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International Speech Contest Approaching!

It's that time of the year – the time to start preparing for the International Speech Contest! This is the only contest in all of Toastmasters that goes all the way to the International level. The club contest will be held February 15, which also happens to be President's Day, so we are inviting all past Orlando Conquerors presidents to come out and attend this awesome event.

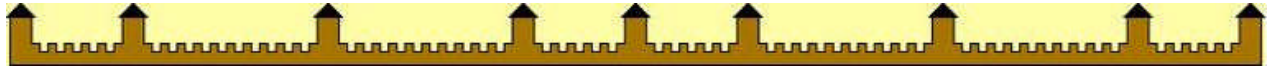
Contestants for the International Speech contest must be members in good standing and must have given at least 6 speeches (the contest speech can count as your sixth). If you don't meet those qualifications, you can still participate in the Table Topics competition that same night and there is no excuse not to since that requires no preparation! Please contact our contest master, **Bruce Gould**, if you are interested in competing or playing a functionary role for the contests.



Welcome Back, Michelle!

The new year brought an old face back to the Orlando Conquerors when **Michelle Robinson** made it back to the club for a meeting earlier this month. As many of you know, Michelle has suffered from a serious brain injury which had some of the best doctors in the world stumped as to what caused it and how to treat it. But she is happy to report that she has been

showing steady improvement and her doctors are encouraged that her brain is healing. Michelle jumped right back into the action winning Best Table Topics and Best Evaluator at the January 18 meeting! She thanks the club for all the good wishes and prayers and she's set a goal of accomplishing her CC this year. Can't wait to hear those speeches about dealing with the best doctors money can buy... Welcome back, Michelle!



Meeting recap – January 25, 2010

Best Speaker: Steve Jamba
Best Evaluator: Troy Sands
Best Table Topic: Paula Hickman
Most Improved: Bill De Aquinos
Bullseye: Steve Jamba
Fireball Award: Michael Tuazon
Fun & Pun: Steve Jamba

Attendance: 12
Guests: 0
Dinners: 6
Last Word: 6



Program line-up – February 1, 2010

Toastmaster: Nancy Humberson
Table Topics Master: Bill de Aquinos
Speaker #1: Michelle Robinson
Speaker #2: Nathan Meloon
Speaker #3: David Toro

Master Evaluator: Paula Hickman

Evaluator #1: Bruce Gould
Evaluator #2: Christine Sheridan
Evaluator #3: Sheldon Kagel

Ah Counter: Karl Righter
Timer: Mike Tuazon
Grammarian: Jerome Kalisch



"Notable Quotes" – January 25, 2010

"My future fiancé, and ex-wife, and I went to the beach..." – **Steve Jamba**, describing how he proposed marriage during his ribbon-winning ice breaker.

"If you ever did that to me, I would castrate you and kill you... OK, but can I choose the order?" – **Steve Jamba**, recanting a conversation that may have tipped him off that his future bride didn't share his sense of humor.

"Don't be guided by the fear of your belief systems" – **Bill de Aquinos**, during his inspirational speech that illustrated how our actions today are often limited by our belief systems that were formed years ago.

"Voice projection, using my hands, visualizing all of you with no clothes on" – **Dana Kowen**, during her table topics response describing how Toastmasters has helped her be a better speaker.

"But Mom... I'm only fulfilling my grandmother's wishes!" – **Jerome Kalisch**, describing his retort when his mom would become upset with him (his grandmother had always told her daughter, Jerome's mom, that she hopes she has a child one day who puts her through everything she had been put through).

"I want to *live* until the second I die" – **Paula Hickman**, during her ribbon-winning table topics response.



Upcoming Events:

- February 8 – **Officer Board Meeting** (during dinner break of regular meeting)
- February 15 – **International Speech and Table Topics contests** - President's Day Theme – past presidents invited'
- March 8 – **Officer Board Meeting** (during dinner break of regular meeting)
- March 29 – **April Fool's Backward Meeting**
- March 31 – **Dues are due**
- April 12 – **Officer Board Meeting** (during dinner break of regular meeting)
- April TBD – **Earl K. Wood Student Scholarship Contest** – Mayflower Retirement Center, 6:45 PM
- April 24 – **31st Annual Beach Party - 1066 & Winter Park Toastmasters** - at Karl Richter's home on Lake Orienta
- May 10 – **Officer Board Meeting** (during dinner break of regular meeting)
- May 14 - 16 – **District 84 Spring Conference** – Rosen Hotel, International Drive, Orlando
- May 31 – **Memorial Day** – no meeting
- June 14 – **Officer Board Meeting** (during dinner break of regular meeting)
- June 14 – **Report of Nominating Committee**
- June 21 – **Elections**
- June 28 – **Awards & Installation**



Righter's Top Ten

Karl Righter, DTM

Top ten funniest impromptu introductions when none is provided by the speaker:

10. Our next speaker is a best-selling author whose book is now in its 5th printing and is still loaded with typos.

9. Our Toastmaster this evening once ran unopposed for president of our club, and lost.

8. Our next speaker banks on the theory that it is easier to get a new audience than a new joke.

7. I've heard our Topics Master speak, and I've heard him eat, and personally, I'd rather hear him speak.

6. Our next speaker needs no introduction, and well deserved.

5. Our Grammarian this evening doesn't know the meaning of the word quit! In fact, as you will discover, there are thousands of other words of which he doesn't know the meaning.

4. Our next speaker recently gave up yoga because he kept spilling his beer.

3. When our next speaker first joined our club, people laughed at him when he tried to be funny. So he completed

the Entertaining Speaker Manual, and they aren't laughing now.

2. Our next speaker was recently elected Sergeant-at-Arms. After 12 years in Toastmasters, he has finally worked his way to the bottom of the organization.

1. Our next speaker has taken his Toastmasters training on the road. He has joined the traveling synchronized gesture team.