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NEW YEAR, NEW LEADERSHIP 2007 DISCOVERY CLUB OFFICERS

Officer Installation Day was Wednesday, June 28th. Special thanks to Julie Huggett for the photos; Julie is one of Discovery's newest members and an avid photographer as well! Pictured below, top photo: Co-Presidents Linda Lee Jacobs & Paul Jacobs, VP Membership, Lindsay Berger, VP Public Relations Jackie Doehling, and Treasurer Jason Weimer, and in the front, 2006 Area 71 Governor Katie Dailey. Missing from the photo: VP Education Kelly Mann & Secretary Marilee Kaas. This year the Sergeant At Arms position was not filled. Officers & Members will work together to coordinate this position's duties & activities. Welcome new & returning officers!



WE HAVE A MISSION... BUT WHAT IS IT REALLY?

Recently there was a series of emails some of us officers passed around regarding the Club Mission. I realized we did not have it posted on the website, and wasn't sure I had it in our newsletter either. Thinking about it further, I realized we had our mission on the back page of this publication. But before you flip it over to see, do you know what our mission is?

Then I wondered, was this *our club's* mission, or simply a copy of what "a" club's mission is according to Toastmasters International? I found my answer, and if you go to the TI website, you will see that the mission (quoted on

the back of this newsletter) is indeed the same as what is published on the TI website. So maybe there is a rule that we have to have a mission in common with all other clubs. However, I ask you to think about this: What is our club's vision? What about our core values?

Let's work together this year and define these as a club. I believe if we have a clear vision of what we want our club to be, the mission will support it, and by modeling a set of core values, we will achieve it! These are the things that will make us stand out, so we aren't just another club in the listing!



FORMER CLUB MEMBERS: WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Recently I emailed former members (where I had contact information) to see what they have been up to since departing Discovery Toastmasters. I heard back from four people; Arkady Ten, Barb Hilton, Chad Sailer and Katie Dailey.

Arkady Ten currently works for Canon Development Americas, based in San Jose, CA. He is not involved with cameras or printers, rather has been writing code for the MS Windows Vista color engine. Here is what he had to say about one of the biggest changes he has faced since leaving:

I think one of the biggest events (except for the job change) over this period of time, that I started riding a motorcycle. That happened somewhat accidentally. I was changing oil in my car on one of those fast change stations. I had 20 min to spare so I wander into a Kawasaki/Yamaha bike shop next door to the station, just because there were no other businesses around. Next day I was a bike owner. I wonder, what if there were a Boeing/Airbus shop next door? Warmest greetings to the Club!



Retirement has been good to Barb Hilton:

Mark and I are really enjoying our retirement. Arkansas is a beautiful state, which we are still learning. We truly missed the harsh MN winter (said with tongue in cheek). Although, this year we had 4 inches of snow before MN but it was the only snow we got. We have been very busy working on our home -- bringing it up to our standards. I think some days that our standards are bit high. I have not checked out the Mountain Home TM Club yet but would like to do this some day. We did join the MN club. Yes, it is a bunch of folks from MN that get together once a month to socialize. We intend to take our RV traveling around the state this summer. I hear they are finding huge diamonds at Crater of Diamonds State Park. You pay a fee and dig all day looking for the sparkle. I would probably throw the diamond and keep the crystal! Miss all you crazy people!



Chad Sailer, the originator of Jeopardy! for Table Topics, had this to say:

I'm currently living in Snoqualmie, WA, 30 miles east of Seattle, with my wife Tani. Tani is working at Microsoft and I'm working at Genie Industries, both in Redmond. We are still a small family, just us and our two dogs, but we are expecting a new addition on August 26. We did find out that it's a girl (and we hope the technician was correct because we



can't find a boy's name we like). I haven't continued with Toastmasters as I've been getting a significant amount of speaking experience at work and school (working on MBA at University of Washington). At work I'm an Engineering Manager in a Genie manufacturing plant. Overall life is good...both Tani and I love the rain! You must tell everyone hi for me. I hope you are doing well. It's great that so many members are still active in the club from 2 years ago.

We all know Katie Dailey is still active with Toastmasters. Katie was one of our charter members, and is the outgoing Area 71 governor. She recently visited our club for the installation of the 2007 Club Officers. Katie is also expecting a new edition to her family, in just a few short weeks. Best wishes to Katie, and to all of our former members!



*Editor's note:
Deadline for
article
submissions for
the next issue:
September 15,
2007. Please
submit your
articles to
editor@discovery
tm.freetoasthost.
net*

*We all want to
hear what you're
thinking... and
Speaking Of!*

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

BY LINDA LEE JACOBS

"It usually takes me more than three weeks to prepare a good impromptu speech."

-- Mark Twain

I just finished writing my next speech which I will deliver at our Discovery Club meeting in two weeks. People often ask me how I find time to write speeches with so many competing responsibilities and demands for my attention. I'd like to share a few ideas with you.

When writing project speeches I usually try to incorporate ideas I'm already thinking about or working on in other areas of my life. For example, my current work as a professional fine art photographer includes a particular focus on images illustrating myths, legends, dreams and archetypes. The speech I mentioned above is entitled "The Legend of Devil's Tower". Even though I won't be using any pictures with my Toastmasters speech I will be able to use some of the concepts I've already written into my artist's proposals for various juried exhibitions around the theme.

Once the speech has been created I integrate rehearsal of my presentation into my everyday life. I practice my talk in the shower, in the car while sitting in traffic and even in bits and pieces in conversations with family, friends and acquaintances. By the way, that last suggestion is a great way to try out material

on the sly. Not only do these practice techniques not take extra time out of my day but they actually make productive use of time that might otherwise seem wasted or underutilized.

Lastly, I write speeches that can be used more than once. Instead of considering my project speeches the end product I look at them as a chance to rehearse for a real world opportunity. My upcoming speech, "The Legend of Devil's Tower", will be a wonderful story to have in my pocket, so to speak, for many impromptu speaking situations I might find myself in at church, a family event, or even around a summer bonfire with friends.

I'm constantly amazed at the variety and quality of speeches that come out of our Discovery Club Toastmasters. I encourage you to develop ways to incorporate your speech work into your "real life" instead of trying to beg, borrow or steal time and energy from your "real life" for your speech work. The truth is you give impromptu speeches every single day. You might as well be prepared for them by practicing at Toastmasters!



By the way, have you scheduled your next speech?
PEACE, Linda Lee

WORD PLAY

THIS ISSUE: SUMMER FUN!

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See how many words you can find... this puzzle was copied from wordsearchfun.com. For more puzzles (and a list of the words in this one), check out their website. This specific puzzle was found at http://www.wordsearchfun.com/40218_SUMMERTIME_wordsearch.html. Have fun!

SPECIAL SECTION: SUMMERTIME IN MINNESOTA!

Summer is a time filled with various festivals and other events. In addition, we have some of the best Farmers Markets around. Support your local growers; with the abundance of locations and days, you can find one almost any time during the summer months!

Summer Festivals, etc.

Marketfest

Downtown White Bear Lake

Thursday evenings, Mid-June through end of July

<http://www.marketfest.org/>



Minneapolis Aquatennial—the 10 best days of summer!

July 13 - 22

Event kicks off with the Subway Block Party, Nicollet Mall between 3rd & 4th Streets (5-11:30 PM)

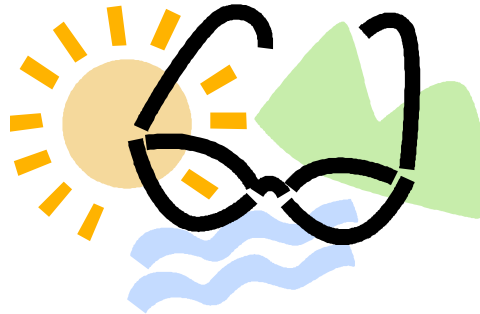
<http://www.aquatennial.com/events.php>

Lumberjack Days

Stillwater

July 19-22

<http://www.lumberjackdays.com/>



Leprechaun Days

July 20-29

Rosemount

<http://www.rosemountbank.com/leprechaun/>

National Night Out

Tuesday August 7

<http://www.nationalnightout.org/nno/>



North St. Paul Historical Society Ice Cream Social

Sunday August 12

Silver Lake Park

http://www.ci.north-saint-paul.mn.us/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC={39E515E4-0C3F-4FC4-A574-0B6704BDDD12}



Woodbury Days

Woodbury

August 24-26

<http://www.woodburydays.com/about.htm>

Of course there are many other events, including the biggest... THE STATE FAIR! For more fun, check your local papers, favorite online spots, or just get out and talk to your neighbors! More than anything—**HAVE A SAFE & FUN SUMMER!**

SUMMERTIME IN MINNESOTA CONT'D.



Farmers Markets

For a complete, interactive listing: <http://www.mda.state.mn.us/food/minnesotagrown/farmersmarkets.htm>

Downtown St. Paul

Saturdays and Sundays

290 E 5th Street
St. Paul, MN 55101
651-227-8101
Corner of 5th and Wall Streets
April 28th – November 3rd
Saturday 6am - 1pm
Sunday 8am - 1pm

Minneapolis - Open Daily

312 East Lyndale Avenue North
6am - 1pm
612-333-1718

Take I-94 east, then exit at Hwy 55/Olson Hwy (Exit 230). Take a slight left onto West Lyndale Ave. N. Turn left on Glenwood Ave., then take another left onto East Lyndale Ave. N.

Falcon Heights

Tuesdays

2025 Larpenteur Ave
May 1st – October 30th
7:30am - 12pm

St. Paul (7th Place)

Tuesdays and Thursdays

7th Place
10am - 2pm
Tuesdays: June 19th – Sept. 25th
Thursdays: June 14th– Oct. 18th

Rosemount

Tuesdays

13885 So Robert Trail
June 19th – September 18th
2pm - 6pm

Andover

Tuesdays

13655 Round Lake Blvd
June 19th - October 30th
2:30pm - 6:30pm

Maplewood

Wednesdays

Aldrich Arena
May 2nd – Oct. 31st
8am - 12pm

Lakeville

Wednesdays

208th & Holyoke
June 20th – Oct. 31st
12pm - 5pm

South St. Paul

Wednesdays

600 Marie Avenue
June 27th - September 26th
3pm - 6:30pm

Burnsville

Thursdays

Mary, Mother of the Church
May 3rd – Oct. 25th
12pm - 5pm

Apple Valley

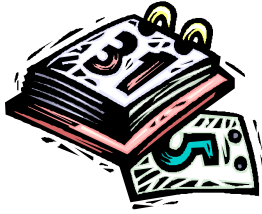
Saturdays

7100 W 147th Street
June 23rd - October 27th
8am - 1pm

Woodbury

Sundays

Woodbury
June 24th – Oct. 28th
8am - 1pm



Can you think on your feet? Or are you better at making them laugh? Perhaps you are skilled in both areas... either way, it's time to start thinking about the Fall Contests! This Fall the competition will be in the following two categories: Table Topics and Humorous Speech. Starting at the club level, winning contestants will advance from club to area to division contests; winners from the divisions will advance to the district contest which will be held at the Fall Conference. The contest timeline is roughly as follows (more details to be announced soon!)

Club Contest:

Late August

Area Contest:

Early September

Division Contest:

Mid to Late September

District Contest:

Fall Conference, Oct. 19-20

Good luck to all contestants!



SPEAKING OF... THE DISTRICT 6 FALL CONFERENCE!



All Things Possible...

This year the District 6 Fall Conference will be **Fri. Oct. 19 - Sat. Oct. 20** at **Ruttger's Sugar Lake Lodge in beautiful Grand Rapids, Minnesota**. There will be many more details published soon, so keep checking your email, as well as the District 6 website (<http://d6tm.org>), but here is a preview:

- *Crystal Clear Sugar Lake*
- *Sugarbrooke Golf Course (1 complimentary round of golf per attendee staying at Lodge)*
- *Use of tennis courts, volleyball, horseshoes, croquet, canoes, paddleboats and much more*
- *Northwoods BBQ*
- *Friday Fun Night (including 's'mores and stories around the campfire!)*
- *District Governor Roast*
- *Table Topics Contest*
- *Humorous Speech Contest*
- *Gourmet Breakfast Buffet*
- *Hospitality Suite*
- *Educational Sessions*
- *Silent Auction*
- *Birthday Celebration for District 6*

Conference rate will be \$99 for the entire conference, or sessions/events may be purchased ala carte. If you would like to bring your spouse, significant other, or other non-Toastmasters friends, you may purchase their individual events ala carte as well, such as the Northwoods BBQ or other activities. With so many complimentary activities at the Lodge, non-Toastmasters guests are sure to find something fun to do as well! Registration forms will be available soon. Rooms will be available at the Lodge for \$79 per night, and that rate is good for up to three days prior to and following the conference, so go ahead; treat yourself to a few days of inspiration, education, and relaxation! The \$79 rate includes lodge rooms, cottages, and studio townhouses. Two-bedroom townhouses are also available for \$158 per night. To make your room reservations now, call (800) 450-4555. Go to the resort website at <http://www.sugarlakelodge.com> for more info. Hope to see you there!

SPEECH TIPS: ARE YOU AN ENCOURAGER OR A CRITICIZER?



This issue's article from Dr. John A. Kline is from his April 2004 column entitled, "Are you an Encourager or a Criticizer?" As we learned about feedback in the last issue, how you provide feedback is just as critical as giving and receiving it. The following text is from Mr. Kline's website, which he has graciously allowed us to use for our newsletter. Be sure and check out his website for many helpful speaking tips!

Many people are quick to make suggestions and even quicker to criticize.

A man asked his wife, "Why do you constantly criticize me?" She said, "I'm doing it for your own good. I have the gift for seeing faults in people." There's a gift to hide under a bushel!

Writer, Catherine Marshall, told of the time she decided to do a one-day experiment. She knew she was often critical of others. Then one morning as she meditated on Romans 14:13 that warns against being judgmental or critical of others, she decided to spend the next day not criticizing anyone.

She wondered what the result would be. Lunch the next day with her husband and friends was normal except for the unusual

silence of one person—Catherine. She had not committed to silence, just to not criticizing. She was surprised to realize how much of her conversation was usually critical and judgmental. She was silent only because she couldn't contribute to the conversation without being critical.

That afternoon something special began to happen. She felt a surge of creativity. New ideas and positive thoughts flowed through her in a way she hadn't experienced in a long time. By bedtime she marveled at all that had happened simply because she refused to be critical. A letter to encourage a friend, insight into praying for a college student, seeking her husband's forgiveness, all filtered through her freely because there were no negative thoughts to stop them. Catherine's one-day experiment became a lifetime habit. She became an encourager rather than a criticizer.

Encouragement brings out the best in others and the best in us as we encourage others! We all need it. And we all need to give it! The word encouragement comes from "en" meaning "in" with the word courage. Thus, to encourage someone is to put courage into them—to help them to be and do their very best.

So which are you, an encourager—or a criticizer? What are you going to do about it?

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Did you know?

Our club has a copy of each manual in its library of materials for you to review at any time. Perhaps you are getting ready to move on to one of the Advanced manuals and you just don't know which one to work from next, or what kind of projects they contain.

Take a look through them and get an idea of what you would like to order!

Check with any of the club officers if you are not sure where to look for these materials.

YOUR FALL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE!



Pictured are some of the Fall Conference Committee members as well as District Leaders. These are just a few of the many people who will be working on making the District 6 Fall Conference a success! From the left: Nancy Shaner, Conference Chair; Joan Watson, District 6 Lt. Governor, Ed. & Training; Kim Keilholtz, Registration Committee; Pat Croal, District 6 Governor; Jackie Doehling, Programs Committee, Kathy Neumiller, District 6 Public Relations Officer; Stephen Shaner, Friday Fun Night Committee; and BJ Olsen, Registration Committee.

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Club Website:



<http://discoverytm.freetoasthost.net>

District 6 Website:



<http://www.d6tm.org>

**Toastmasters
International Website:**



<http://www.toastmasters.org>

Name

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

City, State, Zip

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of a 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.

HAVEN'T BEEN TO A MEETING? COME JOIN US!

Discovery Toastmasters meets in the Imation / Carestream Health (formerly Kodak) Discovery Building (shown below) located on Highway 5 & Imation Place in Oakdale. We are just one set of lights east of the Highway 5 exit from 694.

For directions from your location, try <http://maps.yahoo.com>. Our address is 1 Imation Way, Oakdale, MN.

Meetings are held each Wednesday from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

