



DISTRICT 27

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Congratulations to our District 27 September 2022 Division & Area Director of the Month!



LaMonica Nelson, DTM

Division E Director

DIVE@D27-TM.ORG

Division E Director, LaMonica Nelson, DTM is the first Division Director of the 2022-2023 Program Year to have all 4 of her Areas achieve 100% completion for 1st Round Area Director Visit Reports. Division E also has highest number of clubs in District 27 with 4 or more Club Officers Trained for the Summer 2022 Training window. To date 13 of Division E's 16 clubs have earned 1 or more DCP goals.

In addition to serving as the Division E Director for 2022-2023. LaMonica has stepped up to cover the



Veleana Hurd-Whitaker

Area 31

AD31@D27-TM.ORG

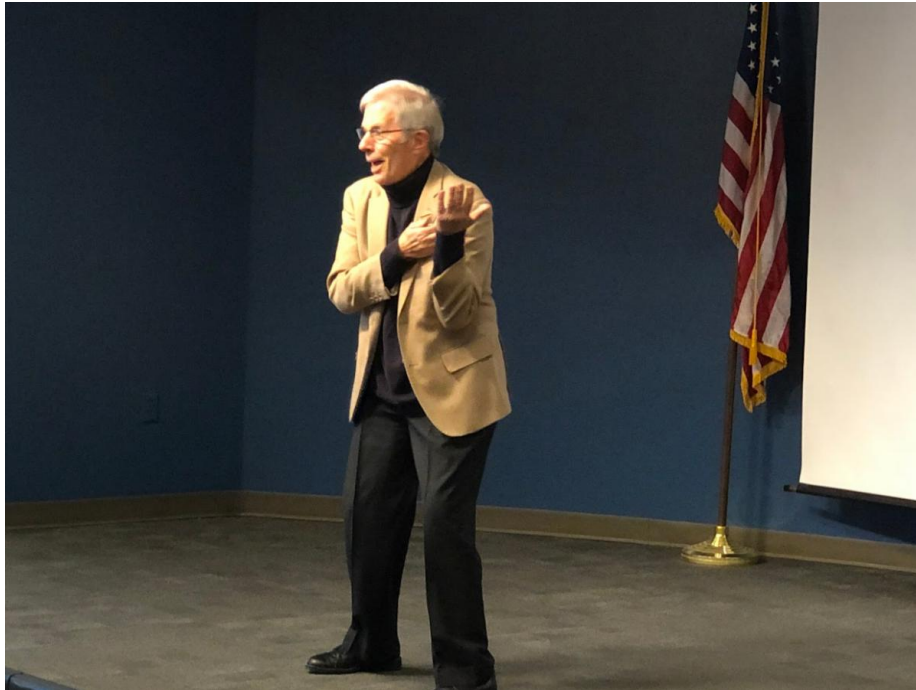
Area 31 Director, Veleana Hurd-Whitaker is the second Area Director of the 2022-2023 Program Year to have completed all four of her 1st Round Area Director Visit Reports.

3 of the 4 clubs in Area 31 have 4 or more club officers trained for the summer 2022 TLI training window. Additionally, all 4 clubs in Area 31 have 1 or more DCP goals met to date.

administration of Area 52 in the
absence of an assigned Area Director.

As a result Area Director Visit
Reports for Area 52 are 100%
complete.

In Fondest Memory of District 27 Toastmaster: Sheldon Johnson, CC, CL



Sheldon C. Johnson, 80, passed away on August 28, 2022. Sheldon was born on January 15, 1942, to Gladys and Sheldon Johnson, Sr. He is survived by his wife, Kay; sister Linda Umbdenstock (Bob); sister-in-law Claudia Mossman, nieces and nephews.

Sheldon graduated from NY Maritime and had a longtime engineering career with United States Lines, Gibbs & Cox and retired from BAE Systems after 36 years. He was a member of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SNAME) the American Society of Naval Engineers (ASNE), and Toastmasters. He supported the Arlington County Police Department, riding with volunteer patrols for 17 years. He enjoyed baseball, music and collecting stamps. He was a very outgoing, considerate, and well-liked person. Toastmaster, Sheldon C. Johnson, CC, CL will be greatly missed.

**District 27 Club Coaches
Are Needed**



Do you have a passion for assisting your fellow Toastmasters & their clubs to achieve excellence? Are you great at problem solving, troubleshooting and time management? Do you live in the Continental United States? If you answered yes to these questions and you meet the requirements listed below. District 27 Toastmasters wants YOU as part of our D27 Club Coaching Team.

Club Coach Requirements:

- Are a paid member in good standing
- Have not been a member of the eligible club in the past six months
- Have been a member of Toastmasters International for at least one year
- Have served as a club officer for one annual term or two semiannual terms
- Have completed a minimum of Level 2 in a path, or an Advanced Communicator Bronze (ACB), or an Advanced Leader Bronze (ALB)
- Have completed the Club Coach Program Training module

For more information please email

District 27 Club Coach Program Chair, Tom Pheifer at CCPC@D27-TM.ORG

Audit Committee Members Needed



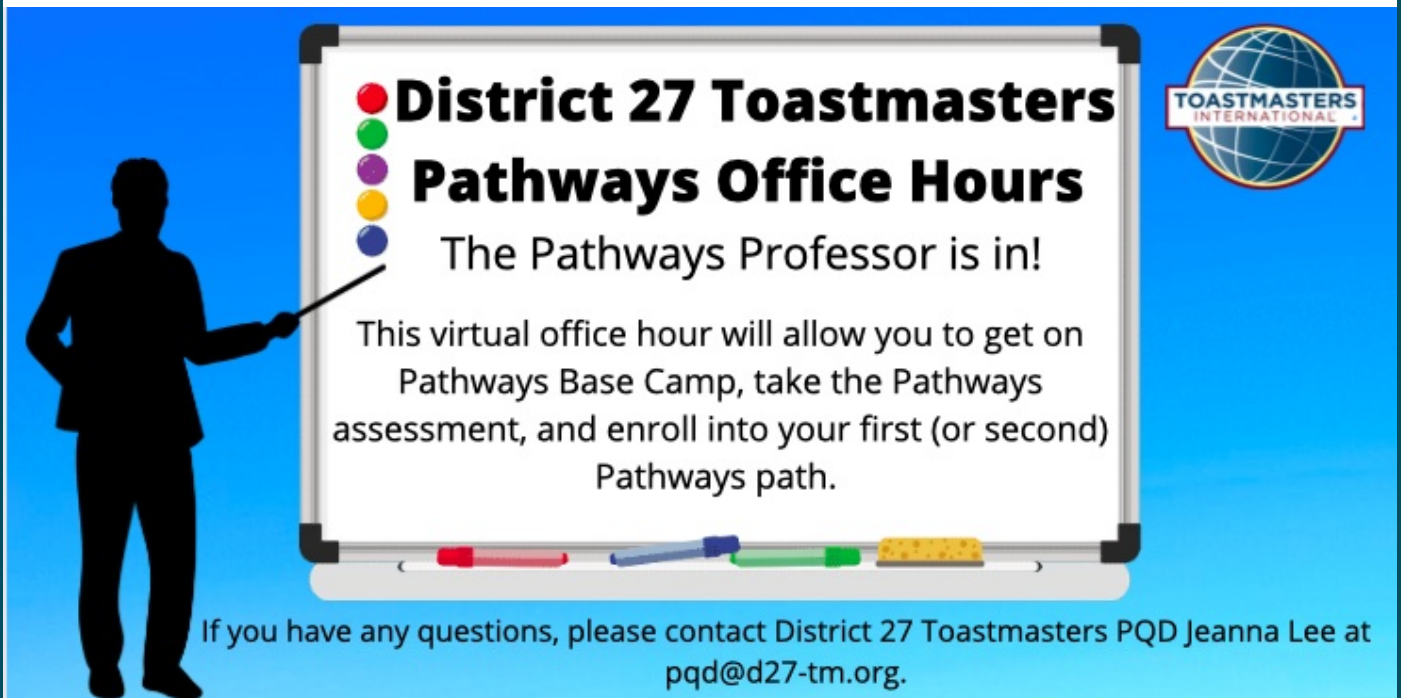
Do you need credit for a Pathways, HPL or DTM project?

If you have previously served as a Club Treasurer, Secretary or Audit Committee Member. Or, if you have a background in bookkeeping & accounting. District 27 would love to have you become a member of the 2022-2023 Audit Committee Team. **PLEASE NOTE:** Toastmasters who are currently serving on the the District 27 Leadership Team (Division Directors, Area Directors, etc..) are not eligible to serve on the D27 Audit Committee.

For more information please email

District 27 Director, LaShawn Foster, DTM at DD27@D27-TM.ORG

For D27 Club Officers and New Members!



District 27 Toastmasters
Pathways Office Hours
The Pathways Professor is in!
This virtual office hour will allow you to get on Pathways Base Camp, take the Pathways assessment, and enroll into your first (or second) Pathways path.

If you have any questions, please contact District 27 Toastmasters PQD Jeanna Lee at pqd@d27-tm.org.

Session C

**Thursday, October 20,
2022**

7:00 p.m. EST

Eventbrite Registration

Link:

<https://PathwaysOfficeHoursC.eventbrite.com>

Session D

**Saturday, November 19,
2022**

1:00 p.m. EST

Eventbrite Registration

Link:

<https://PathwaysOfficeHoursD.eventbrite.com>

The Pathways Professor Is In!

Free, Virtual, and on a monthly basis. These virtual office hours will be used to teach you how to access Pathways Base Camp, walk you through taking the Pathways assessment, and assist you with enrolling in your first (or second) Pathways path. During Office Hours you will also learn how to assess your path curriculum and launch a project. Register now via Eventbrite at <https://PathwaysOfficeHourC.eventbrite.com>

If you have any questions or comments, please email **District 27 Toastmasters Program Quality Director Jeanna Lee, DTM** at pqd@d27-tm.org

FYI: ALL D27 Toastmasters members (**new, seasoned and whether you have earned education awards or not**) are eligible to compete in this year's Fall speech contest categories ([Table Topics & Humorous Speech](#)). If you are planning to compete on behalf of your club in the upcoming Area Level Contests for the D27 Fall speech competitions. **It is essential that you ensure your individual membership renewal payment, as well as at least 7 more of your fellow club member's renewal payments have been processed by Friday, September 30, 2022, at 11:59 p.m. EST.**

The **D27 Fall Speech Contest** will only go to the **Area Level** this program year. Area Level Speech Contests begin on **Saturday, October 1, 2022**, and end on **Friday, November 4, 2022**. Per the Toastmaster International Speech Contest Rulebook, all contestants and their clubs must be in good standing ([individual contestants & at least 8 members of their club need to have renewed through March 31, 2023](#)) to be eligible to compete in the upcoming D27 Fall Speech Contests.

District 27 Toastmasters Speech Contests
*ALL Area Level speech contests will begin on **Saturday, October 1, 2022**, and end on **Friday, November 4, 2022**.*

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Winter 2023 TLI Dates



TOASTMASTERS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Session A

Saturday

November 5, 2022

10:00 a.m. EST – 2:00 p.m.
EST

Click [here](#) to register via
Eventbrite

Session B

Friday

November 18, 2022

7:00 p.m. EST – 10:00 p.m.
EST

Click [here](#) to register via
Eventbrite

District 27 has an incentive where D27 clubs that have all **7 club officers trained in both the 2023 winter and 2022 summer TLIs will receive a complete set of club officer pins.**

Please contact **District 27 PQD Jeanna Lee, DTM**, with any questions or concerns at pqd@d27-tm.org.

Newly Chartering Club Alerts!

**Leaders
In
Training**

#WeAreLIT



A Toastmasters club for young adults 18 to 35 years old.

**Growing Leaders,
Growing Opportunities**



CAPABLE



INTENTIONAL



OPTIMISTIC

**Virtual LIT Meetings
Every 2nd & 4th Mondays @ 7:00 pm ET**

**Need more information?
Email 18.35Leaders@gmail.com**

Calling for Club Growth Marketing Team Members!

Join the Club Growth Marketing Team!

Contact **District 27 Club Growth
Director Tommye Grant, DTM** at
CGD@D27-TM.ORG if your are
interested in joining the team.



Got Suggestions or Ideas For Chartering A New Toastmasters Club?

D27 Club Growth Director, **Tommye Grant, DTM** would like to hear them! Please forward all Club Chartering ideas & suggestions to **CGD, Tommye Grant, DTM** at CGD@D27-TM.ORG

Tamara Smiley Hamilton Aspiring Speakers Toastmasters Open House

Sunday, October 16th, 2022

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

RSVP at tshastc@gmail.com

to receive the Zoom link!



**Keynote Speaker: Valda Ford,
DTM, AS**



Take The Lead!

Any **D27** Toastmasters member who provides the District 27 Club Growth Director with a qualified club lead that results in a newly-chartered club will receive a Toastmasters shirt or hoodie.

The lead must have been provided to the **Club Growth Director**, and the club must have chartered **before June 1, 2023**.

Words of Encouragement



We are approaching the time of year that has the tendency to add additional responsibilities to our to do list. The holidays are around the corner. For many the preparation for celebratory festivities has begun. The gathering of family & friends means multiple personalities converging under one roof. While this should be a joyous occasion. It may also make you feel as if you are being pulled in many different directions. Or, you are presented with a chorus of “outside” opinions coming at you all at once. Let’s be honest. This can be A LOT! Most of us are already juggling A LOT!

During this time feelings of being unworthy or inadequate may start to creep in. It’s at this point I want you to remember “YOU ARE DOING GREAT!!” You already possess the talent, skills and level of intelligence needed to accomplish

every personal and professional goal placed before you. You already possess all the patience, positive self-awareness and understanding needed to silence all negative voices that need to be muted. You are more unique and wonderous than you know. Whether or not you have to place a reminder on your bathroom mirror. Or, on your refrigerator door. Always remember **YOU ARE DOING GREAT!**

Tiffany Ross **District 27 Chaplain**

District 27 welcomes your feedback! Please email any Toastmasters related events, suggestions & creative ideas for the next month's newsletter to PRM@d27-tm.org
