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WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL FORENSIC ASSOCIATION

EXCELLENCE IN SPEECH AWARD - 1997

- District 1:** Spooner - Terri Matzke, Speech Coach
District 3: New Richmond - Tim Schaffer, Speech Coach
District 5: Edgar - Richard Guenther, Speech Coach
District 6: Green Bay Preble - Carol Cartier, Speech Coach
District 7: Viroqua - Sherry Getter, Speech Coach
District 8: Columbus - Ev Dickmann, Speech Coach
DeForest - Joe CaPaul, Speech Coach
Lodi - Mark Kohl, Speech Coach
Necedah - Kathleen Kennedy, Speech Coach
Waunakee - Rick Braun, Speech Coach
District 9: Campbellsport - Jim Vollmer, Speech Coach
Winnebago Lutheran - Fond du Lac - David Lauber, Speech Coach
Oshkosh West - Tom Lynch, Speech Coach
District 10: Cassville - Susan Bernhardt, Speech Coach
Cuba City - Sylvia Doyle, Speech Coach
District 11: Middleton - Jill Parks Larson, Speech Coach
Monroe - Todd Trampe, Speech Coach
District 12/13: Kettle Moraine Lutheran - Jackson - Earl Monday, Speech Coach
District 14: Burlington - John Oberwetter/Nancy Satola, Speech Coaches
Greendale - Sharon Sharko/Dale Shikowski, Speech Coaches
Greenfield Whitnall - Jennie Jerger, Speech Coach
Waterford - Karen Ebert, Speech Coach

These schools, representing the top 5% of the 391 schools participating at the WHSFA State Speech Festival, held April 11-12, 1997, at UW-Madison, were honored with the WHSFA "Excellence in Speech Award". Every student who participated earned points for their school. Each entry is awarded the following points: Gold - Critic's Choice (4 points); Silver - All State (3 points); Bronze - Finalist (2 points); Small Bronze - Achievement (1 point).

The schools in the 5% for 1997 earned between 72 and 90 team points.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES TO MEET

The Speech Advisory committee will meet Wednesday, June 18, 1997. If you have any questions/concerns you wish to have addressed, please contact the State Office at 608/882-6004 or any committee member - name and telephone number listed in the Speech Handbook. The Middle Level, Debate and Theatre Advisory committees will also be meeting this summer, but no dates have been set.

1997-98 ADJUDICATION WORKSHOP SITES

The following schools have offered to host adjudication workshops during the 1997-98 school year:

St. Croix Central H.S. - Hammond - Wednesday, September 24th.
Arcadia H.S. - Monday, October 6th.
Wilmot H.S. - Tuesday, October 14th.
Milwaukee - WEAC Convention - Thursday, October 30th.
Tri-Country H.S. - Plainfield - Wednesday, November 5th.
Lancaster H.S. - Saturday, January 10th.
Westen H.S. - Cazenovia - Friday, February 27th.

Other schools have indicated a willingness to host a workshop - but dates have not been established as of press time.

1997-98 PLANNING CALENDARS

Wisconsin High School Forensic Association, Wisconsin School Music Association and Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association have again cooperatively produced a 1997-98 wall planning calendar. The calendar includes activity dates for WHSFA as well as WIAA and WSMA.

In mid-summer, 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.

1997 SPEECH T-SHIRTS

1997 State Festival T-Shirts are still available! Contact the State Office 608/882-6004. \$10.00 each prepaid - XL only - we will mail. A few 1996 100th Anniversary shirts are also available.



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1997-99 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.

1997-98	Theatre (1997)	Debate (1998)	Speech (1998)	Middle Level Division (1998)
Subdistrict	October 18		March 7	February 14, Level I
District	October 25	January 17	March 21	March 7, Level II
Sectional	November 7-8			(Latest Dates)
State	November 21-22 (UW-Stevens Point)	January 29-31 (4&2 SP) (UW-Oshkosh)	April 17-18 (UW-Madison)	
Board Meetings:	September 10, 1997 April 30 - May 1, 1998		Thanksgiving: November 27, 1997 Easter: April 12, 1998	
1998-99	Theatre (1998)	Debate (1999)	Speech (1999)	Middle Level Division (1999)
Subdistrict	October 17		March 6	February 13, Level I
District	October 24	January 16	March 20	March 6, Level II
Sectional	November 6-7			(Latest Dates)
State	November 20-21 (TBA)	January 28-30 (4&2 SP) (UW-Oshkosh)	April 16-17 (UW-Madison)	
Board Meetings:	September 9, 1998 May 6-7, 1998		Thanksgiving: November 26, 1998 Easter: April 4, 1999	

1997 STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL RESULTS

DISTRICT	SCHOOLS	ENTRIES	ACTUAL STUDENTS	CRITICS CHOICE	ALL STATE	FINALIST	ACHIEVEMENT	NO SHOW	EXCELLENCE IN SPEECH AWARD
1	22	248	408	43	97	80	13	15	1
2	31	312	479	74	136	85	14	3	0
3	27	295	422	73	141	70	5	6	1
4	26	276	410	54	132	77	8	5	0
5	37	392	557	72	146	130	20	24	1
6	28	335	473	79	138	95	9	14	1
7	33	285	388	69	134	69	5	8	1
8	33	439	566	120	184	110	9	16	5
9	32	445	598	115	184	121	10	15	3
10	32	379	522	124	148	78	7	22	2
11	30	278	349	82	94	67	15	20	2
12/13	30	301	365	98	103	67	11	22	1
14	30	374	488	112	138	85	12	27	4
TOTALS:	391	4,359	6,025	1,115 (26%)	1,775 (41%)	1,134 (26%)	138 (3%)	197 (4%)	22 (5% - INCLUDES TIES)

STATE SPEECH - FIRST IMPRESSIONS by Deb Flanders

I suppose to some people, the '97 State Speech Festival in Madison could be summed up in one image: snow. Well, that one word certainly was on the lips of everyone who attended, but, as we all know, the Festival was so much more than that. Here are a few images (in no particular order) that I might use to sum up my first impressions:

Anticipation. Laughter. Anxiety. Old friends. Squeals (make that LOUD squeals). Encouragement. Dazed Looks. Questions. Directions. Bus rides. "Where's J. Peter?" Smiles. Nervous Looks. Excitement. Running. Disappointment. T-shirts. Organization. Soggy Ballois. "We'll meet at the..." Pride. Waiting. Relief. Instructions. Hugs. Jokes. Panic. Slippery sidewalks. Strangers. Sharing. Vending Machines. Stairways. "How do I get to...?" New friends. Medals. Happy Looks. Wet Hair. State Street. And yes, snow.

Thank you to everyone who made my first State Speech experience a great one. It's an experience I hope to repeat many times. A special thanks to Chuck Malone, whose steady arm was invaluable on our slippery walks. See you all next year in Madison on a Sunny April 17 and 18, 1998!

WHSFA BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING

The spring meeting of the WHSFA Board of Control was held at the Holiday Inn - Stevens Point on Thursday, May 1, 1997.

Various matters discussed included:

** Report on Senior Division membership at 418 schools and Middle Level Divisions at 147 schools.

** Approved 1997-99 WHSFA Calendar (printed in Newsletter).

** All Advisory Committees will meet this summer.

** Report was given regarding ongoing speech certification and re-certification program. To date (April 30, 1997) 1,841 individuals have become WHSFA Certified Speech Adjudicators.

HOSTS NEEDED FOR MIDDLE LEVEL FESTIVALS!

Host schools are needed for both Level I and Level II festivals for the 1997-98 school year. The latest date to host a Level I Festival is February 14, 1998 and the latest date for Level II is March 8, 1998. If interested in hosting a Level I and/or Level II Festival, please contact the State Office at 10 East Main Street, Evansville, WI 53536 -- (608) 882-6004.

1997-98 MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION CARDS

The 1997-98 membership registration cards have been sent to principals of all member schools-middle level and high school. Annual dues will remain the same for the 1997-98 school year and 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. Thank you for your help.

THREE WAYS TO REACH WHSFA

By Phone:
(608) 882-6004

By Fax:
(608) 882-6661

By Mail:
10 East Main Street
Evansville, Wisconsin 53536

"TRAINING THE TRAINERS" WORKSHOP

The one-day workshop to prepare individuals to be Speech Adjudication Workshop Leaders will be held on Thursday, August 14th. The workshop will be held in Madison, specific location to be determined. If you have not yet indicated an interest in participating in this workshop - you can still contact J. Peter at the State Office - 608/882-6004.

SPEECH ADJUDICATION WORKSHOPS

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

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

A reminder regarding **certified judges** -- each school must provide a certified judge at the **State Festival**. This year judges at **District Festivals** were required to be certified and by the 1999-2000 school year, judges at **Subdistrict festivals** must be WHSFA certified.

CAMPS - INSTITUTES - WORKSHOPS

**** Musical Theatre & Dance Camp**
UW-Stevens Point, July 6-12
Call 715/346-3956

**** Redhawk Forensics Institute**
Ripon College - July 7 - July 26
Call 414/748-8712

**** Debate Institute**
Marquette University - July 26 - August 3
Call 414/288-6359

**** Theatre Camp -**
UW-Whitewater - July 27 - August 2
Call 414/472-1635

**** Forensics Workshop**
UW-Whitewater - August 3-8
Call 1-800-622-0350

**** Arts World**
UW-Stevens Point
Session A - June 22-28
Session B - June 29 - July 5
Call 715/346-3956

SPRING? SPEECH - 1997



Spring in Madison!

