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June 27, 2012 11:30 AM -- Building 21 room 183A/B

11:30 AM Call to Order
 11:30 AM Welcome & Business Meeting
 11:40 AM Toastmaster of the Day
 11:45 AM Word of the Day
 11:47 AM Thought of the Day

Nick Collins
 Ron Jones
 Maureen Armbruster
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11:50 AM PREPARED SPEECHES

➤ Amy Forinash “**The Body**”

Project #6: Vocal Variety, Competent Communication Manual

Objectives: 1) Use voice volume, pitch, rate and quality to reflect and add meaning and interest to your message, 2) Use pauses to enhance your message, and 3) Use vocal variety smoothly and naturally.

Time: 5 - 7 minutes (5 green; 6 yellow; 7 red)

➤ Ron Jones “**CUTCO Knives**”

Project #2: Conquering the "Cold Call", Persuasive Speaking Manual

Objectives: 1) Learn a technique for "cold call" selling expensive products or services, 2) Recognize the risks buyers assume in purchasing, 3) Use questions to help the buyer discover problems with his or her current situation, and 4) Successfully handle buyer's objections and concerns.

Time: 10 – 14 minutes (10 green; 12 yellow; 14 red)

➤ Marilyn Mack “**How the Body Speaks in Old Age**”

Project #5: Your Body Speaks, Competent Communication Manual

Objectives: 1) Use stance, movement, gestures, facial expressions and eye contact to express your Message and achieve your speech's purpose, and 2) Make your body language smooth and natural

Time: 5 - 7 minutes (5 green; 6 yellow; 7 red)

➔ *Vote for most effective speaker (speaker who met their objectives)*

Nick Collins (New York City)
 Mo Madden {guest} (Miami) and
 Mike Rilee (The Grand Canyon)

12:20 PM Table Topics

Time: 1-2 minutes per speaker (green 1:00; yellow 1:30; red 2:00)

Becky Dibari

➔ *Vote for Best Table Topic Speaker*

12:30 PM General Evaluator

Evaluations: Time: 2 – 3 minutes (green: 2:00; yellow: 2:30; red: 3:00)
 Nick Collins evaluates Amy's speech
 Colvin Bert evaluates Ron's speech
 Esther Woodward evaluates Marilyn's speech

Mike Rilee

➔ *Vote for most effective evaluator*

Grammarian
 Videographer
 Whisker Counter
 Timer

Amy Forinash
 N/A
 Esther Woodward
 Becky Dibari

Ballot Counter
12:50 Presentation of Awards
12:55 Adjournment

Colvin Bert
Ron Jones
Ron Jones

Meeting was adjourned early (see below), so there was not time to select best speech, evaluation, or table topics response.

Maureen's closing remarks:

Thanks to all of you contributed to make today's Summer time meeting a success! You made my day.

I want to apologize for not getting there earlier and for not noticing the room change earlier.
(Two things that won't happen next time ☺)

Although we started late, which isn't our usual style, and were in an unfamiliar room... I think we did a pretty good job covering all the bases before 1:00pm.

It was wonderful that, even though Javier couldn't make it to the meeting today, he got that addendum info to dateline as soon as he was aware of the room change. Thanks Javier!

It was notable that several people took on more than one role with ease.

Thanks to Nick, there was a note on the door of our regular meeting room and we were set up in the new room. In addition, he stepped up to the plate to evaluate Amy's speech at the last minute, and gave a great pitch for N.Y city during Table topics.

We had three interesting and well-prepared speeches.

Amy made me think about some of my most relaxing memories: those times when I was camping and hiking in the woods. (She also made me very thankful that I never came upon a dead body in the wilderness). In addition to her speaking role, Amy also served as Grammarian today.

Ron's presentation from an advanced manual was that of a professional salesman with clear colorful visuals. It included role-playing which is something different from most of our TM speeches. This speech fulfilled the requirements for Ron to receive the ATM, Bronze designation. Congratulations Ron! (Ron also sent the first email last week which got the ball rolling with planning for today's meeting, presented the last business meeting for this term of his TM Presidency, and lent his laptop for a the benefit of our table topics session.)

Marilyn amused us by talking about how her body has changed over the years. Until, of course, she reminded us, that none of us are getting any younger. But, I think some of us laughed because it's nice to know that we're not alone. I recently told my office mate that I can tell if it's going to rain, because my knees start to hurt. (I never wanted to be a weather woman!)

Becky got us thinking about summer vacations with those great photos of New York City, Miami, and the Grand Canyon. Too bad we didn't have time for more. She had my fantasizing about my next summer get-away!

Our speech evaluators, Nick, Colvin, and Esther, were all were well organized and concise. And, they were all multi-processing. Esther, our soon-to-be new TM President, also role-played in Ron's speech, and volunteered to be Whisker Counter. And, Colvin, was our ballot counter.

District 36's Lt. Governor for Education & Training, not only amused us during his Grand Canyon table topic response, but also agreed to be our General Evaluator today. I only regret that he was not able to give us a report on how the

meeting went on the whole, because of the uncharacteristic abrupt ending to our meeting. The next group scheduled to use the meeting room came into the room before 1:00 and seemed anxious to get started.

Being the flexible people we are, and being squatters in a room that isn't ours, we wrapped things up and got out of there.

That left a few things hanging:

- * Mike, did you, or anyone else, want to contribute your reaction to how our meeting went today?
- * Colvin, who was voted "Best Speaker"? Did you get any ballots for "Best Evaluator" or "Best Table Topic Respondent"?
- * Esther, did you have any whiskers to report?
- * Mo, we usually ask the guests for their thoughts about the meeting and ask if they have any questions about our club.

BTW: It was awesome that you volunteered to participate in table topics during your first visit!