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No meeting next

Nominating Committee rallies a full slate of officer candidates for the June 16th Elections

For the first time in many years, a full slate of officer candidates is in place weeks before the semiannual elections. President **Debbie Piccirello** announced the following nominations at the May 19th meeting:

President: Brad Satill

VPE: John Todero

VP Membership: Jimmy Moore

VP PR/Editor: Scott Hoehn, DTM

Secretary: Luda Kusmich vs. Xavier Fousseureau

Treasurer: Mitesh Smart

Sgt at Arms: Bernie Manuel

Webmaster: Jerome Kalisz, ATM

Note that one office (Secretary) is contested and just might lead to some old fashioned campaigning like our club used to enjoy during every election. Wouldn't it be great if every office was contested! Why not consider running for one of these positions! It's valuable leadership training in a safe environment. Elections are June 16th. If you might want to hold an office next term and are curious about the requirements, go to bestdivision.org to download descriptions of what each office entails.

29th Annual Beach Party another big success



85 members and guests enjoy a sunny day, Scott Hoehn (red) shares his boat w/ guests

The Annual Beach Party enjoyed another convergence of superb weather and a great turnout of our two clubs, May 17th, at the lakefront home of **Karl Righer** in Altamonte Springs. Even better was the grand buffet of covered dishes and desserts that members and guests of Conquerors and Winter Park Toastmasters brought to the affair.

There was plenty of entertainment at the nine-hour party, including volley ball, frisbee tossing, boat rides (courtesy of **Scott Hoehn**), jet ski rides, sunbathing, billiards, karaoke (brought by **John Wierman** of the Winter Park Toastmasters, and just good socializing.

Next year the party moves back to the first weekend in May, so plan ahead to celebrate the 30th annual version of this fun-filled tradition.

Weekly Honor Roll – May 19, 2008

Best Speaker: Eddie Lippett (Icebreaker)
Best Evaluator: Justin Montandon
Best Table Topic: Jimmy Moore
Most Improved: Aaron Bagdadi
Bullseye: Eddie Lippett
Fun & Pun: Jimmy Moore
Fireball: Jim Ellis (visiting Toastmaster)
50/50 Winner: Justin Montandon (\$17)

Attendance: 23

Guests: 3

Last Word: 4

"Notable Quotes" - May 19, 2008

"Going to war with the French is like going deer hunting with an accordion." -

Xavier Fousseureau, dropping one of his many War Humor Theme jokes as Toastmaster

"Software doesn't kill people. Doctors using billing software to generate huge medical invoices kill people." - **Scott Hoehn, DTM**, as Master Evaluator, explaining one of the causes of heart attacks in his industry.

"A guy with a dog came by. The dog had heartworms. And from the looks of him, so did the guy." - **Jimmy Moore**, during Table Topics, explaining the challenges of finding a good roommate.

"Those knives and glasses are not there to cut water." - Ah Counter **Tom Hettenbach**, appealing to the members for assistance in dinging 'Ahs."

"Sorry about that tough war question during Table Topics. Jerome had you between Iraq and a hard place!" - **Scott Hoehn, DTM**, as Master Evaluator, apologizing to **Cheryl Bedenbaugh**.

"I fulfilled all I set out to accomplish (as an Area Governor), both Toastmasters and Personal Goals, and actually had more fun than expected. Of course, there are meetings and reports and so on...but basically, it boils down to this - we have amazing people in the Toastmaster Community...why wouldn't you want to get to know these people and share your knowledge and wisdom? - Area Governor **Toni Gitles**, in an e-mail appeal to consider serving as an Area Governor next term.

"On July 1st, 2008 the brand new District 84 will hit the ground **running!** We only get one chance to make a first impression to the world, so now it's YOUR chance to make history and shine as one of the first Area Governors.

It's one of the most rewarding and helpful things you can do as a Toastmaster beyond your Club.
- Central Division Governor **Scott Hoehn, DTM**, seconding Toni's appeal for Area Governor candidates.

Calendar of Events

May 26 - **No meeting** in honor of Memorial Day

June 5 – **After-work Mixer** with Winter Park Toastmasters at Scruffy Murphy's

June 16 – **Semi-Annual Election** of club officers for July 1 – December 31 term
Officer's Meeting, 6:00 PM before regular meeting for both candidates and outgoing officers

June 19, 20, 21 – **Region VIII Convention** in Atlanta.
Karl Righter, DTM will emcee a *Friday Night Humor Fest* and present his *Bombproof Humor workshop* on Saturday. **Scott Hoehn, DTM** will attend training for Lt. Governor/Marketing.

June 30 – **Semi-Annual Awards & Installation Banquet** – catered dinner event in regular meeting room. Spouses/dates welcome.

Toastmaster Chatter

● ***No summer vacation for this guy*** – New member **Jimmy Moore**, a professional speaker on the college circuit, is booked to give 28 presentations this summer and has invited us to attend at least one. For more info, e-mail Jimmy at speakerjimmy@gmail.com.

● ***Video recording of speeches*** – The board has approved the purchase of a digital video camera to have at the meetings for speakers who wish to record their speeches. The camera will use the same 'SD' disks used in most digital cameras. Reviewing your

presentations at home is an excellent learning tool which our sister club, The Winter Park Toastmasters, has been using for years.

● ***They hit the ground running*** – 1066 has voted in 14 new members so far this term:

Aaron Baghdadi
Cheryl Bedenbaugh
Lindsay Braun
Patricia Hill
Beth Hobart
Eddie Leonardo Lippett
Bernie Manuel
Kate McHugh
Jimmy Moore
Louis (Jack) Norman
Elizabeth Penne
Mitesh Smart
Paul Twyford
Sheila Vitiello

All of them hit the ground running, excited to be members of the great Conquerors Toastmasters Club, but six of them have already stopped coming to meetings! Perhaps they didn't see the disclaimer in the brochure... "*You never graduate from Toastmasters!*" The meetings have been educational and fun this term, so this is an appeal for the missing to return soon!

● ***John Todero is Conqueror of the Week*** - "While it may SEEM that John was chosen because of all of the flattering ways that he introduces me at every meeting, he was really chosen for his commitment to the club (okay, and a LITTLE bit because of the introductions). John is our current Sergeant-at-Arms. He not only sets up the room every week, begins our meetings, and greets guests... but signs up for almost ALL contests to serve in some capacity. He is our "go-to-guy" for anything needed at 1066, and does it with a smile every time. Congratulations John, and THANK YOU!" - President **Debbie Piccirello**