

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

August 16, 2011

(Next Tuesday)

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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

Guests at our last meeting on August 2 were Sarah Marshall Acmal Shan and Kristin Schokett. We hope that you enjoyed the meeting and could see where Toastmasters could help you meet your communication and leadership goals.

After the meeting, Kristin Schockett became our newest member. Welcome to Northwestern, Kristin.

Mark Your Calendar

Our club Evaluation Contest and Humorous Speech Contest will be September 6th. This allows time for the Area 51 (yes, that's our new area) contest tentatively scheduled for October 1st. There is no date yet for the Division E (yes, that's our new division) and the District Fall Conference, including the contests, will be November 11 - 13 in Fayetteville, NC.

The 2010-2011 Contest Rulebook can be downloaded from: www.toastmasters.org/rulebook.aspx As soon as the new rulebook is available, Mark Perew VP Education will give us the new link. However, last year's rules will should not be greatly changed this year.

Your Horoscope

Money will buy a fine dog, but only kindness will make him wag his tail.

Corrections

In the last issue, Butch was listed as giving speech number three from the Basic Manual. It should have been the Storytelling manual.

Fun With Words (Answer)

Three men, Mr. White, Mr. Brown and Mr. Green, were in the habit of meeting in a local doughnut shop every morning for coffee and doughnuts. One morning as they were sitting at their usual table, Mr. White remarked, "Hey, will you look at that. We're each wearing a colored baseball cap today."

One white cap, one brown cap, and one green cap. But interestingly, no one was wearing a cap of the color that matches his name. At this, the guy wearing the green cap says, "Oh don't be silly, that doesn't mean anything, it's just coincidence. Shut up and eat your doughnut." The question is: What color cap is each man wearing?

If Mr. White says nobody is wearing a cap of his own color that obviously includes him, so he can be wearing either a green cap or a brown cap but not a white one. He can't be wearing the green cap because the guy with the green cap spoke up. So Mr. White must be wearing what? The brown cap! And Mr. Green? He's got to be wearing the white cap, and Mr. Brown has got to be wearing? The green cap! It was easy; wasn't it?

Mr. White = brown cap
Mr. Brown = green cap
Mr. Green = white cap

Paddy announced that he was going to start a diet to lose some pounds he had put on recently.

"That's great," Mick exclaimed. "I'm ready to start a diet too. We can be dieting buddies and help each other out. Whenever I feel the urge to drive out and get a burger and fries, I'll call you first." "Wonderful," Paddy replied. "I'll go with you."

Who invented fractions? Henry the 1/8.

The Way it Was - August 2, 2011

By Elizabeth Stepp, CC. Secretary



The meeting began at 6:34 p.m. with President Krista Neuhauser asking for any officer reports. During the Treasurer's Report, Marcia noted that semi-annual dues of \$31.50 are due now. Krista also welcomed guests Sarah, Kristen and Agal to the meeting. Jeff Walker won the newsletter contest for the week.

The meeting continued with Brian Gravely as Toastmaster of the evening. The theme was "Celebrations." Brian told the audience that everyone goes through five stages of birthdays and shared the differences of the stages throughout the evening:

- 1) Young childhood
- 2) Teenage years
- 3) Young adulthood
- 4) Middle age
- 5) Golden Years

As the Wordmaster, Jeff provided the word of the evening: Gordian, which means highly intricate or difficult to solve. This word proved to be a challenge for the evening's speakers, though, as only Mark Perew and Barbie managed to work it into their speaking.

Chuck Wooten hosted Table Topics, asking Christa to tell us what she had celebrated recently, John Clark to tell us about the grandest, most elaborate celebration he's attended, and Jeff to the most important thing he's ever celebrated. Chuck also asked Marcia to tell us what she looks forward to celebrating the most and asked Barbie to explain how she would like others to celebrate her life.

During the prepared speeches, Jenny Patterson gave her first speech in the Competent Communicator Manual, her icebreaker entitled, "The Reluctant Speaker." Jenny spoke about her challenges with "public speaking Tourette's (syndrome)."

Elizabeth Stepp gave speech #2 from the Storytelling Advanced Manual, entitled "The Swim Meet." The story was about one particular swim meet where the speaker finally beat her lifelong competitor.

During the evaluation session, lead by General Evaluator Don Barnett, Butch evaluated Jenny and Barbie Morgan evaluated Elizabeth. Grammarian Marcia Barney helped the club understand the finer points of the spoken English grammar, but reminded the group that their conscious should be their guide when it came to paying their fines for misspeaking.

Barbie Morgan was named the winner of Table Topics and Elizabeth Stepp won for best speech. Butch Barney won for best evaluation.

During announcements, Barbie Morgan told the club that she was moving on to the next phase of her life and would be leaving Toastmasters for the foreseeable future. Although we're sad to see her go, the club wishes her the best in her future endeavors.

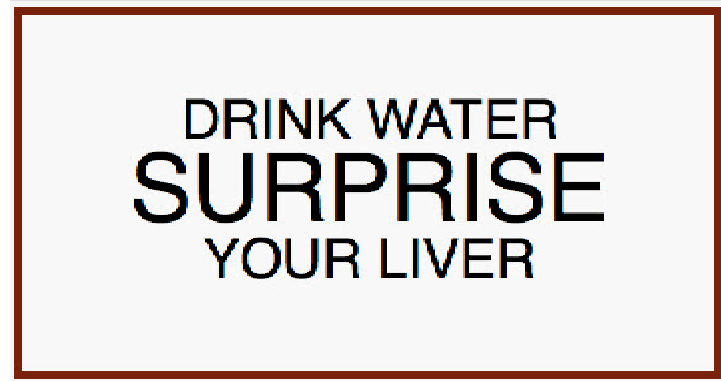
Christa lead the group in an agenda review for the next meeting and asked John Clark to fulfill his second role of the evening, closing the meeting with a joke.

You were born an original, don't die a copy.

Dues Are Due

Your semi-annual Northwestern Toastmasters dues are due. Please bring a check or cash in the amount of \$40.50 to the August 16 meeting. If you would like to mail a check for said dues, please make it payable to "Northwestern Toastmasters" and mail it to Marcia Barney, 3501 Lakefield Court, Clemmons, NC 27012.

For those wonderful members who paid their dues early at the August 2 meeting there is good news and bad news. The bad news is that you will need pay an additional \$9 due to a Toastmasters International dues increase of that amount (announced the day after our meeting.) The good news is that your overly-anxious Treasurer will pay your and-ah fines for the August 16 meeting. Thank you Kristen, Jenny, John, Don, Mark, Elizabeth, Butch (and spouse) and Brian Gravely for your consideration.



Two Bubbas are fishing, but they haven't caught anything all day. Then another fisherman walks by with a huge load of fish. They ask him, "Excuse me, but where did you get all those fish?"

The other fisherman replies, "If you just go down the stream until the water isn't salty, there are a ton of hungry fish." They thank him and go on their way.

Fifteen minutes later, one fisherman says to the other, "Fill the bucket up with water and see if the water is salty." He dips the bucket in the stream and drinks some. "Nope. Still salty." Thirty minutes later, he asks him to check again. "Nope, still salty." One hour later, they check again. "Nope. Still salty." "This isn't good," the fisherman finally says. "We have been walking for almost two hours and the water is still salty!"

"I know," says the other. "And the bucket is almost empty!"

Police were called to a day care where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.

The failure of the third largest manufacturer of baby's toys was enough to rattle the entire industry.

Ever notice how fast Windows runs? Me neither.

~~ 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.)

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Member	08 / 16 / 2011	08 / 30 / 2011	09 / 06 / 2011	09 / 20 / 2011
Steve Albon				
Don Barnett, AC-B	Timer	Vote Counter		Table Topics
Butch Barney, DTM		Table Topics	Chief Judge	
Marcia Barney, DTM	Speaker	Evaluator	Toastmaster	
Diann Boyette	Evaluator	Timer		Speaker
Pam Christopher, DTM				Speaker
John Clark, DTM	Speaker			
Brian Davidson, DTM	General Evaluator	Grammarian		
Brian Gravely	Word Master	Speaker		Evaluator
Scott Hill				Word Master
Lance Kull, DTM	Evaluator	Toastmaster		Speaker
Barbie Morgan, AC-B				
Christa Neuhauser, CC	Speaker	Evaluator		
Florian Neuhauser, CC				
Daniel Parker	Grammarian	Speaker		Joke Master
Jenny Patterson				Timer
Mark Perew, DTM	Toastmaster			Grammarian
Jessica Pockey	Vote Counter	Evaluator		
Barbara Schanker, AC-S	Speaker	Joke Master		Toastmaster
Joel Schanker, DTM	Evaluator	Speaker		
Kristin Schokett				
Elizabeth Stepp, CC	Joke Master	Evaluator		
Persida Tahari				
Craig Thrift, CC/CL		Word Master		Speaker
Jeff Walker, CC	Evaluator	Speaker	Eval & Speaker	General Evaluator
Elaine Wiles, CC-G	Table Topics			Evaluator
Nancy Wilson, CC				
Pam Windley, CC				
Chuck Wooton	Evaluator			Table Topics

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

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