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

**Quick Note: Watch for Lynne's article this weekend based on her experience of competing in the contest. It's a great article and has been sent to both the Weekender and The Pembroke Observer.**

This week we had just one meeting in Renfrew as the school in Pembroke was closed for the March break. Our theme was St. Patrick's Day and the room was suitably decorated with leprechauns.

**Who was there?** – Renfrew's group included: Marg, Chris, Candice, Lynne K, Fran, Osiah, Wellwood, Nigel and a friend of Marg's - Beverley Doerr

**What happened?** – We had one speaker, Candice Dick, beginning her Competent Communicator by delivering her Ice Breaker and one speaker, Osiah Horst, completing his Competent Communicator as he delivered his 10th Speech. Both were inspiring!

Nigel led the meeting as Toastmaster. He was well prepared and did an excellent job. The timing duties were performed by Marg who also gave the Toast and evaluated Candice's speech. Lynne did an excellent evaluation of Osiah's speech. Osiah will be receiving his badge in a couple of weeks. Chris Cobus presented us with some challenging and interesting Table Topics, on theme of course. The word of the week was "green" and it was amazing all of the uses of the word.....and the number of times that we were able to work it in. Osiah even worked it into his speech several times!

**What's new?** Our guest, Beverley Doerr was so enthralled by our club that she is going to look into joining a Toastmasters Club back in Mississauga.

Nigel will be changing some of his work duties over the next while and will only be with us alternate weeks. This will mean some changes on the Executive.

**What else?** Wellwood Smith and George Hooper will be leading the meeting next week as Fran will be away and so will Nigel. Most of the roles have been spoken for, but for those who weren't at the meeting, I'm sure that something can be found for you to do!!!

The theme for the meeting is Impromptu Speaking, so be prepared, you never know what role you will be asked to take on.....!

Chris has offered to print the agenda, so I will be emailing it to her later this week.

The division speech contest will be held in Ottawa on March 24th. Everyone is welcome to attend and cheer on our Lynne and Fred Schuck (who was the first place winner in both contests). Fran will be driving down. Please let me know if you need a ride or if you are going and can offer a ride to another member.

The spring conference is in Gatineau April 27-29 and registration is now \$175 . The room cost is \$109 for single or double.

Til next week (or the week after)  
Fran

P.S. Let me know if I missed anything, and keep inviting guests and friends to our meeting so we can reach our magic number and get chartered. The sooner, the better.....everyone is waiting to come to our Charter Party!!

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