

# 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  
**February 16, 2016**

For More Information, call  
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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.*

## Minutes from our Meeting—Feb 2, 2016

by Anita Ford, Secretary

(Sitting in for Anita this week is Don Barnett, VP-PR.)



### Northwestern Toastmasters #2946 Meeting 2/02/2016

**Meeting started at 6:30pm**

**Presiding Officer:** Pam Christopher

**Members present:** Don Barnett, Butch Barney, Marcia Barney, Pam Christopher, John Clark, Florian Neuhauser, Peter Gross, Doug Nance, Joel Shancker, Krista Scott, Sean Scott, Bob McHone

**Announcements:** Peter Gross requested that persons commit to the International contest. Table topics contest will be held on March 1. TLI has been rescheduled for 02-20-2016. Florian Neushauser announced the birth of his first son, Oliver, (TM2B). Mother and son are well.

**Guests:** Dinh Vo, Cherish Liles, Alan and Freida Gordon, Victor Crosby

**Toastmaster:** Krista Scott

**Grammarian:** Doug Nance

**Timer:** Peter Gross

**Vote Counter:** Don Barnett

**Word Master:** Peter Gross ("incentive")

**Table Topics Master:** Marcia Barney

### Speakers (Name of Speech and Manual)/Evaluators:

Krista Scott ("Football" Competent Communicator Manual)/Pam Christopher

Joel Schanker ("Golf is a Four Letter Word" Project #5, Humorous Speaking Manual)/Sean Scott

**General Evaluator:** Florian Neuhauser

**Joke Master:** Marcia Barney

**Awards:**

Best Table Topics: Bob McHone

Best Evaluator: Pam Christopher

Best Speaker: Joel Schanker

**Competent Leadership Manual Report:**

None reported

**New Members:** Cherish Liles, Dinh Vo

**Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm**

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Dates to Remember

- February 14: Valentine's Day** (give a speech for your Valentine?)
- February 15: President's Day**
- February 16:** NWTM International Speech Contest
- February 20: Rescheduled** TLI training in High Point. ITT Technical Institute, 4050 Piedmont Parkway, High Point, NC 27265 (The Aetna Building off of highway 68)
- March 1:** NWTM Table Topics Contest
- March 19** Area 41 Speech Contest at St. Anne's Episcopal Church (same place as the Fall Contest).
- April 16:** Division E Contest
- April 29-30:** District 37 Spring Conference – Charlotte

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International Speech Contest

Our meeting on February 16 will feature our club's International Speech Contest. Come see the best of Northwestern Toastmasters.

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Some day I shall be President.

[Abraham Lincoln](http://www.brainyquote.com)

(Read more at <http://www.brainyquote.com>)

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February is Black History Month

"Just don't give up what you're trying to do. Where there is love and inspiration, I don't think you can go wrong." - Ella Fitzgerald

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Member Contribution

(If you would like to submit an article for our newsletter, please forward to me. The article may be original or copy. Please include the reference.)

John Clark, DTM, shared the following list to help with our speech writing:

Inflated		Concise
along the lines of	SHORTEN TO	like
as a matter of fact	SHORTEN TO	in fact
at all times	SHORTEN TO	always
at the present time	SHORTEN TO	now, currently
at this point in time	SHORTEN TO	now, currently
because of the fact that	SHORTEN TO	because
by means of	SHORTEN TO	by
draw to your attention	SHORTEN TO	point out
due to the fact that	SHORTEN TO	because
for the purpose of	SHORTEN TO	for
for the reason that	SHORTEN TO	because
have the ability to	SHORTEN TO	be able to, can
in light of the fact that	SHORTEN TO	because
in order to	SHORTEN TO	to
in regards to	SHORTEN TO	on, about
in spite of the fact that	SHORTEN TO	although, though
in the event that	SHORTEN TO	if
in the final analysis	SHORTEN TO	finally
in the nature of	SHORTEN TO	like
in the neighborhood of	SHORTEN TO	about
make decisions about	SHORTEN TO	decide on
on the occasion of	SHORTEN TO	when
on two separate occasions	SHORTEN TO	twice
the level of water rose	SHORTEN TO	the water rose
the majority of	SHORTEN TO	most
the people who are located in	SHORTEN TO	the people in
the pie that is included in	SHORTEN TO	the pie in
until such time as	SHORTEN TO	until
with reference to	SHORTEN TO	of, on, for, about

<http://writetightsite.com/how-to-deflate-those-inflated-phrases/>

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## ~~ 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

Member		<b>International Speech Contest 2/16/2016</b>	<b>Table Topics Contest 3/1/2016</b>	<b>3/15/2016</b>
Don	Barnett, AC-G	General Evaluator	Absent	Absent
Butch	Barney, DTM	Vote Counter		
Marcia	Barney, DTM	Evaluator	Timer	
Pam	Christopher, DTM		Word Master	
John	Clark, DTM	Timer	Speaker	
Brian	Davidson, DTM			
Anita	Ford	Speaker	General Evaluator	
Peter	Gross	Speaker	Contest Master	
Natoshia	James	Evaluator	Evaluator	
Cherish	Liles	Joke Master		
Randy	Liu			
Bob	McHone	Word Master		
Doug	Nance	Grammarian	Evaluator	
Florian	Neuhauser	Speaker	Vote Counter	
Rob	Phelps			
Joel	Schanker, DTM	Toastmaster/ Contest Master	Toastmaster	
Krista	Scott		Speaker	
Sean	Scott		Grammarian	
Scott	Stewart			
Kimondra	Studevent		Joke Master	
Craig	Thrift, CC/CL	Table Topics	Speaker	
Dinh	Vo		Ice Breaker	

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