

# 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  
**December 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.*

## Member News

Dedicated NWTM member, Joel Schanker, DTM will be missing in action for a few meetings due to head and brain surgery required after a fall. Check the on-line member roster at [www.nwtm.org](http://www.nwtm.org) for Joel and Barbara Schanker's contact information. We look forward to Joel's quick return to tell us what happened in a manual speech format.

## Guests



Thanks to Crystal Gray for visiting and your contribution to our meeting. We look forward to your return visit to become a member of Northwestern Toastmasters.

## The Way It Was – November 19, 2013

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



President Jeff Walker presided over the business session.

A test of parliamentary procedures was executed with Don, Brian, John, Marcia, Butch, and Pam checking the skills of our President, he passed with flying colors. Then a motion was made by Marcia, second by Butch, following a discussion by John, then approved by members that we will NOT have a meeting on Tuesday, December 31, 2013 due to being New Year's Eve

After a brief recess, Jeff welcomed our guess, Crystal Gray. He then announced the changes to the agenda then preceded with the introduced the Toastmaster-of-the-meeting, Scott Bjork. The topic of the evening was 'Giving Thanks'. He talked about the history of Thanksgiving. Scott announced the Toastmasters who would be assisting him during the meeting:

- ✓ Word Master – Brian Davidson provided us the word 'Extol'
- ✓ Timer – Brian Davidson
- ✓ Vote Counter – Peter Gross
- ✓ Grammarian – John Clark

The latest survey shows that  
three out of four people make  
up 75% of the population

The Table Topic Master, Jeff Walker presented famous quotes and asked members to explain what the quote meant to them.

## Awards



Butch Barney - Best Table Topic Speaker

Marcia Barney - Best Evaluator

Don Barnett – Best Prepared Speaker

1 – In response to the quote, “You cannot do a kindness too soon, for you never know how soon it will be too late”. Craig Thrift referenced it as to the quote ‘Do unto others as you would have them do unto you’.

2 – In response to the quote “By counting my blessing my whole life turned around” Marcia Barney responded when counting your blessings, your entire life can be turned around.

3 – In response to the quote “You won’t be happy with more until you are happy with what you got’, Butch Barney responded that he was happy to still be here, able to do what he does, and that you don’t know until you lost it or in jeopardy.

Our prepared speakers were as follows:

- Ron Davenport presented ‘Most Powerful Force in the Universe’ using project #3, from the Competent Communication Manual.
- Don Barnett presented ‘The Story of Tom Dula”, using project #1 from the Storytelling Manual.

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

- Craig Thrift to evaluate the speech given by Ron
- Marcia Barney to evaluate the speech given by Don.

Pam Christopher announced that the theme of our next meeting would be ‘It’s December!’.

Our guess, Crystal Gray made a few comments about our meeting.

Our Joke Master Marcia Barney, ended the meeting.

## Competent Leader Activity

Member	Project – Activity
Marcia Barney	#3 – Evaluator
John Clark	#1 – Grammarian
Pam Christopher	#2 – General Evaluator
Scott Bjork	#4 – Speech
Craig Thrift	#1 – Speech Evaluator

### ~~~~~ On the lighter side -

The early bird might get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.

Evening news is where they begin with 'Good evening', and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.

To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.

You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.

You are never too old to learn something stupid.

If I agreed with you we'd both be wrong.

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

May your troubles be less,  
May your blessings be more,  
And may nothing but happiness  
Come through your door

