



## Where Leaders Are Made District 18 Newsletter

Nov 2019

### **District 18 is Thankful for you!**

The Fall Business Meeting is now complete. Thank you all for your dedication and fortitude.

Fellow Toastmasters, travel season starts now. Get moving.

The road ahead is long and winding. There are barriers, cracks, fallen trees, and lots of construction with some un-paved parts. Ladies and gentleman please fasten your seat belts. Learn how to navigate your way through challenges. Don't let complacency cause you to stall, and do not sit too long at a road block.

If we are to be successful this year we must be pioneers and forge new roads when necessary, when our usual route is congested, boring or littered with pot holes. Be adventurous. Pathways is our brand new sports car equipped with GPS. As you travel on your journey you are able to track your progress while collecting new competencies and skill sets. You are now able to look ahead at your projects in Base Camp.

For those of you who like to speed, have you completed a path yet? If not what is stopping you (no tailgating, just go around the slow pokes). One path takes less time to complete in Pathways compared to the Traditional Program. In fact a DTM award can also be completed in less time. Those of you in the slow lane, or hauling precious cargo, don't forget to stop by and visit some of your neighboring clubs. Keep on that long road, each journey is full of opportunity and new potential.

## TOASTMASTER OF THE MONTH



District 18 will celebrate a different member each month. Will it be you?

### REQUIREMENTS

\*Level up in Pathways or log an award in the traditional program

\*Sponsor a new member

\*Do something outstanding outside of your club

Members will be chosen at random. Do you have what it takes?



## DISTRICT EIGHTEEN

*is pleased to announce the*

### **2020 Spring Conference** *to include*

### **Table Topics & International Speech Contests**

**Fri., & Sat., April 24 & 25, 2020**

**The Hotel at Arundel Preserve  
7795 Arundel Mill Boulevard, Hanover, MD**

Volunteers needed! Reach out to the...  
D-18 Program Quality Director

**Cynthia D. Williams, DTM**  
**Email: [pqd@toastmasters-d18.org](mailto:pqd@toastmasters-d18.org)**



*Additional information coming soon to District 18 website @ [toastmasters-d18.org](http://toastmasters-d18.org)*

**Click here to register for the D18 Spring Conference!**

**Click here for D18 Spring Conference Sponsors and Advertisements**

## Guest Manners

For many people the holiday season can be tough and lonely.

Recognize this as an opportunity to collect members by inviting guests to meetings. When you invite a guest, treat them like Toastmasters Royalty, because they potentially could be. The International President was invited as a guest at one point.

Introduce your guest to club members, and the current club officers. Sit with your guests, and explain events when needed. Encourage your guest to participate in Table Topics. You can always invite someone just for the purpose of giving you feedback on a speech- if you are on the agenda.

This is a great time for your club to host holiday parties or open house events. Go into invitation overdrive, and see how many future leaders and champion speakers you gain!

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## District Leaders: Refrain from Opting Out



As a leader, it is important that you refrain from opting out of emails from Toastmasters, as you will miss out on essential information. Visit your [Privacy and Consents](#) and ensure you are set up to receive emails. If you clicked “Unsubscribe” at the bottom of a Toastmasters email, send a message to [marketing@toastmasters.org](mailto:marketing@toastmasters.org) and ask to be re-added to our mailing list.





## Where in the World is Aaron?

Did you see the Aaron's story on CNBC? Aaron talks about overcoming your fear and sounding like a pro! [Click here](#) to read the article.

## Mastery Mondays

Please join us for the District 18 Mastery Mondays, every fourth Monday of the month via GoTo Meeting Webinar @ 7:30 – 8:30 PM from the comfort of your home.

As a Toastmaster leader, excellence is not only one of our core values it is a habit.

Our intent around Mastery Monday's, is to provide relevant training opportunities for district and club leaders that will enable you to facilitate a mutually supportive and positive learning environment where our members have the opportunity to develop oral communication, leadership skills, self-confidence and personal growth.

***Although, district and club leaders are targeted, this training is open and available to all Toastmasters members.***

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/489905685>

You can also dial in using your phone.

United States: +1 (669) 224-3412

Access Code: 489-905-685

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## **2013 World Champion of Public Speaker to visit District 18 TLI!**



**District 18 TLI – Club Officers’ Training January 2020!**

**World Champion of Public Speaking  
to present a Keynote and a Dynamic Live Coaching  
Workshop**

**World Champion of Public Speaking, Pres Vasilev**  
Saturday, January 18, 2020

MedStar Franklin Square Medical Center  
9000 Franklin Square Drive  
Kotzen Auditorium  
Baltimore, MD 21237

Pres Vasilev rose above 30,000 contestants from 122 countries to become the 2013 World Champion of Public Speaking. Pres will present a Keynote and a Workshop at District 18’s January TLI – Club Officers’ Training\*.

**This is an Event you don’t want to miss!**

*\*A very exciting opportunity for the District. This TLI will count towards Club Officer Training credit.*

***Gain Free Access to Pres Vasilev's "Speaking Secrets" at PresSays.com/3***

**Division C is hosting a TLI** on Saturday, Dec. 14 at the Odenton Regional Library. [Click here](#) for details and registration!

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**Don't forget to visit the District 18 Calendar for a complete list events, training and more!**