

Toastmasters Weekly Newsletter – June 11, 2008

Please read carefully

NOTE: Our wrap up meeting will be held on Monday, June 30th at 236 Hall Avenue in Renfrew from 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm. Becca Platthy will be in charge of the menu (which is potluck, just let her know what you are bringing so that she will have an idea). You can reach her at b_platthy@hotmail.com.

Please check the end of the email for the ballots for Most Improved Toastmaster and Toastmaster of the Year. I only have 2 replies so far.

John Munkittrick sends greetings from Kandahar, Afghanistan

Special Events:

1. Saturday, June 21, 2008 – Toastmasters Leadership Institute Training - Sacred Heart H.S. 5870 Abbot St., Stittsville On K0A 2Z0 Come to this year's TLI training . Come and learn how to be a super club officer, what makes a good leader. Get informed about the Advanced program, and help your club become **DISTINGUISHED**.

Don't miss the breakfast light refreshments, the knowledge sharing workshops and **interactive discussions/presentations**, and the excellent camaraderie with your fellow members.

Registration – 8:30

Sessions 9:00 to 12:30

Route: Follow 417 to Terry Fox South. Turn right at Hazeldean Rd. Left at Iber Rd. Go to end turn right onto Abbot St. School is 5 min on left

2. Sunday, June 22, 2008 (Rain or Shine) Humorous Golf Tournament – sponsored by members of the Arnprior Toastmasters Club. You are invited to attend at the Madawaska Golf Centre (417 West to Arnprior, first exit, keep right). 12:15 sign in, Toast 1:15, Tee Off 1:30 pm, BBQ 4:35 pm. \$24.00 per person, call ahead early to book – pay when you get there. Fun for all – humorous golf, improvised speeches, motorized carts and golf clubs, best ball (and worst), shortest drive and longest drive, lots of opportunity to talk and distract! **Contact the Golf Centre 613-623-3852 or Fred Schuck 613-720-9228 or Tony Smith 613-633-9537 to book.**

3. Monday, June 30th. – This is our Wrap Up meeting where we present awards and induct our new Executive who were voted in in May 2008. This is an important meeting to celebrate endings and new beginnings and we would encourage all past and present

members to come out for some fun and fellowship. Guests are also welcome at this event, so bring your family and friends.

Awards - We will be presenting Toastmaster of the Year Awards at this time. At the end of this email is the criteria for the Award and a place for you to register your vote. Please return your vote to Fran either in person or by return email before June 17th in order that we can prepare the plaques for presentation.

We will also be awarding a Most Improved Toastmaster. Please give me your votes for this as well. (See end of email for ballot)

And now, on with the weekly news!

Who was there and what happened?

The theme for this week was Father's Day, and the word for both clubs was Flibbertigibbet (*an old English word referring to a flighty or whimsical person*). Fran gave an Educational on how to find words to use for "Word of the Week" and gave some sample outlines that people can use when they are giving the Word.

Pembroke's meeting was attended by Angie, Debra, Cleo, Jane, JoJo, Fran and a guest Bob (who will soon be joining us – there you go Bill!!). As usual, we were able to fill all the positions and had a great meeting. Debra did a good job for her first time as Toastmaster and kept the meeting flowing. She also had a special story to share with us (you'll have to ask her). Fran gave the Toast and also did Table Topics and Quizmaster. JoJo took on the job of timer and Grammarian/Ah Counter. Angie gave a great speech on TV Shows for Kids – Do You Know What Your Kids Are Seeing??? She really opened our eyes and won the Best Speaker Award. (Great work Angie, you have really progressed with your speeches and it was a real pleasure to listen to you!) Angie & Debra shared in the Spark Plug Award and Cleo took the honours for Best Evaluator and Best Table Topic, proving once again that she hasn't lost her spark!

Renfrew's meeting was attended by George, Jack, Lynne, Becca, Val, and Fran. Jack took over Ryan's role of Table Topics Master as well as performing the roles of Timer and Evaluator. (He's practicing for the role of President next year...!!) Val gave another speech (her official Ice Breaker) and George gave the first speech from his new manual – The Salesman. He had us sold, but Val beat him out for Best Speaker as she shared her personal story. Jack, Lynne and Becca gave excellent evaluations and Lynne won the award for Best Evaluator. She also won the Sparky Award. George offered the Toast and Lynne did the Joke/Story.

Oh yes, for those of you who were helping me to frantically search for the agenda, well, it was on my desk at the office and the one I took to the meeting was the one for Pembroke (which we found).

Next week meeting roles:

June 16th –Theme for Renfrew– Holidays

Toastmaster – Margaret

Speakers – Marilyn, Osiah, Ryan

Everything else is open..... call me!!

June 17th . - Roles for Pembroke – Theme is Body Language:

Toastmaster – Debra

Toast – Fran

Word - JoJo

Educational – Jane

Joke/Story – Ellen

Timer – Bill

Grammarian/Ah Counter – Bob

Quizmaster – Bill

General Evaluator – Angie

Table Topics Master – JoJo

Speakers – Ellen

Evaluator – Bill

Whoo hoo, all the roles are filled!! Way to go Pembroke!!

See you all soon

Fran

PS. WEBPAGES:

www.franwatson.ca/ToastmastersRenfrew.html and

www.franwatson.ca/ToastmastersPembroke.html

www.toastmastersdistrict61.org

www.toastmasters.org

P.P.S. Remember: During the summer you will have the chance to re-evaluate your goals and come back in September ready to accomplish them. Then take a moment to speak with the VP of Education for your club about what you hope to accomplish. The VP Ed will help you keep track during the year and gently encourage you if you get off track.

Toastmaster of the Year Guidelines:

1. Enthusiasm – Does the member reflect enthusiasm for fellow members, for the club and for Toastmasters.
2. Dedication – Does the member readily and enthusiastically accept all assignments and willingly contribute to the Club's well-being.
3. Helping others – Does the member evaluate others' speeches with the purpose of recognizing achievement, fostering continued improvement, and building self-esteem?
4. Attendance – Does the member attend on a regular basis, missing as few meetings as possible?
5. Sponsoring - Has the member sponsored any new members?
6. Mentoring – Has the member mentored any club members?
7. Contest Participation - Has the member participated in club contests in any way – organizing, chairing, timing, counting votes, speaking?
8. Educationals - Has the member presented Educational Tips?

Most Improved Toastmaster

1. Enthusiasm – Demonstrates enthusiasm for club, Toastmasters and fellow members.
2. Dedication – Has willingly taken on meeting roles and performed them to the best of their ability.
3. Attendance – Has attended on a regular basis.
4. Has made significant progress from the beginning of the year in the quality of their speeches, their ability to perform a meeting role, and/or their general self-confidence.

Current Member List – Pembroke

Cleo Lamping
Angie Goudie
Bill Halkett
Gerald Rollins
Jane Dougherty
Debra Lloyd
JoJo Burgess
Ellen Vandersleen
Maged Fanous
Fran Watson
Nigel Reynolds
John Munkittrick

Current Member List – Renfrew

Ben MacMurchy
Marg Solar
George Hooper
Osiah Horst
Joan Morgan
Chris Cobus
April Cappel
Jack Stekelenburg
Marilyn York
Becca Platthy
Ryan Stuart
Val Brohart
Lynne Kobus
Wellwood Smith
Pat Maloney
Fran Watson
Nigel Reynolds
John Munkittrick
Joe Almassy
Don Eady

BALLOT:

I would like to nominate: _____
for TM of the year.

I would like to nominate _____
For Most Improved TM.

Signature: _____