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-- DEBATE INFORMATION -- "DEBATE QUARTERLY"

"The Debate Quarterly is one of the few remaining debate publications which is published from an educationally sound perspective. Readers are encouraged to think for themselves - and to do their own research. Coaches and students are guided to important lines of inquiry, but left to conduct their own research from original source materials."

The WHSFA State Office will again be the source for the Debate Quarterly, published by the National Federation of State High School Associations. An order form may be found below. Please note the ordering deadline of MARCH 15th!!

DEBATE COACHES

ORDER THE 2004-2005 QUARTERLY - UNITED NATIONS

If your school will be participating in the Debate series in 2004-2005, and you wish to order copies of the Debate Quarterly, please fill out and return this order blank to the State Office no later than March 15, 2004.

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Cost: \$24.00 for four issues	Check:	 is enclosed will be sent later

WHSFA LINCOLN DOUGLAS TOURNAMENT

Thirteen students representing seven schools participated in the Lincoln Douglas Tournament held in conjunction with WHSFA State Debate.

Awards were presented to the following:

SEMI FINALISTS:

David Mark (Milwaukee Marquette), Anthony Eisner (Sheboygan South)

2ND PLACE:

Tim Maylander (Appleton West)

1ST PLACE:

Micky Smith (Milwaukee Marguette)

SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING WERE: Appleton West, Janesville Craig, Sheboygan South, Milwaukee Marquette, Milwaukee Rufus King, Waukesha South, West Allis Nathan

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FIRST PLACE



On January 9-10, 2004, UW-Oshkosh and Professor Kay Neal were hosts for the WHSFA State Debate Tournament. The Association extends to the University and Dr. Neal our sincere appreciation for the facility and the expertise which was extended to us for this event.

Sixteen schools entered the WHSFA State Debate Tournament. Schools participating were: Appleton North, Appleton West, Janesville Parker, La Crosse Central, Mequon Homestead, Merrill, Milwaukee Rufus King, Mukwonago, Neenah, Rhinelander, Sheboygan South, South Milwaukee, Stevens Point Area, Waukesha South, Wausau West and West Allis Nathan Hale. Cedarburg and Milwaukee Marquette University qualified but were not able to participate.

Teams Placing in the 2004 WHSFA State Debate Tournament were:

FIRST PLACE: Merrill, with a 12 - 2 record - Logan Zoellner, Nathan Hanson, Coach, Jessica Yonke, Jerrie Ceplina, Corey Mehlos

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SECOND PLACE: Appleton West, with an 11 - 3 record - Maria Putzer, David Watson, Brittney Rathsack, Johnathan Ebben - Coach: Steve Gargo



THIRD PLACE: Milwaukee Rufus King, with a 10 - 4 record - Tiffany Tardy, Rebecca Szugs, Eva Lam, Samir Jaber Coach: Paul Gessner

FOURTH PLACE: Neenah with a 10 - 4 record - Ivie Okundaye, Annelise Nelson, Lauren Williamson, Tom Wichman - Coach: Bill McBride





FIFTH PLACE: SPASH, with a 9 - 5 record - David Cecil, Alexandra Tepp, Joe Klopotek, Coach - Zach Laskowski, Karl Locher

NOTE: 1st - 5th place awards go to a single school in accordance with the following criteria, in descending order:

(1) win-loss record; (2) head to head competition (when possible); (3) strength of opposition records; (4) total adjusted speaker points (dropping high and low for each team member); (5) total combined speaker points.

The Association extends CONGRATULATIONS to all of the teams participating in the 2004 WHSFA State Debate Tournament!

SCHOOL OF THE ARTS AT RHINELANDER

The UW-Madison School of the Arts at Rhinelander, a multi-disciplinary summer arts program, will hold its 41st Annual Session, July 26 - 30 in Rhinelander, More than 70 beginning to advanced workshops will be offered for adult students with an interest in creative writing: theatre and drama; photography; dance, movement and relaxation: music: visual and folk arts; and computer skills.

The School of the Arts is sponsored by the UW-Madison Department of Liberal Studies and the Arts. University credit and Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are

offered for teachers and others who want to earn credit or professional development units.

For a listing of classes and instructors, visit the School of the Arts WEB site at http://www.dcs.wisc.edu/lsa/ soa.. For more information contact the UW-Madison School of the Arts at Rhinelander, Kathy Berigan, administrative coordinator, 715N Lowell Center, 610 Langdon St., Madison, WI 53703, 608-263-3494; Fax 608-262-1694; or E-mail: kberigan@dcs.wisc.edu.

2004 STATE SPEECH - APRIL 2 - 3, 2004

Postcards have been sent to all schools that returned the "time preference lottery card" to the State Office. The card indicated the time slot that all students from vour school will be scheduled. If you have not received an assigned time slot postcard, contact the State Office for assignment to an available Saturday time period.

REMINDER

For WHSFA Subdistrict. District and State Speech Festivals, any person that is to serve as a judge must be a "WHSFA Certified Speech Adjudicator". Certification is accomplished by successfully completing/passing the WHSFA Adjudicator Orientation Program.

WHSFA STATE DEBATE AWARDS

Awards recognizing the best affirmative and best negative team at WHSFA State Debate are presented in honor of the long service provided to the Association by the late Professor Emeritus Grace Walsh of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

The traveling award plagues for 2004 were presented to:

Best Affirmative Team - With a 7-0 record: Teresa Lawlor and Sam Stephenson (Mequon Homestead), coached by Tony Engle.

Best Negative Team - Tie - With 7-0 records: Corey Mehlos and Logan Zoellner (Merrill), coached by Nathan Hanson, and Annelise Nelson and Tom Wichman (Neenah), coached by Bill McBride.

Recipients of the top speaker awards for the WHSFA State Tournament were:



Top 1st **Affirmative Speaker** Maria Putzer



Top 1st Negative Speaker Sam Weis



WHSFA REMEMBERING

20 Years Ago - January 1984

At the 1983 State Theatre Festival, nine directors were designated as "Outstanding Directors."

THE 1983 RECIPIENTS ARE:

Appleton West - Roger Danielson Brookfield Central - Jeannie Strieff Burlington - Peter Geissler Delavan Darien - Barbara Shreves Middleton - Lynda Miller Oshkosh West - Tom Lynch Port Washington - Ralph Lohse Richland Center - Ken Beatty/Jan Maodush Union Grove - Sue Vavra

■ 15 Years Ago - January 1989

Schools with productions who earned the right to perform at the 1988 WHSFA State Theatre Festival were also eligible to receive additional awards, including the Critics Choice award. This award is given to presentations which have achieved, in the words of the evaluation Procedures for critics "...exemplary theatrical skills." Two of the three critics must agree on this award. Ten of the 42 productions did achieve this distinction. Those schools whose productions received this award: Brookfield Central, Brookfield East, Grafton, Markesan, McFarland. Neenah, Oshkosh West, Waunakee, West Salem and Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln.

10 Years Ago - January 1994

Teams placing in the 1994 WHSFA State **Debate Tournament were:**

FIRST PLACE: West Bend East - Nicki Krauk, B.J. Best, Philip Staffin, Craig Ormson; Coaches - Doris and Steve Sexton

SECOND PLACE: Meguon Homestead - Peter Ammon, Aaron Brown, James Mitchell, Chris Bouda; Coach - Jim Engle

THIRD PLACE: Cedarburg - Fred Walls, Harsha Reddy, John Knetzger, Robb Knutson; Coach -Mary Knutson

5 Years Ago - March 1999

Recipients of the top speaker awards for the 1999 State Debate Tournament were presented to:

Top 1st Affirmative Speaker: Jesse Wachs - Cedarburg

Top 2nd Affirmative Speaker: Mary Ryan - Cedarburg

Top 1st Negative Speaker: John Henry - WI Rapids Lincoln

Top 2nd Negative Speaker: John Braun - Janesville Craig

WHSFA STATE DEBATE TOURNAMENT **GRACE WALSH AWARDS**

BEST AFFIRMATIVE TEAM Meguon Homestead - 2004

Neenah - 2003 Meguon Homestead - 2002 Appleton West - 2001 (tie) Meguon Homestead - 2001 (tie) Cedarburg - 2000 (tie) Stevens Point Area - 2000 (tie) Cedarburg - 1999 (tie) Milwaukee Bay View - 1999 (tie) Milwaukee Rufus King - 1998 West Bend East - 1997 Madison Memorial - 1996 Meguon Homestead - 1995 Neenah Shattuck - 1994 Eau Claire Memorial - 1993

Neenah - 1992 Rhinelander - 1991 Durand - 1990

Rhinelander - 1989 Durand - 1988 Durand - 1987 Wausau West - 1986

Wausau West - 1985 Sheboygan South - 1984 Wausau West - 1983

Rhinelander - 1982

BEST NEGATIVE TEAM

Merrill - 2004 (tie) Neenah - 2004 (tie) Neenah - 2003

Mequon Homestead - 2002 (tie) Waukesha South - 2002 (tie)

Neenah - 2001

Madison Memorial - 2000 Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln - 1999

Neenah - 1998

Milwaukee Juneau - 1997 Fond du Lac Goodrich - 1996

Neenah - 1995 Cedarburg - 1994

Eau Claire Memorial - 1993

Cedarburg - 1992 Rhinelander - 1991 Slinger - 1990 Durand - 1989 Neenah - 1988

Madison West - 1987 Kaukauna - 1986 Durand - 1985 Sheboygan North - 1984

Sheboygan North - 1983 Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln - 1982

STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL BOOKLET

At the District Speech Festival, you will receive a State Speech Booklet, Vol. XIV. This is a very important document in relationship to your participation in the WHSFA State Speech Festival - April 2 - 3, 2004.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS INCLUDED:

- * Your WHSFA State Speech Registration Form. Mail this to the State Office as soon as possible.
- * A form indicating who you are providing as your School Provided Certified Judge(s) and a form for Additional Certified Judges. Return with Registration Form ASAP.
- UW-Madison campus map.
- General information on parking and a two-day schedule.

Your confirmation materials will include specific information about performance locations, a schedule for your school and a specific information sheet for your bus driver.

THEATRE FESTIVAL 2004

Mark your calendars now for November 18, 19, 20, 2004, and set your sights on UW-Whitewater, our host campus for the Wisconsin High School Theatre Festival. The Theatre Department at UW-Whitewater has graciously accepted the responsibility of providing us with the facilities necessary to hold the myriad of workshops and performances that are designed to create a truly educational three-day event.

You are greatly encouraged to attend this event with your students for the entire time to benefit from the many learning opportunities that will be made available.

Watch your mailbox this spring for more detailed information. In the meantime, if you have any questions please call the WHSFA State Office at 608/882-6004.

2004 - 2005 **DEBATE TOPIC** AND RESOLUTION

TOPIC: UNITED NATIONS

Resolved: That the United States federal government should establish a foreign policy substantially increasing its support of United Nations peacekeeping opera-

ARTS DAY 2004

ARTS DAY 2004 will bring together artists, arts organizations, arts supporters and elected officials to celebrate the rich variety of Wisconsin's arts and culture. The eighth annual Arts Day will take place on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at the State Capitol in downtown Madison.

Everyone who believes the arts help build strong communities are invited to participate in ARTS DAY 2004 including staff, board members and volunteers of arts and cultural organizations, artists, arts educators and teachers, students, audience members and community leaders. Wisconsin High School Forensic Association is a sponsoring partner for this event. For more information on Arts Day 2004, contact the Wisconsin Assembly for Local Arts, 608 255-8316/ akatz@wisconsinarts.org

2004 STATE SPEECH

Each school must provide a qualified judge(s) (one for up to 12 entries - two for 13 or more entries) for one time slot at the State meet at their own expense. For State Speech 2004 there will be a charge of \$75.00 per judge for schools not providing a qualified judge(s). State entry fees are \$8.00 per individual entry and \$14.00 per group entry.

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 21, 2004 Latest date for WHSFA Subdistrict Speech

March 6, 2004

Latest date for WHSFA District Speech

April 2-3, 2004 WHSFA State Speech Festival (UW-Madison)

April 29-30, 2004 WHSFA Board of Control Meeting (Appleton)