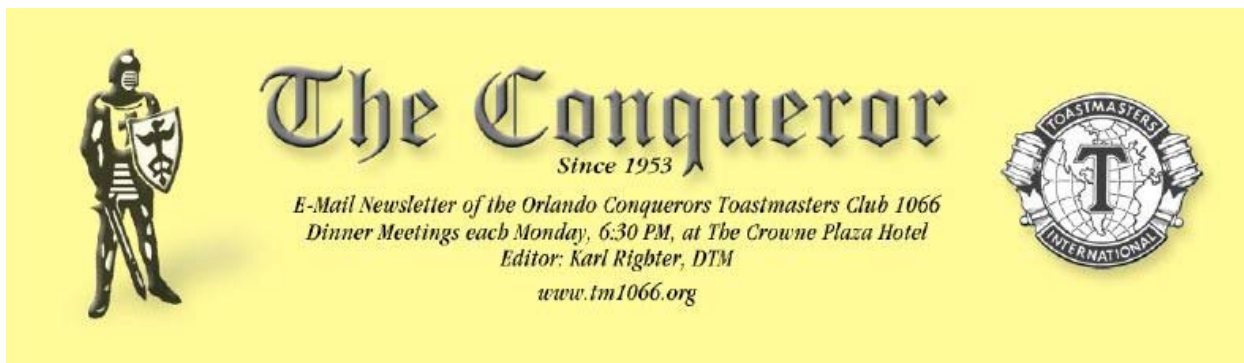


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October 26, 2009

Karl Richter, DTM, Editor



It was spooktacular!!

Great costumes, lots of laughter at annual theme meeting

GhostMaster **Gino D'Arco** pulled off another classic chapter in our history of memorable Halloween Costume Theme Meetings Monday night. Pirates, witches, sailors, clowns, even Spock from Star Trek showed off their best costumes.

Topics Master **Jerome "Hieronymus" Kalisz, ATM-G** offered challenging and fun "Terror Topics" for members to respond to. In addition, he went way over the top by preparing the most creative programs for the evening, complete with clever names for each segment along with plays on each functionary's name. And **Susan Culey** (Boo-ley) did a great job in her first "stab" as Master Evaluator (Master Value Hater).

A special guest was **Steve Jamba**, son of Past District Governor **Jack Jamba, DTM**, well-known to our senior members Brenda, Karl, Barbara, Bruce, and Scott.

Meeting recap – October 26, 2009

Best Costume: Brenda DeArmond, DTM
Best Speaker: Scott Hoehn, DTM
Best Evaluator: Brenda DeArmond, DTM
Best Table Topic: Steve Jamba (guest)
Most Improved: Cheng Chung Chow
Fireball Award: Susan Culey
Fun & Pun: Marlee Ward

Attendance: 17
Guests: 2
Meals ordered: 10
Last Word: 5

Fall Conference nearly sold out!

"Anchors Away" event set for November 6 - 8



In less than two short weeks, the "Anchors Away!" Fall Conference for our District 84 will take place at the gorgeous Shores Resort & Spa in Daytona Beach Shores! There are so many reasons to attend a conference but here are just a few:

- Cheer on the best of the best of the 4000 members in District 84, as eight finalist take the stage for the **Humorous Speech and Evaluation Contests!**
- Sharpen your humor skills, dress for success, castaway old habits and so much more by attending your choices of the ten educational "excursions". Our own **Karl Righter, DTM** will be giving the "Iceberg-Proof Humor" presentation!
- Be recognized for any educational or Club Ambassador designation you have achieved since July of this year as you receive your applause and ribbon on stage. You earned it!
- Party and grow your circle of friends throughout the weekend. The complimentary hospitality suite awaits you!
- The attire? Friday night is fun night with a cruise ship theme, so wear anything ocean-related (sailor suits, cruise wear, scuba gear, or perhaps be a pirate!). The more creative you get, the more fun you'll have.

On Saturday, relax in cruise/casual wear for the educational sessions. Then dress up for Saturday evening's Captain's Dinner/Dance. Suits and tuxes, dresses and gowns, so dress to impress and have fun.

For information, go to: www.SSSmedley.com. Registration ends October 31st.



Program line-up – November 2, 2009

Roles are filling up fast for next week's meeting. Toastmaster of the Evening **Karl Righter, DTM** (karl@righter.com) has chosen the theme "Conferences are Awesome" to spark interest in next week's District 84 Fall Conference. Contact Karl if you can fill the last remaining role, Ah Counter.

Toastmaster: Karl Righter, DTM

Educational Moment: Jerome Kalisz, ATM-G

Table Topics Master: Jessica Guthrie, ATM

Speaker #1: David Toro (Icebreaker)

Speaker #2: Jason Davis

Speaker #3: Enon Winkler

Master Evaluator: Michael Tuazon

Evaluator #1: Dana Kowen

Evaluator #2: Susan Culey

Evaluator #3: Bill deAquinos

Ah Counter: **(need volunteer)**

Timer: Brenda DeArmond, DTM

Grammarian: Marlee Ward



Calendar of Events (mark your planners)

- November 6 - 8 – **District 84 Fall Conference** – The Shores Resort & Spa, Daytona Beach. For information, go to: www.SSSmedley.com
Let's support our sister club's contestant in the Humorous Speech Contest, **Greg Whiteside** of Winter Park Toastmasters!

- November 23 – **Annual White Elephant Sale** – get your holiday shopping done early at bargain-basement prices.

Also: **Report of the Nominating Committee**

- 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



Bull Trophy Standings

Who's in the running for the Semi-Annual Bull Trophy for excellence in communication

Best Speaker Ribbons - 3 points each
Best Evaluator Ribbons - 2 points each
Best Table Topics Ribbons - 1 point each

As of October 26, 2009 (will be updated each month)

Karl Righter, DTM: 11 points
Mitesh Smart: 8 points
Jessica Guthrie: 7 points
Scott Hoehn, DTM: 7 points
Dana Kowen: 7 points



"Notable Quotes" – October 26, 2009

"I have no Vulcan idea!" - **Gino D'Arco**, (AKA "Spock") responding to one of **Jerome Kalisz's** Terror Topics

"BOAT...that stands for *bring on another thousand!*" - **Scott Hoehn, DTM**, from his winning speech on the joys of boat ownership

"This is your Captain speaking. Please prepare for take-off. Place your seatbacks and tray tables in their upright and locked positions, fasten your seatbelts, and place screaming babies in the overhead compartments." - **Karl Righter, DTM**, from his spoof on air travel

"And now for the general meeting evaluation from your scatterbrained Master Evaluator!" **Susan Culey**, using self-deprecating humor in her Fireball-winning role as Master Evaluator

"In my dream, I woke up from my dream!" - new member **David Toro**, during Terror Topics




**Righter's
Top Ten**
Karl Righter, DTM

Top ten recoveries after embarrassing gaffes:

10) Speaker falls on face on the way to the lectern: "I will now take questions from the floor."

9) Flopping microphone: "It's tough to do stand-up comedy with this thing!"

8) In response to heckler in audience: "Security, table six. Security,

table six."

- 7) Speaker falls through rotten floor on elevated platform: "Don't mind me. It's just a stage I'm going through."
- 6) Embarrassing silence after losing place: "I guess I carried that pregnant pause to full term."
- 5) Jokes bombing: "This microphone seems to be picking up the punchlines but not the laughs."
- 4) When cell phone goes off in audience, speaker pretends to answer on his cell phone: "I told you to stop calling me here."
- 3) More jokes bombing: "At least I won't have to worry about stepping on my laughs."
- 2) After inadvertent belch: "I'd like to thank Radio Shack for supplying tonight's sound system."
- 1) Member of audience heard snoring: "When I asked the program chairman how big a room I'd be working tonight, she said it sleeps 75."