

Introduction

Expressions of the Heart was my sixth Toastmaster Speech, Working with Words. The Objectives were: To gain an understanding of the functions and uses of the spoken word. & To select precisely the right words required to communicate your ideas clearly, vividly and appropriately. Nothing could fulfill these objectives more than putting words together in Poetry. A poem is used to say the most in the fewest words. After writing more than a hundred poems and other writings, I pride myself on having a little mastery of the English Language. Read this speech and see how neat it is to put words together in creative ways. I call them Artistic Word Creations. This is one of the speeches for which I won the blue ribbon. By this time I had gained the reputation of being the “Winningest Toastmaster.” I could do very well with a prepared speech; but I was the pits with an impromptu. Fear took over when I heard the Topicmaster call my name and I couldn’t think about the subject let alone talk about it. I think I have grown some since then. In this speech I challenge my audience to begin putting words together in creative ways to make beautiful expressions of the heart. This speech was given on Dec.6th of 94.