

Kapolei Toastmasters (KTM)
Thursday June 18, 2015
12:00-1:00PM
State Building Room 167
Meeting Recap
Theme: "Father's Day"
(Submitted by Joyce Bullion, CC, CL Kapolei Toastmasters)

1. Opening of Meeting:

- President, Holly Holloway, ACB, CL opened the meeting and we followed her lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- We had 11 people total which consisted of 2 guests and 9 Members. Holly asked our honored guests to stand up and be recognized. We discovered that Sao Leue turned 6 years old 3 days ago.
- Members in attendance were: Sara, James, Joyce, Holly, Angela, Rasika, Jason, Etsuko and Owen. Guests were Jason and Rasika's precious daughters.

2. Education Session:

- Holly introduced our TMOD who was Jason Leue, TM. who introduced:
- **Timekeeper:** James Fu, ACB, ALB shared what his role as Timer consisted of. James volunteered at the last minute.
- **Grammarian/Ah Counter/Word of the Day:** Holly Holloway, ACB, CL explained her role as Grammarian/Ah Counter. Her word of the day followed our theme and was: "Patriarch" a noun.

3. Featured Speakers:

- **Featured Speaker #1:** Sara Okuda, TM, gave speech number 7 from the Competent Communicator Manual titled "Ocean to Table" with objective to research your

topics. Sara started by talking about her father who was an avid fisherman. She quoted “If you feed a man a fish, you feed him for one day. If you teach a man how to fish, you feed him for a lifetime.” She said her dad never taught her how to fish, so she is fed for one day. Sara showed a power point presentation showing the four top fish of Hawaii. The first fish she featured was tuna (ahi), the second was Marlin, third was mahi-mahi and the fourth was Wahoo (ono). The last fish was swordfish that sometimes has a dorsal fin like a shark and weighs as much as 600 pounds. Sara ended with “Sara made us all hungry with her excellent presentation and ended with “Now we don’t need to be like a fish out of water when visiting a restaurant.” I love to hear Sara speak and look forward to future speeches from her.

- **Featured Speaker #2:** Angela Smith, ACS, gave speech number 3 from the advanced manual *Humorously Speaking* titled “Over the Hill”. In Angela’s speech she emphasized how she wants to accomplish much before she is “over the hill”. She had a song titled “Am I wrong?” but had technical problems and it never did play. She added am I wrong for wanting to reach my goals? She answered No, No, No!” Angela stressed how much she loves criticism as it fuels her to greatness. Angela has accomplished the triple crown this year and has the Advanced Communication Silver (ACS) within her first year. She pointed to her triple crown pin. She kept repeating that even though people try to slow her down, it fuels her. Angela has always received support and encouragement from Kapolei Toastmaster’s Club.
- **Featured Speaker #3:** Rasika Leue, TM, Rasika started by telling us how much she worshiped her father as a child.

She was a “Daddy’s Girl”. She thought her father hung the moon. He would tell her the best stories and it made her feel special. She thought he was amazing and he was her idol. Then her parents divorced and she never saw him again. She was crushed. She looked for a father figure in the men she dated. She then admired people like Madonna. Madonna was famous and rich and seemed to have it all. She appeared to be happy. One day she sat down with a spiritual guide and the guide asked her if people like Madonna were really happy. Did they have an inner happiness? She realized that many rich and famous had an inner emptiness. She now realizes that to be a good father, you don’t need to be famous. The only thing children want from their fathers is LOVE. She then thanked all fathers who have LOVE! Great speech, Rasika!

- **Featured Speaker #4:** Etsuko Fields, TM, gave speech number 5-body speaks-from Competent Communicator Manual titled “Cultural Differences in Gestures”. Etsuko is an international Relations Program Manager for USNAF Atugi, Japan and Realtor and Bilingual Emcee. Etsuko shared about gestures and their American meanings and Japanese meanings. Thumbs up in American has one meaning and another in Japan. Thumb and index finger in a circle means “OKAY” and in Japan can mean you need coin and bills in Japan. It was a very interesting speech. I will be careful when visiting another country. Mahalo to Etsuko for speaking at the last minute to fill in.

5.Evaluation Session:

- **Evaluator for Speaker #1:** Etsuko Fields, TM was evaluator for Sara Okuda, TM. Etsuko said Sara made her hungry. She gave kudos to Sara for beginning with talking about her father to stay with the meeting theme. Sara fulfilled her

project by doing a lot of research. Her visual aids were good and smooth. Etsuko suggested less vocal and more body.

- **Evaluator for Speaker #2:** Rasika Leue, TM, had a double role and volunteered at the last minute to evaluate Angela. Rasika did outstanding as evaluator. It was somewhat humorous talking about “over the hill”. Rasika was not clear on what the main topic was. Rasika suggested Angela could have tested her equipment before the meeting started so we could have heard the song “Am I Wrong?” The main project called for humor and it was not funny. Angela appeared to be comfortable in her delivery. She may have put too much emphasis on whatever her point was.
- **Evaluator for Speaker #3:** Owen Tamamoto ACB, evaluated Rasika Leue, TM. Owen said it was a good point that Rasika made about young girls who worship their dads and then look for a father figure in a mate. Rasika had sincerity and good vocal variety. A suggestion to improve her speech would be to use more imagination and to put more drama into her speech by showing worship in her expression and disappointment when dad left in a more dramatic way. She had good congruency. Owen said he looks forward to hearing more speeches from Rasika. It is so good to have Owen back.

Evaluator for Speaker #4: James Fu, ACB, ALB evaluated Etsuko Fields, TM. James started by saying Etsuko had good body movement and was confident in her delivery. She used the stage well and expressed gestures well. Suggestions would be to use less examples of gestures and tie introduction to conclusion better.

6.Reports:

- **Timekeeper:** James Fu, ACB, ALB gave a thorough report of everyone's time. Some went over the allotted time.
- **Grammarian/Ah Counter:** Holly Holloway, ACB, CL gave a thorough report of everyone's grammar and word fillers and those who used the word of the day.
- **TMOD Closing remarks:** Jason gave his final words and in my view was an outstanding emcee. He stayed on time and was very personable.

7. General Evaluator:

- Joyce Bullion, CC, CL gave a complete General Evaluation:
 - The room was completely set up by 11:35AM
 - President and TMOD did well to set the right tone.
 - Holly introduced our two little guests and we learned Sao had her 6th birthday 3 days ago.
 - TMOD was outstanding. He was personable and stayed on time throughout the meeting.
 - Gratitude to all those who had double roles and volunteered at the last minute. Last minute volunteers were Rasika as evaluator, James as Timer and Etsuko as speaker.
 - Kudos to evaluators for oreo cookie method.
 - Kudos to Rasika for good use of speaker area.
 - Kudos to Sara for her expert organizational skills when showcasing the name tags and name and role tents.
 - We did well to cancel Table Topics to have 4 speakers as we do with the third meeting of the month.

8. Announcements/Adjournment:

- Holly Holloway, ACB, CL announced the District Officer's Training this Saturday June 20. She asked who was going and 4 of our E T members raised their hands as did another person from another club.
- We need a TMOD for our KTM Meeting next week. Rasika volunteered to do that.
- Holly announced our new officer installation on July 2, 2015.