



TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL

Club 9327 District 31 Area A-3 Haverhill, MA

OUR NEXT MEETING:
June 25, 2007

Join us at 7pm at:

Haverhill

Public Library

99 Main Street

FRIENDLY PERSUASION

SCHOOL'S OUT FOR SUMMER ...BUT THE LEARNING NEVER STOPS AT TOASTMASTERS!



Join us at our next meeting, this Monday, June 25th at 7pm in the Haverhill Library. We promise you an interesting, entertaining and informative evening. Come and find out how Toastmasters can

help you learn the skills and gain the confidence you need to effectively communicate your message in any situation. We are Friendly Persuasion Toastmasters—no, we're not a school, but the meetings are a learning process for all who attend no matter what level of public speaking experience you have. You'll be able to plan, prepare and present any speech with much greater effectiveness once you participate in Toastmasters. What are your personal or professional goals?—chances are good that the ability to communicate your thoughts and ideas will allow you to reach those goals much more quickly and with greater ease. Toastmasters can help!

AT OUR LAST MEETING

We welcomed several first time visitors to our club at our last meeting. **Mary Ann Parry, Janet Parini** and **Peter Hart** stopped in for the evening. We enjoyed having them give us a *test visit*—(and we loved having MaryAnn tell the joke of the evening). Sure hope we see you all again at this upcoming meeting.

As always, our members assumed varying roles during the meeting which allowed them to have some speaking experience—or talk time—during the meeting. Several members also presented prepared speeches. We were treated to the Icebreaker (first speech) of member **Joe Blackburn**. The Icebreaker gives the new members the opportunity to introduce themselves by giving a speech of 4 to 6 minutes. For some it's a nerve-wracking first experience—for others it's simply their first time to speak in front of our group. But most importantly for everyone who

speaks—is the friendly, supportive environment that surrounds the activity. Feedback is given in the form of individual written comments from fellow members and there's an official evaluation from one assigned member. Congratulations to Joe for sharing his story with us. He looked and sounded confident and we enjoyed his dry humor! Great start Joe!

Member **Jean Leider** used her time to practice a presentation she has to give as Housing Corporation member for her *fraternity* Alpha Xi Delta at their national convention. It involved giving advice on how chapter representatives could secure a bank loan to cover necessary chapter house repairs or to handle other important financial challenges.

Working toward her Advanced Leader recognition, member **Shawn Mills** shared information about *Giving Effective Feedback*. Shawn based her program on one of the modules in the Leadership Excellence Series which is a resource available from Toastmasters International.

As you can see, in one meeting we heard about a variety of subjects and of course, we learned a lot!

We also elected our new officers for the upcoming club year which runs from July 1, 2007 until June 30, 2006. The Executive Board will be: President-**Carole Holcroft**, VP Education-**Elizabeth Benson**, VP Membership-**Shawn Mills**, VP Public Relations-**Julie Wisniewski**, Treasurer-**Jean Leider**, Secretary-**Anne Six**, Sergeant at Arms-**Joe Blackburn**. **The Executive Board will be meeting soon to prepare the required Club Success Plan. Look-out Toastmasters International, we are setting ourselves the goal of Presidential Distinguished Club! We can do it again!**

See you at the meeting this Monday!

“PROCEED WITH PASSION---SPEAK WITH COURAGE”