

Hi, just a reminder that you're receiving this email because of your membership in a Toastmasters club in District 25. Don't forget to add news@d25toastmasters.org to your address book so we'll be sure to land in your inbox!

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HOT Topics from District 25

News and updates sent to all D25 members

March 1, 2016

Check Your Club's Training Report

Please check your club's record on the [Training Report](#) for accuracy. If discrepancies are found, notify [Jodie Sanders](#).

Take the Next Step!

Are You Ready for the Next Step on Your Leadership Path?

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!

Membership Renewal Time

Member renewals may be entered online now at Toastmasters International

Follow these [easy steps to renewing](#) members.

Every member whose April-Sept dues are showing online as paid by March 31 is eligible to win a TI portfolio. There will be 20 lucky winners. Make sure your club gets on board with [Membership Momentum!](#)

Talk Up Toastmasters Feb 1 - Mar 31



Add five new, dual, or reinstated members between Feb 1 and March 31 to receive a special "Talk up Toastmasters" ribbon for your club's banner. Plus, earn a discount code for 10% off their next club order from the TI store.



Gold at the End of the Rainbow!

A Sure-Fire Way to Gain New Members



Clubs with 12 or fewer members on the books at the end of December 2015 are eligible to win the [Pot O' Gold Award](#) by renewing at least 8 members by St. Paddy's Day, March 17, 2016. The names of all eligible small clubs will be entered in a drawing for a \$100 Toastmasters International gift certificate.

Spring Contests

The 2016 Spring Contests are Tall Tales and International Speech.

The Area Contests begin March 17. Plan your club contest at least 2 weeks before the date of your Area's contest.

[See the Spring 2016 Contest Schedule](#)

[Speech Contest Rulebook](#)

[Contest Resources](#)

Achieve Excellence



It's not too late to sign up to Achieve Excellence.

There is still plenty of time to make your Achieve Excellence commitment if you have not already done so. Check your [Club Achieve Excellence](#)

Club Success Workshop Saturday, March 12

Please join us on Saturday, March 12, at 12:30 pm to learn the ins and outs of holding a stellar open house. If done correctly, it is a sure-fire way to gain new members.

Lunch will be provided for those who [RSVP](#) as well as handouts, freebies and lots of ideas.

For questions, contact [Cindy Hinckley](#).

Spring Conference

**Pathways to Service
District 25 Spring Conference
May 20-21, 2016
Online registration opens March 7**



Check the [conference webpage](#) for updated information.

Introductory Conference Committee Planning Meeting,
Saturday March 5, 4:00 pm at Panera Bread in Lake Worth, TX.
[More info & RSVP](#)

Proposed Alignment for 2016-2017

On January 26, 2016, the Alignment Committee adopted the proposed club alignment for 2016-2017. On March 12, 2016, the

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

For full details, see [Achieve Excellence promotion](#) on the District 25 website. Contact achieveex@d25toastmasters.org with any questions.

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

Hold a Club Open House



Clubs holding an open house from Jan 1 - Mar 31 are eligible for [3rd 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.

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.

District Executive Committee (DEC) will vote on the alignment that was adopted by the Alignment Committee. The alignment will be presented to the District Council after adoption by the DEC. The District Council will vote on the adoption of the proposed alignment for 2016-2017 at the District 25 Annual Meeting on May 21, 2016. Please review the current and proposed alignments

Current: <http://d25toastmasters.org/pdfs/D25Alignment2015-16.pdf>

Proposed:
<http://d25toastmasters.org/alignment/AlignmentProposed2016-17.pdf>

Please provide your comments regarding this proposed alignment.
<http://d25toastmasters.org/alignment/comments.html>

Fall Dues Increase

All members should have received [this letter](#) from Toastmasters International. Questions? See the [FAQ](#), [write](#), or call World Headquarters (949-858-8255), and ask for the Member Support Team.

More Fun Stuff!

Invitations:

[Bethesda Toastmasters](#) Open House & Guest Speaker March 6.

[Nissan Toastmasters](#) 20th Anniversary Celebration - March 16

[Irving Toastmasters](#) 50th Anniversary Celebration May 2

In the News

[Pioneer Power Speakers](#) at Texas Woman's University received great coverage in the university newspaper, The Lasso

Celebrations & Events Photos:

[Grace Toastmasters Open House - Feb 27](#)

[SEAS Toastmasters Open House - Feb 25](#)

[Evaluators Speak-a-Thon - Feb 11](#) and [another photo](#)

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](#) to: news@d25toastmasters.org

[Here's how to submit](#) your stories and photos for publication.

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