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UPCOMING D6T EVENTS

District 6 Conference

May 3-4, 2019
Crown Plaza Aire
Bloomington, MN
D6TM.org

Message From The District 6 Director

Greetings!

Membership building is an on-going process for most Toastmasters clubs. That's why clubs should always be looking for new members and inviting guests to attend their meetings. "Talk Up Toastmasters" is a membership-building program being conducted by Toastmasters International that is currently running from February 1st through March 31st. If your club achieves 5 new, dual or reinstated members during this time frame, you will receive a special "Talk Up Toastmasters" ribbon from Toastmasters International to proudly display on your club's banner. What a great way to start your final push for your club's end-of-the-year goals! For additional information on this program, please visit: <https://www.toastmasters.org/leadership-central/club-officer-tools/membership-building/membership-building-programs-for-clubs>

Pathways

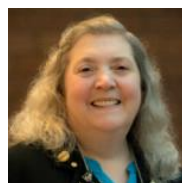
Is everyone in your club using Pathways? We need to make sure our current members feel comfortable with Pathways and are prepared to embrace this new and exciting program. New members only have access to Pathways, and it's important that veteran club members provide the assistance, coaching, and mentoring they require to help them to succeed in this program. Question? Look on the D6tm.org for information under [Pathways Guides](#). As always, please feel free to contact me at jean.pearson@d6tm.org with any questions you may have.

Officer Training

Officer training is now complete for the 2018/2019 Toastmaster year. How did your club do? If your club achieved 7 out of 7 trained during both periods, come to the District Conference on May 3rd and 4th at our noon lunch program on May 4th between 11:30 and 12:30. Your club will be recognized and you will receive your Magnificent 7 ribbon!

The District Team is here to serve the member's needs and assist to help you achieve excellence! If I can help you reach your goal, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Together, let's make this a phenomenal Toastmaster year!



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Message from the District 6 Program Quality Director

Excellence in Club Programming

Hi fellow toastmasters. We are finally in the phase where we analyze our club situation and devise strategies for the remainder of the year. We all have challenges as well as celebrations in our club. Hope you are all embracing both of them. If your club has a member for whom Toastmasters made a huge difference, please do let me know; I would love to hear about their story. These successful stories are a testimony to excellence in Toastmasters and your club.

The club's education program plays a huge role in sustainability of the club. Hopefully you are striving for excellence in your club programming. If you need any assistance or would like to brainstorm ideas to improve the quality of your club, please contact the District 6 Leadership; Area Director, Division Director and/or other top District leaders. We have several veteran Toastmasters who would love to share their expertise. Let me know if you have any questions regarding club excellence

I wish you and your club a productive and fruitful time ahead.

We hope you can be part of this annual event.



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Message From The District 6 Club Growth Director

My beloved friends in District 6:

Hats off to you for considering to devote some time out of your lives in helping to be a better version of yourselves. Thank you for braving the cold and snow to get to your club meetings. Through dedication, determination and discipline is how we reach soaring places. As you are invested in bettering yourself than how good already are; I would like to encourage you to visit other Toastmasters clubs; not just your own. This

does much good. Below are two uplifting points that you can refer to going forward:

Growth: To grow, we have to do something different than what we normally do. Doing the same thing over and over again will give us similar results. Maybe we will get better by repetition; but if we truly want to grow, seeing something different could give us new ideas for ones' development. When we go about visiting other clubs, we learn as we share the knowledge we have too. This creates a growth opportunity for both us and our fellow toastmasters.

Relationships: When we visit new clubs, we meet new people. New people come with new ideas and values. We interact with many individuals on a daily basis. Getting the opportunity to connect with more individuals is possible by visiting different clubs. As we visit different clubs, we are making new friends that we didn't know of before. Relationships could open multiple doors that we probably never even thought of.

My friends, you could probably come up with multiple other reasons as to why you would want to visit another club. So, try it out and see how much of a difference you can make in your own lives as well as the lives of others.

Keep up the good work!



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Congratulations 7 for 7 Clubs

Congratulations to the following clubs for getting all 7 officers trained in both rounds of officer training.

HealthToasters Club
Golden Toasters
On The Road Again
Gopher Toastmasters Club
Pine Island Club
Southern Minnesota Mentors Club
ANMN Toastmasters
Nighttime Talkers
Humor-US Club
Roller Toasters Club
Rochester Break Of Day Toastmasters Club

Jane's DTM Story

I have multiple DTM's. My first one took about 6 years. My home club members, Speakers Under Pressure, worked hard in building my self-confidence and helping me to realize that "Yes" I do have a voice. In order to complete my first DTM and others I needed to step out of my comfort zone and work outside of my home club. I asked My Area Governor at the time "Should I take on being an Area Governor?" His answer was "Yes.....you can do this!" Many many years later he said to me remember that statement.....here is the finish of it "You can do this? WHY? Because you can!" That statement resonates with me today. Every DTM I receive is just as exciting to receive as did the first one. I am who I am today because of Toastmasters. The challenge for me was to get out of my head in thinking that I have nothing to share with people.

The most rewarding part of working for the District is not just one but multiple rewards. First you meet so many other Toastmasters that help you along the way and want you to succeed. Second is you find yourself. You find yourself in ways that you could not have imagined before. For me that was to find exactly what I excel in. It could have been giving presentations. It could be in leadership. For me it was in mentoring and giving back to others what so many people have done for me. Watching others grow gives me the enthusiasm and energy to keep on my Toastmaster Path. If you are thinking to yourself....should I or shouldn't I work outside of my club....don't fear it instead grab onto it. The experience itself will pay you back quadruple.



Jane Rieschmiller
Area 37 Director

2018-19 DTM Awards

Congratulations to the following Toastmasters for achieving their Distinguished Toastmasters award during 2018-19 year.

Caren Hoehn, *Fairmont Toastmasters*

Dave Pearson, *Humor-US*

Earl Roethke, *Roller Toasters*

Elsa Esquivel-Soto, *Tuesday Toastmasters*

Gary Brophy, *IBM Toastmasters*

Gary Leask, *Free Speakers*

George Thompson, *Strivers Toastmasters*

Jane Rieschmiller, *Mankato Toastmasters*

Julie Bane, *Midday Mumbler*

Mary Torno, *Discovery*

Patricia Jones, *Fairmont Toastmasters*

Paul Leska, *Bluff Country Toastmasters*

Paula O'Brien, *Community Spirit*

Ravi Rai, *Word Masters*

Ryan Rentmeester, *Money Talks*

Sarah Collins, *Speakers Under Pressure*

Sue Stauner, *ALCO Orators*

Thomas Reimler, *Butler Expressors*

Triple Crown Award

What is a Triple Crown Award? When you earn at least 3 educational awards, D6 recognizes you for your efforts by awarding you a Triple Crown pin.

Ravi Rai, Program Quality Director, will award these highly coveted pins at the District 6 Conference on May 3-4 at the Crown Aire Plaza in Bloomington.



Pres Vasilev rose above 30,000 contestants from 122 countries to become the 2013 World Champion of Public Speaking.

He is the author of the popular online training program “How to Master Compelling Storytelling”.

For over a decade, Pres has studied, researched and spoken on self-improvement, speaking and storytelling.

Pres has coached hundreds of speakers from around the world to craft compelling stories, deliver powerful presentations and win speech contests.

Gain free access to Pres Vasilev’s “Speaking Secrets” at: PresSays.com/3

Pres will be our guest at Spring Conference. He will be giving several sessions including “How to uncover the glory of your story” and workshop on “Secrets of Compelling Storytelling”

Plan to spend time with him at the District 6 Conference

Do you have an article to share?

Please send it to Ravi to be included in the next edition of the District 6 Newsletter:

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District 6 Conference



Crowne Plaza Aire Mall of America

2 Appletree Square,
Bloomington, MN

Visit d6tm.org to
register

May 3 & 4, 2019

Business Meeting
International Speech Contest
Candidate Showcase

District Leader Elections
Evaluation Contest
Awards Presentations

Workshop by Pres Vasilev Education Sessions

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