

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

OFFICERS for 2011-2012

Christa Neuhauser, CC	President
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John Clark, DTM	VP-Public Relations
Elizabeth Stepp, CC	Secretary
Marcia Barney, DTM	Treasurer
Brian Gravely, CC	Sgt. at Arms
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Our Next Meeting will be on
June 5, 2012
(Next Tuesday)

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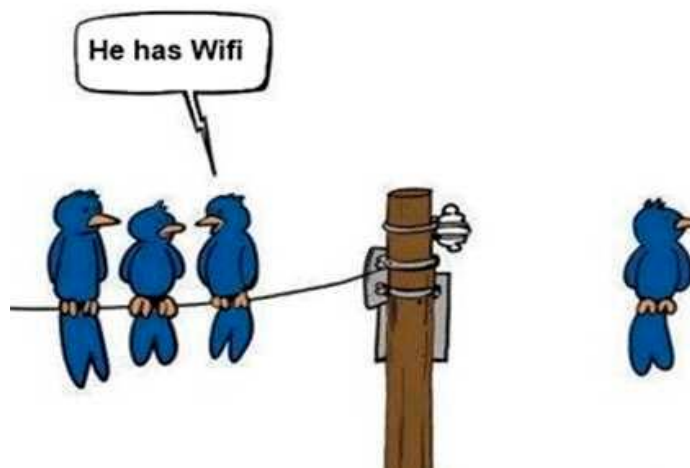


The Mission of a Toastmasters Club is to provide a mutually supportive and positive learning environment in which each member has the opportunity to develop and practice communication and leadership skills, which in turn foster self-confidence and personal growth.

New Roster

We maintain a contact roster of all current members on our web site. This roster contains the name, current rank, mailing address and phone number(s) as well as a picture.

In the past we have mailed out a new condensed roster that will fit onto one page. Instead of mailing that roster, we have added it to our web site. From our web site, select "Member" from the menu on the left. After you enter the name and id simply select the condensed roster. It will be displayed as a ".pdf" file. Simply select and print it. If you don't remember the logon id and password, simply ask any officer. If you are an officer and don't know the logon id and password, then slip our web master a picture of Andrew Jackson.



I.C.S. Handouts

We are working to get the handouts from the Improved Communications Seminar on our web site. Some of them are there, including "Speech Language" or the use of language in oral communication. This will be the theme of our next meeting.

To review this handout, simply go to our web site, select "I.C.S." from the menu on the left side of the screen. Be sure to look over this handout before the meeting.

Words of Wisdom (from an old Cowboy)

Never do anything that will make you afraid to look yourself in the eye.

Stand up straight and give folks something to look at.

New Officers

At the conclusion of our last meeting, officers for the new Toastmasters year (July 1 through June 30) were elected. They are

- Christa Neuhauser-----President
- Jeff Walker-----Vice President, Education / Training
- Brian Gravely -----Vice President, Membership
- John Clark -----Vice President, Public Relations
- Piyush Gupta -----Sectary
- Marcia Barney -----Treasurer
- Sha Tao -----Sgt. at Arms

**Want something you've never had?
Do something you've never done!**

The Way it Was - May 29 2012



By Elizabeth Stepp, Secretary

President Christa Neuhauser

called the Business Session to order. In the session, Brian Davidson announced the purposed slate of officers for next year.

Marcia announced that this meeting would also be session number five of the Improved Communications Seminar.

Joel Schanker was our Toastmaster for the meeting. Joel's theme was "Effective Evaluations" (Joel provided a well-rounded view of evaluations. His Motivational holdout will soon be available on our web site.) Our Grammarian was Don Barnett; Our Timer was Sah Tao. Our Vote Counter was Kimondra Studavant. Our Word Master was Piyush Gupta who gave us the word "Desist" to improve our vocabulary.

Don Barnett hosted the Table Topics session. He continued the meeting theme by asking -

- Craig Thrift - How do you evaluate?
- Elizabeth Stepp - Describe the best evaluation you ever received.
- Jeff Walker - Describe the worst evaluation that you ever received.
- Push Gupta - Do you find that the evaluations of others are helpful?

Our first prepared speaker of the evening was Richard Serge who gave his Ice Breaker speech. Richard surpassed the guides given for speech number one in the Competent Communications Manual.

Brian Davidson told us about "Presenting Effective Evaluations" using Project Number two in the competent communications manual. Brian requested 6.5 minutes.

Pam Christopher used project number three in the Competent Communications manual to tell use about "Evaluation Power." Pam requested 5 minutes.

Butch Barney told us about "Helping Speakers Speak" as he used the first project of the Public Relations Manual for a request 6 minutes.

Marcia Barney was our General Evaluator for the evening. In addition to her impeccable and excellent performance, she added a new way to demonstrate evaluations. Marcia asked each person who received an evaluation (our prepared speakers) to define (1) what has most effective and (2) what was least effective in the evaluation. With that in mind, Marcia called on

- John Clark to evaluate Richard Serge.
- Elizabeth Stepp to evaluate Brian Davidson.
- Craig Thrift to evaluate Pam Christopher
- Jeff Walker to evaluate Butch Barney

Don Barnett pointed out our grammatical errors and Piyush gave us a report of those who used the word of the day.

Marcia then returned control of the meeting to our Toastmaster of the meeting, Joel who returned control to our presiding officer. "Best of" ribbons were awarded to Craig Thrift for best evaluation. Craig Thrift for best table topics. Butch Barney for best prepared speaker.

Our meeting ended with a bit of humor from Elizabeth.

New Terms

ARBITRATOR: A cook that leaves Arby's to work at McDonalds

AVOIDABLE: What a bullfighter tries to do

BERNADETTE: The act of torching a mortgage

BURGLARIZE: What a crook sees with

CONTROL: A short, ugly inmate

COUNTERFEITERS: Workers who put together kitchen cabinets

ECLIPSE: What an English barber does for a living

EYEDROPPER: A clumsy ophthalmologist

HEROES: What a guy in a boat does

LEFTBANK: What the robber did when his bag was full of money

MISTY: How golfers create divots

PARADOX: Two physicians.

PARASITES: What you see from the top of the Eiffel Tower

PHARMACIST: A helper on the farm

POLARIZE: What penguins see with

PRIMATE: Removing your spouse from in front of the TV!!

RELIEF: What trees do in the spring

RUBBERNECK: What you do to relax your wife

SELFISH: What the owner of a seafood store does

SUDAFED: Brought litigation against a government official

Zappa's Law: "There are two things on Earth that are universal: hydrogen and stupidity."

The Murphy Philosophy: "Smile. Tomorrow will be worse."

Baruch's Observation: "If all you have is a hammer, everything looks like a nail."

Lowe's Law: Success always occurs in private, and failure in full public view.

Todd's Law: "All things being equal, you lose."

Thompson's Theorem: "When the going gets weird, the weird turn pro."

Vac's Conundrum: "When you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal."

The Golden Rule of Arts and Sciences: "Whoever has the gold makes the rules."

The Unspeakable Law: "As soon as you mentioned something ...

- if it's good, it goes away.

- if it's bad, it happens.

Green's Law of Debate: "Anything is possible if you don't know what you're talking about."

Helen's Law: "There is no time like the present to procrastinate."

Sdeyries's Dilemma: "If you hit two keys on the typewriter, the one you don't want hits the paper."

The Queue Principle: "The longer you wait in line, the greater the likelihood that you are standing in the wrong line."

Johnson's Law: "If you miss one issue of any magazine, it will be the issue that contained the article, story or installment you were most anxious to read."

Issawi's Law of Progress: "A shortcut is the longest distance between two points."

Ginsberg's Theorem:

1. You can't win.
2. You can't break even.
3. You can't even quit the game.

~~ 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 Vice President of Education

Improved Communications Seminar is May 1 through June 19

Member	06 / 05 / 2012	06 / 19 / 2012	07 / 03 / 2012	07 / 17 / 2012
Don Barnett, AC-B		Speaker	Joke Master	Toastmaster
Butch Barney, DTM		Joke Master	General Evaluator	
Marcia Barney, DTM		Evaluator	Speaker	Timer
Allan Chavez				
Pam Christopher, DTM	Table Topics	General Evaluator	Grammarian	Speaker
John Clark, DTM	Toastmaster	Speaker		Joke Master
Brian Davidson, DTM	Evaluator			Evaluator
Brian Gravely, CC	Joke Master	Speaker	Toastmaster	General Evaluator
Piyush Gupta	Speaker	Evaluator	Evaluator	
Scott Hill				
Christa Neuhauser, AC-B				
Daniel Parker		Evaluator		
Barbara Schanker, AC-S				
Joel Schanker, DTM		Speaker	Word Master	Evaluator
Kristin Schokett				
Richard Serge	Speaker		Vote Counter	
Elizabeth Stepp, CC	Vote Counter	Table Topics	Table Topics	Speaker
Kim Studevent	Speaker	Timer		
Sha Tao	Speaker	Toastmaster	Timer	Vote Counter
Craig Thrift, CC/CL	Timer	Evaluator	Speaker	Table Topics
Jeff Walker, CC	General Evaluator		Evaluator	Speaker
Elaine Wiles, AC-G				

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

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