



**“The  
destination  
determines  
the direction.”**

*Dr. Ralph C. Smedley  
Founder,  
Toastmasters  
International*

**If you're aspiring to be an advanced speaker,  
visit Excelsior Toastmasters.**

## What makes Excelsior **unique**?

**MISSION:** Our **President's Distinguished Club** seeks to advance speakers by providing an environment that is mutually supportive and a platform that prepares speakers for more demanding audiences.

**MEETING FORMAT:** Meets once a month, the first Tuesday of every month, for 2.5 hours. This longer format allows for advanced manual speeches and in-depth roundtable evaluations. Each meeting has about 20-25 members in attendance.

**EVALUATIONS:** Our unique **Two-Part Evaluation Process** allows speakers to get the maximum amount of constructive feedback for improving presentations, manual speeches, and contest speeches.

**MEMBERS:** We have 30 members who are Advanced Communicator Bronze (ACB) or higher. Toastmasters who join our club benefit from the experience of our All-Star cast which includes a Past International President, Past International Directors, Past District Governors, Distinguished Toastmasters and Past Regional and World Championship of Public Speaking finalists and the first Region Advisor for the new Region 10.



**MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY:** A Toastmaster who has **achieved Advanced Communicator Bronze (ACB) or higher** is eligible for membership in Excelsior.

## What is **standard** about our Club?

- **Guests are always welcome** to attend our meetings.
- **All members work through the Communication and Leadership** tracks of the Toastmasters Education Program.
- **There are membership dues.** If you are eligible for membership, then membership is \$48 every 6 months which includes \$36 for Toastmasters International dues and \$12 for club dues.
- **There is no cost to attend the meetings.** Dinner is served and you may choose to purchase a meal from the menu if you like.
- **A combination of impromptu (table topics) and prepared speaking** is a regular part of our agenda.

**MEMBERSHIP INQUIRIES:** Please email [vpm-699@toastmastersclubs.org](mailto:vpm-699@toastmastersclubs.org)



## MEETING INFORMATION

### MEETING DAY:

First Tuesday  
of every month

### TIME:

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

### LOCATION:

El Fandango  
Restaurant  
2nd Floor  
2734 Calhoun St.  
San Diego, CA  
92110  
(Old Towne)

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## TOAST-IMONIALS FROM EXCELSIOR MEMBERS:

### Elisa Castañeda, DTM



"Being a member of Excelsior TM Club has helped me to **grow beyond my expectations.**

After 20+ years in Toastmasters, in my opinion, **this club's evaluation process is the best in San Diego and it is OUTSTANDING!** We have evaluations from all of the members present at our meetings which are divided in two sections: strong points and improvements. The caliber of experience acquired by our club members truly fosters confidence and especially support."

### Richard Dial, DTM, District 5 Contest Chair 2011-2012



"**Excelsior Toastmasters is a wonderful venue** in which to hone my communications and leadership skills. As an advanced club, I benefit from the experience and evaluation of my fellow members, and the environment is warm and supportive."

### Marcia "Marcy" Hays, DTM, Toastmasters Leadership Institute Chair, 2011-2012



"**You will not find a more elite Toastmasters Club in District 5!** Each month is a quality meeting experience punctuated by outstanding and often award-winning speakers. If you seek a thorough and professional evaluation for your speeches, the membership is rich with subtle suggestions to take your speaking up a notch! Anyone wrestling with a good reason to earn his or her ACB, qualifying to join EXCELSIOR is a good incentive. The club is open to new members, so you don't need to wait for an invitation! **Dual membership is well worth the dual fees - no holds barred!"**

### Jan C. Lewellyn, DTM, District 5 Treasurer, 2011-2012



"The evaluation process we use with speakers has really helped me improve my speaking skills. Taking advantage of our experienced members' offer to help others achieve is the real asset **Excelsior "owns."** I've also had the privilege to be the VPE of Excelsior. The support from the club helps me be the best I can be as VPE, and at the District level in leadership!"

### Malcolm X. Pusey, ACG, CL, District 5 Sergeant-at-Arms, 2011-2012



"Excelsior is a wonderful advanced club that tests your skills as a communicator and leader. It has prepared me in handling a variety of situations (employee evaluations, interviews, collaborations with co-workers).

I have confidently extended my leadership service to other clubs and district projects. Better yet, I have enjoyed the journey of participating and winning contests. For those of you looking to advance: **Step Out of the Box!"**