
December 30, 2003



The Edge



BNL Toastmasters, Club 8069, District 46
Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 5:30 PM
Biology Building 463, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, NY 11973
<http://www.bnl.gov/bera/activities/toastmstrs/>

Upcoming Events

Tues. Jan. 6, 2004	5:30 PM Meeting	Biology Bldg.
Tues. Jan. 20, 2004	5:30 PM Meeting	Biology Bldg.
Jan./Feb. 2004	Club Officer Training	To be announced
February 2004	Club International Speech and Evaluation Contests - TBA	

Officers 2003-04

President:

Nancy Manning

VP Education:

Beth Lin

VP Membership:

Margaret Foster

VP Public Relations:

Pat Astre

Secretary:

Ronnie Evans

Treasurer:

Ronnie Evans

Sergeant at Arms:

Zilu Wu

Newsletter Editor:

Ronnie Evans

Webmaster:

Nancy Manning

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.

Recent Meetings

On **December 2nd** we held our annual Holiday Meeting. Amy presented the banquet table festively and elegantly. The food was delicious. The mood of the meeting matched that of the holidays – with lots of good will to go ‘round. Margaret Foster was TMOD. Jim Green gave his number seven speech *The Woman Who Changed My Life*, Ronnie Evans gave her ninth advanced speech *Nicholas was a Remarkable Man*, while Craig Marcott completed his CTM with his tenth speech *Man’s Search for Meaning*. Nancy Manning served as General Evaluator. Margaret Foster entertained everyone with her annual modified version of *‘Twas the Night Before Christmas* with all club members’ names cleverly included in the text. There was singing with Beth on the harmonica and Nancy at the keyboards. Guests included Debra Demidow and Nancy Manning’s husband Ron who is always welcome at our meetings.

Our **December 16th** meeting was the last of 2003. Ronnie Evans served as TMOD. There were five speakers. Megumi Hada gave her number two speech “*What Kind of Careers Should My Daughters Choose?*” Jim Green gave number eight *Gone Fishing*. Nand Narain’s basic number five was *Meditation 101*. Ronnie Evans completed her ATM-B with her speech *The Gift of the Magi*. Beth

Lin gave a Successful Club Series Module *The Moments of Truth*. Amy Halsted served as General Evaluator. One guest, Tom Russo, attended. It was a terrific ending to a terrific BNL Toastmasters year!

BNL Toastmasters Status in the Distinguished Club Program

We have a number of recent achievements to report. Four club officers have been trained this winter thus far. Craig and Beth have completed their CTMs. Ronnie completed her ATM-B.

Reminder

To everyone who has recently completed their CTM or ATM, please remember to send your Records of Assignments page(s) along with your Application to Toastmasters International via mail or fax. This will ensure that you get recognized for your achievement.

And... look for your name in the back of a future issue of the Toastmasters magazine too!

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BNL Toastmasters Club Web site:

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BNL Toastmasters Regular Meeting Schedule

Date	Dec. 2	Dec. 16	Jan. 6, 2004
Theme	Holidays	Regrets	New Year's Resolutions
TMOD	Margaret	Ronnie	Nand
Joke		Nand	
Word	Chen	Megumi	Ronnie
Timer	Vinnie	Vinnie	Vinnie
Ah counter/ Grammarian	Megumi	Jim	
Quiz Master	Nancy		Margaret C.
Table Topics		Beth	Nancy
Speech #1	Craig	Megumi	Megumi
#2	Brian	Jim	Zilu
#3	Pat	Nand	Amy
#4	Ronnie	Ronnie	Jim
#5	Jim		
#6			
General Eval.		Amy	Beth
Evaluator #1	Beth	Margaret F.	Nancy
#2		Beth	Margaret F.
#3		Amy	Margaret C.
#4		Nand	Nand
#5			
#6			
Educational		Beth	

A Happy and Healthy

New Year to All



2004

Looking Ahead

In January there will be additional opportunities to attend club officer training. Officers are urged to attend. All Toastmasters are welcome.

In February, our club will hold the Club International Speech and Evaluation Contests. As long as you have completed six speeches from the basic manual you are eligible to compete. Please plan to participate as a contestant, chair, judge, timer or ballot counter.

Members' Progress Report

Member	Speeches completed	Highest Educational Level
Pat A.	12	ATM-B
Brian B.	9	CTM
Margaret C.	6	CTM
Chen		
Ronnie E.	(CL)	DTM, ATM-B2,CTM6
Margaret F.	3 (ATM-B3) 7 (CTM)	DTM, ATM-B2, CTM4
Jim G.	8	
Megumi H.	2	
Amy H.	6	ATM-B
Beth L.	(CL)	DTM, ATM-B2, CTM8
Vinnie L.	2	
Nancy M.	2 (CTM)	ATM-S, CL
Craig M.	(ATM)	CTM
Nand N.	6	ATM-G, CL, CTM2
Zilu W.	3	