After 25 years of leadership at Taylor Corporation in North Mankato, Mn my wife Leann and I relocated to Hutchinson, MN in 2011 when I took the position of Vice President of Customer Elation. In this role I provide leadership over three outsourcing contact centers in central Minnesota.

During the years I have been blessed to work with many leaders, some of them gifted, some effective and others who were not so good. In the end I learned a great deal from all of them.

Someone once called me an athlete, not in the physical sense but in the learning and personal growth sense. I don't know if he was 100% correct, but I loved the compliment and concept. From that time on this is how I chose to position my personal growth.... as a personal growth athlete!

My journey into Toastmasters demonstrates the power of an invitation. I have always been a proponent of continuing education and one of my leaders in 2015 joined Toastmasters, upon her invitations to come visit the Hutchinson II club during one of her speaking engagements I found myself joining in July of 2015.

After several manual, speeches, two terms as Hutchinson II Club President, my current role as Area 35 Director I now find myself on the doorsteps of my first DTM and leaning in once more by expressing interest in becoming the Division D Director.

By nature, I am a lifter, I enjoy cheering others on, supporting their efforts and creating positive energy. I have been blessed by the mentoring and guidance I have received from the members of the Hutchinson II Toastmaster Club.

I look forward to having the opportunity to meet new people, create new friendships and continue my personal growth within Toasmasters.