

District 37 Toastmasters is pleased to bring you the new edition of **D37 Connections**, a monthly email that highlights what's happening in the District along with up-to-date information and ideas that will help you be successful!

What's New and Most Important This Month------

1. Upcoming District 37 Dates

- November 23 Division Contests are completed
- November 30 (Sunday) Deadline for Area Directors to submit club visit reports
- December 1 Start of winter TLI club officer training
- December 13 District 37 Evaluation and Humorous speech contests in Winston-Salem
- December 14 TLI Extravaganza in Winston-Salem

REGISTER TODAY FOR THE TLI EXTRAVAGANZA!

District contests December 13, TLI Extravaganza December 14, 2019, both in Winston-Salem. Our keynote speaker is Dr. Kevin Snyder. Watch his video. Nehal Tanna will also be a keynote speaker.

Our second Keynote Speaker is Nehal Tanna, flyer will be updated on D37 website on 11/3/2019. You can register for the Contests and TLI Extravaganza on Eventbrite at

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/district-37-toastmasters-leadership-institute-extravaganza-2019-tickets-76334106367

You can reserve your hotel room for the Contests and TLI Extravaganza on the D37 websiteat https://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/I/INTESES-TOA-20191213/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

43 days and counting. See you at the Extravaganza!

Want to submit an event request for the calendar? Click **Event Submission Form**.

2. New Incentives and Awards (see <u>Incentives page</u> for detail) Triple Crown (revised)

Description: Toastmasters can earn the Triple Crown Award from Pathways, Legacy, or Combination of Pathways and Legacy Education Programs from 1 July 2019 – 30 June 2020.

*Note: 2 Pathways levels = 1 Legacy award Pathways: Six (6) levels = D37 Triple Crown

<u>Legacy</u>: Any 3 Legacy education awards = D37 Triple Crown Or Combination of Pathways and Legacy Education Programs:

Example 1: Advanced Communicator Silver and 4 Pathways levels = D37 Triple Crown

Example 2: Competent Leader, Advanced Leader Silver, and 2 Pathways levels = D37 Triple Crown

3. District 37 Administration Manager Nehal Tanna will hold the next "Nehal's Jedi Master monthly Zoom call for D-37 Area Directors" on Wednesday, November 6th. At 7:30pm. Nehal was a highly successful Area 22 Director 2018-2019 who will share ideas to make this year's Area leaders just as successful. Details: Every first Wednesday from 7:30pm to 8:15pm. See the District Calendar. For call-in numbers.

4. District Director's Corner for November 2019 – Elmer Hill

Giving thanks is traditional for most of us during November. Many of us are looking forward to the fourth Thursday of this month to take a little time off from our routine activities and spend time with family and friends in giving thanks. Every person, family and community have their unique way of doing just that. As Toastmasters, we all can look back over the weeks, months and sometime years and reflect on our own improvements in self-confidence, speaking and leadership skills. Take a moment to be thankful for those personal improvements. But more than that, there is likely some person, some individual somewhere who gave us our start in this unique organization. If you are a self-starter and found your own way to Toastmasters, perhaps there is a person that kept you engaged and motivated. This month, take time to say thanks to that person. They may carry the title of mentor. Perhaps they have the title of club or district leader. They may be a fellow Toastmaster that has modeled the way for you and others. Only you know who that person is. This month, I suggest taking a moment to say thanks to that person or persons. Send them a card or make a phone call and let them know that you appreciate their time and assistance, and the gift called Toastmasters.

5. Program Quality Director's Corner for November – Ramona Baylor

Introducing the D37 East Pathways Champion-Rich Lemert.

He can be reached at rlemert@mindspring.com.

His duties include working with clubs to find solutions to their Pathways challenges, conducting Pathways clinics, conducting Pathways webinars and much more!

The June 30,2020 deadline for earning your DTM in the Legacy Program is approaching. Want to learn from D37s PQDs on how to Earn your DTM in the Legacy Program? Join us via Zoom on 11/13/2019 and 11/20/2019 from 8-9 pm. Don't miss this golden opportunity! Information can be found on the D37 calendar.

THE NEW D37 SPRING CONTESTS SCHEDULE 2020 D37 CONTESTS | MAY 1-2, 2020 DIVISION CONTESTS | COMPLETED BY APRIL 18, 2020 AREA CONTESTS | COMPLETED BY MARCH 14, 2020 CLUB CONTESTS | COMPLETED BY FEBRUARY 8, 2020

6. From Tim Edwards CGD-West

High Country Toastmasters worked hard to plan their 10-year Anniversary / Open House. they advertised, called old members, had a great guest speaker... and had 37 visitors, and the invited press/reporter did a fabulous article on the event, giving the club & Toastmasters even more exposure. check the link to that story

Reminder! -- Resources for You and Your Club: How to Find Them

There are Many Benefits Available for You and Your Club

District 37 Pathways Resource Page

The District 37 Public Relations team created a <u>Pathways Resource Page</u> on the District Website that provides video tutorials, guidelines for Toastmasters and Base Camp Managers, and insights on the Pathways Learning Experience. We're adding content every month so check the page regularly. Do you have challenges or questions about Pathways we can address on the resource page? Contact us! We need your ideas for resources to add!

Toastmasters District 37 Club Marketing Discussion Group on Facebook

We opened a new resource for Club officers (especially VPPRs) to post questions, pick up information and share ideas to help their club's marketing and public relations. Find us and Join the Group on Facebook.

Take Advantage of District 37's Social Media Communities!

District 37's <u>Facebook page</u> is a wonderful place to share your club's activities, ideas for fellow Toastmasters, videos, and more. It is public-facing so that inquirers can see what Toastmasters can do for them. Become a member and post content today! We are especially interested in the energy and activity at the clubs so please share what your club is doing. Please share:

- Club meetings special events
- Shout- outs of member accomplishments
- Information other Toastmasters can use to grow and improve

Here are some tips for using Facebook for your club (courtesy of District 44)

We are posting to **Instagram!** Find us at <u>toastmastersd37</u>

Thee PR Team has been recording and posting videos to our District 37 Youtube Channel.

What Else You Might Want to Know this Month...-

Finance Manager Lana Torkildsen asks you to remember that **reimbursement requests** in Concur must be received by Sunday 11:59pm for processing the upcoming week.

Meetup Access for Clubs

District 37 now offers a <u>free</u> Meetup Access Program allowing clubs to post events to a shared Meetup group page centered in their nearest metropolitan area. We created seven regional hubs to serve clubs across North Carolina. This saves clubs about \$200 per year in subscription fees. Meetups have proven invaluable in getting the word out about Toastmasters and attracting visitors. <u>Read more information and find instructions to set up your club.</u>

Articles of Interest

We have placed various articles, including past D37 Connections and topical pieces to our web site at the <u>Articles of Interest</u> page.

Other Useful Links:

- An exceptional breakdown of the <u>Pathways Learning Experience</u> by District 4 in California
- Free Toast Host 2.0 Support site

Please check out our website at d37toastmasters.org

Join the District Public Relations Committee in 2019!

We are always looking for additional energetic and talented Toastmasters to join our District 37 team. There's plenty to do that can take advantage of your talents and interests and which can help you grow as a Toastmaster. We're also willing to look at specific needs that can drive a High Performance Leadership project. Some of the areas we can use more help include:

Contact Public Relations Manager David Lindquist with interest or questions. (919) 594-7608.

Suggestions and comments are welcome! <u>Contact Public Relations Manager</u> David Lindquist. (919) 594-7608.