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GOAL ACHIEVED: Distinguished Club Program

✓	One ATM
✓	One CL, AL, or DTM
✓	Four new members
✓	Four more new members
✓	Minimum of four club officers trained
✓	One semiannual membership report
	Two CTMs
	Two more CTMs
	One more ATM
	One more CL, AL, or DTM



The chief condition on which, life, health and vigor depend on, is action. It is by action that an organism develops its faculties, increases its energy, and attains the fulfillment of its destiny.

- Colin Powell

In writing, you punctuate with commas and paragraphs; in speech, you pause. In writing, you use underline, italics, or bold types to emphasize your points; in speech, you emphasize through volume and through pausing.

Intelligent people have quick minds and their words can't keep up with their thoughts. They have to force themselves to speak slowly. And to pause. You might think that pausing shows hesitation and lack of confidence. In fact it's the key technique of the self-assured.

It's important not to fill the silence with "ums" or "ers". Instead, pause and try to think through what you want to say before you open your mouth.

Do not be afraid of the pause. Silence is a weapon as valuable as speech itself. And once you master the technique, you'll find that it makes speaking much easier. After all, it gives you the time to work out the next words you need.

The most vital pausing times:

- The opening: make sure that your audience have settled down and are ready to hear you.
- In mid-sentence: to emphasize a n important point
- At the end of important sentence, pause - then lift your voice.
- After an interruption: once again, your audience has to settle in to hear you.
- Before your last words:

Remember: the pause gives poise. Practice it in your everyday speech until it comes easily, naturally and without effort.

- adapted from *Complete Speechmaker* by Sir Greville Janner



If you are going to achieve excellence in big things, you develop the habit in little matters. Excellence is not an exception, it is a prevailing attitude.

- Colin Powell

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Congratulations!!!

Ann Maize won second place in the Division International Contest.
Great job Ann!!

UPCOMING EVENT

What: District 14 Spring Conference

When: May 5-6, 2006

Where: Wyndham Peachtree Conference Center
Peachtree City, Georgia

One Joke: Praying while Smoking

I overheard two priests, a Dominican and a Jesuit, are discussing whether it is a sin to smoke and pray at the same time.

After failing to reach a conclusion, each goes off to consult his respective superior. The next week they meet again.

The Dominican says, "Well, what did your superior say?" The Jesuit responds, "He said it was acceptable."

"That's funny," the Dominican replies, "My superior said it was a sin."

Jesuit: "What did you ask him?"

Reply: "I asked him if it was all right to smoke while praying."

"Oh," said the Jesuit, "I asked my superior if it was all right to pray while smoking."

