



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

- March 4 – Nehal Tanna's Jedi Master Zoom Call
- March 14 – Areas should complete Table Topics and International Speech contests
- March 21 – DEC meeting in High Point
- April 1 – Deadline for clubs to submit semi-annual dues

Want to submit an event request for the calendar, such as a club Open House or contest? Click [Event Submission Form](#).

2. New Incentives and Awards (see [Incentives page](#) 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

Legacy: 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, March 4th.** At 7:30pm. Nehal was Area Director of the Year 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 March 2020 – Elmer Hill

Some are aware that the District 37 Leadership team had a very rare opportunity to spend 45 minutes Thursday, February 6th with Daniel Rex, Toastmasters CEO. Nehal's monthly Jedi Master Call for Area Directors is usually reserved for District 37 Area Directors, but this special edition was opened to all members of the District leadership team including Division Directors, Area Directors and past

District Directors and Governors. Approximately 40 District 37 leaders were able to attend this once-in-a-lifetime Zoom Conference event.

Dan's topic was ...[Read more](#)

5. From Ramona Baylor, Program Quality Director – East

District 37 Annual Conference: Mark your calendars for the District 37 Annual Conference on May 1-3, 2020 in Charlotte, NC at the Crowne Plaza Charlotte Executive Park Hotel! Network with Toastmasters from across the state of North Carolina and be a part of history as we “Count down to New Journeys” at the last D37 Annual Conference. Register for the Annual Conference via Eventbrite and Reserve your hotel room at 866-380-0612 and mention the "Toastmasters Spring Conference " or the code "AST" to receive the rate.

- To register for the conference click this link: [Conference Eventbrite](#)
- To reserve a room click this link: [Toastmasters Spring Conference](#)
- [See the Conference Web Page](#)

Membership Renewals: I challenge all the clubs to exceed the goal of 8 paid members to 16 paid members by March 31, 2020, do you accept the challenge? Let's make our last year as District 37 the Best Year Ever! It takes a village, hard work, and dedication to achieve excellence. Your leadership team from the Club, Area, Division, and District are here to support your goals and endeavors.

Club Officer Training: I applaud the Division and Area Directors for developing and executing relevant Club Officer Training for the second time this Toastmasters year. Congratulations to the 10 Clubs in District 37 who had all 7 Officers trained, Job Well Done! Hats off to all the Clubs who earned their 1/2 point for their Distinguished Club Program (DCP) by ensuring 4 or more Officers were trained.

Contests Season: Speech Contests are ongoing, come out and support the contestants as they move through Area, Division, and compete at the District level at the Annual Conference in May 2020. For information go to the D37 Toastmasters website: <http://d37toastmasters.org/district-calendar/> See you on the Contest trail!

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 [Pathways Resource Page](#) 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 [Facebook page](#) 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 [toastmastersd37](#)

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 **free** 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. [Read more information and find instructions to set up your club.](#)

Articles of Interest

We have placed various articles, including past D37 Connections and topical pieces to our web site at the [Articles of Interest](#) page.

Other Useful Links:

- An exceptional breakdown of the [Pathways Learning Experience](#) by District 4 in California
- Free Toast Host 2.0 [Support site](#)

Please check out our website at [d37toastmasters.org](#)

Suggestions and comments are welcome! [Contact Public Relations Manager](#) David Lindquist. (919) 594-7608.