

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
March 4, 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.

International Speech Contest

This Tuesday evening several Northwestern Toastmasters will be competing in our Club's International Speech Contest. Come out and support our contestants. You definitely want to be able to say that you heard the speech that started the journey for the next International Speech Contest winner this August in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. There is still time to enter the competition. Have you been to Malaysia?



Table Topics Contest

Our Table Topics Contest will be March 18th. We have already learned that impromptu speaking is a skill, that when refined, will take you a long way in the work place, in public and at home. Signup and enjoy the experience.

It is not too late. Contact Don Barnett, VP of Education, and let him know your desire to participate in the International Speech Contest and/or Table Topics Contest.

The Way It Was – February 18, 2014

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



President Jeff Walker presided over the business session. President Walker welcomed our guests, Terri Watkins and John Conricodi.

Treasurer Marcia Barney reminded everyone dues are due. Let's all pay as soon as possible.

After a brief recess, Jeff announced the changes to the agenda. Jeff then proceeded with the introduction of the Toastmaster-of-the-meeting, Pam Christopher. The topic of the evening was 'The Beatles'. Pam talked about sitting with her mom on the evening of Feb. 9, 1964 watching the Ed Sullivan Show when the Beatles appeared.

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

- Word Master – Brian Davidson provided us the word 'Fabulous'
- Timer – Don Barnett
- Vote Counter – Rex Fesler
- Grammarian – John Clark

The Table Topic Master, Peter Gross followed the theme of the meeting and asked questions to fellow Toastmasters related to the Beatles.

1 – In response to the question, “What place do you get inspiration from?” Craig Thrift responded that every place he visits he gets inspiration.

2 – In response to the question, “During your public speaking career, what is your most embarrassing moment?” Don Barnett talked about the time when in college, going to a church looking to work with young people. He told the church that he liked a good challenge and believed it was there with their youth.

3 – In response to the question, “What do you find most challenging in a group and why?” Rex stated that he was not a good team player because he does not know what the other team member will do.

4 - In response to the question, “How has your name shaped you?” Brian stated that his name is often misspelled as Brain.

Our prepared speakers were as follows:

- Pam Christopher presented “The Beatles” project #4 from the Competent Communicator Manual.
- Joel Schanker presented “Coopers Landing” using project #4 from the Competent Communication Manual.
- Marcia Barney presented “Heart Health for Real People” using project #4 from the Speaking to Inform Manual.

Our General Evaluator for the meeting was Jeff Walker. He called on:

- Butch Barney to evaluate the speech given by Pam
- Craig Thrift to evaluate the speech given by Joel
- Don Barnett to evaluate the speech given by Marcia

Joel reminded everyone that TLI Lite will be held this Saturday at the Little Red School House from 9:00 to Noon at the Industries of the Blind.

Our guest made a few comments about their experience of the evening.

Meeting ended with Our Joke Master for the evening, Brian Davidson.

Attendance – Members: 11 Guests: 2

Awards



Rex Fesler - Best Table Topic Speaker

Butch Barney - Best Evaluator

Pam Christopher - Best Prepared Speaker

Competent Leader Activity

Member	Project – Activity
Pam Christopher	4 – Toastmaster
Craig Thrift	3 – Evaluator
John Clark	3 – Grammarian



~~ 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.

Meeting Date	3/18/2014	4/1/2014
	Table Topics Contest	
Barnett, Don	General Evaluator/ Timer	Table Topics
Barney, Butch	Evaluator	Evaluator
Barney, Marcia	Chief Judge	Speaker
Bjork, Scott	-	-
Christopher, Pam	Contest Master	General Evaluator
Clark, John	Speaker	Evaluator
Davenport, Ron	-	-
Davidson, Brian	Evaluator	Speaker
Fesler, Rex	-	Timer
Gravelly, Brian	Table Topics Contestant	Evaluator
Gross, Peter	Table Topics Contestant	Grammarian
McCormick, Patti	-	-
Norwood, Loretta	-	
Schanker, Joel	Evaluator	Toastmaster
Thrift, Craig	Table Topics Contestant	Vote Counter/ Joke Master
Walker, Jeff	Table Topics Contestant	Speaker

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