

# SATURDAY MORNING LIVE CRUMPET

January 2025

### Saturday Morning Live #2470, Area D3, District 115

### **Club Meetings/Events**

January 11 - Backwards Meeting → January 25

### **District 115 Doings**

#### Pathways Lab - Q&A

Mon. Jan. 6, 6-8 pm online To register:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tf-

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#### Club Officer Training - Online Prez/VPE: Tues. Jan. 14, 6-7 pm

To register:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/ OeYWeylQ5y1zSSsaLP NA

VPM/VPPR/SAA: Wed. Jan. 15,

6-7 pm To register:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/S0z89cWCSa-5Ucft0MMWVA

**Sec'y/Treas:** Thurs. Jan.16, 6-7 pm To register:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/reqister/36Paa3BBRf-I4oFMoGmguq

#### **Enrichment Night**

Mon. Jan. 27, 6-8 pm online To register:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlvc-

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### TLI – Club Officer Training

Sat. Feb. 1, 10 am-12 noon In Person – Details to follow

### **Deadlines**

E-mail photos, articles, etc. to zeezolnay@cox.net by 2nd monthly meeting. Thanks.

Saturday Morning Live meets on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays at AutoNation Buick-GMC, 330 N. Gibson Rd., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Henderson, NV from 10:00 to 11:30 am For more information, visit our website 2470.toastmastersclubs.org

Toastmasters International website <u>www.toastmasters.org</u>

# **Gniteem Sdrawkcab – January 11**

### **Starting the New Year Backwards!**

January is named after Janus, the two-faced Roman god of beginnings and endings, simultaneously looking back at the past year and forward to the New Year. So, it is appropriate that our first meeting of 2025 be a backwards meeting.





It is the same agenda as in our normal club meeting, but we start with the adjournment of the meeting and work our way backwards to the Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order at the end. All speeches are evaluated before they are presented, and Table Topics questions are announced after the impromptu speeches that answer the questions. Speakers are challenged to include the grammatical and oratorical errors noted previously

by the Grammarian and Evaluators.

All this plays hob with the educational mission of a typical meeting but, boy, is it ever fun! After the beginning of the meeting, we will have a potluck lunch. Steve Goldstein, our resident foodie, is sending out an email to solicit savory contributions. Expect a ridiculously hilarious take on a Toastmasters meeting, followed by a tasty repast.

# December Saved by Creative Programming



December is a tough month for putting together meetings because everybody is out of town on holiday vacations. December 2024 was particularly difficult. We had exciting plans for a coaching workshop with Darren LaCroix, as well as our usual Christmas pajama party at Jane's place, but one by one these plans fell apart. We were left with putting together a couple of club meetings to finish out the year.

Originally, we had but one prepared speaker scheduled for Dec. 14, so Steve Goldstein pulled out a "vest pocket" speech about three people who had influenced his life. Despite Steve's excellent efforts, our originally scheduled speaker, Justin Tietjen, triumphed by calling us to "get addicted" to positive activities to improve our lives. Charlotte Bentley took



honors as Best Table Topic and Eugene Zolnay was voted Best Evaluator. No one volunteered to be a speaker on Dec. 28. The rule is if you have at least



four people, but nobody has a speech prepared, then you do Table Topics. As it turned out, we had eleven people (four of them guests) who participated in two rounds of Table Topics. This impromptu format was so successful that three of the guests signed up to become members, including Yasmin Tamayo who won the first round of Table Topics. Steve Goldstein won the second round.

# LaCroix Workshop Rescheduled for February 1

Darren LaCroix's coaching workshop, "Own The Stage," cancelled in December, has been rescheduled for February 1, 2025. This date may be a bit iffy as it conflicts with the District 115 TLI training, but as of now, the workshop is a go.

### **Hello to Our New Members**

Welcome to Amy Neway, Yasmin Tamayo, Terry Hollingsworth, and Torri Watson. It is our joy to have you on board.