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WHSFA State Debate Tournaments Held

On January 23-25 UW Oshkosh and Professor Kay Neal were hosts for the Four and Two Speaker WHSFA State Debate Tournaments. 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.

Four Speaker Results

Twenty two schools entered this division this year, which represented an increase of seven from 1991. Schools involved were Milwaukee Alexander Hamilton, Cedarburg, Durand, Eau Claire Memorial, Fond du Lac Goodrich, Green Bay Ashwaubenon, Greendale, Kenosha Bradford, La Crosse Central, Madison La Follette, Madison Memorial, Milwaukee Riverside, Milwaukee Rufus King, Milwaukee Trade and Tech, Monona Grove, Mukwonago, Neenah, Neenah Shattuck, Rhinelander, South Milwaukee, Wausau East and Wausau West.

Teams placing in this tournament were:

First Place: Neenah Senior with a 12-2 record. Team members were Erin Core, Eric Ratchman, and alternates Justin Wagner and Ryan Patterson on the affirmative, and Jonathan Dunning, Kevin Erickson and alternates Tony Sievert, Bill Burns and Monica Thiel on the negative.

Second Place: South Milwaukee with an 11-3 record. Laura Guzman, Andrea Silletti with Lisa Wylie as alternate for the affirmative, and Robin Schmoltdt, Paul Beck and alternates Monica Knoll and Jan Karnowski for the negative.

Third Place: Eau Claire Memorial with a 10-4 record. Affirmative team members were Patrick McIntyre, Christopher Knight and Stephanie Weld as the alternate. Negative team members were Joseph Geraci and Michael Linden with Abby Crouse as the alternate.

Fourth Place: Greendale with a 10-4 record, losing to third place because of one less strength of opposition point. Team members were Mark Donnelly, Barry Blonien with alternate Dennis Brylow for the affirmative and Mike Biddick, Joanna Wernstein and alternate Mary Sy for the negative.

Fifth Place: La Crosse Central with a 9-5 record, won by head to head competition with Cedarburg, Madison Memorial and Milwaukee Riverside who also achieved 9-5 records. Team members from La Crosse included the affirmative team of Andy Bosshard, Josh Ruegg and alternate Shannon Steege and the negative team of Robert Kim, Casey Servais and alternate Chi Nhan Duong.

The teacher/coaches of these five teams were:

Neenah - Bill McBride
South Milwaukee - Bob Frederick
Eau Claire Memorial - Richard Mayne
Greendale - Sharon Sharko
La Crosse Central - Jim Sauer

The Association extends our congratulations to all of the teams participating in this tournament.

Two Speaker Results

A total of sixteen schools were represented in the Two-Speaker tournament this year. They included Appleton East, Appleton West, Brookfield Central, Brookfield East, Chippewa Falls, Janesville Craig, Kaukauna, Madison West, Milwaukee Marquette, West Allis Nathan Hale, Glendale Nicolet, Milwaukee Pius, Sheboygan North, Stevens Point, Waukesha South and Wauwatosa East.

Kaukauna's team composed of Greg Feldkamp and Ge Vue emerged in **first place** for this tournament.

Brookfield Central took home the **second place** plaque. The team earning this honor was Josh Heling and David Frank.

Kaukauna's team of Brett Bowers and Roxanne Willis and the team of David Hong and Eric Carr from **Milwaukee Marquette** earned **third place** awards.

Teams entering the Octa-Finals on the way to the championship included Stevens Point, Chippewa Falls, Waukesha South, Glendale Nicolet, Appleton East, Madison West, Pius XI and Wauwatosa East.

The individuals involved as teachers in the education process of debate include:

Kaukauna - Deni Johnson
Brookfield Central - Sheryl Kaczmarek
Milwaukee Marquette - Sue Corfeld

We congratulate all of you on the work you accomplished through the debate season and wish you continued success.

Grace Walsh

Award Presented

Trophies honoring the top affirmative and top negative team in the Four Speaker Division have been presented in honor of the long service provided the Association by Professor Emeritus Grace Walsh of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

Teams and students so honored this year include:

Top Affirmative, with a 7-0 record were Erin Core and Eric Ratchman from Neenah High School and were coached by Bill McBride.

Top Negative, with a 5-2 record were Robb Knutson and Ryan Stippich from Cedarburg High School and were coached by Mary Knutson.

These teams provided the luncheon group on Friday with a demonstration debate which clearly illustrated why the awards they received were well deserved.

Check Your Primer

At the District Speech Festival, you received a State Speech Primer, Vol. II. This is a very important document in relationship to your participation in the State Speech Festival.

The following information is included:

- Your Eligibility Registration form. Mail this to the State Office as soon as possible. (Page 9).
- A form indicating who you are providing as your school judged. (Page 10)
- A form indicating any extra judges you wish to provide for the State event. (Page 11).
- Your application for possible consideration of your Play Acting group(s) for inclusion in the Madison Youth Arts Festival. (Page 12).
- An ER form for entering students in Lincoln Douglas. Please share this with the Debate coach at your school. (Page 13).
- General information about "what is happening" in Madison on April 10-11.
- Building location map as well as general city map.

Your confirmation materials will include specific information about performance locations and a schedule for your students. This will be mailed to you previous to Friday, April 10.

Lincoln Douglas Tournament To Be Held

A slight modification in the rules for entry in the LD tournament will be in effect for this year's tournament. A school may now enter up to four individuals in this event as opposed to the two which were previously allowed. The entry fee will be \$10.00 for each student entered. It is of course still possible to enter just one, or two or three, but the maximum is four. This more closely matches the speech category restrictions. The rationale for a higher single entry fee is that Lincoln Douglas offers a minimum of four rounds of competition.

Be certain to send your entry in as soon as possible. It is also very necessary that you notify the State Office if a student is participating in both the speech event and LD in order to ensure that Friday night scheduling is provided for those doubly involved.

The LD Resolution for this year will be:

RESOLVED: THAT THE POSSESSION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IS IMMORAL.

Hintz Awards To Be Presented

The top five percent of schools participating in the State Speech Festival will once again receive the "Excellence in Speech" award. This plaque, given in honor of William Hintz, a former theatre and speech coach as well as a member of the Board of Control, has been in existence since 1980.

To receive this award, a school must earn team points. Each entry will receive one point. Each entry that receives an "All State" designation will receive two additional points. An entry given the "Critics Choice" award will receive three additional points. Thus, should your school have 12 entries, (remembering that groups count as 1 entry), and you receive 6 "Finalist, 4 "All State" and 2 "Critic's Choice awards, your total would be 26 points. These points will be tallied after the festival and recipients will be notified. An announcement of schools achieving this honor will appear in the May Newsletter.

Madison Youth Arts Festival Searches For Play Acting Groups

WHSFA is excited about being able to participate in the Madison Youth Arts Festival on June 12-13, 1992 at the Civic Center in Madison! If you would like your state entry Play Acting group to be considered for possible participation in this festival, you must complete and return FORM 4 (Page 12) in the State Speech Festival Primer.

The following procedures will be used to select the performing Play Acting groups for the festival:

- Your group which has qualified for the State Festival will be evaluated by a panel of three adjudicators as opposed to the usual one. However, WHSFA Medals, Certificates as well as points for the HINTZ AWARD will be granted as usual.
- This same panel will view all rounds of the festival in which potential Summer Youth Festival participants who applied are considered.
- At the conclusion of the festival the panel will select the three shows to be chosen to be invited to attend the Youth Festival. Schools will then be notified.
- Shows will be able to augment their performance for this summer event by the addition of costumes, props and sound.

It is very important that before you make application you can ensure that your students and an adult will be available to travel to Madison for this June 12-13 event.

If we can help answer any questions, please call J. Peter (608) 262-2313 or Mary (608) 263-6662.

State Student Awards

Awards earned by students at the State Festival will be available at Festival Headquarters Bascom 272. Critique sheets indicating the number evaluation will be necessary. Please remember that 25 points earns a gold medal, 23-24 a silver, 20-22 a bronze and 5-19 is a paper certificate.

To help alleviate congestion, please send one person from each school to pick up awards. Bring all critique sheets.

Did You Remember. . .

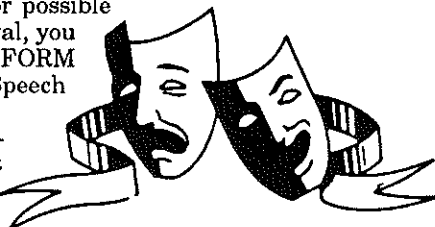
If you haven't received confirmation of your time slot for the State Speech Festival in Madison on April 10-11, it may mean that you did not send in the scheduling card mailed you last fall. If you are uncertain about this information, please do call the State Office and we will check for you.

WIAA, WSMA and WHSFA Continue To Meet

Meetings between these three major groups have begun and will continue in an effort to resolve calendar problems as we share so many students in common and all have their best interests in mind.

It is our sincere hope that all organizations will pay careful attention to these dates and respect them accordingly.

We all recognize that individual schools schedule their own concerts, invitational sporting and speech events and other activities, and that conflicts will never cease to exist. However, we all hope that this will be the first of many efforts to make life easier for you and most importantly the students.



Plan Now For The 1992 Wisconsin High School Theatre Festival

Get your calendars marked now for November 20-21, 1992 and set your sites on UW-La Crosse, our host school for the Wisconsin High School Theatre Festival. Professor Richard Tinapp and the Theatre Department at UW-La Crosse have 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 two day event.

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

Watch your mailbox for more detailed information. If you have any questions in the meantime, please call the State Office at (608) 262-2313 or (608) 263-6662.

Debate Position Opening

Glendale-Nicolet High School is searching for an experienced Debate coach for the 1992-93 season. If interested, please contact Kerry Dziubek at N16613 56th, Silver Springs Rd., Menomonee Falls, WI 53051 for further information.

Middle Level Advisory To Meet

On Friday, April 10, 1992, the Middle Level Advisory Committee will meet in Madison to discuss issues regarding the operation of this Division.

The State Office invites you to send to us any concerns you may have in this regard for us to include on their agenda.

Board of Control To Meet

The WHSFA Board of Control will hold their spring meeting on April 30-May 1 at the Embassy Suites in Green Bay. Sessions will be held on Thursday from 7:00-10:00 p.m. and on Friday from 9:00-12:00 noon.

These are open meetings and you are invited to attend.

1992-94 WHSFA TWO-YEAR CALENDAR

(subject to Board Approval)

Please check these dates carefully. If you see any conflict, please notify the State Office before the Board of Control Meeting scheduled April 30-May 1.

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

	Theatre (1992)	Debate (1993)	Speech (1993)	Middle Level Division (1993)
1992-93 Subdistrict	Oct. 17		*March 13	February 20, Level I
District	Oct. 23-24	January 9	*March 27	March 13, Level II
Sectional	Nov. 6-7			(Latest Dates)
State	Nov. 20-21	Jan. 28-30 (4 & 2SP)	April 23-24	
Board Meetings	*October 27-28, 1992 April 29-30, 1993	Thanksgiving Easter	November 26, 1992 April 11, 1993	
	**Theatre (1993)	Debate (1994)	Speech (1994)	Middle Level Division (1994)
1993-94 Subdistrict	Oct. 16		March 12	February 19, Level I
District	Oct. 22-23	Jan. 8	March 26	March 12, Level II
Sectional	Nov. 5-6			(Latest Dates)
State	Nov. 19-20	Jan. 27-29 (4 & 2 SP)	April 22-23	
Board Meetings	Oct. 26-27, 1993 May 5-6, 1994	Thanksgiving Easter	Nov. 25, 1993 April 3, 1994	

* Note Change

** 1993 Theatre dates are subject to a possible survey following a 2-year trial period.

Adjudicator Workshops Continue

Over 400 individuals have successfully completed the Adjudicator Orientation class offered by WHSFA. This does not mean that we now stop offering the class, however. More opportunities do and will exist to share in this learning experience.

In conjunction with the Wisconsin Communication Association Convention which will be held May 1-2 in Green Bay, we will be offering this class to the first thirty registrants. The class will be held at the Embassy Suites motel, as meeting rooms at the Holiday Inn City Center are entirely booked. Registration materials will be mailed to you in early April.

This will also offer you the opportunity to become a member of WCA, which offers many professional learning experiences.

The fee for the course is \$25.00 which covers the cost of materials and resource expenses.

For further information, call the State Office. One workshop has been planned for September 30, in Howards Grove. Schools in that geographic area will receive more information in early September.

We do need more sites! The requirement that a school provided judge must be certified for the State Festival by 1993 mandates that we reach more geographical areas. Please let us know of your interest in hosting this workshop. We take care of all registration and teaching - host simply provides a room, a chalkboard, a VCR and monitor. Call (608) 262-2313 or 263-6662, if interested.

A Note of Thanks

The Association is always very appreciative of the labor given by other people to our programs. Certainly **Dr. Kay Neal's** efforts as well as those of **Ken Thames** from De Long Middle School in Eau Claire and **Mike Czarnik** of Madison to scheduling and tab room operation was extremely commendable. It is also certainly great to have **Dru Munson** back in Wisconsin and once again serving on the Board of Control. Her presence in Oshkosh serving as a member of the referees committee as well as filling in for missing judges and helping out in the tab room proved very helpful.

Thanks to all of you from the State Office.

