

# 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

**November 5, 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.*

## The Way It Was – October 29, 2013

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



President Jeff Walker presided over the business session.

After a brief recess, Jeff introduced the Toastmaster-of-the-meeting, Patti McCormick. The topic of the evening was "Bridge to the Future". She talked about three bridges (importance) of Graduation.

Patti announced the Toastmasters who would be assisting him during the meeting:

Word Master – Marcia Barney provided 'Ideology'  
Timer – Butch Barney  
Vote Counter – Butch Barney  
Grammarian – Jeff Walker

The Table Topic Master, Ron Davenport challenged Toastmasters with questions on Graduation.

1 – In response to 'Describe the excitement or thought of graduating from High School', Jeff Walker explained he was just getting through school, going through the motions, being a member of several clubs.

2 – In response to 'Describe a time when finishing a phase of your life and was uncertain of what was next', Pam Christopher described the completion of her Bachelor's Degree for teaching and uncertain of being able to get her Masters.

3 – In response to 'Describe a time when you felt fully prepared going into a project', John Clark described that he never felt fully prepared to do anything.

Our prepared speakers were as follows:

- Patti McCormick presented 'Bridge to the Future' using project #3, from the Competent Communication Manual.

- Peter Gross presented his Icebreaker, 'Who I Am' using project #1 from the Competent Communication Manual.
- Kara Morrison presented 'How to avoid the Bird' using project #8 from the ICS manual.
- Maigen Bethea presented 'Our World is dead' using project #8 from the ICS manual.
- Scott Bjork presented 'Memory Maker' using project #4 from the Competent Communication Manual.

Our General Evaluator for the meeting was Craig Thrift. He called on:

- Pam Christopher to evaluate Patti's speech
- Loretta Norwood to evaluate Peter's speech
- Butch Barney to evaluate Kara's speech
- Marcia Barney to evaluate Maigen's speech
- John Clark to evaluate Scott's speech

Jeff announced that Pam and Marcia have each earned a Competent Leader Award - Congratulations!

Pam announced that there is a new pin just for District 37 Toastmasters, it is the Triple Crown Award. This is received when you complete three goals within a year. Pam has received this award – Congratulations!

Marcia announced that tonight's meetings completed the Improved Communication Session. We have five graduates. Each were called to the front and presented with completion certificates.

Kara Morrison  
Maigen Bethea  
Scott Bjork  
Ron Davenport  
Patti McCormick

**Congratulations to all the ICS Graduates!**

## Awards



Pam Christopher - Best Table Topic Speaker

Pam Christopher - Best Evaluator

Scott Bjork – Best Prepared Speaker

## Competent Leader Activity

Member	Project – Activity
Pam Christopher	8 – Evaluator
Loretta Norwood	3 – Evaluator
Marcia Barney	2 – Evaluator
Craig Thrift	10 – General Evaluator

## The Way It Was – October 15, 2013

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



President Jeff Walker presided over the business session. Jeff welcomed our guest Van Sherrill.

After a brief recess, Jeff announced the changes to the agenda then he introduced the Toastmaster-of-the-meeting, Don Barnett. The topic of the evening was 'How to Listen Effectively'. He talked about five techniques for effective listening.

Don announced the Toastmasters who would be assisting him during the meeting:

Word Master – Loretta Norwood - 'Perplexed'  
 Timer – John Clark  
 Vote Counter – Peter Gross  
 Grammarian – Brian Davidson

The Table Topic Master, Marcia Barney challenged Toastmasters with questions on Audience Analysis.

1 – Marcia described a situation, for when you are preparing to speak to a group, then asked 'What else do you need to know?', Brian Davidson responded 'Who are you speaking to?' You need to know what group of people you will be addressing.

2 – After describing another situation, for when you are preparing to speak to a group and asked "What else do you need to know?" Craig Thrift responded 'What do you want me to talk about?' You need to know the reason that you have been asked to speak, on what topic.

3 – Responding to 'When analyzing the audience, what environmental issues do you need to know?' John Clark responded that you need to know the groups feelings on the different environmental issues.

4 - In response to 'What Group do you like to speak to and why?', Butch Barney responded that he liked to speak to people who enjoyed life.

Our prepared speakers were as follows:

- Don Barnett presented 'How to Listen Effectively' using project #4, from the Professional Speaker Manual.
- Kara Morrison presented 'Healthy Minds, Healthy Lives' using project #8 from the Competent Communication Manual.

Our General Evaluator for the meeting was Pam Christopher. She called on:

- Scott Bjork to evaluate the speech given by Don
- Craig Thrift to evaluate the speech given by Kara

Don Barnett asked how Jeff did at the Division Contest, Jeff placed 3<sup>rd</sup>. Congratulations Jeff !

Jeff announced that a new Sergeant-At-Arms has been selected, Scott Bjork. Thank you Scott !

Meeting was ended with Our Joke Master for the evening, Maigen Bethea.

## Awards



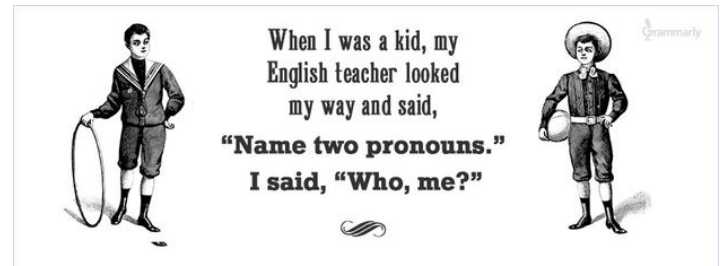
Brian Davidson - Best Table Topic Speaker

Craig Thrift - Best Evaluator

Don Barnett – Best Prepared Speaker

## Competent Leader Activity

Member	Project – Activity
John Clark	1 – Table Topics
Marcia Barney	4 – Table Topics
Brian Davidson	1 – Grammarian
Don Barnett	10 – Toastmaster



## ICS Meeting – Session VI 10/08/2013

by Marcia Barney, DTM



Scott Bjork gave the third speech from his Competent Communicator Manual. "Have Your Steak and Eat It Too" was evaluated by Don Barnett.

Maigen Bethea also gave her third prepared speech. "Something Just Doesn't Feel Right" was evaluated by Butch Barney.

Ron Davenport's #2 "Hardest Thing to do in Sports" was evaluated by Patti McCormick.

Pam Christopher's' educational presentation on Using Body Language was evaluated by Maigen Bethea. Brian Davidson's "Speech Language" was evaluated by Scott Bjork.

Marcia Barney led a group discussion on Speech Titles. Scott, Patti, Ron, and Maigen told a humorous story suitable for incorporating into a speech.

