



## Spring Conference

Hold the Dates of April 21-23 for the District 63 Spring Conference. More details to follow.



## District 63 Toastmasters

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### Saving the PowerPoint Baby

Research shows that slide decks produced the way most people make them actually decrease audience understanding and retention. So why use PowerPoint or its cousins? Why not just ditch it? Research ALSO shows that slides made following a few simple principles can significantly increase audience understanding and retention. Do you want an easy way to make your audience love you (or at least breathe a sigh of relief)? If you missed the live presentation, you can view the recording.

Don't Kill Your Audience Replay - YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D7m0xFBaZBw>

### Parthenon Open House, February

*Parthenon Toastmasters*  
Presents: **Impromptu Speaking**



- Have you mastered Table Topics and want to try something harder?
- Do you trust your evaluator?
- Come enjoy an evening of impromptu speaking.
- The speaker will select their evaluator.
- The evaluator will select the speaker's speech topic.

Monday, February 21, 2022  
6:30pm – 8:00pm CST  
7:30pm – 9:00pm EST

Request Zoom Link:  
<https://1738.toastmastersclubs.org/>

### Tarleshia Johnson Interview

Tarleshia Johnson is featured in an article in the Nashville Voyager. Notice that Tarleshia graciously highlighted the Toastmasters experience and mentorship program in her comments about her success. Congratulations Tarleshia!

<https://nashvillevoyager.com/interview/hidden-gems-meet-tarleshia-johnson-of-tj-digital-marketing-services/>

### Region 6 List of Trained Judges

Thank you to Don Bittick and Stephen Shaner for training contest judges. A list of trained judges is available by requested to John Salalila at [toastmasterjohn@gmail.com](mailto:toastmasterjohn@gmail.com).

### Harpeth View Education Sessions

**Feb 19th - 7:30 a.m. (Central)** "Help Yourself to the Nuts and Bolts of Podcasting" Presented by: Bryan De Cuir and Nick Sager <https://hvtm.toastmastersclubs.org>

### Area Contests

#### International and Table Topics

Area 10-11	<b>February 19, 9:30 am (Eastern)</b> <u><a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88238814406?pwd=ZTJUL1RYUWRsMEhURTYzUzhYVStCZz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88238814406?pwd=ZTJUL1RYUWRsMEhURTYzUzhYVStCZz09</a></u>
Area 21-23	<b>February 12, 9:00 am (Eastern)</b> <u><a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88238814406?pwd=ZTJUL1RYUWRsMEhURTYzUzhYVStCZz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88238814406?pwd=ZTJUL1RYUWRsMEhURTYzUzhYVStCZz09</a></u>
Area 30-32	<b>February 22, 6:30 pm (Eastern)</b>
Area 40-43	<b>February 19, 10:00 am (Central)</b> <u><a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84986546144?pwd=ZWVVOOXVhenhpdFRTNENxdE1XVmRKQT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84986546144?pwd=ZWVVOOXVhenhpdFRTNENxdE1XVmRKQT09</a></u>
Area 50-54	<b>February 26 9:00 am (Central)</b> <u><a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85246012869?pwd=R0NzRUFRmQWFFsbEh2V0RDVDZFNkZWU09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85246012869?pwd=R0NzRUFRmQWFFsbEh2V0RDVDZFNkZWU09</a></u>
Area 60-63	<b>February 19, 9:00 am (Central)</b> <u><a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4916368057?pwd=UQgyejFnZ25FbFFyYdFJQVOM1TXVyZz09">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4916368057?pwd=UQgyejFnZ25FbFFyYdFJQVOM1TXVyZz09</a></u>

These dates and times are published on the D63 District Calendar. If we have the Zoom link, we included it in the table above. Please contact Area Directors for updates, corrections or more information. Area Directors' names are published on the District 63 Website, on the Executive Council (DEC) page.

### Invitation to a Backwards Meeting

**Topic:** Igniters Backwards Meeting - Please come at the end. **Time:** Feb. 22, 2022 or 02222022 End at 7:00 p.m. (Central). Start at 8:00 p.m. **Join Zoom Meeting:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/172211614?pwd=iQvN296Z3BRdFVCUzdVK2g2b0hGdz09> Meeting ID: 172 211 614, Passcode: 738249



## Advanced Club Options

If you are interested in taking your communication skills or leadership development to the next level, consider joining an ADVANCED Toastmaster the club. The contacts can tell you the requirements to join. This information was obtained from Toastmasters "Find a Club" website.

**Club Name:** Northeast Advanced Toastmasters (NEAT)

**Meeting Times:** 4th Saturday (USUALLY), 9:30 a.m. (Eastern)

**Location:** Zoom: [www.zoom.us/j/4239468247](https://www.zoom.us/j/4239468247)

2425 Highway 75 Blountville, TN 37617

**Contact:** Call Maureen Merritt at 423-946-8247 to find out if a specific meeting will be online, in person, or hybrid.

**Club Name:** The Advanced Toastmasters Pursuing Excellence

**Meeting Times:** 2nd and 4th Mondays, 7:15 (Central)

**Location:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85161090672?pwd=VjdKMkJKb250QmINT212OTZyc1pKZz09>

**Contact:** Email Stacci Thomas at [spthomas8192@gmail.com](mailto:spthomas8192@gmail.com) for more information.

**Club Name:** Speechmasters Advanced Toastmasters Club

**Meeting Times:** 1st Wednesday 6:30 pm

**Location:** Meeting Virtually/Online via ZOOM

Tennessee College of Applied Technology: Building A - Conference Room A (meeting in hybrid format, both online and in-person)

1100 Liberty St Knoxville, TN 37919 United States

**Contact:** 1+865-223-8235

**Club Name:** Chattanooga Chatters Advanced Toastmasters

**Meeting Times:** 2nd & 4th Thursday 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

**Location:** BlueCross BlueShield

Call (423) 400-1606 and let us know you are coming, then check in with the guard at the top of the hill.

1 Cameron Hill Circle Chattanooga, TN 37402

**Contact:** +1 423-400-1606

## Sad News

KEITH MCLUSKY who served as the D63 District Governor (now Director) in 2004-05 has passed away. The obituary is published here.

<https://trfnews.i234.me/wordpress/keith-mclusky-obituary-1937-2022-mt-juliet-tn/>

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Facebook: District 63 Toastmasters

Instagram: ti63district

LinkedIn: District Sixty-Three

Twitter: District 63 TM

Website: <https://d63.toastmastersdistricts.org>

YouTube: District 63 Toastmasters

## Talk Up Toastmasters

**"Program Dates: February 1 – March 31"**

Toastmasters love to connect, so take advantage of it. The Talk Up Toastmasters membership program is the chance to encourage your members to invite guests to a special meeting where prospective members can learn about Toastmasters' many benefits. Then add five new, dual or reinstated members with a join date between February 1 and March 31, and you'll receive a special Talk up Toastmasters ribbon to display on your club's banner. Qualifying clubs can also earn a special discount code for 10% off their next club order. (The discount code expires six months from the date of issue and is not valid with any other offer.)~[www.Toastmasters.org](http://www.Toastmasters.org)

## TGL Toastmasters Marketing Video

Have you been wondering about creating a marketing video for your club? Take a look at this excellent example. [TGL Project.mp4 - Google Drive](#)



## Parthenon Open House, April

### PARTHENON TOASTMASTERS

Vocal Variety Grab Bag Open House

What emotion will you take on while answering your Table Topics questions: Angry, joy, fear, sad, or disgust? The bag/wheel will decide.



Monday, April 18, 2022  
6:30 PM – 7:45 PM CST / 7:30 PM – 8:45 PM EST

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