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Mission of our Toastmasters Club

The mission of our Toastmasters club is to provide a mutually supportive and positive learning environment in which every member has the opportunity to develop communication and leadership skills, which in turn foster self-confidence and personal growth.

Get Ready for Change, Superiorland!

By Judy Hunt

For the past 2 ½ years I have prepared the monthly newsletter and maintained our club's web site. It has been a pleasure. Thank you, Superiorland Toastmasters for giving me creative licence. This club and this job have provided a better learning environment than I could possibly have imagined. Doing the research for articles and inspiration, for facts and answers, and soliciting assistance has been quite an eye-opener.

This was my first experience with a club newsletter. I will continue to contribute articles, as I know that will make the job easier on the next editor. The logo at the top of the page was based on an idea from Burt Parolini. Thanks Burt.

This was also my first experience with creating and maintaining a web site. I never knew web sites were so simple. So if *you* have the chance to learn web site maintenance, do yourself a favor and say yes. You will never be sorry. For the adventurous ones, you can go to Yahoo to 'play' and learn how to create your own web site for free and at your own speed.

Marilyn Beverly has agreed to take on these two responsibilities beginning July 1, 2004. Marilyn has experience writing—she is a published author. She also has some web site experience, as she has her own web site. In true Toastmaster style Marilyn has accepted these challenges with aplomb. A true Toastmaster will not shy away from a communication learning experience.

Thank you, Marilyn. I will be one of the first to read the July issue. I will also continue to make our club's web site my main source of Toastmaster guidance. I grant you my creative license. We will just use some white out and write your name in. I wish you a year filled with fun and new experiences.

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Superiorland Toastmasters meet twice each month from 6:30-8:00 pm. 2nd Monday, Meeting Room 112, Ramada Inn, 412 W. Washington, 4th Monday, Community Room Peter White Public library, 217 North Front Street, Marquette.

WWW.Geocities.com/Superiorland
Voted the Districts Top Club Website
2002 and 2003

Were You Listening? Did You See?

- ✓ Who was nominated for VP/Membership at the May 10th meeting?
- ✓ How many Icebreaker Speeches were given May 10th?
- ✓ What was the main order of the evening on May 24th?
- ✓ How many species of orchids are there in the world?

Member's Forum

<Looking Back is Looking Forward>>

What have you done in the past year in Toastmasters? No matter how small or big the contribution, you made Superiorland Toastmasters successful. This has been noteworthy for all the members. The saying goes, *“Every little bit helps.”*

New officers will be taking over the responsibilities of the Superiorland Toastmaster Club on July 1, 2004. Their job is to continue promoting Toastmasters in the area. These officers are willing to go that extra mile. So all we have to do is assist them when asked.

Listening to the news, Senator Hamilton made a statement **“Looking back is Looking Forward.”** This statement was in reference to a crisis that the US has encountered since 9-11. We can use that cliché in Superiorland Toastmasters Club. By *“looking back”* at our accomplishments we can now *“look ahead”* and continue to succeed.

Some individuals would rather go and hide in the closet than speak in front of a group. Well Toastmasters has proven time and time again after they join, a club the fear of speaking in front of a group is lost. This in turn gives them tools that are necessary for improvement in daily life.

Traveling and attending other Toastmasters Clubs is a refreshing experience. They greet you with open arms. It makes you feel like you are a member of their club. You gather information and meet colleagues that are friends forever.

In Toastmasters I have learned to listen to the individuals when speaking on a casual level. This has helped me to listen to the person speaking without interruptions. Sometimes that is difficult because you want to get your “two cent” comment in before they finish. Well anyway I consider Toastmasters Number One in learning to speak properly at all levels.

Robert Shimanek, CTM
President

Speaking Tip:

When you want to say something that is especially significant, challenging or shocking, pause both before and after making the statement. Remember, a pause does not seem as long to your listeners as it does to you.

Things work out best for the people who make the best out of the way things work out.
Unknown

CLUB OFFICERS



Office	2003-2004	2004-2005
President	Bob Shimanek	
VP Education	Judy Hunt	
VP Membership	Mary Belmore	
VP Public Relations	Dan Barrington	
Secretary	Stacy Jandron	
Treasurer	Karen Jandreau	
Sergeant at Arms	Joanne Shimanek	
Immediate Past President	Pam Kauppila	

Commitment is what makes the improbable possible and the possible real.

Thank you to Chuck Ebert, District Governor,
for giving us our new timing light.

Thank you to Jay Bennetts, Bay de Noc Toastmasters,
for donating some of his back issues of
Toastmaster magazine for use in our visitor packs.

SUPERIORLAND TOASTMASTERS IS HOME OF AREA GOVERNOR OF THE YEAR

Judy Hunt has been chosen the 2003-2004 recipient of the Area Governor of the Year Award at District 35's Spring Convention.

This award was presented to Judy for enhancing the performance of her clubs, serving as a resourceful liaison between the District and her clubs, providing effective leadership to Club Officers, and for focusing on critical success factors, such as educational and membership goals.

Congratulations Judy.



Feeling Stressed? Try this Suggestion

By Sue Augustine

"Simply walking for 15 minutes, three times a week can have a greater calming effect than a tranquilizer. Activity helps to drain away stress hormones that circulate in the body and prompts the brain to release endorphins - chemicals that promote a sense of peace and serenity. You'll be more likely to stick with an exercise routine if you find something you really enjoy, whether it's walking, skipping rope, swimming or dancing nude to big band music in your living room!"

Grading the Grammarian

Being Grammarian is a tough job that gets no respect. Most of the members of our club, though willing, accept the role of Grammarian with a wince. We often consider ourselves inadequate for the challenge. Done properly it can be a rewarding job for both the Grammarian and the speaker. Yet, done poorly it is a waste of time. More respect may be afforded this role if the title was changed to "Language Evaluator". This would be a more elegant, dignified title.

Perhaps if we define the role, and delineate the duties, you will give this job the respect, and attention it deserves. Being Grammarian is not all about the usage of grammar. A Toastmaster Grammarian should provide each speaker with a brief critique of his/her speech while considering the speakers strengths and weaknesses.

Included in consideration:

- a. Choice of words
- b. Obvious grammatical errors
- c. Unusual words
- d. Clever phrases
- e. Strong sentence structure
- f. Using an alliteration
- g. Repetitive use of a single word for effect
- h. Creation of 'new words'
- i. The use of particularly colorful or descriptive words and phrases.

Grammarians should be more concerned with how the speech sounds and is translated by ear than how it would be written on paper. For instance, the use of a preposition at the end of a sentence. This language rule was created in the 17th century. Today the rules are more relaxed. There are times when that is the only way to end the sentence. And in today's society it is acceptable to use a preposition at the end of a sentence. Not necessarily desirable, but acceptable.

Bring this list with you to a meeting and practice. Add it to your normal evaluation of a speaker. Maybe, just maybe, you will one day eagerly be willing to take on that respected, valuable role of Grammarian.

MEMBER NEWS!

- ◆ Happy Birthday to Dan and Mary!
- ◆ Spring Conference was attended by Bob, Joanne, Stacy and Judy. They brought home 2 ribbons for our banner.
- ◆ Our members have been traveling again—as witnessed by the low attendance.
- ◆ For our first meeting in July, we hope to be meeting in the Peninsula Medical Center. A conference room has been offered to us at no charge. Watch and listen for more details.

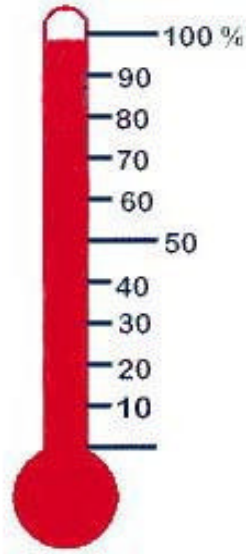
You gain strength, courage, and confidence by every
experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face.

Eleanor Roosevelt

Distinguished Club Status

What we have achieved!

6 new members
 2 Cls
 4 CTMs
 1 ATM B
 1 ATM S
 Officers Trained x 2
 Reports on Time



What we need to complete before we achieve our goal:

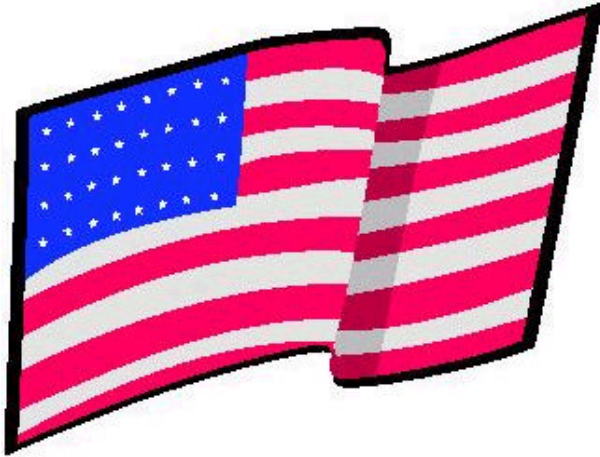
1 new member

Calendar of Events

June	14	Superiorland Toastmaster Annual Meeting. Wahlstrom's restaurant 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Daris McLaughlin, District 35 Lt. Governor/Marketing will be our special guest. Bay de Noc Toastmasters will join us also. Ms. McLaughlin will induct the new officers and conduct officer training.
	28	Superiorland Toastmasters meeting 6:30 - 8:00 pm Peter White Public Library, Community Room. Toastmaster: Stacy
July	12	Superiorland Toastmasters meeting 6:30 - 8:00 pm Peninsula Medical Center, Conference Room, 1414 West Fair Avenue. Use Waldo Street Entrance. Look for more information, with directions, in June.
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August	9	Superiorland Toastmasters meeting 6:30 - 8:00 pm Peninsula Medical Center, Conference Room, 1414 West Fair Avenue. Use Waldo Street Entrance.
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November	12-13	Fall Conference in Pewaukee, WI. Make plans now to attend—get that day off work!

Congratulations to Bob Shimanek!

Area Governor for
Northern Division, Area 3
2004-2205.



NOTICE

June 14th is **Flag Day**, fly your flag.

June 14th is **Bob and Joanne's**
52nd Wedding **Anniversary**.

June 14th is our **ANNUAL**
MEETING at Wahlstrom's
restaurant, 6:30 - 8:00 pm.
Everyone should attend.

Meet the Members

When a person fears speaking in public, the Board Room can sound like Mt. Everest. This month's featured speaker has already conquered mountain climbing. Is public speaking next?

Linda Wilson joined our club early this year and has already given her first two manual speeches. This is a woman with a plan.

A Michigan native, Linda received her BS in Education from NMU. She is also a graduate gemologist, having graduated from the Gemological Institute of America. You can find her using her skills daily at Wattsson and Wattsson Jewelers in Marquette. There she is a designer and goldsmith, does custom work, appraisals and is Vice President of Operations. Two of Linda's goals are to participate in a faceting competition and to attain her master certification.

Linda has 1 step-daughter and 3 children, who she considers one of her greatest accomplishments in life. She also has 2 step-grandsons and the love of her life, her significant other of 15 years. Let's not leave out the pets—a beautiful ancient cat and a tank full of fish.

As a young child Linda wanted to be a princess or a queen. As an older child she wanted to be an architect. Her many hobbies include gems, (faceting and collecting), rock hounding, gardening, reading, traveling, camping, hiking, and playing music. Linda plays more than five different instruments. Her taste in music runs through everything except 'popular' music.

Linda joined our club because she wants to better represent her company through sharing her knowledge with others—for instance seminars and teaching. We look forward to Linda's very interesting presentations. She will, indeed, become a very interesting teacher and leader. Welcome, Linda.

Find These Advanced Toastmaster Terms

Word Search Puzzle

Dedicated to Joanne Shimanek

(Word list on next page)

H M H R H M M K T V M S U P P L I E S G T Q I N F O R M A T I O N
D X M K Y E N A P M W P O T E N T I A L C J P H J Z B N S Y R P V
B L R H Y Y A D N L S C I T S I R E T C A R A H C N W R L S Q A R
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J M K L A N O I T A N R E T N I P O C M R P D O C X M W L M G N D
M H Y X T R N O I T U L O S E R D R C C D M R N N N K T R V Z G M

Achievement	Chartering	District	International	Minimum	Reports	Supplies
Activities	Committee	Division	Invitation	Mission	Resolution	Talents
Application	Conference	Excellence	Knowledge	Module	Resources	Track
Area	Contest	Executive	Lead	Newsletter	Retention	Training
Benefits	Convention	Expand	Leaders	Opportunity	Review	Website
Building	Council	Growth	Learn	Potential	Rules	
Catalog	Departments	headquarters	Mailings	President	Seminar	
Ceremony	Development	Healthy	Management	Protocol	Speechcraft	
Certification	Direction	Information	Mentee	Proxy	Standards	
Characteristics	Distinguished	Inspiration	Mentor	Release	Success	

You Are A Key Person

Even though my keyboard is an old model, it works quite well except for one of the keys. I have often wished that it worked perfectly. There are 46 keys that function well enough, but just one not working makes a big difference. Sometimes it seems to me that a Toastmasters club is somewhat like my keyboard when all the people are working together as a group.



You may say to yourself, "I am only one person, I don't make or break an organisation", but it does make a difference, because for a club to be effective needs the participation of every member.

The next time you think you are only one person, and that your efforts are not needed, remember and say to yourself, I am a key person in our club, and am very much needed.

Were You Listening? Did You See?

- ✓ Linda was nominated for VP/Membership at the May 10th meeting
- ✓ One Icebreaker Speech was given May 10th (by Mike).
- ✓ New Officer elections were held on May 24th.
- ✓ There are thousands of species of orchids in the world.

Answers to Presidential Trivia

Thomas Jefferson	Could read Greek, Latin, French and English
John Quincy Adams	Was elected by the House of Representatives because neither candidate had enough electoral votes.
John Quincy Adams	Would get up two hours before sunrise to go skinny-dipping in the Potomac River.
Andrew Jackson	Was the only President to ever kill a man in a duel.
Zachary Taylor	Let his horse graze on the White House lawn.
Franklin Pierce	Was arrested for running over a woman while driving his carriage in Washington, D.C. The charges were later dropped.
Ulysses S. Grant	Was arrested for speeding his horse and buggy through town. He had to pay a \$20 fine and walk back to the White House.
Benjamin Harrison	Was afraid of electric lights.
Warren G. Harding	Bet and lost all the White House china on one hand of cards.
John F. Kennedy	Received \$1,000,000 from his father when he turned twenty-one.
Lyndon Baines Johnson	Ran away from home at age 15, went to California where he worked as a grape picker.
Gerald Ford	Was never elected President. He was appointed by his predecessor.
Gerald Ford	Was a model for Cosmopolitan and Look magazines.
Ronald Reagan	Was an announcer for Chicago Cubs games on the radio.
Ronald Reagan	Had a nickname—Dutch
William Clinton	Had a nickname--Bubba