



Moscow Free Speakers Club

522nd meeting, October, 6th 2011

Dear Toastmasters!

I don't know about you, but I'm very excited about the upcoming contest! Ten of our members, from fresh out of their ice-breakers to seasoned veterans, will demonstrate their abilities to you and the jury (the members of which we will keep in secret). You're very welcome to come and give your voice for the speeches you'll like. Your voice will count! Come and watch the contest with your own eyes; who knows, you may decide to participate in the next one!

And another cheering news is that with the help of Alina Guseva, Dmitry Trapeznikov, Andrey Kosilov, and Mat Ali Syahnaz Akhtar we have achieved another goal in the Distinguished Club Program (four new members)! Six more goals to go, friends!

President Denis Shevchuk, CC

Quote of this issue

Learning is not compulsory but neither is survival.

- W. Edwards Deming

Word of the day – Fuddy-Duddy

1. *Noun* - a person who is stuffy, old-fashioned, and conservative.
2. *Noun* - a person who is fussy or picayune about details; fussbudget.
3. *Adjective* - stuffy, old-fashioned, and conservative.
4. *Adjective* - fussy; picayune.

By Alexander Shlegel

Joke of the day

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Bartender: "What about the wooden leg? You didn't have that before."

Pirate: "Well, we were in a battle and I got hit with a cannon ball, but I'm fine now."

Bartender: "Well, okay, but what about that hook? What happened to your hand?"

Pirate: "We were ..."

Read the whole joke [at the end](#) of the Newsletter.



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BEST MOMENTS



Andrey Kosilov



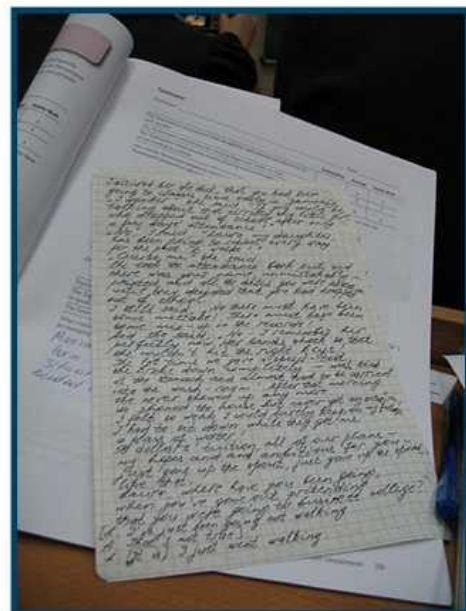
Mary Beketova



Denis Shevchuk, CC



Margarita Ryndina, AC-S, CL





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BEST OF ...

Project #2 "Sleep"

by Alexander Borisenko

"Several meetings ago, our member Alexey Kravtsun gave us inspiring recommendations on how to improve our lives. One of those recommendations was that we

"Sasha connected his speech to one of the previous projects of a club member. And this trick got the audience involved and interested in the speech from the first minutes".

*Personal Evaluator
Evgenia Maseeva*

should wake up at 5 a.m. in order to have more time to develop ourselves, and he backed it up by a personal story of how it helped him to get a promotion.

Well, first of all, let me say that I completely agree with Alexey, but at the same time I would be very careful about starting to wake up at 5 a.m., because not only do you risk being less productive, but also put your health at a very serious risk.

So today, I'm going to talk about sleep. I will tell you:

- 1) what are the consequences of not getting enough sleep;
- 2) how long should you sleep;
- 3) and what can you do to sleep better..."

Project #6 "My darling"

by Mary Beketova

The word "vodka" has Russian origin. It is simply a pet name for the Russian word "voda", and immediately you

can see the special attitude of Russian people to vodka. They use various epithets when referring to vodka. I call it gently "My darling". Vodka for a Russian is much more than

a drink; it is a whole world with so many faces!

Vodka is like a woman. You show off with her, you get more and more excited and pleased. But then – be careful, the further you continue, the more dangerous it gets! Vodka is indulgence. If you drink good vodka, its soft pure taste leaves behind all the other alcohol drinks. You drink it, and the warmth is gradually spreading through your body, the twinkle appears in your eyes, you feel free and cheerful..."

"The structure was very logic, the opening was strong, the ending was very well accentuated, the body was very good and well-performed. The only question that I still have is about the name of the speech referring to vodka and Maria. The connection is quite weird".

*Personal Evaluator
Valeria Kholodkova, CC, AL-B
Watch the [video](#)*

More about Mary's darling in the [video](#) of her project.



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Project #4 "The Play" from the adv. manual
"Interpretive Reading" "The Glass Menagerie"
by Margarita Ryndina, AC-S, CL

AMANDA: Laura, where have you been going when you've gone on pretending that you were going to

business college?

"I was very impressed by your speech because of the way you introduced the characters at the beginning. You showed very clearly the way that they were. The mother was very emotional, and the daughter very shy. You managed to show us these two different characters successfully."

*Personal Evaluator
Ekaterina Sidorenko
Watch the [video](#)*

LAURA: I've just been going out walking.

AMANDA: That's not true.

LAURA: It is. I just went walking.

AMANDA: Walking? Walking? In winter?

Deliberately courting pneumonia in that light coat? Where did you walk to, Laura?

LAURA: All sorts of places - mostly in the park.

AMANDA: Even after you'd started catching that cold?

LAURA: It was the lesser of two evils, Mother. I couldn't go back up. I threw up on the floor!

AMANDA: From half past seven till after five every day you mean to tell me you walked around in the park, because you wanted to make me think that you were still going to Rubicam's Business College? ..."

Watch the wonderful acting by Margarita in the [video](#) of her project.

Table Topic Discussion

Table topic was performed
by Maxim Tsvetov

Do you know a children's game called "king of the hill"? Children try to capture and hold the topmost place at their playground. The way Maxim Tsvetov chose to conduct his Table Topics resembled the game (watch the [video](#) of Maxim's introduction). The action started with Dmitry Trapeznikov (watch the [video](#)) and Irina Chernyaga, CC, competing for the top of the "hill". Alexandra Borissova then "pushed" Dmitry (watch the [video](#) of his speech) off his position... The "hill" saw kings changing each round making us wondering who would be the last king standing. Even though we had several "queens" fighting for the leadership, our

immediate Past-President Valentin Novikov, CC, CL, found that it would be better for a king to rule the kingdom.

Congratulations, Valentin! You can watch the videos of



Valentin's speeches: [video 1](#) and [video 2](#).



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Points:

Andrey Kosilov Toastmaster	4.8
Albina Balashova Invocation Master	3.3
Alexander Shlegel Word Master	4.6
Evgeniy Belyatsky Joke Master	3.7
Alexander Borisenko Speaker 1	4.1
Mary Beketova Speaker 2	3.9
Margarita Ryndina, AC-S, CL Speaker 3	4.2
Evgenia Maseeva Personal Evaluator 1	4.1
Valeria Kholodkova, CC, AL-B Personal Evaluator 2	4.7
Ekaterina Sidorenko Personal Evaluator 3	3.8
Valeria Kulnevskaya General Evaluator	3.3
Maxim Tsvetov Table Topics Master	4.0
Meeting as a whole	4.2

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Videos:

Mary Beketova Speaker 2	The link
Margarita Ryndina, AC-S, CL Speaker 3	The link
Valeria Kholodkova, CC, AL-B Personal Evaluator 2	The link
Ekaterina Sidorenko Personal Evaluator 3	The link
Maxim Tsvetov Table Topics master	The link
Dmitry Trapeznikov Table Topics speaker	The link 1
	The link 2
Valentin Novikov, CC, CL The winner of Table Topics	The link 1
	The link 2

Bartender: "Well, okay, but what about that hook? What happened to your hand?"

Pirate: "We were in another battle. I boarded a ship and got into a sword fight. My hand was cut off. I got fitted with a hook. I'm fine, really."

Bartender: "What about that eye patch?"

Pirate: "Oh, one day a bee stung me in the eye."

"You're kidding," said the bartender, "you couldn't lose an eye just from a bee sting."

Pirate: "It was my first day with the hook."

By Evgeniy Belyatsky



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Our next meeting is on October, 20th!

The long-expected and most-desired event is coming!
Once again members of our club, from the strongest and most distinguished to the new ones, gather to find out who is the best in the **3rd Speech Contest 2011!**
Don't miss the opportunity to be a witness of the vigorous competition!

See you soon!