

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
May 5, 2015
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 – April 21, 2015

By Peter Gross, Secretary



President Don Barnett called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. No old or new business was brought up. Don announced the start of the Herbalife Toastmaster Club. A brief discussion of Distinguished club requirements was held. President Barnett recessed the meeting until 6:45.

President Barnett called the meeting to order and introduced the Toastmaster for the evening, Rob Phelps. Rob took the meeting in character as Mark Twain. Rob introduced the Grammarian, Don Barnette and Timer/Vote Counter, T.K. Lee. Rob also introduced Word Master, Jeff Walker. Jeff gave the word for the evening, "Incessant".

Rob introduced the Table topics master Craig Thrift. Craig posed the following questions to fellow Toastmasters.

- Jeff Walker answered, "What does, happy as the day is long, mean?" Jeff spoke for 40 seconds.
- Joel Schanker answered, "What does Happy Camper mean to you?" Joel spoke for 1 minute and 39 seconds.
- T.K. Lee answered, "What does Trigger Happy mean?" T.K. spoke for 1 minute and 6 seconds.

- Brian Davidson answered, "What does Happy Hour mean?" Brian spoke for 59 seconds.

Toastmaster Phelps requested the timers report and asked that votes be passed to the Vote Counter.

Toastmaster Rob Phelps introduced the following prepared speakers:

- Peter Gross for his speech for Project #2 of the Technical Speech Manual titled "Time to Go Green". Peter spoke for 8 minutes and 49 second for a scheduled 7 minute speech.
- Marcia Barney for her speech for Project 6 of the CC Manual titled "Wonderful World of Philanthropy". Marcia spoke for 7 minutes and 57 seconds for a scheduled 6 minute speech.
- Butch Barney for his speech for Project 7 of the CC Manual titled "What are You Drawing?" Butch spoke for 5 minutes and 45 seconds for a scheduled 5 minute speech.

Toastmaster Phelps requested the timers report and asked that votes be passed to the Vote Counter.

Toastmaster Phelps introduced the General Evaluator, John Clark.

- John introduced Don Barnett who evaluated Peter's speech for 2 minutes 37 seconds.
- John introduced Anita Ford who evaluated Marcia's speech for 1 minute 59 seconds.
- John introduced Brian Davidson who evaluated Butch's speech for 3 minute 7 seconds.

General Evaluator Clark requested the timers report and asked that votes be passed to the Vote Counter.

Don Barnette gave the grammarians report. Many quarters were owed.

Jeff Walker gave the Word Master's report and "incessant" was used by most speakers of the evening.

General Evaluator John Clark concluded by giving a general evaluation of the meeting.

Toastmaster Rob Phelps wrapped up the educational portion of the meeting and returned control of the lectern to President Barnett. President Barnett presented the following awards:

Awards

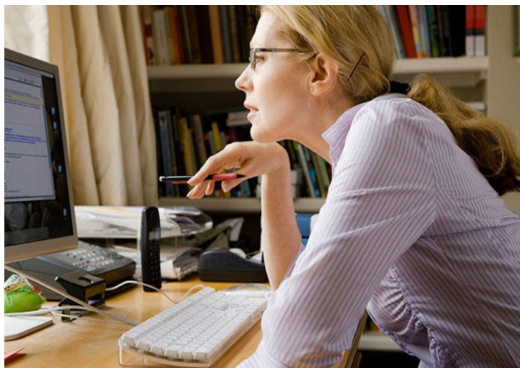


Joel Schanker – Best Table Topics

Anita Ford – Best Evaluator

Butch Barney – Best Prepared Speaker

The meeting ended with a bit of humor from Joke Master, Joel Schanker.



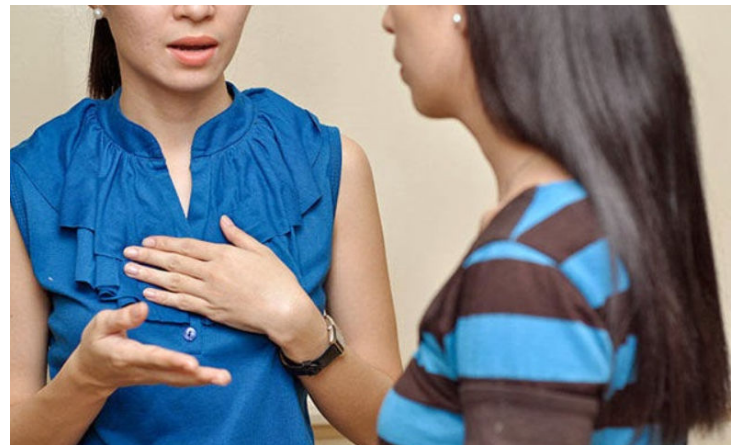
Write every email as though it may be forwarded to the person who you'd least like to see it. Because it very well may. Usually, you can reword even uncomfortable messages in a way that wouldn't upset or offend anyone. And if you can't, it's probably best communicated orally.



If you want to endear someone quickly, ask them for advice. Doesn't matter what on, just asking their opinion on anything shows that you respect them and value their input.



Instead of saying "yeah you told me" when someone repeats a story, say 'yes, I remember this.' It comes across as caring enough to remember, as opposed to being bored with the other person's story.



When apologizing, replace the word "but" with a pause. It allows you to explain yourself while still sounding wholehearted. For example, "I'm sorry but I'm trying my best." becomes "I'm sorry, I'm trying my best."

~~ 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.

	5/5/2015	5/19/2015	6/2/2015
Barnett, Don	Word Master	absent	
Barney, Butch	General Evaluator		Timer
Barney, Marcia	Table Topics		Evaluator
Christopher, Pam		Speaker	Joke Master
Clark, John	Grammarian	Speaker	Grammarian
Conricode, John	Speaker	Joke Master	Evaluator
Davidson, Brian	Toastmaster	Timer	General Evaluator
Ford, Anita	Joke Master	Table Topics	Speaker
Grefe, Annette	absent	absent	absent
Gross, Peter	Evaluator		Toastmaster
Li, TK	Timer		
Liu, Randy	Speaker		Speaker
Phelps, Rob	Evaluator	Evaluator	Word Master
Schanker, Joel	Speaker	General Evaluator	absent
Scott, Krista		Speaker	Evaluator
Scott, Sean	Speaker	Vote Counter	Speaker
Thrift, Craig	Evaluator	-	Vote Counter
Walker, Jeff	Joke Master	Toastmaster	Table Topics

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