**BEING A GREAT EMCEE**

**Least favorite**

Mumbler

Apologizer

Fast Talker

Kindergarten teacher

Canned dialogue

**You are the image of your group**

55% posture and body language

38% tone of your voice

7% what you say

**Body Language**

Confident and purposeful walk to microphone – stop, smile, speak

Don’t do half-hearted physical gesture

Look comfortable (practice) Never let them see you sweat

DON’T look over heads – it really doesn’t work

Don’t expect the microphone to do all the work. Speak in a loud clear voice.

Look and sound spontaneous

No written script – when writing a script write the ending first and then decide how to get there.

Know your audience – and don’t be offensive. Women REALLY cannot get away with “smutty” jokes. Any doubt – leave it out.

Correct grammar is nice

NO INSIDE JOKES

Create a file box for each song in your repetiore but then customize it for your audience. (Nursing home, retirement home, civic organization, group of professional people)

**NO PURSES – NO WATER BOTTLES**