

Family Talk



All in the Family Toastmasters Club Newsletter May 2002

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2001-2002 Officers

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Amy Kegley - Secretary, Rick Eshbach VP Public Relations, Bruce McKenzie - Sergeant at Arms, Teri Harbour-Vito - VP Membership 2002, Carol Patton - President, Rita Kaufman - Treasurer, Russell Sandidge VP Education, Chris Poulson - VP Membership 2001.

*** A Message from Your Club President ***

This year has been a fun and challenging year of tremendous growth in communicating for me. Being your President has helped me to focus more on Club activities and realize that we have a great Toastmaster's Club. Friends helping friends to succeed, that's the magic in our club.

Assuming a leadership role was an excellent way for me to grow in my communication skills. During my tenure as President, I have tried to build a sense of pride and responsibility in our members. I have encouraged involvement and achievement by working through the Communication and Leadership Manuals. For first time Toastmasters, these manuals provide a proven, practical, step-by-step approach to developing speaking skills.

The Distinguished Club Program truly is a guide to success. This Program helped me to guide "All in the Family" to accomplish its purpose by focusing on its goals. We set our goals, developed a plan, and established strategies as necessary to assure accomplishment of our goals. YES, we are going to meet our 10 established goals and receive THE PRESIDENT'S DISTINGUISHED CLUB AWARD FOR 2002.

Thanks to each of you for making this year a fun and rewarding year as your President. I hope you will take advantage of all that Toastmasters has to offer, and benefit from its many rewards. Communication is Power; being able to communicate, that's what Toastmaster's is all about.

CAROL E. PATTON
PRESIDENT
ALL IN THE FAMILY

THE PEOPLE WHO GET ON IN THIS WORLD ARE THE PEOPLE WHO GET UP AND LOOK FOR THE CIRCUMSTANCES THEY WANT, AND IF THEY CAN'T FIND THEM, MAKE THEM.

By George Bernard Shaw

~ NEW MEMBERS ~

We welcome **Karen Fields, Albert Lee, Rose Barrie, Nick Chen, and Jasson Cwiekalo** to All in the Family Toastmasters.

Thank you for joining us. Here with your new friends, you will find a path that can change your life. You will build confidence, and find new tools. Look to your fellow members for strength. We will always be there to give support. And when you succeed we will share in your joy.

~~~~ District 27's 2002 Spring Conference ~~~~

District 27's 2002 Spring Conference featuring the Evaluation Contest and the International Speech Contest will be held at the Reston Sheraton in Reston, Virginia on May 18, 2002.

The **District 27 Website** has all the information on the **Conference**  
Check it out at - [http://www.d27tm.org/s\\_contests/spring\\_conference\\_details.shtml](http://www.d27tm.org/s_contests/spring_conference_details.shtml)

**Area 46 and Division D Contests**

ALL IN THE FAMILY SLAM-DUNKS AREA CONTEST  
AND MAKES HISTORY AT DIVISION CONTEST

By Teri Harbour Vito

All in the Family took home first place in both the Evaluation Contest and the International Speech Contest at the Area 46 competition held on the evening of March 22 at the Fairfax County Government Center. Erin Ward captivated the judges with her skillful evaluation and was awarded first place in the evaluation contest. Rick Eshbach delivered his hilarious, yet inspirational speech, "The Paranoia Teddy," which had the audience, including children, laughing heartily as he told of an encounter with his "Paranoia Teddy." He won first place in the speech contest. Contest Master for the event was our own, Russell Sandidge, who enlivened the audience with his western theme and "cowboy twang." Neil McDonnell was Chief Judge. Also present were Division D Governor, Leora Motley, as well as Area 46 Governor, our own, Sam Paraguya. The first-place winners of this contest went on to compete in the Division D contest.



The Division D Evaluation Contest and International Speech Contest was held on the evening of April 12th in the Board Room of the Fairfax County Government Center with well over 100 people in attendance. There were eight contestants

in each contest. Although Erin Ward did not place in this contest, she delivered an evaluation worthy of a first-place winner. Michelle LeMay Wilber received first place. The Evaluation Contest Master was John Signa. Contest Master for the International Speech Contest portion of the evening was our own Barbara Hinkel. Chief Judge for the evening was Linda Schultz. Also present were Area 46 Governor, Sam Paraguya, Division D Governor, Leora Motley, and District 27 Governor, Kathy Fox. Rick Eshbach received a first place trophy for another crowd-pleasing delivery of "The Paranoia Teddy." He now goes on to compete at the National Capital District 27 Spring Conference on May 18 at the Reston Sheraton. This is the first time that an All in the Family toastmaster has gone on to compete in the District contest. Be sure to attend the Spring Conference and support Rick. Congratulations to both Erin and Rick for doing an outstanding job of representing All in the Family Toastmasters at these contests.

### TidBits

What I know for sure is that there is no strength without challenge, adversity, resistance, and often pain. The problems that make you want to throw up your hands and holler, Mercy! will build your tenacity, courage, discipline, and determination.

**Oprah Winfrey**

"And then the day came... when the risk to remain a tight bud was more painful than the risk to bloom." -- **Anais Nin**

The supreme accomplishment  
is to blur the line between work and play.

**Arnold Toybee**

" Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails.

Explore. Dream. Discover. "

**Mark Twain**

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All in the Family meets the first and third Wednesday of every month, 12:15-1:15 p.m., in the Fairfax County Government

Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia.

Room location is posted on the television monitor in the lobby.

All in the Family is committed 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.

