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Celebrate Theatre! 1998

The eighth annual Wisconsin High School Theatre Festival, "Celebrate Theatre!" produced by the Wisconsin High School Forensic Association, UW-Madison Department of Liberal Studies and the Arts and the Alliance for Wisconsin Theatre Education was a tremendous success! This outstanding 1998 Theatre Festival was hosted by UW-Whitewater on November 19, 20 and 21, 1998.

The '98 theatre extravaganza opened on Thursday evening with a stellar Showcase performance of *Out of Order*, a British farce directed by Lynda Sharpe and hilariously produced by Middleton High School.

A technically spectacular, contemporary production of *Godspell* was the Festival Showcase performance on Friday evening. Directed by Holly Stanfield and produced by Kenosha Bradford High School, *Godspell* wove its compelling story before a wildly enthusiastic, sold-out audience of over 1,300. Special applause to ALL involved in both wonderful productions.

There were numerous workshops available all day Friday and Saturday covering a wide variety of theatre topics including: creating a character, mask making, period style movement, safe stage combat, scenery movement and maintenance and four sessions of TECH OLYMPICS. These and many other "hands-on" opportunities for students, teachers and directors to enhance

their theatre skills were a popular part of the event.

Fifty-four (54) selected high schools were invited to showcase their one-act productions at the 1998 State Festival and performed both Friday and Saturday in the Festival and Barnett theatres. These plays were representative of the outstanding theatre work being done across the state by dedicated students and directors.

Growing in scope at the '98 Festival was the involvement of many colleges and universities as well as a number of commercial companies. Fifteen colleges and ten commercial companies set up exhibits and had personnel available to talk with interested students.

Special commendations go to Marshall Anderson, Steve Chene, Tom Colwin, Charles "Skip" Grover and Linda Hurstad (Chair) of the UW-Whitewater Department of Theatre/Dance - and to a wonderful group of UW-Whitewater students, all of whose many efforts made the 1998 Festival a smashing success! Bravo!!

Total attendance at the 1998 Theatre Festival was over 1,800 participants. Make plans NOW for you and your students to participate in the ninth annual WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE FESTIVAL to be hosted by UW-LA CROSSE on NOVEMBER 18, 19 and 20, 1999.

VOTE FOR DEBATE TOPIC

A reminder to Debate Coaches - be sure to return your ballot marked with your choice for the 1999-2000 Debate topic. Ballots should be returned to the State Office no later than January 4th. The nationally selected topic will be announced in the next WHSFA NEWSLETTER.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2ND SEMESTER

January 16 - Latest date for WHSFA State Qualifying Debate

January 28, 29, 30 - WHSFA State Debate (UW-Oshkosh) (2-Speaker & 4-Speaker)

February 13 - Latest date for WHSFA Middle Level Division - Level I

March 6 - Latest date for WHSFA Subdistrict Speech

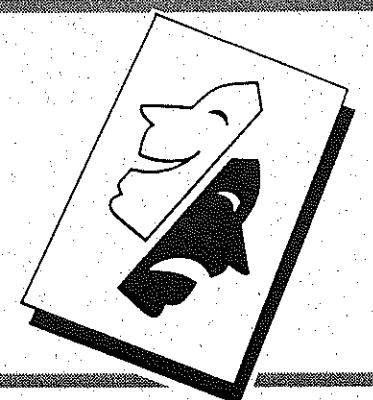
March 6 - Latest date for WHSFA Middle Level Division - Level II

March 20 - Latest date for WHSFA District Speech

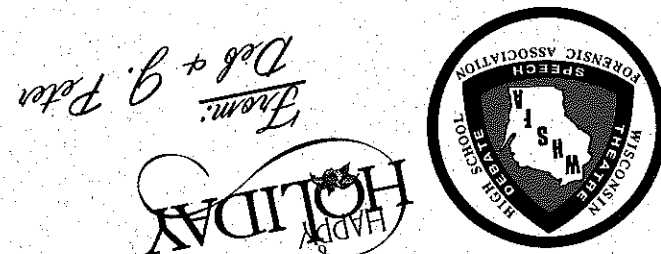
April 4 - Easter

April 16-17 - WHSFA State Speech (UW-Madison)

April 29-30 - WHSFA Board of Control Meeting (Green Lake)

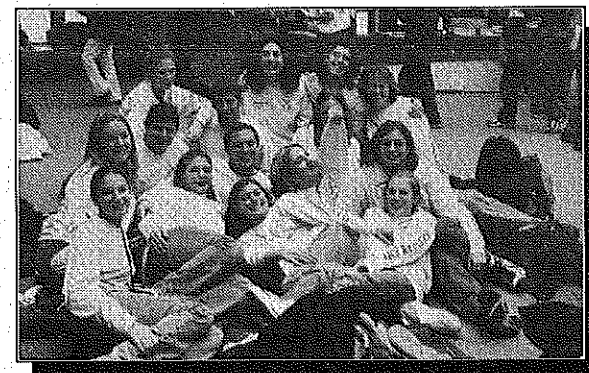


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HIGH SCHOOL

WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL FORENSIC ASSOCIATION MIDDLE LEVEL DIVISION 1999 FESTIVAL SITES*

LEVEL I	SITE	CONTACT
1/12/99	Marinette MS	Keith Schroeder
1/25/99	Edgar MS	Karen Heil
1/30/99	Einstein MS (Appleton)	Gary Mulry
2/02/99	Gibraltar MS (Fish Creek)	Lauren Mitterman
2/04/99	Gillett MS	Tami McQuillan
2/04/99	Seymour MS	Sandy Heiden
2/04/99	Spooner MS	Teresa Shelton
2/06/99	Theisen Jr. High (Fond du Lac)	Joe Pentek
2/06/99	Fort Atkinson MS	Scott Arndt
2/09/99	Augusta MS	Roger Skifstad
2/09/99	Washington MS (Green Bay)	Sandy Polarek
LEVEL II	SITE	CONTACT
2/15/99	Edgar MS	Karen Heil
2/20/99	Sennett MS (Madison)	Tricia MacDonald
2/20/99	Stockbridge MS	Ann Juckem
2/27/99	Little Chute MS	Bob Klotzsky
2/27/99	Weyauwega-Fremont MS	Sherry Brownlow
3/02/99	New Richmond MS	Matt Friedl
3/04/99	DeLong MS (Eau Claire)	Cathy Anderson
3/04/99	Lombardi MS (Green Bay)	Ellen Schroeder
3/04/99	Tomahawk MS	Nancy Herbison
3/05/99	Manawa MS	Karen Klegin/Elaine Zuge
3/06/99	Riverside MS (Watertown)	Pat Wolverton

*As of 12/1/98

MORE SITES ARE NEEDED!!

Please consider hosting a Festival. The Association reimburses you for expenses incurred while hosting a Festival. Please call the State Office (608) 882-6004, if you are willing to serve as host.

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• **OUTSTANDING ACTING AWARDS** •

Seventy actors/ensembles met the criteria and received "*Outstanding Acting*" awards at WHSFA State Theatre - 1998. The award recipients are:

SCHOOL	PLAY TITLE	ACTOR/CHARACTER
Algoma Appleton West	Hamlet II (Better Than the Original) Mama Drama	Joe Zastrow (Claudius) Ginger Katz (Chorus) Joanna Selkow (Chorus) • Ensemble Beth Teele (Ellen) • Ensemble Delaney Britt Brewer (Belva Summers) • Ensemble Laura Panek (Phyl) • Jack Kelly (Johnny) Jack Kelly (Johnny) Lief Erickson (Bobby) • Ensemble Chad Hamblin (Player 4) Shannon Williams (Alan) Andy Damos (Chanfalla) • Ensemble Scott Meyer (Rumpelstiltskin) Ensemble Michael Endler (Robin Hood) Brian Myers (Bishop of Hereford) Erik Liederbach (Sheriff of Nottingham) • Ensemble Jon Stone (Stepan Stepanovich Chubkov) • Ensemble Amy Schneider (Wilbur) Ensemble Jordan Lee (Peter Pan) • Katie Johnson (Wendy Darling) Jenny Wilson (Storyteller) • Ensemble Bethany Gries (Elaine) Jeremy Jonet (Humphrey Pumpfrey) Ensemble Ingrid Bowen (Petunia Pumpington) Adam Helbach (Bottom) • Ensemble Ensemble Sara Hulchins (Alice) • Rydia Vlelehr (Queen) Lola Adedokin (Cat) • Demetri Saites (The Mad Hatter) Brian Michel (Door Mouse) • Lindsay Nohl (March Hare) Ensemble Joshua Wenzler (Rutherford Wolf) Amanda DePons (Kathy) Ensemble Ensemble Jenni Eloranta (Hecuba) Erica Eloranta (Woman #6) • Ensemble Jake Christianson (Andrew) Tina Thompson (Butterfly) Ensemble Jim Paine (Wallace) • Justin Bernacki (Wallace Age 6) David Wendelberger (George) • Victoria Slater (Ellen) Ensemble Sunny Jo Wilson (Raja Englanderoua) Kirk Hrabik (Honza Kosek) Angie Olson (Jerrle Cobb) Shana Meshbeshier (Mariha Howland) • Ensemble Kalrina Kozar (Freda) • Gabe Young (The Boy) Ensemble David Engen (Conrad Jarrett) • Joshua Ryan (Dr. Berger)
Ashland Brookfield Central Brookfield East	The Actor's Nightmare The Lottery That Was No Lady, That Was a Private Eye	
Burlington Cedarburg Delavan-Darien Eagle River Northland Pines Germantown Green Bay West Greendale	Voices From the High School Story Theatre This Is A Test The Marvelous Playbill Rumpelstiltskin Is My Name All Quiet On the Western Front Robin Hood	
Greenfield Whitnall Greenwood Kenosha Bradford Kenosha Tremper	The Marriage Proposal Shock of His Life Godspell Peter Pan Or the Boy Who Would Not Grow Up This Is A Test	
Loyal Luxemburg-Casco Madison West Manawa Little Wolf Maple Northwestern Medford Mequon Homestead	Humphrey Pumpfrey Had a Great Fall Gorilla Tactics The Scheme of the Drifflless Shifter Scenes From A Midsummer Night's Dream All In the Timing Alice In Wonderland	
Montello Muscoda Riverdale New Berlin West Niagara Oshkosh West Owen-Withee	The Room Rutherford Wolf Reduced For Quick Sale Competition Piece Secrets Women of Troy	
Prairie Farm Pulaski Shawano Superior Senior Sussex-Hamilton	What You Will Butterfly After Midnight - Before Dawn Women and Wallace The Actors Nightmare	
Tomahawk	I Never Saw Another Butterfly	
Viroqua	Lunacy	
Waukesha North	The Death and Life of Larry Benson	
Waukesha West	Ordinary People	

**CRITICS CHOICE
AWARDS 1998**

Of the fifty-four schools at the WHSFA State Theatre Festival, eighteen were recognized for exemplary theatrical skills by receiving the "*Critics Choice*" award. The schools awarded were:

Algoma	Madison West
Brookfield Central	Mequon Homestead
Burlington	Oshkosh West
Green Bay West	River Falls
Greendale	Superior Senior
Greenfield Whitnall	Sussex Hamilton
Kenosha Bradford	Waukesha North
Kenosha Tremper	Waukesha West
Loyal	Waunakee

**WHSFA
REMEMBERING...**

15 Years Ago - November 1983

Judges for the 1983 State Theatre Festival are: David Buzza - Ripon College, J. Peter Shaw - District 11 Chair, Virginia Newcomb - Whitewater, Bob Klassen - Marquette and Tom Goltry - UW-Platteville.

10 Years Ago - November 1988

Elected to the Theatre Advisory Committee for a two year term are: John Abraham - Menomonie H.S. - Ted Moskonas - Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln H.S., Ken Beatty - Richland Center H.S., Sue Luterbach - Milwaukee St. Joan Antida H.S., and Pat Barlow Lake Geneva Badger H.S.

5 Years Ago - December 1993

At the October 26, 1993 Board of Control meeting it was approved to relocate the State Office to Evansville as of January 1, 1994.

1 Year Ago - January 1998

Group Interpretation/Play Acting: Number of Allowed Entries "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.

**1999 STATE SPEECH
FESTIVAL**

April 16-17, 1999 UW - Madison

Postcards will be sent to all schools that returned the "time preference lottery card" to the State Office. The card will indicate the time slot that all students from your school will be scheduled. If you do not receive an assigned time slot postcard by December 20, 1998, contact the State Office for assignment to an available Saturday time period.

• **STATE THEATRE FESTIVAL** •

Fifty-four productions were chosen to perform at the State Theatre Festival on November 20-21, 1998 at UW-Whitewater.

All areas of the state were represented. The school, play title and playwright, as well as the director are:

SCHOOL	PLAY TITLE	DIRECTOR
Algoma	Hamlet II (Better Than the Original) Sam Bobrick	David Loos
Appleton West	Mama Drama - Ayvazian, Farrell, Daley & Nachtmann	Michael Daehn
Ashland Bay Port Brookfield Central Brookfield East	The Actor's Nightmare - Christopher Durang Right Before Your Eyes - Steven Hartman The Lottery - Brainerd Duffield That Was No Lady, That Was a Private Eye Dennis Snee Voices From the High School - Peter Dee Story Theatre - Paul Sills This Is a Test - Stephen Gregg The Marvelous Playbill - Tim Kelly	Liz Woodworth Julie Robinson - Carrie Tanck L. Thomas Lueck Linda Aeppler
Burlington Cedarburg Delavan-Darien Eagle River Northland Pines Elmwood Germantown Green Bay West	To Burn a Witch - James Bray Rumpelstiltskin Is My Name - R.E. Jackson All Quiet on the Western Front Erich Maria Remarque Robin Hood Larry Blamire The Marriage Proposal - Anton Chekhov Shock of His Life - Donald Payton The Actor's Nightmare - Christopher Durang High School: It's a Concept - Mary Krell-Oishi Godspell - Stephen Schwartz Peter Pan or the Boy Who Would Not Grow Up - James Barrie Take That! - Original Student Work This Is a Test - Stephen Gregg Humphrey Pumpfrey Had a Great Fall Alfred Greenaway Gorilla Tactics - Sam White The Scheme of the Drifflless Shifter - Carolyn Lane Scenes from a Midsummer Night's Dream - William Shakespeare All in the Timing - David Ives Alice in Wonderland - Adapted by William Glennon	Suzanne Deans - Joyce Lee Ann Johnson Karen Combs Judith Wainwright
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LaCrosse Logan Loyal Luxemburg - Casco	The Room - Harold Pinter Take Five - Westley Pederson Greek To Me - Squire Fridell Rutherford Wolf - Thomas Hischak Reduced for Quick Sale - Kent Brown Competition Piece - John Wells Secrets - K. T. Curran Women of Troy - David Grote Voices From the High School - Peter Dee Two Small Fries to Go - Molly Gettys Bass What You Will - James Zager Butterfly - Jerome McDonough Cages - Walter Dean Myers Escape From Nemotex - Paul Lavrakas After Midnight - Before Dawn - David Campton Women and Wallace - J. M. Sherman The Actor's Nightmare - Christopher Durang I Never Saw Another Butterfly - Celeste Raspani Lunacy - Patricia Weaver - Francisco The Death and Life of Larry Benson Reginald Rose Ordinary People - Nancy Gilsenan To Destroy You is No Loss Dorothea Hubble Bonneau Persephone - Ford Ainsworth Alice - Jerome McDonough Mankind & Co. - Thomas Hischak	Char Manny Jym Clark Linda Winch Brian Allard Rhonda Narus Holly Stanfield Ron Parker
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Middleton Montello Mosinee Mukwonago Muscoda-Riverdale New Berlin West Niagara Oshkosh West Owen-Withee Peshtigo Port Wing - South Shore Prairie Farm Pulaski River Falls Rosholt Shawano Superior Senior Sussex Hamilton Tomahawk Viroqua Waukesha North	Amber Waves - James Still The Room - Harold Pinter Take Five - Westley Pederson Greek To Me - Squire Fridell Rutherford Wolf - Thomas Hischak Reduced for Quick Sale - Kent Brown Competition Piece - John Wells Secrets - K. T. Curran Women of Troy - David Grote Voices From the High School - Peter Dee Two Small Fries to Go - Molly Gettys Bass What You Will - James Zager Butterfly - Jerome McDonough Cages - Walter Dean Myers Escape From Nemotex - Paul Lavrakas After Midnight - Before Dawn - David Campton Women and Wallace - J. M. Sherman The Actor's Nightmare - Christopher Durang I Never Saw Another Butterfly - Celeste Raspani Lunacy - Patricia Weaver - Francisco The Death and Life of Larry Benson Reginald Rose Ordinary People - Nancy Gilsenan To Destroy You is No Loss Dorothea Hubble Bonneau Persephone - Ford Ainsworth Alice - Jerome McDonough Mankind & Co. - Thomas Hischak	Douglas Robertson Mary Gregory - Clare McCain
Waukesha West Waunakee	Ordinary People - Nancy Gilsenan To Destroy You is No Loss Dorothea Hubble Bonneau Persephone - Ford Ainsworth Alice - Jerome McDonough Mankind & Co. - Thomas Hischak	Pat Motliff Barclay Hesselberg Michael Sherfinski Diana Heagle Chris Simonson Kathleen Bruce Tracey Wilinski Tom Lynch Debra Lulloff - Ann Franke Sharon Sanderson Anne Madison Chartier Kate Hearth Amy Tubbs Peter Donalds Nina Cass Drew Wimmer Joy Bashara - Ingram Sharon Sohner Michelle Balda Sherry Getter Robert Rammelt
Waupaca West DePere WI Rapids Lincoln	Ordinary People - Nancy Gilsenan To Destroy You is No Loss Dorothea Hubble Bonneau Persephone - Ford Ainsworth Alice - Jerome McDonough Mankind & Co. - Thomas Hischak	Chuck Malone Rick Braun
		Monica Reeves Jane Johnson Ted Moskonas

Congratulations - Bravo!!

**WHSFA SPEECH
ADJUDICATION**

Speech Adjudication Workshops will continue during the 2nd semester. A reminder; **all judges at District level must be WHSFA certified!** Each school must also provide a WHSFA certified judge for **State**. If you or your judges are not certified-now is the time!

If you are interested in attending any of the listed workshops and did not receive registration materials or you wish to host an Adjudicator Workshop - call the State Office at 608-882-6004.

Arcadia HS

January 5, 1999 (Tuesday)
4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Green Bay West HS

January 5, 1999 (Tuesday)
4:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Wauwatosa West HS

January 6, 1999 (Wednesday)
4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Lancaster HS

January 9, 1999 (Saturday)
9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Tomahawk HS

January 9, 1999 (Saturday)
9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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