

Toastmasters' Winners and SpeechCraft...

Speak For Success York Simcoe Toastmasters hosted its annual International Speech Contest for club members on February 13th. In the Prepared Speech Category, two Bradford residents placed in the top 3 - Rick Nesbitt placed 3rd, and Steve Hopkinson was 1st, with a speech on Human Temperament and Personality Types.

The other category was

the Evaluation Contest, recognizing the most effective 2-3 minute verbal evaluation of a speech. Barry Moore came in 1st, Marsha Field was 2nd.

Both Moore and Hopkinson went on to represent the Speak For Success York Simcoe Toastmasters Club in the Area Contest, held in Newmarket on Feb. 27th.

You have been asked to

do a presentation to a group that may buy your product, or accept your ideas. As you are introduced, your hands begin to shake, your mouth is dry, and you wonder if you will ever make it through the experience.

You are not alone. If you are like most people, you would prefer jumping into a nest of spiders before taking the lectern.

The Speak For Success York Simcoe Toastmasters Bradford Club is hosting a 6-session workshop, called *SpeechCraft*, which will help participants learn basic public speaking skills, and overcome nervousness. The program is open to the general public.

SpeechCraft takes place March 19-April 23, from 7 to 9 p.m. each Monday, at Kotsy's Restaurant Banquet Hall (lower level), 201 Holland St. East. Classes are limited to 10 people; cost is \$69 per person plus GST. For registration information, contact Steve Hopkinson, 905-252-0740 or email vpprws2@speakforsuccess.org

Regular meetings are held the 2nd, 4th and 5th Tuesdays of each month, at the Kotsy's location, 7 p.m. sharp. For information, visit www.speakforsuccess.org

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