

District 6 Toastmasters - Important Leadership Opportunities

MAKE IT HAPPEN – YES YOU CAN!

Be an Area Governor!

Without a doubt - the best role in Toastmasters.

What Does an Area Governor Do?

An Area Governor serves for a full Toastmasters year (July 1 through June 30th) to guide and assist the clubs within his/her Area. This guidance and assistance includes:

- Visiting each club in the Area twice to make formal **Area Club Visits**. (Each visit includes completing and submitting “An Area Report of Club Visit Form” to the District Governor.)
- Make other informal club visits for things such as installing club officers.
- Serving as an **information conduit** between the District and the clubs (through the presidents).
- Ensuring that each club understands the Distinguished Club Program and how it serves the needs of club members.
- Working with clubs to hold **area speech contests**. (Twice yearly prior to division and district contests.)
- Encouraging club officers to participate in district-provided club officer training.
- Contacting each club president at least monthly by phone or email to share information, recognize achievements, and offer assistance.
- Holding regular Area Council meetings for Club Presidents and Vice Presidents of Education and Membership.
- Assisting district officers in helping to build new clubs within the area or division.
- Attending District Executive Council meetings.

What’s An Area?

A Toastmasters district divides itself into divisions. For instance, District 6 has 9 divisions. The District Executive Committee divides each division into areas. Each area has several Toastmasters clubs (usually 4-7). The Area’s mission is to provide District contact, support, and service to its clubs so that the clubs may in turn fulfill their responsibilities to club members.

What’ In It for Me?

You may be asking yourself, “What’s in it for me?” While no two of us are exactly alike, here are some ways that being an Area Governor may benefit you.

- Practice leadership skills with a group of people over whom you have no authority. This is a truer indicator of your leadership than in situations where you have position power.
- Gain satisfaction from helping others meet their personal goals.
- Get recognition from district officers as they show appreciation for your efforts.
- Earn credit toward Toastmasters Advanced Leadership award recognition.
- Become a better communicator as you interact with Toastmasters serving in a variety of positions and having a diversity of skills.

Where Do I Sign Up?

To place your name on the list of candidates for Area Governor, fill out the other side of this sheet and submit to any district officer:

- Area Governor
- Division Governor
- Lieutenant Governor Marketing
- Lieutenant Governor Education & Training

2008 – 2009 DISTRICT OFFICER NOMINATION FORM

Are You Interested In Becoming A Better Leader?

Have you enjoyed the leadership position that you took on this year, either as a club officer or by serving as part of the District 6 leadership team? You probably learned a great deal. District 6 Toastmasters encourages you to build upon and enhance the base of leadership skills that you have developed this year, and continue your development through the Toastmasters leadership program during the next year. If you were a club officer, why not take on the role of Area Governor, or perhaps one of the other District Officer positions?

Have you considered just a few benefits of being an Area Governor? Some benefits include:

- Opportunity to enhance leadership skills and assist in the development of others
- Participate in new projects and activities that foster personal growth
- Opportunity to interface with members of other Toastmaster clubs
- Have the satisfaction of starting a new Toastmaster Club!
- Opportunity to improve your influencing and consulting skills
- It's the best job in Toastmasters! Go for it!

On the District website, you will find a brief write-up of the Area Governor role, as well as the other leadership opportunities that are available to serve your district and help you meet your own goals and objectives.

How Do I Become a District Officer?

Simply fill out and submit the form below! You will be contacted by the nominations committee and/or a member of the District 6 leadership team.

2008 – 2009 District Officer Nomination Form

Position Sought (e.g. Area Governor, Division Governor, Other Office)

Your Name

Designation: CTM/CC, ATM/AC, CL, AL, DTM

Address

City

State/Province

Zip Code

Telephone: (H) (W) (C)

E-MAIL

Home Club Name

Club Number

Please complete and submit form to any district officer (area governor, division governor, or member of the district trio).