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"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 20th!!

## DEBATE COACHES

### Order the 1999-2000 Quarterly

If your school will be participating in the Debate series in 1999 - 2000 and wish to order copies of the Debate Quarterly, please fill out and return this order blank to the State Office no later than March 20, 1999.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

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## WHSFA

## 1999 STATE DEBATE TOURNAMENT

On January 28-30, 1999, UW-Oshkosh and Professor Kay Neal were hosts for the 4- and 2-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.

### 4 - SPEAKER DIVISION

Twelve schools entered the 4-Speaker Division. Schools participating were: Brown Deer, Cedarburg, Hudson, Janesville Craig, Juneau Dodgeand, Madison East, Milwaukee Bay View, Milwaukee Juneau, Milwaukee Rufus King, South Milwaukee, Wausau West and Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln.

Teams Placing in the 1999 WHSFA State Debate Tournament 4-Speaker Division were:

**FIRST PLACE:** Milwaukee Bay View, with a 12-2 record - Robert Croston/Kim Malak (Aff), Corey Scott/Benita Anderson (Neg) - Coach: Ray Lane.

**SECOND PLACE:** Cedarburg, with an 11-3 record - Jesse Wachs/Mary Ryan (Aff), Cori Leonard/Craig Barragry (Neg) - Coach: Mary Knutson.

**THIRD PLACE:** Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln, with a 10-4 record - Nathan Thomas/Jesse DeDeyne (Aff), John Henry/Daniel Austin (Neg) - Coach: Donna Mae Frenzel.

**FOURTH PLACE:** Milwaukee Rufus King, with a 10-4 record - David Glisch/Alexis Twito (Aff), Amanda Seppanen/Christopher Swope (Neg) - Coach: Paul Gessner.



### 2-SPEAKER CHAMPIONS

LEFT - GLENDALE NICOLET (L TO R)  
Coach: Linda Newberry, Peter Klein and Ali Nikseresht



### 4-SPEAKER 1ST PLACE

ABOVE - MILWAUKEE BAY VIEW  
1st Place and co-recipients of Best Affirmative Team Award

### FIFTH PLACE:

Janesville Craig with a 9-5 record - Dan Rankin/Bryan Early (Aff), Robyn Konkell/John Braun (Neg) - Coach: David Holmquist.

**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.

### 2 - SPEAKER DIVISION

The 2-Speaker tournament had ten schools - eighteen teams represented. The schools were: Appleton West, Brookfield East, Eau Claire Memorial, Glendale Nicolet, LaCrosse Central, Madison Memorial, Milwaukee Pius XI, Neenah, Rhinelander and Waukesha South.

The Glendale Nicolet team consisting of Peter Klein and Ali Nikseresht, coached by Linda Newberry, finished as **Champions** (1st place).

Earning the **Finalist** (2nd place) award was the Brookfield East team of Todd Beattie and Jennifer Schwartz, coached by John Lovell.

The Neenah team of Chris Harwood and David Hager, coached by Bill McBride, and the Waukesha South team of Stacy Krubsack and Andy Selle, coached by Ken Sajdak, shared **Semi-Finalist** honors.

Earning Quarter-Finalist honors were the teams of: Bob Probst and Colin Hahn and Adam Grandy and Neal Krokosky from Appleton West, coached by Steve Gargo; Misia Tarica-Lechter and Elyn Blackman from Glendale Nicolet, coached by Linda Newberry; and Karl Davis and Mark Baumgardner from Milwaukee Pius XI, coached by Mary Talsky. ■

*The Association extends CONGRATULATIONS to all of the teams participating in the 1999 WHSFA State Debate Tournament!*

## WHSFA REMEMBERING...

### 15 Years Ago - January 1984

Thirty-five schools have qualified for the WHSFA State Debate Tournaments. Sixteen of those schools will compete in the Four-Speaker Division to be held at the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point, January 20-21, 1984. Nineteen of the schools will be participating in the Two-Speaker Division to be held at Carroll College in Waukesha, January 27-28, 1984.

### 10 Years Ago - January 1989

At the December 5, 1988 meeting of the Speech Advisory Committee, two of the significant decisions were:

1. Instituting a lottery system for State Speech scheduling.
2. A proposal to establish a Speech Adjudication program.

### 5 Years Ago - February 1994

Recipients of the top debate speaker awards (Four Speaker) were:

TOP 1st AFFIRMATIVE SPEAKER: Brynne McBride - Neenah; TOP 2nd AFFIRMATIVE SPEAKER: Erin McBride - Neenah; TOP 1st NEGATIVE SPEAKER: Amy Syens - WI Rapids Lincoln; TOP 2nd NEGATIVE SPEAKER: Robb Knutson - Cedarburg

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

1st PLACE: Renuka Jain - Glendale Nicolet;  
2nd PLACE: Chris Mosier - Stevens Point;  
3rd PLACE: Tom Smith - Stevens Point

### 1 Year Ago - January 1998

The number of school entries allowed for Group Interpretation and Play Acting was clarified: "A combined total of four (4) entries is allowable in Group Interp. and Play Acting." There must not be more than four entries between these two categories, any combination."

## REMINDER

For WHSFA 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.

## STATE SPEECH JUDGES

Each school must provide one qualified judge for one time slot at the State meet at their own expense. If this judge would like to be hired for other time slots, please let the State Office know. The form for you to indicate this will be included in the **State Speech Festival Registration/Information Booklet**, which you will receive at the District Festival. Also, please fill out the "Additional Judges Available" form if certified and applicable. If used, these judges will receive an honorarium.

## ARTS DAY '99

ARTS DAY '99 will bring together artists, arts organizations, arts supporters and elected officials to celebrate the rich variety of Wisconsin's arts and culture. The third annual Arts Day will take place on Wednesday, March 3, 1999, at the State Capitol in downtown Madison.

Everyone who believes the arts help build strong communities are invited to participate in ARTS DAY '99, 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.

## DEBATE INFO....

WHSFA has been notified that the Government Printing Office will no longer print the annual publication prepared by the Library of Congress which addresses the national high school debate topic. However, the information is still being compiled and can be accessed on-line through the Government Printing Office website: <[www.access.gpo.gov/congress/senate/senate28.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/congress/senate/senate28.html)>. Currently, this information deals with the Russia topic but debaters should bookmark this site for future reference.



Cedarburg  
4-Speaker 2nd Place & co-recipients of  
Best Aff Team/Top 1st Aff.  
Jesse Wachs (L) Top 2nd Aff Mary (R)

## STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL BOOKLET

At the District Speech Festival, you will receive a State Speech Booklet, Vol. IX. This is a very important document in relationship to your participation in the WHSFA State Speech Festival.

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 and a form for Additional Certified Judges. Return with Registration Form ASAP.
- UW-Madison building location 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.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**March 8, 1999**

Latest date for WHSFA Subdistrict Speech

**March 20, 1999**

Latest date for WHSFA District Speech

**April 16-17, 1999**

WHSFA State Speech Festival (UW-Madison)

**April 29-30, 1999**

WHSFA Board of Control Meeting (Green Lake)

## 1999-2000 DEBATE TOPIC & RESOLUTION

**TOPIC:** EDUCATION: What should be the role of the federal government in improving education in the United States?

**RESOLVED:** That the federal government should establish an education policy to significantly increase academic achievement in secondary schools in the United States.

## WHSFA STATE DEBATE TOURNAMENT

Grace Walsh Awards

### BEST AFFIRMATIVE TEAM

Cedarburg - 1999 (tie)  
Milwaukee Bay View - 1999 (tie)  
Milwaukee Rufus King - 1998  
West Bend East - 1997  
Madison Memorial - 1996  
Mequon Homestead - 1995  
Neenah Shattuck - 1994  
Eau Claire Memorial - 1993  
Neenah - 1992  
Rhineland - 1991  
Durand - 1990  
Rhineland - 1989  
Durand - 1988  
Durand - 1987  
Wausau West - 1986  
Wausau West - 1985  
Sheboygan South - 1984  
Wausau West - 1983  
Rhineland - 1982

### BEST NEGATIVE TEAM

Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln - 1999  
Neenah - 1998  
Milwaukee Juneau - 1997  
Fond du Lac Goodrich - 1996  
Neenah - 1995  
Cedarburg - 1994  
Eau Claire Memorial - 1993  
Cedarburg - 1992  
Rhineland - 1991  
Slinger - 1990  
Durand - 1989  
Neenah - 1988  
Madison West - 1987  
Kaukauna - 1986  
Durand - 1985  
Sheboygan North - 1984  
Sheboygan North - 1983  
Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln - 1982

## 2-SPEAKER AWARDS

The three individual speaker awards for the 2-Speaker Division were presented to:

1st Place: Peter Klein - Glendale Nicolet  
2nd Place: Chris Harwood - Neenah  
3rd Place: David Hager - Neenah



## THEATRE FESTIVAL '99

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW for November 18, 19, 20, 1999, and set your sights on UW-LaCrosse, our host campus for the Wisconsin High School Theatre Festival. The Theatre Departments at UW-LaCrosse and Viterbo College 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 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.

## 4-SPEAKER AWARDS

Recipients of the top speaker awards for the 4-Speaker Division 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



WI Rapids Lincoln - 4-Speaker 3rd Place  
Best negative Team /Top 1st Negative  
Speaker John Henry (Middle)

## AFF-NEG AWARDS PRESENTED

Awards recognizing the top affirmative and top negative team in the 4-Speaker Division are presented in honor of the long service provided to the Association by Professor Emeritus Grace Walsh of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

The traveling award plaques for 1999 were presented to:

**Top Affirmative Team** - Tie: With a 7-0 record: Jesse Wachs and Mary Ryan (**Cedarburg**), coached by Mary Knutson and Robert Croston and Kim Malak (**Milwaukee Bay View**), coached by Ray Lane.

**Top Negative Team** - with a 6-1 record: John Henry and Daniel Austin (**WI Rapids Lincoln**), coached by Donna Mae Frenzel.