

# DAFFODILS TOASTMASTERS CLUB

CLUB # 1766 | Area A4 | D92

Meeting No: #1070

Meeting Date: October 26, 2024

**THEME:**

**LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP**



**WORD OF THE DAY**  
**NOSTALGIA**



**The meeting commenced promptly at 6:00 PM.**

## **SAA TM UMANATH**

The SAA opened the meeting by outlining the club's ground rules and sharing the mission statement.

## **PRESIDENT TM PRAKRITI**

President began her speech by asking, "How many of us have played a leadership role in our lives?" She highlighted roles ranging from a classroom monitor to a manager, urging members to consider their own management goals.

She also celebrated Toastmasters' 100-year milestone, crediting its founder, Ralph C. Smedley, who transformed his vision into a global movement.

To conclude, she shared an inspiring story of a teacher who recognized potential in a student, nurturing him to become a mentor for others.

## TMOD TM MANOJ

TMOD Manoj began by sharing his leadership journey in the Toastmasters club, noting how it has taught him frugality. He illustrated this with a story about his mother, who, even after buying vegetables, asked for extra coriander, explaining that frugality is a mindset, not just about saving money.

He recalled organizing the club's installation ceremony during his presidential term, where he managed challenges and learned valuable lessons, pushing him beyond his comfort zone. TM Manoj also emphasized that effective communication is a key aspect of leadership.



- **Key points by Speakers included:**



**SPEAKER 1**  
**TM SATISH**

TM Satish delivered a speech titled "Spray and Slay," using presentation software to engage the audience. He began by asking, "How many of you think we have animal nature within us?" Satish discussed how humans, like animals, rely on scent to make judgments, often masking natural smells with perfume.

He highlighted the movie *Perfume: The Story of a Murderer*, about a man who captures scents obsessively. Satish then explained the "pyramid of body fragrances," detailing the top, heart, and base notes in perfumes. He concluded with helpful tips on selecting the right fragrance.





**SPEAKER 2**  
**TM MANYU**

DTM Manyu began with a humorous story, asking if the audience was familiar with adrenaline, the "fight or flight" hormone. For him, it was all about "get in and get out." He shared anecdotes from his life where he wanted to escape situations, from feigning illness to avoid high school responsibilities to his early days in Toastmasters.

He reflected on how he overcame these feelings, volunteering for MC roles in college, presenting confidently, and ultimately becoming the youngest Division Director, now leading 22 clubs and over 450 members. He concluded by emphasizing that success isn't the only outcome to aim for in any situation.





**SPEAKER 3**  
**DTM**  
**KUMARAN**

DTM Kumaran delivered a speech titled You Decide, beginning by asking, "What did you do with your first salary?" He shared a story about how his first investment of one lakh rupees in land 32 years ago eventually led to a successful business, allowing him a comfortable life.

He emphasized that the decisions we make today shape our future, categorizing them into life, career, and relationship choices. Using the example of India's Jain community, he noted their success due to early decision-making. Concluding with a reference to The Curious Case of Benjamin Button, he urged everyone to seize opportunities wisely: "You decide, Toastmasters."



## Key points by Evaluators included



**TM VISHWAJIT**

- Good use of pointers.
- Professional dressing sense.
- Clear voice projection.
- Consistent audience engagement while speaking
- Improvement needed in pauses.
- Work on strengthening the conclusion.

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- Effective use of anecdotes.
  - Well-incorporated multiple stories.
  - Strong emphasis on the speech title.



**TM KISHAN**

## Key points by GE about Evaluators & Speakers included

- Stage presence could be more relaxed and free-flowing.
- Presentation focus could be enhanced.
- Engaging and relatable anecdotes.
- Movement across the stage adds to a dynamic delivery.
- Speech was enjoyable and engaging.
- Stories effectively connected to everyday life.



**GE  
DTM USHA**



## Key points by GE about Role Takers included

- Remarkable journey, presented with conviction and passion.
- Could use a bit more energy overall.
- Structure was excellent.
- Speech felt slightly prolonged in parts.
- Strong resonance with the audience.
- Engaged interactively with each person.
- Had one minor blunder.
- Introduce your role before beginning.



**GE**  
**DTM USHA**

# TABLE TOPIC SESSION

1. Which leader would you choose to have dinner with and why?
2. In your opinion, who makes better leaders: men or women?
3. Which leadership journey has inspired you the most, and why?
4. Can leadership skills be effectively taught or coached?



**TTM**  
**TM MAHESH**

# AWARDS



Best Main Role Taker  
DTM USHA



Best Speaker  
DTM KUMARAN



Best Evaluator  
TM VISHWAJIT



Best AUX  
TM JAZEENA



Best Table Topic Speaker  
TM VISHAL



Best Listener  
TM MITA

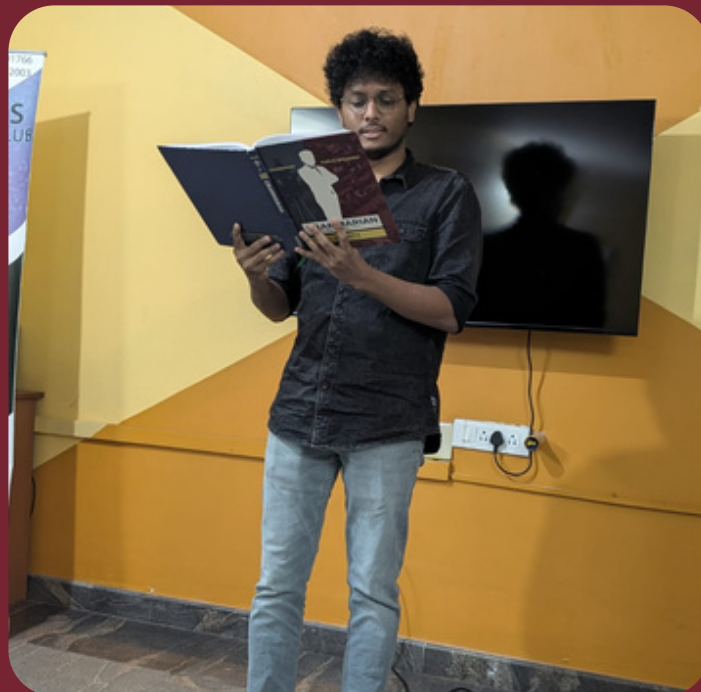
# TAGL TEAM



**TIMER  
TM JAZEENA**



**AH COUNTER  
TM KANAK**



**GRAMMARIAN  
TM RAKESH**



**LISTENER  
TM NIDHI**

# OUR MOTIVATION TO ATTEND EVERY MEETING

Birthday celebration of TM Prakriti, TM Geetha, TM Nidhi and  
TM Sanjana

