



# TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL NEWSLETTER

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## Club News and Events

### Club No. 828338 DBEDT for Business

Spring 2022 Issue

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#### DBEDT for Business 2021-2022 Executive Committee Members

President- [Liz Corbin](#), DTM  
VP Education – [Joe Omura](#), EC3  
VP Membership – [Joy Kimura](#)  
VP PR – [Mark Ritchie](#), CC  
Secretary – [Dori Palcovich](#), IP5  
Treasurer – [Dean Masai](#), DTM  
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**RECOMMENDATION:** Joining the [Toastmasters District 49](#) Facebook group is a great way to learn more about what's going on throughout the state. Plus, a lot of helpful tips on making the most of your Toastmasters experience.

**MEETINGS:** Join us at 11:30 am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of every month via Zoom.  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87397802258>  
Meeting ID: 873 9780 2258  
Passcode 272641

**And starting April 26th LIVE  
in-person meetings in State  
Office Tower Room 204!**



## Message from the President

Aloha TM Members and Friends,

First, let me update you on our plans to start meeting in person. I received responses from most members to my email asking for your feedback on the plan to alternate Zoom and in-person meetings. The consensus is approval of this plan. It looks like the meeting rules will have changed in time to have our first in-person meeting on April 26.

Our new meeting room is Room 204 in the State Office Tower, 235 S. Beretania – same building, bigger room. Given the proposed changes in the COVID rules that have been announced, masks will be optional. Since Room 204 is large, it will make sense for us to space ourselves out a bit. Before the meeting, we'll check it out to see if we need a sound system.

Second, Joy Kimura, our new VP Membership, has hit the ground running and is already making a difference for the club.

Please welcome new member, Cathy Lederer, Director of the Hawaii State AFL-CIO, Labor Community Services Program. Cathy has notified all AFL-CIO members about DBEDT for Business!

Joy was invited to appear on the Hawaii Boss podcast in her capacity as head of Government Affairs and Compliance for the Hawaii Laborers & Employers Cooperation and Education Trust Fund. She asked them to focus on how Toastmasters has helped her deal with testifying before the legislature and other public speaking duties. She invited me to participate with her and together, we were able to do a pretty good commercial for the club. You can see the podcast at :

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b\\_AZuJdKer0&t=186s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b_AZuJdKer0&t=186s).

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**TIP: Take the Online Pathways Assessment to help you decide which path is right for you: there are 11 paths available to you!**



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**KEEP INFORMED:** Check our [DBEDT for Business](#) website often for up-to-date information on club events and meetings.

**TRAINING:** Check out the District 49 website for training opportunities. <https://district49.org/>

**SPEECH CONTESTS:** Get the latest news on upcoming speech contests and find out the winners of past competitions. <https://district49.org/>

### Club Notes:

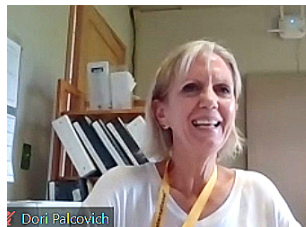
**Club dues** for April - September 2022 are due before March 31, 2022. More information available by emailing [Dean Masai](mailto:Dean Masai), Treasurer, at [d49masai@gmail.com](mailto:d49masai@gmail.com).

**Pathways** can be confusing. Need help navigating through Base Camp? Got questions on what to do next? Pathways coaching is available by emailing [Joe Omura](mailto:Joe Omura), VP-Education at [josephomura@yahoo.com](mailto:josephomura@yahoo.com).

Not yet enrolled in Pathways? Begin your journey now.

[Enroll here.](#)

## Congratulations to our first two members who completed their first Path!



Dori Palcovich:  
Pathways Program: Innovative Planning (IP),  
Completed December 14, 2021

Jacqueline Choy:  
Pathways Program: Innovative Planning (IP)  
Completed: February 8, 2022.



They've set a great example for all of us to follow. At our March 8th meeting, Jackie let us know she's retiring at the end of March and will be taking some time off from Toastmasters to unplug and focus on this exciting new journey. We'll miss her and her great speeches.

## President's Message (continued from page 1)

Joy suggested that joining the Chamber of Commerce would be a good way to reach out to the business community for prospective members. Our limited budget will not support advertising, but we can afford the \$335 non-profit rate for one year. All club members would become members with access to Chamber events. In addition, the club could participate in the Chamber podcast program, among other benefits. We checked with TI leadership, and it is a permitted activity with an affirmative vote from the membership. If we have a quorum at the next meeting, we will vote at that time. If not, an e-vote will be taken. If approved, we would join after the Chamber starts up regular events.

Finally, we've made some changes to the internal workings of the club website to try to improve our Google rankings and need to work on increasing our social media presence. That's been very effective for other clubs.

Aloha,  
Liz