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# CALENDAR FOR 1974-75

### DATES FOR CONTESTS

|                                  | Drama (1974)                                    | Debate (1975)                              | Speech (1975)                                |
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| Subdistrict District Section     | Nov 16  |  | *Mar  <br>Mar   15                           |
| State                            | Dec 6-7 subdistrict conte                       | Feb 21-22<br>sts; all others ar            | Apr 19<br>e firm.                            |
| WEA Convention<br>Board Meetings | Nov 7-8, 1974<br>Nov 5-6, 1974<br>May 1-2, 1975 | Thanksgiving<br>Easter<br>State Basketball | Nov 28, 1974<br>Mar 30, 1975<br>Mar 22, 1975 |
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### PART I: THE BOARD OF CONTROL

# November Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the WHSFA Board of Control was held on November 5-6, 1974, at the Holiday Inn #1 in Madison. Abstracted from the minutes of that meeting are the following items:

Welcomed: New Board members Wayne Gustafson (River Falls District)

and Bill O'Brien (Green Bay District).

Elected: Board Chairman - George Buckingham (Whitewater District)

Board Vice-Chairman - Frank Cirilli (Superior District)

Appointed: Larmer and Duesterbeck as committee to seek improvement in the debate topic selection procedure.

Approved: Designation of University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point as

site of the 1975 State Debate Tournament.

Suggested: Bids be accepted from interested schools for site of

1976 State Debate Tournament.

Accepted: Auditor's report for 1973-74 fiscal year (page 4,

September 1974 WHSFA Newsletter).

Accepted: Report of Committee on University Extension relations

which included:

a. An increase in the annual payment from WHSFA to UWEX to \$12,000 for fiscal year 1974-75.

b. An increase in the annual payment from WHSFA to UWEX to \$13,500 for fiscal year 1975-76.

c. Beginning in fiscal year July 1, 1976, and every year thereafter, the annual payment from WHSFA to UWEX will be sixty percent of staff salaries.

d. The annual payment from WHSFA to UWEX for any given fiscal year shall be reduced in accordance with the amount that the Association provides in direct subsidy of University Extension programs.

e. A \$10 across-the-board dues increase for WHSFA member schools beginning with the 1975-76 membership year.

f. The procedure for amending the WHSFA be inaugurated which would seek to amend Article IV, Section 1d, by striking the sentence, "The Secretary-Treasurer shall be a member of the University of Wisconsin-Extension Department of Communication Arts of the University of Wisconsin." Accepted: The Contest Study Committee report which included the following:

- a. Acceptance of the debate rules as printed in the 1974-75 Teachers Manual with the exceptions that Rule 7c(8) be eliminated and that Rule 7b(4) be revised to provide for single first, second, and third place winners in four-speaker debate.
- b. Add to WHSFA General Rule 8c, "In the State Debate Tournament coaches with teams in one division may be assigned to judge in the other division without the explicit approval of a majority of the participating schools."
- c. Change the debate awards to provide school plaques for third-place winners in each division and silver medals for debaters on teams losing in the quarter finals in the two-speaker division.
- d. Strike General Rule 12 and add to General Rule 13a, ". . . the judging honorarium and the order of contestants."
- e. Change General Rule 13b to provide that the registration fees for State Speech be \$5 per individual contestant and \$10 per Play-Acting group.
- f. Change Drama Rule 2 by adding to the first sentence, ". . . with two or more student performers."
- g. Revise Rule I of Demonstration Speaking to read:

  "The purpose of this category is to allow the contestant to develop his ability to use materials to demonstrate a skill, an object, or a process.

  Speeches clearly falling within the intent of this category would be those which demonstrate how to do something or those which demonstrate how something works. The use of auxiliary materials (e.g., an object of demonstration, audio-visual aids) is required."
- h. Add as a new Demonstration-Speaking Rule 5, renumbering the subsequent rules: "The contestant may use one other person as the object of demonstration. The contestant may use one other person to assist in setting up or striking down the equipment used in demonstrating. One other person may serve as both an object of demonstration and an assistant in handling equipment. However, under no circumstances shall there be more than one person other than the contestant involved in a particular demonstration speech

presentation. The other person must fulfill WHSFA contestant eligibility requirements, but will not be considered a contestant; registration fees will not be assessed on this person, and he or she will not be eligible to receive an award. There is no prohibition against a contestant in another category assisting the demonstration speaker or serving as the object of demonstration; however, contest managers are not responsible for special scheduling arrangements that this may require."

- Add to Storytelling Rule 4: "The contestant may either sit or stand during the presentation."
- j. Add to General Rules that, 'Major contest changes suggested at one Board meeting shall not be implemented prior to the subsequent meeting unless special circumstances demand more immediate action." Motion passed.

Designated: R. M. Duesterbeck (Northern Section) to be the WHSFA official delegate to the NUEA Committee on Discussion and Debate meeting to be held in St. Louis in December.

Suggested: That the Secretary-Treasurer circulate to administrators of member schools an open letter which would clarify the nature and scope of WHSFA activities.

New Spring Speech Eligibility-Registration forms which would accommodate the new contests and changes in entry regulations.

Revised: Energy conservation guidelines for 1974-75.

# 1975 Elections

Adopted:

In the spring of 1975, the State Office will conduct elections for the chairs of the Central Section, the Green Bay District, the Oshkosh District, the Platteville District, and the Whitewater District.

Ms. Fern Stefonik, current chairperson of the Central Section, will not be a candidate for re-election.

Mr. Bill O'Brien, current chairperson of the Green Bay District, will be a candidate for re-election.

Mr. Gaylord Unbehaun, current chairperson of the Oshkosh District, will not be a candidate for re-election.

Mr. Robert Beaver, current chairperson of the Platteville District, will be a candidate for re-election.

Mr. George Buckingham, current chairperson of the Whitewater District, will be a candidate for re-election.

# 1974-75 WHSFA Policies and Guidelines on Energy Conservation

Realizing that all activities of the WHSFA involve travel on the part of participating schools and judges and, in some case, by members of the Board of Control, the Association accepts its obligation to take steps to conserve fuel consumption related to these activities. Accordingly, this statement reports those measures which shall govern travel by State Office personnel and member schools participating in activities at the state level. Such policies are also recommended to district and sectional chairmen.

It should be noted that many debate and forensic tournaments and contests are invitational in nature or otherwise outside the control of the WHSFA.

- The State Office shall encourage WHSFA Board members to travel together or to utilize public transportation facilities in attending Board meetings.
- 2. Member schools participating in the State Debate Tournament and the State Speech Contest are requested, if at all possible, to travel together or to utilize public transportation.
- Judges hired for the State Debate Tournament shall be requested to travel together or to utilize public transportation. If possible, the State Office will avoid hiring judges who cannot or will not make such arrangements.
- 4. For judges at the State Speech Contest, preference in hiring shall be extended to those high school teachers who will be traveling to the contest with their students. All other judges shall be requested to travel together or utilize public transportation. If at all possible, the State Office shall avoid hiring judges who cannot or will not make such arrangements.
- 5. When WHSFA personnel or personnel from member schools attending WHSFA events find it necessary to utilize private transportation, they are hereby urged to observe strictly whatever existing speed regulations may prevail.

#### PART II: THE STATE OFFICE

## Workshops Planned

In cooperation with University of Wisconsin-Extension, the WHSFA is planning a number of workshops involving secondary school forensic students and teachers. Below is a preliminary listing. For further information on any of the programs, contact the State Office.

January 11, 1975: One-day forensic workshop for students and

teachers; UW-Platteville.

January 18, 1975: One-day forensic workshop for students and

teachers; Rice Lake High School

June 16-27, 1975: Two-week summer forensic workshop for students;

possible credit offering for teachers;

UW-Whitewater.

July-August, 1975: Two, two-week summer workshops for students in

forensics and debate: possible credit offerings

for teachers: UW-Oshkosh.

## Revisions in Debate Topic Selection Procedure

Due to the difficulties encountered with Wisconsin's choice of the 1974-75 debate topic which differed from the surrounding states and the confusion related to how to call for a re-vote, modest revisions in the topic selection procedure will be made on a trial basis for the choice of the 1975-76 topic. The major alterations will be the following:

- a. Once the problem area has been announced and the alternative debate propositions are known, the State Office will ask a committee to report to member schools regarding the possible advantages and disadvantages of each proposition.
- b. Ballots will be returned earlier and if, by May 1, it is known that at least two of the surrounding states have chosen a topic different from Wisconsin, an automatic re-vote will be taken.
- c. A re-vote can be called for at any time provided 25 signatures of debate directors of member schools are received in the State Office during a three-week period.

# Questions and Answers on WHSFA Contests

Regardless of how careful one tries to be in phrasing contest rules, there are some questions which are bound to arise which are not clearly covered by the rules. This creates the need for teachers and students in member schools to write in with questions about rule interpretations. In order to provide a record of such questions and their answers which could become a sort of "common law," we are starting a question-answer section to be included in Newsletters as needed. Below are some recent questions and their answers.

Question: May a play entered in the Drama Contest contain only one

character?

Answer: Prior to the November, 1974, Board meeting, there was no

explicit prohibition against using a play with only one character. However, in November the Board altered Drama Rule 2 so that at least two student performers are required.

Question: In the Drama Contest, may a school's play from the previous

year's Play-Acting contest be entered?

Answer: A school may use the same production entered the previous

year's Play-Acting contest in the Drama Contest. You may not use the same Drama Contest production for two successive years (Drama Rule 2). Also, a school may not use the same cutting or scene in Play Acting for two successive years, nor may it use a scene from its Drama Contest in Play Acting

during the same school year (Play-Acting Rule 7).

Question: In Poetry Reading, may a person take the lyrics from a song

and use it as the selection or cutting?

Answer: Yes, song lyrics are acceptable as material for Poetry

Reading.

PART III: SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS

## The State Contest

The State Drama Contest was held at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point on December 6-7, 1974. The next few pages report the awards earned by the 506 students from the twenty-nine schools participating.

BROOKFIELD CENTRAL
"A"
"This Property is Condemned"
Tennessee Williams

Locale: Outskirts of a Southern Town, Time: Present

On the outskirts of a small Mississippi town a young girl, Willie, is walking along the railroad tracks. She meets a boy, Tom, who is flying his kite, and they begin to talk. Tom learns about Willie's dead sister, Alva, who she tries so hard to emulate, and becomes fascinated by this strange girl. They talk for awhile then Alva leaves.

Director: Susan Schoenfeld

CHIPPEWA FALLS SR
"A"
"Spoon River Anthology"
Edgar Lee Masters

Locale: Spoon River Cemetery Time: 1800's

In a small town everyone knows everyone else, gossip is abundant, personal successes and failures are known. Edgar Lee Masters creates the essence of a small town in Spoon River Anthology, a collection of epitaphs from the graves of the people in the town where he

lived as a boy. Through Charles Aidman and Naomi Hirschhorn's adaptation for the stage of Masters' characters, the Elsa Wertmans, Hamilton Greens, and Emily Sparks come alive, interact moreso in death than in life, and reveal their hidden stories.

Director: Donald Burke

| Male Singer Female Singer Actors | Joe Berrum Roberta Martin      |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                                  | David Hodowanic<br>John Reiter |
|                                  | Brian van Stavern              |
| Actresses                        | <br>Roxy Hanson                |
| and the second second            | Ann Meske                      |
| and the second                   | Lori Jeanne Peloquin           |
|                                  | Vicki Preuss                   |
| Stage Manager                    | <br>David Mueller              |



Chippewa Falls SR's production of ''Spoon River Anthology'' received an ''A'' award at the State Drama Contest. The play was directed by Donald Burke.

GREENFIELD
''A''
''Games''
George Houston Bass

Locale: A Playground or Empty Field Time: Today

THE STORY: Children play games. But so do adults. In Games, George Houston Bass uses children's games to explore the ideas of individuality vs. conformity and acceptance vs. rejection.

Director: Carol Konet

### LUXEMBURG-CASCO

"The Merry Wives of Windsor"
William Shakespeare
(Cutting by Lynda Miller)

Locale: WINDSOR--Outside the Page and Ford Homes, Windsor Park, the Ford's Home and Garter Inn

Falstaff fires his servants and plots to woo Mistress Ford and Mistress Page in order to steal money from their husbands. The women, appalled by Falstaff's overture, decide to lead him on and then frighten him out of his wits. Meanwhile, the servants, angry at being fired, tip off the husbands. Mr. Page ignores the message but Mr. Ford, instantly jealous, disguises himself as Mr. Brooks and sets out to find the truth.

Page's daughter, Anne, also has romantic difficulties. Her mother wants her to marry Dr. Caius; her father prefers Slender, the idiot; and Anne prefers Fenton.

In the final scene the women, having told their husbands about Falstaff's letters, bring Falstaff to the woods dressed as Herne the Hunter (half man, half buck). Here Falstaff is tormented by friends of the Pages and Fords.

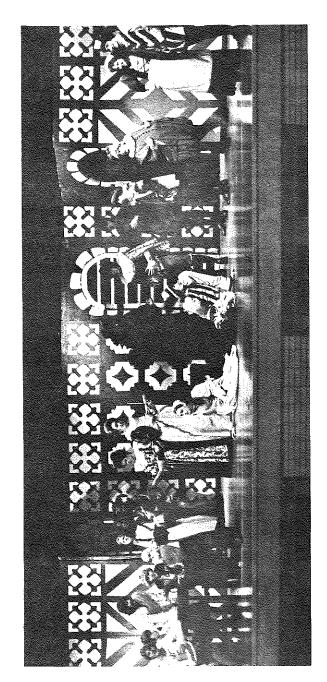
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Anne is expected by her father to run off with Slender; her mother expects her to run off with Dr. Caius. Instead, Anne elopes with Fenton, and Slender and the doctor end up with boys dressed in the fairy costume that Anne was supposed to be wearing.

Director: Lynda Miller Student Director: Kathy Szumiel

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| Master Page      |     | _   |    |    |     | _  | -   | -   | -   | -  | -   | _  | - | - | -   | - | -  |     | ** | *   | Rod   | Aga   | ama i | ite  |
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| Anne Page        | · - | -   | -  |    | -   | -  | *** | -   | -   | -  | -   | -  | _ | ~ | -   | - | -  | -   | _  | -   |       | lar   | y Pa  | 3ye  |
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| John             | -   | _   | _  | -  | -   | -  | -   | -   | -   |    | -   | -  | - | - | -   | - | -  | -   | •  | -0  | ave   | Phi   | ΪH    | ps   |
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| Stage Manager    | - | - | - | - | - | - |   | - | - |   | - | - | - | - | - | _ | _ | _  | Kathy Szumiel    |
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| Costume Chairman | _ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |   | - | ** | Paula Bostwick   |
| Junior Chairman- | - | _ | - | - | - | - | - | _ |   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | -  | Dawn LeLou       |
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| -                |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    | Terry Charles    |
| Scenery          | - | - | - | - | - |   |   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | -  | - Debby Marchant |
|                  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    | Paul Servais     |
| Make-up Chairman | - | - | - | - | - |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    | Virgie Abts      |
| Assistant        | - | _ | - | - | - | - | - | _ | _ | - | - | - | - | - | _ | _ | _ | _  | Kim Tielens      |



The above scene is from Luxemburg-Casco's production of "The Merry Wives of Windsor," directed by Lynda Miller. The play received an "A" award at the State Drama Contest.

NEENAH ARMSTRONG

''A''

"Alice in Wonderland"

The Manhatten Project

Director: James Mueller Student Director: Diane Bruha

### STUDENTS:

TOMAHAWK
''A''

The Elephant Calf''
Bertolt Brecht

Locale: A Theatre

"Who can't immediately understand the plot needn't fret--it is incomprehensible." So goes the first speech of the "Elephant Calf," an interlude written by Bertolt Brecht. It is meant to be little more than an extravaganza or side show. The actor, Galy Gay, appears as an elephant calf accused of having murdered its mother. Although the mother is proved to be alive and the baby elephant is proved not to be her child, the case against it is found proven. The play is an attempt by Brecht to show the audience that he can prove anything he wants.

Director: Peter Whiteneck Student Director: Joan Sweeney

| Polly I | Baker - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | _ | _ | - | _ | - | ~ | - | - | - | Julie Wurl      |
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| Jesse h | Mahoney | - | - | - | - | _ | _ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | -Keri Beudingen |

UNION GROVE UNION

"A"

"The Brick and the Rose"

Lewis John Carlino

Locale: An Urban Slum Time: The Present

The Union High production of "The Brick and the Rose" is a cutting and adaptation of the reader's theatre script. The play is a kaleidoscope drama of a boy's life; it presents the nature of his environment and re-counts his efforts to find something beyond the "...hardness and hitting out..." which that environment provides.

Director: Verne Meyer

| Voice  |
|--|
| First Neighbor, 4th Woman, 2nd Woman, Mother, Mrs. Donahue, 3rd Woman, Young Woman Cynthia Paplaczyk Sandy Donahue, Priest, 3rd Spectator William Ashenfelter Second Man, 3rd Child, Al, 1st Boy, 4th Child, |
| Policeman  |
| Lights Dennis Terwilliger Ann Marie Haas Sound Steven Chmielewski  |

WHITEFISH BAY
"A"
"Once Upon a Mattress"
Thompson, Barer, Fuller

Locale: A Castle Time: Many Moons Ago

The happy musical <u>Once Upon a Mattress</u> retells the old legend of the princess who proves she's really royalty when she's unable to sleep on 20 mattresses because there's a pea underneath the one at the bottom. To the basic fairy tale, this musical adds the highly comic elements of a king who can't talk, a queen who won't stop talking, and an enormously ineffectual wizard.

Permission has been granted by Music International, Inc. to perform <u>Once Upon a Mattress</u> as a dramatic production with free use of all music.

Director: Mercedes Chalmers Student Director: Jill Old

| Minstrel Ken Hayden                                |
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| Puncet Prince Jim Kestin                           |
| Puppet Princess Helen Flores                       |
| Puppet Queen Sue Ward                              |
| Wizard   |
| Princess #12 Jane Zacharias                        |
| Queen Aggravain Judy Ryerson                       |
| Prince Dauntless the Drab Ted Boerner              |
| King Sextimus the Silent John Willman              |
| Jester   |
| Sir Tom  |
| Sir Dick John Winograd                             |
| Sir Harry Jeff Gendelman                           |
| Lady Rowena Darelle Bisquerra                      |
| tady Merrill Mary Beth Holm                        |
| Lady Larkin  |
| Princess Winifred                                  |
| Sir Gene David Glenn                               |
| Lady Kelly & Nightingale of Samarkand Elaine Weiss |

### LITTLE CHILDREN

Barb Graff, Liz Hahn, Becky Heinselman, Beth Hern, Judy Kryshak, Megan Pandl, Ann Piekenbrock, Amy Sheyer, Betsy Stern, Mari Wilson, Laurie Sebanz

### ROYAL GRIPS

Jon Cavan, Lisa Corcoran, Ellen Dachauer, Julie Hungtinton, Anne Kemmet, Bill Matchette, Phil Mixter, Judy Neal, Steve Peck, Mike Salomon

| Set Design-\ Ted Boerner  |
|---|
| Costume Design Judy Neal  |
| Make-up Design Peggy Laing  |
| Props Design David Glenn  |
| Props Crew Chief Francee Silver                                       |
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| Hairstyling Design Claire Rabion                                      |
| Lighting & Sound  |
| Jill Old  |
| Mark Tank   |
| Special Effects John Willman  |
| Special Effects   |
| POSTURE UNIO STALLAR MAKE UP POORS & SEENERY                          |
| COSTUME, HAIR STYLING, MAKE-UP, PROPS, & SCENERY:                     |
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| Sari Berlin, Sue Bresee, Karen Burns, Eileen Cocoran, Barrie Dolnick, |
| Terri Dunn, Sharon Glicksman, Mary Beth Hinkes, Sue Johnson, Kathy    |
| Kessenich, Mary Kortsbein, Cindy McAlteer, Linda Osterman, Patti      |
| Quentel, Jon Rindfleisch, Jean Ring, Vicki Schmitz                    |
| quencer, son amartersen, quantang, view seminer                       |
| Stage Manager   |
| Choreographers Ted Boerner  |
|   |
| Elaine Weiss  |
| Mime Director Ted Boerner   |
| Technical Director Frank Laycock                                      |
| Student Director  |
|   |



Above is a scene from Whitefish Bay's production of "Once Upon a Mattress" directed by Mercedes Chalmers. Pictured from left to right are Mary Beth Holm, John Winograd, Peg Franke, Ted Boerner, and Judy Ryerson. The play received an "A" award at the State Drama Contest.

# WHITEWATER

"The Fantasticks" Harvey L. Schmidt/Tom Jones

Locale: In the Moonlight
Time: Then

The Fantasticks-Act I is the story of the young love between Matt and Luisa, "aided" (or hindered, depending on the point of view) by their meddling fathers. Hucklebee and Bellomy build a wall and pretend to feud, hoping the deception will bring their "fantasticks" closer. They must seek a way to end the feud without losing face--calling upon the help of El Gallo, Henry, Mortimer, and the ever-present Mute for a spectacular ending.

Director: Virginia Newcomb Student Director: Barbara Wilson

| El Gallo Luisa Matt Hucklebee Bellomy Mortimer |       |      |              | Jean Reinbold John Tuinstra April Scharine Mike Davison Jim Olm Brand Carter Steve Kruchoski           |
|--|-------|------|--------------|--|
| Electric Piano<br>8ass                         | )<br> | <br> |              |  |
| Stage Manager<br>Lighting                      |       | <br> | Findlay, Lor | Dave Kruchoski<br>Holly Humphrey<br>Fritz Thomas<br>i Stewart, Kathy Bruch,<br>Schirmer, Barb Schreier |



The above scene is from Whitewater's production of "The Fantasticks," directed by Virginia Newcomb. The play received an "A" award at the State Drama Contest.



The above picture is of the students of Winneconne who portrayed characters in "Interview." The play, directed by Catherine Mulqueen, received an "A" award at the State Drama Contest. Top row (left to right), Sue Petermann, Ed Clasen, Tammi Heath, Randy Behringer, Nancy Macek, Ann Nimmer. Bottom row (left to right) Dave Arndt, Carol Markert, Dennis Lee, Rose Buech.

# WINNECONNE ''A'' ''Interview'' Jean Claude Vanitallie

Locale: Everywhere Time: Past, Present, Future

Interview is concerned with man's growing inability to communicate with his fellow man. This gap in communication produces feelings of alienation between all of us. These themes, compounded with every day problems we all face, portray humans searching for meaning and dignity in their lives.

> Director: Catherine Mulqueen Student Director: Jane Eid

### ALL CHARACTERS ASSUME MANY ROLES:

ALGOMA,

"Spoon River Anthology" Edgar Lee Masters Adapted by Charles Aidman

Locale: Petersburg and Lewistown, Illinois Time: Late 19th Century

"Spoon River Anthology" contains two hundred and forty-four miniature, unsentimentalized autobiographies of the thwarted souls, drunkards, skinflints, secret saints and private leechers, dreamers and idealists Edgar Lee Masters had known in his boyhood towns of Petersburg and Lewistown, Illinois on the Spoon River.

Charles Aidman took the poetry of Masters and after several months of work developed a theatrical version of Spoon River Anthology at the UCLA Theatre, which subsequently was taken to the Booth Theatre on Broadway where it met with great success. Our production is but a small segment of the Aidman

adaptation in which we hope to remind you of the meanness, hypocrisy, and idealism which existed in Spoon River and still prevails in American society today.

Director: David Loos Student Director: Heidi Harmann

| Singers Sue Gorz  |
|---|
| Dale Eggert   |
| The Hill Pat Phillips   |
| Roscoe Purkapile Denis Schinderle   |
| Roscoe Purkapile Denis Schinderle<br>Mrs. Purkapile                                   |
| Barney Hainsfeather   |
| Mrs. Charles Bliss  |
| William and Emily   |
|   |
| Amy Zimmermar<br>Benjamin Pantier Pat Thielke   |
| Mrs. Pantier Carrie Haegele   |
| Willie Metcalf Bill Pevlor  |
| Margaret Fuller Slack Sue Annoye  |
| Lucinda Matlock   |
| Mabel Osborne   |
| Eugene Carmen John Gurtir   |
| Eugene Carmen   |
| Village Athiest Pat Phillips  |
| Knowit Hoheimer Jake Blazkovec  |
| Lydia Puckett Sheri Byce  |
| Anne Rutledge Tricia Evans  |
| Indignation Jones   |
| Minerva Jones Kathy Dequaine  |
| Doc Meyers Paul Rodrian   |
| Mrs. Meyers   |
| Faith Matheny   |
| Epilogue Pat Philling   |
| Hod Put   |
|   |
|   |
| Prompters   |
| Peggy Dier  |
| Set Design  |
| Set beautiful   |
| Make-up Chairman Susie Vlies Stage Crew Chairman Mike Zastrow Lighting Rock Zimmerman |
| Stage Crew Chairman mike Zastrow  |
| Lighting Rock Zimmerman   |
| Kraig Michaletz   |
| Stage Crew Lee Koehler, Lee Feuerstin, Mike Knipfer, Dan Zeman,                       |
| Ken Hoffmann, Tom Dier, Ed Rutledge, Steve Hill, Frank DeVillers                      |
| Make-up Staff Peggy Curtin, Mary Steeber, Brenda Barnes,                              |
| Melanie Martin, Luann Harmann, Terry Meyer,   |
| Amy Groessl, Kelli Dettman, Cindy Qualman,  |
|   |

Pam Harmann, Barb Vandermeuse, Jodie Detjen

AUGUSTA

"The Diary of Adam and Eve"
Adapted by Mark Bucci

Locale: Garden of Eden Time: Creation

The original experiment, mankind, is the subject of much humor in Mark Twain's short story, "The Diary of Adam and Eve," adapted for the stage by Mark Bucci. The traditional roles of male and female are played with inimitable tongue-in-check fashion. Even the snake's personality turns out to be irresistible, especially to Eve. With the knowledge of good and evil comes a new kind of happiness and more apple pie.

Director: Mary Palm

BROWN DEER

"The Diary of Adam and Eve" Mark Twain Adapted by Mark Bucci

Locale: Garden of Eden Time: In the Beginning

Mark Twain gives us a refreshing new version of Adam and Eve's life in the Garden of Eden.

Director: Ellen Imbruglia Student Director: Jackie Maynard

 CADOTT
"B"
"Mary of Scotland"
Maxwell Anderson

Locale: A Dungeon in Queen Elizabeth's Castle Time: Latter 16th Century

"Mary of Scotland" dramatizes the conflict between England's Queen Elizabeth and Mary Stuart of Scotland during the latter part of the 16th Century. Elizabeth fears Mary's popularity and Catholic heritage. Believing her own throne will be threatened in the near future, Elizabeth plots Mary's downfall. Her schemes are many. She plots and plants malicious rumors amongst Mary's followers to destroy her reputation. She sets her up to marry Darnley, a drunkard and a fool. She links her up with infidelity and murder.

All of Elizabeth's schemes succeed to the point that she is finally able to bring Mary to England and imprison her. The scene begins with Mary in an English dungeon, soon to be visited by Elizabeth. Elizabeth's purpose in coming is to have Mary sign a statement whereby she forever relinquishes her throne.

Director: John Butterbrodt

EVANSVILLE
"B"
"Owl"
Cleve Haubold

Locale: Anywhere Time: Anytime

Director: J. Peter Shaw

GREEN BAY PREBLE
"B"
"Chamber Music"
Arthur Kopit

Locale: A Meeting Place

Eight women who are representatives of all the ladies in a mental hospital have a meeting. The business at hand is how to counterattack the homicidal feelings aroused by the men's ward. The women decide to attack the men's ward before they are attacked by the men. The women intend to use the weapon of cannibalism and when this plan's fallacies are exposed, they sacrifice a woman as a warning.

Directors: Mary Ann De Salva and Margaret Muehl Student Director: Mary Zeise

| Woman who plays records                                  |
|--|
| Woman in safari outfit Julie Humke                       |
| Woman with notebook                                      |
| Girl in gossamer dress Laurie Lueck                      |
| Woman in aviatrix's outfit Lori Ott                      |
| Woman in queenly Spanish garb                            |
| Woman in armor   |
| Woman with gavel Jackie Baker                            |
| Man in white   |
| His assistant  |
|  |
| Stage Manager Kathy Presnell                             |
| Stage Crew   |
| Julie Ritchie  |
| Make-up Carol Le Mieux, Sue Brunette, Natalie De Bauche, |
| Jodi Parins. B. J. Prichard                              |
| Lighting Steve Netols                                    |

# LAKE GENEVA BADGER

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"The Apple Tree" Sheldon Harnick & Jerry Bock

Locale: The Garden of Eden

Director: Gary Blaisdell

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|-------|---|----|---|---|---|---|----|-----|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|---|---|---|---|
| Stage | C | re | W | - | - | - | -  | *** | - | - | - | •• |   | - | - | - | - |   | - | - |     | - |   | - | -Richard Lathrop<br>JoAnne Franzene<br>Mare Meister |

MAPLE NORTHWESTERN
"B"
"Pride and Prejudice"
Jane Austen

Locale: The Garden of the Bennet Home in England Time: Early 1800's

> Directors: Pat Luostari and Jo Stewart Student Director: Anne Williams

| Jane Bennet          |  |
|----------------------|--|
| The Reverend Collins | Jeff Mitchell  |
| Stage Manager        |  |
|                      | Bill Westergren<br>Barbara Johnson<br>Fred Williams<br>Dale Smith  |
| Nanc                 | Sleeman, Joan Fechtelkotter, Janis Denny,<br>cy Neese, Jeanette Hoffman, Julie Provost,<br>il Peterson, Anne Johnson, Karen Moreland,<br>Kris Williams |

MENOMONIE SR
"B"
"Taming of the Shrew"
Act II, Scene I
William Shakespeare

Locale: Padua, Italy Time: Renaissance

Act II. Scene I, of Shakespeare's <u>Taming of the Shrew</u> is the familiar scene in which Katherine encounters Petruchio for the first time. Our cutting has eliminated the minor characters, and so in addition to the two principals only Bianca and Baptista will appear.

# Director: E. L. Hendrickson

| Bianca          | ille Golden<br>Kent Barnard             |
|-----------------|---|
| Petruchio       |   |
| Stage Manager A | inn Schulman                            |
| T               | Gendra Vasey<br>Wila Bulkly             |
|                 | Duane Apel<br>Gary Berg<br>Inis Lessing |
| Costumes        | Leila Heise<br>ne Milavitz              |

NEW LISBON

"Something I'll Tell You Tuesday"
John Guare

Locale: New York City Time: A Pleasant April Day

Director: Donna Haugen Student Director: Pamela Hess

| Agnes-  | -   | -   | -   | -    | -          |    | -  | -   | -  | -     | -   | - | - | - | - | - | - |     | - | - | -  | - | - | - Dianne Mentzel |
|---------|-----|-----|-----|------|------------|----|----|-----|----|-------|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|---|---|----|---|---|------------------|
| Andrew  | -   | -   | -   |      | -          | -  | -  | -   | -  | -     | •   | - | - | - | - | - | - | -   | - | - | -  | - | - | -William Russell |
| Hildega | arc | le  | *** | -    | -          | -  | -  | -   | -  | -     | -   | - | - | - | - | - | - | -   | - | - | -  | - | - | Catherine Emrich |
| George  | -   | -   | -   | -    | -          | -  | -  | -   | -  | -     | -   | - | - | - | - | - | - | -   | - | - | -  | - | - | Randy Glick      |
| Mrs. Ha | 955 | se' | lba | ach  | ) <b>–</b> | -  | -  | -   | -  | -     | -   | - | - | - | - | - | - | -   | - | - | -  | - | - | Pamela Berndt    |
| •       |     |     |     |      |            |    |    |     |    |       |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |   |   |    |   |   |                  |
| Stage A | 155 | i   | sta | an t | -          | -  | -  | -   | -  | -     | -   | - | - | - | - | - | - | *** | - | - | ** | - | - | - Dennis Manthey |
| Props a | and | 1 ( | Cos | stι  | me         | 25 | Sι | ipe | ۲۱ | / i s | sor |   | - | - | - | - | - | -   | - | - | -  | • | - | Linda Balgord    |
| ,       |     |     |     |      |            |    |    |     |    |       |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |   |   |    |   |   |                  |

OSCEOLA

"Plaza Suite - Visitor from Forest Hills" Neil Simon

Locale: Plaza Hotel Suite, New York City Time: June 1972

Director: Shirley Dorski Student Director: Deanna Getschel

| Stage Manager      |   | <br>      | - |   | <br>-    | - | -    |     | <br> | Neil Herold   |
|--------------------|---|-----------|---|---|----------|---|------|-----|------|---------------|
| Student Director - |   |           |   |   |          |   |      |     |      |               |
| Make-up            | - | <br>      | - |   | <br>-    | - | -    | ÷ . | <br> | Vern Everson  |
|                    |   |           |   |   |          |   |      |     |      | Shaun Rogney  |
| Costumes           | - | <br>      |   | - | <br>- 30 | - | 1000 | •   |      | Jody Turner   |
|                    |   |           |   |   |          |   |      |     |      | 8e∨ Raska     |
| Stage Crew         |   | <br>** ** | - |   | <br>-    | - | -    |     | <br> | Julie Kromrey |
| -                  |   |           |   |   |          |   |      |     |      | Bruce Dick    |

OSHKOSH LOURDES ACADEMY

"The Apple Tree"
Act 1--"Diary of Adam and Eve"
Bock and Harnitz

Locale: Eden and Tonawanda
Time: In the Beginning

"Diary of Adam and Eve" is a delightful look at the world's first man and woman. We delight in Adam's discovery of his surroundings; we smile as Eve revels in Eden's beauty. After the "Fall," we watch the first couple learn to cope with the "real" world and observe their relationship develop into an understanding, poignant love for one another.

Director: Mary Ann Nevitt Student Director: Carrie Crawford

| Maria  | n Schmid |
|--|----------|
| Joan   | iz Capps |
| Kevi   | immerman |
| Marg Art Debbie Check, Jim Salentine, Marjea Teri Kriz, Ned Props Juli Costumes LuAnn K Hild Make-up |          |

# PORT WASHINGTON

# "Pullman Car Hiawatha" Thornton Wilder

Time: December, 1931

In <u>Pullman Car Hiawatha</u>, we see a play which parallels <u>Our Town</u> in a number of ways. Thornton Wilder has exhibited his typical themes on death and the insignificance of man by recording the death of a passenger on the pullman car Hiawatha.

### Director: Ralph Lohse

| Stage Manager                |
|------------------------------|
| Porter Mike Strahan          |
| Insane Woman Amy Bley        |
| Nurse                        |
| Phillip                      |
| Harriet Peggy Krains         |
| Maiden Lady Susan LaCrosse   |
| Engineer                     |
| Engineer                     |
| Doctor David Strehlow        |
| Grovers Corners Chuck Mackin |
| The FieldKathy Schwans       |
| Parkersburg                  |
| Parkersburg's Children       |
| Tierney Galleske             |
| The Tramp Paul Mayer         |
| Worker                       |

### THE HOURS

Michelle Ehrlich, Wendy Stockero, Lynn Pierringer, Cheryl Graff, Charmain Douville, Sandi Husting, Cheryl Wilgren, Sylvia Hoerig, LouAnn Altenbach, Sue Clements, Lauri Haupt, Linda Mitchell

### THE PLANETS

| Amy Heiser, Pam Kauth, Kathy Kettenhoven, Janet Gunderman, Cheri<br>Gasser, Judy Schuknecht, Beth Daniels, Kim Karrels, Lynn Hunsicker |
|--|
| Two Angels Chris Mans Teri Baumann Cleaning Ladies   |
| Crew Mike Michawls, Brian Barsch, Nancy Hallada, Jodi Weiss, Kimberly Kunz   |

# PORT WING SOUTH SHORE

"I Remember Mama" (Selected Scenes) John van Druten

Locale: San Francisco, California Time: Around 1910

The action of the play centers around a family of Norwegian immigrants in San Francisco who have to economize in order to make ends meet. Before the curtain opens, Katrin, who is now a successful author, begins reading from her newly published book. She also narrates between scenes thus revealing the characteristics of the various members of her family; but first and foremost, the play is about Mama.

Director: Anita Helske Student Director: Cassie Fleming

| Katrin                           | emina  |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Mama Cassie Fle                  | emina  |
| Papa                             | arski  |
| Nels                             | eksma  |
| Christine                        | ineau  |
| Aunt Trina Valery Bed            | kman   |
| Aunt Sigrid                      | ling   |
| Aunt Jenny Clndy Celi            | insky  |
| Uncle Chris                      | berg   |
| Peter Thorkleson                 | mann - |
| Nurse Denise All                 | ison   |
| Stage Manager and Lights Thomas  | Ross   |
| Costumes, Make-up, Etc The Whole | Cast   |

RICHLAND CENTER
"B"
"The Trysting Place"
Booth Tarkington

Locale: Resort Hotel
Time: Late Twenties

The trysting place of the title refers to a small area off the main lobby of a small resort hotel. The action takes place on an afternoon sometime in the late twenties.

Four couples simultaneously have a meeting or a lover's tryst in the same hotel lobby. Things get somewhat frantic when the couples keep walking in on one another at awkward moments.

# Director: Ken Beatty and Greg Hanke

SEYMOUR
"B"
"The Lesson"
Eugene Ionesco

Locale: A Professor's Office Time: The Present (Anytime Really)

Eugene Ionesco has found much to comment on and to criticize in human society. His play, "The Lesson," peaks in on ... a learning situation? The relationship between an energetic pupil and a wish-washy professor? The building up and then the breaking of all thirst for knowledge? What is going on in the play? What is "The Lesson"? You decide.

Director: Charlotte Boscamp

SHULLSBURG
"B"
"Beginnings"
Patty Gideon Sloan

Locale: There Time: Then

Shullsburg's production is a cutting from the first act of the two-act Patty Gideon Sloan comedy, BEGINNINGS. The use of every day language in an unusual situation appears in this variation of the story of the creation. Director: Jerry Reusch Student Director: Paul Binns

| Willy Nilly                                    |
|--|
| Stage Manager                                  |
| Make-up Peggy Herbst, Karen Lacke, Kathy Meier |

WESTBY

"The Love Life of Herbert Packenstacker"

James O. Noble

Locale: Park Time: 1910

Director: Roger Harris Student Director: Lynn Dahlen

WEST SALEM
"B"
"Blithe Spirit"
Noel Coward

Locale: English Country Home Time: Modern

"There are more things in Heaven and Earth than are dreamt of in your philosophy." This must have been the premise upon which Noel Coward based this delightful farce. The West Salem Players take pleasure in presenting for you this modern "ghost" story.

| Director:  | Joan Solie   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Edith  | Sue Molitor<br>Tim Whitlock<br>Carl Schmidt<br>Teresa Hass   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Technical Director   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Properties   | Paula Ender  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Costumes   | · Kris Byers   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DRAMA: Sectional Contests  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northern Section at UW-Eau Claire  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Augusta A Cadott A Chippewa Falls SR A Maple Northwestern A Menomonie SR A Osceola A Port Wing South Shore A   | Amery B Drummond B Loyal B Minocqua Lakeland B Park Falls B River Falls B Somerset B   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Algoma A Green Bay Preble A Luxemburg-Casco A Neenah Armstrong Campus A Oshkosh Lourdes Academy A Richland Center A Seymour A Westby A West Salem A Winneconne B | Green Bay Southwest B La Farge B Manitowoc Lincoln B Mosinee B Oconto Falls B Onalaska B Pembine B Plymouth B Sturgeon Bay Sevastopol - B Suring B Washington Island B Wittenberg-Birnamwood B Niagara C |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Brookfield Central A         Brown Deer A         Evansville A         Greenfield A         Lake Geneva Badger A         Port Washington A         Shullsburg A         Union Grove Union A | Whitefish Bay A Whitewater A Clinton B Greendale B Mc Farland B New Berlin Eisenhower B Platteville B                          |
| DRAMA: District Contests  |  |
| Eau Claire Distric  | ct at Loyal  |
| Augusta A Cadott A Chippewa Falls SR A Loyal A  | Menomonie SR A Cornell B Greenwood B Osseo-Fairchild B   |
| Green Bay Distric   | t at De Pere   |
| Algoma A  De Pere East A  Green Bay Preble A  Green Bay Southwest A  Luxemburg-Casco A  Niagara A  Oconto Falls A  Pembine A  | Seymour A Sturgeon Bay Sevastopol A Suring A Washington Island A Crivitz B Fish Creek Gilbraltar B Green Bay East B Kewaunee B |
| Kenosha District at New   | Berlin Eisenhower  |
| Greendale A Greenfield A Milwaukee Hamilton A New Berlin Eisenhower A   | Union Grove Union A Greenfield Whitnall B Mukwonago B West Allis Nathan Hale B   |
| La Crosse District a  | t UW-La Crosse   |
| La Farge A New Lisbon A Onalaska A Richland Center A  | Cashton B Cochrane-Fountain City B Elroy Royall B La Crosse Aquinas B  |

'Southern Section at Lake Geneva Badger

La Crosse Central - - - - - B

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# Milwaukee District at Port Washington

| Brookfield Central A Brown Deer A Port Washington A Whitefish Bay A                             | Brookfield East B Hartford Union B Hartland Arrowhead B Milwaukee James Madison B Pewaukee B |
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| Oshkosh District a  | it UW-Sheboygan  |
| Manitowoc Lincoln A Neenah Armstrong Campus A Oshkosh Lourdes Academy A Plymouth A Winneconne A | Elkhart Lake B Omro B Ripon B Theisen JR B   |
| Platteville District  | at UW-Platteville  |
| Orfordville A Platteville A Shullsburg A  | Cassville B New Glarus B Reedsburg Webb B  |
| River Falls District  | at UW-River Falls  |
| Amery A<br>Osceola A<br>River Falls A   | Somerset A<br>Spring Valley B  |
| Stevens Point District a  | t Wittenberg-Birnamwood  |
| Mosinee A Tomahawk A Wittenberg-Birnamwood A Weyauwega B  | Antigo C Edgar C Marathon C Wabeno C   |
| Superior District   | at UW-Superior   |
| Drummond A Maple Northwestern A Minocqua Lakeland A Park Falls A                                | Port Wing South Shore A Mellen B Superior B  |
| Whitewater District   | at UW-Whitewater   |
| Clinton A  Evansville A  Lake Geneva Badger A  Mc Farland A  Whitewater A  Beloit Turner B      | Cambria-Friesland B Janesville Parker B Lodi B Sun Prairie B Waunakee B                      |

# DRAMA: Summary of Participation, 1974-75

Eau Claire District (44 Member Schools)

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|--|---------------------------|------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Schools<br>Students                              | <u>Local</u><br>12<br>199 | Sub-District<br>12<br>114    | District<br>8<br>79<br>Ratings<br>5A<br>3B             | Sectional<br>5<br>44<br>Ratings<br>4A<br>1B         | State<br>4<br>30<br>Ratings<br>1A<br>3B  |
|  |                           | Green Bay Di<br>(52 Member S |  |   |  |
| Schools<br>Students                              | Local<br>35<br>603        | Sub-District<br>25<br>337    | District<br>17<br>234<br>Ratings<br>13A<br>4B          | Sectional<br>13<br>178<br>Ratings<br>4A<br>8B<br>1C | State 4 100 Ratings 1A 3B                |
|  |                           | Kenosha Dis<br>(41 Member S  |  |   |  |
| Schools<br>Students                              | Local<br>20<br>300        | Sub-District<br>17<br>213    | District<br>8<br>100<br>Ratings<br>5A<br>3B            | Sectional 5 63 Ratings 2A 2B                        | State<br>2<br>33<br>Ratings<br>2A        |
| l no show La Crosse District (37 Member Schools) |                           |                              |  |   |  |
| Schools<br>Students                              | Local<br>17<br>228        | Sub-District<br>15<br>129    | District<br>12<br>107<br>Ratings<br>6A<br>6B           | Sectional<br>6<br>49<br>Ratings<br>4A<br>2B         | State<br>4<br>41<br>Ratings<br>4B        |
| Milwaukee District<br>(46 Member Schools)        |                           |                              |  |   |  |
| Schools<br>Students                              | <u>Local</u><br>24<br>531 | Sub-District<br>24<br>531    | District<br>10<br>320<br>Ratings<br>4A<br>5B<br>1 no s | Sectional 128 Ratings 4A                            | State<br>4<br>128<br>Ratings<br>2A<br>2B |

Oshkosh District (51 Member Schools)

| Schools<br>Students                      | <u>Loca1</u><br>19<br>286 | Sub-District<br>19<br>259      | District<br>9<br>108<br>Ratings<br>5A<br>4B | Sectional<br>5<br>90<br>Ratings<br>3A<br>2B | State 3 59 Ratings 2A 1B          |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|
|  |                           | Platteville D<br>(39 Member S  |   |   |                                   |
| Schools<br>Students                      | Local<br>16<br>240        | Sub-District<br>13<br>163      | District<br>6<br>78<br>Ratings<br>3A<br>3B  | Sectional 3 32 Ratings IA 2B                | State<br>1<br>14<br>Ratings<br>1B |
|  |                           | River Falls D<br>(29 Member Sc |   |   |                                   |
| Schools<br>Students                      | <u>Loca î</u><br>8<br>88  | Sub-District<br>8<br>88        | District<br>5<br>50<br>Ratings<br>4A<br>1B  | Sectional<br>4<br>45<br>Ratings<br>IA<br>3B | State 1 12 Ratings 1B             |
|  |                           | Stevens Point<br>(53 Member Sc |   |   |                                   |
| Schools<br>Students                      | Local<br>17<br>160        | Sub-District<br>16<br>153      | District 8 87 Ratings 3A 1B 40              | Sectional 3 25 Ratings 1A 2B                | State<br>1<br>10<br>Ratings<br>1A |
| Superior District<br>(24 Member Schools) |                           |                                |   |   |                                   |
| Schools<br>Students                      | Loca1<br>13<br>200        | Sub-District<br>13<br>200      | District<br>7<br>106<br>Ratings<br>5A<br>2B | Sectional<br>5<br>63<br>Ratings<br>2A<br>3B | State 2 44 Ratings 2B             |

## Whitewater District (53 Member Schools)

| Schools<br>Students | Loca 1<br>26<br>390   | Sub-District<br>18<br>256    | District<br>11<br>151<br>Ratîrys<br>5A<br>6B                      | Sectional 5 74 Ratings 3A 2B                    | State<br>3<br>35<br>Ratings<br>1A<br>2B     |
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| Totals              |                       | <b></b> -                    | <del></del>   | 469 Member                                      | Schools                                     |
| Schools<br>Students | Local<br>207<br>3,225 | Sub-District<br>180<br>2,443 | District<br>101<br>1,420<br>Ratings<br>58A<br>38B<br>4c<br>1 no s | Sectional 58 791 Ratings 29A 27B 1C how 1 no sk | State<br>29<br>506<br>Ratings<br>10A<br>19B |

## \* \* \* \* SPECIAL NOTICE \* \* \* \*

Due to an error in the September, 1974, Newsletter, Marie Oberle of Thorp High School was not listed as an "A" winner in Oratory at last year's State Speech Contest. We regret the oversight and are pleased to take this opportunity to provide Marie with the acknowledgement which is due her.

### PART IV: CALENDAR INFORMATION

| January  |  |
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| 11       | Forensic Workshop, University of Wisconsin-<br>Platteville. Contact Larry E. Larmer, WHSFA.              |
| 18       | Forensic Workshop, University of Wisconsin<br>Center-Barron County. Contact Larry E. Larmer,<br>WHSFA.   |
| 18       | Invitational Debate, University of Wisconsin-<br>Eau Claire.   |
| February |  |
| 8        | Forensic Tournament, Waterloo High School.   |
| 15       | Interpreters Theater Festival, University of<br>Wisconsin-Eau Claire. Contact Larry E. Larmer,<br>WHSFA. |
| 15       | CANCELLED. Forensic Festival, Sun Prairie High<br>School.  |
| March    |  |
| 1        | Forensics Tournament, Ripon College.   |
| 22       | WFCA Coaches Tournament, James Madison High<br>School, Milwaukee.  |

### PART V: PROFESSIONAL INTEREST

"Selection of Debate Topics" R. M. Duesterbeck Durand High School

"How can any intelligent person select this topic to debate for an entire year?"

During my years of coaching, I have heard comments such as this almost every year. In our state, there seems to be a great deal of criticism of the topics that our students debate. This paper attempts to deal with that subject by informing you, the debate coach, of how the question is selected. In so doing maybe we can gain a new insight into the topics that are debated.

In the month of December a meeting is conducted to which each state is invited to send a representative. The purpose of this meeting is to select three problem areas from which the debate topic for the next year will eventually emerge. It has been my pleasure to represent the State of Wisconsin at two of these national meetings and to participate in the selection process. This report deals in part with my experiences at these conventions.

The first day of the meeting consisted of a number of preliminary reports on a variety of subjects that individuals throughout the country thought would make good debate topics. These reports were in the form of background papers on subject areas. They dealt with the availability of material, whether the author thought the problem would have national interest, whether it possessed regional difficulties, and if the problem area could be comprehended and handled by high school students, etc. My personal opinion was that a great deal of work went into these preliminary reports; in most cases the authors had been working on them for a year or more. At the conclusion of these reports, six of them were selected for further investigation by the delegates in attendance.

The second phase of selection was then put into motion. These six reports then went to the Wording Committee, which conducted open hearings on them for any delegates who desired to attend. During the hearing the Committee carefully went over the wording of the debate and discussion resolutions that the authors had submitted. Changes in wording were made in an attempt to clarify the resolutions and to make them as clear and precise as possible.

In the next session the Wording Committee reported back to the convention with their findings and recommendations. Following this the convention voted on the six problem areas. From this balloting three areas were selected. These were the three that were to be submitted to the various states. At this time I thought that the work had been completed, but I was mistaken.

After a break the session resumed, and then all of the delegates had the opportunity to question the problem areas as they were presented for final discussion. I was amazed at the depth to which these areas were questioned. Each word had to pass the test, not only of definition of usage, but also of regionalism as well. Of prime concern was the importance that the resolutions would not have various interpretations in different parts of the country.

Finally, the discussions were completed; and the three problem areas were accepted by the convention delegates, each with its own three discussion questions and three debate resolutions.

The convention, which I attended, is only the first step in deciding what will be the debate resolution for the State of Wisconsin. The three problem areas selected in national convention are then mailed out to the various states, who in turn prepare a ballot which is then mailed to all participating schools within that state. The results of each state are then sent to the National Office, which tabulates them and then notifies each of the states as to what the national problem area will be. This is the second step in the selection process.

In the spring, each of the states conducts its ballot on the national problem area. Each school receives the ballot, which contains the three discussion questions and the three debate resolutions. The voting process is conducted, and the State Office tabulates the results. A copy of the results is then sent to the National Office where it is tablulated along with other state results. However, the tabulation of the National Office has no effect on the debate resolution for the State of Wisconsin.

At the present time the debate resolution that we have in the state is a result of balloting within the state and is not influenced by what other states do. This may be good or bad, depending upon who you are and where you are located within the state. This year, for example, surrounding states have a different resolution than we do; therefore, out-of-state debating is rather difficult.

There are two areas of thought that should be considered. First, there are those who believe that we should decide what it is that we want to debate and then debate it for the season. We should not be influenced by what they are doing in other states, and this is a legitimate position to take. The second area of thought states that we should be debating the national high school question regardless of what we vote for in the state. These people would say that, if we vote other than the national topic, we should throw away our ballot and move to the national resolution. And there are several reasons that one could list for taking this position.

The purpose of this paper is two-fold: first, to inform you of how the resolution is selected, and second, to elicit from you a response as to what you think about the selection process. This is not the first year that Wisconsin has not debated the national high school topic. And under the present system of selection, it probably will not be the last. The State Office would like to hear from you regarding your impressions on the manner of selecting the topic for the State of Wisconsin and any suggestions that you might have regarding methods of change. If you are content with the present system of selection, let us know; and if you desire change, let us know that also. Debate in this state will only be as strong as you are willing to make it.