



MANSION TOASTMASTERS

Welcome Back!

September 2003

Your new executive for 2003-2004 is:

Dalia Petrulis -President

Bob Hicks -Past President

Janine Reed -VP Education

Ken Barkman -VP Membership

Jeannie Boniface -VP Public Relations

Doreen McRitchie -Treasurer

David Cartwright -Secretary

Shelley Thornton -Sergeant at Arms

Our club theme for this year is:

The Difference Between Ordinary and Extraordinary is that little EXTRA!

I chose this theme because I truly believe that we have an EXTRAORDINARY club. Very often, I see the little extra that you put into your projects generating EXTRAORDINARY personal satisfaction and enriching the quality of our club.

Many of you have conveyed your interest in speaking opportunities to your VP Education. I'm glad to see your enthusiasm in accomplishing the goals you have set for yourself!

In order to meet the high demand of speaking assignments this year, and to be able to still include education sessions, guests, and the regular 'fun' parts of our meetings, we will need to, sometimes, modify our customary agenda. Its time to "think outside the box", and your VP Education is prepared to schedule a number of 4-Speech nights.

Here are a few suggestions that may help you when preparing for Speaker or Chairman.

Check the schedule well in advance and be sure that you are able to fulfill your assigned role. If you have a conflict, try to replace yourself with as much advanced notice as possible. Respond promptly to communications from the scheduled Toastmaster and Evaluator.

Have a 'hip-pocket' speech ready to take advantage of last minute opportunities.

The Chairman of a 4-Speech night may choose to limit the business session, or extend the meeting to 9:45pm.

One EXTRA speech/meeting night can be booked for November to accommodate speaking requests. Please convey your interest to the VP Education.

With continued support in a friendly atmosphere, we can all meet our personal goals, contribute to our club's success, and inspire others at the same time. Feel free to contact your Executive members with any questions or comments you may have.

Important Dates to Remember:

Oct31-Nov1

December 17

Advanced Club demonstration meeting, Churchill Place Retirement Home, 345 Church Street, Oakville, 7:30pm
Judy Suke, guest speaker, "Adding Humor to Your Speech"
Mansion TM Humorous Speech & Table Topic Contest
Mansion Executive Meeting
Mansion hosting Area Contest, Cumis room, 7:30pm
Division Contest, time and location TBA
Doreen McRitchie's Management Skills Workshop Cumis room 7:30pm

District Conference held at Deerhurst Resort

Last meeting for 2003 - resume January 7, 2004