

Northwest Words

The Official Publication of *Northwestern Toastmasters* Club 2946/37

We meet each first, third, and fifth Tuesday, 6:30 PM - Mayberry's, 50 Miller Street, Winston-Salem, NC

OFFICERS for 2016-2017

Craig Thrift, ACS	President
Peter Gross, CC	VP-Education
John Clark, DTM	VP-Membership
Don Barnett, ACG	VP-Public Relations
Anita Ford, CC	Secretary
Marcia Barney, DTM	Treasurer
Peter Gross, ACB	Sgt. at Arms
John Clark, DTM	webmaster
On the web at	www.NWTM.org

Volume 43 - Issue 23

Our Next Meeting will be on
May 16, 2017

For More Information, call
Marcia Barney (336) 712-8183



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—May 16, 2017

by Don Barnett, VP of Public Relations



Meeting started at 6:39pm

Presiding Officer: Peter Gross

Members Present: Don Barnett, Butch Barney, Marcia Barney, Latisha Blyther, Pam Christopher, Shawn Gaudet DeLestard, Peter Gross, Bob McHone, Rob Phelps, Joel Schanker, Tonia Walker

Announcements: Minutes from last meeting NWTM approved. Marcia Barney made a motion that NWTM have an Open house on May 30, 2017. Marcia and Don will co-chair the Open House event, motion accepted. The District Conference is May 5-7.

New Business: None

Guest: None

Toastmaster: Joel Schanker

Grammarian: Peter Gross

Timer: Rob Phelps

Vote Counter: Rob Phelps

Word Master: Marcia Barney (Opulent)

Table Topics Master: Rob Phelps

Speakers (Name of speech and Manual)/Evaluators:

Latisha Blyther (Icebreaker, Project #1 in Competent Communicator Manual)/Marcia Barney

Tonia Walker (Winston Salem State Rams Year End Review, Project #2 in Competent Communicator Manual)/Pam Christopher

Bob McHone (The Power of the Spoken Word, Project #5 in Interpretive Reading Manual)/Peter Gross

Don Barnett (Why Go Into Space, Project #10 in Competent Communicator Manual)/ Rob Phelps

General Evaluator: Butch Barney

Joke Master: Shawn DeLestard

Awards:

Best Table Topics: Marcia Barney

Best Evaluator: Marcia Barney/Pam Christopher

Best Speaker: Tonia Walker

Icebreaker: Latisha Blyther

Competent Leadership Manual Report

New Members:

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm



Dates to Remember

May 30, 2017: NWTM Open House – “Better Speaking for Better Living”

June 24, 2017: Division E Training for All Officers

July 1, 2017 Toastmasters New Year

Testimonials from College Graduates in Toastmasters:

The Toastmasters program at San Diego State brought together students to become better in our public speaking and personal development. I personally feel as though my thinking on the spot from table topics made me better. I also have been able to use the fact that I have been trained through Toastmasters in interview for post-graduation work. Due to the table topics and speeches I go into interviews and speeches more prepared and much calmer, slightly excited. I also understand what makes an overall speech effective by the time spent in being an evaluator. Overall toastmaster gave me a well-rounded experience in being a speaker, active audience member, and how to leave a lasting impact with words. Jordan Harrison – Best Speaker SP13

Read other testimonials:

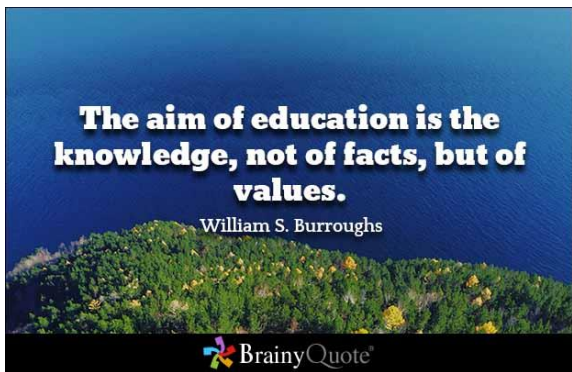
<https://cbaweb.sdsu.edu/grad/toastmasters/testimonials>

Five Tips for Commencement Speeches

1. Keep it Brief
2. Make it Fun
3. Engage and Inspire
4. Be Yourself
5. Practice, Practice, Practice

Read the details at:

<https://mediacenter.toastmasters.org/2014-05-27-Five-Tips-for-Commencement-Speeches>

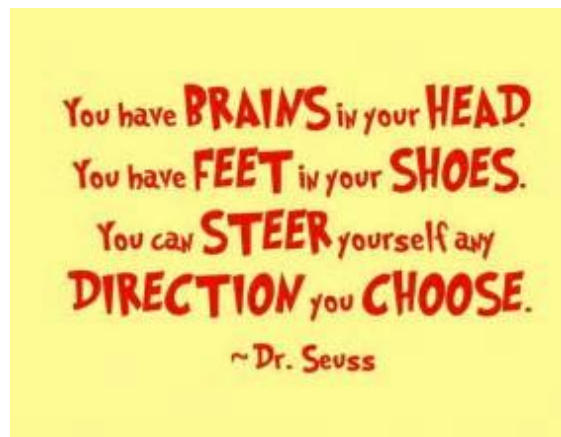




Audience Analysis

Audience analysis is the process of learning who your audience is, what they are thinking, and how you can best reach them. Thoughtful audience analysis is **one of the best habits you can develop** as a speaker.

<http://sixminutes.dlugan.com/audience-analysis/>



~~ 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		05-16-2017	05-30-2017 Open House	06-06-2017	
Don	Barnett, AC-G		Evaluator/ Joke Master	Toastmaster	
Butch	Barney, DTM		Evaluator	Joke Master	
Marcia	Barney, DTM		Evaluator	Speaker	
Latisha	Blyther		Speaker		
Pam	Christopher, DTM		Table Topics	Grammarian	
John	Clark, DTM		Evaluator/ Word Master	Table Topics	
Maddie	Decker				
Shawn	DeLestardt		Speaker	Vote Counter/ Timer	
Anita	Ford				
Peter	Gross		Vote Counter/Timer	Evaluator	
Bob	McHone		General Evaluator	Speaker	
Natoshia	Miles				
Rob	Phelps		Toastmaster	Evaluator	
Joel	Schanker, DTM		Grammarian	General Evaluator	
Craig	Thrift, ACS/ALB			Word Master	
Tonya	Walker		Speaker	Evaluator	

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