

District 6 Toastmasters

Where Leaders Are Made



January 2013



Dear Member,

Happy New Year, my fellow Toastmasters and friends. New beginnings are always exciting and January can definitely fit the bill. As Toastmasters, however, we are in the middle of our Toastmasters year. Six months have passed and now is the perfect time to reflect, assess and plan so our goals match our end result on June 30, 2013.

The next six months are action-packed and offer endless opportunities for members, officers and clubs to go above and beyond ordinary. We will listen and learn at the February TLI, challenge ourselves during contest time, and choose our leaders at the Spring Convention. Club Officers will begin to lay the foundation for their successors, and the Distinguished Club Plan will be scrutinized and updated to fit the where we are now vs. the where we want to be.

Now is your call to action. Working toward our Toastmasters goals is what fires us up and propels us forward. We love the excitement, the challenges, the friendships, the successes. Take a moment to be sure you know where you are going, take a deep breath, then step into a fabulous future. Let's share and help each other as we take that journey together. Wishing you all the success you desire!

Dru Jorgensen, DTM

District Governor

2012-2013

District 6 News & Events

TLI (Toastmasters Leadership Institute): The Heart of Communication

Don't let the sentimental title fool you! The TLI is serious business. It is designed to provide advanced processes for Toastmasters intent on skill-building. Aside from attending weekly club meetings, the leadership institute is an important venue. TLI's provide a variety of educational sessions, and professional level keynote speakers who target subjects pertinent to all Toastmasters.

The February TLI is no exception. Any time a past International President comes to address us, we should take full advantage of their knowledge and expertise.

Dilip Abayasekara, in addition to being an expert in leadership, is an accredited speaker: an accomplishment reserved for the best of the best. His presence at the TLI and his message is highly anticipated.

Don't miss all that February's TLI is offering. Whether you are a novice or advanced Toastmaster, you will definitely enjoy and benefit from your investment of time and attention.

Saturday, February 9, 2013
Ramada Mall of America.

Please refer to the TLI page <http://www.d6tm.org/winter-tli-2013/> on the D6 website www.d6tm.org for more information.

International President John Lau's 1+1 Membership Campaign

We love a challenge almost as much as we love to recognize achievement! With the new 1+1 program, we can enjoy both. It is very simple, yet powerful in its far-reaching effects of building membership.

It works like this:

Step 1: Refer a friend or associate who becomes a Toastmaster.

Step 2: Fill out the 1+1 Form @ <http://www.toastmasters.org/Members/MembershipBuilding/11Campaign.aspx#11>

Step 3: Receive recognition from Toastmasters International! Recognition is broken into three areas: Members, Clubs and Districts.

Members: Receive a 1+1 decal and a personalized letter from Executive Director, Dan Rex. Each month your name will be listed on the 1+1 webpage wall. In addition, all referring members' names will be included in a drawing to win a 1+1 Toastmasters t-shirt.

Clubs: How does a \$250 store credit sound? The top 20 clubs gaining the most new members from the 1+1 campaign will receive just that!

Districts: The top five Districts receiving the greatest number of new members from the 1+1 campaign will receive a \$500 store credit. How awesome is that?

Remember: INVITE & ENCOURAGE = GROWTH

This campaign only lasts through **June 30, 2013**. Good luck!

District 6 Call for Nominations

Is this the year for you to step forward and pursue a new leadership goal? Consider for a moment the advantages and incredible opportunity it would be to take on the role of Division Governor, Public Relations Officer or even Lt. Governor Marketing. There are many reasons to expand your horizons; we encourage you to dig deep and share your time and talents within District 6.

Nominations will be accepted through February 15, 2013 for leadership positions within the District. Anyone interested in running for a Division or District office, please contact [Catherine Rai Cardenuto](#) or go to the following link for additional information and nomination instructions: <http://www.d6tm.org/call-for-nominations/>

Web Pro in Under a Minute

Are you a club president or VP Education? Make sure that each of your members has access to all the District news by providing a copy of the e-newsletter. Copies can be found on the D6 website @: <http://www.d6tm.org/news/#>.

In less than a minute, each of your club members can be up-to-date on the latest news and events throughout the District and Toastmasters International community.

Club Officers

Share the Newsletters

As a club officer, you have the opportunity to serve your club members every week. One of the best ways to do this is to keep abreast of current news not only within District 6, but in the global Toastmasters International organization. Familiarize yourself with both the District and International websites; there is a wealth of fun, interesting and important information that will benefit you and your fellow club members. As you invest a bit of time into searching these websites, you will feel a part of something significant that spans the globe. Go to: d6tm.org and Toastmasters.org. You will be glad you did!

Verify your e-mail address and update your profile information here:

[Toastmasters International](#) - Member Profile

Area Governors

Reminder!

Round Two of Officer training ends February 28. Check out the District 6 website to see where training sessions are being offered in your area, or contact your Area Governor. Remember, a trained officer equals an effective leader. Take the responsible path and get trained!

[Link to Officer Training Calendar](#)

New Members are Calling!

Is your club phone number up to date?
Area Governors, please contact each club in your area, using the phone number quoted on Toastmasters International website, to ensure phone numbers noted on the website are active.



Division Governors

Moments of Truth

Fellowship, Variety, and Communication

Members participate in area and district events.

During the Fall Conference, it was nice to see that all 10 Divisions had contestants in the Humorous Speech Contests. In addition, all the Division Governors were present, assuring that each Division was well represented. During the Saturday morning Parade of Banners, almost everyone in the room participated. Thanks to all the members for their support and participation in making district events so successful.

Glen de Guzman
Metro Division Governor

Announcements

Newsletter Co-Editors-in-Chief

Jean Mirowski and ***Nancy Shaner***



We welcome your feedback on the E-Newsletter. What would you like to see? What do you like or don't like? We are here to serve you and to make the news around the District meaningful and entertaining. Please click on our names to contact us.

Where does your club stand on the Distinguished Club Plan Goals?

[Click here to find out!](#)