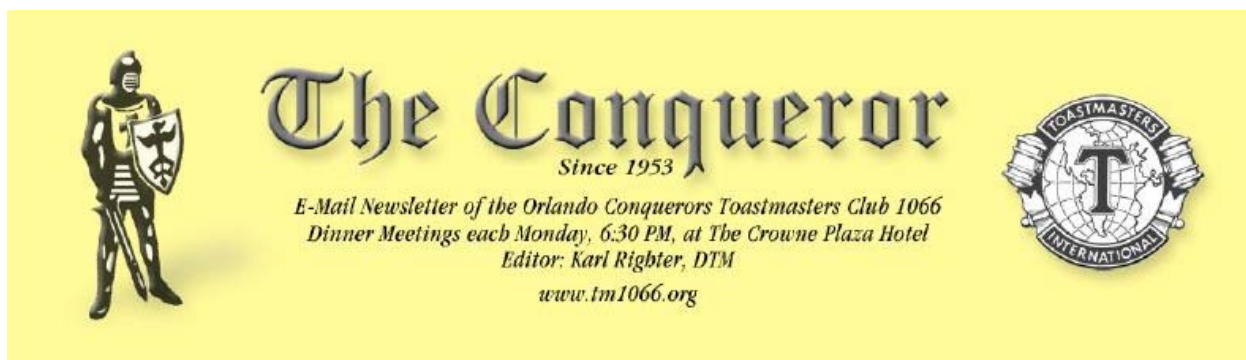


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Jessica Guthrie and Mitesh Smart win club contests



Clockwise from top left: 41 members and guests fill the Crowne dining room, Past Division C Governor Michael Joseph, DTM, Area 32 Governor Luvenia Hart, Humor Contest winner Mitesh Smart, Evaluation winner Jessica Guthrie, ATM, Al Bogdanowitsch, & Paul Vonder Heide, ATM

Humor rocks! Our Annual Humorous Speech and Evaluation Contests generated our biggest turn-out of the year, with 41 members, guests, and dignitaries filling the Crowne's main dining room for an evening to remember.

In the Evaluation Contest, past District winner **Jessica Schlenk Guthrie, ATM**, evaluating guest **Bill Jenkin's** test speech, edged past president **Mitesh Smart** to win the gold. Both will advance to the Area 32 contest on September 24th to represent 1066. Bill, a 26-year Toastmaster and frequent visitor to 1066, gave an entertaining speech about, what else, Santa Clause!

In the Humorous Speech Contest, **Mitesh Smart**, speaking about how much men love to go shopping with their wives, beat past Region VIII winner **Karl Richter, DTM**, who talked about his personal five-step program to deal with the grief of getting old. Both would normally advance to the Area contest on September 24th, however, because Karl will be out of town then, 1st runner-up **Troy Sands** will compete.

Webmaster **Jerome Kalisz, ATM-B** has uploaded a video of the contests to *YouTube*, so, if you missed this entertaining event, you can relive the evening by clicking on the following link:

<http://www.youtube.com/profile?user=TheConquerors1066&view=videos>

The stars were out

Our great turn-out was due in part to the attendance of some of 1066's past members, legends, and visiting dignitaries.

Former members included **Dr. Al Bogdanowitsch**, Past Division Governor **Michael Joseph, DTM**, Past Area Governor **Helen Joseph, DTM**, and Past Division Governor **Roxie Steadman, DTM**. Other Conquerors we haven't seen in awhile included Past President **John Simes, ATM**, Past President **Paul Vonder Heide, ATM** (who competed in the Humorous Speech Contest), **Alicia Cox**, and Past Division Governor **Bruce Gould, DTM**.

Visiting dignitaries included Area Governors **Luvenia Hart, My Scott**, and **Bill Jenkins**. Wow! What a night! On to Area!

Don't miss Monday's Back-To-School meeting

Bruce Gould, DTM is our Toastmaster for Monday night and has scheduled a great meeting. He has chosen "**BACK TO SCHOOL**" as our theme, and he believes it will be a great way to get the Fall and September rolling.

We at the Conquerors have always had a tradition of giving back to the community, and one of the most important ways we can give back is to support the education of our future leaders and Toastmasters of tomorrow! Bruce is asking all of us to bring some school supplies to the meeting on Monday.

Many of the stores are having big sales on school supplies, and anything from glue, pencils, paper, poster boards, pens, crayons, rulers, etc., will help. All of the donations will be taken to a fantastic organization called "*Gift for Teaching*," a non-profit organization that allows teachers to come and get school supplies for their classroom.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Bruce Gould at bk Gould@att.net, or call 407-399-2888. Here is Monday night's line-up:

Toastmaster: Bruce Gould, DTM
Theme: *Back to School*

Table Topics Master: Heather Griffith

Speaker #1: Bill deAquinos
Speaker #2: Nathan Meloon
Speaker #3: Kieth Bryant

Master Evaluator: Karl Righter, DTM

Evaluator #1: Brenda DeArmond, DTM
Evaluator #2: Chris Rainaldi
Evaluator #3: Dana Kowen

Ah Counter: (need volunteer)
Timer: Mike Tuazon
Grammarian: Troy Sands



Our rapidly growing club welcomes **Shellie-Ann Minnis**, a special events & protocol advisor, who becomes our 46th member, and fourth new member in August! Welcome aboard, Shellie!



Calendar of Events (mark your planners)

- August 31 – **Back to School Theme Meeting** – Please bring school supplies to donate to public schools
- September 7 – **No Meeting** – Labor Day
- September 14 – **Western Night** – get out your boots and cowboy hats - Dana Kowen will be the Toastmaster of the Evening
- September 24 – **Area 32, 33 Contests** – Creation Conference Room "E," Florida Hospital, Ginsburg Tower, 601 East Rollins Street Orlando, 6:30 PM
- October 5 – **Annual Tall Tales Contest** – going way beyond the Bull Trophy
- October 12 – **No Meeting** – Columbus Day
- October 26 – **Annual Halloween Theme Meeting** – a classic spookfest

- October 30 – November 1 – **District 47 Fall Conference**, The Naples Hilton, Naples, Florida
- November 6 - 8 – **District 84 Fall Conference** – The Shores Resort & Spa, Daytona Beach. For information: www.toastmastersd84.org
- November 23 – **Annual White Elephant Sale** – get your holiday shopping done early at bargain-basement prices
- December 7 – **Officer Elections** – your chance to give back to Toastmasters and learn valuable leadership skills
- December 14 – **Semi-Annual Awards & Installation Banquet** – Crowne Plaza
- December 21 & 28 – **No Meetings** – Holiday break



Top ten quotes from the Annual Humorous Speech and Evaluation Contests:
(Compiled and submitted by Jerome Kalisz, ATM-B)

"It's no use to give my break in the ice because you guys weren't even born then."
 – **Earl K. Wood, DTM**, from his keynote speech, referring to the possibility of him giving another Icebreaker someday

"I knew that I was going to get at least third place because there were only two other people in the race." - **Gino D'Arco**, from his contest speech

"If you give a man a fish, he eats for a day. If you teach a man to fish, he sits in a boat and drinks beer all day." – **Troy Sand's** pearl of wisdom from his humorous speech

"You have to hold your honesty until you find something she looks absolutely hot in."
 - **Mitesh Smart**, explaining how to set out on his own while shopping in the mall with his wife

"I was angry that the pills that they gave me years ago in the military, to take my mind off women, were just now starting to kick in." - **Karl Righter, DTM**, from his contest speech about getting old

"I'm oftentimes asked the question, why do I run? 'Sounds painful to me', people say. I just answer, I run because it's painful. Exactly! I'm a true masochist!" - **Heather Griffith**, from her contest speech about running

"You've had a mouth transplant!" - **Paul Vonder Heide, ATM**, conveying his dental hygienist's surprise after he began flossing, from his contest speech

"I'd like to see, by a show of hands, if there's anybody in this room that does not believe in Santa Claus? When I'm through, that will change!" – **Bill Jenkins, DTM**, with his Evaluation Test Speech's opening line

"What I hope today is to provide him the gift of my evaluation" – **Jessica Guthrie, ATM**, from her first-place evaluation of **Bill Jenkin's** test speech about Santa Clause

"That's our third banner. We lost about eight, didn't we? That must be at least our fourth banner." - **Earl K. Wood, DTM**, showing off his Tax Collector's math skills during his keynote speech