

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 3, 2013
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.

Congratulations!

Loretta Norwood

Winner of the NWTM

Humorous Speech Contest

Gayle Tuch and Rex Fesier proved to be tough competition but Loretta will be representing Northwester Toastmasters at the Area Contest on September 21st. The contest will be at the South Side Branch Library and start at 1 pm.



Jeff welcomed our guest, Ron Davenport, Clyde Robinson, Janice O'Dell and Scott Bjork.

After a brief recess, Jeff announced the changes to the agenda then proceeded with the introduction of the Toastmaster-of-the-meeting, Butch Barney. The topic of the evening was 'Humorous Speech'. Butch told us of a Humorous Speech Prayer. Butch announced the Toastmasters who would be assisting him during the meeting:

- Word Master – Patty McCormick presented the word 'Faze'
- Timer – Daniel Andrews
- Vote Counter – Patty McCormick
- Grammarian – Don Barnett

The Table Topic Master, Pam Christopher explained the importance of Table Topics. She followed the theme of the meeting and challenged fellow Toastmasters with thoughts on Humor.

1. "When preparing a speech to add humor, where do you get your information?" Joel Schanker explained that his years of experience provided him the humor.
2. "It is said that laughter is the best medicine, do you agree or disagree?" Patty McCormick agrees and sees it as a stress reliever.
3. "If you could spend a day with a humorous person, who would it be and where would you go? Daniel Andrews explained he would like to

The Way It Was – August 20, 2013

by Craig Thrift, AC-B/AL-B, Secretary



President Jeff Walker presided over the business session.

Treasurer, Marcia Barney announced that club dues are due, \$39.50.

VP-E, Don Barnett reminded everyone that the ICS starts at our next meeting, Sept. 3. Don stated that the Area Humorous Speech and Evaluation Contest will be Sept. 21 at the South Side Branch Library at 1:00 pm.

meet Will Ferrell and go to a store or mall to watch him interact with people.

Following the Table Topics part of our meeting, Butch explained that we would start our Humorous Speech Contest.

Chief Judge, Craig Thrift explained the rules of the contest.

- Chief Timer – Daniel Andrews
- Asst. Timer – Don Barnett
- Counter – Patty McCormick

The contestants were as follows:

- Loretta Norwood presented “Time”
- Gayle Tuch presented “A Day in the Life of a Lawyer”
- Rex Fesier presented “Welcome to China with a Dictionary”

Our General Evaluator for the meeting was Marcia Barney. She called on:

- Jeff Walker to evaluate the speech given by Loretta
- Don Barnett to evaluate the speech given by Gayle.
- John Clark to evaluate the speech given by Rex.

Before the meeting adjourned, Don requested volunteers to assist in the Area Contest. We need to send two judges, a vote counter, food and someone to help setup and break down.

Meeting ended with comments from our guest and announcement of the Humorous Speech Contest Winner.

Awards



Joel Schanker - Best Table Topic Speaker

Don Barnett - Best Evaluator

Loretta Norwood – Humorous Speech Contest Winner

Gallagher opened the morning newspaper and was dumbfounded to read in the obituary column that he had died. He quickly phoned his best friend, Finney. ‘Did you see the paper?’ asked Gallagher. ‘They say I died!!’ ‘Yes, I saw it!’ replied Finney. ‘Where are ye callin’ from?’

Improved Communications Seminar



Starting

Tuesday, September 3, 2013

This series of seminars is open to club members and guests. Presented by NWTM, these workshops will boost anyone’s communications skills. Go to our website at www.NWTM.org for more information on the Improved Communications Seminar (I.C.S.). *Home Page's top left menu – I.C.S.*

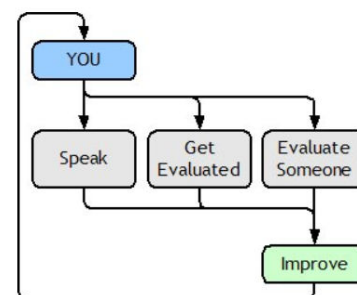
Speech Evaluation Contest

Tuesday, September 21st

Don Barnett, VP of Education

Speech Evaluation Contests provide us the opportunity to sharpen our Evaluation skills. Contestants listen to a Target Speaker.

Evaluators are allowed time to develop a two-minute evaluation of the speech. Contestants will return to the meeting room, one at a time, to present their evaluation. Judges determine the winner who will advance to the Area Speech Evaluation Contest on September 21st.



This is a great opportunity for ALL NWTM club members. Sign-up is open. Send Don an email or let him know Tuesday night that you want to participate.

Competent Leader Activity

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

Member	Project – Activity
Pam Christopher	Project 7 – TT Master
Don Barnett	Project 3 – Grammarian
Craig Thrift	Project 6 – Chief Judge

Remember to bring your CL manual to all meetings. You will usually be able to mark off at least one requirement toward your Competent Leadership Award. Any member needing a CL manual please contact Marcia Barney. Manuals are free for members. Marcia’s contact information is available at www.NWTM.org.

~~ 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.

	9/10/2013	9/17/2013	9/24/2013	10/1/2013
Improved Communications Seminar Series	ICS Week 2 Introductions of a Speaker	ICS Week 3 Effective Evaluation/ Contest	ICS Week 4 Use of Humor	ICS Week 5 Use of Voice
Andrews, Daniel		Joke Master		Vote Counter
Barnes, Karla		absent		absent
Barnes, Kyle		absent		absent
Barnett, Don		absent		
Barney, Butch		Chief Judge		Toastmaster
Barney, Marcia		Toastmaster		Grammarian
Bjork, Scott		Vote Counter		Timer
Burbach, David				Speaker
Christopher, Pam		Evaluator		Speaker
Clark, John		Evaluator		Evaluator
Davidson, Brian		Table Topics		Evaluator
Fesler, Rex		Timer		Evaluator
McCormick, Patti		Word Master		Speaker
Neuhauser, Christa		Grammarian		Joke Master
Norwood, Loretta		Speaker		
Schanker, Barbara				
Schanker, Joel		GE		Evaluator
Thrift, Craig				Table Topics
Tuch, Gayle				
Walker, Jeff		Target Speaker		GE

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

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