

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 1, 2016

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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 16, 2016

by Anita Ford, Secretary



Toastmasters Meeting 02-16-2016

Meeting started at 6:31pm

Presiding Officer: Peter Gross

Members present: Don Barnett, Butch Barney, Marcia Barney, John Clark, Florian Neuhauser, Anita Ford, Peter Gross, Natoshia James, Doug Nance, Joel Schanker, Bob Mchone, Cherish Liles

Announcements:

Marcia Barney: NWTM dues need to be paid. \$39.50
Tonight's meeting is dedicated to identifying a presenter for the International Speech Contest
TLI scheduled for February 20, 2016 in High Point. Peter Gross has offered to drive if anyone is interested in riding with him. Those who are riding with him need to meet him at old Fleet Feet location between 7:15am and 7:30am. Peter will be leaving no later than 7:40am.

Guests:

Joyce Yates (Visitor from Salisbury "People Growing Together" Toastmasters Club)
Harriet Clark (Honorary Member)
Shanoo Revankar

Toastmaster/Contest Master: Joel Schanker

Grammarian: Natasha James

Timer: John Clark

Vote Counter: Butch Barney

Word Master: Bob Mchone: "Ineluctable"

Table Topics Master: Marcia Barney

Speakers (Name of Speech and Manual)/Evaluators:

Anita Ford: ("115 Ridge Avenue"/Humorously Speaking Manual Project 3)/Natasha James

Peter Gross: ("Love is a Many Splendored Thing"/CC Manual Project #10)/Doug Nance

Florian Neuhauser: ("Son, We Need to Talk"/CC Manual)/Cherish Liles

General Evaluator: Butch Barney

Joke Master: Cherish Liles

Awards:

Best Table Topics: Bob Mchone

Best Evaluator: Doug Nance

Best Speaker: Anita Ford

All International Speech Contest participants received a Certificate of Participation

Competent Leadership Manual Report:

Natasha James: Project 1 Grammarian

Don Barnett: Project General Evaluator

New Members: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm

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Dates to Remember

- March 1:** NWTM Table Topics Speech 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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Table Topics Speech Contest

Our meeting on March 1 will feature our club's Table Topics Speech Contest. Come see the best of Northwestern Toastmasters impromptu speakers.



Congratulations to Anita Ford, winner of Northwestern Toastmasters International Speech Contest!

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Thanks to Joel Schanker and Butch Barney for presiding as "Contest" master and Chief Judge at our International Speech Contest. The Contest flowed flawlessly and was enjoyed by all. VPPR

Training Gains

Four of our officers attended the TLI in High Point on February 20 to participate in the semi-annual Division training. The classes included training in Membership Building, Using Social Media with Toastmasters, as well as training for all Club Officer positions. You will be able to identify our attendees by the tassel in their caps. With our participation, our club achieves one more element of the Distinguished Club Program. VPPR

There's an App for That

Exciting news! The first official Toastmasters mobile app is now available on your smartphone or tablet. This user-friendly tool is designed to help you perform your club meeting roles with convenience and ease. *Check your Toastmasters International email or contact Don Barnett, VP-PR.*

Features include:

- Instant access to your club roster
- Built-in Ah-Counter that counts filler words
- Grammarian function that keeps track of the Word of the Day
- An easy-to-use timer
- A History section to track your progress



"The difference between stupidity and genius is that genius has its limits."

Albert Einstein

It's time to think about the spring garden

"A weed is a plant that has mastered every survival skill except for learning how to grow in rows."

- Doug Larson

"I do not like broccoli. And I haven't liked it since I was a little kid and my mother made me eat it. And I'm President of the United States and I'm not going to eat any more broccoli."

- George Bush, U.S. President, 1990

~~ 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		Table Topics Contest 3/1/2016	3/15/2016	3/29/2016
Don	Barnett, AC-G	Absent	Absent	
Butch	Barney, DTM	General Evaluator		Table Topics
Marcia	Barney, DTM	Evaluator	Table Topics	Speaker
Pam	Christopher, DTM	Toastmaster	Word Master	Evaluator
John	Clark, DTM	Chief Judge	Speaker	Speaker
Brian	Davidson, DTM			Speaker
Anita	Ford		General Evaluator	
Peter	Gross	Contest Master		Vote Counter
Natoshia	James	Evaluator	Evaluator	Speaker
Cherish	Liles	Speaker		
Randy	Liu			
Bob	McHone	Speaker		
Doug	Nance	Evaluator	Evaluator	Joke Master
Florian	Neuhauser	Word Master	Evaluator	Vote Counter
Rob	Phelps		Evaluator	Speaker
Joel	Schanker, DTM	Joke Master	Toastmaster	Timer
Krista	Scott	Grammarian	Speaker	General Evaluator
Sean	Scott		Grammarian	Toastmaster
Scott	Stewart			
Kimondra	Studevent		Joke Master	Evaluator
Craig	Thrift, CC/CL	Evaluator	Speaker	Evaluator
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				Joke Master

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