

District 6 Officer Candidate



Biographical Information

Candidate's Name	Sharon Rollefson
Office Candidate is running for	District Governor
Toastmaster member since	August 2005
Toastmasters offices held and terms of service	Lt Governor Education and Training (currently), Lt Gov Marketing, 2011-2012, Rivers Division Governor, 2010-2011, Club President 2006, VP Education, VP Membership, VP Public Relations, Secretray, and Treasurer
Toastmasters honors and recognition	District 6 Division Governor of the year 2010-2011 Rivers Division Area Governor of the year 2008-2009
How has your Toastmasters experience most benefited you both personally and professionally?	My husband, Don, and I are both Licensed Unity Teachers, as required to speak in front of congregations and classes our Church required us to become Toastmasters. We have enjoyed the experience of Club, Area, Division and District. Many of the Toastmasters that we have met have become our very good friends! We have also been able to share travel to Toastmasters events in Minnesota, Canada, Nevada, and Florida and the exciting venues at these locations.
What lessons did you learn from Toastmasters?	The lessons are the opportunity to watch the growth of each individual. Our selves included. We have gone from struggling to speak in front of a group to confidence in speaking. The greatest lessons I have learned is the ongoing education provided by

	<p>Toastmasters International as I have had the opportunity to train and be exposed to cultures from around the world. When I look in the mirror I can see the logo in expression “where leaders are made.” When I started the Toastmasters path I had no idea, that I would indeed become a leader in District 6 Toastmasters.</p>
<p>What key strengths would you bring to the role?</p>	<p>I recognize the core values of Toastmasters: 1. Integrity 2. Dedication to Excellence 3. Service to our members 4. Respect for the individual. <u>For me personally the major strength and focus is integrity.</u></p>
<p>Why do you want to serve in this position?</p>	<p>I have step by step grown in the Toastmasters leadership path. I want to serve as District Governor to continue not only my own growth, but also the District’s growth. I have watched many Toastmasters become confident and step forward to lead.</p>
<p>In your opinion, what are District 6’s major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?</p>	<p>Our District, like the entire Toastmaster organization has the same objective. Again I call on the values of: integrity, dedication to excellence, Service to the member and respect for the individual. I commit to working with the individual who also wants these goals.</p>
<p>Additional information you would like us to know:</p>	<p>I feel that it is important to have goals. If I don’t know where I want to go, I won’t know what I need to do, or even where I am going. I believe Dr. Dilip called it right, when he said: we need a vision, focus and conclusion. (However, getting there is most fun, I enjoy the journey.)</p>