



District Leader

Biographical Information

Candidate's Name: **Bethesda Gee**

Candidate's Office: **Currently Area S3 Director** District Number: **100**

Toastmasters member since: **2004-2005, and then again from 03/2021 to present**

Education:

Bachelors of Science in Biology, University of California - Davis (1994-1999)
Medical Doctorate, University of California - Irvine (1999-2003)
Masters in Public Health, University of California - Los Angeles (2006-2008)

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

PACHS VPE, 2021
PACHS President, 2022
PACHS VPM, 2022
Dungeons & Toast VPM, 2022-2023
PACHS VPE 2023-2024
Area S3 Director 2023-2024

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

Area Division Contest, 2nd Place, 2022
Toastmaster of the Year, 2023

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a District leader:

Public Safety Commissioner for the City of South Pasadena - working in a group, meeting structure
Scoutmaster for Troop 7G, South Pasadena -- initiating projects for scouts
Sunday School Teacher/Bible Study Leader, Evergreen Baptist Church in Rosemead -- teaching
South Pasadena Educational Foundation Board Member -- fundraising

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

I am currently enrolled in an Executive MBA Program at the Quantic School of Business & Technology. I will be studying strategy in 2025.

My work on the Public Safety Commission for my city has also exposed me to the intricacies of city planning.

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

My experience in the area of finance is pretty limited. For my MBA program, I am currently studying Accounting, Markets, and Economics this year (2024) and also Finance next year (2025).

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

In my work, I serve as Physician Director of the Infusion Clinic. Here, I have worked with other leaders to develop market-wide protocols for drug administration. I have also written algorithms for primary care physicians on how to treat wound care patients. Finally, in my work as a Cub Scout Den Leader, Scoutmaster, and Sunday School teachers, I have had to write curriculums.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

As an Area S3 Director, I discovered that I still have a lot to learn. The main skill I need to develop is learning how to motivate others to participate in District initiatives. I realized that persistent ASKs via email is not enough; moreover, I need to spend more time to develop relationships with others. In my career, I have learned to hone my diplomacy skills.

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

I enjoy volunteering and networking. I am here to make friendships and to gain more leadership skills along the way.

In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

Building Clubs to improve membership, and therefore, strengthen Toastmasters!
I am learning how to build one club this year. I hope to build more in the future.
I would also like to strengthen the quality of the clubs we have now, by helping them to make goals via the Club Success Plan. In turn, I will encourage clubs to aim for those goals.

Additional information about yourself:

Please see my CV (curriculum vitae) for further information.