



# The Conqueror

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E-Mail Newsletter of the Orlando Conquerors Toastmasters Club 1066  
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## ***2010 Scholarship Contest Approaching***

The Conquerors Toastmasters Club 1066 is pleased to announce the 2010 **Earl K. Wood** Student Scholarship Speech Contest, to be held during our regular weekly meeting April 19th. This event recognizes public speaking excellence in Orange County graduating high school seniors as it also honors a distinguished 54-year member of our club, Honorary Life Member Earl K. Wood, DTM. The first prize is a \$1,000 scholarship to the university of the student's choice, and the second prize is a \$500 scholarship. The contest will be judged by our own experienced Toastmasters. Don't miss this great event. Please support the future leaders of our communities by your attendance and encouragement. These students are also terrific speakers!



## ***Mentors For New Members***

The Orlando Conquerors have been growing rapidly over the last few weeks, adding seven new members recently! But as important as attracting new members into the club is, it is equally important that we give our members the opportunity to learn and grow and we provide a good safe environment to do so. One of the ways to do this is through *mentoring*. Mentors provide a sounding board, coaching, and general advice for new members as they work through the first few projects in their manual. We're happy to report that all of our new members have been assigned mentors, but we will need more mentors as we continue to grow the club. If you are interested in being a mentor, please contact **Dana Kowen** or **Nathan Meloon**.



## ***Meeting recap – April 5, 2010***

**Best Speaker:** Karl Righter, DTM

**Best Evaluator:** Troy Sands, CC

**Best Table Topics:** Dana Kowen

**Most Improved:** Gino D'Arco

**Bullseye:** Julie Huang

**Fireball Award:** Marlee Ward

**Fun & Pun:** Gino D'Arco

**Attendance:** 15

**Guests:** 0

**Dinners:** 8

## ***Meeting recap – March 29, 2010 (Backwards Meeting)***

**Best Speaker:** Gino D'Arco

**Best Evaluator:** Nancy Humberson

**Best Table Topics:** Brenda Beckford

**Most Improved:** Gino D'Arco

**Bullseye:** Steve Jamba

**Fireball Award:** Nathan Meloon

**Fun & Pun:** Steve Jamba

**Attendance:** 23

**Guests:** 2

**Dinners:** 12



## ***Program line-up – April 12, 2010***

**Toastmaster:** Dana Kowen

**Educational Moment:** **(need volunteer)**

**Table Topics Master:** Carl Beckford

**Speaker #1:** Paula Watkin

**Speaker #2:** Joanna Mumly

**Speaker #3:** Brenda Beckford

**Master Evaluator:** Troy Sands

**Evaluator #1:** Bill De Aquinos

**Evaluator #2:** (need volunteer)

**Evaluator #3:** (need volunteer)

**Ah Counter:** Julie Hoang

**Timer:** Paula Hickman

**Grammarian:** Marlee Ward

**Vote Counter:** Christine Sheridan



## ***"Notable Quotes" – April 5, 2010***

"Hopefully there won't be much dinging of glasses tonight" – **Paula Hickman**, referring to the large number of new members in attendance who had not yet given their ice-breaker and therefore were not subject to fines from the Ah Counter.

"I can't believe I made it!" – **Gino D'Arco**, on what he would say if he found himself at the Pearly Gates during his Table Topics response.

"*What if* nobody was willing to answer these table topics questions?" – **Bill De Aquinos**, playing off the "What If...?" theme that he embedded into the questions he posed as Table Topics Master.

"Their eyes were watching us" – **Brenda Beckford** during her fascinating ice-breaker speech describing her life growing up in Johannesburg, South Africa.

"I took a trip with some of my friends to the Mall in Washington D.C. – it's all about the shopping!" – **Dana Kowen**, recounting her trip the Washington National Mall (okay, maybe not *the* mall...).



## ***Toastmaster Chatter***

- Pictures from the April Fools Backwards meeting have been posted to the following web site – check them out!  
<http://s684.photobucket.com/albums/vv201/Conquerors1066/Meeting%20Photos/2010-03-29%20-%20gniteeM%20sdrawkcaB/>
- Dues were due April 1 – \$45 for the semi-annual term. If you haven't already, please pay cash or check Treasurer Enon Winkler or pay via Pay Pal at the following web link:  
<http://www.tm1066.org/pppayment.htm>



## ***Bull Trophy Standings***

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

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

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*As of March 29, 2010:*

**Steve Jamba: 8 points**

**Michelle Robinson: 6 points**

**Karl Righter, DTM: 5 points**

**Jerome Kalisz, ATM-G: 4 points**

**8 members with 3 points**



## ***Upcoming Events:***

- April 12 – **Officer Board Meeting** (during dinner break of regular meeting)
- April 19 – **Earl K. Wood Student Scholarship Contest** – District 5, Crowne Plaza Hotel, 6:45 PM
- April 24 – **31st Annual Beach Party - 1066 & Winter Park Toastmasters** - at Karl Righter's home on Lake Orienta
- April 25 – **Division C International Speech and Table Topics Contest**, Mayflower
- 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 well-known cliches inspired by Toastmasters:**

*Head over heels* - a gesture that went terribly wrong

*Handwriting on the wall* - before there were flip charts, there was graffiti

*A pound of flesh* - exacted by the first chainsaw evaluator

*He who laughs last* - just got the punch line

*It went right over his head* - longwinded speaker ducks a tomato and keeps right on talking

*At first blush* - the icebreaker

*When push comes to shove* - a boring speaker is finally silenced

*Talking out of both sides of his mouth* - an ambidextrous Toastmaster runs for office

*He went off the deep end* - speaker exits stage left...stairs were stage right

*When all is said and done* - many speakers keep on talking