

Club Growth Director



Meet Aster "Al" Green, DTM

Aster Lee Green, known to all his friends as Al, grew up in San Antonio, Texas. Mentors that shaped his early years include his mother, sister, and President John F. Kennedy. It was a JFK quote that resonated so fiercely with Al that he began his military career two weeks after graduating high school. The quote? "Ask not what your country can do for you – ask what you can do for your country." Al's answer was to serve the country as a soldier, to serve the American people.

He traveled the world as a soldier, learning other languages, including German. Al was also deployed in the Gulf War. After serving 14 years in the Army and six years in the Reserve, he received several commendations recognizing the fulfillment of his duties with pride, dignity, and honor.

Al began his career with the United States Postal Service after being honorably discharged from the military. After 22 years, he retired from USPS on March 1, 2021. For Al, retiring opened the door to more opportunities to grow and serve. His plans include going to college, acting as a union steward, and being more involved in Toastmasters on a statewide level.

Al is passionate about Toastmasters, an organization he has been a member of for over 12 years. He has served in various positions, from club president of Postmasters Toastmasters in Greensboro, North Carolina, to Division F Director for Toastmasters District 37. Al served as co-chair of the last-ever District 37 Fall Conference, an event for all Toastmasters in the state to convene, network, learn, and grow.

The Toastmasters experience helped Al hone his public speaking and leadership skills and encourage others. As an Area Director, Al took a particular interest in college clubs and the students, in his words, to "cultivate, educate, motivate, and activate" them. As a mentor to some and a father figure for others, his consistent presence and gentle spirit helped the students achieve Distinguished and President's Distinguished awards for their clubs and engage in speech competitions on a District level.

Al does a lot to help others, but he also values his family time. With all his plans, his top priority is spending time with his children and traveling with his new bride. The newlyweds celebrated their first anniversary in November of 2020.

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