



District 40 Success Times

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District 40 Toastmasters in OH, KY, WV, IN

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District 40 Spring Conference

The D40 Spring Conference in Dayton is on May 19th – 21st

Check the Toastmasters Website at Toastmasters.org for your Progress!

Who will lead our District next year? Nominate yourself or someone else before April 15th!

Dues Are Due!

Don't make your Club dues late waiting for late members! Send in your Club dues by the April 10th deadline! (Late members' dues can be paid to Toastmasters International later at no penalty).

Welcome to the D40 Family

Cota Toastmasters, club #871639
1600 McKinley Ave
Columbus, OH 43222
614-275-5929
meet at 12pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday

ODJFS Toastmasters, club #651272
Rhodes Tower
30 East Broadway
Columbus, OH 43215
614-466-4943
meet at 12pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday

Moving Time

Ray Kramer, DTM, District Governor for District 40

Are you moving? Toastmasters is moving all over in District 40. We have just finished up the winter club officer training, and a record number of officers were trained at the winter session. There was a bit of cooperation from Mother Nature this year in the form of good weather for all sessions (Charleston, WV got some snow) in contrast to last year. Looking at the figures, we had about half of the club officers trained - which is a great step forward. Our goal has been to get 50% or more of the club officers trained. This training has helped open doors and Toastmasters are seizing the opportunities for growth.

Several clubs have held joint meetings over the last few months to encourage club and personal growth. The Breakfast Club of Columbus has taken one of our new clubs under its wing, COTA Toastmasters. The Breakfast Club is sending speakers over to the COTA meeting to help educate their members and officers. They are using modules from The Better Speaker Series and The Successful Club Series to inform / teach. Some of the COTA members have been going to The Breakfast Club to get some ideas on how to run their meetings in different ways and on how to get a better handle on how to fill their roles as club officers. SOAR Toastmasters recently held a joint meeting with the Polaris Toastmasters, where the evaluator from one club evaluated the speaker from another. A joint meeting can be a great experience and is well worth the effort. Have you considered holding a joint meeting?

There are a multitude of demo meetings going on to help existing clubs gain new members. Bringing in outside speakers (speakers from another Toastmasters club) has helped spark interest in a number of clubs and has definitely livened up their meetings. Speechcraft programs are being run around the district. Larry Goldsmith, our A13 area governor, coordinated a Speechcraft and public speaking session for the Columbus metro area. They directed interested attendees to various clubs in the Columbus area. Congratulations on a successful Speechcraft! By the way, this was Larry's High Performance Leadership project.

Contest time is here and we need judges, timers, audience members, and contestants. It made me feel good to see a lady from the Attorney Generals Toastmasters Club compete in the Evaluation Contest after just joining Toastmasters about 3 months ago. Seeing some of the seasoned Toastmasters interacting with new Toastmasters is something to watch. Everyone has something to share. Everyone has a story to tell. Everyone has an opportunity to grow if they will seize it.

Toastmasters is about changing lives. It is changing many lives in District 40 and they are changing in many different ways. Are you taking advantage of those opportunities? Are you growing as a person? Are you stretching yourself? Is your club stretching and growing? Are you sharing what you know in order to receive back?



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TMI

Featured in this month's DISTRICT NEWSLETTER:

Renewal Notice Alert! What Makes a Good Leader?

[Click here](#) to access the District Newsletter on the TI Web site.

(<http://www.toastmasters.org/artisan/member.asp?CategoryID=1&SubCategoryID=51>)

To change your e-mail address, [click here](#) (newsletters@toastmasters.org).

If you are no longer a district officer, [click here](#) (kvangunst@toastmasters.org).

To contact WHQ for any other reason, [click here](#) (<http://www.toastmasters.org/artisan/contact.asp?CategoryID=12>).

M&M's and Toastmasters

Bud Watkins, District 40 Lt. Gov. of Marketing

I love M&M's, especially with all the new sizes, flavors, and colors. It is also so appropriate to be talking about M&M's this time of year, with Halloween just around the corner. One of the easiest and most appreciated handouts during Trick or Treat has to be the small "fun" size bags. However, in my honest opinion, this size only creates frustration instead of fun. GIVE me the big bag, in fact I think they need to come up with "Mondo, gigantis" size bag, but that's just me.

I digress. I also believe that it is very appropriate to discuss M&M's and how they relate to Toastmasters. M&M's and Toastmasters? Yep, and leave it to our Lt. Governor of Marketing, Bud Watkins to come up with the idea. It is his brainchild. Let me explain. M&M stands for Members & More. And when you think about it, what a great way to help promote and remember the purpose of Toastmasters.

Each small "fun" size bag of M&M's contains approximately 20 candies. Each Toastmaster club strives for at least 20 members. It takes 20 to charter, 20 to be distinguished, and 20 to have a successful smooth running club. 20 in a bag and 20 in club. Coincidence? I don't think so! So remember every time you eat, see or think about M&M's, think 20 members for your club. On a side note, if you are spending a lot of time *thinking* about M&M's, you may have a problem.

If M&M's stands for members and more, then let's investigate the "MORE" portion. MORE can and does represent getting more members. However, I think it is deeper than that. I think more stands for what we offer our members and potential members. Toastmasters is just like a business, when you get more than you expect you tend to go back and tell others. Our Toastmaster Clubs operate in a similar fashion. When we offer our members more benefits, more learning opportunities and more success opportunities we are fulfilling our mission and we keep our existing members and they tell others.

Our District Governor, Ray Kramer, has set as the theme for District 40 this year as T.E.A.M. *Together Everyone Achieves Miracles*. One of the best ways to make this theme a reality is to get more members and offer our members more opportunities. M&M's! The more members we have the more opportunities we have. Following is a short list of ways to offer our members and potential members MORE!

- ❖ Use the Distinguished Club Plan (DCP)
- ❖ Attend and compete in club, area, division and district contests
- ❖ Attend the District 40 Fall Conference
- ❖ Visit other clubs or have joint meetings
- ❖ Utilize the resources on the District and International Web-site
- ❖ Present The Successful Speakers series and Successful Club series
- ❖ And many many more



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District 40 calendar:

March / April
club Evaluation
Contest / International
Speech Contest

march / April
Area Evaluation
Contest / International
Speech Contest

April 22, 2006
9 am - Eastern
Division Speech
Contests

1
pm - Central Division
Speech Contests

6
pm - Northern Division
Speech Contests

April 29, 2006
9 am - Loop Division
Speech Contests

1
pm - Western Division
Speech Contests

6
pm - Mountain Division
Speech Contests

May 20, 2006
D40 Spring Conference
/ District Council
Meeting

Dayton Convention
Center

Dayton, OH

June 23 - 24
Region VI Conference

Double Tree Hotel

Detroit Metropolitan
Airport, Detroit, MI

Aug 23 - 26
International
Convention,
Washington DC

So remember, every time you see, eat or think about M&M's think Toastmasters and ask yourself, "what am I doing to find new MEMBERS and what am I doing to offer them MORE?" Again, it is a T.E.A.M. effort, and Together Everyone Achieves Miracles.

Amazing Toastmasters

Jamey French, Area 4 Governor

I never cease to be amazed at the power of Toastmasters. Last night I spent the evening at a job expo sponsored by the Darke County Chamber of Commerce. I had a booth there for my business, The Dreamality Group, and also conducted some "mini" workshops throughout the evening along with fellow Toastmaster, colleague and business coach Paul Ruck. While there we also used part of our table to layout Toastmaster brochures and flyers. I had the opportunity to speak to several people about Toastmasters. But the coolest one was this woman who had hear of Toastmasters but never looked into it because she was too scared to speak in public and she thought that was all TM was all about. Here is the most ironic thing, she has to do a lot of public speaking for her job, but she was still too scared to check us out. She said she felt intimidated. Well, while sharing with her the real business of TM, the business of "CHANGING PEOPLE'S LIVES", another woman stopped by and jumped in to our conversation. She had nothing but glowing comments about TM. She had worked at that hotel in Lima that hosted the district 40 conference a few years back. She said she had never seen a conference that was so full of professional yet fun group of people in all her years in the hotel business. While she never joined herself for some very legitimate personal reasons, she has referred many people over the years to TM clubs. Her last comment to me and this other woman really hit home to me, "It was one of the most uplifting, fun and positive experiences of my life. It made me feel so good about myself and I'm not even a member." Isn't that what TM is really all about? Let's start sharing the real business of TM with others.

Toastmasters Empowers



Connie Wilcox and CEO of DPL,
Jim Mahoney

One of our very own Toastmasters, Connie Wilcox, was one of 27 recipients who received a DPL Inc. 2005 Achievement Award on March 20th. Connie is a Customer Account Manager for DPL Energy, a non-regulated affiliate of Dayton Power & Light and a certified retail electric supplier in Ohio who sells power to commercial and industrial clients. Connie has been with DPL Energy just under 2 years and was nominated by the Director of DPL Energy for this prestigious award. Connie was part of a team that developed and implemented a very unique and creative program. This program required many man-hours to develop and implement and Connie was a vital part of that effort. Once the marketing was completed,

Connie was responsible for distributing and contacting all customers who qualified for the program. While her organizational, communication and writing skills were used throughout implementation of the program, it was her sales skills that really set her apart. Her sign rate was 90% of assigned clients. Connie states "Toastmasters International has not only helped build my confidence in delivering presentations to customers, Toastmasters continues to help me improve on my

Build Membership and Beat the Clock

Need a way to get your club's members focused on membership building? The Beat the Clock! program is just what you're looking for.

Add five new, dual or reinstated members to your club between May 1 and June 30, and you will receive a special Beat the Clock! ribbon to display on your club's banner, and your club can choose one item from The Better Speakers Series, The Leadership Excellence Series or The Successful Club Series. These seven-to 15-minute modules focus on speaking, leadership and club success, with topics such as: Take the Terror Out of a Talk, Building a Team and Evaluate to Motivate. [Click here to see the membership program flier for complete details.](#)

Don't let time run out! We encourage you to Beat the Clock!

verbal organization and listening skills. I like to think of myself as a real advocate and liaison between the customer and company and the skill sets taught in Toastmasters are imperative in helping me be the best in my field." Connie not only serves as the V.P. of Public Relations for the Presidential Drive Club in Fairbom, Ohio, she also serves on the Board of Directors for the Xenia Area Chamber of Commerce.

No Silver Bullet?

Bud Watkins, District 40 Lt. Gov. of Marketing

"If we could only get some members we would be distinguished."

"I don't understand why the District doesn't help us get new members."

"We just Can't keep or get any one to become a member."

Does this sound familiar? I hear this thru out the District in fact all over the region, but it isn't necessarily so.

Some clubs are growing and keeping members, some clubs actually have new members coming to them. Why? How?

Because they ask people to join, they have a long term program to ATTRACT new people to there clubs. We need to sell the benefit to others for their reasons, not ours.

One of my mentors told me many years ago to attract others you must become attractive. I don't think he meant I should be any more handsome, but he meant I should find out what attracts the person we are talking to / about.

Zig Ziglar says you can have any thing you want, if you help enough other people get what they want.

We talk about in our speech evaluations WIIFM. "What's in it for me?"

Membership is no different, we /you /me must appeal to the person we want in our club.

How? Invite them to your meetings, Have Quality meetings, Do Manuel speeches, Follow the Leadership Tract TI puts out for us.

Start a long term membership drive, or program. Decide to have a monthly guest day / night. Invite those you work with and those you do business with. I would say 99% of successful clubs, those with a long term membership program, some one knows and invited them to join. That how I came to Toastmasters. How about you.

So today go out and ask one person to come to your meeting this week, Talk up toastmasters, Wear your logo / pin etc.

If we all asked one person to join and they did, where would our Organization be tomorrow?

You can do it! Check out Membership Ideas on our web sight d40toastmasters.org.

What kind of friend are you?

Dan Houser, CISM CISSP ISSAP

At a regional conference in 1995, the Emcee announced my name as the grand prize winner of the door prize, and I'd won a new IBM laptop. I ran down to the stage and danced around in joy like I was on The Price is Right.

Add Members With Speechcraft

If your club needs to build membership, look no further! Speechcraft is designed to teach non-Toastmasters public speaking skills. Experienced club members present the fundamentals of public speaking during four, six or eight sessions, usually during club meetings. Speechcraft participants are prospective members who will most likely join after they see the benefits of the Toastmasters program, so conducting a terrific program is important. The Speechcraft Starter Kit (Catalog No. 205) is available for \$20 plus postage. It contains all you need to conduct a program. [Click here to contact the Orders Department](#) or visit www.toastmasters.org/store to purchase your copy.

In 1998, I found a special sale at a specialty boot shop, and got 2 pairs of Rockport shoes and a great pair of boots for \$50. Whenever someone commented on my boots, I told them where I'd found the great sale, and told them how to find the store. What a bargain!!

A year ago, I met the Mythbusters from the Discovery channel show, chatted with them for 15 minutes, and got my picture taken with them. Way cool!

Two weeks ago, I won a match-grade \$1100 pistol in a raffle, and I was ecstatic, and couldn't wait to tell my buddies.

How about you?? Do you remember the last time you found that special, cool pair of shoes on sale, read a book that moved you passionately, won a contest or "found" money in clothes you hadn't worn in awhile? Do you remember that ultimate date, that fabulous restaurant with the to-die-for pasta, or that concert where you were swept away by the music? Do you remember how you wanted to share your excitement, to let your buddies know about the great sale, the wonderful book, so they could share your joy at your good fortune and hear about your life-changing experience?

Now imagine with me, having found that great sale, then you hear your friend comment on your sharp new boots or sweater, and how they wish they knew where to find a pair like them. Can you imagine NOT telling them, keeping it to yourself??

Can you imagine, having read that touching book, NOT telling your friend when they started a discussion on that same topic?

What kind of friend would you be, to hold back on them?? Of course, you'd tell them!

If you're like me, you've found similar excitement at Toastmasters, the "Wow!" moment when you witness a home run by a speaker, that same pride at your accomplishments, at realizing that you've grown and achieved a milestone, and a sense of belonging and camaraderie in our Club. I know when I see you and other Toastmasters take the lectern, I see people with changed lives, and dedicated professionals that have stepped outside themselves to grow and achieve something great. Again, I see changed lives, and THAT is exciting!

So, have you told your friends about Toastmasters?? Please, don't keep your friends and colleagues in suspense any longer -- invite them to Toastmasters, so they can share richly in that same joy of accomplishment and excitement! Help them get that great deal, find that good luck, and be touched by something passionate!

I'd challenge every single member to invite 4 friends to Toastmasters this month -- we are having 4 meetings in March, please invite a friend to each of the 4 meetings. I'll personally buy lunch for the Toastmaster that brings the most visitors in March.

First "Select Distinguished Club"

Congratulations to the "Great American Speakers" club #3459, for being the very first club in our District 40 to achieve the "Select Distinguished Club" during the 2005-2006 Toastmasters year!

The "Great American Speakers" is a company club for the "Great American Insurance Company", located in downtown Cincinnati, Ohio.

This club was first chartered in December 2001. Since then, this club has

SAVE THESE DATES!!!

Coming soon, to our very own District 28, is the **2006 Region VI Conference!!** Mark your calendars now: **June 23rd and 24th**. It will be held at the Doubletree Inn in Romulus, Michigan, near Detroit Metro. Airport. Many of us are involved in the planning of this great event with **you**, our members, in mind. We'll keep you posted as our plans evolve.

Quick Directory

Questions about how to start a new club?
newclubs@toastmasters.org

Need to change your mailing or e-mail address?
addresschanges@toastmasters.org

Need help related to your club's officers?
clubofficers@toastmasters.org

Have questions about an award application?
educationawards@toastmasters.org

Need your password to access the online processes?
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Have a membership-related problem or missing your magazine?
membership@toastmasters.org

earned "Select Distinguished" once, "Presidents Distinguished" twice, and is well on their way toward another "Presidents Distinguished" for this 2005-2006 year! How do they achieve such remarkable success? They make their meetings FUN! Lots of theme meetings, even theme contests! Another factor that contributes to their success is good advertising within the company.

Ronda Pollack is the Club President, with Joanne Buchanan serving that Area 33 as Area Governor, and this club is part of District 40's Western Division.

You can contact Ronda at RPollack@gaic.com, phone 513-412-4096.

Clubs can earn any of the three "Distinguished" awards by completing some of the 10 points in the Distinguished Club Program during the Toastmasters year (see the Toastmasters International Web page <https://www.toastmasters.org/fupload/media/2005-DCP-1111.pdf>):

- ❖ "Distinguished" for earning 5 of the 10 points
- ❖ "Select Distinguished" for 7 of the 10 points
- ❖ "Presidents Distinguished" for 9 of the 10 points

Will Your Club Be Distinguished?

Many Clubs are doing an excellent job achieving their Distinguished Club goals. To Celebrate their achievement, members of Distinguished Clubs (as of the last TI posting before the conference date) will be invited to a special **Leadership Excellence Reception** at our District 40 Spring Conference in Dayton. Distinguished Club members will receive preferred seating to the banquet, a special commemorative, and a "Champagne toast" to celebrate their achievement. Make sure that YOUR Club is among those honored – increase your membership, and submit your education completions and dues on time!

Why is it important to be Distinguished? If you're ever driving a long distance, late at night, you may be looking for a place to pull over and sleep. Which hotel do you choose? A name brand, or a "no-tell" Motel? Probably, you'll look for the name brand, since you know they meet certain quality standards. The same is true of our **Distinguished Club Plan**. It is our mark of a quality club, telling prospective members that the **Distinguished Club** effectively meets the high standards promised by Toastmasters International.

Your Club Has A Voice

What do you think about the proposed dues increase? Who will represent our Region on the Board of Directors? Who will lead our District next year?

It is extremely important that your **Club Proxies** are signed and submitted, so that your Club's voice can be heard at the District, Regional, and Annual Business Meetings. Here are the 3 types of proxies, and what to do with them:

- **District Proxy:** must be signed by either the Club President or Education VP (if neither can personally attend), and hand carried by a member of the Club to the District business meeting on May 20. **Look inside for your copy.** One person gets a maximum of two votes, even if they belong to two different Clubs.

- **Regional & Annual proxies** have been mailed to the Club President. They need only be mailed to District Governor, Ray Kramer (they are already addressed). Gov. Kramer and Gov. Perez will ensure that your Club's voice is heard at the Regional and International Conventions. **Please sign and mail them today.** Our Regional and International officers have a big impact on the policies and direction of our organization. Our District officers vow due diligence to interview and investigate each one to determine who will best serve the needs of District 40 and Toastmasters International.

If you are planning to attend these functions, please mail your proxies, then let the District Governor know, and he will give you ballots to vote in person. (That way, you won't have to stand in line for hours waiting for your ballots).

Joe Faloon Youth Leadership Award

Toastmasters District 40 will present the first annual Joe Faloon Youth Leadership

award to a District 40 toastmaster at the Spring District conference, May 20, 2006. Joe Faloon, for whom the award was named, was a member of Mid Day Toastmasters for 38 years prior to his death on February 28, 2004. He was involved in several hundred Toastmaster Youth Leadership programs during this time. The award not only honors our departed friend Joe Faloon, but also encourages and honors Toastmasters that carry on his legacy of investment in our youth.

If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please submit contact information and youth activity details to John Dale via e-mail at **john.dale@jwt.com** , mail the information to John Dale, JWT, 1103 Schrock

Road, Suite 102, Columbus Ohio 43229, or call (614) 785-6090 before April 22.

Check Our Website at <http://www.d40toastmasters.org> for the Latest Information

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Still not sure? Visit the Contact Us section of the TI Web site or e-mail tminfo@toastmasters.org.

Upcoming Dates:

Saturday April 23

Western Division Contest - 9:00 AM, Cincinnati Public Library, 800 Vine St.

Loop Division Contest - 1:30 PM, Cincinnati Financial Corp., 6200 S Gilmore Rd Fairfield, OH

Northern Division Contest - 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM, located at Southminster Presbyterian Church, 7001 Far Hills Avenue, Centerville, OH

Saturday, April 30

Central Division Contest - 9 AM, Nationwide Insurance, Rings Rd Facility 5100 Rings Road, Dublin, OH

Eastern Division Contest - 1 PM, Nationwide Insurance, Rings Rd Facility 5100 Rings Road, Dublin, OH

Mountain Division Contest - 5:30 PM, Ramada Inn, 1698 Flemingsburg Rd, Morehead, KY

Region 6 Conference - June 17-18, 2005 in Pittsburgh, PA.

International Convention - Aug 24-27, 2005 Toronto, Ontario

Call for Nominations

District Officer Mission, Purpose and Qualifications

THE MISSION OF THE DISTRICT

The mission of the District is to enhance the performance and extend the network of Clubs, thereby offering greater numbers of people the opportunity to benefit from the Toastmasters educational program by:

- ? Focusing on the critical success factors as specified by the District educational and membership goals.
- ? Insuring that each Club effectively fulfills its responsibilities to its members.
- ? Providing effective training and leadership development opportunities for Club and District officers.

TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL VISION

Toastmasters International empowers people to achieve their full potential and realize their dreams. Through our member Clubs, people throughout the world can improve their communication and leadership skills, giving them the courage to change.

The mission/purpose and qualifications of each elected officer follows:

DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Mission/Purpose

As the District's chief executive officer, directs the District in a way which fosters strong Clubs; produces maximum growth in education completions, Club and membership; and is consistent with the interests of members of Toastmasters International. Responsible for motivating the District to achieve Distinguished District. Achieves the Mission of the District in a manner which motivates volunteer leaders and promotes a standard of excellence in all District activities.

Qualifications.

At the time of taking office, the District Governor shall have served at least six (6) consecutive months as a Club President and at least twelve (12) consecutive months as a Lt. Governor or Division Governor or a combination thereof.

LT. GOVERNOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Mission/Purpose

Under the guidance of the District Governor, strives to have every Club and each member reap the benefits of the Toastmasters educational program and to have every Club

become a Distinguished Club. Responsible for achieving Distinguished District goals for CTMs, ATMs, and Distinguished Clubs. Provides direction and counsel to

Division Governors, Area Governors, and Club officers on the educational opportunities in Toastmasters. Responsible for the design and conduct of successful District training programs, conferences, and other District educational events.

Qualifications

The Lt. Governor Education and Training shall have served at least six (6) consecutive months as a Club President and at least twelve (12) consecutive months as a Lt. Governor, Division Governor, or an Area Governor, or a combination thereof.

LT. GOVERNOR MARKETING

Mission/Purpose

Under guidance of the District Governor, makes the benefits of Toastmasters membership available to greater numbers of people. Plans, develops, implements, and directs short-term and long-term District marketing objectives. Develops and directs programs for new Club development, Club rescue efforts, Club membership promotion, and membership retention. Responsible for achieving Distinguished District goals for membership and Club Growth. Promotes standards of service to the member and to the Club.

Qualifications

The Lt. Governor Marketing shall have served for at least six (6) consecutive months as a Club President and at least twelve (12) consecutive months as a Lt. Governor, a Division Governor, or as an Area Governor, or a combination thereof.

DIVISION GOVERNOR

Mission/Purpose

Achieves the Mission of the District within the Division, accomplishing District goals in membership building and retention, Club extension, and educational accomplishments. Ensures that each Club realizes its Mission and fulfills its responsibilities to its members. Responsible for achieving Distinguished Division Program goals and for ensuring that Areas and Clubs within the Division achieve Distinguished status. Serves the Division Clubs by providing District support and resources through the Area Governors.

Qualifications

A Division Governor shall have served at least six (6) consecutive months as a member of a District Council (e.g., Club President, Vice President Education, Area Governor, District Secretary, District Treasurer).

OTHER POSITIONS

The following positions are either elected or appointed by the District Governor:

AREA GOVERNOR

Mission/Purpose

Provides District contact, support, and assistance to the Club so that it may achieve the Club Mission and fulfill its responsibilities to its members. Helps Clubs by keeping in regular contact with Club Presidents in the Area and by visiting each Club at least twice during the year. Is responsible for achieving Distinguished Area Program goals and for ensuring that each Area Club is a Distinguished Club.

Qualifications

Insofar as practicable, an Area Governor should have served as a member of a District Council (e.g., Club President, Vice President Education, or District Officer).

DISTRICT PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

Mission/Purpose

Works under the direction of the District Governor. Helps maintain communication between the District and its members and works to increase public awareness of Toastmasters International through the media. The Public Relations Officer prepares a public relations program designed to achieve goals for membership growth, Club growth and educational achievements in Clubs and achievement in the Distinguished Club Program. Promotes District Conferences and leadership training opportunities within the District.

Qualifications

This officer serves in a staff position under the direction of the District Governor and must be a member in good standing of a Toastmasters Club in good standing.

DISTRICT TREASURER

Mission/Purpose

Establishes and maintains effective fiscal management of the District. Promotes the growth of Toastmasters by providing sound fiscal guidance to the District. Produces monthly reports reflecting the District's financial status and ensures that expenditures remain within the budget approved by the District Council. Ensures that the District maintains the financial controls established by Toastmasters International.

Qualifications

Should have accounting experience and understand basic bookkeeping practices.

SECRETARY

Mission/Purpose

Helps District function effectively and achieve its Mission by recording and maintaining accurate minutes of District Council, Executive Committee, and other meetings. Serves as custodian of District Administrative Bylaws and policies.

Qualifications

Should be a reliable, prompt, well-organized Toastmaster who can accurately record meeting actions. Should have access to facilities for word processing and reproduction of materials.

If you would like to serve in one of these positions or if you know of someone who would like to serve, please submit his or her name to the District Governor.

District 40 Officer Nominations

District officer elections will take place on May 20, 2006. Names to be considered for nomination are being accepted for the following offices: DISTRICT GOVERNOR; LT. GOVERNOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING; LT. GOVERNOR MARKETING; AND DIVISION GOVERNORS (Central, Eastern, Loop 275, Northern, Mountain, and Western). If you would like to be nominated for office or if you want to enter a person's name for nomination, please complete the form below and mail to Jim Smith, Chairman, Nominating Committee by **April 15, 2006**. See below for Nominating Committee Chairman's address and phone number. You may submit more than one name (including your own) for each position.

The deadline for submitting this form is April 15, 2006. The Nominating Committee will consider all candidates received by the deadline. To be nominated or elected, a person must be a member in good standing, meet the qualifications of the office, must consent to being nominated, and must sign an Officer Agreement and Release Statement.

District Officer Nominating Form

I wish to have the nominating committee consider the following person for the office of:

? District Governor ? Lt. Governor Education & Training
? Lt. Governor Marketing ? Division Governor (please specify division _____)

Nominee's Name _____ ? CTM ? ATM ? DTM

Address _____ State/Prov _____

City _____ Postal Code _____

Country _____

Telephone (H) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

FAX _____ e-mail: _____

Home Club Name _____ Club No. _____

Please describe any club and district offices held by nominated individual (include dates of service if possible). Please share with the nominating committee why you believe the nominated individual should be considered for the specified position. If there is additional information you would like to include about this candidate that you feel would assist the nominating committee in their deliberations, please attach it to this form.

Submitted by: _____ Date: _____

Mail, fax or email to:
Jim Smith, DTM, PID
Chairman, Nominating Committee
4520 Pennyston Ave.
Huber Heights, OH 45424
(937) 233-9748
dmjsmith@erinet.com

Deadline for submitting this form is April 15, 2006.

Those interested in appointed positions for next year, contact Gov. Perez @ 614-792-2498

Attention Presidents and VPs-Education
Toastmasters International District 40

Spring Conference

Business Meeting Proxy

Location: **Dayton Convention Center, Dayton, Ohio** Date/Time: **May 20th, 2006 - 3pm**

Club Name: _____ Club No: _____

I hereby appoint:

to vote as my proxy at the Conference stated above.

Signed: _____ Title: (circle) **President** or **VP-Education**

Date _____

Either the Club President or the Club VP-Education may designate, in writing, (using this form or other written communication) any active member in good standing of the Club to act as a proxy or proxies, and cast one or both ballots of the Club at the District Council Meeting. In the event one of those Officers is not in attendance at the meeting and has not designated, in writing an active member of the Club to act as proxy or proxies of the Club at any Council meeting, the other Officer in attendance may cast two votes. No other proxies shall be valid in any such meeting. Each member of the District Council, or Club proxy for the Club President or VP-Education in attendance is entitled to one vote. Any active member who carries the proxies of both Club President and VP-Education from the Club is entitled to two votes; and any such Toastmaster who is also a member of the District Executive Committee is entitled to three votes. All other Toastmasters shall be limited to a maximum of two votes, regardless of the number of Clubs to which they belong. The maximum number of votes that any Toastmaster may cast is three regardless of the number of Clubs to which that Toastmaster belongs.

(Fill out, and give to member attending Spring/Fall Conference.)