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Toastmaster: Harold Norman
Table Topics: Larry Mattson
Master Evaluator: Bill Sanborn
Speakers: Sheri French and Darlene Hlghet
Evaluators: Jim McKeon and John Bishop
Most Distinguished Visitor: George Romano - Area Governor

Table Topics:

Jim McKeon won Best Table Topics Speaker with his response to "what have thought about making instead of buying?". I was wondering how he was going to work a 1936 Plymouth into the speech but he did it! Reminds me of the old country and western song about an auto worker who built a Caddy part by part from parts he removed from the plant.

Sheri French responded to "what antique or treasure is your favorite find (or something like that!)". Sheri told of us about an antique wooden jewelry box that was purchased in England. The treasure was a check from the 1800s for 10 Pounds that was hidden behind the mirror.

Bill Sanborn responded to "what treasure have you found at an auction or garage sale?". I thought I would finally see Bill stumble a little, but the veteran that he is, he called on his auction clerking experience to describe other peoples stuff that he thought was junk. The moral here is don't throw away that old dresser!

Speakers:

Darlene won Best Speaker with her manual speech from the Story Telling manual - Moral of the Story topic titled "The Panic Room". A really funny story about a panic room that caused lots of panic to the local police department. Even the family hound was involved.

Sheri, the veteran that she is!, gave us an impromptu speech from the Advanced Leadership and Communications manual. The speech titled "Sarah" was a touching story about her cousin Sarah who was hit and drug by a bus in Chicago and was in a drug induced coma for a period of time. Sheri shared memories of her cousin that spanned a lifetime and gave us a picture of who Sarah is and that she is a fighter who is overcoming a lot of odds in her recovery.

John lucked out and won Best Evaluator...8-). Thanks folks the payoff will take place at some future date!

Something to think about...

George Romano wants our club to think about the upcoming speech contest (next March) that

our club is sponsoring. He would like someone besides Sheri to volunteer to organize the contest - maybe several members? George does most of the work. More discussion on this at future meetings...

So please give this some serious thought to volunteering and just say YES!

John Bishop,
Pine Island Toastmasters - Secretary/Treasurer