

# Northwest Words

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See YOU at our next Meeting  
Tuesday November 15, 2005  
- AND -  
Tuesday, November 29, 2005



*The Mission of a Toastmasters Club is to provide a mutually supportive and positive learning environment in which each member has the opportunity to develop and practice communication and leadership skills, which in turn foster self-confidence and personal growth.*

## Welcome Visitors !

Our visitors for the November 1, 2005 meeting were:

- ü Humberto Alamilla (of Winston-Salem)
- ü Rachel Burriss (of Advance)
- ü Juan Antonio Rodergues (of Clemmons)

We hope you enjoyed the meeting. We also hope that you could see how you could improve your leadership and speaking talents by becoming a member of Northwestern Toastmasters.

## District 37 Fall Conference

The District Conference was held on the November 4-6 weekend. As always, Northwestern Toastmasters were well represented – by both their presence and participation. Be sure to attend the next meeting for all the details .

## Things to Think About

Those who jump off a Paris bridge are in Seine

A pessimist's blood type is always b-negative.

A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.

If you don't pay your exorcist, you get repossessed.

Acupuncture is a jab well done.

## Schedule for the November 15, 2005 meeting

Toastmaster .....	Brian Davidson
Table Topics .....	Elaine Wiles
General Evaluator .....	Donna Hall
Speaker .....	Joyce Potter
Speaker .....	Derrick Webb
Speaker .....	Pam Christopher
Evaluator.....	Randell Jones
Evaluator.....	David Scruggs
Evaluator.....	Claudia Sortwell
Grammarian.....	Teddy Burriss
Wordmaster .....	Marcia Barney
Timer .....	Butch Barney
Vote Counter.....	Joe Bircher
Jokemaster .....	Pedro Espino

**Remember: All roles are important! If you can not attend the meeting, then do contact either our VP of Education or the Toastmaster of the meeting.**

## A Friendly Reminder

Mark your calendar now – before the holiday rush hides everything else. Remember we meet on the First, Third and Fifth Tuesday of each month. November is one of those months that has three meeting days. Because of this, we will meet on the fifth Tuesday – then, ONE WEEK LATER, we meet again on the first Tuesday of December. Get these dates on your calendar now –

- November 15, 2005 (third Tuesday)
- November 29, 2005 (fifth Tuesday)
- December 6, 2005 (first Tuesday)
- December 20, 2005 (third Tuesday)

Have a great time this Holiday season and enjoy our meetings.

## ***The November 1, 2005 Meeting***

Our presiding officer was President Teddy Burriss. Teddy, according to our General Evaluator, ran an efficient, no nonsense business meeting.

Our Toastmaster of the meeting was John Clark, who used the theme "A Toastmasters Promise" from the successful Club series. John used a variation of the program schedule in order to provide every on with a list of the ten promises we make when we join Toastmasters.

Brian Davidson was our Vote Counter. Claudia Sortwell ran the timing lights. Teddy (what a nice guy) Burriss was our grammarian.

Table Topics master, Marcia Barney provided questions relating to the theme of the meeting, "A Toastmasters Promise." Marcia's questions went to Elaine Wiles, Teddy Burriss, Claudia Sortwell and Brian Davidson. The questions included –

- ◆ Why did you join Toastmasters?
- ◆ What is the most rewarding aspect of Toastmasters?
- ◆ What activity do you most enjoy in the Club?
- ◆ What activity do you most enjoy outside the Club?

All answers were well delivered and were within the time limits.

Our prepared speakers of the evening ~~were~~ were well prepared as ~~they~~ he presented ~~their~~ his speeches:

- ü Joe Bircher gave his Icebreaker speech from the basic manual. Joe's exuberance was demonstrated by the number of minutes that he went over his allotted time. Joe, thank you for a great speech – you accomplished your goal of letting us know more about you.

Our General Evaluator, Butch Barney, evaluated our meeting, including the unique activity of our Toastmaster of the Meeting. He then called on Teddy Burriss to evaluate Joe's speech. After Teddy's evaluation, Elaine Wiles delivered the grammarians report.

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## ***November 29<sup>th</sup> Meeting***

Our fifth Tuesday meeting is a special educational meeting, or "How to become a better Toastmaster in three easy lessons." Marcia Barney will be the Toastmaster of the Meeting and our three speakers will be giving their speeches from the Successful Club Series. This is one meeting that you don't want to miss. Be There – or – Be prepared to answer to Marcia.

## Where were you?

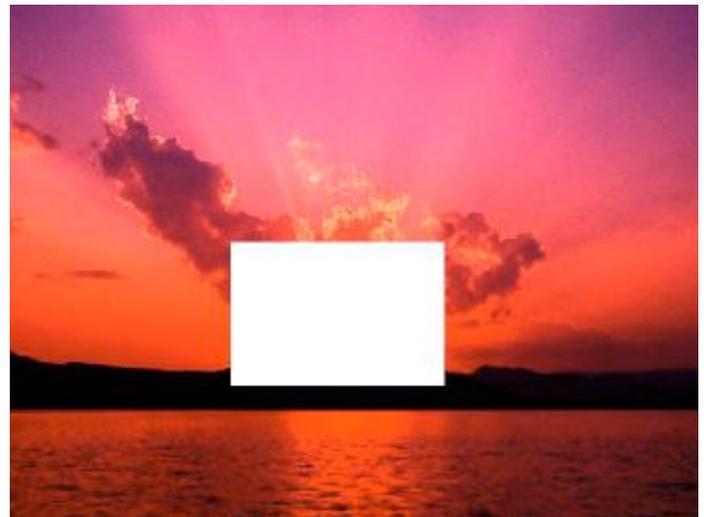


There are times when things go wrong – when we are not able to attend a meeting because something happened at the last minute. There are other times we just feel the need for a night off – perhaps we didn't prepare that

speech and are just too embarrassed to admit it. Since a picture is supposed to be worth a thousand words, here are two thousand words about our meetings – Enjoy.



This is what our meeting looks like when you are there to fill your role.



This is what our meeting looks like when you are not there to fill your role.