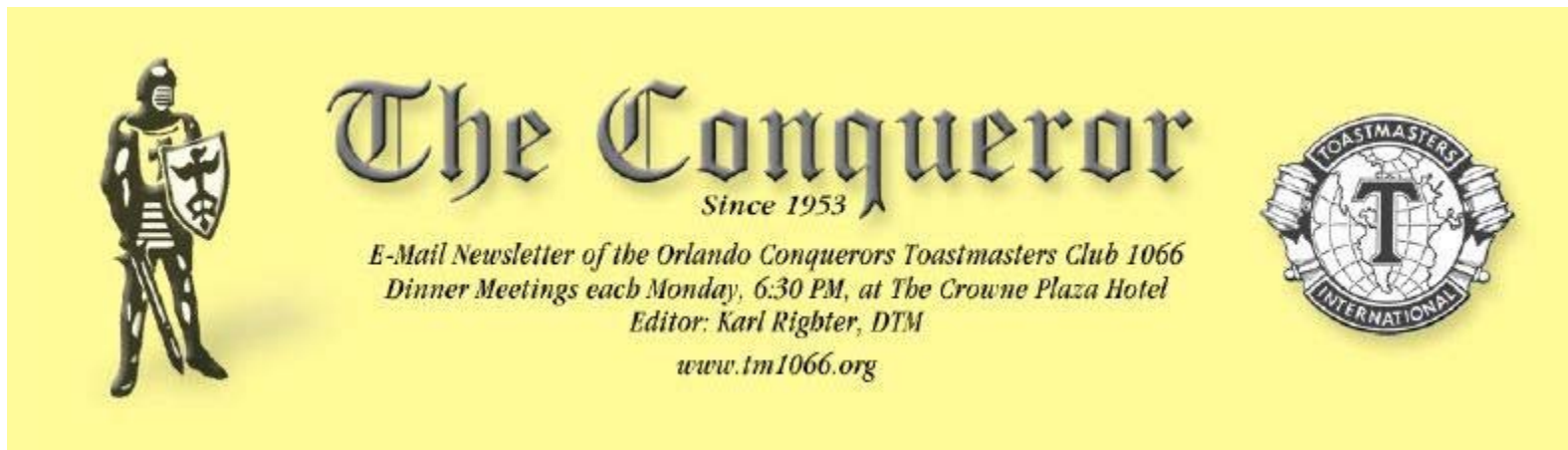


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Contest winners to advance to Area 32 Contests



Mitesh Smart, International Speech Contest winner, Contest Master LG Scott Hoehn, DTM, International Speech Contest runner-up Leonardo Lippett, and Table Topics Contest winner Karl Richter, DTM. Mitesh Smart was also runner-up in the Table Topics Contest

What a contest! 27 members and guests attended the Annual International Speech and Table Topics Contests this past Monday and were rewarded with some terrific competition and entertainment. Several members of our sister club, the Winter Park Toastmasters, were on hand to assist as contest functionaries.

Three Conquerors competed in the International Speech Contest, **Troy Sands**, **Leonardo Lippett**, and **Mitesh Smart**. Ironically, the results were identical to last year's Humorous Speech Contest! The winner in a close contest was Mitesh, with Leonardo as runner-up (see 'Notable Quotes' below for excerpts of the contestants' speeches). Since Area 32 is a small area, both finalists will advance as before to the Area competition, May 29th, at the Mayflower Retirement Community (see *Calendar* below).

Four members competed in the Annual Table Topics Contest, including fearless new member **Alicia Cook**, who did a fantastic job with the contest question "The big Impression." The other contestants were **Mitesh Smart**, **Jerome Kalisz, ATM-G**, and **Karl Richter, DTM**. The winner was Karl, with Mitesh a strong runner-up. As with the International Speech Contest, 1066 will be able to send the top two contestants to the Area competition.

Kudos to Lt. Governor/Marketing **Scott Hoehn, DTM** who served as Contest Master, and VP of Education **Mike Tuazon**, the Chief Judge. Be sure to circle March 29 on your calendars so you can support our contestants at the next level of competition.



Meeting recap – February 23, 2009

International Speech Contest

- 1st:** Mitesh Smart
- 2nd:** Leonardo Lippett

Table Topics Contest

- 1st:** Karl Richter, DTM
- 2nd:** Mitesh Smart

Attendance: 27
Guests: 7
Meals ordered: 17
Last Word: 9



Calendar of Events

- May 29 – **Area 32/34 International Speech and Table Topics contests**
Mayflower Retirement Community, 2:30 PM
- April 18 – **Division C Contests** – *location to be announced*
- April 20 – **Earl K. Wood Student Scholarship Contest** – Mayflower Retirement Center, 6:45 PM
- May 1 - 3 – **District 47 Spring Conference** – Tampa
- May 9 – **30th Annual Beach Party** – 1066 & Winter Park Toastmasters - at Karl Righter's home on Lake Orienta
- May 15 - 17 – **District 84 Spring Conference** - Orlando area



"Notable Quotes" – February 23, 2009

"Give a man a fish and he'll eat for a day. Teach a man how to fish and he'll sit in a boat and drink beer all day." -**Troy Sands**, from his contest speech '*Fishing for an elusive dream.*'

"Maybe it was the six years at college with a beer bong that did it." -**Leonardo Lippett**, during his contest speech, '*See through your childlike eyes,*' speculating on why he was having trouble recalling a life-changing personal story.

"Dude, that is really fat!" -**Mitesh Smart**, from his contest speech '*The guitar hero,*' reflecting on his attempts to bond with his 13-year-old son, whose new passion is *Guitar Hero*.

"If you are what you do, then when you don't, you aren't!" -**Karl Righter, DTM**, quoting Dr. Wayne Dyer during his winning Table Topics Contest response.

"Deja Vu!" - **Bruce Gould, DTM**, noting that **Mitesh Smart's** and **Leonardo Lippett's** 1st and 2nd place finishes respectively in the International Speech Contest were in the same order as last year's contest.



Top ten worst attempts at announcing contest results:

(reprinted from 2006 Conqueror)

- 10) "And our winner tonight, who easily crushed a weak field of contestants, is..."
- 9) Our runner-up tonight, a perennial bridesmaid in these contests, is...
- 8) Boy, this is a huge surprise...
- 7) Let's show our appreciation to those contestants who made the winner's job so easy...
- 6) And now, that moment that only the winner's mother could really get excited about...
- 5) Do I hear a motion to adjourn? What? Oh yea, the winners...we forgot the winners. Well, we'll catch 'em next week!
- 4) And the winner of the Annual Humorous Speech Contest, a guy who's usually about

as funny as a root canal...

- 3) And now, the deserving winner of this pathetic, cheap little plastic cup...
- 2) The seventh runner up, which is actually last place, is...
- 1) The winner of the Annual Table Topics Contest, the lucky chap who gets to buy a \$25 chicken dinner at the Area Contest in Palatka, is..."