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**See YOU at our next Meeting
Tuesday July 18, 2006**



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.

New Members !

Libby and David Laqadi were guests at our June 6, 2006 meeting. Welcome to Northwestern Toastmasters!



Next Meeting

July 18 (see the schedule on the right) promises to be good, even by Northwestern Standards. The theme for the meeting is "Don't Stumble Over Details" and knowing our Toastmaster for the evening – it will be interesting.

There are two ice breaker speeches – always a joy to hear someone start on the road to improved communications.

Schedule for the July 18, 2006 meeting

Toastmaster	Elaine Wiles
Table Topics	Butch Barney
General Evaluator	Joel Schanker
Speaker	Libby Laqadi
Speaker	David Laqadi
Speaker	Barbara Schanker
Evaluator.....	Marcia Barney
Evaluator.....	Donna Hall
Evaluator.....	Chuck Melton
Grammarian.....	Teddy Burriss
Wordmaster	Christy Seay
Timer	Brian Davidson
Vote Counter.....	
Jokemaster	John Clark

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.

New Officers!

Our new officers are-

- ü Donna Hall, President
- ü Joel Schanker, VP Education and Training
- ü Lance Kull, VP Membership
- ü John Clark, VP Public Relations
- ü Christy Seay, Secretary
- ü Marcia Barney, Treasurer
- ü Evander Woo, Sergeant at Arms

Be sure to say "Thank You" to these individuals who have agreed to lead Northwestern for the next year.

The July 4, 2006, Meeting

Surprise – bet you didn't know that there was a meeting – did you? Just wanted to see if you were paying attention. Now that I have your attention – let me remind you that the next issue will contain the first meeting report written by our new secretary, Christy Seay.

I know that Christy will do a great job in keeping us up to date on meeting activities. This column is useful to many members. (As in "When did I give speech number whatever? I need to know so I can fill out my award application.")

As everyone who has served the Club in this role will tell you – It's not always easy to keep track of who did what. It is a challenge that Christy is eager to accept.

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You are driving in a car at a constant speed. On your left side is a valley and on your right side is a fire engine traveling at the same speed as you. In front of you is a galloping pig which is the same size as your car and you cannot overtake it. Behind you is a helicopter flying at ground level. Both the giant pig and the helicopter are also traveling at the same speed as you.

Question. What must you do to safely get out of this highly dangerous situation?

Answer: Get off the children's "Merry-Go-Round", you're drunk!

## **Farewell**

This will be my last editorial column for a while. It has been suggested (and I agree) that we need to provide the officers and members with an opportunity to speak out (well, write out) and express their thought. Our officers will be expressing their goals for their term in office. Our members will be expressing what the officers should be doing. Sounds to me like there is a lot of expressing going on.

So, for now, Farewell – it's been a long and glorious road. But have no fear, if the need arises, I'll be here to step in. Just remember that, if the column header starts with "Guess Who's Back?" then someone didn't get their (about) 300 words in to the editor in time for publication.

All joking aside – I have enjoyed doing this column more than anything else in the newsletter. It's just that it's getting more difficult for me to come up with a new topic each issue (NO! My brain is not getting soft – Northwestern is getting better.) So, keep reading our newsletter – it's just going to keep getting better. I am looking forward to see some of the things that other members are going to be writing for this column. It should prove to be interesting, educational and fun.

## ***Have you had your Groan for today?***

- Ø Two antennas met on a roof, fell in love and got married. The ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was excellent.
- Ø A jumper cable walks into a bar. The bartender says, "I'll serve you, but don't try and start anything."
- Ø Two peanuts walk into a bar, and one was a salted.
- Ø A man walks into a bar with a slab of asphalt under his arm and says: "A beer please, and one for the road."
- Ø Two cannibals are eating a clown. One says to the other: "Does this taste funny to you?"
- Ø "Doc, I can't stop singing 'The Green, Green Grass of Home.'" "That sounds like Tom Jones Syndrome." "Is it common?" "Well, It's Not Unusual."
- Ø An invisible man marries an invisible woman. The kids were nothing to look at either.
- Ø Deja Moo: The feeling that you've heard this bull before.
- Ø I went to buy some camouflage trousers the other day but I couldn't find any.
- Ø I went to a seafood disco last week...and pulled a mussel.