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A seed time of silence

Bill Forsythe, Marketing Specialist, Lincoln Financial Group

I talk too much. Most of us do. Even when we're quiet, we're only taking a breath in the monologue that commenced with a cry at our birth. We don't listen, either. We just wait impatiently for others to inhale and interrupt their monologues so we can continue ours.

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No wonder I can't hear you. Not only is my voice drowning you out, so are what a sage named Marshall McLuhan called the "extensions of man" - our media. From radio and TV to cell phones and laptops, we produce and plug into a great wall of noise. Try living without noise and you'll see how pervasive it is. I know, because I did.

About a dozen years ago, I first visited the Abbey of Gethsemani monastery in Kentucky.

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I also wrote a poem, my first in more than 10 years. You have to be attuned to the world to write poetry - attentive to people and things, precise and selective in your language. You have to shut up and listen.

I've returned to that monastery twice a year ever since my first visit, occasionally for a week at a time. For years, I read too much when I was there. Even books can make noise. Now I enter into the immense silence we try in vain to fill. I've also written a few more poems, essentially a journal of listening intently to silence.

Oh, I'm still noisy. It's always been my job to make noise. I was on a high school speech team. I was a news director for 10 years at radio stations throughout the Midwest.

For some 20 years, I've written a slew of brochures, newsletters, speeches and booklets in various marketing roles. I add to the din in print.

However, I'm acutely aware that listening can strengthen what I say. As I put it in a poem at the monastery, words can be

_Blessed by a seed time of silence,
Press into a balm or wine_.

Your voice can heal as well as persuade, illuminate as well as make points, inspire as well as impress. Allow yourself some silence and you'll learn how to speak.
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SCOTT WUNN NAMED NEW NFL SECRETARY
Brother René Stemer FSC, Chair of the NFL Executive Council Secretariats Search announced four finalists for the position of NFL
Secretary. The finalists were interviewed by the Council in Ripon on March 23, 2004. At that time the Council unanimously selected Scott
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The candidates, (in alphabetical order) were:
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Dr. Alfred Snider, Edwin Lawrence Professor of Forensics at the University of Vermont
Mr. Scott Wunn, Director of Forensics at Iowa City West High School

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Pierce (MO).

The new secretary will take office September 1, 2003. James Copeland, present NFL Secretary who is retiring, will become
Secretary-Emeritus and assist the new secretary during the transition.

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APRIL Ted Turner Debate Topic
R: Awards for pain and suffering in medical malpractice cases should be limited to $250,000.

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I was ambushed during round four of the 2002 College National Debate Tournament. I traveled to the NDT with the team from Dartmouth one day after I mailed admission decisions for the coming year. In all, it seemed like a perfect time to visit Missouri. I was comfortably lounging at the end of a hall, checking my email, when I saw Melissa Wade approaching. She had a look in her eye similar to the one you see when somebody is about to hand you a ballot for a round you are not scheduled to judge. I knew the verdict before the jury was seated.

possible titles included, If You Knock and they ask “Who is it?” They’re Guilty and Intimidating Adolescents with Music Trivia from the 60’s and 70’s.

My life has changed a lot in the past three years. I miss all of you, but I do not miss the grind. In truth, I have found that there are a few similarities between coaching debate and directing admission. I used to argue with debaters about decisions that I made. Now I argue with parents about decisions that I made. Arguing with debaters was much more challenging. When parents arrive for the debate, they don’t even know the debate topic, though they usually think they do. They are also unaware of the time limits and order of speeches. As a result, they drop lots of arguments in rebuttal. The other team has no cards on any of my arguments, and in fact I am the only one in the debate who is allowed to use evidence. It helps, of course, that while I am a participant in the debate, I also serve as the judge. I also get to decide when the debate is over.

It is not possible to share with you a perspective on this activity that is not taken from my experience. My experiences in debate were deeply personal, and perhaps of no real value to you. What I might do however is speak briefly about a broader set of dreams, about the things that I believe remain to be done, things I wish I had done, the enormous potential of the activity, and ask those who remain as active coaches to ponder the worth of those ideas.

During the twenty years of my coaching career, there were always those who believed that debate was near death. The imminent demise of the activity has always been a hot topic among the coaches and leadership of the activity. The fact that it did and has survived, does not mean that there are no issues to be addressed, but it does speak to the resilience of what is inherently a very good idea. The other night I was watching the excellent Ron Howard film, Apollo 13. Soon after the explosion that crippled the spacecraft, the flight operations officer was fielding dozens of reports about the various problems created by the explosion. The loss of the ship and the lives of the crew seemed imminent. At one point the flight director cuts off the conversation and asks, “What do we have on the spacecraft that’s good?” Perhaps we should ask the same question. Perhaps we should look at the activity from the perspective of its inherent strengths, and build on those strengths. An inventory of what is good can give us valuable per-
spective to assess what is potentially broken and it seems to me to be a good place to start the discussion.

Debate is a really good idea. It enhances and compliments many other areas of academic expression. The resilience of debate, I believe, can be easily traced to this simple concept. While the epitaph of debate has been written a thousand times, and in spite of everything that is or may be wrong with the activity, it survives because it is a very good idea. Competitive magic drives students to explore ideas in ways that would never happen in an ordinary academic setting. I have said before that debate might best be described as full-contact social studies, and I still believe it. There are elements of academic magic that you observe every year when a skinny little kid suddenly gets it. Magic expressed on the face of that same kid coming back up the aisle after receiving the first trophy of a career. The paradigm of learning starts to change. Grades start to improve. You can't get rid of that skinny little kid. Skin
ny little kid is constantly interrupting you in your office or your classroom. Skinny little kid won't go home.

I remember a conversation I had many years ago with the parent of a St. Mark's 8th grader. The parent was angry with me after finding her son on the floor of his closet, well after bed time, with a flashlight, cutting cards for my 8th grade debate class. “What are you doing to these children?” She demanded. I was tempted to ask her if there were other activities she would prefer her son to be doing on the floor of his closet. That skinny little kid became a Barkley Forum champion, and he still interrupts me on the phone and in person— he's still skinny and I can still see the magic on his face.

What do we have on this spacecraft that's good? We have an amazingly magical educational tool. It is a tool that transforms lives. It is an activity that has proven its resilience over time. It is an organizing principal around which scholars gather, learn from each other, compete, and achieve.

And yet, there are as always challenges to be addressed. In an activity that is inherently competitive and controversial, it seems to me that we spend more of our time assigning blame than we do solving problems. Once blame is our focus, solutions languish. If we believe that debate is troubled, then our attention should be focused on ways to make a good idea even better. That debate has survived many predictions of demise does not mean that it will continue to do so. From a distance, it also occurs to me that you have enormous power over the future of this activity. Those in this room can control the future direction of the activity.

You can write the history of debate in any manner that you choose. It is your activity to control. It is your activity to reinvent. It sometimes resembles an organism without an immune system. It often seems incapable of detecting dangerous or destructive organisms that may infect it. It is by nature vulnerable to those who may have poor ideas or personal agendas. Judgments are difficult to make because silencing a voice is and should be contrary to the organizing principals of the activity. This too, is something good. This apparent weakness is ultimately an inherent strength.

Historically, the response to controversial trends and practices has been to add voices rather than silence views. It is a tendency (however noble the intent) noticed at the high school and college level. Like a fighting church congregation, we find it easier to splinter into competing camps than to resolve our ideological differences. While it would be better if those differences could be resolved, the tendency to split is not my concern. It is the separation and ideological conflict that ensues that I believe further complicates the language of the activity, divides his patrons, confuses its supporters and dilutes the accomplishments of its participants. We don't all have to agree about the best way to debate, to agree that debate itself, in all its forms, is good.

By my count, there are currently eight national championship trophies on which the word “debate” appears, and we are about to add a 9th. The justifications for these new events are almost always related to a notion of how to improve the activity that is at odds with some aspect of current practice. The recent article in the Rostrum defending the newest debate event complained of the inability of Policy and Lincoln-Douglas debate to appeal to a mass audience—a concern I share. Of course, this is the same complaint that prompted the creation of Lincoln-Douglas debate. Specialization, activity specific vocabulary, bazaar speaking styles, and cult-like behavior are all things that tend to separate debate from common understanding.

In many ways, debate is a secret society. It is cloaked in language and behavior foreign to much of the academic world, and the most of society. It is, and has always been my greatest criticism of debate that we speak a language understood only by us. We make only token attempts to explain to the rest of the world what it is we do, and why it matters. It is more than a little ironic that the greatest controversy surrounding this tournament is that, to win it, the participants in the final tutorial must actually communicate their ideas in common language.

As with many other issues, there are those who seek to define differences in absolute terms. You are either pro or anti Kritik, you are either pro or anti rapid speech. I do not wish to align with any absolutist philosophical view. I simply want to see the activity make a greater effort to improve its communication with the world. It seems to me that this good idea may be better served if more people understand it. To do that, we must first appreciate our own diversity, our own voices.

Perhaps surprisingly, I support new and different kinds of debate. What I oppose is the competition and zero sum assumptions of those voices. If somebody has a better idea about how to advance the broader goals of the activity, I wish them well. One of our great strengths is our inclusiveness; one of our greatest faults is our philosophical and pedagogical possessiveness. As a cross examination debate coach for twenty years, I took my fair share of shots at alternative forms. What I more clearly see now is that the united voice of coaches, extolling the virtues of all types of debate, is critical to a broader acceptance and understanding of our magic.

Debate is good in all its forms. My dream of a more appreci- ated and worldly understood activity is enhanced by the emerging voices in debate. If new events attract new participants, and even partially bridge the understanding gap, then those experiments will have been a success. If they fail, that failure should not prove that one philosophical camp was right, and the other wrong. Coaches agreeing to means that improve the global appreciation for this activity within the format framework of existing events would be even better. I can think of no good reason why debate in all its forms should not be celebrated. I can think of no more noble goal that to dedicate ourselves to the cause of improving the global appreciation for the educational magic of debate.

I spent the first ten years of my coaching career working for my own personal glory and seeking the approval of those I admired. I spent the second ten years trying to pay back part of what I had taken. Part of my effort during the second half of my career
was to find ways to help the rest of the world and your own schools better understand and appreciate what you do. Even early in my career, I think I intuitively knew that a broader appreciation of debate would be a healthy thing. I remember my very first day on the job at St. Mark's. It was the fall of 1984. I went to the mailroom to make sure that my name was on a box—proving that I had arrived. As I explored the area, I noticed a very large sign posted over the Xerox machine. It said, "Debaters are not allowed to make copies on this machine." Clearly, efforts to improve the acceptance and appreciation for our activity must start at home. Many may see those efforts as pandering to an ignorant public and inviting potential criticism from uninformed bureaucrats. At one time, I know I did. And that concern is probably fair. It is, however, a risk verses reward question. While making efforts to better inform the world about our magic may in fact bring unwarranted criticism to the workings of our secret society, there are rewards that must be considered as well.

What could happen in a world where the world "gets it?" What could happen if everyone in this country truly appreciated and understood the value of what you do? The impact that debate could have would be enormous. We are uniquely qualified to comment on the quality of public debate. If given the respect that you truly deserve, it would be possible for those in this activity to have a much more significant voice in education and public policy. Remembering and trusting always that debate is a really good idea, I think the risk might be worth it.

I would love to see Paul Newman and Alex Pritchard on CNN assessing the evidence in the national debate concerning Iraq. Could you even begin to imagine the pure entertainment, much less educational value, of watching Newman and Pritchard systematically dismantle Bill O'Reilly on national television? Spin this, Bill. That the image is funny proves the point. We know, but too much of the rest of the world doesn't. Keeping this wonderful activity to ourselves is silencing a voice. It silences ours. Our disputes and internal conflicts focus our energy on ourselves, when many others could benefit from the chorus of our united voices.

Two years ago, I went to a local legal foundation with an idea for a national written argument competition for high school students. Within a month that foundation had committed over seventy-thousand dollars to the contest. The idea was simple. Debate is good, and written arguments can be comprehended and appreciated by a larger audience. There are other examples of outreach that I support and applaud the Barbara Jordan debates, the Urban Debate Leagues, Public Debate, Public Issue Forums, and many others. More voices, more debate, more perspective, more appreciation, more good. Not all of them will succeed, but any of them could further the cause of creating a broader appreciation for the educational magic of debate. I want everyone to know what we know, and I am willing to take risks to create broader appreciation and respect. I believe that we need to do a better job of speaking the language of the broader society. We need to make debate matter more, by helping people understand. We will never accomplish that goal until we appreciate each other and the different voices that we may represent.

I spent twenty years of my life coaching debate. If the broader society could have the perspective provided by a single year of my experience, then the people in this room would be the most respected and appreciated educators in the nation. Please try to see yourselves as college in a broader educational mission. Debate coaches have two speeds; asleep and full throttle. They are caffeine propelled creatures who usually don't have enough time to worry about whether or not anyone appreciates what they do. Well I do appreciate you. I do understand the magic that you create. What I want is for others to understand it too. To that end, I challenge you to appreciate each other in all the ways and with all the voices that you make debate good.

Melissa schedules this speech annually so that one of us can offer a report from outside of the secret society. It is a dispatch from another world, from someone who can offer the perspective of a new perspective. I now understand that closure for the speaker's career is also one of her goals, and I am truly grateful to her more for the therapeutic value of writing this speech than for the opportunity to give it. For me it is a very personal opportunity to say good-bye and hello. To tell you that from my new perspective, I believe our differences are trivial when compared to our potential. That epiphany hit me in a hallway on a cold March day in Missouri, and T.S. Eliot captured the notion of how I feel at this moment much more clearly than I ever could.

He said,

We shall not cease from exploration,
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive from where we started
And know the place for the first time.

Melissa, thank you. It's good to be home.

(David Baker was Policy Debate Coach at the St. Mark's School of Texas. His team won nationals in debate in 1990 and was runner-up in 1987 and 1992. This speech was delivered at the Barkley Forum Key Coach Luncheon at Emory University in January.)

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In previous articles in The Roustrum, we have described the broad chasm between the promises of evidence-based services and supports for people with serious mental illnesses on the one hand and the gaps in the actual availability of these services and supports on the other. To stem the tide of neglect and discrimination toward individuals with serious mental illnesses, we need to close the canyon-like gaps between what we know about treating mental illness and the discriminatory policies that dismiss individuals with such disorders.

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Over millions of years, the Grand Canyon was created by the driving force of the Colorado River and by upheaval in the earth's crust. The layers of the canyon represent a stage in time that helped create the look and colors of the canyon. Sadly, for many people with mental illness, their worlds must be like looking up from the bottom of a wide and deep canyon, with no hope of securing needed care and support. The plan we offer to policymakers and the public, is one that helps people with mental illness climb out of the canyon and reach the stability of the plateau above. This article describes the layers of services and supports that can help consumers and families reach solid ground — and like the Grand Canyon, we believe it is a uniquely American approach to solving the mental illness crisis.

Layer One — Access to Needed Medications

Individuals with serious mental illnesses must have access to medications that have been recognized as effective by the Food and Drug Administration and the National Institute for Mental Health. In the past decade, there has literally been a revolution in the development of new medications for treating schizophrenia and other serious mental illnesses. Known as atypical antipsychotic medications, these medications are both more effective in treating the symptoms of brain disorders such as schizophrenia and bipolar disorder, and have fewer negative side effects. Because of this, most clinical guidelines today recommend newer antipsychotics as the drugs of first choice.

Yet, public and private sector health plans may place restrictions or access to these medications because they cost more than the old medications — without regard to their clinical effectiveness in alleviating the most damaging symptoms of these mental illnesses. Access to the newest and most effective medications is crucial for successful treatment and recovery. These medications serve as the cornerstone of treatment and offer hope for recovery to consumers. Ultimately, denying access to these medications as a cost containment strategy leads to greater costs for consumers and for society as a whole.

Layer Two — Providing Inpatient and Long-Term Care Options

In recent years, inpatient treatment options for people with serious mental illnesses have disappeared in many communities as more and more emphasis has been placed on downsizing and closing hospitals. In some areas, hospital admissions are limited to those individuals who have deteriorated to the point of meeting criteria for involuntary hospitalizations. Hospital beds for voluntary patients are virtually nonexistent. Requiring people seeking inpatient treatment to deteriorate to the point of possible dangerousness to self or others before inpatient treatment can occur is cruel and very poor public policy.

Several states have responded to shortages in inpatient treatment options by placing large numbers of people with serious mental illnesses in nursing homes or unlicensed, substandard "adult care homes." These placements are often no better or even worse than the institutional settings that preceded them.

In 1999, the U.S. Supreme Court, in the case of Olmstead v. LC, held that people with mental illness should receive services in the most integrated setting appropriate to their needs (1). In the spirit of this landmark decision, a continuum of residential options and supports must be available that maximize individual potential and recovery, while ensuring that individuals who are most severely disabled by mental illnesses do not "fall through the cracks."
Layer Three – Crisis Intervention Services

Emergency and crisis services should be readily available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for people with serious mental illnesses who need them. These services should include a crisis phone line (with a toll-free line); a mobile crisis team that will go to any location; face-to-face assessments; access to local inpatient beds; and alternatives to hospitalization such as 24-hour companions, and crisis respite housing.

Additionally, since police officers are frequently called and respond to people with mental illnesses in crisis, these officers should be educated about mental illness, trained to respond effectively to a mental health crisis, and work cooperatively with mobile mental health crisis teams and other community services.

The Memphis Police Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Model is considered one of the premier programs in the country. It is a law-enforcement based, consumer and family driven and cost effective. The goal of the program is to provide a safer intervention for consumers and police officers while redirecting individuals with mental illnesses from arrest and incarceration for nonviolent behaviors directly attributable to their illnesses into appropriate treatment and services(2). Because of the remarkable success of these programs, CIT programs have been replicated in many jurisdictions across the country.

Layer Four – Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Programs

ACT programs are effective, evidence-based, outreach-oriented service-delivery models for people with serious mental illnesses. Using a 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week, team approach, ACT programs deliver comprehensive community treatment, rehabilitation, and support services to consumers in their homes, at work, and in community settings. Consumers in the ACT programs receive all services from the ACT team, not from loosely linked mental health, substance abuse, housing, and rehabilitation agencies.

Through its multidisciplinary structure, ACT provides an integrated approach offering:
- Direct provision or coordination of all medical care, both psychiatric and general health care
- Help in managing symptoms of the illness
- Immediate crisis response
- Up-to-date, careful use of medications
- Supportive therapy
- Practical on-site support in coping with life’s day-to-day demands including: help in obtaining housing, help with learning how to socialize, job placement, and support, education, and skill-teaching for family members.

Research conclusively demonstrates that comprehensive and aggressive services and supports, such as ACT programs, lead to positive outcomes for people with serious mental illnesses, in terms of higher consumer satisfaction, reduced hospital admissions and reduced involvement with criminal justice systems. Unfortunately these vital services are frequently lacking in many parts of the country.

Currently, 23 states fund ACT programs through their Medicaid programs. The federal government can play an important role by promoting more states to support ACT programs.

Layer Five – Integrating Mental Illness Services with Physical Health Care

The integration of mental illness delivery and care into general health services, particularly at the primary health care level, has many advantages. These include:
- Less stigmatization of consumers and staff, as mental illnesses are seen and managed alongside general health problems;
- Improved screening and treatment, in particular improved detection rates for patients presenting vague somatic complaints which are related to brain disorders;
- Potential for improved treatment of the general health problems of individuals suffering from mental illness, and vice versa;
- Better treatment of psychiatric aspects of “physical” problems.

For integration to be successful, policymakers need to consider the following:
- All medical and allied health professionals must have the knowledge, skill, and motivation to treat and manage patients suffering from mental disorders;
- Sufficient numbers of physicians must be trained to prescribe psychotropic drugs at primary and secondary levels;
- Effective referral links must be established between primary, secondary and tertiary levels of care; and
- Recording systems must be established to allow for continuous monitoring, evaluation, and updating of integrated services(3).

Layer Six – Integrated Services for Dual Diagnosis

The prevalence of people suffering from co-occurring mental illnesses and addictive disorders is very high, particularly among children and adults at greatest risk. The research is clear that mental health and substance abuse treatment and services must be blended to effectively treat this population. Integrated treatment means mental illness and addictive disorders services and interventions are delivered simultaneously at the same treatment site, ideally with cross-trained staff(4).

Programs providing integrated mental health and substance abuse treatment are in woefully short supply throughout the country. Many programs serving people with substance abuse disorders are not prepared or willing to treat people with co-occurring mental illnesses, and many programs serving people with mental illnesses are not prepared or willing to treat people with co-occurring substance abuse disorders.

At the federal level, a major priority must be the removal of barriers and the creation of incentives within the federal mental health and substance abuse block grants to integrate services for people with co-occurring disorders. Accomplishing this would be a significant step in the right direction. Service providers on both the mental health and substance abuse sides must be required to develop plans for integrating mental health and substance abuse treatment for people with co-occurring disorders to receive federal mental health or substance abuse block grant funds.

Layer Seven – Family Psycho-education and Support

Research demonstrates that family psycho-education and support services should be a part of a continuum of care for consumers. Family psycho-education includes teaching coping strategies and problem-solving skills to families and friends of people with mental illnesses to help them deal more effectively with their ill relative. Family psycho-education reduces distress, confusion, and anxieties among the family and can often help the patient recover. However, family psycho-education is rarely offered in clinical settings and there are limited incentives to do so.

To fill this void, NAMI offers family education through the Family-to-Family Education Program, (a model that has proven effective at improving the experience of families and persons with serious mental illness). Research has shown that this course provides knowledge to families and empowers them to cope with their ill family member and the mental health system in a positive manner, and has lasting positive effects on the entire family.

Layer Eight – Peer Provided Services and Supports for Consumers

The term “consumer” is a misnomer when applied to people with mental illnesses. Being a consumer connotes choice, namely the ability to select from an array of services and supports that work best for the
particular individual. The unfortunate reality is that most health systems are not structured this way at all. Consumers generally have little choice and little role in selecting service providers or helping to shape the design and operation of service delivery systems. Sometimes consumers and their families learn that services do not exist at all.

Research demonstrates that consumers who participate in self-help programs achieve better outcomes in terms of reporting fewer symptoms and fewer hospitalizations. Peer education and support groups, such as NAMI’s In Our Own Voice and Peer to Peer are effective tools for education and empowering consumers to take more active roles in making fundamental decisions about their own treatment and in helping to design systems of care.

Layer Nine – Supported Employment Services and Vocational Rehabilitation

Vocational rehabilitation for people with serious mental illness was not an issue prior to deinstitutionalization. People with mental illnesses spent much of their lives on ward wards in state hospitals or in living rooms at home; and the concept or possibility of rehabilitation was never considered. It was not until antipsychotic medications became available to control the symptoms of these illnesses, and patients were emptied out of hospitals, that it became apparent that many people with even very serious mental illnesses can learn work and skills and work and retain jobs. Unfortunately, people with serious mental illnesses face numerous barriers to employment, and the unemployment rate for people with serious mental illness is nearly 85 percent, higher than for any other disability group.

Work is exceedingly important to many people in our culture and confers identity, status, and social structure as well as income; in the words of one rehabilitation expert, it is work that transforms patients into people. It is therefore critically important that opportunities and supports be available for people with serious mental illnesses who want to work.

Some individuals with serious mental illnesses require supportive services to help make the transition to work. A number of models have emerged with proven success to help these individuals obtain and maintain employment. For example, a highly regarded program called the Individual Placement and Support (IPS) program has been created which features an IPS employment specialist on a mental health treatment team. The employment specialist collaborates with clinicians to make sure that employment is part of the treatment plan. Then the specialist conducts evaluations, job searches and provides on-going support while the employee is on the job. This program has achieved high levels of success in helping individuals find and stay in jobs.

Layer Ten – Affordable Housing and Supports

Access to decent, safe, and affordable housing remains a tremendous challenge for adults with severe mental illnesses. Unfortunately, in virtually every part of the United States people with severe mental illnesses struggle to find good-quality housing they can afford. Many people with the most severe and disabling mental illnesses also need access to appropriate services and supports so that they can successfully live in community-based housing, which promotes their independence and dignity.

Today, only a small fraction of seriously mentally ill individuals have housing conditions that meet minimum acceptable standards. Unfortunately, neither Congress nor the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) have done enough to increase the availability or to alleviate this struggle to access community-based housing and supports. Moreover, recent Congressional enactments and administrative decisions by HUD and state and local housing agencies have exacerbated shortages in the availability of appropriate subsidized housing units available to people with severe mental illnesses and other disabilities. Without stable housing linked with services, too many adults with severe mental illnesses will likely end up homeless or remain unnecessarily in inappropriate settings (e.g., homeless shelters and local jails and prisons).

Layer Eleven – Jail Diversion Programs

There are today far more people with serious mental illnesses incarcerated in jails and prisons than receiving treatment in psychiatric hospitals. Most of these individuals had not committed major crimes, but either had been charged with misdemeanors or minor offenses directly related to the symptoms of their untreated mental illnesses. And, this problem is growing worse each year.

A number of approaches have emerged for diverting these individuals from incarceration (which frequently leads to a worsening of psychiatric symptoms) into treatment, which is both more humane and the best way to reduce the risk of further criminal justice involvement. One example of such an approach is specialty “mental health courts” which have emerged in many communities. These Courts assume jurisdiction of cases involving individuals with severe mental illnesses charged with misdemeanors or nonviolent felonies, with the goal of facilitating treatment instead of incarceration.

Strategies for reducing the “criminalization” of persons with mental illness should also focus on improving treatment for individuals while incarcerated as well as ensuring that individuals with serious mental illnesses are linked with appropriate services and supports when they are discharged from jails or prisons.

Layer Twelve – Treating Serious Mental Illness as Chronic Illness Management

The major layers address several services and supports needed to enable persons with serious mental illness to reach their potential. But there is another emerging need that is a challenge and an opportunity for people with serious disorders—chronic illness management. Yes, there are programs we have highlighted like Peer-to-Peer that help people cope with their conditions. The next level that patients can aspire to, with the hope of better information systems and guidelines, is to truly “own” their health conditions and have the confidence and skills to make decisions and changes that lead to better outcomes. Supportive health care organizations and clinicians and supports are a critical part of ongoing and systematic chronic illness management. But working with people with serious mental illness, caregivers can emphasize the crucial role that patients play in setting goals, establishing action plans, identifying barriers to effective self-management, and problem solving to overcome barriers.

Children’s Services and Supports – Going for the Run

The aforementioned program of services and supports that has been described in this section apply primarily to adults with serious mental illnesses. But while adults are trying to climb out of the canyon on one side of the rim, it is equally important to establish services and supports to enable to children and adolescents with mental illness and emotional disorders to thrive and reach and reach their rim of potential. We know that for many children, their mental illnesses go underdetected and thus, untreated. Moreover, the various systems that impact on the lives of children with mental illnesses frequently fail to collaborate or coordinate effectively with one another. In fact, they often work at cross-purposes.

Certainly, more research is needed – research focused on mental illnesses in children. The research funding for these illnesses should directly correlate to the disease burden and the high prevalence rates of mental illnesses in children and adolescents. At the same time, progress has been made in identifying services that work in helping to minimize the negative impact of childhood mental illnesses and helping children who suffer from them maximize their potentials. But, as with adult mental health services, a significant gap exists between knowledge and practice in the children’s mental health area.
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Children offer hope for the future. Children and adolescents with mental illnesses deserve to experience the typical accomplishments of childhood and have the right to thrive in nurturing environments. Mental illnesses, like all childhood illnesses, should be detected early and children should receive appropriate treatment and services targeted to their specific needs. Without proper attention and a real commitment to change at the federal, state and local levels— the tragedies that result from unidentified and untreated mental illnesses in children and adolescents will continue.

**Gratnies of Support – Buttressing the Recovery Plateau through Mental Illness “System” Pillars**

Once a person has the ability to access the needed services and supports they have reached one plateau. However, to continue the journey to recovery there needs to exist systems, “gratnies of support”, so that reaching the summit of recovery is not an endpoint— but lasts throughout the life span.

**Conclusion**

We have the knowledge and tools to help people recover from mental illness. What we lack is the will and resources to use them.

We must invest now in America’s future by creating comprehensive, efficient systems for treatment and support of people with mental illness; systems that affirm individual dignity and freedom.

The Grand Canyon is a unique American landmark. Let’s work together to create a truly unique and innovative delivery system that in its own right, would be a landmark in compassion and caring for people with serious mental illnesses and that all citizens will embrace and marvel at.

**Notes**


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...Policy debate is the great granddaddy of forensic competitive events..."

To verse an old adage, if it is broke, fix it.

Adopting another rhetorical argumentative event "to encourage more students to participate in a debate activity "is akin to finding you have a wobbly wheel on your car. It needs to be fixed. Those funny little emergency spare tires that come with many cars look like the training wheels for a child's first bicycle, and they are meant for a short period of driving to a point where the real tire or wheel can be repaired. (Alas, you see too many cars blasting along at 70 miles per hour with these little training tires mounted; accidents looking for a place to happen.) The "training tires" are not a fix for the initial problem, the decline in participation in policy debate.

Policy debate is the great granddaddy of forensic competitive events. It is truly a shame it has evolved into an event in which only a select few can and will participate. About the sixth year of my coaching career I came to the conclusion that learning to debate was the most important educational experience my students could have. From that point on, for twenty-two years, I required every student in my program to debate, either policy or Lincoln Douglas. The skills they learned were what hundreds of them later told me carried them through the rigors of university classes, and they were grateful for it. The competitive aspect of that required participation was just a bonus to the learning experience. (And forty that I know of finished law school. Considering our litigious society, I've never been sure whether that was a good or bad result of their debate experience.) Sorry, I digress from the original intent.

In order to fix something that is broken an analysis must be done to find the cause of the problem. It is not terribly difficult to find possible causes, and the cumulative effect that has occurred. The question following the analysis is, what can be done to remove or alleviate the problem areas?

Start with summer debate institutes. Few would agree that the "forward, cutting edge" thinking that is nurtured by these camps is not a problem. From these intensive training sessions students return to school with tubs full of canned multi page disadvantage arguments that to any sane and thinking person are specious at best and counter intuitive at worst. Generic arguments designed to fit all occasions. The same is true for topicality blocks that nit pick definitional interpretations to the point of absurdity. And, of course, there are the evolving political correct arguments over word choices called kritiks. Tack, of course, there are the evolving political correct arguments over word choices called kritiks. Tack on to that list 500 word per minute delivery and "word economy" that becomes cryptic and indecipherable to any person not privy to the intensive indoctrination. Small wonder that an intelligent and educated adult finds it impossible to judge a high school debate.

However, this is a free enterprise country, and there is nothing coaches or the NFL can do to thwart these lucrative institutes, which, by the way, are predominately open only to affluent students who, in turn, are predominately enrolled in schools which have the financial wherewithal and coaches who wish to promulgate the type of debate "game" on a national circuit. In effect the institutes are providing more and more to create less and less in the number of high schools willing to participate in policy debate. Consequently, the NFL will not find a fix for declining debate by looking to curb institutes, particularly as long as several members of the national executive committee are among the coaches who field high powered debate game teams for the national circuit.

How long will it be before summer institutes begin instruction in Ted Turner debate and corrupt it from its intent just as they have policy debate and Lincoln Douglas. My best guess is the summer of 2003. How then will Ted Turner Debate encourage more schools to try argumentation events, includ-
that each and every panel must be comprised of an equal mix of all.
Most strikingly, the final round panel of judges for policy and LD are comprised of four judges and three lay judges...no college students. And it is never stipulated that the four assigned coaches be "expert" judges in either type of debate.
I have always believed that any adult, 98.6 degrees and breathing should be able to, with some pre instruction, judge any high school debate. If we can expect adults to determine guilt or innocence on a jury, then we should be able to trust them to render a fair decision in a high school debate.
Consider, it is to the tax paying public that the schools must answer. High school speech contests are one of the rate arenas where the public can actually see the results of their tax money. Who could blame a taxpayer for being angry after listening to a round of spew/spread/kritik debate? (And countless words of anger and protest have resulted from these angry taxpayers). The answer in many areas is they hide the activity from the taxpaying public and utilize only paid "expert" judges. While I can see the need for paid experts in sports officiating, I cannot see a need to have only experts judging what is supposed to be an educational activity that is supposed to showcase good thinking and communication skills.
I know, music festivals and drama festivals and newspaper competitions and science competitions are judged by experts in the fields. That brings us full circle back to the original question...exactly what is the mission and goal of the NFL? If it is supposed to promote competition, then expert referees are required. At the national tournament, therefore, only expert extemp coaches should judge extemp, oratory coaches oratory, etc. The same logic applies, only an expert in the event should judge competition in the event. What is fair to one event should be fair to all and many who coach only interp events would breathe a sigh of relief at not being assigned to extemp or debate?
Will Ted Turner debate address the issue of "expert" versus lay judges and revive argumentative events? Maybe initially, but I'm troubled by the preclusion of "expert" debate and LD judges from Ted Turner Debate. The message is negative, either way you read it. Either you are an "expert" debate judge and thus too good for inferior Ted Turner Debate judging, or you are too ignorant to judge any debate except Ted Turner. Which is it? And after the summer institutes begin teaching "forward thinking" techniques to Ted Turner debaters, how long will it be before there is a cadre of Ted Turner expert judges? How long after that will it be before schools bail out of Ted Turner competition too?
This has become too lengthy a rant from an old, retired coach. Thanks to you who bore with me to this point. Would I coach and enter my students in Ted Turner Debate if I was still coaching? Probably, but only to give one or two more a chance to experience the national final tournament, not because I'm enchanted with the event (which is fonder for another long rant, but others beat me to it). I loved coaching, and I found coaching policy and LD the two most important educational endeavors I provided for my students. And the competition was fun too.
I would like to see policy restored to its original popularity and purpose. I remain unconvinced that adopting a training wheel event will have any effect to that end, at least not until some major repairs are applied to policy debate. And now, back to retirement.

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EXTEMPORANEOUS INTRODUCTIONS: ART AND SKILL VERSUS DANGEROUS PEDANTRY

by William H. Bennett

My mother's sighs were the only punishment that ever stayed with me. If I were mean she'd smack my rear; if I was moody she'd yell at me. But if I came up with a stupid idea or was a real disappointment to her all she'd do would be to look at me and let out a long sigh. If I were lucky she'd then try to explain to me how and why I was wrong. I dreaded hearing one of her sighs.

In the February Rostrum Brian Householder had an article entitled "Canned Attention Getting Devices". When I read it I sighed, I sighed a good long time.

Greatness for an extemporaneous speaker lies in the critics' reaction.

Mr. Householder's article is an attack on the use of prewritten, "canned" introductions. I believe that almost every premise it offers and most of the conclusions it reaches are dangerously wrong. They are dangerous for the competitor and more dangerous for the judge or coach who buys into them.

There are some things he writes that we can all agree on. He tells us "getting a speech off to a successful start is crucial...". Mr. Householder is unquestionably correct. He notes "a strong attention getting device creates a theme that functions as a linking mechanism through the speech". I agree. And towards the end of his article he observes that good introductions must come across with strong energy. He says that if you are using somebody else's writings or thoughts, and you know who the original author was, you should cite them as a source. These are all good coaching truths.

The essence of our disagreement is found in the very last sentence of his article: "fresh introductions are always better than canned." Even now I cringe as I view that sentence. Decades of sitting in extemp rounds and listening to boring, trite, poorly worded, artless, unskilled, shallow introductions flood into my mind. To give him his due I am sure that Mr. Householder's intent is to argue for high quality, fresh and "uncanned" introductions. But bringing these factors consistently together is both unlikely and undesirable; it is bad teaching and bad coaching.

1. Ignoring The Big Picture?

Mr. Householder's article ignores or chooses not to discuss the bigger picture. A total view of the event we call extemporaneous speaking. But understanding the whole event is crucial to understanding the reason to have prewritten introductions.

There are at least two purposes to participate in extemp: to learn and to compete successfully. The amount of learning required to successfully compete, to consistently win, is staggering. For the serious student scholar it is far more than any other speech or debate event. Eight essential skills take years of work to master.

First, and hardest, is basic knowledge. To learn the intellectual framework essential for good topical analysis the student must learn economic theory, economic statistical analysis, basic political science, international relations theory, criminology, know the working fundamentals of environmental science, social welfare theory, sociology, and be comfortable discussing objective educational psychology.

To be sure of adequately presenting the best sample of important topic facts she must gather, highlight, and use a good quick information retrieval system that sources and dates the important statistics, key groups, key people, causes of the conflict, motives of the key players, the criteria for the best action, the best possible solutions, the vocabulary and humor specific to each probably topic. In selecting these materials the extempener should learn how to distinguish the quality and reliability of the source. Which to use and which to ignore - Time versus a Brookings Institution Report, Newsweek or a CATO Analysis, the analytically intriguing but ideologically biased Nation or the sometimes boring objectivity of the OECD.

A good coach will help the student learn organization options and which organization fits which type of topic question. Both the student learn organization options and which organization fits which type of topic question. Both the student and coach will struggle to learn the best mix of content and entertainment, the answer to the tough question "how do I get an impressive depth of content across to the judge without boring him or her to death?"
The extemper must identify and then learn the best rules of time allocation. Time during each week, time division in the 30 minutes of prep, and time assignment during the actual speech are all critical. He or she must develop a method to write and remember introductions, and the good habits essential to successful conclusions.

And s/he must take the months of patience and practice it requires to learn how to be consistently fluent and interesting with only 30 minutes to write and memorize a 7-minute speech that answers a controversial question about contemporary events. In the huge time allocation required to master all of these factors a tool that increases quality and reduces the in-round time extracted is important and valuable. A tool that reduces the drain from the thirty minutes allowed for preparation is doubly valuable. A tool that gives you the time to contemplate options, strengthen verbal images, improve working, tell a better, pertinent, and yet shorter story or joke is priceless. Prewritten introductions are such a tool. And they have the added benefit of inviting coach interaction and feedback, a touch of Socratic method, and option comparisons.

2. What Makes a Good Introduction?

Mr. Householder’s article never builds a list or sets the criteria for a “good” introduction. But he does share with us some insight about it. He writes: “What constitutes a strong attention step? There are many attention getting devices that have been employed by good speakers: jokes, rhetorical questions, personal stories, literary illusions, fables, startling statistics, historic quotes, recaps of historical events, plot discussions of movies and television programs, descriptions of political cartoons, and others. The basic premise operating in the attention getter is that these devices are exciting, able to draw the critic into the speech with their natural drama by activating the critic’s curious interests via the critic’s ability to identify with an underlying theme.”

If we can summarize his writing Mr. Householder believes a good introduction gets attention. I agree and would add three other requirements for a good introduction. (1) It is short so that ample time is left for the analysis and facts necessary to answer the topic question. (2) It gets a theme pertinent to the topic question. (3) It sets the speaker apart from his or her competitors in a positive manner.

3. Where We Disagree.

Like most good extemporized speeches I’ve divided my analysis into three facets: straw men, ethics, and inconsistencies.

Straw Men. First the author attempts to argue that a choice between “fresh” and prewritten introductions must be made when, in fact, no choice is necessary. Mr. Householder’s prewritten introduction must be made when, in fact, no choice is necessary. Mr. Householder says “canning” presents logistical problems. “A judge (may) see a competitor use the same attention step in a preliminary round and in the final round.” Members of the same squad may use the same introduction. Competitors at a summer institute might come home with the same introductions.

None of these indict prewritten introductions. They do not indict students and coaches who share without rewriting; they indict students not willing to do their own work and only copy others. But even then I will not condemn all forms of copying; copying good ideas, or a Shakespearean turn of a phrase, or using the insight of a great idea to form your introduction are all forms of copying I endorse. Almost all of learning is copying in one form or another. Originality comes in adding our own flavor to the mix or adding a new component or new insight, but most of the mix comes from someone else—through the processes and the ideas of others. Try to write a valid mathematical equation or a chemical formula without using the knowledge passed down to us; it’s almost impossible. Consistently writing a truly good introduction in the 2 or 3 minutes (at most) you can devote to it in the thirty minute prep period is impossible.

Should students and institutes and coaches share introduction ideas? Of course. Will good students and their coaches rework and try to improve introduction ideas, and write many of their own? Of course. Both are forms of learning. To indict those who rework and rewrite does not condemn prewritten introductions, it just reminds us all to move beyond mere copying or suffer the consequences.

Brian then writes that “Critics often complain about introductions and whole speeches that fail to really address the topic. Often this is nothing more than the impact of canning introductions gone too far.” There are three claims here, much like a syllogism with a false conclusion. (1) Do critics complain about introductions that fail to address the topic? Yes. I do, you do; you can’t sit through one extemp round without observing this flaw. And even introductions that address the topic are often boring, uninspired, or even inspiring. (2) Do critics complain about whole speeches that fail to really address the topic? Yes, absolutely. I applaud when I see judges pay attention to this factor. I believe we should. “Did the speaker directly answer the topic question” should be very high on any judge’s ranking factors. (3) Are 1 and 2 “the impact of canning introductions gone too far?” Whoops, how did we get to that conclusion?

Does thinking up an introduction during the 30 minutes of preparation guarantee that the speaker will answer the topic question? Of course not. Does having a prewritten introduction mean your speech will be “on topic” and have superb analysis? Of course not. Speeches that avoid answering the topic question and which rely on irrelevant content are not determined by which introduction is used. Such speeches are usually either the result of inexperience or inadequate preparation. Prewritten introductions do not cause inexperience. Prewritten introductions leave more prep room time for on-topic preparation.

Mr. Householder also editorializes that “Speakers tend to overestimate audience intelligence by picking material that is over their heads and/or not something the judge can relate to on a personal or interpersonal level.” Such a mistake, if it is a mistake, can occur with both prewritten and “fresh” (i.e. written during thirty minute prep time) introductions. Overestimating judicial intelligence is not an inherent component of prewritten introductions. Since speakers do not know who their judges will be before the speech is done any extemper is trying to find or write the introduction most likely to succeed with the most probable judge-types.

And I question the advice to talk down to your judge or to assume that he or she is not intelligent. The dumbing down of America is a serious enough problem for our entire society without the speech community doing its bit to exacerbate it. Otherwise good teachers and coaches advising strategies that teach their students to speak for the lowest common denominator is a tactic that will bore your intelligent judges. It also fails to reward the
creativity and insight of our own intelligent competitors.

Ethics. The author is quite stringent in his condemnation of prewritten introductions. At one point he writes, "The presentation of canned material constitutes fraud and is antithetical to the natural intent and definition of extemporaneous speaking." Two sentences later he claims, "canning is plagiarism." Strong indictments indeed, if true.

Fraud says my American Heritage Dictionary is "a deliberate deception for unfair gain." If my student writes and memorizes an Afghan student introduction two weeks before a tournament and then uses it one round at the tournament that is not unfair, it is good scholarship (and good preparation) if it fits the topic he drew. To say you cannot use things you've learned prior to the thirty minutes of preparation time is not the intent of the thirty-minute rule. You learned to read before prep time, you're allowed to use that skill in prep time. Most extemporizers have cut and highlighted articles before they go to the tournament; they're allowed to remember material from those articles even if they do not need to consult them in the 30-minute preparation period. Mr. Householder himself recommends using story lines from television shows and movies for introductions, clearly those are seen and remembered from times before the thirty minutes of preparation. The purpose of the preparation rule is to eliminate coach consultation, outline, practice topic specific content, and create an equal playing field in topic-specific decisions. It is not the purpose of the thirty minutes of preparation rule to outlaw reading and thinking about possible topics, it is not its intent to stop students from learning economics, sciences, and leaders names; it is not its intent to prohibit learning jokes and truths that will fit some topics, and it is not its intent to ban possible introductions.

But the author also says prewritten introductions are "antithetical to the natural intent" of extemporaneous speaking. Anti-means the exact opposite of. I am not sure that extemp has a "natural intent". It does exist to separate it from impromptu, i.e. to allow and perhaps even encourage preparation. If the Householder really means to write that learning things, whether in introductions or statistics or educational frames of analysis, the practice and organization of a speech, before the thirty minutes of legal time, is not the intent of extemp then coaching and coaching of any kind is immoral. Indeed the only ethical extemporizer is the one who is illiterate and uneducated.

How about his charge that "canning is plagiarism"? Well it's false charge as long as the student wrote the original himself. Prewritten introductions are not inherently plagiarized. I assume Brian knows that and his intent was to say prewritten introductions are from authors or camps or should be acknowledged as such. Well many introductions do acknowledge it, they cite the publication date and issue number. Those introductions are not plagiarized. They are honest and ethical beginning speech.

The left are introductions written by a coach or by other means at a summer camp or as part of squad work. If a did not contribute to that introduction it and its contribution is plagiarism, plain and simple. And as work is often plagiarized I would be delighted to stop this practice in any form.

The only truth is that it is a shared creation meant to be usage. Let me offer a firsthand example. Almost ten years ago an extemp student at my wife's high school brought in a clipping about Gavrillo Princip, the man who some say started World War I. She thought it might make a good Bosnia introduction. I told her to write a draft up. She did that, then when it was presented in our group every student there liked it but nobody thought it was ready to use. Everybody typed up their own version and then pieced them together. When my students finished their draft I added four words at the end of one sentence. They all used the intro at some point that year. Should they have started by attributing it to Jennifer, who brought in the original clipping? To Jennifer and myself? Or since they all contributed to the final text were they justified in using it however they chose to? I suppose there is a defense for any of those positions but I also believe that to label any student who had a hand in writing an introduction a plagiarist is inaccurate. And the effect of such labeling is to discourage sharing ideas and trying out new things with other students and teachers.

To discourage sharing and learning from each other is the true antithetical position. The best of speech and education and coaching is the enjoyment from sharing and helping others learn. Why do we all buy video tapes of final rounds? To learn from the best. Why do debaters run federalism and business confidence disadvantages without judges punishing them for not giving attribution to whichever school first ran the idea? Should we make interpers note in their introductions who helped on rewriting an oratory paragraph that just isn't working for you? I am sure there are plagiarists in all our fields, just as there are in academic writing. But as educators we need to separate coaching from irresponsible charges of plagiarism. An extemporizer who prepares one or forty introductions in advance, and is a participant in or writes each one himself, is not only ethical but is to be commended for his efforts and attempts to improve.

Inconsistencies, It is possible that Mr. Householder realizes that there are some problems with his position. At one point, for example, he writes that "Oftentimes students who can are highly successful" but four paragraphs later says those who use prewritten introductions are "penalized for being bored, boring, and indistinguishable from the previous speaker". The truth is most people who win both high school and college nationals use prewritten introductions most rounds. Mediocre students use them too. The difference is not in who uses canned introductions verses who does not, the test is whose introduction is most constructively and topic-pertinent attention getting.

His solution to "canned" or prewritten introductions is an example of the dilemma his position creates. He urges us to educate "coaches and competitors that cannin is not proper". To replace these prewritten introductions he suggests two options. First, that speakers pick "odd local news events, cover stories in popular magazines" and story lines from television shows. But aren't these written too? Why is it okay to take an introduction from a local newspaper or popular magazines but not the sources the author indicts?

The second option Brian offers is to "freshen change or twist an old introduction. I agree that's a great way to keep energy in your introductions, and it sometimes helps make them appear to be topic specific. But isn't he still advocating the use of "canned" introductions just so long as you change some of the words?"
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Imagine the following IAC: the affirmative team stands up and reads a series of poems written by someone claiming to be mentally ill, they play a song that refers to mental illness and, for a grand finale, they refuse to speak to show solidarity with the oppressed. There is no plan and the closest they come to being topical is to claim that they are "germane" to the resolution. Besides, topicality is outweighed by the value of their discourse. Sound bizarre? Most debate coaches would think so about a very specialized and alien sounding slice of academic literature. All debate has value but the obvious practicality of being an informed citizen who can evaluate public policy makes more sense to me as a high school teacher.

My hope is that the community will react to these "performances" with intelligent counter-arguments. We had to go through a long phase of reactionary "go to LD" type arguments against critiques that won very few debates. Refreshingly, I have been hearing more and more affirmative responses to critiques that are well-developed. It took many squads a long time before they gave in and started cutting cards to stock critique claims. Now that they have, the playing field seems to have leveled out somewhat.

The way most of these debates happen in the college community, the affirmative essentially waits to react to the INC before engaging in discussions about how the debate should operate. The IAC is interesting but does not lay out any standards. The 2AC has an extensive series of blocks on why topicality or disadvantages or other traditional arguments are bad. Given that the affirmative makes these arguments every round and they do not have to keep up with updating a policy affirmative, they become quite sophisticated on these arguments. A negative team who has not invested in thoroughly thinking through justifications for traditional policy debate will be lost.

In this article, I hope to introduce some possible arguments defenses of traditional policy debate that can be used to challenge the procedural fairness of performance debates. For this article, "performance" will mean an affirmative that does not have a plan and claims that the value of their speech act comes before traditional policy making concerns.

First, the negative can argue that the performing team has a substantial and unfair advantage before the round. Given that they only claim to be "germane" to the resolution, the negative team cannot adequately prepare. We all know that topicality does not restrict teams from running affirmatives on the very edges of the topic. Yet, the community norm that topicality is a voting issue has kept the range of possible affirmatives to a manageable
number. Negative teams can at least have generic disadvantage links and counterplans in case they are taken surprise by a new but topical affirmative. Performance debates have no such limit. The possible affirmative claims in a world where they only need to be “germane” are endless. They might make any variety of claims in the IAC from telling stories that illustrate a harms area to critiquing the resolution to asking the judge to join a movement.

When faced with these challenges to the fairness of the performance, the affirmative is likely to make a few arguments. First, they may suggest a number of marvelous positions that the negative could have run. These suggestions obviously ignore the necessity of pre-round preparation which rests on having a predictable limit on cases (such as having to be topical). Second, they may claim that you are silencing their voices and therefore should lose for committing discursive violence. They will claim that we are a community of academies in a unique position to speak our minds and read evidence that local action spurs larger political movements. This glorious description of the power of a debate round ignores that competitive fairness is a necessary pre-condition for the community to exist. Students are and coaches are motivated by fair competition. We all need to feel that hard preparation work will pay off or we will stop coming to tournaments. Stumbling across a bit of “truth” because of a debate argument is exciting but fair competition is the engine that keeps us going. Also, if their issue of the day is really that critical to discuss, they ought to introduce it in a non-competitive situation where the other participants in the discussion are prepared! Highlighting the suffering caused by homophobia or racism is obviously valuable but that does not mean that a team should win a competitive debate round. To be successful on these arguments, the negative needs to effectively separate the value of the affirmative harm claim from procedural issues of fairness.

Second the negative can argue that the performance team has a substantial advantage in the round. This in-round advantage primarily stems from the lack of a clear methodology by which the judge is supposed to decide the round. In a world where there are no clear standards of how to judge the debate, the team running the performance gets to make up the rules as they go along! Self-serving standards for which performance is “better” evolve throughout the debate, leaving the negative bewildered.

As Ross Smith of Wake Forest University has argued, the judge has to vote affirmative or negative at the end of the round and there needs to be a predictable standard by which they reach these conclusions. In a traditional debate, the judge starts by asking whether or not the plan is topical. If so, they move on to a second question about whether or not the plan is desirable. Desirability can be calculated in terms of net benefits. If the affirmative advantages minus the disadvantages are greater than zero, the judge votes affirmative. If the reverse conditions are true, the judge votes negative. Counterplan and permutation net benefits can easily be added into this equation. These calculations are never perfectly scientific but teams can cut evidence and make strategic decisions during the debate with those calculations in mind. They know that they need to find a combination of arguments that will allow them to outweigh the affirmative. During the block, they can back out of positions that are not helping them to maximize net benefits for their side. Some of the very best training in critical thinking comes from these strategic considerations. Those weighing exercises are impossible in a world where the debaters do not know what basis the judge will use for their decision. How can the negative possibly prepare for invisible standards inside the mind of the judge? How can they kick out of positions that are not working if the judge has to craft standards during the debate? How can they know what will appeal to the emotions of the judge? Without answers to these questions, strategy gets replaced by fumbling through speeches.

In response, the affirmative will argue that judging is always laden and, therefore, unpredictable. We all know that judging can vary quite a bit from debate to debate. However, that is not a reason to throw out all judging standards! If there is a sliding scale between the perfect judge who comprehends and weighs all arguments with zero bias on one end and, say, someone who is asleep and therefore totally random on the other end, I would certainly rather strive for the first model. The fact that the same teams clear from tournament to tournament and that we all have judges that we would prefer in the back of the room proves that judging is predictable enough to allow us to function. My students certainly feel better when they lose and take more pride in winning rounds when the judging was coherent and predictable. Much like in a topicality debate, even if the traditional policy model of decision making has some flaws, it is still the only predictable interpretation available and must be accepted. Performance affirmatives may also claim that critical arguments make judging unpredictable already. This argument ignores that the plan is still the central focus of the debate. The affirmative can prepare for likely links, and the negative, by claiming to turn solvency or highlighting an external impact, usually fits within traditional decision making calculations.

The dynamic nature of the debate community keeps it interesting. Advanced college debaters and coaches who have tasted the ground of traditional policy debate for several years are understandably invigorated by new literature and creative arguments. Most high school judges have also seen enough agent counterplan and politics debates to last a lifetime. However, this new model of debate raises serious fairness questions. Over time, fairer standards may evolve to judge performances but, in the mean time, debaters must prepare or perish. Debaters who are trained to defend the logic behind traditional policy making will have a much better chance than a team who is only ready to spout “but topicality HAS to be a voting issue.” Be ready to talk about the logic of policy making in a sophisticated way and these new debates will not be as daunting.

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I competed in original oratory throughout my high school debate career. Over four years, I witnessed the unfortunate devolution of the event I love.

The art of original oratory offers high school students the unique opportunity to speak to peers and adults for ten (hopefully) uninterrupted minutes. For a generation that made Will Smith’s “Parents Just Don’t Understand” the first rap song to win a Grammy, one would think this opportunity to enlighten adults would be seized upon. The opposite, however, is true. Students are choosing topics that will get the most laughs, topics that offer the best opportunity for sob stories, and, most depressingly, topics that are so dull and benign that they do not merit attention at all. Then, having chosen a topic, they write a speech designed not to cause controversy or stimulate thought. The focus has shifted from intelligent analysis of a significant problem, delivered with persuasion and panache, to banal patter masquerading as analysis delivered to amuse. The emphasis on presentation, and the fear of offending, or even challenging, the judge supersedes the concern for content.

Original oratory has slowly shed its emphasis on thought; delivery is the sole obsession. Consider Josh Gad and Jared Weiss who, while they are both great orators, are not the only orators. Since Josh Gad staged a sit-in and won Nationals, orators have been desperately searching for the next and more daring way to push the envelope. Raps, many identical in rhythm, appeared in oratories across the country once Jared “Played that Funky Music, Weiss boy.” Now, orators walk out of rooms, scream at their audiences, dance, jump, or sing to their next point. Simply, they do everything in their power to avoid saying anything intellectually challenging. Humor is an effective rhetorical tool; however, when orato-

ories are nothing more than a series of jokes, the intent and the integrity of the event are completely lost. Instead of using presentation as a way to further our arguments, we are using spectacle to hide it; instead of delivering our message, our message is delivery.

Much of the problem derives from the belief that there is a necessary structure that every oratory must follow in order to be successful. The “heart story” has become a staple of the universal oratory. The heart story is, of course, the most heart wrenching story the speaker can find. It might apply to the speaker’s topic, but it might not; in recent years nothing has stopped orators from using any story that sounds tragic. Rape victims surface in speeches about patriotism. Murderers begin to teach us all about depression. To say these examples are far-fetched is a gross understatement. To say they are links from speeches at Nationals is depressing.

The aforementioned offenses against original oratory are egregious, but an equally significant transgression is the selection and development of topics. Orators, it seems, are not seeking topics they are passionate about, they are looking for topics that will “bring home the hardware.” Thus, the most mundane and mind-numbing topics are being chosen again, and again, and again. And worse yet, the topics are not being explored in any significant way. Depth of research—actually having researched—seems unimportant. Challenging widely held beliefs or current ways of thinking has become a choice rejected as too intellectual. Social issues, not just personal issues, give us substance, but those are topics requiring serious thought, and, therefore, topics not being selected. The thinking is that boring the audience to death is far less of a crime than actually asking them to challenge what they believe. Therefore, we’ll keep hearing the same old oratories on stress. On love. On hope. On the need for pillows in the oratory competition rooms to cushion the judge’s head as (s)he sleeps through the round. The problem isn’t just the topics; it’s the lack of passion for ideas about the topics and the lack of scholarship in developing the topics.

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SOME DO NOT'S FOR ORATORICAL CLARITY

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PART FIVE:
EUPHEMISM, SLANG, AND SHOPTHALK

LEARN WHAT NOT TO DO!
As stated in Part One of this series treating oratorical clarity (See Roostrum, March 2002, p. 43), perhaps the most practical way to improve oratorical effectiveness is to emphasize what not to do. In other words, the orator should focus on those features which compete with clarity. Like the first four, this article does not treat every obstacle to clear thought, for such endeavor would be futile for any person. Instead, this article covers three of the most notorious obstacles and sufficiently warns the orator to examine carefully language usage. The author assumes from his

...Orators who are polite and complimentary may be noble in intent, but noble spirit should not occur at the expense of truth, honesty, and comprehension...

... Don't use euphemism!

Words carry denotative and connotative meaning. Denotation refers to the direct, explicit meaning of a word. Connotation refers to the suggested meaning of a word. In other words, denotation generates fundamental information, whereas connotation introduces additional meaning and stimulates one's emotions favorably or unfavorably. With language one can purr by saying, for instance, that a woman is petite, slender, and svelte; or snarl by saying, for instance, that the woman is skinny, boney, or a walking stary.

Euphemism excels in purring, for it is the attempt to gain favorable impression by the substitution of an inoffensive, mild, or impressive expression for one that may offend or even shock. This method often appears in discussions on bodily functions, sex, and sociological problems. For example, in attempting not to be coarse or shocking, some speakers have substituted #1 for urine; #2 for excre-

Since engineer became a title of prestige in America, it has been assumed by a wide spectrum of charlatans. For a number of years the Engineering News-Record, the organ of the legitimate engineers, used to devote a column every week to uninvited invaders of the craft, some so fantastic that it was constrained to reproduce their business cards photographically to convince its readers that it was not spoofing. A favorite exhibit was a bedding manufacturer who first became a mattress engineer and then promoted himself to the lofty dignity of sleep engi-

ner. No doubt he would have called himself a morphician if he had thought of it. A tractor driver advertised for a job as a caterpillar engineer. A beautician burst out as an appearance engineer. Elsewhere appeared display engineers who had been lowly window dressers until some vision-

ary among them made the great leap, demolition engineers who were once content to be house wreckers, and sanitary engineers who had an
earlier incarnation as garbage men. The wedding engineer
is a technician employed by florists to dress churches for
hymnal organs. The commencement engineer arranges
college and high-school commencements; he has lists of
eclergymen who may be trusted to pray briefly, and some
sort of fire-alarm connection with popular commencement
orators. The parking engineer crates clocks, radios, and
chainware for shipment. The correspondence engineer
writes selling letters guaranteed to pull. The income engi-
near is an insurance solicitor in a new false face. The dwell-
ing engineer replaces lost keys, repairs leaky roofs and
plugs up rat holes in the cellar. The vision engineer sup-
plies spectacles at cut rates. The demanding engineer at-
tends to bulls who grow too frisky. Perhaps, the prize
should go to the dainty engineer (an agent supplying
dancers and musicians to night clubs), or to the hoi-dog
engineer.

Other examples of intended thoughts being sacrificed via euphemism are:

**INTENDED THOUGHTS**
- night watchman
- janitor
- doorman
- bellboy
- ineffective political
- lackey
- boy
- bureaucrat
- sponge
- innkeeper
- huckster
- rubber bullet
- infiltration
- pornography
- gang
- toad
- cabinet
- abortion
- sickly
- infatuated or lust
- apathetic
- Damn!

**EUPHEIMISMS**
- surveillance expert
- executive assistant
- sanitary officer
- traffic coordinator
- sitting padding
- struggling statesman
- slumber cot
- slumber shirt
- public servant
- problem drinker
- mentally impaired
- public relations expert
- leading industrial
- vigorous activity in pricing
- escape literature
- clique
- out asked to resign
- guardian discipline
- improving the situation
- delicate
- love
- neutral
- Oh, Dear!

Audiences expect honest messages. Orators who are polite
and complimentary may be noble in intent, but such noble spirit
should not occur at the expense of truth, honesty, and comprehen-
sion. Effective oratory demands clarity, and euphemisms often ham-
per the latter. In short, orators should not employ them!

**DON'T USE SLANG!**

Slang is language comprising certain widely current terms
having a forced or grotesque meaning. Orators who use slang run
the risk of causing three major problems.

Orators can offend their audience because slang often is
characterized by vulgar and socially unacceptable words and idi-
onimatic expressions. Typical of this group are words that deal with
human anatomy, bodily functions, and sexual behavior.

Orators can bore their audience because slang quickly be-
comes worn and impoverished. Boring expressions include "That's
sound!"; "Fair out!"; "It's hotter than hell!"; "Clear as crystal!"; "I
can dig it!"; and "That's gross."

Perhaps the most damaging result of slang is that it can
confuse the audience and thus prevent the transmission of inten-
ted thoughts. For instance, a former convict addressed a group
of Kiwanians at their weekly luncheon. The speaker employed
such terms as bandog (police officer in uniform), bice (prison sentence
of two years), hair (blonde-haired woman), blue tab (trus-
sulpting lying on a marble slab in the morgue), trotter (per-
evading the police), and vaper and windjammer (informer).

After the speech, one of the Kiwanians stood up and said
"Your experience in prison seems quite interesting, but please tell
us the meaning of the following words." The Kiwanian proceeded
to name all of the above slang. The latter was proper within
the walls of prison, but it was not customary language for the Kiwanian
audience. The speaker had been ineffective.

Some examples of slang that appeared in college and university
orations and failed to communicate clarity of message are:
- freak
- one
- who
do
to
cycles
- fratricides
- bisexual
- students,
- stoned
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DON'T USE SHOPTALK!

People in many professions and activities employ shoptalk, a system of language signals which generally are incomprehensible to anyone unaffiliated with the particular profession or activity. At times, shoptalk and slang are synonymous. For example, the language of convicts can be both slang and shoptalk (e.g., traitor, bale of hay, ups, downs, and sculpting).

An example of shoptalk that is not slang comes from an address of a speech correctionist. While speaking before his professional colleagues at a national convention, the correctionist referred to the larynx, genio-hyoid muscle, crico-thyroid muscle, inferior constrictor, and levator palatini. The correctionist also referred to consonants that are plosive, nasal, lateral, fricative, rolled, and flapped; and vowels that are open, half-open, half-closed, and closed. Of course, her immediate audience had been formally trained in speech correction and thus understood her vocabulary. However, persons not trained in the discipline most likely would not have understood her.

Another example of shoptalk occurred during a Caleche seminar. Those not familiar with Caleche most likely would not have understood the professor’s following terms: Stueke’s Theorem, The Divergence Theorem, Green’s Theorem, Triple Integrals, Double Integrals in Polar Coordinates, Second Partialis Test, and Absolute and Conditional Convergence: Alternating Series.

People unfamiliar with world philosophy most likely wouldn’t know the theses of the following works, but the theses would be shoptalk for trained philosophers.

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Many people untrained in human anatomy and orthopaedic surgery would understand the message of a physician who said, “Last evening, while returning home from a movie, John Carpenter stepped on an icy sidewalk and tore some knee-cartilage.” The audience would understand (1) that last evening John Carpenter went to a movie; (2) that during his way home he slipped on an icy sidewalk; and (3) that his fall caused some of his knee-cartilage to tear.

Communication would be effective. However, the same audience would have much difficulty trying to understand the following shoptalk cited in Keith L. Moore’s Clinically Oriented Anatomy: “The meniscus injury (knee-cartilage injury). Localized tenderness and pain in the flexed knee on the medial side of the patellar ligament, just proximal to the medial tibial plateau, suggests injury to the meniscal injury. Injury to this meniscus is about 20 times more common than injury to the other meniscus. Injury to the meniscal meniscus results from excessive strain that is applied to the knee joint when it is flexed. Because the meniscus is firmly adherent to the tibial collateral ligament, twisting strains of this ligament may tear and/or detach the meniscal meniscus from the fibrous capsule. Part of the torn cartilage may become displaced toward the center of the joint and become lodged between the tibial and femoral condyles. This locks the knee in the flexed position, preventing the patient from fully extending the knee. When weight is borne by the flexed knee joint, a sudden twist of the knee may also rupture the meniscal meniscus, usually splitting it longitudinally. This injury is common in athletes who twist their flexed knee while running (e.g., in football and basketball). It also occurs to coal miners and other persons who can topple over when they are working in a crouched or squatting position. Because the internal edges of the menisci are poorly supplied with blood, tears in them heal poorly. Tears near the peripheral, which are vascularized by geniculate branches of the popliteal artery, usually heal well. The menisci can be observed during arthroscopy and when air and/or dense contrast medium is injected into the synovial cavity of the knee joint before radiographs are taken. Pneumomariograms or double contrast arthrograms are helpful in demonstrating soft tissue lesions of the knee joint. Because air is less opaque than the menisci, it appears black in the radiograph and outlines the soft tissues (e.g., the menisci). When dense contrast materials are used, the articular cartilages and menisci appear as radiolucent images within the dense contrast medium. Good images of the ligaments and menisci of the knee are also produced by magnetic resonance imaging.

Misunderstanding a speaker’s message is not the only problem that can result from shoptalk unfamiliar to the audience. Even physical assault is possible! This disadvantage is rare and even humorous at times, but it must be a horrible experience for the speaker. For instance, one day a physician was examining a woman for possible mitral stenosis, a condition characterized by a distinct rumbling murmur near the heart’s apex, and by a certain vibration felt by the examining finger on the patient’s chest. In medical shoptalk this vibration is called a thrill.

When the patient was lying on the examination table, the physician placed his stethoscope and proceeded to search for the peculiar vibration. To concentrate better, the physician closed his eyes while examining the patient’s breast. Unable to find any vibrations, the physician withdrew his hand from the patient’s breast, turned to his nurse, smiled, and said, “No thrill.” Immediately the patient sat up, pushed the physician aside, and furiously informed him that she had not come to his office to give him a thrill. Obviously communication broke down because of shoptalk.

In short, orators should be reluctant to employ shoptalk, for the latter certainly can hamper communication effectiveness.

CONCLUSION

If clarity of message is a priority, orators would be wise not to employ euphemism, slang, or shoptalk. If they feel such language is the only way to share their ideas, then they should do so discreetly, namely with judicious reserve.

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As stated in Part One of this series treating oratorical clarity (See Rostremer, March 2002, p. 43), perhaps the most practical way to improve oratorical effectiveness is to emphasize what not to do. In other words, the orator should focus on those features which compete with clarity. Like the first five, this article does not treat every obstacle to clear thought, for such endeavor would be futile for any person. Instead, this article covers three of the most notorious obstacles and sufficiently warns the orator to examine carefully language usage. The author assumes from his teaching and coaching experience that, if the orator knows what should not be done, he or she will employ what should be done. This article stresses foreignism, colloquialism, and cliche.

DON'T USE FOREIGNISMS!

People skilled in foreign languages often employ in the vernacular, consciously or unconsciously, foreign words and expressions. For example, the following Latin was employed by high school, college, and university, and adult education students participating in speech tournaments in the United States and Japan. Many of the foreignisms were used as theses, or parts of theses.

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<td>al favem</td>
<td>to the end</td>
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<td>nota bene</td>
<td>Note well.</td>
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<td>ecce homo</td>
<td>Behold the man</td>
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<td>a capit ad calcem</td>
<td>from head to heel</td>
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<td>vinc populi</td>
<td>voice of the people</td>
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<td>sine qua non</td>
<td>an absolute prerequisite</td>
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<td>tempus fugit</td>
<td>Time flies.</td>
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<td>caveat emptor</td>
<td>Let the buyer beware</td>
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<td>hic habitat</td>
<td>Now he's had it</td>
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<td>augustus</td>
<td>KILL!</td>
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<td>Such noise is in the room.</td>
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<td>Many needs new shoes badly.</td>
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<td>I live by you and your friends.</td>
<td>I live by you and your friends.</td>
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<td>We are unable to rest his demands.</td>
<td>We are unable to rest his demands.</td>
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<td>Everyone is enthusiastic over the result.</td>
<td>Everyone is enthusiastic over the result.</td>
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<td>I return to formal education at regular intervals.</td>
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<td>Every man at the concert wore a suit.</td>
<td>Every man at the concert wore a suit.</td>
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<td>Marilyn repaired the broken vase.</td>
<td>Marilyn repaired the broken vase.</td>
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<td>This island always gives me a queer feeling.</td>
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<td>How many employees do you have?</td>
<td>How many employees do you have?</td>
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<td>We saw three children inside the car.</td>
<td>We saw three children inside the car.</td>
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<td>Did Ralph receive an invitation?</td>
<td>Did Ralph receive an invitation?</td>
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<td>Harvey did get the position.</td>
<td>Harvey did get the position.</td>
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<td>We settled in Kamakura, Japan.</td>
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<td>We have much wealth in town. Many people are millionaires.</td>
<td>We have much wealth in town. Many people are millionaires.</td>
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The above examples can be very impressive, especially when stated as a thesis, but only when the audience understands their meanings because of formal training in Latin, or because the orator accompanies them with translation. Such was not the case with some of the tournament participants. The latter assumed the audience understood the foreignisms and, therefore, failed to explain what the foreignisms meant. Communication broke down.

Students of oratory need not ignore all foreignisms, but they should use caution when employing them. Unless foreignisms are absolutely necessary for conveying intended thoughts clearly, orators should avoid them.

DON'T USE COLLOQUIALISM!

Colloquialism is a word or expression that is customarily restricted to conversation or familiar letters. While colloquialisms are proper and effective on occasion, they are definitely unacceptable in formal speech and writing. A major reason for their unacceptability is their tendency to be unclear as evidenced by the following examples:

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<td>much of</td>
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<td>lot, lots of</td>
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<td>mighty</td>
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I missed the golf tournament today. He complained that there was not nearly enough food for every one.

Robert studies an in addition to his course in Chinese metaphysics.

One of the players was accused of cheating. The drill instructor called the recruits closed. Charlotte was feeling as your health.

To do well in school, a student should spend at least three hours of homework every day.

Opponents were continuously critical of Joe. We could interpret Joe's mood immediately by his facial expressions and gestures.

We were sad that Rachel failed to put in an appearance.

As soon as the Professor completed his lecture, fifty students enrolled in her class.

We were unable to evaluate Tom's skills. The Professor said, "I no longer intend to evaluate you personally."

When you begin your medical studies, you will cherish few moments of leisure.

When Tom received his fellowship, he sent his parents a telegram.

Hackneyed Phrases

a heart of gold
chip off the old block
set the clock back
hit the nail on the head
stumbling blocks
sack of conversation
method to his madness
all but the kitchen sink
inaccessible conclusion

Two-Familiar Quotations:

All that glitters is not gold.

People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.

When the cat is away, the mice will play.

Government is like a dress that shows everything but good taste.

Death brings all people to equality.

If you listen to only one bell, you hear only one sound.

Never put your feet where you can't see the ground.

Let's kick it around some more.

Don't build your pyramids upon needle points.

A man must take the fat with the lean.

Better men than I have said so.

I would rather be right than be President.

No orator can avoid all common expressions, nor should he or she attempt to do so. When a cliche is tailor-made for a specific context, the cliche may appear bright and perceptive. However, orators should carefully examine ready-made expressions that easily come to mind, and should employ them only if they are essential for the clear and impressive development of thought. Orators who are bolder deviate the words of Shakespeare's Hotspur in The First Part of King Henry IV (III. 1):

O, he is as tedious
As a tired horse, a ruling wife;
Worse than a smoky house; I had rather live
With cheese and garlic in a windmill, far
Than feed on cats and have him talk to me.
In any summer-house in Christendom.

Conclusion

Orators should recognize that foreignisms, colloquialisms, and cliches can hamper clear expression. Orators should adhere to the self-respect described by Edgar A. Guest in Myself:

I have to live with myself, and so
I want to fit myself to know;
I want to be able as days go by.
Always to look myself straight in the eye.
I don't want to stand with the setting sun
And hate myself for the things I've done.

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People who know that I am not, and never will be, a public speaker ask me "How did you ever get started collecting speeches?" For this rewarding hobby I have to thank my children's English teachers. In middle school, they were asked to bring in a speech to declaim, up to four minutes long, as part of the class speech festival. My oldest child waited until the last minute, of course, and I was embarrassed to find we didn't even have the Gettysburg Address at our house.

At the library, I discovered there was no comprehensive collection of speeches for young people. I dug through adult collections, finding delightful pieces here and there, but it appeared that short speeches, nonpolitical speeches, addresses by Native Americans and other minorities, and speeches by children themselves were mostly left out. Coincidentally I was reading Frederick Douglass' autobiography, and became intrigued by his references to a favorite book, The Columbian Orator, a children's book of oratory first published in 1798. This was the book he used as a young slave boy to teach himself to read and speak, and eventually become one of America's greatest orators. "Every opportunity I got, I used to read this book," he said. I resolved to create a new Columbian Orator, and I like to think this new book might serve the same purpose for some other young orator in middle or high school today.

I selected the 100 speeches to interest young people whenever possible. For instance, from Clarence Darrow's speeches. I chose his defense of teenagers Leopold and Loeb, and I included the usually omitted section of LBJ's voting rights address in which he describes his experience teaching in a Mexican-American school. I used the close of Russell Conwell's "Acres of Diamonds," with his poignant Civil War account, as a teenage captain, of leading older men into battle and death.

The speeches cover almost 400 years of American eloquence, from Powhatan warning Capt. John Smith in 1609 to Senator Charles Robb on the meaning of the flag in 2001. There are founding fathers (as Sam Adams), abolitionists (Grimke), and suffragettes (Shaw). There are eulogies (RFK), inaugural addresses (JFK), surrender speeches (Black Hawk), and sermons (King). There is humor (Twain), sorrow (Cochise), and opposition (Mother Jones). For kids who need action, there are speeches before battle (Eisenhower), and by sports figures (Cal Ripken).

I'm also asked which are my favorites. As a reader who enormously enjoyed the research that went into this book, I love the less-well known jewels: Tecumseh pleading for help against the Americans; Archibald Cox defending pro-Vietnam War speakers from anti-war protesters; Pearl Buck's graduation speech to a segregated high school; Langston Hughes on being "blacklisted;" Chaplain Gittlesohn's eulogy at the Marine Corps cemetery after the Battle of Iwo Jima; escaped slave Louis Richardson's triumphant speech on reaching Canada. I had always thought Americans were the strong, silent, inarticulate members of the English speaking world, and my research certainly proved me wrong!

An English teacher told me recently that her students had planned their classes' activity for Grandparents' Day. The children read speeches from the book while grannies and grandpas guessed the speaker. It was a classroom success, with only one speech going unidentified. I couldn't have been happier, not just that these short pieces of oratory brought generations together, but that so great has been the fruit of our country's freedom of speech that ordinary Americans are able to identify their national orators. I'm finishing up a similar book of speeches from around the world, contacting embassies and asking individuals about notable speeches from their countries, and you would not believe how many say their nation has no famous speech--this even from other Western democracies. I'll leave it to others to explain why this is, but count America lucky.

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RESEARCH

In order to understand a topic one must read current material about it.

Such current material may be found by both electronic or print means.

Electronic:
Access good search engine like GOOGLE (www.google.com), Yahoo (www.yahoo.com), Alta Vista (www.altavista.com) or MSN Search (www.msn.com).

Type in key words of the topic (i.e., "Tax Cuts" or "Armed Pilots"). The search engine will list websites which discuss that issue.
Click on those sites to read and download material.

Print:

Look up "Hijacking", "Airline Safety", "Tax Cuts" or other issues and make a list of magazines which carry stories by date and page number. Then read the articles. Copy parts which are good evidence.

The New York Times index (available in most public libraries) will allow you to search articles in the New York Times (usually on microfilm).

You also should look up the key definitions of words in the topic in a good unabridged dictionary or a topic-specific dictionary (i.e., Blacks Law Dictionary)

Polls:
Since you will be debating before a citizen judge from your community, it would be helpful to research polling data on how citizens feel about the issues posed by the topic and why they feel that way.

This polling information can be used to select arguments which will address citizen judge concerns.

Evidence:
Hall of Fame Coach Esther Kalmbach once defined evidence as "a reason for a judge to believe an argument."

Evidence may of course be "hard evidence": facts, statistics, quotations from experts; but "soft" evidence is also persuasive: examples, anecdotes, analogies, stories.

Debaters will want to find a wide variety of types of evidence that will be persuasive.
SPEECH DEVELOPMENT

Speaker 1 - This speaker position for both sides must be concerned with constructing and presenting a logical argument with evidentiary support. This is the one time in the debate where specific preparation can be used as a tool of the debate. Due to the uncertainty of whether this will become the first or second speech in the debate, a 4-minute speech for and against the resolution is warranted. Reserving time for response in the Speaker 1 position is not practical.

I. Introduction to the issue -
An overview of the issue presented in a compelling introductory remark or quotation to alert the judge to the importance of the topic.

II. Definition of terms -
Whenever a debate focuses upon an issue without support of a clarifying plan or value, the topic must have its own agreed upon parameters. Often this is accomplished with a field definition from an expert; occasionally the topic is self-evident. In the latter case, it may be left to the judge to interpret the topic.

III. Analysis of the issues -
Traditionally, three issues are considered sufficient to establish a warrant. These issues can be abstract or concrete or a mix of both. However, to be successful, each should be an independent reason to vote for the topic. Given the nature of the audience, a most logical progression would be:

a. Personal story or narrative story to provide context for the judge to understand what is at issue.
b. Example from the news to show timeliness and to support the analysis and to show the debater as knowledgeable about the subject.
c. General or theoretical issue to establish the argument beyond the particular and to provide grounds for revisiting this speech later in the debate.

IV. Closing -
Why does this issue matter to us? Answering this question provides reasons for the judge to care; while the entire speech into a short, memorable summary.

Speaker 2 - This speaker position for both sides will burden of analyzing the opponents' position and flaws in the ideas presented by the other team. This speaker might present prepared arguments from establish new points, the judge using media analysis is now looking for the fight. Argumentatively, at least, the judge places an expectation that the two sides will clash.

This speech may take the form of a line-by-line refutation of the opponent's position, but this form is rarely followed in media debate. Instead, the speaker should identify the most attackable issues advanced by the other side. In this manner, the most memorable opposition points are refuted with memorable counter-points.

Time vested in responding will permit only one or two key responses. A suggested form for this debate would be:

I. Introduction which links the 2nd speech to the 1st speech, probably with a story or quotation.
II. An overview of the issue to be discussed.
   a. Statement of what opponent said.
   b. Reasons and/or proof of why opponent is wrong.
   c. Explanation of what this means for the topic.
III. (a second issues as in II above)
IV. Closing which solidifies both of your side's speeches.

Summary - Summary is an odd speech. The purpose is implied in the title. Because the summary speaker will have listened to partner respond in the 2nd speech and in the give and take of the Crossfire, the summary should manage all of what the judge has heard to this point. Something like this:

I. Brief overview of the debate so far.
II. Focus on the key idea, maybe with a fresh antidotal story or other framing quotation.
III. What does this all mean? The implications for the judge and the world provide a clear summary focus.

Last Shot - The duties of the Last Shot speaker are stipulated in the rules. Last Shot chooses the one issue which matters the most and frames in a final parting shot why this single issue is enough to warrant a ballot for the speaker's team.

I. Statement of the issue and its importance.
II. Explanation of the issue.
III. Appeal to let this issue override all other concerns.
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- Is our team significantly stronger on one side.
- Are opponents significantly stronger on one side. Should our team pre-empt them by "choosing" our opponent's best side.
- Is first speaker position critical to "sell" our case by making a good first impression.
- Is the final "last shot" speech critical for us to have the last word to the judge(s).
- Are our opponents so effective in first (or last) speaker position we wish to pre-empt them by selecting that position for ourselves.

Once the coin toss winner selects either a side or a speaker position, the coin toss loser then has a choice. If the winner selects a side, the loser selects a speaker position. If the winner selects a speaker position then the losing team selects the side of the topic. The above list of options should be carefully studied by both teams.

Please realize the con side of the topic may begin the debate and argue directly against the adoption of the topic before the pro side says a word.
SPEAKER DUTIES

The first and second speakers should prepare in advance the reasons for adoption (or rejection) of the topic. Arguments should be carefully worded to be accurate and persuasive.

Delivery should be conversational and extempore in style but absent flaws like vocal pauses, fast delivery, poor articulation, and lack of vocal variety.

The second speaker, in addition to the presentation of prepared material, may respond to the most important argument made by the first speaker.

The first crossfire should be used to clarify arguments and define where clash exists. Probing questions to expose weakness are useful.

The third and fourth speakers have two duties:
To attack (refute) the case (arguments) of their opponents; and to answer attacks made upon their own arguments by their opponents.

The second crossfire should advance the debate by finding areas of agreement and attacking arguments with which the debater does not agree. Previously prepared dilemmas may be posed. Contradictions should be exposed.

The summary speakers should consolidate their positions by defending the most important point in their own case and attack the most important point in the opponents case. Select only the most important issue or issues and cover them thoroughly, but do not rush.
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After the first Q and A any debater may question and answer at will.

*Be polite, but firm.*

Keep questions and answers brief and speaking style conversational. Don't interrupt or talk over another debater unless s/he is filibustering. Don't ever interrupt your partner.

*Have a plan in mind.*

What admissions do you wish to gain from your opponents. Which dilemmas do you wish to pose to your opponents.

*Answering can be as important as questioning.*

Have brief retorts prepared for questions that you think might be asked.

*Silence is golden.*

If you trap your opponent in an unanswerable dilemma, let their silence or frantic babbling expose their weakness. Don't rush in with the next question.

*Relax. Don't rush!* If you can establish one or two points that is enough.
THE LAST SHOT

The purpose of the last shot is to present one (1) and only one (1) argument that you believe wins the debate for your team. Judges will be instructed that if you present more than one (1) argument you are to be given a loss in that debate.

More than one piece of evidence: quote, fact, statistic, analogy, story may be presented, but only one (1) argument!

Ask yourself this question (before your last shot): If I were judging this round, what would I be voting on now. Once you decide the key voting issue make that your focus.

What argument should be selected? Several choices are available but only one (1) argument may be presented.

- Answer the argument that you are losing
  (if losing more than one, pick the most important)

- Stress an argument you are winning
  (if winning several, pick the most important)

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Dormitory supervision: An experienced staff including high school teachers, graduate students, and college upperclass students will supervise the dormitory.

Coaches workshop: An in-depth coaches workshop is conducted. Topics will include administration, organization, and coaching strategies. A full set of lectures appropriate for the classroom will be developed.

Inclusive Fees: The standard Institute fee includes tuition, housing, food, lab photocopying fees, entertainment, a t-shirt, and a handbook—the works.

Features of the Lincoln-Douglas Division
Under the Direction of Jim Wade

Experienced staff: The Director of the Lincoln-Douglas division has been in the activity for over twenty years, and has served in his current position for ten years. Other staff members include an array of the finest college coaches, as well as some of the top college debaters in the nation.

Excellent staff student ratio: The Institute offers debaters the opportunity to work with one senior level instructor accompanied by at least one active college debater in small lab groups of 10 to 14 students.

Flexible curriculum: The Institute has always provided students a wide variety of instruction suitable to their levels of experience. Our classes deal with general philosophical issues and practical technique. There is a strong emphasis in lab groups on building speaking experience and providing constructive critique. A typical day involves three classes dealing with philosophy or technique and theory, followed by five hours of practical lab sessions.

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Proposed Judge Guidelines

by

John A. Cardoza
CHSSA President

These are guidelines only, not rules; they should be used only when appropriate to the debate.

Evidence: Evidence refers not only to statistics, facts and references to authority, but also to items of common or general knowledge. 
✓ Did each team show connections between particular events or issues and large social, economic, and/or political concerns, trends or developments? 
✓ Did each team supply appropriate and sufficient evidence to support its arguments, and apply that evidence clearly and logically? 
✓ Did each team adequately explain and/or analyze the evidence offered during the debate?

Analysis and Argumentation:
✓ Did each team sufficiently address the topic in an organized and consistent manner? 
✓ Did each team present logical, reasonable, and convincing arguments? 
✓ Did each team clearly and effectively discuss, explain and evaluate the issues and arguments offered during the debate? 
✓ Did each team respond directly to opposing arguments, interpretations, and/or analyses, with clear explanations of the weakness of opposing arguments? 
✓ Did each team apply clear evaluative criteria to the arguments, interpretations, and/or analyses offered during the debate? 
✓ Did each team demonstrate an understanding of the social, political, and/or economic issues involved in the debate?

Cross Fire:
✓ Did each debater provide relevant, focused and brief questions? 
✓ Did each debater respond effectively to questions? 
✓ Did each debater demonstrate respect for opponents by cooperating in a polite “give and take” without dominating the discussion?

Presentation:
✓ Did each debater communicate in a clear, organized, and understandable manner, presenting an easy listening path to follow? 
✓ Did each debater exemplify the highest standards of language usage, style and vocabulary, avoiding slang, poor grammar, and mispronunciations? 
✓ Did the speaker use effective body language (poised stage presence, appropriate gestures, facial expression, sufficient eye contact)? 
✓ Did the speaker use effective oral presentation skills (volume, diction, rate of delivery), and use understandable and persuasive delivery? 
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Update on Iowa participants at 2002 tournaments:

Wakeforest University Earlybird
All four semi-finalists were Iowa participants

Grapevine Classic
All four semi-finalists were Iowa participants

Mid-America Cup
Four of the eight quarter-finalists were Iowa participants

Bronx High School of Science
Seven of the octo-finalists were Iowa participants

The Greenhill Fall Classic
Six of the octo-finalists were Iowa participants

Manchester Debate Tournament
Two semi-finalists were Iowa participants

St Marks School of Texas
Six of the octo-finalists and both finalists were Iowa participants

Apple Valley Debate Tournament
Three of the quarter-finalists were Iowa participants

The Glenbrooks
Nine of the octo-finalists were Iowa participants

The Ohio Valley Invitational
Three of the semi-finalists were Iowa participants

UT Austin's Longhorn Classic
Both finalists were Iowa participants
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MICHAEL ARTON, Director of Forensics, New Orleans Jesuit; coached numerous debaters to the late elimination rounds of every major national tournament, including the NFL National Tournament and the TOC.

PATRICIA BAILEY, special consultant for LD Debate, Homewood High School; former Head Debate Coach, Homewood High School; B.A., Huntingdon College; M.A., Montevallo (AL); NFL Diamond Coach, Key Coach of the Barkley Forum; coached NFL LD champion, numerous NFL national qualifiers, LD state champion for seven years running; Alabama Speech Teacher of the Year Award; National Topic Selection Committee for LD debate; Sanford and Iowa Lincoln-Douglas debate institutes; NFL Hall of Fame, NFSDA Outstanding Speech, Drama, Debate Educator Award; co-founder of Iowa's Lincoln-Douglas Summer Debate Institute.

SHIKHA BHATTACHARJEE, Sophomore, Yale University; debater for Iowa City West High School; Shikha had more qualifying legs for the 2022 TOC than any other LD; former Iowa summer institute participant.

PAM CODY-WYCOFF, Director of Forensics, Apple Valley High School; B.S., Southwest State University; M.A., Mankato State University; NFL Diamond coach; TOC advisory board; coached numerous LD and IL national champions. Member NFL LD Topic Selection Committee. Ms. Cody-Wycoff has been invited to be a guest lecturer.

CLAIRE CARMAN-REDDIG, Debate Coach, Heritage Hall High School; B.A., Rice University; First place, Bronx Round Robin; St. Mark's of Texas; National Forensic League National Champion; former Director of Sanford University Lincoln-Douglas Summer Debate Institute.

MICHELLE COODY, Director of Forensics, St. James School B.S., Spring Hill; M.A., Auburn University; NFL Diamond coach; TOC advisory board; coached numerous national qualifiers; Key Coach of the Barkley Forum.

CHARLES DAFAN, Sophomore, UC San Diego; founded debate program at Los Altos High School; quarterfinalist at Emory; semifinalist at UC Berkeley, 2nd place at U Colorado Tournament and the 2002 Stanford Round Robin; Winner of the Hopkins Round Robin.

MARILEE DUKES, Director of Forensics, Vestavia Hills High School; B.S., University of Southern Mississippi; M.S., North Texas State University (Debate Fellow); former high school and college debater; 20 year teaching and coaching veteran; numerous state and national qualifiers; coached NFL and TOC champions; NFL Double-Diamond; Key Coach of the Barkley Forum; cofounder of Iowa's Lincoln-Douglas Summer Debate Institute; Blue and Gold Society.

REILLY DUNN, Graduate of Enloe High School; Champion debater; participated in late elimination rounds of every major high school tournament; 3 years at the Iowa Institute.

SETH HALVORSON, B.A., Macalester College; M.A., Stanford University; Ph.D. Candidate, Columbia University; former championship debater for Apple Valley High School; veteran lab leader at the Iowa Institute.

MAC HAWKINS, Graduate, Loyola University, New Orleans; NCFL National Champion; TOC qualifier; participant in late elimination rounds of every national tournament; assistant coach, Isidore Newman School; coached students to late elimination rounds of every major tournament and state champions.

REN JOHANNSEN, Sophomore, Grinnell College; former championship debater for Muscogine High School; 3 year participant at the Iowa Institute; late elimination debates at every major national tournament; champion foreign extemp; member of the inaugural class of The Senior Philosophers Program.

NADIR JOSHI, B.A., Rutgers University, with honors; former debater Science High School, Newark, NJ; 2nd Stanford Round Robin; semi-finalist Harvard; semi-finals TOC; participant in late elimination rounds of every national tournament; two time NFL National qualifier.

KANDI KING, Director of Debate, Winston Churchill High School; B.A., Incarnate Word College; former Texas Speech Teacher of the Year; State Officer of Texas Forensic Association for past 14 years and past President; charter member of the Iowa Summer Debate Institute; member of the National Forensic League Executive Council.
CHERIAN KOSHY, Director of Lincoln-Douglas Debate. Apple Valley High School; NFL Diamond Coach; former champion high school debater; coached students to late elimination rounds of every national tournament including National Champions.


LYNSEY MORRIS, Carl Albert Doctoral Fellow in Congressional Politics, University of Oklahoma, B.A., Berry College; American Political Science Association Congressional Fellow, 2002; Intern for then-Senate Majority Leader Thomas Daschle, 1995; Georgia State Collegiate Champion in Parliamentary Debate, 1996; Extemporaneous Speaking, 1997; Rhetorical Criticism, 1998; Student Government President, Berry College, 1998-99; former champion debater at Homewood High School; veteran Iowa Institute staff.

KELSEY OLSON, Sophomore, Baylor University; former Champion debater at Apple Valley High School; Winner of St. Mark’s, Bronx, Valley, Hopkins, MBA Round Robin; semi-finalist at Greenhill and Emory; Finalist at TOC; top 10 finish at the NFL National Tournament.

BRYCE PASHLER, Assistant Lincoln-Douglas Debate coach, West Des Moines Valley High School; former debater, Valley High School; third place, NFL National; two-time Iowa State Champion; Winner William Brandstrom Freshman Prize (University of Michigan); coach of 1996 TOC Champion; coach of 1996 MBA Round Robin Winner.

R. J. PELLICCIOTTA, Director of LD Debate, South Mecklenburg High School; A.B., UNC-Chapel Hill; coached numerous qualifiers to TOC and NFL Nationals; coached students to the late elimination rounds of every national tournament; coached North Carolina State Champion.

BOBBY VANCE, Sophomore, University of Pennsylvania; former champion debater at Isidore Newman; participated in late elimination rounds of every major national tournament; recipient of the Emerson Prize and the Cider Lehman Institute of American History Award; former Iowa Institute participant.

WILLIE WARREN, Debate coach at Homewood High School; former champion debater at Vestavia Hills High School; 2-time national qualifier; late elimination rounds at major high school tournaments; former debater for Stanford University.

CYNTHY WOODHOUSE, B.A., University of Iowa; Director of Forensics Vestavia Hills High School; former coach, Iowa City West High School; coached NFL and CFL qualifiers; former debater, Bettendorf High School; frequent participant in late elimination rounds at national tournaments.

JOHN WOOLLON, Director of Forensics, Enloe High School; A.B., Wesleyan College; M.Ed. in Social Studies, UNC at Greensboro; Ed.D. in International Studies; certificate in Curriculum and Instruction and Social Sciences Education; NFL Double Diamond; Key Coach of the Barkley Forum; 100 students to NFL Nationals; Barkley Forum champion; state champions in extemporaneous, oratory, HI/ DI, LD; semi-finalist at NFL Nationals.

DANIEL YAVERBAUM, B.A., philosophy and physics, magna cum laude, Amherst; coached National Champions at Isidore Newman; former successful high school debater; runner of marathons.

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Now Iowa provides several lecture alternatives that expose students to Lincoln-Douglas philosophy from numerous perspectives. Some lectures are designed for the entire institute, but most address the specific experience level of the individual student: theory and philosophy lectures which are more general for debaters with less experience, more advanced philosophy and strategy lectures for debaters with more experience. Students who have not attended workshops in the past may have lectures on rights and general theories of morality and justice in addition to the lectures on the commonly used philosophers like Mill, Locke, Rawls, etc. Debaters with Institute experience (both at Iowa and at other workshops) are more likely to hear lectures on advance theory and on alternative philosophies, like existentialists or Fourcift.

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COACHES WHO WILL BE MISSED

Jennifer Bradley

ABINGDON, VA — Jennifer Bradley, passed away Wednesday, January 29, 2003 at Bristol Regional Medical Center.

Bradley, known for her work in Abingdon High School's humanities department for the past 30 years, was remembered by colleagues and former students for the time she invested in others and the impact she had on their lives.

"Jennifer led Abingdon to ten consecutive Virginia High School League cups in forensics," Berkley Clear, former principal at Abingdon High and current director of academic operations for the county school system said. "I'm devastated at the news. This is a great loss. Bradley was one of the best teachers in the state in working with students in the arts."

Alan Lee, county schools' superintendent, said she was one of the most respected people he ever knew.

"I've known Jennifer for only a few short years, but she's one of the most outstanding teachers I have met," Lee said. "I judge her on the impact she had on her students. She was adored and revered by those students."

School Board Chairwoman Elizabeth Lowe said Bradley had found ways to teach and motivate all students. "Jennifer Bradley was an outstanding educator and one who touched kids lives in life-altering ways," she said. "She will be greatly missed. She left a lifetime of change in kids' lives."

Ruth Whitticar


Mrs. Whitticar was one of the greatest coaches in Eastern Ohio NFL District history. She coated at Sandy Valley, GlenOak and Central Catholic.

Sister of Hall of Fame coach Rev. John Miday, Ruth also shaped the lives of students, leaving such an impression that past students would show up at her back door for a visit decades later.

Louie Mattachione, retired coach at Perry High School said, "Ruth was the coach who sponsored me as a 'greenie' coach in my first year in 1961 at Perry to get our credentials started for our NFL Charter. Many coaches around the country will remember Ruth Whitticar as a true champion of Speech and Debate."

Steve Kirkpatrick

ELKHART, IN — On Thursday, February 20, 2003, Steve Kirkpatrick lost his battle with cancer. Steve had been a speech coach at Concord High School in Elkhart, (IN) since he was hired there in the fall of 1975. His areas of specialty included oratory, poetry, and prose. Steve assisted the Concord speech/debate program through four different head coaches, all the way promoting the activity with the school administration, board, and anyone else who would listen. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Eleanor E. Wright

YORKTOWN, VA — It is with deep sorrow that the Washington Arlington Catholic Forensic League announces the passing of Eleanor E. Wright. The President Emeritus of the WACFL, and past president of both WACFL and the National Catholic Forensic League. Eleanor died February 8, 2003, after attending a WACFL Student Congress tournament.

Doctors believe that Eleanor suffered from a massive stroke. She collapsed at the tournament and was taken immediately to the hospital.

Roland F. Burdett writes, "We all express our deepest sympathy to Eleanor's brother, William, many friends and colleagues in the Arlington, Washington Dioceses, and from across the country in the NCFL, golfing friends in the Women's League at Oak Marr Golf Park and her colleagues at Yorktown High School. Eleanor was the selfless organizer enabling the NCFL, WACFL, and the coaches to do their best for their students. She worked behind the scenes most of the time. Her joy was in setting things up, seeing things run smoothly, and getting all the details ironed out so that everyone else could have a great weekend, a great event, and a grand time. We in the WACFL, and the NCFL are indeed blessed that she shared her life and talents with all of us. Eleanor was honored in 1983 with the first Daniel S. Masterson, Jr. Service Award for her contributions to the WACFL; for her positive influence on the students at her school, as well as on students of other schools. Eleanor lived in the Northern Virginia area all her life and graduated from James Madison University. She attended Florida State University where she received her Master's Degree, but returned to the Northern Virginia area to begin her career at Yorktown High School in Arlington. Eleanor was the librarian at Yorktown High School for 35 years. She had been the debate and speech coach at Yorktown for most of those years. She served as President of the WACFL from 1978 until 1999, and as President Emeritus since then. She served in various capacities with the National Catholic Forensic League and was President from 1988 to 1990. She was proud to have attended 50 NCFL Grand National Tournaments. She had retired from Yorktown in June of 2000 and was thoroughly enjoying her retirement, but she never retired from her speech and debate activities.

Luther Franklin Sharp

COLUMBIA, MD — Luther Franklin Sharp, 67, a retired high school social studies and humanities teacher, died of a heart attack Wednesday, February 19, 2003 after shoveling snow at his Columbia home.

Mr. Sharp taught world history and philosophy for 35 years at Catoctinville High School (MD), where he also founded and coached the school's speech and debate team. He retired six years ago, then returned as a part-time teacher in advanced placement European history for three years.

"Frank had a Southern gentility and was highly intellectual, and was very good at relating to adolescents," said Beverly Hickman, Catoctinville assistant principal and former social studies department chairwoman. "He nurtured many excellent student debaters who went to national tournaments and prestigious colleges. He mentored young teachers, too. He shared his knowledge and expertise with his colleagues."

"He was a superb teacher and intellect," said Walter M. Snyder, retired Baltimore County Schools Personnel Director and friend. "His home was filled with hundred and hundreds of books, which he never discarded. He felt he might need to reread them one day."

A memorial service was held Saturday, February 22.
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When Carl Grecco graduated from the University of Scranton, he did not plan to become a debate and forensic coach. But, as Grecco puts it, "forensics chose him."

In 1962, the debate and forensic coach at Woodrow Wilson, later called Harry S. Truman, took Grecco and the principal asked Grecco, still a newcomer to the faculty, to step in and coach the team. "And I never gave it back," Grecco said.

Grecco had experience with the debate program. He competed in cross-examination (CX) in high school. During his college years at the University of Scranton, he developed an oratory concert, which Grecco won his junior and senior years.

When Grecco took over, the Wilson team was solely focused on CX. Today, Truman’s team has shifted, becoming predominately a speech team.

As part of his recruitment for the team, Grecco pressured the middle schools in the district explaining the debate and forensic program to eight grade students. "I liked that he took the time to come explain [the program] to us," Jackie Trick, ‘98, said of her first meeting with Grecco.

Steve Schuster, ‘68, said, "Carl always treated us as intelligent young adults, rather than students to be talked down to."

Currently, the Truman debate and forensic team boasts 200 degrees per year, the largest chapter in the Valley Forge District. Grecco is working on his sixth diamond, and has seen eight state champions and countless students succeed at state and national levels. The debate program has also aided students in their future careers.

"My success in debate has translated into success in other aspects of my life and has also helped to shape my future goals," Collin Imhoff, ‘01, said.

Traci Butterfield, ‘98, said: "If Grecco hadn’t pushed me to keep going, I would’ve given up on debate in the very beginning. butterfield said she was glad she didn’t add, “Overcoming that fear of public speaking has had an impact on my employment.”

Dr. Eric Kline, ‘73, who helped raise money for the program at Truman, said, "Joining the debate team and working with Grecco was the single most important thing I have ever done."

During his coaching career, Grecco has forged a bond with the students he coached. Nishant Choksi, ‘98, said, "Over the past eight years he has turned from a coach to a close friend, who I can always count on for advice."

I really thought of him as a father figure for a while," Chris Scott, ‘97, said. "He helped straighten me out and become more mature."

Shawn Eliason, ‘94, said, "There are few people I respect and admire more than Grecco."

Although he retired from teaching in 1998, Grecco stayed on to coach the team.

"I like the continued contact with students. It keeps me young and keeps the program going," he said.

His students are grateful that he did not retire from coaching. John Wheat, ‘02, said, "Debate [at Truman] will be lost without him."

Submitted by Kathleen Pasek, who was a member of Carl Grecco’s debate and forensic program from 1994-1998 and a student of Carl’s Advance Placement United States History Class during her junior year at Truman. Kathleen graduated in May 2002 with a BA in Journalism from Susquehanna University.

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The best introductions always reflect a quest for greatness. Some reflect the great thinkers (Shakespeare, Newton, T’ai Ch’i Lun, Aristotle, or even a Paul Kennedy). Some reflect great ideas, others great stories. Some of the best introductions are anecdotes, occasionally a simple joke. But greatness is not determined by when they were written. Greatness for an extemporaneous speaker lies in the critics’ reaction.

Should we allow “canned” or prewritten introductions? Yes, absolutely. Education is not a time-limited function. Learning doesn’t suddenly begin thirty minutes before you are scheduled to speak. So long as the student played an important role in writing the introduction I applaud whatever she does to write it, learn it, and make it better. Greatness does not stem from a thirty minute preparation period; it stems from months or years of learning and practice and willingness to keep at an incredibly grueling event.

So let students write their introductions. Then do your coaching duty and critique them, have them rewrite, and rewrite yet again. Have them use their ballots and talk to their judges to make their introductions even better.

And when you judge reject the idea that you should sniff out and punish those whose introductions are prewritten. Instead sniff out and reward those whose introductions tie well to their topic. Give good feedback to those whose introductions are so well written that they serve as little bits of joy to those rounds where most speakers begin their speeches with fluff or the thin results of a hurried search...because they only had thirty minutes to prepare everything. And try to stifle your sighs as you sit through the rest of the speeches.

(William H. Bennett has coached four national champions in extemporaneous speaking. He is chairperson of the CDA National Institute, which has produced fourteen high school and four college national champions in extemporaneous speaking in the last two decades. He can be reached via email at Bennett@cdaia.org.)

(Mendelsohn continued from page 39) the audience at Nationals. She was funny, she was sincere, and she was passionate. But above all, she was real. Her comedy wasn’t so jerky that she looked as she might lapse into an epileptic seizure at any moment. Her stories didn’t make the audience want to hang themselves, and her topic was neither outlandish nor insignificant. Most crucially, her ideas were intellectually sound and supported by evidence. As in most oratories, there is a deceptively simple solution. The NFL Manual says that orators are not required to solve a problem, but should, “discuss it intelligently, with some degree of originality, in an intelligent manner, with some profit to the audience.” We profit from stimulating ideas. Orators need to be written by high school students and critiqued by their coaches for worthwhile subjects, sound logic, thorough and current research, and precise and meaningful use of language.

Oratory is supposed to be a forum for the expression of ideas; ideally, oratory challenges the listeners to examine the way they live and think. My coach once told me that, in her sixteen years of coaching, she has only heard a handful of orators that made her want to change, or at least think about changing, the way she lives. In its essence, that is what oratory is about. Moving people. Enlightening people. Touching people. Making people reexamine their beliefs. The ability to do that is rare. The opportunity is remarkable. The fact that it is wasted is incomprehensible.

Both the coaches and competitors in original oratory must take steps to save their event from a dismal fate that currently seems inevitable. As Gary Green, former forensic competitor and current student at Yale stated, “original oratory has truly become deplorable.”

(Kim Mendelsohn is a freshman at SUNY Binghamton. She graduated from Nova HS. She was a two-time State Champion. Qualifier to NFL and CFL Nationals and participated in numerous elimination rounds at national tournaments.)

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The Berkeley Mentors lab offers students the unique chance to be mentored by some of the finest college coaches and debaters in the nation. This two week program, now entering its fifth year, focuses on topic analysis, theory, strategic decision making in the debate round, kritiks, and in-depth research at one of the finest libraries in the nation. This exciting lab will be led by Dave Arnett and Sarah Holbrook. Dave Arnett is one of the most successful NDT coaches of recent years. In his five years heading the Berkeley program his teams have come to dominate the competition. They have won Wake Forest, Northwestern, Pepperdine, UNI, and Fullerton, and have been in finals of Kentucky as well as clearing to late out rounds just about everywhere else. As a collegiate debater he cleared to finals at Wake, UNI, USC, Redlands, and quarters at the NDT, Kentucky and Harvard. Dave has been instructing high school debaters at camp for nearly ten years. Co-directing the lab with Dave will be Sarah Holbrook, of the State University of West Georgia. She was the 2000 AND 2001 CEDA nationals champion, she has been in late elimination rounds of many of the tournaments she attended. Sarah has won numerous speaker awards, including first at the South Carolina Round Robin. She is also one of only a small number of debaters ever to qualify for three consecutive first round at large bids to the NDT.

Mentors will also have access to the other staff at the CNDI camp. Initially confirmed staff include: Judy Butler, a veteran of over 40 camps; Jen Johnson, one of the highest rated instructors at the Stanford debate camp and director of the Bay Area Urban Debate League; and Robert Thomas, the California National Debate Institute director and one of the most experienced instructors in the nation. The Mentors lab is open only to very advanced debaters. This highly selective program will accept very few individuals to participate in the lab. If you would like to apply, please fill out and return the application below by April 15th. Successful applicants will be announced no later than May 1.

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2001-2002 Win-Loss Record: Past Camp Experience:

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In the coming months, we encourage you to frequently visit the Georgia Nationals website for information updates.

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The Nationals Neighborhood

Week long contest events will take place on the Georgia State University campus, located in the heart of downtown Atlanta. The Georgia State Capitol is two blocks south of campus, the King Center five blocks northeast of campus, and all the contracted hotels are within four blocks north of the campus venues. Atlanta's subway system, MARTA, makes it possible to travel almost door-to-door between the airport, hotels, campus, and final day events.

We are using hotels located in the heart of the city's convention district—a full range of restaurants and shopping opportunities are within walking distance. For instance, within two blocks of the convention hotels are more than 30 restaurants, ranging in price and quality. Half a block away is the renowned City Grill, a four-star restaurant which serves Atlanta's downtown professionals. Nearby, are fast and cheap Chinese, Middle Eastern, Italian, and sandwich shops.

Half a block off Peachtree at Peachtree Center Avenue and International Boulevard is Hsu's, featuring Chinese artifacts, subtle lighting, polished service, and a kitchen that delivers excellent specials, including such novelties as soft-shell crab in black bean sauce and Szechuan beans in spicy pork. Morton's of Chicago, the well known chain restaurant, is also nearby, and serves a good mound of meat. Morton's is on Peachtree Center Avenue, on the ground level of the Marquis Tower One. For an excellent breakfast for more pennies, or decent deli sandwiches, visitors often seek out Jack's Sandwich Shop in the 230 Peachtree Tower Building. With subline cheese grits, fine eggs and bacon, bagels and toast, and a good juice selection, Jack's is a penny-pinching treasure.

Underground Atlanta is a retail and restaurant complex next door to the GSU campus, and features restaurants of all varieties: Leonardo's (an Italian restaurant), a full Food Court with more than 20 fast food outlets (including good BBQ), Johnny Rockets, Mek's, and the infamous Hoehers.

The city's main nightlife is centered in Buckhead, several miles north of the convention neighborhood, but easily accessible by car or cab.

In coming issues we'll provide more extensive specific information about regional attractions, including June schedules for everything from baseball to the symphony to the local theater scene, and information about regional attractions and sites of interest to history buffs.

Tuner Stadium, home of the Atlanta Braves, is five minutes south of GSU; Symphony Hall is ten minutes north.

If you haven't yet enjoyed the opportunity to visit or spend time in the capitol of the South, then you're in for a treat this June!
For Schools on a Tight Budget

Our host committees understand that a week-long stay in a major urban area can pose a real financial burden, and for programs facing severe financial constraints we have some good news about the Georgia Nationals. Negotiating with Atlanta’s premier hotel properties, we have secured great rates across the board — for example, the rates at the Hyatt, Sheraton, and Marriott Marquis are all negotiated lower even than the rate today paid by the federal government, and these are premier convention properties.

For schools on an especially tight budget, we want to make you aware of two ways to save additional money:

- **On-campus housing options.** We are making available at a lower cost than the major hotel properties some opportunities for on-campus housing. For specific information on this, visit the [www.GeorgiaNationalewebsite](http://www.GeorgiaNationalewebsite). These venues are especially economical for large programs willing to squeeze students into apartment-style suites.
- **Nationals without a rental car?** The MARTA subway train comes right into the Hartsfield Airport terminal, and brings you directly north to the convention hotel properties. Once at your hotel you can take MARTA back and forth to the campus, and restaurants are available within walking distance, or a short cab ride. While this option will seem less attractive to schools who have qualified students needing to carry extensive extracurricular debate files, these files can be stored on a nightly basis in locked GSU classrooms. Beyond the savings from renting a vehicle you will also save in daily parking fees which can obviously add up.

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Getting Around Atlanta

Atlanta is the transportation hub of the southeast, so getting there is no problem whether you decide to fly, drive, or take the train. If you fly, you'll arrive at Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport, one of the easiest airports to use in the world. Taxis, rental car companies, and Atlanta's rapid rail system, MARTA, connect the airport with downtown, a short seven miles away. If you drive, you will most likely enter the city on one of the three interstate highways that converge in Atlanta: I-75, I-85, or I-20. These are linked by a 63-mile perimeter road, I-285, that circles the city.

Parking in Atlanta is easy to find and relatively inexpensive. Even if you park in the city's pay lots, you will likely not pay more than $8 per day. Most of the hotels we are contracted with require payment for parking—the specific charges per property are detailed in the hotel section of this insert. Tournament participants will be able to purchase low cost come-and-go parking passes which will enable parking in the Georgia State University parking decks.

GETTING AROUND BY CAR

Driving into Atlanta, visitors will most likely arrive by interstate: I-75 or I-85 from the north or south; I-20 from the east or west. These three routes converge on Atlanta like the spokes of a wheel, connected by the interstate perimeter that is I-285.

Any one of the three interstate routes takes you directly into and through the heart of the city. The perimeter essentially makes a big loop through Atlanta's sprawling suburban outskirts. The tournament sites are located right at the heart of the city, and are easily marked by exit signs off that portion of the interstate where I-75 and I-85 run together, a stretch of highway known by locals as "The Connector."

Interstate 285 encircles Atlanta. Sixty-three miles in circumference, it is known as the "perimeter." I-75, I-85, and Georgia Highway 400 divide the rough circle created by the perimeter into six pie-shaped sections.

Georgia Highway 400, the only toll road in Georgia, starts at I-85 in northeast Atlanta and heads north in a straight line to a point just south of Dahlonega. While this is not an interstate highway, it has all the characteristics of one: six high-speed lanes, interstate-type signage, and high-speed entrance and exit ramps.

GETTING FROM THE AIRPORT TO HOTELS

There are many options for transport from Hartsfield to the downtown hotels, all either reasonably priced or free.

The Airport Train. One of America's best urban transportation tricks is the MARTA train from the Atlanta airport to downtown. Travelers who have discovered it love it. The airport entrance to the train platform is near the baggage claim. It's adequately marked when you reach the claim area. From there, for $1.75, you can quickly reach any place on the rail system map. The Peachtree Center MARTA station (the station nearest the hotels, one stop north of the downtown station, and the only one in the downtown area and along the Peachtree Street corridor) is within a walking distance of a MARTA station, and this is true of almost all the Nationals hotel properties (in fact the only exception is the Holiday Inn, which is located next to Turner Field).

Hotel Shuttles. Some 42 hotels offer shuttle service to and from Hartsfield. Those properties with shuttle service meet passengers at curbside outside the baggage claim area and transport them to their hotel. Generally, hotels in the airport area provide free service, but some of the downtown hotels charge for it.

Taxis. Taxis are easy to find at the west side of the airport near baggage claim. The bullpen holds 315 cabs. During busy times many drivers are waiting their turn. Ten or so line up by the dispatcher's booth on the sidewalk at any time. The dispatcher is an employee of the city aviation department and is charged with keeping the taxi traffic flowing smoothly. Taxi fare from the airport to downtown is $15, but that amount may go up by June.
The Stanford National Forensic Institute offers unique national caliber programs conducted by the Stanford Debate Society of Stanford University, a registered student organization of the Associated Students of Stanford University.

The Three Week Program: The Three Week curriculum balances improving students' debate technique through expertly critiqued practice rounds, with an in-depth discussion of debate theory and the topic for the year. Students will work with each other and the faculty on research and argument construction to create a rich set of evidence available to all SNFI students. Students may also apply to the Swing Lab, a special program within the larger Three Week session. The Swing Lab program is designed to provide a continuation of participants' prior camp experience with an advanced peer group and the finest instructors. To be eligible to apply students must have previously attended at least one previous debate institute during the summer of 2003.

The Four Week Program: The Four Week Program is fully integrated with the Three Week Program, but adds an additional week, which focuses primarily on technique and practice rounds. Students are guaranteed to get 16 fully critiqued practice rounds in the final week, which effectively means that participants will have the equivalent of a semester or more of experience by the start of the school year. Four Week students are welcome to apply to the Swing Lab for the first three weeks of the camp.

Faculty: The SNFI faculty is composed of current and former competitors and coaches from successful programs all over the country. Initially confirmed staff for summer of 2003 include:

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Matt Fraser, SNFI Program Director - Stanford Debate Society
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The Swing Lab curriculum focuses on Expertly critiqued Debates. Swing Lab scholars will participate in a rigorous series of at least a dozen practice debates beginning on the second day of the camp, with an emphasis on stop-and-go and rebuttal rework debates. The Swing Lab program provides intensive instruction in Research, Argument Construction, and Advanced Technique. The kernels of arguments which are produced by other institutes will be used as a starting point. These arguments will be used by program participants to construct detailed positions which will include second and third level extension blocks, new cases, disadvantages, kritiks, counterplans, and in-depth case negatives. Scholars will be immersed in Advanced Theory through seminars that offer unique and rival views on a variety of issues including flat, competition, intrinsicism, permutations, kritiks, presumption, extra-logicality, the nature of policy topics, and many other issues from the cutting edge of current theoretical discourse.

Students will have access to a wide variety of Outstanding Faculty. The Swing Lab will be directed by Jon Sharp and Sarah Hollerok. As a debater, Jon and his partner won the West Georgia and Harvard tournaments, and the Dartmouth Round Robin. As a coach, Jon has qualified teams for the NDT every year; while assistant coach at West Georgia, the squad appeared in the finals of CEDA Nationals an unprecedented three times running. Jon has also been named three times to the student-selected panel of "Critics Of The Year." Presently, Jon is an assistant coach and doctoral student at the University of California. Sarah debated at the State University of West Georgia, where she was the 2000 AND 2001 CEDA nationals champion, she has been in late elimination rounds of many of the tournaments she attended. She is also one of only a small number of debaters ever to qualify for three consecutive first round at large bids to the NDT.

Admissions to the Swing Lab are selective and solely at the discretion of the program directors.

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Atlanta is one of the nation's busiest convention cities, and the going rate for the major high property hotels is considerably higher than we've been able to negotiate. We're pleased that no large-block hotel we're using will be charging guests more than $99 per night, which is much lower even than the rate granted the federal government.

Where Should I Stay?

We strongly encourage you to stay in one of the contract properties for which information is provided in this insert. Every hotel of reasonable quality within a ten minute radius of the Georgia State University campus is under Nationals contract. Staying in these properties puts you in some of Atlanta's premier hotels, and also importantly will assure that you avoid the regular traffic mess typical of downtown. Staying at a property even ten miles away may oblige you to back and forth commutes exceeding an hour each way.

All but one of the contracted properties have set aside considerable blocks of double/double rooms, and some king rooms, for tournament participants. The exception is the Embassy Suites, located at the Olympic Centennial Park, where our block only includes 20 suites, to accommodate attendees who expressed a specific interest in staying there. All contract properties will ask you to pay at $2.00 per room per night rebate which helps underwrite the running of the Nationals.

Nearly all the major downtown hotels have leased their parking lots out to private venders, which means hotel guests usually pay overnight parking charges as high as $30 per night. In many cases we were able to successfully negotiate these parking charges down or completely away. Parking charge information is provided here so that you can budget for it. Since these daily fees can add up, if the choice is between bringing multiple cars or renting one minivan, you will save considerably on parking charges by doing the latter. Whenever you stay in the city of Atlanta, hotel stays are subject to a 14% tax.

The University is making available some limited apartment-style housing, which would be economical for schools bringing large groups, where students don't mind cramming into suites. Visit the www.GeorgiaNationals.org website for specific information about this alternative.

Many Student Congress events will be held at the Holiday Inn Atlanta Capital Plaza, and so we recommend that Congress participants plan to stay in that property as a first choice.

The following pages provide specific information about Nationals properties which supplements the overview data in the box shown on the next pages. Flat rates were negotiated for all hotels, and will not vary as a function of the number of people in each room.

Advanced Booking

Please remember that when you book your rooms, it is NFL policy that you provide a two night non-refundable deposit for each room or suite booked. This means non-refundable. You will be asked to send cash, check, or money order immediately to hold your rooms. If the money does not arrive in a timely fashion your rooms will be canceled and sold to others. Should you choose to use a credit card, the hotel will enforce NFL policy and hold your card immediately for the two night non-refundable deposit. If you book rooms, you will see charges on your credit card statement prior to Nationals.

NFL wishes to eliminate 'speculative' booking ("I will reserve rooms now in case we qualify") and double booking ("I will book two places and when I arrive choose the one I like and cancel the other"). If a coach chooses to book excess rooms on several properties, s/he will pay a two night non-refundable deposit for each room they book, even if canceled later.
Information About Specific Nationals Properties

Here is more detailed information about our contracted hotels. Each offers the amenities standard for comparable properties in its chain, and all are of high quality, regularly used by the biggest conventions coming through the city. Nearly all are within a mile of the campus (the Embassy Suites and Holiday Inn are both roughly 2 miles away but accessible by city streets which avoid interstate traffic tie-ups), and all are near to the King Center where Friday final contest rounds will occur.

Hyatt Regency Atlanta. The flagship property of the Georgia Nationals, the Hyatt Regency is also the location for Thursday evening Final Round contest events (to be held in the Hyatt Grand Hall). The Hyatt Regency adjoins the Peachtree Center complex, which includes an indoor connection to the Peachtree Center MARTA public rail center. Built around one of the most spectacular hotel atriums in North America (it was the first contemporary atrium hotel built in the world), the hotel features a range of restaurant options, a gift shop, a fully equipped business center, complete 24-hour concierge service, and access to world class fitness facilities. Cribs are available at the front door around the clock. The property was completely renovated and expanded in 1996. Glass elevators will take you and your students to Polaris, Atlanta's landmark revolving rooftop restaurant under the hotel's famous blue dome. Located at 255 Peachtree Street, rooms are available in double-double and king configurations, all at a $93 flat rate. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-233-1224 or 404-677-1234. The hotel fax number is 404-677-1133. The group contract name is National Forensic League. The block closes on May 13, 2003. The Hyatt is attached to a major parking facility which charges $19 for overnight parking (less for daily hourly parking). The property web address is http://atlantaregency.hyatt.com/property/index.jhtml. Should you have questions regarding your reservation, the sales manager for the NFL contract is Nicole Allan, available at 404-588-4065.

Atlanta Marriott Marquis. The Marriott Marquis, designed by John Portman, is among the city's most visible skyline hotels on account of its 50-story atrium and the panoramic view of the city it provides. A Mobil Travel Guide 3-star hotel, the Marquis features on-site restaurants (the Marquis Steakhouse, Allie's, Champions, and others), 24-hour room service, a gift shop and newsstand, and business center service. The hotel also includes both indoor and outdoor swimming pools and health club access. Guest rooms include work desks with lamps and data ports.

Located at 265 Peachtree Center Avenue, rooms are available in double-double and king configurations, all at $93 flat rate. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-228-9299 or 404-521-0000. The hotel fax number is 404-586-6299. The group contract name is National Forensic League National Championships. The block closes on May 13, 2003. The Marquis is attached to a major parking facility which charges $19 for overnight parking (less for daily hourly parking). The property web address is http://www.marriott.com. Should you have questions regarding your reservation, the sales manager for the NFL contract is Lee Castagna, available at 404-586-6191.

Sheraton Atlanta Hotel. The Sheraton Atlanta is a deluxe hotel, the closest property to the Georgia State University campus. Its recent renovation has won design awards, and part of the hotel surrounds a spectacular Savannah-style atrium pool with retractable roof, sided by a whirlpool and great city views. Guest rooms include all the amenities you would expect from a high-end Sheraton, including in-room data ports. Hotel conference and restaurant spaces are among the most impressive in the city, and also benefited from the recent total renovation.

Located at 165 Courtland Avenue, rooms are available in double-double and king configurations, all at $93 flat rate. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-833-8624. The hotel fax number is 404-524-1229. The group contract name is National Forensic League – Forensics. The block closes on May 16, 2003. The Sheraton is attached to a major parking facility which charges $12 for overnight parking (less for daily hourly parking). The property web address is http://www.starwood.com/sheraton. Should you have questions regarding your reservation, the sales manager for the NFL contract is Andrea Chereda, available at 404-586-3389.
held June 22-27, 2003 on the campus of Western Kentucky University located in Bowling Green, Kentucky, the WKU Summer Forensic Institute is an excellent educational choice, both for students wishing to cement their understanding of the fundamentals of competitive public speaking and also for those seeking to advance their performances to a higher level.

Costs for the institute are kept at a minimum: $300 for in-state students and $600 for out-of-state students. This fee includes room, board and all instruction for the week.

The approach of the WKU camp combines structure with a relaxed, comfortable atmosphere that strikes a balance between educational and competitive interests while allowing students to learn at their own pace. Attendance is intentionally restricted in order to insure a focus on individual instruction.
the wku institute offers personalized, intensive study in four major areas:

- debate: policy and lincoln-douglas
- interpretation: dramatic, humorous and improv duo; poetry, prose and solo acting
- limited preparation: extemp and impromptu speaking
- public speaking: original oratory

our staff is comprised of a broad range of experienced instructors, including former coaches and competitors from bradley university, illinois state university, the university of texas at austin, reitz high school and brentwood academy; national collegiate champions and finalists in i-d, extemp and impromptu; former nfl champions and finalists in addition to current members of the WKU squad.

the deadline for application is june 1, 2003. visit our website at:
www.wku.edu/forensics
for more information and an application.

or, you may contact Judy Woodring directly:
Judy.Woodring@wku.edu
1.270.745.6340.
Summary Information Regarding Hotels Under Contract for the Georgia Nationals

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Holiday Inn Atlanta – Capitol Plaza. The featured hotel for Student Congress participants, the ballrooms and meeting spaces of the Capitol Plaza Holiday Inn will be used for a number of important Congress events. Congress students will appreciate the incredible $20 million renovation, completed just two years ago, which has created lovely meeting areas. The hotel has been an Atlanta landmark for many years, and just became a Holiday Inn this past summer. Rooms have undergone a total furniture and interior access makeover. The hotel is right next door to the Ted Turner baseball stadium, home of the Atlanta Braves, and north side windows have an incredible view of the State Capitol dome and Georgia State University, just a few miles north of the hotel. The Holiday Inn may be the most secure hotel property in Atlanta, since by virtue of its physical location it is walled on several sides. The hotel has full service restaurant and room service options.

Located at 450 Capitol Avenue, rooms are available in double-double and king configuration, all at a $79 flat rate. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-589-7952. The group contract name is National Forensic League. The block closes on May 13, 2003. The Holiday Inn is attached to a parking facility which is charging tournament guests only $3 for overnight parking. The property web address is http://www.atlantacapitolplaza.com. Should you have questions regarding your reservation, the sales manager for the NFL contract is Darrell Russell, available at 404-591-2015.

Marriott Courtyard. Standard, high quality Marriott property, located close to Georgia State University. To achieve a discounted rate for this downtown hotel, we negotiated a rate that does not include breakfast. The Courtyard does not charge any parking fee for hotel guests. Amenities include a business center and swimming pool.

Located at 175 Piedmont Avenue, rooms are available in double-double and king configuration, all at an $81 flat rate. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-321-2211. The group contract name is Georgia Nationals. The block closes on May 1, 2003. Should you have questions regarding your reservation, the sales manager for the NFL contract is Yuanne Sapp, available at 404-659-7777.

Fairfield Inn. A recently renovated property attached to the Courtyard, and at the same 175 Piedmont Avenue address, the Fairfield is an inexpensive but convenient hotel for Nationals participants. As with the Courtyard, parking is also free at the Fairfield. The Fairfield rate includes a daily continental breakfast. Rooms are available in double-double and king configuration, all at a $71 flat rate. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-228-2800. The group contract name is Georgia Nationals. The block closes on May 1, 2003. Should you have questions regarding your reservation, the sales manager for the NFL contract is Yuanne Sapp, available at 404-659-7777.

Days Inn Atlanta. A recently renovated high-rise, complete with restaurant and fitness center amenities, the Days Inn is also within a mile of Georgia State University, and is one of the most affordable properties under contract. The parking rate for Nationals attendees has been discounted to $10 per day, with cheaper charges available for come-and-go hourly traffic. The hotel is right in the middle of the main convention thoroughfares, and is close to a MARTA station. Room service and business center services are all available.

Located at 304 Spring Street, rooms are available in double-double and king configuration, all at a $69 flat rate. Reservations can be made by calling 1-404-523-1144. The group contract name is NST. The block closes on May 14, 2003. Should you have questions regarding your reservation, the sales manager for the NFL contract is Benny Benson, available at 404-404-523-1144.
**Super 8 Downtown.** A lovely downtown high-rise, complete with restaurant and fitness center amenities, the Super 8 is close to Georgia State University and is also among the most affordable properties under contract. The hotel is right in the middle of the major convention thoroughfares, and is close to a MARTA station. Room service and business center services are available.

Located at 111 Cone Street, rooms are available in double-double and king configuration, all at a $60 flat rate. Reservations can be made by calling 1-404-524-7000. The group contract name is Georgia Nationals. The block closes on May 13, 2003. Should you have questions regarding your reservation, the sales manager for the NFL contract is Debbie Williams, available at 404-524-7000.

**Embassy Suites Atlanta — Centennial Olympic Park.** Located right next door to CNN World Headquarters, the Georgia Dome, and Philips Arena, and overlooking the Centennial Olympic Park, the Embassy Suites are located only two miles from the Georgia State University campus. The Suites feature all the high quality amenities of Embassy Suite properties nationwide, including wonderful restaurant and common area spaces, roomy suites, and access to room service and business services. Because of the limited specific demand for Embassy Suite access, our block is small — if you wish to stay here, move quickly!

Located at 201 Marietta Street, rooms are available in double-double and king suite configuration, all at a $120 flat rate. Reservations can be made by calling 1-404-223-2380 or 1-800-EMBASSY. The group contract name is Georgia Nationals. The block closes on May 15, 2003. Parking is available for an $18 overnight charge, and a $10 day rate. Should you have questions regarding your reservation, the sales manager for the NFL contract is Eric Wells, available at 678-688-0709.
April 2003

4TH ANNUAL HARKER INVITATIONAL:

On Saturday, September 27 and Sunday, September 28, Harker High School will host the 4th Annual Harker Invitational - a national debate tournament that offers Varsity and Junior Varsity Lincoln-Douglas and Varsity and Junior Varsity Policy divisions. We will also offer one division of Parliamentary Debate. This year’s topic area for Parliamentary Debate will be Mother Goose Nursery Rhymes.

Harker High School is located in San Jose, California, just 10 minutes from nearby San Jose International Airport and 35 minutes from San Francisco International. We offer a very competitive tournament, good food, and a fine set of awards, viz., speaker awards for both LD and Policy debaters, elimination round trophies, and sweepstakes (1st, 2nd, and 3rd).

We are pleased to offer the Town Suites by Marriott (next door to our campus) as our tournament hotel. A block of suites has been reserved for the tournament.

Last year's Sweepstakes Winners:
1ST PLACE: Lynbrook High School
2ND PLACE: Saratoga High School

Last year's Varsity Debate Champion:
Homestead High School

To request a formal, written invitation, please contact Matthew Brandstetter, Ed.D., Director of Forensics, (408)345-9235, or e-mail matthewb@harker.org.

Once again, we look forward to seeing you on the West Coast this fall – we will do everything we can to accommodate you and your students.
Rental Cars

Special car rental rates have been negotiated for the Georgia Nationals with National Car Rental and Alamo Rent-a-Car. The rate schedules for Atlanta are reproduced below in chart form.

For schools wishing to use National Car Rental, the rates listed assume an Atlanta Airport pickup, and cover the National Tournament week (from June 14 - 21, 2003). These rates are non-discountable and may not be used with certificates. Weekly rates are for five to seven days. Weekend rates apply Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Specialty vehicles may need to be guaranteed with a major credit card at time of booking. The rate for a vehicle class not listed on the National chart is the lowest leisure rate available at time of booking less 10%. Standard age, driver, and credit qualifications apply. Minimal rental age at most U.S. locations is 25. Rates do not include taxes, governmental or airport fees, or optional charges such as fueling services or additional driver fees, Loss Damage Waiver, Personal Accident Insurance/Personal Effects Coverage, Supplemental Liability Insurance of any other optional items or services. The 24-hour toll free reservation number for National is 1-800-227-7368. The group rate ID number is 6881085. Cars may also be reserved online at www.nationalcar.com.

Schools wishing to use Alamo Rent-a-Car, the rates listed assume the same dates and pickup constraints. Convention rates may be reserved for use one week prior to and after the tournament dates. Alamo makes no additional charge for additional drivers. They require a five-day minimum stay for weekly rates to apply, and coupons are not valid on convention rates. Similar models may be substituted, and the convention rate includes vehicles equipped with automatic transmission, AC, and radio. If you return the car to a location different than where you rented, drop off charges may apply. Fuel, taxes, and other optional items are additional. Reservations must be made twenty-four hours in advance, and those can be guaranteed. This offer is only available to renters over the age of 25. Higher rates apply to renters aged 21-24 (minimum rental age for Alamo is 21). The 24-hour toll free reservation number for Alamo is 1-800-732-3232. The group rate ID number is 3781160 RATE CODE CR.

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Tuesday and Wednesday surcharge is $5.00.

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Answering Questions

Is Parking On Campus Going to Be a Pain?

Not! The university has ample parking — the majority of GSU’s 30,000 students commute onto campus, and GSU decks and private lots ring the campus. GSU decks are well lit, safe and regularly patrolled by campus police (resorts to the decks are also available for free to anyone requesting one). To avoid early morning and mid-afternoon traffic jams at deck entrances, we will make parking passes available to tournament participants (more information on this to come, and available at the nationals website).

The venue where parking is most limited is the King Center and Ebenezer Baptist Church — their lots are free but limited, and although the Center and church are national tourist attractions, we recommend that participants carpool on Friday if possible. All the hotels have ample parking.

How Much Should I Budget Per Person Per Day?

It is always hard to provide an exact estimate, since student preferences range so widely. But restaurants are no more expensive than in any other urban area, and only slightly more expensive than you would expect to pay in the suburbs. Budget for parking expenses (many of the tournament hotels charge additional parking fees overnight, and you’ll have to pay to park on the GSU campus). As usual, concessions will be sold at the tournament site (including such items as T-shirts and prepared materials). The city subway costs $1.75 for each trip, or $3.50 for a round trip. Card charge on a zone system in the downtown area, and within zones the cost is very reasonable. If you stay in one of the contracted hotel properties, you’ll never experience any toll road charges. Parking is Free at the King Center.

What Kind of Weather Can I Expect?

The weather will be warm and slightly humid. The metro-Atlanta area has experienced a rain deficit for each of the past three summers, but that doesn’t prevent some higher-than-normal summer humidity. The weather will not be that much different than you experienced in Charlotte. The Georgia Nationals website connects to other online weather information. Should temperatures soar, bottled water will be regularly available. All tournament venues are air conditioned, and contest events will be scheduled into building clusters designed to minimize the amount of hiking students must do between rounds.

What’s the Traffic Going to Be Like?

Atlanta traffic is notoriously bad, especially on the major interstates. On major city thoroughfares rush hour runs from 6-9 AM, and from 4-7 PM. But if you stay in contracted properties, you’ll avoid all this — no need to travel on the interstates, and the hotels are only regular surface street drive away from campus. In fact, for most properties you’re no more than ten minutes away even in the worst traffic periods. If you choose to stay further out, prepare to sit in traffic.

Are There High Quality Health Care Facilities Nearby?

Yes, there are four major health care centers within ten minutes of the campus and major hotels. For instance, the city’s major hospital, Grady Memorial, is next door to campus and even shares a parking deck with GSU. 24-hour pharmacies are also available in the neighborhood.

Is the Downtown Campus Area Safe?

Yes! Georgia State University is proud to have been a part of downtown Atlanta for more than 85 years. The University's...
proactive approach to preventing crime has succeeded in minimizing criminal activity, while promoting a strong sense of awareness and safety throughout the campus.

**Campus Security.** As a university located in the heart of downtown Atlanta, Georgia State is not alone in efforts to prevent and combat crime. The downtown area boasts several agencies assigned to provide security, including the Ambassador Force, men and women who serve as the extra "eyes and ears" of the Central Business District. Georgia State University Police have strong working partnerships with these agencies.

The Ambassador Force of Downtown Atlanta, a program of the Downtown Improvement District, Inc. (DID) sponsors an affiliation of Inter-Agency Law Enforcement (ILE). Agency heads or representatives from all the law enforcement agencies whose jurisdiction is within the DID meet monthly in a coordinated effort to improve the safety of people who come downtown. The purpose of ILE is to coordinate activities and programs designed to make your experiences downtown pleasant and safe. Members of ILE include Georgia State University Police, Georgia Tech Police, MARTA Police, Atlanta Police, Federal Protective Services, Georgia Building Authority Police, Georgia World Congress Center Police, Office of the City Solicitor, Fulton County Sheriff's Department, Fulton County Police, Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Cobb County Department of Public Safety, Georgia State University's Department of Criminal Justice, United Parcel Service, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution and the Ambassador Force.

Georgia State's police department is located on the first floor of One Park Place South. The department provides a variety of services ranging from crime prevention to investigations. It's ranks include more than 82 officers certified by the Police Standards and Training Council of Georgia, as well as 22 student cadets, nine security guards, two student assistants and five supporting staff members.

At present there are more than 40 emergency call boxes located throughout the campus.

**Security on the MARTA Train System.** Virtually every regular rider feels safe and secure on the system. MARTA has 300 people in its police services division, 60 of whom are certified police officers. Four Atlanta police precincts are located in MARTA stations: Five Points, Lakewood/Fort McPherson, Indian Creek, and Doraville. Each rail station has a closed-circuit television camera system plus constant police surveillance and patrolling by uniformed and plain clothes officers. Statistics say that one in 2,401,216 passengers is likely to experience a bodily crime.
What Accommodations Are Available For Persons With Disabilities?

Hartsfield International Airport is one of the most accessible airports in the country. Well-traveled disabled individuals rate it a solid eight on a scale of ten. Jetways, carpeting, the train system, baggage retrieval, and helpful airline employees all combine to give it high marks.

All of the MARTA train system is accessible. Approximately 70% of the buses in the fixed-route fleet are lift-equipped, and as old buses are retired, the new ones arrive with the lift feature. MARTA has 77 para-transit vehicles in its fleet. Visitors must have proof of a para-transit eligibility from their home city to qualify for the service on a when-available basis. The cost of the service is $2.50 each way.

Several companies in Atlanta rent lift-equipped vans, including: Wheelchair Getaways (770) 457-9851, rates about $109 per day; Adaptive Mobility Systems (770) 662-5242, rates about $109 per day; and Access Rent-a-Van (770) 422-9674, rates about $115 per day. All three companies have special fees for weekly and monthly rentals.

The Georgia Relay Service relays calls from “Hiello!” to “Good-bye” between individuals who are deaf, hard-of-hearing, or speech-impaired and people who can hear. The service operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Phone (800) 255-0125. The Center for the Visually Impaired has compiled a list of Atlanta services targeted specifically for the visually impaired. Copies of their lists can be received by writing them at 780 Peachtree Street, NE, Atlanta, GA 30308; (404) 875-9011.

A Disability Coordinator, in what is called the Mayor’s Action Center can answer general questions about disability access in Atlanta; call (404) 350-6620. For general information about disability access in Fulton County (which contains Georgia State University and the city of Atlanta), call the Fulton County Office on Disability, (404) 750-7390. The office can provide access information for county buildings, services, and programs. The Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau, at (404) 521-6600, publishes an Access Guide to Atlanta and selected attractions in Georgia.

The Handi Hotline is an information source for wheelchair users; call (770) 998-9211.

In addition to all this, Georgia State University and all its facilities are fully accessible to any user, regardless of impairment or physical limitation. The University and its personnel will eagerly work with NHL participants to make all events and facilities accessible to all those attending.

Please stay in contact with your Georgia colleagues if you have questions—we’re eager to offer you our best Southern hospitality!
2003 SUNSHINE DEBATE INSTITUTE

The Sunshine Debate Institute is a cooperative venture between Debate Coaches at The University of Florida and The Florida State University. The camp will offer instruction in CX Debate, LD Debate and Extemporaneous Speaking. The Institute staff has over 30 years of competitive speech and debate experience as competitors, coaches and educators.

- Date: June 27 – July 10
- Cost: $985 ($400 deposit by 4/15/03)
- Location: Stetson University, Deland, Florida (close to Orlando and Daytona Beach)

Sunshine Debate Institute
C/O Frank Irizarry
426 West Lansdowne Avenue
Orange City, FL 32763

URL:
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Why the Alverno College Tournament?
• Pre-season opportunity for experienced and novice participants
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• Milwaukee is hosting the 2005 NCFL national tournament.

How do we learn more?
Call Adam Jacobi, Director of Forensics at Rufus King High School (414.247.0733 or jacobiad@mail.milwaukee.k12.wi.us), or Donna Engelmann, Alverno College faculty (414.382.3413 or donna.engelmann@alverno.edu) today for more information.

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Why The GDI?

- Incredible student-to-instructor ratio: A 6:1 ratio provides a unique opportunity for a highly individualized learning environment.
- Excellent Staff: The GDI staff is among the finest in the nation. All our staff have debated and/or coached at the highest levels of collegiate competition. The 2003 staff includes:
  
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  Jonathan Paul, Brown University
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  Adam Symonds, CSU Fullerton
  Chris Lenzogard, Gonzaga
  Kara Bornen, U of Oregon
  Christine Mulhern, Harvard
  Eric Sullivan, Gonzaga
  Neeve Pearl, North Texas
  
  Timi Bethion, CSU Fullerton
  Charles Olsey, Whitman
  James Roland, Penn
  Amy Collings, Lewis and Clark
  Peter McCollum, Harvard
  Cacey Kelly, Wake Forest
  Sally White, Gonzaga
  Colin Riel, Gonzaga
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- Extensive Round Experience: With three tournaments and a rigorous practice round schedule students can expect between 10-30 rounds on the topic depending on their program.
- Programs for All Skill Levels: The GDI offers programs to accommodate the youngest of beginners to the wildest of veterans.
- New 4 Week Program: In response to student requests, we have added a 4th week of instruction in addition to our 2 and 3 week programs. The fourth week will offer additional opportunities for debate and discussion as well as 1 on 1 instruction.
- The Zag Scholar Program: Taught by Peter McCollum (Harvard) and Charles Olsey (Whitman), this 4 week long program offers great opportunities for top high advanced debaters. See the website for more details on qualifying for this program.
- Design Your Curriculum: This summer will mark the introduction of our elective sessions. Students will have the opportunity to choose from a variety of lectures and focus groups which best suit their needs and interests.
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IDEA YOUTH FORUM /Slovenia 2003
July 21 - August 1, 2003/Ljubljana, Slovenia

IDEA, in partnership with Za In Proti (ZIP), will host its 9th Annual International Debate Youth Forum. The Debate Youth Forum brings together secondary school students, university students and teachers from all over the world to discuss, learn, debate and meet one another.

The Forum features two debate tournaments: the national team tournament and the international mixed team tournament both using the Karl Popper Debate Format. The resolution for the national tournament will be: "the nations of the world should strengthen the International Criminal Court" and, the resolution for the mixed tournament will be: "the separation of public and private is detrimental to women's rights".

The educational track for secondary school students rests upon three elements: content sessions on the topics, general sessions on debate and "lab" sessions centered on the preparation for debates.

All participants will stay in the Dijaski dom Irana Cankakarja student dorms which have excellent conference facilities, comfortable rooms, an olympic size swimming pool, gym and outdoor fields and is a short walking distance to the center of Ljubljana. Additionally, participants will have the chance to explore the beautiful nature of Slovenia on a half day trip to Bled and a full day trip to the Slovenian coast.

The Slovenian staff and volunteers welcome you to one of Europe's smallest and most beautiful capitals. For more information on the Forum and registration please see our website: www.idebarc.org. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at the below addresses.

Participant price: $350 for non-IDEA members / $300 for IDEA members

Price includes: room and board for 11 days, full day and half day trips, banquet and educational materials. You must pay for your own transportation to the site. Each delegation of three students must bring a judge. If you are not able to bring a judge there will be an additional charge of $100 per student.

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International Summer Speech and Debate Institute/Duino, Italy

LOCATION:
The Institute will be held at the United World College of the Adriatic campus, which is located on cliffs overlooking the beautiful Adriatic. In addition to the formal sessions, the campus offers opportunities for swimming, hiking and other outdoor activities. Siteseeing excursions to nearby cities such as Venice and Trieste will be offered.

SESSION 1: (June 30 - July 14)
Lincoln-Douglas Debate & Speech
The LD workshop will be for students wishing to work on 2003-2004 NFL debate topics. The Speech workshop will offer instruction in Humorous and Dramatic Interpretation, Original Oratory, and Extemporaneous Speaking (including in-depth topic analysis). Students can cross-register in speech and debate.

PRICE: $1,400 USD

Institute Director: Eric Di Michele
(212) 288-1100, ext. 101 Email: edimichele@regis-nyc.org

SESSION 2: (July 15 - 21)
"Bridge Program" to IDEA's International Youth Forum in Ljubljana, Slovenia
For students interested in attending both the IDEA Speech and Debate Institute and IDEA's 9th Annual Youth Forum in Ljubljana, Slovenia, a special one week program will be designed. Students will prepare for the Youth Forum debates through research and discussion. Students will also have the opportunity for advance research and discussion on the NFL topics covered at the Lincoln-Douglas camp. Additional sightseeing trips around Northern Italy will also be planned.

Session Director: Nina Watkins, IDEA
(212) 548-0185 Email: nwatkins@sorosny.org

PRICE for Sessions 1 & 2 - $2,000 USD
Session 2 is not available without Session 1.
These prices include:
• Housing and meals
• Research materials
• a "survival" Italian course
• two excursions per session
• transportation to and from the Trieste airport or train station

Travel to and from Italy is not included. IDEA will be arranging a group travel discount for students departing from and returning to JFK International Airport in New York City.
What Makes Our Institute Unique:

Our camp provides the opportunity for intensive debate and speech preparation with the caring guidance of nationally recognized veteran coaches within an international community of students. Last year's participants included students from the United States as well as Uzbekistan, Macedonia, Slovenia, Azerbaijan, Estonia, Albania, Croatia, Romania, Slovakia, Lithuania and the Czech Republic.

STAFF:

Eric Di Michele (Institute Director) has been the speech & debate coach at Regis High School in New York City for over twenty years. His teams have won the New York State Forensics Championship eleven times. He has coached NFL national champions in Lincoln-Douglas Debate and Foreign Extemp. (Seven of his students have been national finalists in extemp). He was the co-chair of the NFL Lincoln-Douglas Debate Writing Committee for five years. As a consultant with the Open Society Institute, he has taught speech & debate seminars in over fifteen countries from Haiti to Uzbekistan.

Lydia Esslinger, long-time forensics coach and an NFL 5-diamond coach, at Syosset High School on Long Island (NY), has extensive experience in all areas of speech and debate. She has coached over twenty-five New York State champions, and her students have advanced to semi-finals and finals in every event at CFL nationals. NFL achievements include semi-finalists and finalists in every speech event at nationals, a 1st place in Congress and Dramatic Interpretation. Her past seven summers have been spent teaching debate, extemp and interp in eastern and central Europe, as a senior consultant to the Open Society Institute. In her "day job" Mrs. Esslinger teaches AP English, coaches acting, and has directed more than twenty main stage musicals.

Noel Seleggi, (Guest Lecturer) has coached debate at Hunter College High School in New York City for thirteen years. His teams have won numerous tournament championships. In addition, he is the Executive Director of IDEA. A student of social and political philosophy, he specializes in the history of political thought ranging from the Ancient Greek philosophers to contemporary political theory.

Marcin Zaleski obtained his International Baccalaureate at the United World College in Duino, Italy. In 1995 he became the coordinator of the Polish debate program, and also wrote a book about debate. As a consultant for the Open Society Institute, he conducted trainings throughout Central and Eastern Europe. In 1999 Marcin was elected the President of the Board of Directors of the International Debate Education Association (IDEA), and continues to work as a debate trainer, curriculum developer and a fundraiser for the debate program.

Additional Staff will be added in the spring and will be posted on our website: www.idebate.org

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**Many Sides: Debate Across the Curriculum**

A comprehensive guide for using debate in an educational classroom setting, including plans to integrate debate into the curriculum, designing proper formats, developing topics for debate, preparing students for debating, staging the debates, audience involvement and evaluation of classroom debates. (pb)


**Art, Argument and Advocacy: Mastering Parliamentary Debate**

John Meaney and Kate Shutter

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By the Editors of DEBATABASE

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NDCA offers assistance to policy and LD debate coaches who wish to enhance their knowledge and skills by attending a summer institute. Although beginning coaches get first priority, all applications are welcome. Typically, a Barton award includes a tuition waiver; occasionally some travel expenses can also be deferred. We are eager for applicants of all backgrounds and from all regions.

For an application and other information, access the NDCA website at http://www.thendca.org, or contact Les Phillips, Barton Scholars Coordinator, at les_phillips98@yahoo.com or at 781-861-2320 x2150

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY MAY 7!!
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(as of February 28, 2003)

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Jessica Marquardt & Andrea Sellman from Clayton HS wrap-up after a round and prepare for lunch.

"What a great time to write a speech!"

Brenda Rollinger (Clayton HS) and Randy Pierce (Pattonville HS) double check tab results.

Speech students enjoying lunch and chat with friends.

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Chase Heplogie & Dana Joseph representing Jefferson City in policy debate preparing for a round.

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