



Donna H. Groh / Executive Director

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Mr. Charles Vest, President  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
77 Massachusetts Avenue  
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Vest:

Toastmasters International is the leading nonprofit organization in the world devoted to helping people improve their speaking and listening abilities. Toastmasters is also instrumental in helping people develop executive leadership skills. We currently have more than 185,000 members in our organization and each district has an elected governor who manages district affairs and motivates our membership to improved performance.

Past District Governor (2001-2002) Ruth Levitsky, ATM-G was one of our outstanding District Governors. In this volunteer position, Ms. Levitsky demonstrated leadership and management skills, which resulted in many people learning, growing, and achieving through the Toastmasters educational program. Being a District Governor in Toastmasters International requires the ability to set meaningful goals for growth and education activities. It also requires a talent for planning and coordinating programs to reach and exceed established targets. In this position, one develops leadership skills, which can directly affect career performance. But most important, a District Governor provides spirited public service by helping people grow and achieve through improvement of their speaking skills.

We thought you would appreciate hearing about Ruth's recognition and most recent accomplishment. We're very proud that she has been able to lend her executive talent to Toastmasters International.

Sincerely,

Donna H. Groh  
Executive Director

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CC: Olivier Blanchard, Department Head, MIT  
Ruth Levitsky, ATM-G Immediate Past District 31 Governor

