

# WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL FORENSIC ASSOCIATION

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### BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING

The spring meeting of the WHSFA Board of Control was held at the Mead Inn, Wisconsin Rapids on Thursday evening, May 5 and Friday morning, May 6, 1994.

Various matters discussed included:

- Report on Senior Division membership at 411 schools and Middle Level Division at 131 schools.
- Election Results (See article in this issue).
- Tentative budget passed, to be finalized in October.
- Approved 1994-96 WHSFA Calendar (Printed below).
- Approved "Michigan Plan" use as experimental rule for Debate again in 1995.
- Advisory Committees will meet this summer.
- Approved elimination of "State Qualifier" medal in Theatre and creation of "Sectional Qualifier" medal in Theatre.

### WILLIAM HINTZ AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SPEECH - 1994

- District 3:** St. Croix Falls - Sue Segelstrom, Speech Coach
- District 4:** Altoona - Carla Traun, Speech Coach
- District 5:** Pittsville - Dorothy Berg, Speech Coach
- District 6:** Pulaski - Diane Sabo, Speech Coach
- District 8:** DeForest - Jeff Steward, Speech Coach  
Lodi - Mark Kohl, Speech Coach  
Mayville - Jacqueline Berry, Speech Coach  
Necedah - Kathleen Kennedy, Speech Coach  
Waunakee - Sandra Faivre, Speech Coach
- District 9:** Fond du Lac Winnebago Lutheran  
- David Lauber, Speech Coach  
Kiel - Barbara Meulemans, Speech Coach  
Mt. Calvary - St. Lawrence Seminary  
- Rev. Gary Wegner, Speech Coach  
Oshkosh West - Tom Lynch, Speech Coach
- District 10:** Cassville - Susan Bernhardt, Speech Coach  
Darlington - Leona Havens, Speech Coach
- District 12:** Hartland Arrowhead - Donna Anderson, Speech Coach  
Sussex - Hamilton - Penny Komatz, Speech Coach
- District 14:** Greendale - Sharon Sharko/Dale Shikowski, Speech Coaches  
Oak Creek - Diane Ohm, Speech Coach  
Waterford - Karen Ebert, Speech Coach

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### WHSFA QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

One hundred sixty-eight (168) individuals returned the WHSFA questionnaire that was part of the September Newsletter.

Question	Results
1. Some of the membership has expressed an interest in more competition in the WHSFA organization. Please respond to this concern by circling either A or B. A. Maintain status quo festival format for WHSFA speech series. B. Increase competitiveness level for WHSFA speech series. No response	84 65 19
2. The Wisconsin High School Forensic Association has a division for Middle level/junior high schools to become members. Do you feel the WHSFA should change the name of our Association? Yes No No response	35 123 10
If name changes, should the logo be changed also? Yes No No response	31 39 98
3. Does the current limitation of 25 entries in the WHSFA speech series meet you school needs? Yes No No response	121 37 10
4. Currently, the membership dues for each school provide materials and the opportunity to participate in theatre, debate and speech activities sponsored by WHSFA. Would you favor membership dues based on those individual activities in which the school chooses to participate? Yes No No response	154 11 3
5. Currently, the WHSFA Board of Control is comprised of 14 District Chairs (school administrator - one for each district) and 5 Sectional Chairs (teacher/coaches - one for each section). Do you feel this Board composition is meeting your needs? Yes No No response	126 32 10
6. Currently, there are advisory committees for the WHSFA activities of Theatre, Debate, Speech and Middle Level Division. Each of these committees is comprised of 5 teachers/coaches elected by their peers. These committees serve to provide information and concerns of coaches to the Board of Control. Do you feel the Advisory Committees are meeting your needs? Yes No No response	144 9 15

### 1994-96 WHSFA TWO-YEAR CALENDAR

Subdistrict dates and the dates for District Debate, Theatre, and Speech are the latest dates the events may be held. Dates for Sectional Theatre and all State Senior Division events are firm.

Year	Theatre	Debate	Speech	Middle Level Division
1994-95	Oct. 15	Jan. 14	March 11	Feb. 18, Level I
Subdistrict	Oct. 21-22		March 25	March 11, Level II (Latest Dates)
District	Nov. 4-5	Jan. 26-28 (4 & 2-SP)	April 21-22	
Sectional	Nov. 18-19			
State				
Board Meetings	October 25-26, 1994 May 4-5, 1995		Thanksgiving Easter	November 24, 1994 April 16, 1995
1995-96	Oct. 14	Jan. 13	March 16	Feb. 17, Level I
Subdistrict	Oct. 20-21		March 30	Mar. 9, Level II (Latest Dates)
District	Nov. 3-4	Jan. 25-27 (4 & 2 SP)	April 26-27	
Sectional	Nov. 17-18			
State				
Board Meetings	October 24-25, 1995 May 2-3, 1996		Thanksgiving Easter	November 23, 1995 April 7, 1996

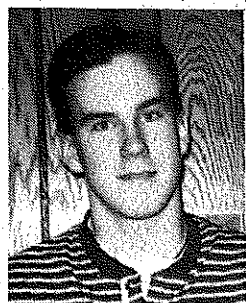
Sadly, I inform you that our friend and colleague Mary Torgeson passed away on Friday, May 13, 1994. Services were held in McFarland on Tuesday, May 17 followed by committal services in Osseo, Wisconsin. Mary served as Executive Director of WHSFA until her retirement in 1993. Mary will be remembered as a kind and caring person who firmly supported the philosophy and ideals of the Wisconsin High School Forensic Association.

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## A NOTE FROM BURLINGTON

The State Office received a letter from John Oberwetter and Nancy Satola proudly informing us that one of their Burlington High School forensic students has earned his fourth consecutive *Critic's Choice Award* at the WHSFA State Speech Festival held April 22-23, 1994 at UW-Madison. Sean Ritchie has participated in Playacting and Four Minute during his four years of forensics.



Sean Ritchie

**WHSFA salutes Sean for his outstanding efforts!!**

## SUMMER WORKSHOPS

**UW-Whitewater** is sponsoring a Forensics Workshop July 31-August 5, 1994. For more information contact: Continuing Education Services, UW-Whitewater, Roseman 2005, Whitewater, WI 53190; 1-800-622-0350

**Marquette University** will be holding a Debate Institute July 16 - July 30, 1994. For more information contact:

Dr. Greg Olson (414) 288-6350 or  
Matthew Payne (414) 272-3028

## FOUND AT STATE SPEECH

A very special "Thank You" to the honest individual(s) that returned a lost wallet to Headquarters at State Speech. The person who lost the wallet is an AFS exchange student and was most happy to retrieve his valuable papers and money.

The state Office still has two items that were found in Bascom Hall - a wristwatch and a jacket - please call (608) 882-6004 if they belong to you.

## SPEECH ADJUDICATION WORKSHOPS

It is not too late to let us know of your interest in hosting an Adjudicator Workshop! We take care of all registration and instruction-host simply provides a room, a chalkboard, a VCR and a monitor. If interested, please contact J. Peter at (608) 882-6004. Becoming a "Certified Speech Adjudicator" is accomplished by successfully completing/passing the Speech Adjudicator Orientation Program.

Information/registration materials for all workshops will be sent from the State Office to member schools prior to the date of the workshops. Please plan to share this information/registration material with colleagues and especially with non-school personnel that you know are interested in judging.

## ADVISORY COMMITTEES TO MEET

The Theatre Advisory committee will meet June 22, 1994. The Speech Advisory committee will meet June 9, 1994 and the Middle Level Advisory committee will meet July 19, 1994. If you have any questions/concerns you wish to have addressed, please contact the State Office at (608) 882-6004.

## HOSTS NEEDED FOR MIDDLE LEVEL

Host schools are needed for both Level I and Level II Festivals for the 1994-95 school year. Please contact the State Office (608) 882-6004 for more information.

## 1994-95 PLANNING CALENDARS

Wisconsin High School Forensic Association, Wisconsin School Music Association and Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association have cooperatively produced a 1994-95 wall planning calendar. The calendar includes activity dates for WHSFA as well as WIAA and WSMA.

In mid-May, WIAA will be mailing each member school four (4) calendars. The calendars should be distributed to your school's athletic director, principal, music director and forensic coordinator. If you don't receive a calendar, please contact your principal.

## UW-WHITEWATER THEATRE CAMP

This one-week Theatre camp is for high school students entering grades 9-12. They may choose either acting or technical theatre. Dates are, July 24-30. The fee is \$260.00. For information contact: Dept. of Cont. Ed. THEATRE CAMP, UW-W, Whitewater, WI 53190 or call (414) 472-3165

## LINCOLN DOUGLAS DEBATE TOURNAMENT

The Lincoln-Douglas Debate Tournament was held on April 23, 1994 in conjunction with the WHSFA State Speech Festival in Madison. Twenty-two students representing nine schools participated. Dr. Kay Neal, WHSFA Advisor in Debate, scheduled and conducted this tournament.

- Entering the semi-final round of competition were Sarah Allen from Neenah Senior and Cathy Wilson from West Bend East.

- Co-Champions were Bill Burns and Andy Coan, both from Neenah Senior.

- The Coach of Neenah Senior is Bill McBride.

The Association congratulates all students and coaches involved and encourages them to continue to develop the skill required for effective value debate.

# ELECTION RESULTS

The following nominees received a majority of the votes cast in the recent primary elections for Section Chairs, District Chairs and Theatre, Debate and Speech Advisory Committee members and thus have been declared elected.

### Section Chair

Section IV - Tom Kaye, Milwaukee Marshall  
Section V - Walter Daumler, Delavan-Darien

### District Chair

District 1- Ray Mickolajak, Superior Senior  
District 8- Roger Klug, Montello  
District 12- Dru Munson, Brookfield Central  
District 14- Ryan Champeau, Waukesha North

### Theatre Advisory

Section II - Debra Luloff, Owen-Withee  
Section IV - Chuck Malone, Waukesha West

### Debate Advisory

Section II - Donna Frenzel, Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln  
Section III - Jim Sauer, LaCrosse Central  
Section IV - Bill McBride, Neenah Senior

### Speech Advisory

Section I - Roxi Wakeen, Baldwin-Woodville  
Section III - Toni Johnson, Arcadia  
Section V - Craig Lehnerr, ALCS Madison

### Middle Level Advisory

Maureen Bagg, Kenosha School District  
Wally Hoffman, Green Bay Lombardi  
Bob Klozotsky, Little Chute  
Al Schancer, Spooner

A Final Ballot will be sent for Section I Chair, Section III Chair, District 3 Chair, District 5 Chair and District 10 Chair.

## THEATRE SCHOOLS: NOTE!!

A memorandum requiring a reply has been mailed to all schools Director of Drama. We are asking for your input as to the preferred date of the Wisconsin High School Theatre Festival. You have the option of the Friday-Saturday prior to Thanksgiving or the first Friday-Saturday in December.

Please consider the options and vote. Your response is due to the WHSFA State Office by June 15, 1994. Thank you for your cooperation and input!

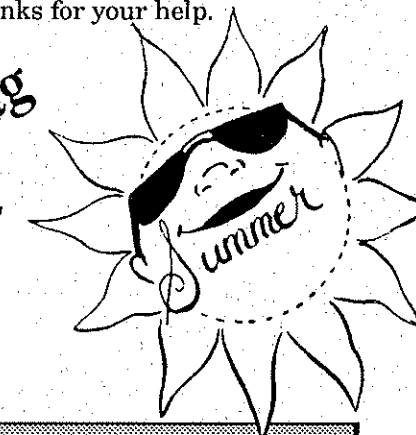
## 1994 STATE SPEECH T-SHIRTS

If you were unable to get a 1994 State Speech Festival T-Shirt - a few are still available! Contact the State Office (608) 882-6004 - \$10.00 each - we will mail - XL - only-while supplies last. First calls, first served!

## 1994-95 REGISTRATION MATERIALS

The 1994-95 membership registration cards have been sent to principals of all member schools - middle level and high school. Annual dues are payable on or before September 15th. The State Office would appreciate the registration cards returned with personnel listed, as soon as possible. This will facilitate swifter and more accurate mailings of handbooks and other materials during late summer and early fall. Thanks for your help.

Have a relaxing  
Summer!!



## 1994 STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL RESULTS

	SCHOOLS	ENTRIES	CRITICS CHOICE	ALL STATE	FINALIST	ACHIEVEMENT	NS	HINTZ
DISTRICT 1	27	260	42	75	104	33	9	0
DISTRICT 2	32	383	71	138	134	31	9	0
DISTRICT 3	29	266	74	107	70	12	3	1
DISTRICT 4	27	271	53	116	76	19	7	1
DISTRICT 5	35	382	75	134	122	37	14	1
DISTRICT 6	26	328	83	148	73	16	8	1
DISTRICT 7	33	297	60	117	96	16	8	0
DISTRICT 8	33	470	109	171	127	39	24	5
DISTRICT 9	25	364	106	127	96	23	12	4
DISTRICT 10	32	434	86	182	134	21	11	2
DISTRICT 11	26	261	56	99	80	12	14	0
DISTRICT 12	22	296	66	107	85	20	18	2
DISTRICT 13	13	114	18	42	34	12	8	0
DISTRICT 14	30	376	86	127	114	31	18	3
	390	4502	985	1690	13472	322	163	20
			(22%)	(38%)	(30%)	(7%)	(4%)	(5%)