Folsom Intellects

Meet: Thurs. 12-1 PM RM-4110

Toastmasters International

August 2014

Member News

- <u>Featured Member: David Betowski.</u> This month we are featuring long-term member and Division G Governor David Betowski. Please see the next page for advice and news that David wishes to share with his fellow Toastmasters.
- Contest Season for Humorous Speech and Evaluation!
- Club: August 28, 2014 @ Folsom Intellects scheduled meeting
- Area 73/74: September 6, 2014 @ Landmark Baptist Church
- Division G: October 3, 2014 @ Intel from 5-10 PM
- <u>Contact</u>: Kristi at <u>Kristi.Johnson@intel.com</u> or an officer for more information.

Live daringly, boldly, fearlessly. Taste the relish to be found in competition - in having put forth the best within you.

Henry J. Kaiser

- <u>2014 Fall Conference</u> is on November 7 and 8, 2014 at the Crowne Plaza Sacramento (I-80 and Madison). We encourage you to register now, more info at http://www.district39.org/2014-fall-conference/
 - Officers: July 2014-December 2014

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President's Perspective

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you to sign up for a meeting role each week. If the agenda is full, try your hand at table topics. By getting in weekly practice with your peers at the club, you will overcome your fears and learn along the way how to make good presentations and 1st impressions.

Gaining good communication skills is learned by practice. While it is enjoyable to watch at the weekly meeting, try and be a participant and you will reap the joy of success sooner. Are you up for the challenge?

-Shann Galuza

<u>Featured Folsom Intellects Member:</u> <u>David Betowski</u>

Member of Folsom Intellects since: 2008.

Occupation: Lab Manager in CPU validation.

Awards and Goals Achieved: Advanced Communicator Silver and Advanced Leader Bronze. Working towards my Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM).

What motivated you to join Toastmasters? I spent 11 years of my life singing in choirs. I'm retired from that, but I'm still an avid shower singer. In 2007, the Intellects put on an open house with a guest speaker taking about how you can use your singing abilities to improve your speaking. It took me a couple more months before I had the courage to attend a meeting, I finally did in September 2007 and the rest is history.



What advice do you have for your fellow Toastmasters? We all want to develop our skills, whether technical, communication, or leadership. But we always seem to de-prioritize it to focus on our daily jobs, and other "urgent" issues. The harsh reality is that that the job we have today will disappear. While you may only think I mean by downsizing, there are other ways your job will go away. You may earn a promotion with increased responsibilities and new challenges; maybe you will be tapped to become a manager; maybe the programming language you code in today will be obsolete in a few years; or maybe you decide one day you want to do something different in your career. Your job will go away, but if you continually develop yourself, YOU won't.

