

March 1, 2007 (2 months gone already....how are your goals coming?)

Weekly Newsletter for Renfrew & Pembroke Toastmasters Club Members and Friends of Toastmasters

Hi All

Sorry for the delay in this week's newsletter. My plumbing is fixed, but this week has been crazy. As I sit here right now (midnite) I hear the wind picking up so I guess the storm (snow) is hitting. I wonder if I will be able to go to work in the morning.

We had another two great meetings this week. The theme was Roles and Responsibilities and we heard about some of the Toastmaster Roles and Responsibilities at both meetings. The Mission Statement and the Toastmasters Promise are in the front of the first two manuals.

Who was there? – Renfrew's group included: Marg, Chris, Lynne K, Fran, George, Osiah

In Pembroke we had a couple of visitors - Ed Nicholson from Chalk River, Lynne Zander (our Area B Governor) and Kevin Wright (who had visited before he left for Afghanistan and is now back). Lynne did the officer training. Maria and Fran were also in attendance.

What happened? – In Renfrew we had 3 speeches. Osiah, Marg and Lynne K. We learned about the war in Afghanistan (Speaking Off the Cuff) and about the ANZAC in World War II and were able to comment on the speech that Lynne will be presenting at the Area Contest on Wednesday, March 7th. Table Topics were on theme.

In Pembroke, the theme was the same with some changes since we were having the training. We still got in some Table Topics before breaking and starting into the training session.

What's new? George and Marg will be presenting and receiving their Competent Communicator badges next week, so they will both be getting 2 speeches from their Advanced Manual completed. We will also be officially welcoming Candice and Chris into the Renfrew Club and presenting them with their pins.

What else? Renfrew Toastmasters is a member of the local Chamber of Commerce and members are welcome to attend the breakfast on Wednesday, March 7th featuring Fred Blackstein (7 am).

Just a reminder - Wellwood Smith has asked for someone to mentor in the role of VP Education. He has been doing this job for the past two years and he would like to pass on the opportunity to someone else. Please talk to Wellwood or to Fran if you are interested in helping out.

Next week's theme is Speaking Out.

If you would like to take on a role, give me a call 613-649-2950 and I will put you on the agenda.

The area speech contest will be held in Arnprior on March 7th. Everyone is welcome to attend and cheer on our contestants.

The spring conference is in Gatineau April 27-29 and registration is \$160 to the end of February. The room cost is \$109 for single or double.

Til next week
Fran

P.S. Let me know if I missed anything.

