

Club Growth Director Nominee:

Jill Vanderweit, DTM



Jill Vanderweit is running for D36 Club Growth Director. A Toastmaster since 2003, she currently serves as Division G Director. She was Division C Governor in 2012, and Area 42 Governor before that. Since then, she has taught officer training, and was 2019-2020 TLI Chair when D36 transitioned from in-person to virtual training in June 2020. She has coached and mentored clubs, and supported demonstration meetings for new clubs.

Jill has attained 2 Distinguished Toastmaster awards. Her first DTM project, creating an online planning resource, followed her 2-year service as D36 Conference Chair. Her second DTM project was recruiting and managing 200 volunteers for the 2016 Washington, DC Toastmasters International Convention. As Co-host, she identified and defined the various support roles needed, and then assisted TI with the initial roll-out of the Helping Hands volunteer program.

She is now retired, but for many years she juggled two careers. During the day, she was the Convention Director for a woman/minority-owned government contractor; and at night she was Business Manager of a small professional theatre company. At her day job, she solicited and won new clients, and managed a department of conference planners, production staff, and writers. She collaborated with the company's officers to strategically grow the firm from 25 to 200 staff members while maintaining quality customer service. At her night job, she teamed with the Board of Directors and performing artists to produce and promote live theatre. During her tenure, the company increased the number of productions from 2 to 7 per year; she

negotiated bigger and better venues for productions; and the company received a Helen Hayes award nomination, as well as several top awards at the DC Fringe Festival.

Jill's background in strategic planning, project management, teamwork, and outreach - joined with her volunteer experience and dedication to Toastmasters - provides a strong foundation for heightened service as a leader and champion of Toastmasters.