

# 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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Next Meeting is on  
**August 31, 2010**  
(Next 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.***

## That's the Way it Was - August 17, 2010

by Pam Windley, Secretary



Craig Thrift, Toastmaster of the meeting, chose the theme, "Motivating People". Craig began by identifying the conditions where motivation is key

element to meeting goals. As the evening progressed, he explained the characteristics leaders need in order to motivate, methods of motivating people, and the benefits of motivating individuals to meet goals.

Other members assisting with this meeting's activities included Nancy Wilson as Grammarian, Jeff Walker as Timer, and Elaine Wiles as Vote Counter. Florian Neuhauser, the Wordmaster for the evening, chose "myopic" as the word for the evening. Myopic is an adjective meaning shortsighted.

Christa Neuhauser was the Table Topics Master this meeting. She challenged Steve Albon about his motivation to join Toastmasters. Pam Windley was asked to describe outside motivators to complete a goal. Florian Neuhauser was given the topic of motivating the sales people of Baskin Robbins to increase ice cream sales. Marcia Barney described the negative motivation that inspired her to join Northwestern Toastmasters and its leadership.

The Schanker team presented prepared speeches this evening.

Barbara Schanker presented Project # 2, "The Radio Talk Show" from the Public Relations Manual. She described the "Benefits of Living in the Winston-Salem/Triad Area". Afterwards, she was asked questions from the Toastmasters regarding her talk. Barbara gave a very strong case for why the Schankers retired in Winston-Salem.

Joel Schanker's presentation came from Project # 5 of the Informational Speaking Manual. His speech was called "Discovering Discovery". Joel's speech

examined the different styles of exploring the world whether via the easy chair or personal experience. He encouraged us to take a "hands on" approach to learning about the environment, people, and foods that are available both near and far.

The General Evaluator of the evening was Barbie Morgan. Barbara Schanker was evaluated by Brian Davidson and Joel Schanker was evaluated by Marcia Barney. Barbie praised Craig's transitions between program areas. She also reminded us to be conscious of whether the back door of the meeting room is closed in order to reduce outside noise.

The Grammarian of the evening, Nancy Wilson, brought to light our filler words and other errors. The number of errors was light also, so we must be over vacation and back to work.

Elaine Wiles, Vote Counter, announced the results of the evening's voting. Award winners were:

- ü Best Table Topic – Marcia Barney
- ü Best Speaker – Joel Shaker
- ü Best Evaluator – Marcia Barney

John Clark, the Joke Master of the evening, sent us out with a message regarding the motivation of work.

Prior to adjourning the meeting, Brian Davidson presented Christa Neuhauser with her Competent Communicator Award. And with that, another award winning meeting of an Award Winning Toastmaster Club was completed.

## Awards

Congratulations to Marcia Barney on her latest DTM. Marcia claims that she doesn't remember how many DTM's that she has earned. However, I understand that the Barney's are working with a contractor to reinforce the study wall where Marcia hangs her trophies.

Ask Lam (the Logical Answer Man)

Why are we charged a quarter by the grammarian at each meeting? - (Name withheld by request.)

Dear NWBR

I'm glad you asked. Grammar is vitally important when we are making an oral presentation - especially so in the "real" world. The "5 cents per misuse, abuse, filler, or slur to a maximum of a quarter" is to keep us reminded of the importance of correct grammar in our oral communications. Not everyone is charged a quarter every time although the grammarian frequently says, "if you spoke this evening, send your quarters back to our treasurer." We also hear "let your conscience be your guide" from the grammarian. These comments are usually a result of the grammarian being unwilling (and time making it impossible) to itemize every little flub every speaker committed. The grammarian's report is usually a time of fun. Laughter can ease the blow of a gentle hand smacking. So, keep laughing and passing your quarters - unless you truly believe your grammar was flawless and the grammarian cited no specific examples to the contrary. In case of flawless, keep laughing and keep your quarter.

- Lam the Toastmaster, DTM

Working on the CL Manual?

If you are working in the CL manual (and if you are not, then why not?) talk with our Vice President of Public Relations, John Clark. He can always use help and that help will get you credit for helping with the newsletter (Northwest Words) or our web site, or both. John claims that the work is not difficult and it is mostly painless.

Words of Wisdom, collected by Butch Barney, DTM

Q: Is sloppiness in speech caused by ignorance or apathy?

A: I don't know and I don't care. - Bill Safari

When ideas fail, words come in very handy. - Gothe

A little inaccuracy sometimes saves tons of explanation. H. H. Muneo

What a talker he is! He could persuade a fish to come out and take a walk with him.

- Mark Twain

I don't want to tell you any half-truths unless they're completely accurate.

- Dennis Rappaport

If I wasn't talking, I wouldn't know what to say.

- Chico Resake - Hockey goalie

Rules to live by

- 1. Give people more than they expect and do it cheerfully.
2. Marry a man/woman you love to talk to. As you get older, their conversational skills will be as important as any other.
3. Don't believe all you hear, spend all you have or sleep all you want.
4. When you say, 'I love you', mean it.
5. When you say, 'I'm sorry,' look the person in the eye.
6. Be engaged at least six months before you get married.
7. Believe in love at first sight.
8. Never laugh at anyone's dream. People who don't have dreams don't have much.
9. Love deeply and passionately. You might get hurt but it's the only way to live life completely.
10. In disagreements, fight fairly. No name-calling.
11. Don't judge people by their relatives.
12. Talk slowly but think quickly.
13. When someone asks you a question you don't want to answer, smile and ask, 'Why do you want to know?'
14. Remember that great love and great achievements involve great risk.
15. Say 'bless you' when you hear someone sneeze.
16. When you lose, don't lose the lesson!
17. Remember the three R's: Respect for self; Respect for others; and responsibility for all your actions.
18. Don't let a little dispute injure a great friendship.
19. When you realize you've made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.
20. Smile when picking up the phone. The caller will hear it in your voice.
21. Spend some time alone.



"Arnold Palmer, usually a great putter, seems to be having trouble with his long putts today. However, he has no trouble dropping his shorts."

- TV announcer

~~ Meeting Schedule ~~

Please Note: The Vice President of Education is continually adjusting the schedule to meet the requirements of the members. So, if you need to see the current schedule, contact our VP of ED (see the top of the newsletter for contact information.)

Member	08 / 31 / 2010	09 / 07 / 2010	09 / 21 / 2010	10 / 05 / 2010
Steve Albon	Vote Counter	Speaker		Word Master
Sujit Assudani	Joke Master	Timer	Speaker	Evaluator
Don Barnett, AC-B			Word Master	
Butch Barney, DTM	Evaluator		General Evaluator	Grammarian
Marcia Barney, DTM	Table Topics	General Evaluator	Evaluator	
Pam Christopher, DTM		Evaluator		
John Clark, DTM	Timer		Vote Counter	Evaluator
Brian Davidson AC-S/CL	Toastmaster	Evaluator		Speaker
Scott Hill		Speaker		
Greg Jones		Speaker	Evaluator	Timer
Lance Kull, DTM	Word Master	Toastmaster	Evaluator	
Bob Lauwers		Joke Master	Speaker	Evaluator
Elizabeth McKinney	Speaker		Grammarian	Table Topics
Barbie Morgan, AC-B		Word Master	Evaluator	
Christa Neuhauser, CC			Timer	
Florian Neuhauser		Speaker	Table Topics	Speaker
Mark Perew, DTM	Evaluator			General Evaluator
Zoltan Rab			Speaker	Evaluator
Barbara Schanker, AC-S	Evaluator	Grammarian	Joke Master	Toastmaster
Joel Schanker, DTM	Grammarian	Evaluator		Speaker
Sha Tao				
Craig Thrift, CC/CL	Speaker		Evaluator	Vote Counter
Jeff Walker, CC	Evaluator	Vote Counter	Speaker	Evaluator
Elaine Wiles, CC-G	General Evaluator	Table Topics	Toastmaster	Joke Master
Nancy Wilson		Evaluator		Speaker
Pam Windley	Speaker	Evaluator	Speaker	

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

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