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STATE SPEECH T-SHIRTS

-- Use this form to RESERVE 2003 State Speech t-shirts -- (Must be picked up at the WHSFA State Speech Festival, April 11-12, 2003, Lower Level, Bascom Hall.)

PLEASE GIVE THE QUANTITIES AND SIZES NEEDED

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SPEECH - THEATRE - DEBATE CERTIFICATES

Please use this form to order Certificates of Participation for your students involved in WHSFA activities during the 2002-2003 school year.

PLEASE GIVE THE QUANTITIES NEEDED

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- ** Individual medals will be made available after each time period on the Lower Level of Bascom Hall. (Note change!!) The coach or one designated person should bring all evaluation sheets to the medal distribution area for verification and to collect the awards. Please have all evaluation sheets in alphabetical order according to category. Know your district number!
- ** Judges will give oral evaluations, announce ratings and distribute written evaluations at the close of each section. Students are urged to remain in their section throughout all the presentations. Results of the various sections will NOT be posted. There will be no general meeting at any time.
- ** Please remember that bus parking is available in Lot 60. <u>Buses should not be parked on Observatory Drive at any time.</u> A campus bus is available and runs between Lot 60 and the main campus. Information for your bus driver will be included with school confirmation materials.

- ** Certificates of Participation for all three WHSFA series Theatre, Debate and Speech may be picked up at Festival Headquarters Bascom Hall Room 165. (Note change) Use the order form found on the back page of this Newsletter.
- ** Each school will receive a **School**Information Sheet/Schedule. This sheet will include a section number, room number, building and speaking order for each of you State entries. This confirmation packet will also include a campus map. Materials will be mailed to you as soon as possible. If you have any questions about your assignments, please call the State Office in advance of the Festival for clarification.
- ** We will mail all confirmation material, bus driver information sheet and your school provided judge(s) assignment to your school address.
- ** The telephone number at WHSFA State Speech Festival Headquarters will be (608) 575-6001.

SITE

2003 WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE FESTIVAL

PLAN TO ATTEND

November 20-21-22, 2003 OW-LaCrosse

Hosted by the OW-LaCrosse Department of Theatre Arts

SITES NEEDED FOR ADJUDICATOR WORKSHOPS!

Please let us know if your school is interested in hosting an Adjudicator Workshop for the 2003-2004 school year. We take care of registration and instruction. Host simply provides a room, chalkboard, VCR, and monitor. Call the State Office for more details (608) 882-6004 after State Speech!

WHSFA STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL

Bascom Hall Auditorium, Room 165, will be utilized as "Headquarters" for the WHSFA State Speech Festival, April 11-12, 2003. (Note change)

State Office personnel will be at Bascom during the entire Festival. Even though you do not need to check in before you attend your assigned session, we will be there to answer questions, give directions, or help in any way we can. Remember - all judges must attend a judges meeting forty-five (45) minutes prior to their first judging assignment. All judge meetings will be in Bascom Hall Room 272. (Note change) Please be certain your students have the phone number of (608) 575-6001 - WHSFA Festival Headquarters.

You can do a great deal prior to arrival in Madison to help insure that students do not get lost. Providing each of your students with a written copy of his/her building name and room number as well as a copy of the building location map (page 3 of the State Festival Registration Booklet) will be a great help.

Setting a specific location and time frame for meeting your students after they have completed their round will also help alleviate some anxious moments for everyone. Due to potential congestion, a site other than Bascom may be a wise choice.

Providing as much information to the students in advance of the Festival will help ensure a smoother, more comfortable experience for everyone.

WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL FORENSIC ASSOCIATION

ACTIVITY CALENDAR FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2003-2004

September 10 WHSFA Board of Control Meeting (Madison)
October 18Latest date for WHSFA Subdistrict Theatre Workfest
October 25Latest date for WHSFA District Theatre
November 7-8 WHSFA Sectional Theatre

November 21-22 ... WHSFA State Theatre Festival (UW - LaCrosse)

November 27 THANKSGIVING

January 10	<u>Late</u>	st date for WHSFA Distri	ct Deb	ate	
January 23-24	WHS	SFA State Debate (4 Spe	eaker,	2- Sp	eaker)
	1.1	(UW-Oshkosh)			

February 7Latest date for WHSFA Middle Level - Level I February 21Latest date for WHSFA Subdistrict Speech February 28Latest date for WHSFA Middle Level - Level II March 6Latest date for WHSFA District Speech April 2-3 WHSFA State Speech (UW-Madison) ..EASTER April 11

April 29-30WHSFA Board of Control Meeting

"EXCELLENCE IN SPEECH" AWARDS

Once again, the top five percent of schools participating in the WHSFA State Speech Festival will receive the "Excellence in Speech" Award. This award has been in existence since 1980.

A school must earn team points in order to receive this award. The WHSFA State Award system in place for the 2003 Festival is:

Gold - Critics Choice (25) Silver - All State (23-24) **Bronze - Finalist (20-21-22)** Small Bronze - Achievement (19 & Below)

Point value for determination of the "Excellence in Speech" award in 2003 will be: Critic's Choice (4 points); All State (3 points); Finalist (2 points); Achievement (1 point).

As an example, if your school has 15 entries (keeping in mind that groups count as one entry), and you receive two "Achievement", five " Finalist", five "All State" and three "Critic's Choice" awards, your team total would be 39 points. These points will be tallied after the Festival and recipients will be notified. An announcement of schools achieving this award will appear in the May Newsletter.

JUDGES MEETINGS WHSFA STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL - 2003

FRIDAY, APRIL 11th

4:45 p.m. Room 272 - Bascom Hall 6:15 p.m. Room 272 - Bascom Hall

SATURDAY, APRIL 12th

8:45 a.m. Room 272 - Bascom Hall 10:15 a.m. Room 272 - Bascom Hall

**(NOTE ROOM CHANGE)

All judges should attend the meeting prior to beginning their first judging assignment. Judging packets will be distributed.

WHSFA REMEMBERING ...

20 YEARS AGO - MARCH 1983

Two new sections were created by the re-districting process, requiring the election of a Chair for each one.

The Final ballot for Section III, composed of Districts 7, 8 and 10, has the names: of Margaret Doering of Holmen High School and Wilmer Pearson of Brookwood-Ontario High School from District 7; John Culbertson of Waterloo High School from District 8; Pat Jonas of Potosi High School from District 10. The nomination process is underway in Section IV. which is composed of Districts 9, 12 and 13.

15 YEARS AGO - MARCH 1988

First place honors were presented to the Monona Grove High School team: Lisa Thomas, Katie Kuhl, Chandra Miller, Rick Kopitzke and alternates Mike Weber and Lori Julson. Coached by Steve Wendorff, the team amassed 10 wins in the seven rounds of competition. The second place team, also with 10 wins was from Neenah High School. Coached by Bill McBride, the team members were: Kerri Blobaum, Alyn Beckman, C. Erich Lassen, Roy Park and alternates Carissa Kuecherer, Kathy Burke, Elizabeth Bandy, Doug Jacobs and Matt Zarda.

10 YEARS AGO - MARCH 1993

Twenty-six school entered the four-speaker division which represented an increase of four from the 1992 tournament. Schools involved included Cedarburg, DeForest, Eau Claire Memorial, Eau Claire North, Greendale, Hamilton-Sussex, Juneau-Dodgeland, Homestead, Milwaukee Bay View, Milwaukee Juneau. Milwaukee Riverside, Milwaukee School of the Arts, Milwaukee Tech, Monona Grove, Mukwonago, Neenah Senior, Neenah Shattuck, Slinger, South Milwaukee, Wausau West, Wauwatosa East, West Allis Nathan Hale, West Bend East, Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln, Green Bay East and Madison LaFollette.

5 YEARS AGO - APRIL 1998

The three individual speaker awards for the 1998 Two-Speaker Division were presented to:

1st PLACE:

Nicole Serrano - Glendale Nicolet

2nd PLACE:

Peter Klein - Glendale Nicolet

3rd PLACE

Neal Krokosky - Appleton West

WHSFA STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL

NOTES FOR COACHES -

A. AFTER YOUR DISTRICT FESTIVAL:

- 1. Make sure that you have received confirmation of you team's time slot from the WHSFA State Office. (Contact the office immediately if you have not received this!)
- 2. Mail your State Speech Festival registration materials to the WHSFA State Office as soon as you know who has qualified for State.
- 3. Make transportation, hotel and/or meal arrangements for your team and put in purchase orders to cover these
- 4. Notify your certified judge(s) of the date and time slot of your participation. Notify the WHSFA State Office if you have additional judges who would like to work for WHSFA.
- 5. Make arrangements with your administration for professional leave and early dismissal for students, if neces-

B. AFTER YOU HAVE RECEIVED YOUR MATERIALS FOR THE WHSFA STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL:

- 1. Forward necessary information to your certified judge(s). The schedule(s) for the "school provided judge(s)" will be sent to the school forensic coach.
- 2. Copy the following materials for each student and chaperone who will accompany you:
- a. UW-Madison campus map located on page 3 of the State Festival Registration booklet (you may want to indicate students' names next to buildings in which they perform or color code buildings, as well as your central meeting location after rounds are finished).
 - IMPORTANT NOTE: Since Bascom Hall becomes extremely crowded, especially during poor weather, it is advisable to meet at other campus areas as a team to collect evaluation sheets.
- b. Master school schedule sheet with student times/locations.
- c. Security precautions and emergency and WHSFA headquarters telephone numbers.
- 3. Send information on the State Speech Festival to parents; include time, dates, overnight arrangements, etc. (Remember, parents are welcome to observe.) Obtain any parent permission which is required by your school
- 4. Notify fellow faculty members of the trip if during school
- 5. Contact your school administrator to determine if your district has a cellular phone which may be checked out for the trip.

C. PRIOR TO THE WHSFA STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL:

- Confirm travel, hotel and/or meal arrangements.
- 2. Obtain necessary funds from your district to cover
- 3. Confirm that your judge(s) know when and where to report for their judges meeting. Contact the WHSFA State Office immediately if there is any problem with your judge.

D. ON THE DAY YOU LEAVE FOR THE WHSFA STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL:

- 1. Make sure that every member of your group has a copy of all materials pertaining to the festival. Go through all materials with the entire group to clarify times, locations, security, meeting places, etc.
- 2. Give your bus driver a copy of the transportation information provided by WHSFA and confirm your pickup point.
- 3. Utilize the "buddy system" for students to get to and from building assignments. You may find it helpful to have your bus pick you up at the same point you were dropped off, avoiding the crowds at Festival Headquarters.

E. AFTER ALL STUDENTS SPEAK:

- 1. Collect their evaluation sheets.
- 2. Alphabetize evaluation sheets, by category.
- 3. Have one coach or team member take evaluation sheets to the awards area on the lower level, Bascom Hall. (Know your WHSFA District number; awards are distributed by district.)
- 4. Distribute awards to students.

F. OTHER THOUGHTS:

- 1. Pre-ordered Certificates of Participation for theatre. debate or speech may be picked up in Bascom Hall, Room 165.
- 2. WHSFA State Speech t-shirts may be reserved for pickup in Bascom Hall, lower level. (Form on back page.)
- 3. Congratulate yourself on a job well done!
- 4. Relax. (It's okay to start thinking about next season at any time!)

....Thanks to Sharon Sharko, Greendale High School

MEET MARY CALLEY Please welcome Mary Calley, the new Administrative Assistant to the WHSFA State Office. (That's pronounced Colley.) If you're looking for someone to "speak Minnesotan" for you, Mary can do that, as she was born and raised in the metropolis of Lindstrom, Minnesota.. "Is she a Viking Fan?" you may wonder. Never was, never will be. Mary now resides in Evansville with her husband and 3 children. In her "spare time" she enjoys playing volleyball, sewing costumes and baking.