately, *The District News* wishes to cover all aspects of communication and leadership development. You're invited to take this opportunity to engage me directly, with our assistant editor, district PR team, contributing writers and bloggers, and all of our members to provide me with any comments, suggestions and innovative ways to improve our district PR communications and make them more relevant to our digital diet. I am open to any idea, every idea, big or small, done before or never done before, that would better our quality and service, and I will make every effort to work with our dedicated band of district PR enthusiasts, the district 18 leadership to implement those suggestions that ***are doable within our constraints.***



More than anything, enjoy the reading, celebrate the interactions and I most certainly look forward to your critical analysis, suggestions and future contributions. After all, the Toastmaster culture embraces evaluations. My goal is to make *The District News* the “can’t be missed” publication. I need your help; let’s collaborate! I’m not trying to make any of us feel a little older [myself, very much included], but unless you are 15 years old and younger, you, like me, have lived through the dot-com bubble. If my memory serves me well, I was barely out of high school when the very first Commercial Internet service providers (ISPs) appeared sometime in the very late 1980s. We’re alike. No? The next time you see me in person, let’s chat about that. But, I digress. Anyway, moving on...

This is an honor for me and a tremendous responsibility to assist in catering to the interests and needs of the members, and clubs to maintain open lines of communication district wide. Hopefully, you’ll find me to be transparent as I push the boundaries of what we publish.

My challenge to you. Is this:-

- ▶ To read *The District News*
- ▶ Join the conversation in our Facebook Group Page: [District 18 Toastmasters](#).
- ▶ Most importantly, to receive valuable, insightful content directly to your inbox and “not miss a thing” then, let us know if your contact information has changed.
- ▶ We’d love your input! Evaluate us; on our past and present electronic news delivered to your inbox.

Let’s be social, do stay connected with me—and expect a whole lot more!

Pearl Matibe

Editor-in-Chief, *The District News*

District Media Representative

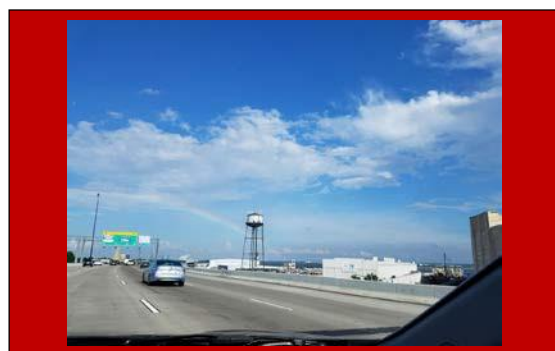
IN THIS EDITION

We have an interview with Biagio Schettini, winner of the District 18 International Speech Contest. Tony Whitten, District Director’s Message. We hear from Elizabeth Carter on her Program Quality Director’s perspective. We’ve also got featured pieces on our district clubs—the *Free Speakers*, *Air Liquide R&D* and *Redwood Toastmasters*—a fun *Did You Know* segment, and district events to keep you informed. All these will be regular segments monthly. From August, they will mostly be fully integrated with links to our district website currently under construction.

Wait, there’s more:

- ▶ *The District News’* Assistant Editor, Beth May, has much in store for you in the coming months. This you will not want to miss.
- ▶ Contributors, writers and blogger Toastmaster members from across our district will keep us engaged with a wide range of forward-thinking communication and leadership industry perspectives.
- ▶ Please support your district and read local, as from August and beyond, we plan to bring you information-packed editions, complete with district website link functionality.

Do stay informed. You never know how lucky you will be. See what Margaret Russ & Cristol Johnson came across on their drive from the June 17th DEC Meeting on their way back to Delaware. A rainbow! Lucky to go attend a meeting.



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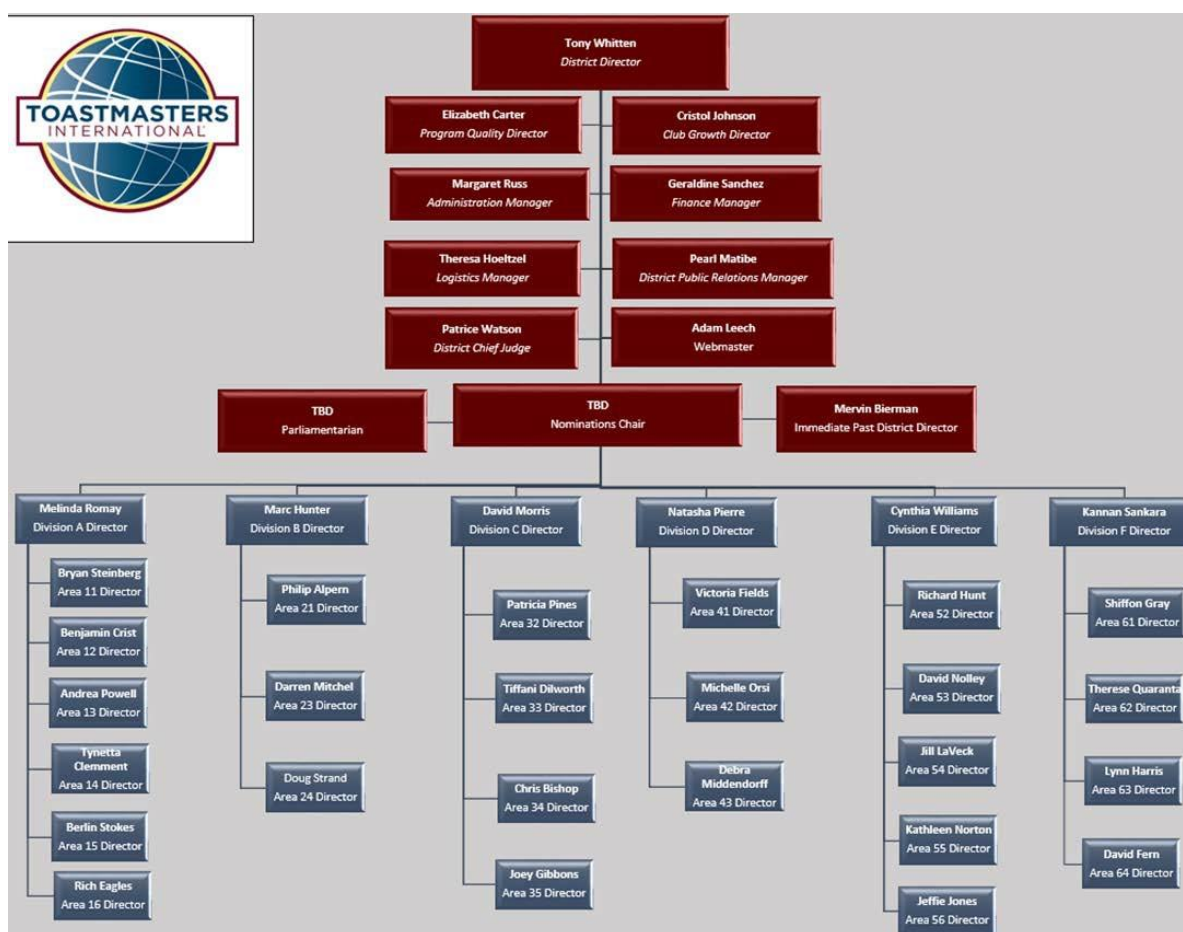


ADMINISTRATION – DEC (Pronounced “deck”)

District Executive Committee [DEC] – 2017-2018 TERM

Some 3 years ago at its February meeting, the Board of Directors decided on the new district leader titles, which took effect July 1, 2015. Below is the 3rd generation of District 18 leaders.

Committee chairs such as those of the Audit Committee, various Sub-Committees, Conference Committee, etc., are not members of the DEC unless they are also district officers. Apart from the leadership roles below, only individuals who are invited by the district director and have specific business before the committee may attend district executive committee meetings. In order to conduct business at these meetings, a quorum is required. A quorum is established when a majority of district executive committee members attend the meeting.



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DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S WELCOME

Hello District 18 Members and Welcomed Guest!

As the incoming District Director, I want to welcome each of you to the new Toastmasters year. Thank you for electing me. I am truly honored by the trust you have instilled in me and am very excited to get to work. I am looking forward to a great year, and working with you as a team to achieve our Toastmasters goals.

The thing I like most about July 1st, which is the beginning of the Toastmaster year, is that all clubs start at the exact same place. Toastmasters International removes all of the prestigious accolades from the previous year and then we have to reset and **begin with the end in mind**. Our theme this year is **begin with the end in mind**.



Let this be the driving force for us to clarify, concentrate, and maintain focus on our specific goal within the Toastmasters program. When we each achieve that personal goal then clubs, areas, divisions, and District 18 becomes President's Distinguished. Notice that I started with you, the member first.

Becoming a President's Distinguished District is my vision for District 18 in 2017-2018. It all starts with us **beginning with the end in mind** and maintaining focus on why we joined Toastmasters and on why we choose to stay. If we align our personal Toastmasters goal with our club's goals then we as individuals and as a district will grow. As Dana LaMon, 1992 World Champion of Public Speaking stated, every living organism is either growing or dying. Grow within the program by attending Toastmaster Leadership Institute (TLI) training. Grow by mentoring someone else or by mentoring, sponsoring, or coaching a club. Grow by giving a speech in another club. Grow by attending one of the upcoming district conferences. Grow by completing your Competent Communicator, Competent Leader, and by continuing to progress through the educational tracks.

I encourage you to enjoy your journey in the Toastmasters program and I sincerely wish you success in your personal growth. Remember, at some point in time we all started at the same exact place. Starting today, reset and **begin with the end in mind**. District 18 deserves to be President's Distinguished.

Tony Whitten, DTM

District Director 2017-2018, District 18

Begin with the end in mind ~ Dr. Stephen R. Covey



DISTINGUISHED CLUBS As At June 30, 2017

AREA	CLUB	CLUB NAME	DCP STATUS
E53	2884	SSA Club	Presidents Distinguished
A15	957956	Delmarva Toastmasters	Presidents Distinguished
B23	979269	MSU Toastmasters	Presidents Distinguished
E54	8470	CMS Toastmasters	Presidents Distinguished
D43	1082	Frederick Toastmasters	Presidents Distinguished
E56	7412	Patuxent Toastmasters Club	Presidents Distinguished
D42	1182853	First Data Toastmasters	Presidents Distinguished
C32	1746	Meadeators Club	Presidents Distinguished
E53	6805	Randallstown Network Toastmasters	Presidents Distinguished
A12	1833	Greater Newark Area Club	Presidents Distinguished
A12	5280	Greater Elkton Area Toastmasters Club	Presidents Distinguished
A16	4754621	WilmU Toastmasters Club	Presidents Distinguished
C32	3784	Global Transformers Club	Presidents Distinguished
A12	982013	BAC to the Future	Presidents Distinguished
E54	6512	Catonsville Toastmasters Club	Presidents Distinguished
A15	1003044	Southern Delaware Toastmasters	Presidents Distinguished
E55	3755	Columbia Club	Select Distinguished
B21	2707	Towson Club	Select Distinguished
A16	4879964	Speak Up	Select Distinguished
A11	2297	Caesar Rodney Toastmasters Club	Select Distinguished
D43	7174	Carroll Creek Toastmasters Club	Select Distinguished
A13	4677485	Polished Professionals Advanced Toastmasters Club	Select Distinguished
E55	3624	APL Toastmasters Club	Select Distinguished
A15	1449606	Tidewater Toastmasters	Select Distinguished
A14	359	Brandywine Toastmasters Club	Select Distinguished
E52	1257852	T.Rowe Price Toastmasters	Select Distinguished
C35	837	Chesapeake Club	Select Distinguished
C35	1686	Kritikos Club	Select Distinguished
F62	4728	Hopkins Toastmasters Club	Select Distinguished
E54	665159	Advancing Toastmasters Club	Select Distinguished
C34	1490982	Toast of Severna Park	Select Distinguished
B24	8050	Bel Air Toastmasters Club	Distinguished
A13	2129155	Siemens Glasgow Toastmasters	Distinguished
F61	8369	Baltimore VA Toastmasters #8369	Distinguished
F63	3160	Northrop Grumman Gaveliers Club	Distinguished
C33	5078	Glen Burnie Club	Distinguished
C35	7810	Phase II Advanced Toastmasters Club	Distinguished



3 FEATURED IN OUR DISTRICT

Featured Member



Born Biago Vincent Schettini in Brooklyn, everyone calls him Vince. Named after his paternal grandfather, Vince's family is from Florence, southern Italy. One day after shopping around for a house, he found a suitable one for himself. In a small town called Viola, just outside Dover, Delaware. Population at last count: 157! It's been 10 years and he loves it there. Of course he does. He'd moved around a lot working in federal government including Chicago.

Why Toastmasters?

I was introduced while working in Chicago. There was a club meeting once a week across from where I worked. Then I moved to other states including Washington. I joined to learn how to better communicate. I'm a man of few words. It's wasn't easy to express myself in front of people and I get nervous.

Vince, you didn't look nervous on stage, the audience loved your winning speech "The Reunion".

There was a lot of laughter so I think it was effective.

Why did you choose this title?

It's a true story. Here's how the speech idea came about. I was disengaged while doing yard work, and the speech came together. Then I gave it at my club, then at Polished Professionals Advanced Toastmasters and so on, and received good feedback that I should do it at a contest. Then I added more stories.

As I continue to talk to Vince, I realize: for someone who grew up watching his father sketching the solar system, an engineer, a 4-time Area Governor that has had every club officer role, he's fascinating to listen to.

Toastmasters is WHERE LEADERS ARE MADE®

What is your leadership style?

I have an attitude of service. I'm available whenever people need me. I belong to the Knights of Columbus. A leader is a servant. I know that goes against the grain of the world, but, an effective leader serves.

▶ Biagio V. Schettini

"Vince", the semifinalist proceeding to Vancouver in August interview **BY PEARL MATIBE**

It is a hot Thursday in June. At 7:30pm, the temperature is 80° outside, yet Vince has a calm demeanor.

It's been over 4 weeks since your Spring Conference win in the International Speech Contest – how does it feel?

Still overwhelmed. You'd think that I'd be back on the ground.

What's the agenda on the day of your semifinals?

Thursday, August 24 is the semifinals, 10 semifinals. 3 concurrently, all on the one day. The winner of each semifinal round proceeds to the next round 24-hours later on that Friday.



What was the best decision you have ever made?

Toastmasters certainly ranks as one of the best decisions I have ever made. Before joining Toastmasters, just the thought of having to speak in front of an audience, whether it numbered four or four hundred, was terrifying; I would be shaking with fear. Over time, going through the Toastmasters program, learning new skills, becoming comfortable speaking in front of an audience, and being able to prepare and deliver effective presentations, has made my Toastmasters experience very rewarding. I am still not comfortable with Table Topics, but I am a work-in-progress. The fact that I, a quiet, shy, retiring stutterer, is able to stand in the company of some of the best speakers in District 18, is a testimony that the Toastmasters program does work.

What legacy do you want to leave, and be remembered for?

The legacy that I would like to leave, and be remembered for, would be as an Encourager. If I know of someone who is going through some trying time, I do what I can to help; if I cannot change the circumstance, I can always give a word of encouragement. One reason I like to enter speech contests is to be able to share a message of encouragement with a varied audience. Also, mentoring people, encouraging them, whether it is in Toastmasters, music, or any other area, is something that I thoroughly enjoy. Watching a protégé grow and excel is exciting and rewarding.

BRAG BOARD**Veronica Dorry – Redwood Toastmasters****Veronica Dorry****SPEAKS AT REDWOOD TOASTMASTERS CLUB**

Or you can check us out: [READ MORE AT REDWOOD TOASTMASTERS](#) for more information and to get in touch with us.

Vancouver! Have you got your air ticket? Been to Canada before?

I have been to Alberta, Canada before for a Toastmasters International Convention and to Orlando and New Orleans. Toastmasters World Headquarters has arranged a tour for us. I'm looking forward to the Opening Ceremony. I received an email after the Spring Conference congratulating me with instructions on how to register for Vancouver. I'm working on my next speech in case I proceed. My wildest dream is to be 1 or 2 steps away from being a finalist. That would be a prestigious gain.

Well, Biagio, "Vince", – District 18 is cheering you on!

Veronica Dorry By Shiffon Gray

On June 28th 2017, one of our long-standing members was presented with an award from the outgoing officers of 2016 of Redwood Toastmasters. Though she has had the role of president, in the past, she still stepped up to the plate to help all the new officers of 2016 to get use to their roles as first time officers. So all the outgoing officers of 2016 decided to award Veronica Dorry with an appreciation trophy for her outstanding service to all the members of Redwood Toastmasters.

Just a little about Veronica and the Redwood Team (club):

- ▶ We are Redwood Toastmasters-Club: 00610899
- ▶ Area 61, Division-F, District 18
- ▶ Region-7, located on the East Coast in Baltimore, Maryland.
- ▶ Veronica Dorry has been a member of Toastmasters since 11/1/2003. Her prestigious levels in toastmasters are CL and CTM.

She is part of an open corporate Toastmasters club Called Redwood. The club is open to anyone on Wednesdays from 12:00 noon until 1:00 pm. The meetings are held every two weeks. We invite all to come and visit us at 401 East Pratt Street Baltimore Maryland. The World trade Center 15 floor and come through the double glass doors.

We consider Veronica one of the Pillars of our club.



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FEATURED COMMUNITY CLUB

Free Speakers Toastmasters Club

By Biagio V. Schettini
with Pearl Matibe

Chartered, July 1, 1995
Dover, Delaware

HAPPY 22ND ANNIVERSARY!



**BIAGIO V. SCHETTINI DISTRICT
WINNER — INTERNATIONAL SPEECH
CONTEST'S HOME CLUB**

for the members not affiliated with
the Air Base to gain access
thereto.

It was decided that the Club should look for a meeting location outside the Air Base. The Club began meeting at the American Legion Hall, on Bay Road, in Dover, just outside of the Air Base. They met there for a few months. Then they moved the meeting location to Calvary Assembly of God Church, on Route 10, in Dover. They met there for some two years. Then the church policies changed, restricting outside organizations from meeting on the church premises. At that time, one of the members was working at TGI Fridays, on Route 13, in Dover. He was able to arrange for the Club to meet in one of the private rooms there. The Club met there for about one year. The location was very noisy, and not very conducive to effective Club meetings. The Club decided to look for another meeting location. One of the members, who joined, while the Club was meeting at TGI Fridays, was a resident of Westminster Village, an assisted living community, located on the corner of College and McKee Roads, in Dover. In 2005, she was able to arrange for the Club to meet at the Westminster Village Community Center. The Club began to meet in one of the classrooms. Eventually, the Club moved into the main conference room. The Club has been meeting there ever since. **END**

Did you know?

Free Speakers Toastmasters

CLUB#1502 - CHARTERED JULY 1, 1995

DISTINGUISHED CLUB 2004-2005
SELECT DISTINGUISHED CLUB 2005-2006
DISTINGUISHED CLUB 2008-2009
SELECT DISTINGUISHED CLUB 2009-2010
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DISTINGUISHED CLUB 2013-2014
SELECT DISTINGUISHED CLUB 2015-2016

Roberts Rules of Order

GENERAL HENRY M. ROBERTS, WHO GAVE HIS NAME TO THE BOOK THAT HAS BROUGHT ORDER TO MILLIONS OF MEETINGS, WAS BORN MAY 2, 1837.

HIS DAUGHTER, SARAH CORBIN ROBERT WAS ITS ORIGINAL AUTHOR & TRUSTEE.

HIS GRANDSON, HENRY M. ROBERT III, BEGAN THE "ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER NEWLY REVISED."

HERE'S WHAT'S INTERESTING: HE GOT HIS DEGREES **IN DISTRICT 18**, IN ANNAPOLIS' ST. JOHN COLLEGE.

Read August's The District News to stay informed.

MATIBE, PEARL

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FEATURED CORPORATE CLUB

Air Liquide R & D Toastmasters Club

2ND ANNIVERSARY!

Chartered, June 25, 2013

AIR LIQUID RD # 3314854 –

DISTINGUISHED CLUB 2014-2015

DISTINGUISHED CLUB 2015-2016

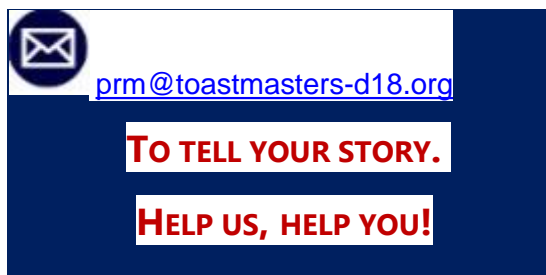


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Elizabeth Carter
Program Quality Director



Message from the PQD

2017 – 2018 Areas of Focus

Hello District 18 Family!

I consider us a family because one of the definitions of a family is "a group of people who are generally not blood relations but who share common attitudes, interests, or goals" (dictionary.com). We all have the common goal of improving our communication and leadership skills and as your Chief Training Officer, it my role to provide the resources and tools for you.

I am excited to get the year started and work with you. There are 4 major responsibilities of the Program Quality Director: Education Goals, Training Programs, Speech Contests, and District Conferences. This year, I added one more as a separate initiative, Pathways. It is anticipated that we will rollout Pathways in the fall, and there is some preparation needed in advance of that date. A firm date has not yet been communicated, but I want to plan so that we are not scrambling at the last minute.

I have already determined areas of focus and goals that I would like to share with you. This display has the major categories. I have already begun to assemble an education committee and we are strategizing the details and plans.

There is a lot to accomplish and I will need more people to help. If you are interested in participating in a sub-committee, please send me an email at pqd@toastmasters-D18.org. Let me know what your interests are, and I can place you on the appropriate team.

To my family, I am honored and humbled to serve you as the Program Quality Director this year.

Warm Regards,

Elizabeth Carter, DTM

The District Buzz - Our Blog

JULY 1, 2017 - ELIZABETH CARTER

WHY YOU SHOULD GO TO CLUB OFFICER TRAINING



In the July/August timeframe, the District hosts club officer training. Whether you are a brand new Club Officer, a tenured Club Officer, or not a Club Officer, there are several reasons for you to attend a Club Officer Training session.

- It is a great way to meet and network with other Toastmasters.
- You gain confidence in your role and being part of a leadership team.
- You gain new ideas, and offer your ideas to others.

If you are a brand new officer/ new Toastmaster...

- You become part of group of peers, which is now your support group.
- Just like starting a new job where you are trained, we similarly provide you the tools and resources to be successful.

If you are a prior officer and holding the same or a different position...

- If you are repeating a Club Officer role, volunteer to lead a general session or a breakout session. You would be sharing your expertise with others.
- Go and support a newer officer. Introduce them to people you know, and help them expand their network. In addition, after the training, if the new officer has other questions, you can answer them.
- You meet more people who can be future resources for questions, joint club meetings, or future leaders
- If you are not a Club Officer, you can attend the training for these reasons...
- If you considering a Club Officer role in the future, you can understand the responsibilities in advance. You can even volunteer to be the Assistant to the role.
- Are you a leader in another organization? Take the information from the Toastmasters roles and incorporate the responsibilities into your role. There may be best practices that could benefit your other organization.


The added benefit to what is described above is that if 4 officers attend the training that completes half of the requirement for goal #9 in the Distinguished Club Program (DCP). The DCP is the measurement that recognizes that clubs are providing a positive and supportive environment that leads to member success. Visit our website at www.toastmasters-D18.org to find the training location nearest to you.



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Event Highlights Save the date

NEXT 6-MONTHS

	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>
Training	Club Officer Training: June 1- August 31				Begin Planning Winter Officer Training	
Membership Building			Smedley Award Membership Building Program: August 1 - September 30			
Area Director Visits		Area Director Introductory Visits		Area Director Visits, Reports entered in system by Nov 17 (District Goal)		
Area Speech Contests			Area Speech Contests completed by September 24th			
Division Speech Contests				Division Contests completed by October 15th		
District Conference						District Conference Nov 3rd and 4th 



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**District 18 DEC
AREA & DIVISION**

**District 18
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**Division A
TRAINING**

**Toastmasters
INTERNATIONAL**



ROUND I AD VISITS

CLUB SUCCESS

DIVISION A. TLI

NURTURE MEMBERS

July 1st—Start
 • Distinguished Programs
 • Installation of Officers
 • Install New Members
 • Place supply orders to TI
 • Schedule Judges' Training

• VPPRs contact DPRM
 • Plan Open Houses
 • Club Success Plan
 • Submit educational achievements to TI
 • Update Website/MeetUp

Saturday
 July, 15, 2017
 11 am—4 pm
 Appoquinimink Library
 651 N Broad Street
 Middletown, DE 19709

July 1st—Start
 • New Member Orientation
 • Assign Mentors
 • Plan Club Growth
 • Place old *Toastmaster* magazines in waiting rooms

Registration opens at 10:30am
 For tenured club officers or new officers [REGISTER TODAY](#)

VPPRs contact the DPRM on
[#SLACK](#)

Registration opens at 10:30am
 For tenured club officers or new officers [REGISTER TODAY](#)

Place "Vince" Schettini
 International Speech
 Semifinalist—let's all support him.

ROUND I—DIVISIONS CLUB OFFICER TRAINING

Division B, C, D, E & F
 Complete Toastmasters
 Leadership Institute
 by August 31st.

CLUB EVENTS

- Do Membership Drive
- Start Speech Contest Planning
- Place supplies orders to TI
- Replenish Guest Welcome packets

DIVISION A TLI TRAINING

Saturday, August 5, 2017
 10 am-2:30pm
 Bank of America, 655 Paper Mill
 Road, Newark, DE 19711
[REGISTER TODAY](#)

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

August 23—26, 2017
 Vancouver, British Columbia

[Register by July 3](#)

[2017 International Convention](#)

DIVISION D. TLI

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Sunday
 July, 23, 2017
 1 pm—5 pm

Thurmont Public Library
 76 E Moser Rd
 Thurmont, MD 21788

Saturday
 August, 12, 2017
 7:30 am—12 :30pm

Blue Ridge Technical College
 13650 Apple Harvest Dr
 Martinsburg, WV 25403

Area 42 & 43

Registration information contact:
[Debbie Middendorff](#)

Area 41

Registration information contact:
[REGISTER TODAY](#)

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Call for Volunteers: Join the District 18 Logistic Manager Chair Dream Team

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With the implementation of Pathways, we will need resources to visit clubs and provide them support. These "Pathways Guides" are a club's first point of contact for all Pathways questions and will help with training, supporting the vice president education and more. The term is 6 months and the completion of all the requirements will count as the District Officer service for completion of the Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) program.

Visit the Toastmasters site to get more information on Pathways:
<https://www.toastmasters.org/pathways-overview>

For the Role description of a Pathways Guide, click [here](#):

More information will be coming soon, as there will be a selection process.

WANT TO CONTRIBUTE?

District 18's public relations team is accepting completed articles and content submissions for website, newsletter and blog. Photo gallery, video gallery, brag board and press releases. Email: prm@toastmasters-d18.org for Submission Guidelines.

CHANGE IS A CONSTANT. We have a new year and great opportunities to achieve in the year ahead. We would love to know *your* opinion on what *you* would like to see in *The District News* each month.



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