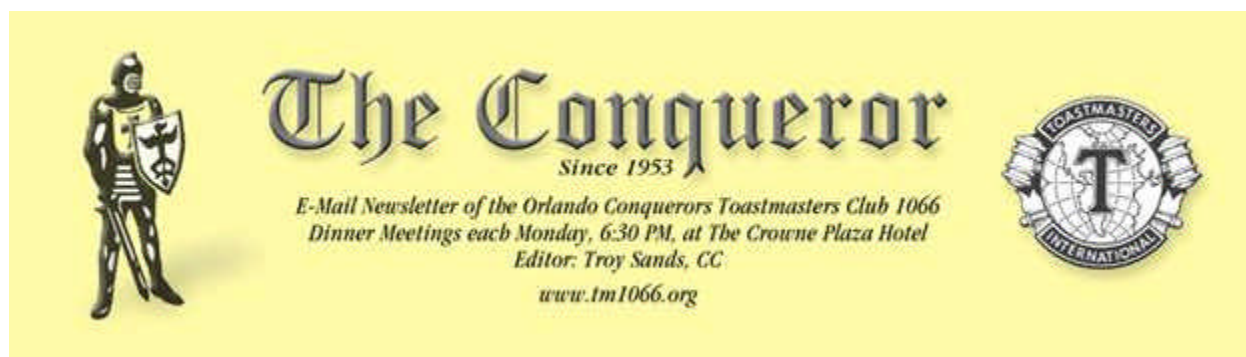
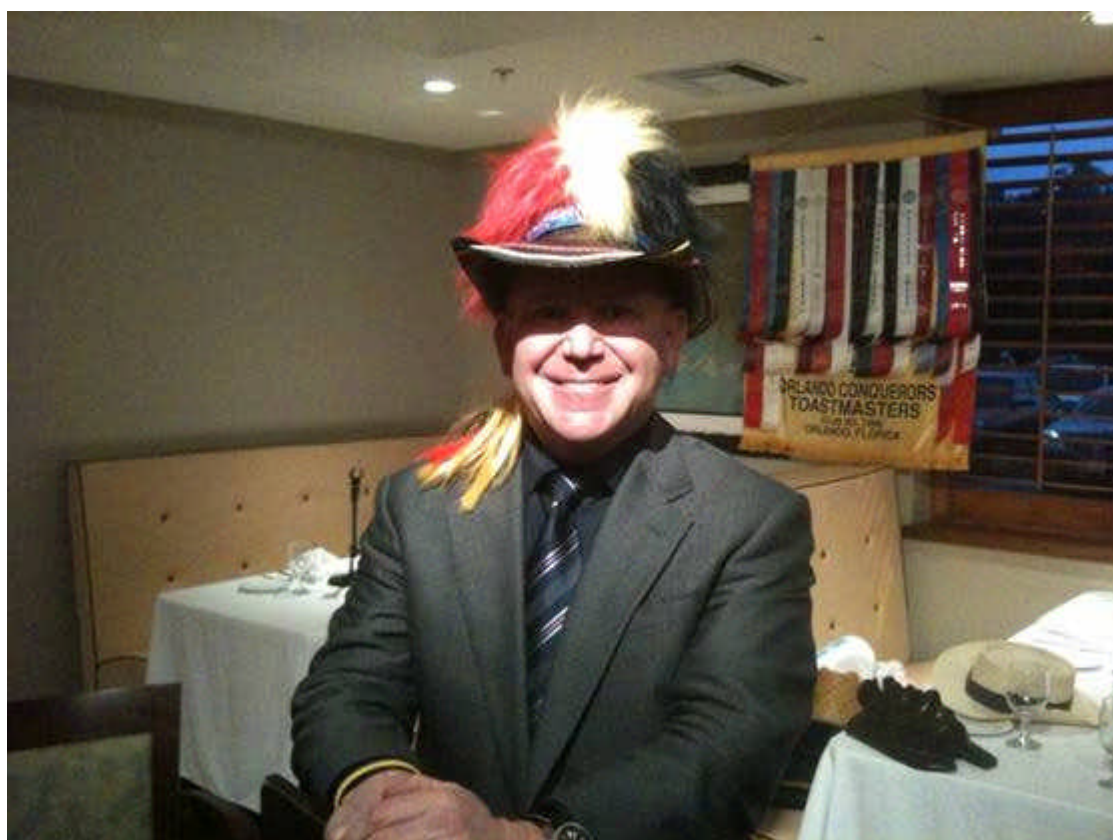

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June 7, 2010

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Another Mad Hatter of a Night!



The Orlando Conquerors added another chapter to a memorable story at the June 7th meeting which was themed "The Mad Hatter". Toastmaster **Dana Kowen** encouraged all Conquerors to wear their craziest hats, and the club did not disappoint. From **Karl Richter's** four-foot dunce cap to **Brenda Beckford's** "pirate-ress" hat in the name of women's rights, there were many great hats on display. Our youngest ever guest, **Anthony D'Arco (Gino's son)** even got into the action wearing a "bad guy's" hat and spoke about it during table topics. Karl added to the fun by bringing an assortment of hats for the members to respond to during table topics (if they didn't have their own hat) and it created a great atmosphere and a lot of fun. There was even a prize for Best Hat, which the club voted on, that went to **Bruce Gould** for his version of the raccoon lodge hat emulating his heroes Ralph Kramden (of Honeymooners lore) and Fred Flintstone. It was another great meeting in the tradition of Conquerors-themed events, and another great chapter of "The Mad Hatter".



Meeting recap – June 7, 2010

Best Speaker: Chris Rainaldi
Best Evaluator: Troy Sands
Best Table Topics: Brenda Beckford
Most Improved: Nathan Meloon
Bullseye: Chris Foster
Fireball Award: Jerome Kalisz
Fun & Pun: Enon Winkler
Attendance: 21
Guests: 1
Dinners: 10
Last Word: 5



Program line-up – June 14, 2010

Toastmaster: (need volunteer)

Pledge: Christine Sheridan

Educational Moment: Karl Richter, DTM
Table Topics Master: **(need volunteer)**
Speaker #1: Rick Hudnett
Speaker #2: JoAnne Mumley
Speaker #3: Carl Beckford
Speaker #4: Enon Winkler

Master Evaluator: Nathan Meloon
Evaluator #1: Bill De Aquinos
Evaluator #2: Bruce Gould, DTM
Evaluator #3: **(need volunteer)**
Evaluator #4: Brad Nemcik

Ah Counter: Susan Culey
Timer: Jay Couture
Grammarians: Troy Sands, CC
Vote Counter: Christine Sheridan



"Notable Quotes" – June 7, 2010

"Someone's going to have to loan me some money after this speech." – **Chris Foster**, after delivering his 2nd speech, which meant he was obligated to pay fines for his 19 um's and ah's. (but it was a great speech and earned him the Bullseye award!)

"300 times to apply for a loan, that's borderline OCD, but that's admirable determination" – **Chris Rainaldi**, using Walt Disney as a positive role model for being determined when going after your goals in life.

"Being a wizard is awesome. I like to appear and disappear to my wife sometimes" – **Carl Beckford**, describing what he liked about his wizard-like hat he wore.

"My hat represents a fight for women's rights as pirates. In the case of my husband, I would love to hold someone hostage!" – **Brenda Beckford**, during her ribbon-winning Table Topics response on why her pirates hat for women was a statement for women's rights.

"This is not a hat; this is a beer funnel!" – **Enon Winkler**, commenting on the tin-man hat that can double as a party tool.

"Whether or not you're intelligent, you'll be perceived as intelligent." – **Rick Hudnett**, providing networking advice and particularly the importance of perception over reality.



Toastmaster Chatter

- We are looking for a few good officers! Reminder that the new officer term begins July 1 – nominations for officers are open and the nominating committee will present its report at the June 14 meeting. If you are interested in holding an office, or want to nominate someone else, please contact **Troy Sands** as soon as possible.



Upcoming Events:

- June 14 – **Officer Board Meeting** (during dinner break of regular meeting)
- June 14 – **Report of Nominating Committee**
- June 21 – **Elections**
- June 28 – **Awards & Installation**





Top ten more reasons parents need to repeat the Work with Words assignment (these are real excuse notes written by parents in the Memphis school district)

10. My son is under a doctor's care and should not take PE today. Please execute him.
9. Please excuse lisa for being absent she was sick and I had her shot.
8. Dear school: please excuse john being absent on jan. 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and also 33.
7. Please excuse roland from p.e. for a few days. Yesterday he fell out of a tree and misplaced his hip.
6. John has been absent because he had two teeth taken out of his face.
5. Please excuse tommy for being absent yesterday. He had diarrhea, and his boots leak.
4. I kept Billie home because she had to go Christmas shopping because I don't know what size she wear.
3. Please excuse Jennifer for missing school yesterday. We forgot to get the Sunday paper off the porch, and when we found it Monday, we thought it was Sunday.
2. Sally won't be in school a week from Friday. We have to attend her funeral.
1. Gloria was absent yesterday as she was having a gangover.