

I am frequently asked by friends why I spend so much of my weekend time traveling around for Mensa events. The simple answer is that it is not only my pleasure to serve the members of the Southwest Region, it is my privilege. Whether it is attending an RG , training a new proctor for a group that is trying to jumpstart its testing program, or hosting a forum for members who are seeking new ideas for local group activities, the Region 6 members make every day a new adventure.

As the only region to simultaneously contain two of the ten largest local groups and two of the ten smallest local groups, the Region 6 local groups are an extremely diverse lot. I am blown away by the commitment of our local leaders throughout the region. Whether it is serving as an officer or simply hosting a monthly games night or lunch group, our volunteers are our greatest asset. The enthusiasm that I have seen demonstrated time and again encourages me to believe that Mensa is not only still relevant over 70 years after its founding, but also has an even greater opportunity to serve our members' wide-ranging needs.

At the national level, I greatly appreciate the opportunity to work with other members who are so passionate about this awesome organization. The efforts of the AMC members to remain focused on strategic thinking as we work to modernize and develop the potential for success that Mensa holds make me proud. There is not always consensus, but there is genuine respect and appreciation for the different perspectives offered by all of the members of the AMC.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.