



TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Club 9327 District 31 Area A-3 Haverhill, MA

OUR NEXT MEETING:
January 31, 2005

Join us at 7pm at:
Haverhill
Public Library
99 Main Street

FRIENDLY PERSUASION

OUR SECOND SPEECHATHON IS PLANNED FOR THIS MONDAY



Plan to join us this Monday the 31st at 7pm at the Haverhill Public Library as members of Friendly Persuasion conduct their second **SPEECHATHON!** At least 7 of our members will give a speech project

from one of the Communication and Leadership manuals. Several members will be offering their very first speech--the Icebreaker, and some are working from Advanced Toastmasters manuals. Each speaker will receive an oral evaluation of their presentation. This is a great opportunity to hear the unique style of each speaker and to learn more about the Toastmasters program. Please plan to join us if you can. There is no obligation...just a fun and informative program that you are sure to enjoy. We hope you will be as inspired as we have been, and continue to be, about Toastmasters. All of us are working to strengthen our communication skill-set.

A BIRTHDAY TOAST AND FRIENDLY ROAST



At our last meeting, members surprised **Shawn Mills** with a birthday cake and song-- along with a friendly and funny **ROAST**. Who knew our members could be such creative comediennes? Special attention was given to Shawn's talents (?) and her organizational skills (?) and her current airline career (which she

does have when she is not on leave of absence) and the fact that she is, as they called it...*Perpetually Prepared!* It was a great deal of fun for all and it was the first time we have had our Table Topics segment be the Roast of a Member. Keeping our meetings fun is what keeps the members happy! (Even if I had to turn 50 years old to provide the proper subject matter for a Roast!)

Thanks to fellow members--**Terrie Bulger, Jean Leider, Chris O'Brien, Charlie Belluche and Rich Curtin** for their fine acting abilities and the comedic moments. Of course...a big thanks to all for the great card, delicious cake and the super rendition of Happy Birthday to You!! Now, who's next??

“PROCEED WITH PASSION--- SPEAK WITH COURAGE”



President Terrie Bulger roasting Shawn Mills about being **PERPETUALLY PREPARED.....**hmmm, what's with the unusual props????



Back row l to r: Sheryl Meehan, Terrie Bulger, Anne Six, Chris O'Brien, Elizabeth Benson, Front row l to r: Rich Curtin, Birthday Girl Shawn Mills, Jean Leider and Charlie Belluche.

In addition to the fun and games of the member ROAST, at our last meeting we enjoyed prepared speeches by 3 members along with the presentation of "Keeping the Commitment"-- a Successful Club series segment from President Terrie Bulger. All members were reminded of the commitment we must continue to make to ourselves and each other in order to get the greatest benefits out of the Toastmasters experience. Member **Anne Six** gave her Speech #2, titled, "Have You Looked into the Inner You?" It was a thought provoking true story of the process that she has used to tap into her creative side. As a published author, speaker and storyteller, Anne has plenty of great advice! Member **Elizabeth Benson** gave her 2nd speech which she titled, "If You Don't Mind, It Doesn't Matter, or Does It?" This was an excellent speech about the power of self-perception, positive thinking and the style we project to others. Member **Jean Leider** woke us up with a startling informative speech about the common, but often misunderstood sleep disorder, sleep apnea. Jean's speech titled, "Are You Sleeping?" shared her perspective which comes from her experiences with this affliction. The BEST SPEAKER ribbon of the evening went to **Elizabeth Benson** and **Terrie Bulger** was recognized as BEST EVALUATOR. Well done....and we can't wait to hear more from all of these interesting speakers!

Member and artist Elizabeth Benson will be offering a 13-week guided self-study course called "The Artist's Way at Work". This Sunday the 30th, she is holding an introductory presentation from 4-6pm in a private meeting room at Panera Bread in Swampscott. Join Elizabeth as she helps you discover your authentic self. Learn to uncover the blocks in your life that prevent you from becoming all you can be. Licensed Life Coach Donna Johnson will start the program with a workshop entitled, "Seven Magic Keys to Success". For more information, call Elizabeth at 781-593-9590 or e-mail: dovehavenstudio.eb@verizon.net

HERE'S THE PLAN FOR OUR SPEECHATHON THIS MONDAY...

ARE YOU SPEAKING?

TOASTMASTER: Jean Leider

TIMER: Chris O'Brien

AHH COUNTER: Terrie Bulger

MUNCHIES: **CAN ANYONE VOLUNTEER?**

SPEAKERS: Dottie O'Connor, Tricia Hoyt, John Carty, Chris O'Brien, Shawn Mills, Terrie Bulger, Charlie Belluche

EVALUATORS: Elizabeth Benson, Anne Six, Jean Leider, Sheryl Meehan, Rich Curtin, Shawn Mills, Terrie Bulger



Roastmasters Chris O'Brien and Jean Leider

HERE ARE THE MEETING ROLES FOR OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 14TH

TOASTMASTER- Shawn Mills

GENERAL EVALUATOR- **we need**

TABLE TOPICS- **we need**

SPEAKERS- Charlie, Julie ,Chris, Sheryl

EVALUATORS-**we need**

TIMER- **we still need**

AHH COUNTER- **we still need**

WORD MASTER/GRAMMARIAN- **we still need**

MUNCHIE MASTER- Sheryl Meehan

JOKE MASTER- **we still need**

QUIZ MASTER- **we still need**

WHO WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER FOR A MEETING ROLE RESPONSIBILITY FOR OUR FEBRUARY 14TH MEETING? PLEASE E-MAIL ME.

FRIENDLY PERSUASION meets the 2nd and 4th Monday nights of the month unless the library is *closed* for a holiday or snowstorm. Upcoming meetings are: a special meeting on January 31st, regular meeting February 14th and the 28th. In March, the meeting dates are also the 14th and 28th. Mark your calendars and plan to join us!

Shawn Mills VP of Education (978) 475-1301

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