



The Conqueror

Since 1953



Newsletter of the Orlando Conquerors Toastmasters Club 1066
Dinner meetings every Monday, 6:30pm at District 5 in the Crowne Plaza

www.tm1066.org

District 84, Area 32

July 2010

Upcoming Events

International Conference:
August 11-14
Palm Desert, CA

Humorous Speech & Evaluation Contest:
August 23
6:45pm

No Meeting:
September 6
Labor Day

Western Meeting:
September 13
Yee-haw!

Area 32 Contest:
September 20
Crowne Plaza, 6:45pm

Tall Tales Contest:
October 4

No Meeting:
October 11
Colombus Day

All Hallows Eve Meeting:
October 25
The Classic Spookfest!

Club Debate:
November 8
(Or Inter-Club Debate possible)

White Elephant:
November 22
Hock your stuff!

Holiday Banquet:
December 13
Officer Installations & party!

Club Contests: Laugh & Learn on August 23

The The Conquerors Fall 2010 Humorous Speech and Evaluation Contest will be held on August 23.

The Conquerors winners advance to the Area 32 Contest, which will be held on September 23. Area 32 winners advance to the Division C Contest, held on October 10, and Division C winners advance to the

culmination of these contests, held at the District 84 "Out of Africa" Fall Conference, November 12-14.

The Conquerors has a long history of placing members in the District level contests! Come to the club contest August 23 and cheer for your fellow Conquerors! •



Calendar is set for fun Fall frolicking!

In keeping with the *Conquerors* tradition of fun & fabulous Fall theme meetings, President **Kalisz** and his team of Officers have laid out a schedule chock-full of your favorite themes. Events will include the **Humorous Speech and Evaluation Contests**, **Western Night**, the **Tall Tales Contest**, our traditional **All Hallows Eve** (Hallowe'en) meeting, a **Club**

Debate, the **White Elephant Sale**, and more.

A list of these events has been included in this month's "Upcoming Events" section. All of these events have been much enjoyed in the past, so mark your calendars, punch your PDA or stick post-its to your forehead – whatever works – you will want to come to *Conquerors* this semester! •

Editor needed for Conqueror Weekly

The *Conqueror Weekly*, our club e-mail newsletter, has been a valuable tool, disseminating information and news expediently to our membership and has been the perfect adjunct to the printed *Conqueror*, which is primarily for guests and people to take home.

Unfortunately, our *Weekly Editor*, **Alan Brents**, has moved on, leaving the position open and us in search of a volunteer.

The duties, should you decide to

accept them, would consist of e-mailing the club, via the convenient club mailing list, on a weekly basis, with such information as the weekly awards, upcoming events and any urgent news. Graphics are appreciated but not necessary. Members such as **Karl Richter** and **Jerome Kalisz** would help you get up to speed.

This is a crucial function for our club and is sorely needed. Please contact a Club Officer if you think you can help. •

Conquerors - The Club 1066 Honor Roll:

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No Meeting:

Independence Day
Weekend

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Best Speaker:
Karl Righer

Best Evaluator:
Nancy Humberson

Best Table Topics:
Paula Hickman

Most Improved:
Joanne Mumley

Fireball:
Chris Rainaldi

Fun 'n Pun:
Charles Towns

Bullseye:
Joanne Mumley

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Best Speaker:
Toni Gitles

Best Evaluator:
Brenda Beckford

Best Table Topics:
Alan Brents

Most Improved:
Brenda Beckford

Fireball:
Carl Beckford

Fun 'n Pun:
Scott Hoehn / Karl Righer

Bullseye:
Susan Culey

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Bullseye:
Ruble Nedunkummel

“Notable Quotes”

“Scratching vigorously and thoroughly”

— **Susan Culey's** memorable description of her father's not-so-graceful growing older

“I'll pick the letter N, for obvious reasons”

— **Scott Hoehn**, wisely choosing the first letter of his new bride's first name (**Nancy Hoehn**) for his table topic

“You won't set the world on fire, but you'll do OK”

— Visiting Toastmaster **Toni Gitles**, describing a less than inspiring sendoff from an instructor

“Now I have something to call this time of day other than 'happy hour'.”

— **Alan Brents**, commenting on grammarian **Joanne Mumley's** word of the day “gloaming”

“I should have been home playing video games . . . but I had a good time instead of rotting my brains out”

— **Troy D'Arco**, son of Conqueror **Gino D'Arco**, commenting on the meeting

“Not everything that glitters is a Honda”

— **Ruble “Chanti” Nedunkummel**, describing his less than successful used car buying experience •

C³ - CONQUERORS CLUB CHATTER

Welcome back!

Long-time 1066 member and Past Club President **Alan Brents** has returned to Orlando and to Conquerors after three years in New York City. Alan has volunteered to publish the *Conqueror Weekly*, our club's email newsletter, and chair the *Club Contest* on August 23. Back after much shorter absences are Past Club President **Mitesh Smart**, **Sheldon Kagel**, and **Chris Foster**.

Blog!

(Submitted by VPPR, **Susan Culey**) Did you know that The Conquerors has an updated and current Blog? Check it out for yourself and help make it a huge success! This will

be a fun way to stay in touch with each other from a different angle, and will provide a distinct way for people who are interested in joining the club, or for those who just want to take a look! Please take a minute to check it out at the club's website and make a comment or two. We'd love the feedback! If you have any questions or comments regarding the Blog, contact Susan Culey. Thanks for your participation!

Farewell

Long-time 1066 member and Past Club President **Alan Brents** has moved on to another Toastmasters Club. We wish him good luck and farewell. •



Righter's Top Ten

By Karl Righer, DTM

Top Ten Statements Overheard at BP:

- 10) “Oops!”
- 9) “I **knew** I should have cashed in my stock options last year!”
- 8) “Who knew it was so hard to tell the difference between 5,000 and 50,000?”
- 7) “At least Exxon had a drunken ship captain to blame”.
- 6) “So we work for a company that's destroying the Gulf of Mexico. It could be worse ... we could be our lawyers”.
- 5) “Hey, what's this maintenance request doing under this pile of invoices”?
- 4) “Skimming oil off the ocean in the burning heat of summer ... it just doesn't get any better than this”!
- 3) “Are we sure duct tape won't work”?
- 2) “Twenty billion here, twenty billion there ... pretty soon you're talking real money”!
- 1) “If only my septic tank were this hard to stop up”!