
October 14, 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. Oct. 19, 2004	5:30 PM Meeting	Biology Bldg. 463, Room # 160
Tues. Nov. 2, 2004	5:30 PM Meeting	Biology Bldg. 463, Room # 160
Tues. Nov. 16, 2004	5:30 PM Meeting	Biology Bldg. 463, Room # 160
Tues. Nov. 30, 2004	5:30 PM Meeting???	Biology Bldg. 463, Room # 160

2003–2004 President's Distinguished Club!

Officers 2004-05

President:
Beth Lin

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Amy Halsted

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Margaret Foster

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Nancy Manning

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Megumi Hada

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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.

October 5 Meeting

Megumi Hada, fresh from her victory at the Division F Speech Contest on October 4, stepped right up to bat and was our Toastmaster of the Day at this meeting. It was her first time and despite her efforts the night before Megumi was well prepared and did a great job running the meeting. The meeting theme was "Eat Right."

Guangming warmed us up with a joke, and also served as Timer. Nancy delivered table topics.

After a break, the speech portion of the meeting started. Amy went first with a project from the Interpretive Reading advanced manual. She read a poem, *Fern Hill*, by Dylan Thomas. The work has imagery that invokes the experience of a child growing up on a farm. Megumi was the second speaker. Her topic concerned the relative levels of technology in Japan and the US. The US is lagging behind Japan, she said, as demonstrated by the newest cell phones in the US that are already outmoded in Japan. Even so,

Japan has an impression that its technology is falling behind that of some other countries. Megumi illustrated her talk with a collection of cell phones that she has used in both countries.

Amy was general evaluator. Beth evaluated Amy's speech and Ronnie Evans evaluated for Megumi. The meeting ran very smoothly.

What is a "Speak Out" anyway?

Our meetings normally take place on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, but twice or so a year, there's a fifth Tuesday in the month. We sometimes hold a special Speak Out meeting on this fifth Tuesday, and we're thinking of having one on November 30. At these meetings we may curtail some of the regular meeting agenda and focus on giving people a chance to speak and accelerate progress toward their educational goals. If you need or want an extra chance to do a speech, this is a good opportunity.

HOLIDAY PARTY ON DECEMBER 7!

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BNL Toastmasters Regular Meeting Schedule

Date	October 19	November 2	Nov 16
Theme	Cosmetic Surgery	Animal Lovers	Moving up
TMOD	Beth	Amy	Nancy
Joke			
Word			
Timer	Guangming	Guangming	Guangming
Ah counter/ Grammarian			
Quiz Master			
Table Topics	Amy	Guangming	
Speech #1	Megumi	Megumi	Aimee
#2	Frank	Frank	Pat
#3	Pat	Pat	
#4	Vicki	Nancy	
#5	Tom		
#6			
General Eval.			
Evaluator #1	Frank	Frank	
#2	Amy	Amy	
#3			
#4			
#5			
#6			
Educational			
Will be absent	Nancy, Ronnie		

*Halloween is scary
but you don't have to be afraid of
public speaking!*

Members' Progress Report

(please check this table periodically and give any corrections/updates to Amy Halsted, VPE)

Member	Speeches completed and (next goal)	Educational and leadership achievements
Pat A.	1 (ATM-G)	ATM-S
Brian B.	9 (ATM-B)	CTM
Margaret C.	6 (ATM-B)	CTM
Debbie D.	(CTM)	
Tom D.	(CTM)	
Ronnie E.	(ATM-S)	DTM, ATM-B2, CTM6
Margaret F.		DTM2
Vicki G.	(ATM-B)	CTM, CL
Jim G.	2 (ATM-B)	CTM
Megumi H.	8 (CTM)	
Amy H.	1 (ATM-G)	ATM-S, CTM
Yongbin L.	2 (CTM)	
Beth L.	7 (CTM9)	DTM, ATM-B2, CTM8
Frank M.	2 (ATM-G?)	ATM-S?
Nancy M.	(ATM-G)	ATM-S, CL, CTM2
Craig M.	(ATM)	CTM
Nand N.	6	ATM-G, CL, CTM2
Greg P.	1 (CTM)	
Ruber S.	(CTM)	
Aimee S.	2 (CTM)	
Tom W.	1 (CTM)	
Zilu W.	(ATM-B)	CTM
Guangming Z.	1 (CTM)	