



District 25 Toastmasters

HOT Topics from District 25

News and updates sent to all D25 members

April 19, 2016

What's the Next Step on YOUR Leadership Path?

Area director? Mentor for a new club or coach for an existing club?

We are also looking for folks to train club officers and help start new clubs.

Check out the [district officer and staff positions](#).

NOW is the time to make known your interest for the 2016-2017 (July-June) Toastmasters year. [Email your interest today!](#)

[Qualify for Quality](#)

District Council Annual Meeting Saturday May 21

Your Vote Counts!

If you are a Club President, VP Education, or on the District Executive Committee (DEC) the place for you to be on May 21 is at the [Annual Meeting](#) of the District Council!

You will be electing new district officers and voting on the proposed club alignment for 2016-2017.

The meeting is May 21, 10:30 am during the Spring Conference at the DFW Marriott Solana Hotel, 5 Village Circle, Westlake, TX 76262.

- [Instructions and Documents](#)
- [Candidates](#) for Senior Leadership and Division Director positions
- [2016-2017 Club Alignment Proposal](#)

In order to conserve resources, copies will not be distributed at the business meeting (except for agenda and alignment) so please print your own copies. **There is no charge to attend the Business Meeting.**

If you are a club President or VPE and can't make it, be sure to send a [proxy](#).

D25 Spring Conference

**Pathways to Service
District 25 Spring Conference
May 20-21, 2016**

[Register Now!](#)

Early Bird rates end May 10



**Win new timing lights!
YES! Every District 25 club that meets its membership qualifier for the Distinguished Club Program by May 15, 2016, will receive a \$25 Toastmasters International gift certificate plus be entered into a drawing to win this automatic timing light.**



- Come to hear the amazing contestants at the Tall Tales and International Speech Contests.
- Come for the [Education Sessions](#)
- Come for the [Keynote Speakers](#)
- Come for the fun on [Friday Night!](#)

Check the [conference webpage](#) for full details.

Conference Sponsorships

The D25 Spring Conference is seeking clubs wanting to sponsor Educational Sessions and Keynote Speakers. Email [Setma Maddox](mailto:Setma.Maddox@toastmasters.org)
Subject line: Conference Sponsorships
Or call 817-846-0900 for further information.

First Timers!

Are you a first timer at the District 25 Conference? Attending your first District 25 Toastmasters conference may seem a bit scary at first, but that's why we have prepared an [FAQ](#) for first timers. And no, we won't ask you to jump off a veranda or even perform a trust fall. Just come to the conference prepared to have a good time and improve your speaking and leadership skills.

Judges Training - With Cheesecake!!

Division Contests

The 2016 Area Contests are completed and Division Contests begin April 29.

[See the Spring 2016 Contest Schedule](#)

[Links to photos](#)
of the Area Contests

[Speech Contest Rulebook](#)

[Contest Resources](#)



Ever wonder why a contestant placed 2nd and not 1st? Do you want to get more out of your contest watching? Do you like cheesecake?

Train to be a Judge! All Toastmasters are invited!

Are you a Contestant? Perfect time to get trained on what the judges are looking for!

Sunday, April 24 - One Day Only!

Contest Judges Training session from 2:30-4:00 pm

at Stacy Furniture in Grapevine.

As you may have guessed, there will be a special treat for those attending. Don't miss it!

[Register HERE](#)

Questions? Email Jamie Pickering at jamiepickering@d25toastmasters.org

Hold a Club Open House



Clubs holding an open house from April 1 - June 30 are eligible for [4rd Quarter Drawing](#)

Video Brand Contest

Enter the Toastmasters monthly Video Brand Contest and give your club a chance to win a branded banner, a lectern or marketing materials. The contest runs now through Dec 31, 2016.

Fall Dues Increase

All members should have received [this letter](#) from Toastmasters International.

Achieve Excellence

There's still time for your club to Achieve Excellence and receive this ribbon for your banner by reaching Distinguished status or better by April 30, 2016.

Members also still have time to Achieve Excellence and receive a District focus pin.



Check your [Club Achieve Excellence Commitment](#) and your

[Member Achieve Excellence Commitment](#) records to make sure you and your club are included!

For full details, see [Achieve Excellence](#)

Questions? See the [FAQ](#), [write](#), or call World Headquarters (949-858-8255), and ask for the Member Support Team.

[promotion](#) on the District 25 website. Contact achieveex@d25toastmasters.org with any questions.

See the [latest photos of who has made the commitment.](#)

Quick Links...

[District 25 Home](#)

[D25 Calendar](#)

[D25 Bulletin Board](#) - Facebook open group for the members and friends of District 25. It's a place for us to share news, events, files, photos, accomplishments.

[Club Alignment for 2015-2016](#)

[D25 Hall of Fame](#)

[D25 Promotions](#)

[Educational Achievements](#)

[Reports for D25](#)

[Facebook Photo Albums](#)

[Toastmasters International](#)

More Fun Stuff!



See the lucky winners of the [Membership Momentum promotion.](#)

EVENT PHOTOS:

[Flagship Speakers](#) Open House April 7

Does your club have news to share about club events or members? Submit stories and photos for publication in Hot Topics and [D25 News Blog](#): news@d25toastmasters.org [Here's how to submit](#) your stories and photos for publication.



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