



TNT's Meeting Express
Weekly Meeting Recap for TNT Toastmasters
Club Meeting 3/2/17

Welcome to *TNT's Meeting Express*! Your weekly report summarizing your club meeting.

Announcements:

- Attendance – 17 members and 4 guests, two returning from last week!

TNT's International Speech Contest (photo on next page):

- Jennifer Meyer, as Contest Chair, masterfully prepared all the contestants and role holders for a professional and entertaining event.
- Our Contest Master, David Frawley, confidently led all the players through their assignments.
- Aaron Cottle, Chief Judge, secured and oversaw the ballot count, delivering the final list of winners. (Rumor has it he's in talks with the Academy about tabulating next year's Oscar ballots.)
- And the Supporting Cast, who helped to make the contest a seamless success:
 - Timers: David Monck & Ronnie Hooper
 - Ballot Counters: Jan Morrill & John Arnott Sr.
 - Sergeant at Arms: Audra Hooper & Ron Amberg

And the Speakers Are ... (in speaking order):

- **First Place Finisher:** Julie Davis, *The Child Inside*. Julie spoke of her dream of being a writer. Although her creativity was never encouraged, her kids found a way to reach her Inner Child. Now she's chasing her dream of becoming a writer.
- **Second Place Finisher:** Charlene Sims, *Lessons Learned*. Charlene described the trepidation she felt facing her role as a featured speaker. Laughter and letting go taught her that some of the scariest situations can be the most rewarding when you jump in with both feet.
- Bruce Arfsten, *The Next 30 Years*. Tim McGraw's hit song was the inspiration for Bruce's speech about facing the next stage of his life. For him, 55 is the new 40. He's ready to kick his life up a notch.
- Dwight Owsen, *Deep Change from Sad Events*. Three tragic events changed his life. He learned not to compare himself to others, finding your calling is a series of small steps, and you forget your struggles when you bring comfort to others.

Did You Know?

TNT's LaShunda Rundles won Toastmasters International's 2008 World Championship of Public Speaking.

Upcoming Events:

March 4th- Area 61's International & Tall Tales Speech Contests. Saturday 3:00pm at Thompson Reuters
Julie Davis and David Monck will represent TNT.

April 21st – Town North's International & Tall Tales Speech Contests. Friday 7:00pm. Location TBA.

May 12th & 13th – District 50's Spring Conference. [CLICK HERE](#) for all the details.

Working together for TNT success in 2017!

TNT's 2017 International Speech Contest



Left to Right: David Frawley (Contest Master), Dwight Owsen, Julie Davis, Charlene Sims and Bruce Arfsten.