



TOASTMASTERS District 46 Newsletter

Together, Let's Transform Lives.

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Welcome to the second edition of your District 46 Newsletter. This month, we hear from our Club Growth Director, challenging us to imagine the future of the District and sharing her vision for our success. In the **Member Corner**, we hear the inspiring story of Lois Lynn, and why she is working towards her **third** DTM.

Introductions-----from your District Director



In August, we all got used to a “new normal”. Through online meetings, we discovered many new opportunities to connect with each other. These meetings, as well as hybrid meetings (conducted safely with limited attendance, masks, social distancing, and ventilation) effectively extend our communities. I have seen Toastmasters and friends from literally all over the world join a meeting after an invitation or just out of curiosity.

Keep inviting your friends from inside and outside Toastmasters to attend virtual meetings. The opportunities to learn from each other are growing exponentially.

Patricia Kidwingira, DTM

-----from your Club Growth Director

I want to share my vision for District 46. Today, we are more than seven months into a Pandemic that has changed all our lives. Please allow me to virtually walk you through the goals I have for the future of our District.

Imagine, if you will, a District where members are learning transferrable skills — propelling them to a different plateau in their lives whether professionally or personally. Toastmasters International’s value can’t be beat when it comes to experiential learning in the area of Communication and Leadership. In your club is where you practice those skills and learn those competencies that will elevate you.

Imagine, if you will, a District where members are participating as Coaches and Mentors; sharing their experiences with other members. Besides getting educational credit toward your Distinguished Toastmaster Award, the personal gratification of helping others succeed is amazing.

Imagine, if you will, receiving accolades at work and social events for your great communication and leadership abilities. Then sharing your “secret” of Toastmasters International and becoming the sponsor of a new club! Proudly witnessing those new members giving their first speech is an accomplishment in addition to the educational credit toward your Distinguished Toastmaster Award.

If you can see all the things I’ve described, you have seen my vision for the success of our District 46. The vision contains quality meetings, member retention, member excellence and member service. As your Club Growth Director I offer you Excellent Service with Integrity and Respect and ask you to help make this vision a reality. Contact me if you want to be a Coach, Mentor, or Sponsor. Contact me if you need any of these services.

Always at your service,
Evelyn Marrero, DTM, Club Growth Director
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s to check out this month:

- **Toastmaster September Magazine** is online and it has some great articles, including a profile of newly-elected International President Richard E. Peck, DTM, who discusses the challenges of suddenly operating in a virtual world. [Check it out here.](#)
- **Read about the Toastmasters-Rotary alliance:** [Check it out here.](#)
- **Resources for online meetings:** [Check it out here.](#)
- [Our LinkedIn page](#)
- [Our Facebook page](#)



Are you a visual learner? Do you like infographics? Check out these Pathways resources:

- [Paths and Core Competencies](#)
- [Mastering Fundamentals](#)

District News:

District officers should save the dates and check [District 46 Special Event Calendar](#) for details and instructions for the following:

- Now through October 31: Area director visits
- October 1: Club Presidents/Club Treasurers: Deadline to submit Semiannual Membership Reports and Dues; District Director appoints District Leadership Committee (DLC) chair
- October 22: Division Director Monthly meeting 3rd Week
- October 30: District Operating Team, Region 9 Advisor; Area Directors: Deadline to submit Club Visit Report online

Latest Achievements

- Division Director of the month:-Ruthwick Pathireddy, IP2, Division D
- Area Director of the Month: Sarah Cossette, DL2, Area 11
- Area Director of the Month: Renette Issaka Bayne, PM2, Area 23
- Area Director of the Month: Alisa Ryu, ACB, ALB. Area 24



This section is yours! Let's hear from you. Say something to the whole District using the written word instead of a speech — a story, an experience, a best practice; all are welcome. Try to keep it at about 200 words. Send your submissions to d46prm@gmail.com.

This month, Area 53 Director Tamanna Mohapatra tells of her meeting with one person in the District who casually mentioned, "I am working towards my third DTM" and went on to explain that her main interests in getting this DTM are to try out the Pathways curriculum and be a role model for other Toastmasters.

Third DTM! As someone working on my first and possibly only DTM, I knew all that is involved and it wasn't a small list.

Ms. Lois L. Lynn is a 100% New Yorker. She was born in Brooklyn, raised in Queens, and now lives in Manhattan. She started her Toastmasters journey with a corporate club in District 83 in December, 2006. Today, she belongs to four clubs: [TIC](#), [TORCH](#), [L.A.C.E.](#), and [DE Squared](#). She's an Area Director, Club Coach and an officer at two of her clubs. Besides Toastmasters, Lois is a Registered and Certified dietician and a certified lifestyle medicine professional — helping her clients to focus on one or all of the following six aspects of a person's life: diet, sleep, exercise, environmental toxins, relationships, and stress management. To find out more, please check out her site on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).

Lois loves Toastmasters because it gives her a safe place to try out new material. "You learn to organize your thoughts, prepare, give a speech, get great feedback, and meet wonderful people. What's not to like?" I agree. She mentioned that she couldn't even stand and talk at the same time when she first joined. She's come a long way since then and attributes a lot of personal and professional growth to her Toastmasters journey, including getting a promotion at work.

Lois has some advice for all of us on our personal Toastmasters journey: "First and foremost, stick with it; the skills you develop will always have a place in your work." Her motto: "Continue working on it, when you are prepared, the opportunity will present itself." What a great philosophy!