

Northwest Words

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We meet each first, third, and fifth Tuesday, 6:30 PM - Mayberry's, 50 Miller Street, Winston-Salem, NC

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Next Meeting is on

April 19, 2011

(Next Tuesday)

For More Information, call

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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.

Guests and New Members

Our guest at the April 5th meeting was Fabio Almedia. We hope you enjoyed the meeting and were able to see how Toastmasters could be an asset in your life. Fabio was invited by Christa Neuhauser

Your Horoscope

You will feed on the flesh of your mortal enemy, which is lucky for you, as your mortal enemy is the orange braised duck

District Spring Conference

The District 37 Spring Conference will be held at the Embassy Suites in Research Triangle Park. The dates are Friday, May 13 through Sunday May 15. For more information, contact any District Officer or go to the district web site - www.toastmasters-nc.org.

Improve Your Vocabulary

A diplomat is someone who can tell you to go to hell in such away that you will look forward to the trip

Hospitality is making your guests feel like they're at home, even if you wish they were

I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not sure.

Nostalgia isn't what it used to be

Some people hear voices. Some see invisible people. Others have no imagination whatsoever.

Improved Communications Seminar Will Begin May 3, 2011

Northwestern Toastmasters will offer an Improved Communications Seminar (ICS) beginning May 3. This 8-session workshop will run for 8 consecutive weeks from May 3 through June 21. During the 8 sessions each participant will make at least 3 prepared speeches, answer at least 2 impromptu questions, participate in at least 2 group discussions, give at least one evaluation, and receive training sessions on all major aspects of speaking. Five of the sessions will be in conjunction with our regular NWTM meetings, including the one on May 31 that is devoted exclusively to Evaluations. The other three will be held at another location.

Reservation forms for the workshop will be available at our April 19 meeting. All members of our club who have not previously participated in an ICS are expected to sign up for the sessions. Members should notify Marcia Barney of potential conflicts to avoid scheduling problems. The seminar is free to all NWTM members and only \$25 for non-members. Lance Kull DTM and Marcia Barney DTM are co-coordinators of the seminar.

Mark Your Calendar

Monday April 25 is one of the major shopping days of the year. It ranks above even Black Friday, the day after Thanksgiving. Why? you ask. Easter candy goes on sale.

It's been lovely, but I have to scream now.

A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.

The Way it Was - April 5, 2011

By P.Fantum, asst. Secretary



The business session was unhitched (went off without a hitch) as usual. We congratulated President Brian Davidson on his win at the Area

23 Table Topics Contest and thanked Mark Perew for representing us at the Area 23 International Speech Contest. We discussed the upcoming Improved Communications Seminar and decided to conduct it on consecutive Tuesdays for 8 weeks. Fabio Almedia, a guest of Christa Neuhauser, was welcomed.

Then we participated in a great meeting orchestrated with great skill and some very interesting, thought-provoking comments. Scott Hill may have been serving as Toastmaster-for-the-Meeting for the first time, but he set a new standard with his "Medium of TM - Fair and Balanced." John Clark gave "euphemism," one word or phrase substituted for another, as the Word-for-the-Day.

Table Topics Master Christa Neuhauser followed the theme and gave topics to:

- Ø Daniel Parker said his preferred source for daily news was Facebook.
Ø Barbie Morgan is informed very little by mass media.
Ø Elizabeth Stepp's favorite Internet sites for information is Google and Wikipedia.
Ø Jeff Walker is still open-minded about mass media communications.

Prepared speeches were given by:

- ü Diann Boyette gave her Ice Breaker in which she disclosed that she is a proud Mom, a doting Grandmother, an RN, and has a continuing interest in professional pursuits as well as healthy lifestyles. Diann's speech was evaluated by Lance Kull.
ü Brian Gavely gave a wonderfully informative, thought-provoking speech titled "Why the Arts Matter in Schools." Brian's #2 speech was an impressive example of subject choice, preparation, and delivery. The speech was evaluated by Brian Davidson.
ü Mark Perew rehearsed his "Why Toastmasters" speech as project #5 from the Entertaining Speaker Manual. He will be giving this speech at a demonstration meeting for a new TM club at Wells Fargo. The speech was evaluated by Jessica Pockey.
ü Don Barnett gave speech #2 from the Professional Speakers Manual. His "Developmental Stages" was evaluated by Jeff Walker.

Butch Barney evaluated Scott's Toastmasters Introduction. Craig Thrift served as General Evaluator. Daniel Parker was timer and Barbie Morgan was Grammarian. Vote Counter Marcia Barney announced the winners and President Brian gave ribbons to:

- Diann Boyette received her Ice Breaker ribbon.
Elizabeth Stepp was chosen Best Table Topics Speaker.
Jessica Pockey was chosen Best Evaluator.
Brian Gravely was Best Speaker.
John Clark was chosen best something or another.

Great Truths from Little Children

- 1) No matter how hard you try, you can't baptize cats.
2) When your Mom is mad at your Dad, don't let her brush your hair.
3) If your sister hits you, don't hit her back. They always catch the second person.
4) Never ask your 3-year old brother to hold a tomato.
5) You can't trust dogs to watch your food.
6) Don't sneeze when someone is cutting your hair.
7) Never hold a Dust-Buster and a cat at the same time.
8) You can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk.
9) Don't wear polka-dot underwear under white shorts.
10) The best place to be when you're sad is Grandpa's lap



"It's a software patch. I'm trying to overcome my computer addiction."

Do you understand English?

- The bandage was wound around the wound.
• The farm was used to produce produce.
• The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
• We must polish the Polish furniture.
• He could lead if he would get the lead out.
• The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
• Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
• At the Army base, a bass was painted on the head of a bass drum.
• When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
• I did not object to the object.

~~ Meeting Schedule ~~

Please Note: The Vice President of Education is continually adjusting the schedule to meet the requirements of the members. So, if you need to see the current schedule, contact our VP of ED (see the top of the newsletter for contact information.)

Member	04 / 19 / 2011	05 / 03 / 2011	05 / 17 / 2011	05 / 31 / 2011
Steve Albon	Speaker	Evaluator	Speaker	
Don Barnett, AC-B	Evaluator	Toastmaster	Vote Counter	
Butch Barney, DTM	Speaker		Speaker	General Evaluator
Marcia Barney, DTM	Evaluator	Speaker	Evaluator	
Diann Boyette		Joke Master	Table Topics	Word Master
Pam Christopher, DTM				
John Clark, DTM	General Evaluator			
Brian Davidson, DTM		Speaker		Evaluator
Brian Gravely	Joke Master	Table Topics	Grammarian	Speaker
Scott Hill	Timer	Evaluator		Speaker
Lance Kull, DTM	Grammarian	Evaluator		
Barbie Morgan, AC-B		Word Master	Joke Master	Evaluator
Christa Neuhauser, CC		Speaker	Evaluator	
Florian Neuhauser, CC	Toastmaster			
Daniel Parker	Vote Counter	Speaker		
Mark Perew, DTM		Speaker	Word Master	Evaluator
Jessica Pockey	Word Master	Timer	Speaker	Grammarian
Barbara Schanker, AC-S		Evaluator	General Evaluator	Table Topics
Joel Schanker, DTM		General Evaluator	Evaluator	Speaker
Elizabeth Stepp	Speaker	Evaluator	Timer	Vote Counter
Craig Thrift, CC/CL	Evaluator		Evaluator	Toastmaster
Jeff Walker, CC	Speaker	Grammarian		
Elaine Wiles, CC-G	Evaluator		Speaker	Joke Master
Nancy Wilson, CC				
Pam Windley	Speaker		Toastmaster	Evaluator
Chuck Wooton	Table Topics	Vote Counter	Speaker	Speaker

Don't forget - March 1 is the Club level Table Topics Contest and March 15 is the Club level International Speech Contest.

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

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