

DISTRICT LEADER BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION



Candidate's Name:

Candidate's Office: District Number:

Toastmasters member since:

Education:

Distinguished Toastmasters July 2017
Team Collaboration 5 March 2019
Motivational Strategies 3 January 2020

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

President City of Columbus July 2015 - June 2016
Division Director District 40 July 2016 - June 2017
President Professional Speakers July 2017 - June 2018
Vice President Education Professional Speakers July 2018 - June 2019
Club Growth Director District 40 July 2019 - June 2020

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

President's Distinguished Club City of Columbus 2015 - 2016
Division Director of The Year District 40 2016 - 2017
Toastmaster of The Year District 40 2017 - 2018

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a District leader:

I am a business owner and I've built my business the ground up. I've had to build my team, and train them on how to effectively build their business, and develop their team.
I conduct training throughout the year and mentor my team as needed.

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

During my career in law enforcement, I worked as an undercover narcotics agent. As the lead agent, I was responsible for planning the buys, setting up the surveillance, collecting the evidence, ensuring that the chain of custody was never broken, and writing all the reports.

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

As a Financial Consultant/Educator, I help people develop a budget and a retirement plan. I am a Tax Preparer, and I conduct an (8) week Financial Responsibility workshop for youth in middle school through high school.

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

While serving in the US Army, I worked on developing a safe and efficient way to move vehicles from various installations to the railyard. As the point person, my team and I worked with contractors, and local government on budgeting and the best, and safest routes for the vehicles to travel.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

I've learned quite a few things while serving as Club Growth Director, but the one lesson that stands out more than the others would have to be, understanding that everything isn't black and white. I learned that I can't set expectations on others, based on how I would handle situations.

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

I have been in service to others most of my adult life. I enjoy helping others achieve their goals. Toastmasters has allowed me to continue serving others, and to continue to grow myself. Helping to effect positive change and growth within our membership is why I serve as a District Leader.

In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

The District's major objective is to build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence. If elected Program Quality Director, I'll work with the DETC to provide our members with the current training throughout the year. I'll work with the Distinguished Club Chair to develop incentives for our clubs to achieve at minimum Distinguished status. Lastly, I'll work with the incoming Club Growth Director on ways we can retain our club and members.

Additional information about yourself:

I have (3) children, and my oldest is currently serving in the US Army. I am writing my first book. I'm an avid reader, and I love to travel, and I am a roller coaster enthusiast.