

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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Our Next Meeting will be on
September 18, 2012
(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.

Help Wanted

Openings are going fast; however there are still a few left. You, too, can work with our very own Pam Christopher. She is Registration Chair for the Fall Conference at the Crowne Plaza in Hickory, NC. This event will feature 2012 World Champion Ryan Avery. Dates are November 2-4.

If you are willing to help Pam with the registration on that weekend, please email her at foothills@yadtel.net or see her at one of our meetings.

Volunteer duties will include sitting at the registration desk to help guests register and get their conference materials! It is fun and allows you to meet all kinds of TMs across the state! PLEASE HELP!

Words of Wisdom (from an old Cowboy)

Always cut the cards.

A full house divided doesn't win any pots.

Take things by the smooth handle.

When somebody does you a favor - **Remember It.**

When you do a favor - **Forget It.**

Friends last longer the less they are used.

Don't do nothin' too much.

Never walk behind a strange horse.

If you say it, mean it.

Contest Information - Updated.

Club Level

Our annual club-level Humorous Speech contest was held on September 4. The winner, who will represent us at the Area Level, is **Jeff Walker**.

Our annual Evaluation Contest will be held on September 18. It's not too late to enter.

Area 41 Level

Contests will be on September 29. More information will soon be available

Division E Level

Contests will be on October 30. More information will soon be available.

District 37 Level

Contests will be held during the conference on November 2 - 4, 2012 at the Crown Plaza in Hickory, NC

Please Note: This article will be updated each issue, as more information is available.

Dues Are Due - Last Call

It's that time of the year when Northwestern Toastmasters pay their fall semi-annual dues. Please bring a check or cash in the amount of \$39.50 to the September 18 meeting. If you are one of the unfortunates who will be unable to attend the September 18 meeting, please mail a check (payable to "Northwestern Toastmasters") in the amount of \$39.50 to Marcia Barney, 3501 Lakefield Court, Clemmons, NC 27012. Just as a reminder: This is probably the best investment you will make until March, 2013!

The Way it Was - September 4, 2012



By Piyush Gupta, Secretary

President Christa Neuhauser started the business session at 6:45. There were two officer reports. The first, by John Clark was to inform members that our web site is being updated with more detailed information about members achievements. Marcia Barney reminded everyone that semi-annual dues are due. Christa then introduced our guests for the evening: Larry Buelow, Pat Stover and Fabio Almeida.

Craig Thrift was the Toastmaster for the meeting. He introduced the Chief Judge, Marcia Barney, for the Humorous Speech Contest. Marcia then introduced the rest of her team. Judges were John Clark, Joel Schanker, Pam Christopher, Brian Davidson and Butch Barney. Timers were Larry Buelow and Piyush Gupta. Vote Counter for the evening was Pam Christopher. Grammarian was Christa Neuhauser. Our Wordmaster was Piyush Gupta who provided the word **BANAL**, meaning lacking force or originality; trite; commonplace.

Our Table Topics master for the evening was Elizabeth Stepp. She continued the theme of the meeting as she asked questions of Marcia Barney, Pam Christopher and Brian Davidson.

We had three contestants in our Humorous Speech Contest. They were:

- Richard Serge - "The Moral of the Story"
- Jeff Walker - "The Neophyte"
- Sha Tao - "The Reunion"

Marcia Barney was the General Evaluator for the evening. After a review of our meeting she called on:

- Don Barnett who evaluated Richard Serge
- Christa Neuhauser who evaluated Sha Tao
- Elizabeth Stepp who evaluated Jeff Walker

Christa Neuhauser gave the grammarian's report for the evening. Piyush Gupta reported the names of members who used the word of the evening. These awards were presented:

- Pam Christopher - Best Table Topics Speaker
- Don Barnett - Best Evaluator
- Humorous Speech Contest winner - Jeff Walker

Our guests provided a brief introduction and meeting were adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

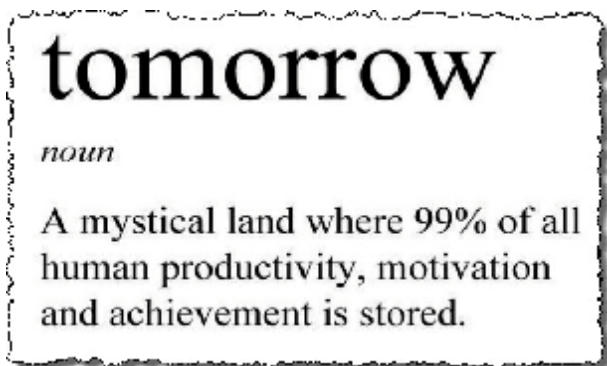
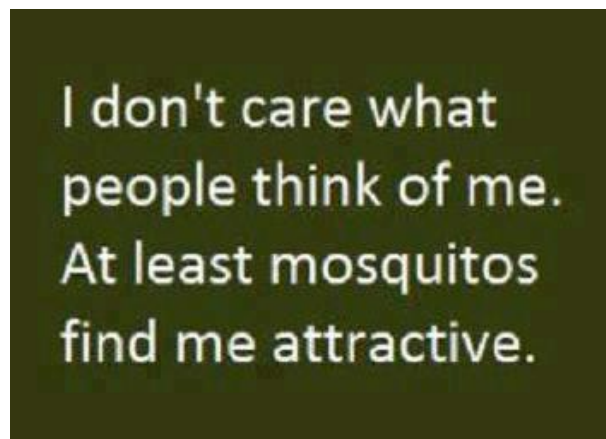
Competent Leader Activity

All Northwestern Toastmasters are either working through the Competent Leadership Manual or strongly urged to do so. Our last meeting saw these members involved.

Member	Project / Activity
Don Barnett	03 - Evaluator
Marcia Barney	06 - Chief Judge
Marcia Barney	02 - General Evaluator
Marcia Barney	01 - Table Topics Speaker
Pam Christopher	01 - Table Topics Speaker
John Clark	06 - Web Master
John Clark	08 - Toastmaster
John Clark	10 - Newsletter Editor
Brian Davidson	01 - Table Topics Speaker
Piyush Gupta	04 - Timer
Christa Neuhauser	02 - Grammarian
Christa Neuhauser	03 - Evaluator
Richard Serge	04 - Speaker
Sha Tao	04 - Speaker
Craig Thrift	04 - Toastmaster
Jeff Walker	04 - Speaker

New Members

Rex Fesler and Gabe Smith have joined Northwestern Toastmasters. They are both scheduled to give their Ice Breaker Speech this Tuesday night. Be sure to attend and cheer them on as they start on the path to better speaking.



~~ Meeting Schedule ~~

Please Note. The Vice President of Education is continually adjusting the schedule to meet the requirements of our members. So, if you need to see the current schedule, contact our Vice President of Education

Member	09 / 18 / 2012	10 / 02 / 2012	10 / 16 / 2012	10 / 30 / 2012
	Evaluation Contest			
Don Barnett, AC-B	General Evaluator	Evaluator	General Evaluator	
Butch Barney, DTM	Toastmaster	Grammarian	Evaluator	
Marcia Barney, DTM	Evaluator	Toastmaster	Vote Counter	
Allan Chavez				
Pam Christopher, DTM		Evaluator	Grammarian	
John Clark, DTM	Word Master	Evaluator	Speaker	
Brian Davidson, DTM		Joke Master	Speaker	
Rex Fesler	Speaker	Timer		
Brian Gravely, CC		Vote Counter		
Piyush Gupta		Speaker	Toastmaster	
Scott Hill				
Christa Neuhauser, AC-B		Word Master	Timer	
Daniel Parker				
Barbara Schanker, AC-S				
Joel Schanker, DTM				
Kristin Schokett				
Richard Serge	Vote Counter	Speaker	Evaluator	
Dawn Sicurezza		Evaluator	Speaker	
Gabe Smith	Speaker		Joke Master	
Elizabeth Stepp, CC		Speaker	Evaluator	
Kim Studevent				Vote Counter
Sha Tao		Table Topics	Speaker	
Craig Thrift, CC/CL	General Evaluator	Speaker	Evaluator	Toastmaster
Jeff Walker, CC	Speaker		Table Topics	
Elaine Wiles, AC-G				

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

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