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# Toastmasters Gazette

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## **Keller Communicators Toastmasters Club**

### Meeting:

Thursday, 6:30 – 7:40 PM  
Keller Public Library  
640 Johnson Road  
Keller, Texas

### On the web:

[Keller.freetoasthost.org/](http://Keller.freetoasthost.org/)

### Club Officers:

#### President:

Rick Sharon, DTM

#### VP Education:

Cindy Breaman, ATMB, ALS

#### VP Membership:

Chris Nichols, CTM, CL

#### VP Public Relations:

Ted Martin, DTM

#### Secretary:

Bill Milligan, CTM

#### Treasurer:

Randy Potts

#### Sergeant at Arms

David Watkins, DTM

## **Officers Trained**

On Saturday, January 20, most of the club officers attended the District 25 sponsored Toastmasters Leadership Summit at Texas Wesleyan University.

In attendance were Rick Sharon, President, Cindy Breaman, VP Education, Chris Nichols, VP Membership, Ted Martin, VP Public Relations, Bill Milligan, Secretary, and Randy Potts, Treasurer. (See DCP article)

## **Coming Events –** (Cindy Breaman, VP Education)

Hey Keller Communicator members - It's Contest Time

The spring events include the International Speech Contest and the Evaluation Contest.

Competitors for the International Speech Contest must have completed six speeches from the Competent Communicator manual. Anyone can compete in the Evaluation Contest.

The club will hold a contest for any of you who want to compete.

Beyond our club we have additional needs:

We need Target/Test speakers who can go to another Area or Division contest and present a speech which will be evaluated by the Evaluation Contestants. You can get credit for your presentation by having a club member at the contest provide a written evaluation in your CC manual (Cindy Breaman will volunteer to evaluate any member that agrees to be a Target/Test speaker). All the contest dates are posted on the District 25 website ([www.d25toastmasters.org](http://www.d25toastmasters.org)). Times should be posted very soon. As the District Contest Quality Chair, Cindy will track all Toastmasters who want to be a Target/Test speaker.

Our Area and Division will also need your help at contest time. The Area 15 contest is March 24 and the Division A contest is April 21 (both contests are evening events, specific times to be announced).

Speech contests are a remarkable coordination of the efforts of many Toastmasters. They are fun to participate in, or you can just observe how a contest is conducted.

Get involved! Contact Cindy Breaman

**Our Progress - - - -Distinguished Club Plan (DCP)**

A Toastmasters Club success is measured by the achievement of 10 goals established by the Distinguished Club Plan. The following table shows our progress as of January, 2007.

January Guests

- Trish Dale (Became a member)
- Bryan Stewart
- Chuck Munoz
- Paul Morin
- Bill Frey
- Olga Bueno
- Tom Gartner
- Diana Patton
- Courtney Davis

|  | GOAL | ACTUAL | ACHIEVED |
|--|------|--------|----------|
| (1) CCs                                | 2    | 1      |          |
| (2) Additional CCs                     | 2    | 0      |          |
| (3) ACs                                | 1    | 0      |          |
| (4) Additional ACs                     | 1    | 0      |          |
| (5) CL, AL, or DTM                     | 1    | 1      | *        |
| (6) Additional CLs, ALs, or DTMs       | 1    | 1      | *        |
| (7) New Members                        | 4    | 4      | *        |
| (8) Additional New Members             | 4    | 1      |          |
| (9) Officers Trained (both required)   |      |        | *        |
| June-August                            | 4    | 6      |          |
| and December-February                  | 4    | 6      |          |
| (10) Submitted on time (both required) |      |        |          |
| October or April Renewal               | 1    | 1      |          |
| and Officer List                       | 1    | 2      | *        |

**Total Goals Achieved To-Date: 5**

**When You Are Table**

**Topics Master - - - - -**

Shortly after Joe Carney joined the Keller Communicators, he commented that whenever we have guests at a meeting (which is most weeks), the Table Topics Master could ask at least one member “Why did you join Toastmasters?” How many times, outside the club, have you been asked this question? This is one “Table Topic” we can all prepare for. Using Cindy’s tip on our speaking rate, we can write out a response that would take two minutes.

Provide your input for publication in the Toastmasters Gazette. Each month will feature another “When you are a Table Topics Respondent.

When our Club reaches at least 20 members (we have 18) (before June 30), we become eligible for TI recognition at year end as shown below.

| GOAL                          | RECOGNITION                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Achieve any five of 10 goals  | Distinguished Club             |
| Achieve any seven of 10 goals | Select Distinguished Club      |
| Achieve any nine of 10 goals  | President's Distinguished Club |

**Membership Contest -** (Chris Nichols, VP Membership)

Starting **February 1<sup>st</sup>**, points earned by each member will be tracked individually using the following system:

**Guest Attends Meeting – 5 points**

**Guest Joins Club – 5 points**

**Member Gives a Speech – 2 points**

**Guest Returns to Meeting – 1 point**

**Member Participates in Meeting – 1 point**

At the end of each meeting during the contest, members will need to report their points to Chris. His goal is to publish the results each week by email to all members.

At the end of the **NINE** week contest (March 29<sup>TH</sup> meeting), all points will be totaled. At a following meeting, 1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>ND</sup> place individual winners will each receive a gift and a “thank you” from the club.

Also, keep this in mind. By sponsoring five, 10, or 15 new members during the club membership contest, you can earn personal recognition from Toastmasters International!!!

If you have any questions, please call or email Chris at 817-514-2133 or [ctn3904@flash.net](mailto:ctn3904@flash.net). Good luck!