

# 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  
**January 7, 2014**  
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 – December 17, 2013

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



President Jeff Walker presided over the business session.

Marcia Barney made the motion to have an 'Open House' and invite former members. Pam Christopher seconded the motion. Marcia moved to amend the motion to appoint Don Barnett to be Committee Chair. The motions were approved. The 'Open House' will be January 21 meeting.

After a brief recess, Don announced the changes to the agenda. He then proceeded to introduce the Toastmaster-of-the-meeting, Jeff Walker. The topic of the evening was 'Let the Good Times Roll'. Jeff talked about the song by Janice Joplin.

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

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

Table Topic Master, Ron Davenport followed the theme of the meeting and asked these thoughtful questions to fellow Toastmasters:

1. In response to the question "What phase of your life you did not want to end and why?" Pam Christopher stated that now was the part of her life she did not want to end, talked about the good times with her grandchildren.
2. In response to the question, "When riding down the road in your car, what song brings back memories and why?" Peter Gross talked about different cars he had and receiving speeding tickets
3. In response to the question, "Do you truly believe in momentum?" Craig Thrift stated yes that it gives you confidence to accomplish the task at hand and will do a better job.

Our prepared speakers were as follows:

- Don Barnett presented 'A Baseball Hero' using project #3 from the Storytelling Manual.
- Marcia Barney presented 'Another Year' using project #5 from the Competent Communication Manual.

Our General Evaluator for the meeting was Butch Barney. He called on:

- John Cark to evaluate Don Barnett
- Craig Thrift to evaluate Marcia Barney

Meeting was ended with Our Joke Master for the evening Peter Gross.

## Awards



Pam Christopher - Best Table Topic Speaker

Craig Thrift - Best Evaluator

Marcia Barney – Best Prepared Speaker

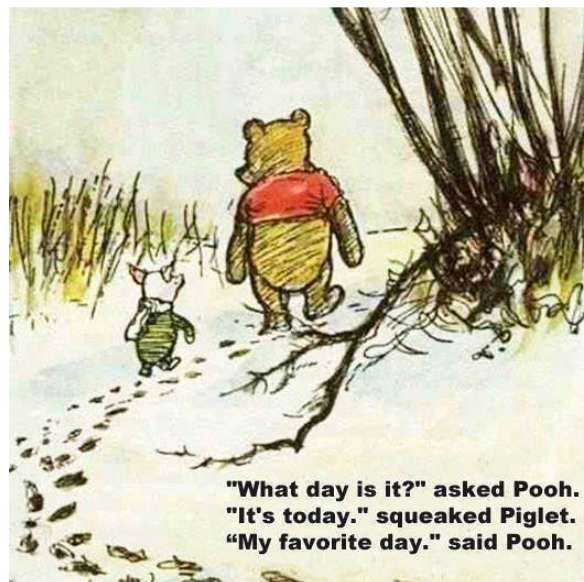
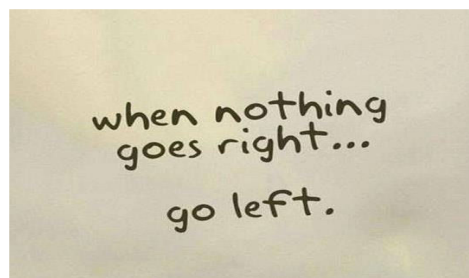
## Competent Leader Activity

Member	Project – Activity
Pam Christopher	1 – Grammarian
Ron Davenport	4 – Table Topics Master
John Clark	3 – Evaluator
Jeff Walker	7 – Toast Master
Peter Gross	4 – Timer
Butch Barney	8 – General Evaluator
Brian Davidson	3 – Evaluator
Craig Thrift	2 – Evaluator
Craig Thrift	1 – Table Topics Speaker

## New York Times Article

Joel Schanker, DTM noted a recent article in the New York Times' about Toastmasters. Although Toastmasters is an international organization, we seem to get little mention outside of the company monthly. The article is too long for this publication; however, it does say some nice things about the benefits of Toastmasters. Like Joel, I think it is worth a read so click on the link below and enjoy.

NY Times' Article Link: <http://nyti.ms/K0JnjE>



"What day is it?" asked Pooh.  
"It's today." squeaked Piglet.  
"My favorite day." said Pooh.

