

# Northwest Words

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at our next Meeting



***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.***

## Schedule for the July 15, 2008 Meeting

|                         |                   |
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| Scott Anderson.....     | Evaluator         |
| Don Barnett.....        |                   |
| Butch Barney.....       | General Evaluator |
| Marcia Barney.....      | Evaluator         |
| Susan Bush.....         | Vote Counter      |
| Pam Christopher.....    | Evaluator         |
| John Clark.....         |                   |
| Brian Davidson.....     | Table Topics      |
| Princess Edwards.....   |                   |
| Eddy Gaasbeek.....      | Timer             |
| Dale Holder.....        |                   |
| Mary Jones.....         |                   |
| Lance Kull.....         |                   |
| Barbie Morgan.....      | Word Master       |
| Zoltan Rab.....         |                   |
| Madan Rangabasyam...    |                   |
| Angela Rininger.....    | Speaker           |
| Barbara Schanker.....   | Speaker           |
| Joel Schanker.....      | Evaluator         |
| Mick Scott.....         |                   |
| David Scruggs.....      |                   |
| Veronica Sherbourne.... | Grammarian        |
| Craig Thrift.....       | Toastmaster       |
| Brenda Tuttle.....      |                   |
| Jeff Walker.....        | Speaker           |
| Derrick Webb.....       |                   |
| Elaine Wiles.....       | Speaker           |
| Evander Woo.....        | Joke Master       |

## Schedule for the July 29, 2008 Meeting

|                         |                   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Scott Anderson.....     |                   |
| Don Barnett.....        |                   |
| Butch Barney.....       |                   |
| Marcia Barney.....      | General Evaluator |
| Susan Bush.....         | Speaker           |
| Pam Christopher.....    |                   |
| John Clark.....         | Evaluator         |
| Brian Davidson.....     | Toastmaster       |
| Princess Edwards.....   | Speaker           |
| Eddy Gaasbeek.....      |                   |
| Dale Holder.....        |                   |
| Mary Jones.....         |                   |
| Lance Kull.....         |                   |
| Barbie Morgan.....      |                   |
| Zoltan Rab.....         |                   |
| Madan Rangabasyam ..    | Speaker           |
| Angela Rininger.....    |                   |
| Barbara Schanker.....   |                   |
| Joel Schanker.....      |                   |
| Mick Scott.....         | Speaker           |
| David Scruggs.....      |                   |
| Veronica Sherbourne ... |                   |
| Craig Thrift.....       |                   |
| Brenda Tuttle.....      | Speaker           |
| Jeff Walker.....        |                   |
| Derrick Webb.....       | Evaluator         |
| Elaine Wiles.....       | Evaluator         |
| Evander Woo.....        | Table Topics      |

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

The dead batteries were given out free of charge.  
A dentist and a manicurist fought tooth and nail.  
A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two tired.  
A will is a dead giveaway.  
A backward poet writes inverse.

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## New Members and Guests

Princess Edwards now holds not one, but two titles in Northwestern Toastmasters. She was our latest guest at the last meeting and is now our newest member. Be sure to make her feel at home. Princess, we are all looking forward to hearing you icebreaker speech.

## June 17, 2008 Meeting Notes

by Evander Woo, Secretary



The July 1, 2008 meeting of Northwestern Toastmasters marked the beginning of a new year at Northwestern Toastmasters. Brian Davidson opened the meeting. Butch Barney thanked past leaders' for their hard work, then introduced the new leaders for 2008-2009 year. The new leaders sworn in were Sergeant at Arms Eddy Gaasbeck, VP of Education Don Barnett, Treasurer Marcia Barney, VP of Public Relations John Clark, VP of Membership Elaine Wiles, and President Craig Thrift. Secretary Evander Woo was not able to attend tonight's meeting, but Susan Bush took filled in as Secretary for tonight.

At 6:40PM, Craig took over as presiding president and announced a recess until 6:45PM.

The meeting promptly resumed at 6:45PM. Tonight's Toastmaster was Lance Kull, who had set the theme "Hot Now, Summer in the City". In that theme, he talked about independence and the various types of 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebrations.

Susan Bush was the Wordmaster of the evening. The timer was Scott Anderson.

The Table Topics Master was our new VP of Education Don Barnett. He asked Scott, "What was the hottest day out of your office?" Scott talked about a training session in Philadelphia, where the pavement was hot enough to fry an egg. The next question was "What was the hottest day you had ever experienced?" Angela Reninger talked about a family trip to Orlando, Florida in a new van that had a broken air conditioner and standing in line at Disney World on the hot pavement. The third question was "How did you escape a hot day?" Eddy Gaasbeck told a story about sitting in a bucket of ice during his childhood. The fourth question was "How do you deal with a hot day?" Mick Scott said that he didn't have air conditioning in his home or car. He loved to experience being hot.

The vote counter tonight was Mick Scott.

The first prepared speaker was Joel Schanker with his speech "One That Works" about losing weight and Weight Watchers. The second prepared speaker was John Clark with "Nothing is Free".

Brian Davidson was the general evaluator and noted that the meeting had started late and the introductions should be given to the Toastmaster earlier.

Marcia Barney evaluated Joel Schanker's speech. Barbara evaluated John Clark's speech.

Angela Reninger was the grammarian tonight. Eddy and Don had some ums and ahs. She has learned to tell everyone to hand over their quarters to our Treasurer Marcia Barney.

Mick Scott won the Best Table Topics ribbon, Marcia Barney won the Best Evaluator ribbon, and Joel Schanker won the Best Speaker ribbon.

During Craig's wrap up of the meeting, he announced the Northwestern Toastmasters had earned the Founders Award ribbon to be added to our banner.

We had two guests tonight, Jennifer and Princess. Both were asked to speak about their impression of tonight's meeting.

The joke master of the evening was Don Barnett. The joke was about Butch Barney driving a sports car, being pulled over for speeding, then telling the officer that he was trying to get there as fast as he could.

The meeting adjourned at 7:36PM.

### ~~~~~ Summer in the South

- The birds have to use potholders to pull worms out of the ground.
- The trees are whistling for the dogs.
- The best parking place is determined by shade instead of distance.
- Hot water now comes out of both taps.
- You can make sun tea instantly.
- You learn that a seat belt buckle makes a pretty good branding iron.
- The temperature drops below 95 and you feel a little chilly.
- You discover that in July it only takes 2 fingers to steer your car.
- You discover that you can get sunburned through your car window.
- You actually burn your hand opening the car door.
- You break into a sweat the instant you step outside at 7:30 a.m.
- Your biggest bicycle wreck fear is, 'What if I get knocked out and end up lying on the pavement and cook to death?'
- You realize that asphalt has a liquid state.
- The potatoes cook underground, so all you have to do is pull one out and add butter, salt and pepper.
- Farmers are feeding their chickens crushed ice to keep them from laying boiled eggs.
- The cows are giving evaporated milk.

### ~~~~~ You Know You Need a new Lawyer When

1. During your initial consultation he tries to sell you Amway.
2. He tells you that his last good case was a Budweiser.
3. When the prosecutors see who your lawyer is, they high-five each other.
4. He picks the jury by playing duck-duck-goose.
5. During the trial you catch him playing his Gameboy.
6. He asks a hostile witness to "pull my finger."
7. A prison guard is shaving your head.
8. Every couple of minutes he yells, I call Jack Daniels to the stand! and proceeds to drink a shot.
9. He frequently gives juror No. 4 an obscene gesture.
10. He places a large No Refunds sign on the defense table.
11. He begins closing arguments with,....." As Ally McBeal once said ...
12. He keeps citing the legal case of Godzilla v. Mothra.
13. Just before trial starts he whispers,....." The judge is the one with the little hammer, right?"
14. Just before he says Your Honor, he makes those little quotation marks in the air with his fingers.
15. The sign in front of his law office reads Practicing Law Since 2:25 PM.
16. Whenever his objection is overruled, he tells the judge,..."Whatever."
17. He giggles every time he hears the word briefs.