

## Broadening Your Horizons Chuck shares his talents

**Chuck Rose** initially joined Toastmasters in 2005 because his wife, a member of 3500 Foot Toastmasters Club, was enjoying her Toastmasters experience. He visited her club, enjoyed the experience and decided to join. Apparently, it was way more fun than he originally expected. **He soon became a member of four clubs!** 3500 Foot, CanOrators, After Five and Verve.

He achieved his DTM in just a few years and was recognized as District 42's Toastmaster of the Year in 2010.

In 2008, using his Toastmasters training, he became a professional speaker on the Impact Speaker roster of the United Way for Calgary and area.

Through his work at the United Way, he became acquainted with the Distress Center, in particular their 211 help line. Being a singer/songwriter for over 46 years, Chuck was approached by the Center in 2016 to write a song about their services. They liked the song so much that they included it in several of their fundraising events. Chuck found it to be a privilege to sing a song for the Distress Center fundraising breakfast and to introduce Big Daddy Tazz as their keynote speaker. The Center raised \$30,000 at their annual fundraiser.

Photo: Chuck Rose and Big Daddy Tazz at Lead An Ear Breakfast fundraiser (September 2016)

## **About Toastmasters International**

Toastmasters International is a worldwide nonprofit educational organization that empowers individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders. Headquartered in Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif., the organization's membership exceeds 345,000 in more than 15,900 clubs in 142 countries. Since 1924, Toastmasters International has helped people from diverse backgrounds become more confident speakers, communicators and leaders. For information about local Toastmasters clubs, please visit <a href="https://www.toastmasters.org">www.toastmasters.org</a>. Follow <a href="mailto:org-normalicators">org-normalicators</a> on Twitter.