FREE D58 SUMMER TLI
SATURDAY, JULY 24, 2021
MEET THE PRESENTERS

Minnie Thomas, DTM
President

Brian Woolf, DTM
VP Education

Steve Mack, IP2
Treasurer

Sharon Arnold, DTM
Secretary

Knorphe Byrd, CC, CL
Sergeant At Arms

Mike Ward, EC2, CGD
VP Public Relations

Lisa Berry, DTM, PDD
VP Membership

Douglas Wilson, DTM, PDG
Pathways Uncovered

John Beam, IP5
Hosting Successful Virtual & Hybrid Club Meetings
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Sharon A Hill, DTM, Past Region 7 Advisor, Past International Director

Keynote Speaker

Program Bio:
Sharon A. Hill, author, speaker and MBA spent more than 20 years as a development and marketing manager at Fortune 500 giant, IBM.

She is president of Sharon Hill International, her etiquette and motivational speaking company. She speaks at universities and corporations across America.

Sharon served as 2010-2011 District 37 Governor; 2012-2013 Region 7 Advisor and 2013-2015 Toastmasters International Director; and again as 2020-2021 Region Advisor serving districts from Washington D.C. to Eastern Pennsylvania. She has earned four Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) awards and is working on her fifth DTM.

As of July 2021, Sharon is a member of six Toastmasters Clubs, President of three and Vice-president Education of one.

She is married to her husband and soul mate, Elmer Hill, DTM, and lives in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.
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Douglas Wilson, DTM, PDG
Pathways Uncovered

Program Bio:
Douglas Wilson first joined Toastmasters in 1968, for a year, then took a 30 year hiatus. Since joining Toastmasters, the second time in 1998, he has achieved nearly all that Toastmasters has to offer, except Accredited Speaker and World Champion.

He has completed over 100 CTM/CCs, Multiple Advanced Communicators, dozens of Club Leadership awards, and 4 DTM (3 Legacy and the First in SC to earn a Pathways DTM). In addition, he is only one of two in SC to complete all 11 Paths in the program.

He has served 7 years in District Leadership, 5 years as the District Parliamentarian, 7 years as a Pathways Ambassador and has been awarded the Area Governor of the Year, Division Governor of the Year, Outstanding Toastmaster of the Year (twice) and multiple Speech Contest awards, including two time District International Speech Contest Winner and 2nd Place in the 2006 World Championship of Public Speaking, Douglas has seen three different Goal scoring systems and lots of changes in the Toastmasters Program.

Yet he says there is lots of room for growth. Which is why he is a member of seven (7) Clubs. Especially useful is the Pathways Education Program. His biggest enjoyment is helping the growth of those who embrace the Toastmasters program and blossom into their potential. Speaking and Toastmasters is all about changing lives.
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Brian Woolf

VP Education — Be Better Than You Imagined!

Bio/Introduction:

Title: VP Education — Be Better Than You Imagined!

Today, you will hear the best VPE ideas that Brian Woolf has learned over the past 50+ years — from different countries and US states. Brian joined Toastmasters in New Zealand in 1966 and has come to understand that club excellence evolves around what you, the club VPE, does. So listen, enjoy, digest, and apply those ideas which resonate.

Brian, a DTM, has won five District International Speech Contests, and is a World Champion Speech Finalist. He has also written three books on speaking excellence.

Along the journey, Brian has learned there are many successful paths to club excellence. Which path will you take?
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John Beam, IP5

Virtual and Hybrid Club Meetings – Tips for success

Program Bio:
John Beam has been a Toastmasters member since 2010 with the Fluor Club, serving in various club officer and Area roles. As a corporate club, virtual and hybrid meetings were introduced several years ago as way for members to stay engaged with the club when assigned to a project. Recently John put his expertise to the test, leading the technology team for the District-58 Annual Conference which was hosted as a hybrid event. John will be sharing his experience in using technology to successfully host and participate in virtual or hybrid club meetings.

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Lisa Berry is the co-founder of Berlogix, a technology services company. As a female tech expert, contracted with the Department of Defense, she has cracked the code for communication.

Lisa has blazed her own path and teaches others how to be better, stronger, more confident and tougher by embracing their unique qualities and learning how to leverage them to be the best version of themselves.

She gave her first TEDx talk, Own Your Weird, in December 2018 at the event: TEDxHiltonHeadWomen.

As a member of Toastmasters International, Lisa has twice earned the highest honor of Distinguished Toastmaster. A member since 2008, she’s held multiple offices including Past District Director serving members in the state of South Carolina, known as District 58.

Elsewhere in the community, Lisa is a member of Charleston Women in Tech; a non-profit serving women in the tech industry. She’s mentored college students and adults on career search and salary negotiation as well as taught the Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program as a special activity at Palmetto Scholars Academy.
With a passion for bringing people together, Lisa enjoys complex problems and finding solutions that not only meet the immediate need, but those that will still be relevant in the long term.

A wife and mother, Lisa has been charging her way through battling chronic Lyme Disease and co-infections since 2007. Surrounded by mystery symptoms and illnesses, one after the other, for seven years, she was finally diagnosed in 2014. Supported by her family and friends, Lisa continues to fight this horrible disease with the hope there may someday be a cure. Until then, she continues to share her story and educate others on tick borne illness.
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Mike Ward

"Hear ye, Hear ye. What a role, VPPR Must Be!"

Program Bio and Introduction:

This year provides the Toastmasters International organization a great opportunity to grow and expand our reach within our communities. Today’s VPPR session will reveal how to serve in the VPPR role in a way that will benefit the members of your community, your club, your area and divisions, and even District 58.

Professionally, Mike Ward has worked with small businesses and non-profits to help them understand and use technology. His experience with Toastmasters stretches back to when he first joined in 2013. Today, he will combine his professional experience along with his experiences in Toastmasters to deliver a presentation titled, "Hear ye, Hear ye. What a role, VPPR Must Be!"

Get your pens and pads ready because Mike plans on sharing a 4-step formula on how to figure out how to get started in your role as VPPR. He will walk you through a plan on how to plan your club’s growth this year.

Please help me welcome, Toastmaster Mike Ward.
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Distinguished Toastmaster Minnie P. Thomas, MSW, DTM

President

Program Bio:

• In November 2005, Minnie Thomas joyfully joined Blue Streak Toastmasters, a Corporate Toastmasters club, and immediately modeled the (3) maxims of Toastmasters by participating, interacting, and maintaining quality club standards, weekly. Minnie also served in five (5) club officer roles: Club President, Vice-President of Education, Vice-President of Public Relations, Vice-President of Membership and Secretary. She is also a Charted Toastmasters member with “Next Level Speakers” Toastmasters Club.

• Minnie has earned two Distinguished Toastmaster Awards DTMs and has served as both an Area Governor-(2009-2010) and a Division D Director (2016-2017, for District 58).

• Minnie has embraced Toastmasters Pathways Program 2019 and has earned a Level Four in the Motivational Strategies Path and is one-step away from earning a level 5 in Motivational Strategies. She has completed Level 1 in the Effective Coaching Path.

• Minnie believes that life's enrichment and empowerment are ongoing and what really matters is what you do for others and specifically for fellow Toastmasters!

• Minnie has been married to Cecil W. Thomas for 37 years and is the proud Mother of gainfully employed - 27-Year-old Twins. She loves to shop, sing with others, bless others, and advocate social justice for all. Her skill set involves unique décor for her personal home.
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Sharon Arnold
Secretary

Program Bio:

Sharon Arnold is a Distinguished Toastmaster and was recently the Area 22 Director. She had the first Area to reach Select Distinguished by the end of June 2021.

She belongs to three Toastmasters clubs which are Allaboard, Trident Tek Talkers and Daniel Island. She has been a member of Toastmasters since 1996 when she joined the Allaboard club. She started with Trident Tek Talkers and Daniel Island by being a club coach and then as a member. She is now VPE and Secretary of two of those clubs.

Sharon’s other fun clubs are the Tea Ladies Club, a book club, and is on the Board of Directors as Secretary and several other positions in the Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina.

Sharon is married to her high school sweetheart, Jim. They have two sons who live in San Jose, California. Their oldest son, Jeff, is married with two sons. Scott is engaged to be married next year. Sharon loves to travel and has an upcoming trip to Europe next year. She is a bookworm.
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Steve Mack  
Treasurer

Program Bio:

Steve Mack has been a member of Rock Hill Toastmasters Club for 7 years and also served as its Treasurer for 4 years. He is currently serving as D58 Finance Director, 2021-2022

Professionally, Steve is CPA currently working remotely in CFO Advisory capacity.

He is a Midwest native who has resided in SC for 10 years. 
Steve's hobbies include anything outdoors especially hiking, golf and occasional yard maintenance.