
April 28, 2004



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. May 4, 2004	5:30 PM Meeting	Biology Bldg. 463
Wed. May 5, 2004	Division F Contest - VA Hospital – Northport	7:00 PM
Sat., Sun. May 15 th & 16 th	District 46 Conference - Woodbridge Hilton – New Jersey	
Tues. May 18, 2004	5:30 PM Meeting	Biology Bldg. 463

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 **April 6th**, as we all waited for the weather to warm up, the meeting's theme was *Spring Renewal*. **Nancy Manning** was TMOD. The jokemaster and table topics master was **Beth Lin**. An educational speech was presented by **Amy Halsted**. It was from the Better Speaker Series *Choosing Your Topic*. **Amy** gave excellent examples from her own experience to enhance the Modules' content. Two speeches were given. **Greg Pfeiffer**, diving right in as a new member, broke the ice with his first speech entitled *My History*. **Ronnie Evans** evaluated. **Jim Green** spoke from the advanced manual Persuasive Speaking. His assignment was the winning proposal and he gave a speech intended for an audience of potential interviewees for his book. The speech entitled *Share Your Story* was evaluated by **Amy**. General evaluator was **Margaret Foster**.

On **April 20th** BNL TOASTMASTERS celebrated its 13th anniversary with a festive Charter Celebration Meeting. A special highlight of this meeting was the sumptuous feast prepared by **Amy Halsted**, and other delightful treats brought in by members and guests. President **Nancy Manning** began the ceremonies with awards to members who have completed educational or leadership programs. **Ronnie Evans** served as TMOD,

with *What Has Toastmasters Given Me* an apropos theme for the evening. **Pat Astre** provided the joke, **Beth Lin** the word, and **Nand Narain** conducted table topics. There were four speakers. **Megumi Hada** spoke about treatment of the elderly in her fourth speech entitled *Golden Years*. **Nand** evaluated. **Nancy Manning** gave suggestions for continuing in Toastmasters after the CTM in her eighth speech *I've Done My CTM, Now What?* **Beth** evaluated. **Pat Astre** gave a motivational talk in his *It's a Trick of the Mind*, an advanced speech. **Amy** evaluated. **Zilu Wu** gave a persuasive speech with number nine *The Great Society is not Finished Yet*. **Pat** evaluated. **Beth Lin** served as general evaluator. **Yongbin Leng** served as timer. Guests included past club members **Steve Stein**, **Mari Rubin**, as well as **Ven Reddy**, **Lisa Yang**, **Marie Gocs**, **Aimee Sumereau** and **Robert Jdrzejczak**. We hope our guests will return and participate in a future meeting.

Recognizing our Newest Members

*BNL Toastmasters warmly welcomes
Ruber Sanchez, Yongbin Leng and
Greg Pfeiffer!*

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BNL Toastmasters Regular Meeting Schedule

Date	Apr 6, 2004	Apr 20, 2004	May 5, 2004
Theme	Spring Renewal	Charter Celebration	The Future
TMOD	Nancy M.	Ronnie E.	Beth Lin
Joke	Beth	Pat	
Word			
Timer			Nancy
Ah counter/ Grammarians			
Quiz Master	Beth		
Table Topics			
Speech #1	Greg	Ruber	Yongbin
	Zilu	Jim	Amy
#2			
#3	Pat	Megumi	Pat
#4	Amy	Nancy	
#5	Nand	Pat	
#6			
General Eval.	Margaret F.		
Evaluator #1	Ronnie	Margaret	
#2	Amy	Beth	
#3		Amy	
#4		Brian	
#5			
#6			
Educational			
Will be absent			

Scenes of April / May



LOOKING AHEAD

Our club will be holding elections for new officers for the new Toastmaster year beginning July 1, 2004. Please consider serving as an officer. It is a wonderful opportunity for leadership development.

Division F Contest

We congratulate Pat Astre and Zilu Wu on their success in the Area 65 International Speech and Evaluation Contest. They both will go on to compete in the Division F Contest on May 5th. Please plan to attend this contest and support your fellow club members.

Members' Progress Report

Member	Speeches completed	Highest Educational Level
Pat A.	ATM-G	ATM-B, ATM-S
Brian B.	9	CTM
Margaret C.	6	CTM
Ronnie E.	(ATM-S)	DTM, ATM-B2, CTM6
Margaret F.		DTM2
Jim G.	2 (ATM)	CTM
Megumi H.	4	
Amy H.	7	ATM-B
Yongbin L.	(CTM)	
Beth L.	1 (CL)	DTM, ATM-B2, CTM8
Nancy M.	9 (CTM)	ATM-S, CL
Craig M.	(ATM)	CTM
Nand N.	6	ATM-G, CL, CTM2
Greg P.	1 (CTM)	
Ruber S.	(CTM)	
Zilu W.	9 (CTM)	