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January Club Officer Training

"Wow" is the word to describe The December 2008 club officer training. Remember **we need at least 4 of our officers to attend** both rounds of training (June / July and Dec / Jan) to achieve that one DCP goal.

Club Officer Training

9:30 am – 12 noon

January 24 (Sat)

Queen's Kamehameha Auditorium

"Come on down" and network with your fellow Toastmasters.

Bring some paper and a pen and jot down some useful tips for your clubs.

Most of all have fun while learning and enjoy the training we have prepared for you.



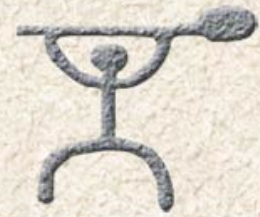
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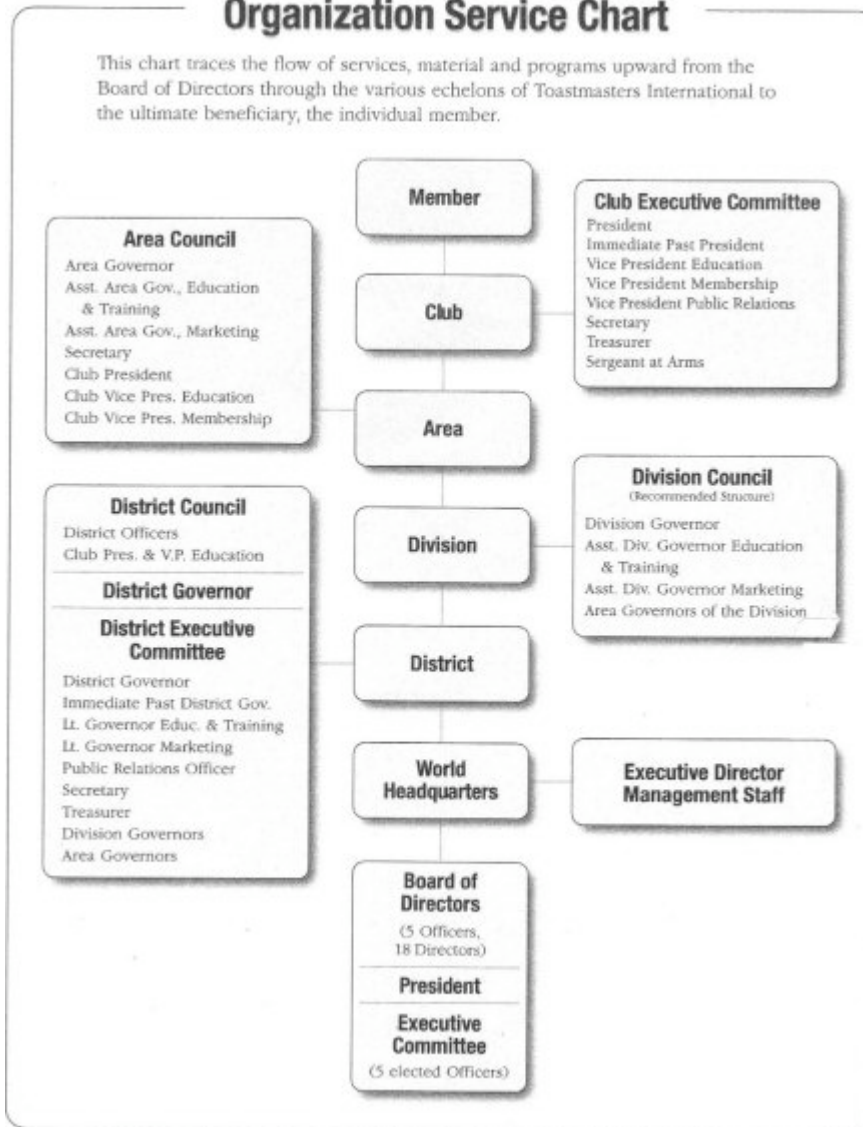
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Toastmasters International Organization Service Chart

This chart traces the flow of services, material and programs upward from the Board of Directors through the various echelons of Toastmasters International to the ultimate beneficiary, the individual member.



**Club, Area,
Division,
District.....**

***How is
Toastmasters
International
structured?
What do Area,
Division and
District mean?***

As you can see from the Organization Service Chart (available at www.toastmasters.org) it is the MEMBER that sits at the top of the structure, and everything Toastmasters does is to provide the Toastmaster programs to more members and support each and every member meeting their own goals.

Toastmasters International exists to provide world class training in both communication and leadership. Most are familiar with the Communication track, but there is a lot to be gained through the Leadership track as well.

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Just as Speech evaluations provide us feedback to speed our improvement in prepared speeches, the Leadership track provides training, and feedback through evaluations, in all the other roles we fill at Toastmasters. In addition to those projects, you also earn points for being a Speech Contest chairman, editing your club newsletter or being your club webmaster. As you progress to the advanced levels, stepping up to Officer roles in your club, and then in your District are required Leadership projects.

Being a club officer is an integral part of the Toastmaster experience. Taking a District officer role enhances that benefit. Area Governor is the District role that interfaces most directly with the clubs. Four to six clubs are grouped into an Area. We have 12 Areas in Hawaii (1-12). In order to facilitate support, Areas are grouped together into Divisions. The Division Governor supports the Area Governors, and their clubs. We have 3 Divisions in Hawaii: A,B & C. Divisions are grouped together into a District. We are in District 49 and it encompasses the entire state of Hawaii. There are 79 districts worldwide.

District Officers support Division Governors, Area Governors and Clubs in making sure that every member has the opportunity and support to meet their Communication and Leadership goals.

Toastmasters Members Are the Top Of the TI Organizational Structure

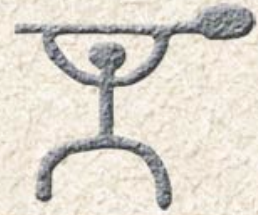


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Invite, Invite, Invite Enroll

“Our mission is to enhance the performance and extend the network of clubs, thereby offering greater numbers of people the opportunity to benefit from the TM educational programs. It is truly remarkable that Toastmasters empowers us to reach our fullest potential, improves our communication and leadership skills, and gives us the courage to achieve! Together, let’s make 2009 a year to remember!” (excerpt from District Governor’s New Years Message at www.District49.org)

Communication and Leadership skills “make the world go ‘round”, so whether your friends are currently employed, or looking... Toastmasters is a great asset for them to add to their repertoire ☺. Toastmasters offers world class training in Communication and Leadership for a nominal fee.

As District PRO (Public Relations Officer), Tap Titherington reminds us to let friends and colleagues know about how much **fun** we have in Toastmasters...and what it has done for you. Invite them to come along to a meeting and offer to pick them up.

If you are a member of a company club, be sure to let associates know....about the fun, and the changes. Invite them to come to a meeting and see for themselves. If you have a friend who’d like to check Toastmasters out, help them find a community club meeting to attend, (www.toastmasters.org) and if possible, go with them.



District Secretary

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The District Secretary records and maintains district documents. It is critical that this person be reliable, well organized, and have a good understanding of the need for accurate, timely records. Access to the internet and photocopy equipment are needed for this role.

The secretary takes the minutes at the monthly executive council meetings, send them out for comments and corrections, handle the corrections, and publish them prior to the DEC (District Executive Council) meeting the following month.

Angie Aniya, CC, CL

DISTRICT 49 SECRETARY

TEAM PLAYER EXTRAORDINAIRE



Angie Aniya first joined Toastmasters in 2005. What attracted her? Angie is a team player...and the club launching at her workplace needed two more members, so she stepped up to be one of them! Right away, they elected her to be VP Education for the club (DBEDT For Business), which she fulfilled for two years. Before the speech practice in her Toastmasters clubs, Angie says her arms felt ten feet long...and she talked like a frog...when she spoke to groups. The consistent positive support from her fellow Toastmasters has returned her arms to normal length, and her voice now rings out clearly. ☺ In fact, the reports she makes to groups now are a breeze.

Since Angie enjoys good conversations and talking story, she is particularly appreciative of Table Topics practice. Table Topics has helped her present complete thoughts in a conversation...a goal many of us find familiar. DBEDT for Business grew so big that Angie also joined Liliuokalani club in order to have more opportunities to speak. She is currently President of Liliuokalani Toastmasters in addition to her role as District Secretary. I wasn't surprised with Angie's reason for taking a District Officer role... to earn more points for her clubs. That's a team player!

Angie is secretary for the State's Chief Economist who wears a second hat as the Research and Economic

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Analysis Division's Economics Research Administrator in the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism.

Angie is able to use her Toastmaster skills officially in this role for giving reports at branch or division level.

Top suggestion from the Secretary? Join Toastmasters because it has a positive support system – it gives you a great place to practice speaking as well as grow in leadership skills; and it gives you feedback so you know exactly where & what you should improve on. For her, Toastmasters is the “Ultimate Practice Arena” for public speaking with the added bonus of leadership development.

[Prior to Toastmasters allowing women to join, many areas opened Toastmistress clubs where they practiced public speaking. Toastmasters, although formed in 1924, did not allow women to be members until 1973. Angie was a Toastmistress once upon a time...and enjoyed that too!]

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 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