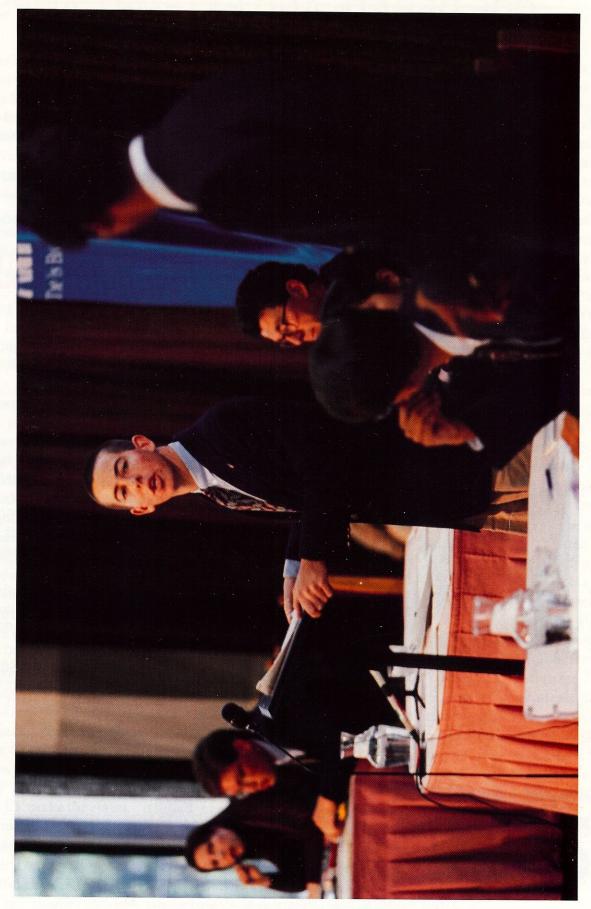
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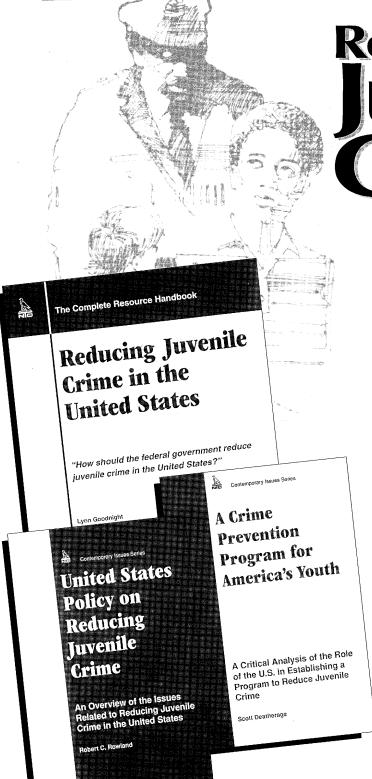
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RUBRICS AS A TOOL OF REFORM

by John Durkee

Rubrics as a measure of performance outcomes are nothing new to speech teachers. Evaluation of a clearly defined standard on a scale of descriptive criteria, which is then used to drive instruction, is the norm for the speech classroom. Kind of like with paradigms, the speech community has been quietly using performance rubrics apart from the frenzy of educational reform. However, the use of rubrics as a tool for instructional and institutional reform may be a new use of an old tool.

Rubrics, as a tool of analysis, can be drawn from two evaluative perspectives-from the desired performance or from observed performance. Either the ideal or the actual is appropriate for descriptive criteria. Rubrics are intended to measure whether students have learned what we want them to know and can do what we want them to do. Comparative judgments are useful to examine questions of instructional reform. It is useful to start with the ideal, what we would like students to be able to do, and then to examine actual performances. The difference will yield a target for improvement.

This article is not really about rubrics, but rather about how by using this tool of classroom reform competitive debate can be examined, putting its ideal against our contemporary practice. A rubric from an ideal of expectations for competitive debate might look like this:

Rubrie 1

4-Student relates well to the judge using skills of content and delivery appropriate to the occasion and topic. Specifically, uses research organized into an argument and presentation skills to deliver the argument to an audience. Adapts the form, content of the material, and the student's own abilities to the unique demands of a particular competitive environment.

3-Student presents well using content and delivery skills appropriate to the event. Incorporates research in an organized fashion and shows evidence of practiced delivery. Models techniques of good debate.

2-Presents adequately in accepted formats using information which is understood and reasonably applied. Follows conventional forms.

1-Is disorganized. May use evidence, but with poor attribution and clarity. Attempts to mimic better speakers without understanding the use of style.

In order to target the needed reform in our pedagogical delivery a comparison with current practice follows. This is an observed rubric, from a slightly biased perspective:

Rubric 2

4-Student displays skills imitative of collegiate debaters. Uses verbal and non-verbal tokens such as appropriate college stickers, airline travel tags, and affiliation comments to indicate superiority. Especially prized, you are disdaining opponents who don't know the magic words of debate ritual. Impresses the judge by reading postmodernist scenarios, improvising deconstructive vapidity in answering.

3-Student presents the ideas purchased from reputable firms retaining the originally published structure. Student demonstrate cleverness, using arrogant assertion or debate cliche, obviating the need to acknowledge argumentative presses of opponents. Enters coach's name as an ethos enhancing structure for the judge.

2-Student presents reasonably original argumentation constructed from original research, avoiding generic ideas and forms. Stands while speaking directly to the judge. Answers own questions in cross-examination.

1-Presents arguments which offend the judge for the simplicity of their ordered clarity, avoiding the clever or conventional structures. Presents a polished style which shows evidence of practice. Uses original analysis with supporting evidence to refute opponent's position.

If the rubrics had been fairly drawn, the difference between the rubrics would then clarify targets for changes in the way in which debate is taught and practiced. Each observer may well prefer different ideal rubrics or to construct different observational rubrics: nevertheless, follow the conclusions of the comparisons of these two rubrics drawn more from observation than caprice. Rubrics call for the observer to make an accurate judgment call, trusting one's own judgment rather than the wisdom of normative precedent. What accounts for the difference in the rubrics presented?

Debate is no longer a persuasive activity, only an argumentative one. The audience, as public, has been forgotten. Debaters only perform for a closed circuit of similarly biased individuals. Except for the pharaohs, royalty shunned familial marriage. Inbreeding has brought the anemic or imbecilic end of classical dynasties. Debate, as advocacy, approaches extinction.

We demand judges trained in our arcane art. Judges are now often required to speak their philosophy before debaters will advocate an argument, limiting in round adaption to judge feedback to preconceptions. Our desire to know the quality and competency of the critic has been carried to the point that at some tournaments we even rate the perceived quality of judges before they render a decision, rather than after the ballot has gone against us. The national tournament uses a judge information form, which even now is out of step with the trends of debating as any formalization must be in a dynamic activity, yet it is used by debaters and coaches to assess the quality of their judges. No longer do most tournaments use lay judges. We explain away the lack of audience adaptation in debate by claiming a superior knowledge and superior skill

the general public can not understand. After all, it would be unfair to allow debaters to be evaluated by somebody who does not understand all the accepted practices we have developed. In an attempt to improve the quality of the pool of judges, local tournaments began requiring attending schools to provide judges as a condition of participation. Student debaters, consequently, see the same critic week after week, marginally experiencing a variety of audience expectations. But, these few judges are experienced critics.

Some judges no longer enjoy practicing the role of teacher of debate, a duty many coach judges feel is the heart of competition. Instead they find themselves merely the recipient of precanned verbiage or faced with debaters grown contemptuous of judges who may actually be interested in listening to new answers to an evidentiary

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question. The NFL found it necessary to require a judge bond to insure coaches meet their obligations at the national tournament. So onerous has judging become, this year a new rule requires coaches of debate teams to provide a debate judge. This may merely be a manifestation of a change in the national tournament schedule, coaches want to spend time with their own orators and interpers rather than watching rounds of debate. More likely, this is a manifestation of the transformation of debate into a cult activity shunned by those who are not compelled by ever more regulations to judge. Judging debate used to be such a joy that coaches were lined five deep at the judge assignment table of the national tournament in order to take ballots not claimed in time by the original assignee. Now, coercion is required to cover the necessary rounds and some rounds still wait a half hour or more until a judge can be found. My suggestion is that we have reached this state because the impartial critic is no longer necessary to the activity. Judges seem to be valued for their partiality, inside

knowledge, and willingness to go along with trends set by our cultural elites.

The language of debate has always been a specialized knowledge. Discovery of the key to the meaning of these terms made the debater heir to the power of the word organized for persuasive effect: Knowledge to speak to others. This language now resembles a private code, designed to exclude the uninitiated, limiting discourse to the privileged few. Classic orators divined a similar problem in the difference between Oratorical structures designed for public benefit and sophistry, divorcing form from sense. In this earlier day and age the excess manifested in moving an audience with the arts of delivery devoid of purposeful content. Sophistry has ever since been a word of disdain. Our contemporary failure has been to remove content from purposeful delivery. Debaters argue well, wittily, and with continual adaptation to the evolving expectations of the critics, whose memories, unfortunately, only flow from the forms of an immediate yesterday. Critics, with increasing willingness, verbally intervene, turning critique into criticism. Debaters want to win and will adapt.

The rubric was initially prompted because of my surprise that a judge at the national tournament would publicly berate a team for initiating disadvantages in the second negative speech. This judge, perhaps, didn't realize that all except for the very newest debate writings recommend a course opposite the judge's imperatives. He was probably trained by a budding intellect, undoubtedly clever, casually contemptuous of the unfamiliar. The debaters in that round could not argue with the youthful arrogance of the judge, he was too belligerently verbose. Fortunately, the coach rescued the hapless debaters from the unwonted attack, though was not sustained in an appeal to the tournament staff to have such an abusive judge disbarred. It seems a judge shortage existed, and a trained, yet abusive, critic was better than one untrained. It is easy to excuse youthful excess.

At one time, reformers bent upon correcting the abuses they perceived in debate advocated the Punishment Paradigm. If you don't like a practice, punish it. This judge's interpretation of punishment went beyond voting a loss on

the ballot, replacing that humane form with a public and humiliating chastisement. We've given judges too much latitude, no longer requiring reflective thought, only emotional response. Judges are so rare, we need to pamper them. A young coach at the national tournament exemplified for me the difference in attitudes between coaches who view their role as a teacher of debate and those who see themselves as masters of the universe of debate. Just before a late round on Thursday, she approached a key tournament official with the complaint that the opposing team had a half-hour to prepare, while her team had only moments. Her complaint was that her team was denied valuable blocking time because they had prepared for the wrong side against the team they knew they would meet. The other team had notified the tab room of a

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posting error indicating which team would defend which side of the topic. Her team received the news as they entered the room. When assured that there was no tournament violation, only a strategic error on her part, she proceeded to explain how the posting problem didn't matter anyway, because her team could think well on their feet. The tournament official asked her if she had just contradicted her complaint. Apparently not understanding, she continued saying she really wanted someone to know she was very unhappy. Later, the tournament official commented on the entitlement attitude she communicated to him. The rage of that young coach at unfairness is likely what she communicates to her debaters, not the debaters obligations to the judge. I suspect she punishes teams for practices she dislikes. Others are not entitled. Perhaps it is no wonder that debate is no longer a pleasure.

This essay does not seek a revolution in practice, many acceptable styles of debate exist. Truly, there are no rules except for time and topic. Yet, when we presume rules (Durkee to Page 38)

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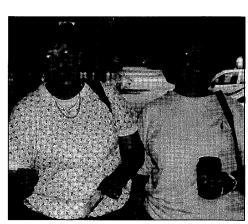
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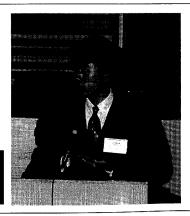
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THE BIG PICTURE

by Renard C. Francois

After reflecting on the generalities in approximately 175 L/D debate rounds I judged last year, I have come to some conclusions about the style of Lincoln Douglas debating that is seemingly pervasive in not just national circuit debate but also in the local tournaments. I shall touch on a number of subjects and issues in the following article. The veracity of these comments should be determined by the individual coaches and the debaters according to their interpretations of L/D debate, and if, in fact, you conclude that I am wrong then at least the article has caused you to think about the manner in which this relatively young event ought to be debated vis-a-vis the present manner of debating.

Considerably, the most striking aspect that I notice in today's debate rounds is the lack of examination of the issues in the refutation or, even, the rebuilding of an issue. All to often I am subjected to extrapolating information from one line sentences that are not applied to why the resolution is true or false. Too many times in rounds I hear that "because of the protection of rights we must affirm the resolution". This may, indeed, be a fine and winning argument, but I have no way of knowing the analytical acuity of the argument. The real question is why is this happening and I think I have a few sources for the problem.

Nearly all of the debates, that I have judged or heard, suffer from "issue interference". "Issue interference" identifies debaters who, with a great deal of cocksure ostentation, make several arguments on an opponent's point, many of which are asserted sentences; and, whatever the opponent fails to address becomes unfortunately and predictably the main voting issue of the round. The opponent and the judge feel obligated that all of the points must be given significant weight and attention. The ensuing breathless one-line responses are the product of this perfunctory strategy. It amazes me when debaters drop good analysis in their case for the sake arguing about baseless and superficial argumentation.

This method of debate which some debaters, in Gump-like bliss, call strategy, only serves to make the clash that is necessary for meaningful debate effete.

However, this run-and-shoot style of debate allows many debaters to lose focus on another important part of debate-the art of elocution. The fundamental part of Lincoln Douglas debate is to persuade people to believe that your interpretation of a value conflict is correct. Often, the rhetorical skill is considered a waste of time and not what the big boys on the national circuit do. To describe this skill as no more than a woeful attempt at pity would be a gross oversimplification and lose sight of one of the most important tie-breakers in close rounds. Elocution is being able to use few words to express

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points, knowing how to allocate time, listening to the opponent's analysis and refuting it, and showing that there is a great deal of thought involved. In short, the skill involves debating with a sense of purpose and effervescence that is genuine while at the same time subtle. The great debaters speak with an elegance that is impressive, and at times, when done well, awe inspiring. However, I find that chimeras have little to contribute in the way of grace, elegance or beauty in the activity. Debaters must realize that in an activity where there is no correct or incorrect answer the only way for a judge to be persuaded is if you convey a sense of believability.

Of course, I do think there are times when speed is necessary; it should be done only by those who are persuasive, articulate and lucid

in quick thought and discussion. The 1AR is the only justifiable situation for a debater to proceed rapidly. By the 1AR, the dissemination of the major issues is beginning, but, by no means concluded, and the four minutes is prohibitively short for a debater to present the ideas in a manner befitting a fireside chat. Because of a lack of confidence in the ability to extend ideas or in the truth of the ideas presented, many students draw comfort from having more arguments on the flow, which often are the same ideas continually reworded. There is still ample time for the debater to rebuild and to refute, but strategy and preparation are essential elements in making the 1AR efficacious.

Just to say the phrase "in L/D we are to debate values" is far too simplistic to encourage people to change. I shall refer to this old wives tale--the purpose of each idea is to prove the resolution true or false, on face value. Take the time when refuting the argument to prove why the opponents idea is false or how it would harm society or show how your idea would accrue better results. If your opponent does not bother to apply an idea to the truth or falsity of the resolution, be not afraid to tell the judge(s) why the point is irrelevant and what needs to be done to make it relevant. I would rather hear an opponent debate the major issues than to hear them try to keep up with the unanalyzed and inapplicable sentences that are slung back and forth.

For your own arguments take the time to extend the main arguments, which are the ideas that de facto prove the resolution true or false. I think that it is fine to make the opponent debate the issues and not let him/her run away from an issues oriented debate by spewing throughout their speech. If the opponent fails to grasp the point of your idea, then take the time to explain how the issue wins the resolution; do not waste time on the arguments which are applied to a misanalyzed issue. However, this does not mean that you are expected to say, "my opponent (Francois to Page 38)

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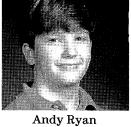


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BALANCE NEGATIVES: A REPLY

by Mark Weber

When Jason Baldwin was debating on the circuit he certainly was one of the best debaters I had ever seen. So, it makes me wonder why he would attack the "balance negative" position and those who debate it with an article that is so full of logical fallacies and incorrect assumptions. I offer this article as a direct refutation to Jason's dismissal of the "balance negative" as an unfair way of fulfilling the negative burden in Lincoln/Douglas debate. I think, as Jason says, this is a very important issue to be discussed. However, in discussing this matter, I think it is very important also to put away the ideas of Lincoln/ Douglas debate that we have been indoctrinated into believing and look at things from an open, logical perspective. It will not serve to merely assume; one must also prove their assumptions.

The first thing that Jason assumes is that to allow a "balance negative" would only serve to blunt the conflict of the debate. This assumption may appear to be logical to someone who does not analyze the inner workings of L/D debate. However, when you have watched hundreds of debates on each topic come down to who wins one or two issues you begin to realize that it might not hurt to have more than one approach to the resolution of the value conflict that we are given to debate. I think that allowing the "balance negative" allows us to give the debate more depth by increasing the approaches and requiring affirmative debaters to be prepared for more than one strategy.

While the above argument only discusses why it might be better to allow for "balance negatives," this next argument proves why it is legitimate to use the "balance negative." When one says that to examine values in conflict devoids holding things in a balance, they are then arguing that it is not possible to settle a conflict by compromise. Many times a compromise is the best way to resolve a conflict. To analyze this further we must look at Jason's assumption that to value things equally always gives the negative debater the advantage because they get the best of both worlds. This is a huge assumption that can easily be disproven. First of

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all, I agree with Jason that some resolutions are framed in a way that a balance is not a possible approach to the resolution. I would also go so far as to agree that when a resolution says "When in conflict..." it makes it very difficult to run the balance negative but I am not ready to concede that it may never be done as I have explained in my analysis above regarding "compromise." However, when the wording of the resolution does not preclude a "balance negative" it is not always to the benefit of the negative to advocate the balance. When the affirmative in a policy debate permutes a counterplan it is not always net beneficial in comparison to the plan alone. To exemplify this concept in terms of a value debate (so the so-called L/D traditionalists will understand and not dismiss this idea on the basis that it is "a policy argument.") let's look at the resolution that Jason gives as an example. Resolved: When in conflict, the spirit of the law ought to take priority over the letter of the law. If the affirmative can win the argument that the law should always strive to reflect it's original intent, which seems to be a reasonable argument, then it would not be net beneficial in the end to balance the letter of the law when it is in conflict (as denoted by the resolution) with the spirit of the law because it would dilute the effect of the intent of the law. Thus, the affirmative should be able to prove that it is always best to give priority to the spirit of the law. Even if there is no guarantee that the affirmative would win the argument of "original intent," the fact that this argument can be won shows that it would not always benefit the negative to hold these two things in equal value. This in my opinion proves that the affirmative would not automatically lose to a debater who tried to reap the benefits of both objects of evaluation in the resolution.

The next assumption that Jason makes is the most serious mistake that opponents of the "balance negative" make and is, to me, the crux of the discussion as to whether the "balance negative" is a feasible approach to the negative strategy. Jason says, "While the speeches in L/D are structured differently for each side, both sides have equal time, and their burdens are roughly equal." Get real, Jason! There is a reason that the affirmative gets to speak first and last in the debate and Jason merely dismisses this by saying that they each have equal time. The equal time claim is true enough but why don't we just give the affirmative one rebuttal that consists of seven minutes? The reason that the affirmative speaks first and last is because they alone have the active "burden of proof" which is supposed to give them an unfair disadvantage. The affirmative asserts the resolution to be true, therefore, they have the burden of proof." To compensate for this extra burden the affirmative is given the opportunity to speak first and last because they must overcome the "presumption" of the resolution. This is the other concept that opponents of the balance negative have a hard time accepting, that there is "presumption" in an L/D debate. However, if there is no "presumption" (ie. we presume the resolution to be false before the debate begins) then there is no "burden of proof" (ie. proving the resolution statement to be true) If there is no "burden of proof" then there is no debate or else we could have a "tie" decision in debates where both debaters upheld there burden of proof in nonopposing cases and did not adequately refute their opponents case. The negative only has the "burden of rejoinder" or the "burden of clash." In other words, the negative doesn't even need to present a case. If they can adequately refute the affirmative arguments they should be awarded the ballot because they have fulfilled their "burden of clash." If they did have "roughly equal burdens," as Jason proposes, then the affirmative would have the advantage in the debate because s/he gets to speak first and last. The negative would be at a disadvantage because they would have the burden of clash, the burden of proof and not get to speak first or last. The implication of the above analysis explains why it is fair for the affirmative alone to have the "burden of proof." This is to say that strategically the negative may not employ the tactic of proving the inverse of the resolution but that they simply do not have to.

The next issue that Jason addresses is that he is "subordinating the truth" for the sake of what he considers to be a more fair debate. In fact, he insists that the search for the truth is antithetical to the education of those who debate. Jason's impact to this argument is merely an ad-hominem attack that debaters will become "mushy moral relativists" if they believe that they are in a search for the truth. First of all, this argument appears to be so ludicrous the Rostrum didn't even put this quote in context when they inserted the abstract using this quote within the article, but as I have said we cannot really accept ad-hominem argumentation so I will use this argument that Jason forwards to further prove the legitimacy of the "balance negative." When we examine this argument more closely it serves as a wonderful example how sometimes it is better to hold two things in equal value. For example, I would agree with Jason that it is important to have a balanced and fair debate, however, I don't understand why that precludes a search for "the truth" or "some truth." Why are these two concepts mutually exclusive? It seems to me that it would be best for debate to try to do both. Even it it means that we must subordinate each to a certain degree to get the best result. Now if we were having this argument in the real context of a debate, it would be up to Jason to argue that subordinating both to a certain extent (which still hasn't been proven necessary) is not as great of value as having the fullest benefit of what Jason seems to think is the "most fair debate." Even if he could prove this argument, he would then have to address my earlier argument as to why there shouldn't be the advantage of "presumption" for the negative in light of the fact that there is a reason (as mentioned above) as to why the affirmative gets the first and last speech in the debate.

The final thing that I would like to take issue with is the attack that Jason makes against judges and debaters who support or will at least listen to the balance negative position. I take great offense at Jason's remarks that most "experienced judges" know to vote against the balance negative and that most debaters who run the "balance negative" lose because they are inexperienced. He even goes so far as to say that he has never seen one win first at a major tournament as if he were the authority of what should and shouldn't be debated on the national circuit. It is this type of irresponsible arrogance that promotes generic argumentation and judge intervention. I think Jason has gained enough from this very valuable activity that he has a greater responsibility than to make such statements. I hope that he will be open-minded enough to reconsider these issues.

At any rate, I'm sure that there are many different opinions on this and several other issues that are central to the evolution and survival of Lincoln/Douglas debate. I hope that we are experiencing a beginning of the discussion of these issues. I have asked and been granted a time slot at Emory's Barkley Forum in which to have an open-forum discussion regarding L/D debate. I think an excellent beginning to the discussion could be "how should the NFL framing committee word the debate topics." I think this question will help us understand how to promote better argumentation and education through L/D debate.

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All seats are <u>not</u> up for election. Councilors Glenda Ferguson, Harold Keller and Don Crabtree were elected in 1994 to for year terms and their seats will require election in 1998. Alternate Ted Belch replaced Cat Horner Bennett who resigned and wi serve until 1998.

Ballots will be mailed to chapters on March 20. Chapters not receiving a ballot by April 10 should contact the national offic The deadline for returning ballots is May 1 (postmark). The number of votes a chapter may cast is based upon total members an degrees on record as of May 1. The count will again be done by Dr. James Hecht of Credentialling Services and all ballots will be mailed directly to him. No ballots should be sent to the national office nor will national office personnel or candidates see an ballots.

The order that candidates appear in this March Rostrum and the order that candidates appear on the ballot were determine in separate drawings conducted by NFL Comptroller Carol Zanto. Statements and pictures in this Rostrum were furnished by th candidates.

For more information consult the NFL Constitution [Article VII B] and the NFL Chapter Manual [XI: NFL Elections, Pp 15, 16



Billy Tate

Billy Tate

Serving NFL since 1990, first as a Council member, and then Vice President, I believe it is vital the future of the NFL that Executive Council decisions be based upon responsible and responsi professionalism at all times. Certainly not all decisions are easy ones, most are not. As always, I w listen to all points of view and try to act in the best interests of the NFL. Wise Council decisions, I fe are best reached in a setting of cooperation, rather than in an adversarial one.

Having had the privilege and honor to have served as your host at two National Tournament: remain committed to improving the National Tournament. As a longtime promoter of junior scheforensics, I am excited about the potential of the new NJFL to augment future membership in NFL. Is genuinely hopeful about the prospect of future national tournament participation funded throu corporate and foundation grants.

Having directed a small forensics program in a disadvantaged school district for many years, a also a large program, I feel I am in a unique position to understand problems and concerns of diverprograms. Clearly, the direction taken by NFL in recent years has reflected a strong student-orient foundation and definite steps to add new chapters and affiliates.

Future efforts should continue to focus on promoting NFL to the public and to the busine community. Tangible benefits would be realized by NFL in terms of student scholarships like the offered by Lincoln Life and the Stennis Center. As a council member I have honestly enjoyed servitorensic coaches from all parts of the country and look forward to representing new friends in the yeat to come. I pledge my work to achieve your goals.



As a forensic educator for twenty-seven years, I have seen the movement from recipe boxes team debate to five or six tubs of information. Lincoln-Douglas debate has entered the fray and speed events have gone from four basic events to numerous types at numerous tournaments that teams fly in from around the United States. Are all these changes good? Clearly that will be answered by ho successful both the National Forensic League and the National Federation of High Schools are in keepin speech and debate programs going in ALL high schools and junior highs. My goal as a member of the executive council would be to work with both of these organizations to continue our activity in innecity, suburban and large "blue collar" public schools throughout the United States. National level compitition is a viable activity, but clearly from the articles in the Rostrum over the last few years, ar especially the last few months; we see a growing concern from some coaches and administrators aboundational competition, with the cost and time out of school, vs. local competition.

I see myself as a bridge between these two groups. As the director of one of the largest program in the state of Washington at Auburn Senior High School with one hundred students competing local and yet still traveling nationally six to seven times a year. We need to bring the two groups together ar resolve concerns on both sides. If we do not the administrators will resolve it for us.

My background takes in twenty-seven years of coaching both at small schools and large school from a small program of twelve to a program of one hundred. I am active in the NFL as district chairpe son and serving at nationals as chair of oratory. I also have been active in the National Federation bot in speech and debate and as board member for the Federation of Officials. My strength is in negotiation and dealing with conflict; I feel these strengths are needed on the executive council at this time. Vol for somebody from the Pacific Northwest who will work to bring people and groups together. Vote for Mike Burton, Auburn Senior High School, Auburn, Washington.



Mike Burton



Roger Brannan

Roger Brannan

My school district has accepted the statement that our students will be "effective communicator self-directed learners, complex thinkers, quality producers, collaborative workers, and community con tributors." What struck me early in the change process to "Outcomes Based Education" is that NFL has promoted these goals for many years. NFL prepared me to meet those changes. NFL has been a stronguiding force in the direction of my school's debate/speech program and my career. NFL has provide reasonable milestones for both my students and me. This is why I want to return something to thi organization. NFL has made great efforts to accommodate a variety of interests.

I have been an active coach for 32 years and a teacher for 34 years. I have served NFL as a District Chairmen for nine years and a committee member for nineteen years in three different districts. I have assisted at the National Tournament in the tab room and judges' committee. I have also participated in the NFL Goals 2000 Conference held in Minneapolis and the NFL Conference held in Denver.

If elected to the council, I will be open to new ideas and carefully evaluate them as to thei workability. I am a strong supporter of opportunities for students and committed to encouragement an assistance to coaches. NFL means much to me, and I would welcome your support for the Council.

COUNCIL CANDIDATES

Donus Roberts

As the U.S. readies for a new century, forensic competition remains unparalleled as a vehicle to teach vital skills to students. When the hours of coaching become dark (long days, nights and weekends, blizzards and ice storms, lost luggage and gut-wrenching losses) we must remember that the

educational rewards warrant the frustrations along the way.

NFL is a solid organization, but we must not rest upon our past. To remain viable in the 21st century, we must be pioneers, always in search of new ideas. My concept of council leadership has always been to encourage an open forum of ideas. The students and coaches are a grass-roots congress. On the local and regional level, ideas are generated, discussed and debated and then submitted for national consideration. To accelerate this process, I have been a strong advocate of national conferences. Three have been held (1985 in Kansas City; 1988 in Minneapolis; 1992 in Denver) and a fourth is planned for Denver this coming August. Details and forms for application will be in the April Rostrum. This coming conference will be an important forum for the future of NFL. The agenda will focus on "improving and defining" all of our national events, plus evaluating how the information highway impacts forensics, particularly research and rules of evidence.

The NFL should be an umbrella for many forensic constituencies and organizations. Each group should fervently advocate its causes but respect the opinions of others. Although 2500 schools are members of the NFL, we are very small among 260 million Americans; we need unity for political clout, grants and professional growth. My leadership style is to listen carefully, to treat people professionally, to be fair in decision-making, and to enhance the NFL as an educational leader.



Another election, and so another request - yes, I would appreciate your support in the Council Election! As in the past, I can tell you that I sincerely care about the National Forensic League - about the students, the coaches, the tournaments, the special projects, the activity itself. I've spent my past thirty years as a teacher and coach at two high schools and as speech, debate, and theatre arts program coordinator for five. Along the way I've served as district chair, tab room worker, tournament director, committee member, workshop teacher, judge, and convention presenter, sharing my time, my energy, my ideas, and my belief in forensics. I'm a hard worker, a caring listener, and a strong advocate for speech education. My strong desire is to serve, and I have tried to do that with integrity and conviction. My reward has been the people I have gotten to know through the work. Nothing has been more fulfilling than meeting and working with outstanding students and coaches.

Current projects for NFL that are especially important to me include a reexamination and clarification National Council governance policies; development of specific guidelines for NFL national committees; the examination and refinement of duo-interpretation as a possible NFL event; continued exploration of ways to provide current curriculum materials and educational videos to member schools; a reassessment of format as well as judging procedures and requirements at the national tournament in an attempt to improve the overall quality of Nationals; and expanding NFL's

promotion of speech education and forensics on a national scale.

NFL as a national organization is continuing to evolve, and as needs change, the organization must adapt, always becoming more responsive to all the membership. It is not enough just to continue business as usual. I pledge my time, energy, and talents to keep NFL growing and changing to serve all the students and teachers who provide reason for its existence. Thanks for your consideration!

Gregg Cullen

As the National Forensic League approaches the year 2000, I believe there should be a new vision for speech education in the 21st Century. The number one priority item should deal with the revamping of Curriculum. First, we should focus on cross-cultural learning experiences for our N.F.L. coaches and students. By encouraging our speakers to research and write speeches dealing with minority problems across the board, we will help them understand and deal with cross-cultural problems that most assuredly will occur during their life times. Second, we must integrate the speech curriculum with other disciplines. Cross curriculum is the future of all education and the NFL. The National Forensic League did not become what it is educationally without contributions from many sources. Therefore, we need to develop strategies and philosophies that will place within the same time frame our great speeches, great works of art and great masterpieces of music with significant political philosophies, social upheavals and memorable events in history. Quite an adventure, but it must be done for us to survive in the 21st Century. Finally, we must help our coaches and students by developing curriculum which focuses on successful teaching methods such as peer tutoring, cooperative learning and modeling. If we can help our new coaches to get off to a successful start in forensics and teach our experienced coaches a few new strategies that will improve their teaching skills, then we will do far more for ourselves than all the accolades that are heaped on us after a successful speech tournament.

By having N.F.L. vision such as I have just described for the 21st Century, we will not only help ourselves from within, but we will gain respect and support from other groups such as us. They will recognize N.F.L. as a leader in the education of our students which provides lasting and life long experiences because of cultural awareness, cross curriculum and strategy development, as opposed to being recognized as a self serving elite group.

Frank Sferra

It is important that we prepare the National Forensic League for the Twenty-First Century. This organization will be ready to serve a whole new generation of kids and coaches only if we make wise decisions now. The NFL must remain a kid-centered organization. The NFL must remain accessible to all students and schools. We have an incredible activity that offers training for a lifetime. Speech is not a basic, it is THE basic. The CARE committee has begun to address the problem of retaining and recruiting coaches. More must be done to insure that there will be coaches for the kids of the 21st Century. We need to address the questions that face us today with an eye on tomorrow. We are the keepers of the flame.



Donus Roberts



Lanny D. Naegelin



Gregg Cullen



Frank Sferra

WHEN A PODIUM ISN'T A PODIUM

by David Mezzera

Back in the "good old days" when I taught Public Speaking to ninth graders, I would occasionally encounter minor discipline problems (and who wouldn't?) which would call for minor disciplinary action. For example, if a student interrupted a classmate's speech, I would ask the offending student to complete a written assignment that required some level of research; thus, the punishment would hopefully become a learning experience for the transgressing student. Typically, I would assign the student a list of words or terms which were related to public speaking or forensics and would require the student to investigate the meaning and significance of the terms.

Tops on my list of assigned terms was debate-related vocabulary or jargon such as: status quo, prima facie, fiat, quasi, analogy, fallacy, inherency, or solvency. I also had a list of politically-related lingo which I could assign: parliamentary procedure, parliamentary "second", unicameral, becameral, agenda, filibuster, cloture, or gerrymander. But the glossary I most enjoyed assigning for students to investigate was the following list of seemingly synonymous terms: podium, lectern, rostrum, ambo, pulpit and dais. I especially liked to befuddle students with this list because of the universal misuse of the term podium; plus (as an NFL coach) I had a special place in my heart for the concept of the rostrum--coincidentally, the official magazine of the NFL! Before you read on, try your hand at differentiating the meanings of the above six terms. When is a podium not what you thought a podium ought to be?

How many times have I heard debaters -- not to mention debate coaches -- erroneously refer to "standing behind the podium"? The reality is that the word podium comes from a Greek root ("podos") meaning "foot," thus making a podium a foot stand or raised platform upon which the conductor of an orchestra would stand while directing. Another context of the word signifies a low wall serving as a ped-

estal or foundation serving to separate the seats from the arena in an amphitheater. In a traditional classroom setting, a teacher's desk would be placed upon a podium, thus raising the teacher further above the level of the students desks. Thus, a speaker could be seen and heard standing *upon* a podium – but never *behind* one!

The actual object upon which a speaker would place notes (and hide behind?) is a *lectern*, a word of Latin derivation from the origin "lectus," past participle of "legere" ("to read"). A *lectern* is thus a reading stand or desk upon which notes are placed to allow one to read. Typically in a library, a dictionary would be placed on a lectern for passersby to peruse and read. To this day, I insist on using the parlance "speak at - or from - the *lectern*" rather than "speak from behind the *podium*."

... podium, lectern, rostrum, ambo, pulpit and dias. I especially liked to befuddle students with this list...

I especially enjoy the word rostrum due to its historical significance: The prows of ancient fighting ships had curved, beaklike projections used for ramming enemy vessels. When the Romans would capture such an enemy war galley, the "rostrum" (Latin for "beak") of the boat would be ravaged and returned to Rome as a war prize. These rostra from vanquished ships were used to decorate around the speakers' platforms in the Roman Forum. When a returning naval hero would be honored in the Forum, he would receive his accolades and would orate in view of the spoils of his triumph - the beak of the conquered ship. A raised speaker's platform (what we might now call a pulpit) thus came to be associated with a rostrum or speaker's ornate delivery location. In the vernacular, rostrum also refers to "public speakers collectively," and thus, *Rostrum* is a name well-chosen for this very publication!

Ambo might be the least frequently used term of the six. In Greek, the word originally referred to a platform or stage, but now applies almost exclusively to a church fixture serving as a reading stand or pulpit (there's that word again) used to preach and proclaim during

a religious service.

So what is a pulpit? From an old French word ("pulpite") meaning a stage or scaffold, a pulpit is a raised platform -- sometimes mounted by a ladder or stairs -- from which a clergymember preaches in a church. It even refers collectively to preachers or to preaching in general. Thus, one could "take to the pulpit" as one would "take to the soapbox" to proclaim or lecture.

And never a "Friars' Club Roast" would go-by without referring to the guest of honor as being seated at the dais. The origin of this term can be traced easily to a middle English word ("deis") meaning a high table in a castle's hall. And that's exactly what a dais is: a table or platform raised above the floor at one end of a hall or room such as a banquet room or a classroom ... and now we're back again to podium! I hope you've enjoyed my fanciful "tour of terminology," and I hope you may have gotten a new idea for an assignment or two. But most of all, I hope you will never, ever again tell a debater to 'get out from behind the podium" when he or she speaks!!

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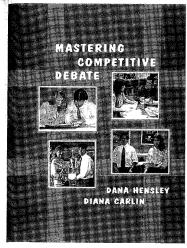
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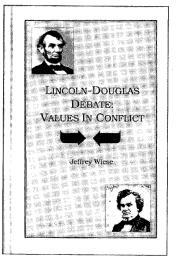
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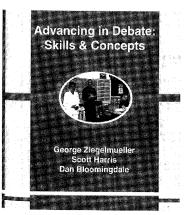


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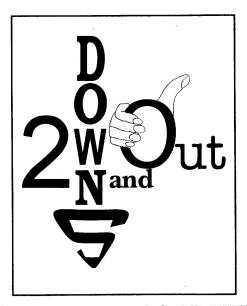
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FUNDAMENTALS OF THE ARGUMENTATIVE EVENTS OR YOUR BABY IS JUST AN EYEBALL, AND WHAT'S MORE, IT'S BLIND!

I am right and you are wrong. That's reasonable, isn't it?

This brings us, very quickly, to the fundamentals of the argumentative events - policy, L/D, extemp and oratory.

There is only one that applies to all these events, but it is a necessary for any other step.

Viewpoint.

You learn viewpoint, and all the rest of it is just learning how to better express that viewpoint to the judges.

This simple idea, however, deserves a long explanation.

Below is an Disembodied Eyeball (sincere apologies to Emerson). I know it doesn't much look like one, but that's YOUR viewpoint.



Notice that the Eyeball is seeing. This is difficult for a Disembodied Eyeball not attached to a brain, but we aren't here to be anal about it. The Eyeball sees some things, and not others. It sees the gorgeous stick figure on the street, and not the speeding car headed right at it. Perhaps the driver is distracted at seeing a lustful Eyeball.

Here is the problem. We've got reality, or The Truth if you will. But the limitations of being a simple individual in a complex world mean that we only see part of reality, and not all of it. We rely upon others to tell us what we do not know.

Those who see MORE of reality are at a great advantage over those who see less. If the Disembodied Eyeball can see both the gorgeous stick figure and the speeding car, then its chances of living to lust another day after abstract art are greatly increased.

Now, we will give the Disembodied Eyeball some shades. The scenery is still the same, but it LOOKS different.



Now, a well prepared Disembodied Eyeball can see as much as it did before, but perhaps the meaning of what is seen is perhaps somewhat different. The Eyeball feels cool: Travoltaesque. It's baaaad. Therefore, the speeding car is no longer a problem. The Eyeball merely gives a "drop dead" glare and the car glides to a stop, merely nudging the plastic frames.

There is a point to this, I promise.

Now, write down the most important fact about life that you have discovered. You can make a joke of it, though perhaps it will lose some impact. Perhaps it is "Never eat at a cafe called 'Mom's' " or "Never play cards with a guy named 'Doc'". Now put these as the lenses of your Disembodied Eyeball. The Eyeball will interpret reality - the Truth - through these lenses. Therefore, the DE will not stride confidently into the cafe, expecting a good meal. Disaster is avoided. Guys named Doc look elsewhere for their pigeons.

I hope now we can agree that this is a fairly accurate description of how we approach the world. It works, or it had better, or we suffer and die before our time.

Now, I approach the Disembodied Eyeball and request it's view of the world it sees. The eyeball, lacking a mouth, communicates with me "there is a car. There is a woman. There is a cafe." Stupid eyeball. I want to know what the Eyeball thinks about its environment. I know what I see. I even have a pretty good idea what Eyeball sees, but what I want is to know what Eyeball thinks about it.

Instead, to learn more about Truth, I want the DE to tell me about the lousy food at Mom's, and that the guy at the door named Doc is a card sharp. It's what I cannot see from my own viewpoint, my own filters, that I want desperately to see.

We read fiction to see a different viewpoint from our own. Great literature affects us deeply because it gives us a different side of reality, or of Truth, than we knew before.

Have I convinced you that a Viewpoint is critical in understanding the Truth? Assuming that no one in the world except Lush Rimshot has a corner on the Truth, we are most convinced of another's argument when it comes from a coherent viewpoint.

I'm sorry, but I've got to go back to my DE for a moment. If the Eyeball has blank spots (glaucoma?) then I am less likely to rely upon it to give a view that I can trust. I also, in judging a debate, an oration, or an extemp, recognize that the performer is wearing his shades - that even though everything that may be seen is indeed being seen, the performer is reporting only that which fits the viewpoint - the cool shades, if you will. The judge not only takes into account the shades, but is shocked when the performer has the courage to remove them. Taking off the shades and still being cool - that's STAR quality.

As you probably figured out several paragraphs before, the debater is the Disembodied Eyeball for the judge. The judge asks the Debater Eyeball to give her a view of what the debater sees. The better job the debater does in presenting that viewpoint, the more persuasive the position. The shades are the filters that the debater uses to report the "reality" of what is real - the Truth. The truly outstanding debater doesn't even seem

to wear shades at all.

The same applies to all the "argumentative" events, including oratory and extemp. The judge often reacts to the blind spots of the argument-the "aw c'mon kid, don't you know this?" comment that contestants often mistake for bias. It is actually a completely legitimate protest from a person who is unwilling to be led by a person she considers "blind". Wouldn't you?

Let's take an example from each genre. In policy debate, a negative looks for a viewpoint to express the

negative view of the world.

Example I. Policy

In the China topic, the viewpoint of the Reasonable Chinese Leader is many times the strongest, most believable view.

Affirmative Case

Negative Position A reasonable Chinese leader MUST react violently-- NOW!

I. Taiwan is oppressed by the One China Policy

This is the solemn word of US gov't

II Taiwan will eventually attempt to breakaway, with or without U.S. help, the result being world war! BOOM!

Any perceived favoritism of Taiwan requires a preemptive response, a la Pearl Harbor. If you want war, remember we will be struck first

Plan: recognize Taiwan now! Solvency - the weak PRC will have to accept a war to the death-Taiwan's independence guaranteed

The weak PRC will fight

Example II Lincoln Douglas

Aff. case on Resolved: that the rights of the accused are more important than the rights of the victim. Here I will take the viewpoint of the prosecutor.

> Negative position-society is bound together with ties of confidence. Without the view that we are secure against desertion by society that we consent to be governed

I. The presumption of innocence is the basis of justice. It is the most important right of the accused

The conviction is the most important result of the criminal justice system. The greatest blows to confidence in government have been the failure convict.

of innocence the government will be too powerful.

II. Without presumption The government is already bound by powerful shackles of tight budgets and limited resources.

III. Ultimately, we will all be victims in a sysA system that is publicly foiled in protecting its

tem that ignores the presumption of innocence.

law- abiding citizens cannot stand.

Implications for debaters

1. The deadliest mistake for any debater is the contradiction. Look for them, and create them as issues. By the analogy above, no judge will be willing to follow an advocate who does not see clearly.

2. Affirmatives must establish a clear viewpoint early in the IAC, and justify this viewpoint as superior. The opening observation should establish it, perhaps as

a decision rule.

3. Rebuttals are all about viewpoints. Entire sets of arguments may be rejected simply by showing the viewpoints that create them are somehow contradictory,

untrue, severely limited or unethical.

4. Any debate strategy that ultimately limits viewpoint is going to be counterproductive. The viewpoint is only as good as the consistency it expresses. Viewpoint should never be anonymous ("Ehrlich in '95). Viewpoint should never be hard to understand, else a deadly blind spot remains.

Implications for Orators

1. How about using your introduction to clearly indicate viewpoint. A common introduction is the story. The wise orator would use the same viewpoint through-

out the speech.

2. Early in the speech, time must be wisely used to establish the clarity of the viewpoint, even to the extent of convincing the judge that the viewpoint is in some way clearly superior than any other. Only then can the judge relax into the flow of the speech and enjoy the argument. Speaking of viewpoint, make yourself take the viewpoint of the judge. Is doing any less showing respect to the occasion?

Implications for Extempers

1. The trend towards multiple citations can be either a boon or a blessing. When an extemper does the "two sides of this issue" approach, and then ends with a mugwump response (O.K., how about wishy-washy) then the judge truly has not gained anything.

2. But a completely biased approach possibly offends more than the same in any other event. The extemper should not have an investment in an answer, and a too narrow answer is not appropriate. Look, Lush would not get good rankings in extemp rounds, purely

because of his virulent viewpoint.

3. Bias of sources is very important in extemp. Many of the citations come from very biased sources, and some judges do realize that Insight on the News is published by the Moonies. This is a definite blank spot in the Eyeball. I suggest an extemper should comment on the bias of his sources, because that fact certainly affects the judge.

It may seem that I have gone a long way to make an apparently simple point, except that failure to develop viewpoint is the primary reason why you are failing to impress your judges. Next month, we will consider how to deliver this viewpoint most effectively in debate.

(Bill Davis coaches at Blue Valley, (KS) and writes this regular Rostrum column.)

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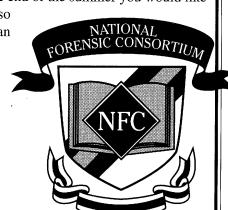
For free brochures and applications, and financial aid forms on request (brochures available late February):

National Forensic Consortium

1678 Shattuck Avenue, Suite 305

Berkeley, California 94709

or call: (510) 548-4800



The National Forensic Consortium presents the

Austin National LD Debate Institute

Regular LD Session: July 6-19

One-Week LD Session: July 12-19

The Austin National LD Institute offers a national-caliber program with great instructors at a cost comparable to local camps. The camp has a variety of outstanding features, and has a history of preparing students for all levels of competition: local, regional, and national circuit.

The initially confirmed staff for the 1996 program are:

Priya Aiyar - (B.A., Harvard University) was one of the most successful high school LD debaters of the last decade. She placed first at the Glenbrook Round-Robin, and placed third at NFL national's as a sophomore. She was recently selected to be a Rhodes Scholar, and will be attending Oxford University next year.

Michael Erickson - attends UT Austin and also had a tremendously successful high school debating career, including a 1st place finish in LD at the Kentucky Tournament of Champions.

And here are what some of last year's ANDI LD camp participants thought:

"I would recommend this camp to other students because it was tons of fun and I learned a lot. The work was hard, and the intensity was high, but wasn't overwhelming... The staff did a good job explaining things and made it easy to ask questions. The quality of instruction, level of intensity, and student to staff ratio were all a '10'..."

Alison Campbell, 1995 program participant

"I learned a lot and feel I've improved tremendously. I liked the emphasis on research... I felt the best features of this camp were the friendliness of the staff, their dedication to our intellectual and spiritual growth, and the free bumper stickers! The level of preparation of my lab leaders, their knowledge and skill level, and their commitment to providing a quality experience were all 10 out of 10..."

Will Orloff, 1995 program participant

"I would recommend this camp to others because it definitely helped my skills. This camp expanded my knowledge of philosophy, and there were lots of practice debates. I had a high level of satisfaction with my instructors..."

J.R. Holland, 1995 program participant

"I will recommend this camp to others because it is a good learning atmosphere, with diverse instructors who try to make debate an exciting experience. The intensity was high, but I'm glad we did so much work because I learned a lot.."

Haady Taslin, 1995 program participant

"I would recommend this camp because it's affordable with the same qualities as more expensive camps. I really enjoyed the counselors. ...the instructors were experienced, but were also people that students could relate to..."

Viviana Gonzalez, 1995 program participant

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NFC ANDI LD Camp Fees:

\$465 for the one-week, or

\$695 for the full program,

plus a \$75 application fee.

Listed fees include tuition, room and a full board package.



Austin National Debate Institute

CX Main Session: July 6 - July 22

LD Main Session: July 6 - July 19

The Austin National Debate Institute seeks to provide students access to a national-caliber faculty at an incomparably low cost. The ANDI is an independent program which offers **both Policy and Lincoln-Douglas debate**, taught by some of the finest and most respected forensics educators in the country. The ANDI provides a true national level program, with options for policy debate or L-D debate programs or for one-week primer sessions in either type of debate.

Fabulous Learning Environment

- Great location. The ANDI is located in fabulous Austin, unique in Texas for its moderate summer climate, quality libraries and document depositories. Students are housed in a secure facility which is one of the finest residence halls in Austin. Housing is of the highest quality, with comfortable, climate controlled double rooms, many of which have a separate living area and kitchen facilities. Rooms are modern and tastefully furnished.
- Educational emphasis. The ANDI programs focus on the teaching of debate skills and techniques in combination with a proper emphasis on preparation and original research. The program is designed to accommodate students at the beginning and advanced levels, with separate labs and primary instructors for beginners. All essential camp evidence and materials, including over a thouand pages of briefs produced at the camp by policy debate students, are included absolutely free of additional charges. Policy students will graduate prepared to tackle the 1996 policy topic, while the L-D students will be prepared to debate a myriad of possible and likely national topics.
- Numerous special program features. These include enrollment caps to ensure student access to ALL the top faculty; an incredible faculty-student ratio of around 1:7; special theory seminars, lectures and guest lecturers; multiple critiqued debates; rebuttal reworks and strategy training; and much more! The program as a whole emphasizes learning through doing, with all students working with a variety of faculty on basic and advanced aspects of skills such as argument preparation, strategizing, extension of positions, and foundational theories of debating and delivery. Policy debate students will also receive access to the best evidence produced at the other three NFC camps!

• Top quality national-circuit faculty. The ANDI faculty is composed of many of the finest coaches and debaters in the nation. Students will have the opportunity to learn from a supportive and experienced staff which collectively has dozens of sessions of institute teaching experience. A glance at the qualifications of the ANDI staff will reveal the depth and quality of what is every summer debate program's most important asset, its teaching staff. ANDI compares favorably with any other program in this and every regard!

	Carefully Structured Sc	<u>hedules</u>
	SAMPLE CX SCHEDULE	SAMPLE LDSCHEDULE
8-9:00 AM	Breakfast	Breakfast
9-10:30 AM	Topic Lecture	Value Analysis Practicum
10:30-Noon	Aff Case Construction	Seminars on Strategizing
Noon-1:00 PM	Lunch	Lunch
1:00-2:30 PM	Library work	Class on using evidence
2:30-3:30 PM	Theory seminar	Practice debate w/critique
3:30-5:00 PM	Library work	Neg case preparation
5:00-6:30 PM	Dinner	Dinner
6:30-8:30 PM	Lab session	Delivery drills
8:30 PM	Commuter checkout	Commuter checkout
8:30-11:00 PM	Topic preparation	Aff case work session
11:00-12:00 AM	Recreation & relaxation	Recreation & relaxation
Midnight	Lights out	Lights out

NATIONAL FORENSIC CONSORTIUM

Fees: \$850 for CX, \$695 for LD, \$465 one-week plus \$75 application fee. For info contact: NFC 1678 Shattuck Ave, #305 Berkeley, CA 94709 or call: 510-548-4800 Presenting the

NATIONAL LD DEBATE INSTITUTE, D.C.

July 6-19 at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

The National LD Debate Institute, D.C., held at the Catholic University of America, offers an exciting opportunity for students to attend a national caliber debate institute at a cost competitive with the fees of most regional camps. The camp is nondenominational, and offers some of the finest LD instructors available anywhere. The program features include:

- Nationally renowned faculty
- TARGETED LEARNING
- Rigorous curriculum
- Accelerated learning environment
- Superior facilities, location and resources

Students have access to the vast educational resources of the nation's capital, its abundance of libraries and think-tanks, and get to experience the city's cultural and entertainment attractions while on fully-supervised excursions. Program pricing includes lunch and dinner throughout the program, and all topic preparation materials produced at the camp for LD debaters! Remember to compare complete costs when pricing other camps.

Initially confirmed staff members are:

NICHOLAS J. COBURN-PALO, B.A., coaches debate at Weber State College, and is the LD curriculum director for the NDI-D.C. He twice finished fifth place or higher at the Collegiate National Championships (CEDA). One of the most versatile collegiate debaters ever, Mr. Coburn-Palo placed in the top ten speakers in NDT debate at both the Harvard and Northwestern tournaments.

ALLISON GROVES attends Reed College, and debated LD at Apple Valley High School in Minnesota. Her string of successes included 1st at Bronx, 1st at the MBA Round-Robin two years running, and 2nd at Emory, the Bronx Round-Robin, and the Glenbrook Round-Robin.

Here are how NFC students who worked with these staff last year felt about their experience:

"She was dedicated, listens to students, is very patient, and makes lab fun. She was very supportive and I learned a lot from her in terms of real world experience. I learned more in 2 weeks than I thought possible." Natalie Huddleston, 1995 NFC participant

"Mr. Coburn-Palo has an excellent knowledge of philosophy, and of debate. He was very friendly, and I was very satisfied with my experience. The learning experience was incredible."

Jack Fitzgerald, 1995 NFC participant

"My satisfaction with Nick was great. He gave great critiques, was friendly, and he was always willing to help me with debate."

Danny Schoenfel, 1995 NFC participant

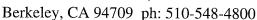
Costs (which includes housing, lunch and dinner throughout the program, and all program materials/briefs and evidence):

Two Week LD Program

\$850 (rm, board, tuition)

An additional \$75 enrollment fee is required upon application.

For more **National Forensic Consortium** information 1678 Shattuck Avenue, Suite 305 contact:





Presenting the

NATIONAL DEBATE INSTITUTE, D.C.

at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

CX (all programs): July 6 - 22

LD: July 6 -19

The National Debate Institute, D.C., held at the Catholic University of America, offers an exciting opportunity for students to attend a national caliber debate institute at a cost competitive with the fees of most regional camps. Students at this non-denominational program receive instruction from some of the nation's finest debate teachers, including respected high school and college coaches, as well as some of the nation's most successful current and former collegiate debaters.

- Nationally renowned faculty. Outstanding coaches with proven track-records of success at both the high school/collegiate level, and top-flight current and former collegiate competitors.
- RIGOROUS CURRICULUM. A carefully crafted schedule developed and refined over the years at NFC camps. Classes are intensive, designed for the dedicated student of debate who wishes to maximize personal improvement.
- Superior facilities, Location and Resources. Students have access to the vast educational resources of the nation's capital, its abundance of libraries and think-tanks, and get to experience the city's cultural and entertainment attractions while on fully-supervised excursions. Program pricing includes lunch and dinner throughout the program, and all evidence produced at the camp for policy debaters! Remember to compare complete costs when pricing other camps.
- TARGETED LEARNING for both national circuit debaters and regional competitors. Classes utilize a variety of mutually reinforcing techniques, including fast-paced lectures, affirmative and negative labs, theory and practicum seminars, and individualized consultations. LD emphasizes philosophy, technique, and theory.
- Accelerated Learning environment. Includes over a dozen critiqued debates in the standard program as well as repeated argument drills and rebuttal rework exercises, all designed to teach mastery of superior technique at all levels, for both policy and LD debate.
- Intensive 30-ROUND POLICY DEBATE OPTION. For students who feel they need a camp experience heavily weighted toward practice and technique instruction. Students in this special focus lab will spend a portion of each day learning theory, cutting originals, and putting together positions, and then will debate an average of two rounds a day (fully critiqued with reworks) for the duration of the camp. The primary instructor for this lab is Matthew Fraser, director of debate at the Head-Royce School and Stanford University, and the debates will be critiqued by Mr. Fraser and a special staff of nationally renowned former high school debaters and current coaches.
- EXPERIENCED PROGRAM DIRECTION. The director is Ryan Mills, debate coach at College Prep and director at UC Berkeley, whose teams this year alone have cleared at many of the nation's best tournaments, including Stanford, Loyola, and Redlands.

Costs (which includes housing, lunch and dinner throughout the program, and all program materials/briefs and evidence):

Three Week CX Program 30-round plus CX program Two Week LD Program \$1,075 (rm, board, tuition) \$1,295 (rm, board, tuition) \$850 (rm, board, tuition) An additional \$75 enrollment fee is required upon application.

For more information

National Forensic Consortium

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California National Forensic Institute

Policy and LD programs: June 16 - June 29, 1996

The California National Forensic Institute is a national caliber two-week summer forensics program located in Berkeley, California. The CNFI is an independent program held in the residence hall facilities of the University of California at Berkeley. The CNFI provides serious debate students the opportunity to interact with some of the finest and most renowned forensics instructors in the nation at an incomparable cost for a program of this nature, quality and location. The program is directed by Matthew Fraser, Director of Forensics at Stanford and the Head-Royce School, Ryan Mills of the College Prep School and UC Berkeley, and Robert Thomas, of Emory University, and formerly of Woodward Academy.

POLICY and LD DEBATE

The policy and LD programs offer intensive instruction for students of all levels of experience and skill. The instructors will include accomplished collegiate and high school debate coaches, as well as current collegiate debaters who are former NFL Nationals and TOC final-round participants. In addition to topic and theory lectures, students will receive numerous critiqued debates with rebuttal reworks, free materials from the central evidence files, and personalized seminar instruction. All policy and LD materials are included in the program cost, with no additional fees charged for evidence distributed by the camp. Students also receive access to the best evidence researched at each of the other three NFC summer camps. LD students will participate in a unique curriculum designed to maximize individual improvement through philosophy lectures, technique practicums, and theory seminars. Last year's policy and LD debate staff, most of whom are returning, and additions for this year include:

MATT FRASER, STANFORD RYAN MILLS, COLLEGE PREP ROBERT THOMAS, EMORY

ABE NEWMAN, STANFORD MOLLY STEPHENS, STANFORD DAN MULLER, EMORY LAW

JONAS MARSON, HARVARD JUDY BUTLER, EMORY CHRIS HERSEY, HRS

GERARD GRIGSBY, HRS HEATHER GOUGH, OREGON JON HERSEY, UCLA LAW

PRIYA AIYAR, HARVARD (LD)

NICK COBURN-PALO, WEBER (LD)

PROSPECTUS and COSTS

A detailed program prospectus can be obtained by writing to the address below, or calling and leaving a complete address on the program's message service. Materials will be sent in late February.

Costs for the full resident program for both team debate and LD, including tuition, housing, lunch and dinner on most days of the program, and most materials is approximately \$1,075. Commuters, for whom there are only a limited number of spots in the program, pay approximately \$495. One-week programs are also available, for an approximate cost of \$595. There is an additional \$75 non-refundable application fee. Students not accepted will have their application fee returned.

CNFI, 1678 Shattuck Ave, Suite 305, Berkeley, CA 94709 or call: (510)548-4800



The National Forensic Consortium presents the 7th annual

California National Forensic Institute

LD program: June 16 - June 29, 1996

The strength of any debate camp lies in the strength of its staff. And to be great, a debate camp staff needs to be superbly qualified, and enthusiastic enough about teaching to be <u>fully involved</u> in every step of each students learning experience. Students who have worked with the CNFI LD staff are the ones most able to give

AN UNBIASED ASSESSMENT OF THESE GREAT EDUCATORS:

"I strongly recommend this camp to other students because it helps you not only with basic technique, but also teaches extremely advanced varsity level philosophy and strategic tactics. I loved all of the lectures, particularly the ones on philosophy and logic. And the student to staff ratio was great!"

Munish Puri, 1995 CNFI camp participant

"The lectures were very informative, and I especially liked the detailed philosophy discussions. I would recommend this camp to kids from anywhere because even though I come from a very different part of the country, I found the camp to be very good. I also felt that the emphasis on research was just right."

Chrissy Stear, 1995 CNFI camp participant

"The CNFI staff was easy to approach, and really friendly. The stop and go critiques of debates were very helpful, and I liked the intensity level of the camp because it really kept me on my toes. I would recommend this camp to others not only because you learn a lot, but also because of the comfortable environment."

Amber Veldkamp, 1995 camp participant

ACADEMICALLY, AND ON PAPER, THESE FACULTY ARE INCOMPARABLE: PRIYA AIYAR, A RECENT GRADUATE OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY, HAS ALSO BEEN SELECTED AS A RHODES SCHOLAR. FINISHED FIRST AT THE GLENBROOK LD ROUND-ROBIN IN HIGH SCHOOL, 3RD AT NFL NAT'S. NICK COBURN-PALO OF WEBER STATE IS A COLLEGIATE DEBATE COACH WITH OVER A DECADE OF EXPERIENCE TEACHING PHILOSOPHY AND INSTRUCTING STUDENTS OF ALL LEVELS IN THE ART OF LD DEBATE.

PROSPECTUS and COSTS

Costs for the full resident program for LD, including tuition, housing, lunch and dinner on most days of the program, and most materials is approximately \$1,075. Commuters, for whom there are only a limited number of spots in the program, pay approximately \$495. One-week programs are also available, for an approximate cost of \$595. There is an additional \$75 non-refundable application fee. Students not accepted will have their application fee returned.

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STANFORD NATIONAL LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE INSTITUTE

August 2 - 15, 1996

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• COMPETENT AND EXPERIENCED ADMINISTRATION •
• WORLD-RENOWN LIBRARY FACILITIES •
• SAFE AND SECURE CAMPUS SITE •
• ADULT DORM SUPERVISION •

When deciding which institute to attend, compare the experience and qualifications of our faculty against those of any other summer L-D camp. These primary faculty have been initially confirmed:

MICHAEL MAJOR is the program director at the College Preparatory School of California, and will be acting as the Director and Academic Dean of the LD program at Stanford this summer. Under his leadership, the Stanford LD summer program will have a renewed emphasis on fully critiqued practice rounds, drills, and practical application of theory and philosophical argumentation in LD debate. In addition to placing students into late elimination rounds of all of the nation's best tournaments, including St. Mark's, the Glenbrooks, Stanford, UC Berkeley, and Emory, he has produced one of the deepest LD squads in the country. This year, for example, College Prep expects to qualify as many as a half-dozen students for the National TOC in Kentucky. Mr. Major serves on the TOC LD advisory committee and directs the Stanford LD Round-Robin.

MINH A. LUONG, is currently a Ph.D. candidate at Purdue University, and is a curriculum director for the SNFI LD program. He is also the former Chairperson of the Department of Speech at the Pinewood College Preparatory School, and Director of Debate at San Francisco State University. He recently retired as the Director of Forensics at UC Berkeley after serving for five years. Mr. Luong is the only person to have won the Collegiate L-D National Debate Championship title both as a competitor and coach. During the summer, Mr. Luong teaches L-D exclusively at NFC summer debate camps.

NICHOLAS J. COBURN-PALO, B.A., is currently a college debate coach at Weber State College, was formerly the Director of Debate at Pinewood College Prep, and Debate Coach at San Francisco State University. He is an LD curriculum director for the NFC. Mr. Coburn-Palo has twice finished fifth place or higher at the Collegiate National Championships (CEDA). In addition, he has taught at the Berkeley L-D Institute and the Austin National L-D Institute. One of the most versatile collegiate debaters ever, Mr. Coburn-Palo placed in the top ten speakers in NDT debate at both the Harvard and Northwestern tournaments this past year. During the summer, Mr. Coburn-Palo teaches exclusively at NFC camps.

ERIC BROWN, **Ph.D.**, is renowned as one of the best instructors currently teaching L-D debate. A Ph.D. candidate at the University of Chicago, Mr. Brown specializes in ethical and political philosophy. He will be teaching seminars on advanced theory and L-D technique. He previously directed the L-D camp program at the U of Kentucky.

PRIYA AIYAR, B.A., attended Harvard University, and was tremendously successful L-D career at the College Preparatory School. Her numerous successes included a 3rd place finish at NFL Nationals and 1st place at the GBS round-robin. She was a semi-finalist at the 1992 NFL National Tournament. She teaches L-D exclusively at NFC debate camps.

ERIC BEERBOHM attends Stanford University, and in high school competed at the Bellarmine College Preparatory School where he was one of the most successful LD debaters in the nation. To list just a few of his accomplishments; Mr. Beerbohm placed among the top 8 at LD nationals his senior year, placed 1st at the Stanford Tournament and Stanford Round-Robin, and placed among the top 8 at many of the nation's toughest tournaments. He has also taught at the lowa L-D camp.

JUSTIN OSOFSKY attends Harvard University and was one of the most successful high school L-D debaters of the 1990's. His first place finishes included the 1995 NFL nationals, the Stanford National Invitational, the Stanford Round-Robin, the Glenbrooks, and the Vestavia High School Invitational. He was also first speaker at the Bronx HS of Science tournament.

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Resident cost: \$1,075 / Commuter cost: \$550
There is an additional application fee of \$75.
For additional information contact the NFC at:
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or call: 510-548-4800

Presenting the

Stanford National Forensic Institute

CX Program: July 28 - August 15, 1996

LD / Events: August 2 -15, 1996

SUPERIOR PROGRAM:

The Stanford National Forensic Institute offers a unique national caliber program which features policy debate, LD debate, and NFL events. The policy program is 3 weeks, the IE and LD programs are 2 weeks. One of the finest faculties in the nation will teach students both fundamentals and advanced techniques in a rigorous, carefully structured environment that caters to the needs of forensics students at all levels. Policy debate students who have attended an institute of sufficient rigor earlier in the summer may apply for acceptance into the "swing lab," designed for students desiring a 5 week comprehensive program.

SUPERIOR FACULTY:

The faculty of the SNFI is among the finest ever assembled. The majority of primary faculty will be current and former high school and collegiate coaches of national repute. Last year's faculty, most of whom will be returning, included:

Judy Butler, Emory Robert Thomas, Emory Jon Hersey, UCLA Law Sonja Starr, Harvard Sarah Eisenstein, Stanford Dan Muller, Emory Law Erica Sommers, USC Molly Stephens, Stanford Eric Brown, U of Chicago Nick Coburn-Palo, Weber

Paul Skiermont, Kentucky Matthew Fraser, Stanford Ryan Mills, College Prep Ronna Landy, Emory Chris Hersey, Head-Royce Bill McKinney, Vista **Ann Marie Todd, Emory** Minh A. Luong, Purdue Priya Aiyar, Harvard J. Kanon Sawyer, Pinewood Ami Arad, Berkeley

Hajir Ardibili, Kansas **Anthony Ventura, USC Law** Abe Newman, Stanford Liz Slagle, Emory Mark Pedretti, Bellarmine MaryBeth Maloney, Columbia Jon Sharp, Emory Eric Beerbohm, Stanford Michael Major, College Prep

SUPERIOR

The SNFI is held on the Stanford University campus, located in Palo Alto, **SETTING:** CA. Stanford is one of the best universities in the world, and has for several years running ranked in the top five in the annual <u>U.S. News</u> college rankings. There is no better location anywhere to study forensics. The campus is safe and secure, being set apart from the city of Palo Alto, and provides a beautiful setting for the students to study, practice and learn. Around the clock supervision is provided by an experienced staff which collectively has hundreds of previous institute teaching sessions of experience. The SNFI specializes in advanced competitors, but comprehensive programs at all levels are available.

REASONABLE COST:

Policy Debate \$1,350 resident plan \$675 commuter plan **LD and Events** \$1,075 resident plan \$550 commuter plan

Given the nature and quality of the 1996 program the cost is quite low. This program, both in faculty composition and in structure compares favorably with programs costing nearly twice as much. The SNFI maximizes program quality by spending funds on obtaining superior facilities and faculty. The resident plan includes housing for the duration of the program, 3 meals a day on most days of the program, tuition and all required materials. The commuter plan includes tuition and all required materials. An additional \$75 application fee is required upon application to the SNFI. Enrollment will be limited.

TO APPLY **&/or INQUIRE:**

or call: (510) 548-4800

Stanford Debate - SNFI 1678 Shattuck Ave, Suite 305

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Scholarships in the form of need-based aid are available.

A SIMPLE LESSON IN FORENSICS

by Jacqueline Foote

One of the first lessons I teach my speech students is this:

"Hearing is with the ear. Listening is with the heart. Good deeds are accomplished through the wisdom of the soul."

As I reflect on the journey which has taken place in preparation for the '96 Tarheel Nationals, I realize that we as a family of coaches have personified the simple lesson which I strive to teach my speech students.

The first path demanded that we hear with our ears. I remember vividly meeting Virginia Sutherland for the first time in December of 1980. Dr. Jack Britt, then Superintendent of Cumberland County Schools, invited Mrs. Sutherland and some of her students to conduct a forensic workshop. The purpose was to educate teachers in the art of forensics and plant the seed for an academic program. As I sat next to Gail Riddle, asking questions as I listened attentively to Mrs. Sutherland and the students, little did I realize the importance of the path I was about to travel. Later that month, all those who sat under Mrs. Sutherland's instruction journeyed to T. W. Andrews in High Point to observe a real tournament. Randy Shaver was so kind as he welcomed the Cumberland County crew of novice forensic educators. Sutherland, Gail Riddle, and Randy Shaver made a tremendous impact on me. They did not preach the message of forensic education. They lived it, thus becoming solid role models for me. I remember coming home on the bus from High Point, praying, "Lord, be a part of my academic experience. Please mold me to be an effective coach like those who have set an example before me." I travelled the first path and heard the message of forensics with my ears.

The second path demands that we listen with our heart. During the years I served as coach, I realized that the forensic macro map was bigger than my little world in Hope Mills, North Carolina. Other forensic friends challenged me to see the global picture of forensics. I was intrigued as I heard John

Woollen speak of his students competing in out-of-state tournaments. Coaches Sheila May, Willie Jordan, and Doug Dewey spoke in a strange vernacular using vocabulary which included terms like plan, counterplan, cross-X, and case. As I read the NFL Rostrum, I thought of how wonderful it would be for my students to qualify to Nationals. It would be June of 1989 before the National dream became a reality. Finally, I was headed to Golden, Colorado with two student congressmen and airplane tickets for



Jackie and Ralph Foote

my first flight. I listened with my heart at the Golden, Colorado Nationals and realized that forensics was bigger than Hope Mills and the state of North Carolina. This academic art form transcended state borders and added new forensic family members to my limited experience.

At the Golden, Colorado Nationals I realized for the first time that we as forensic educators need to repay the larger group a debt of gratitude for the opportunities our students and coaches are afforded.

In 1991 I continued to listen with my heart as Mrs. Sutherland

and Randy Shaver explored the feasibility of hosting nationals. Through the study and planning, all of those who served on the feasibility committee realized that the task at hand would be huge and tiring, but filled with rewards.

In November of 1993 word came that North Carolina had been granted the bid for the 1996 NFL Nationals. This announcement leads to the third point. "Good deeds are accomplished through the wisdom of the soul." A foundation was laid in the geographical area of the host site. After the community was educated concerning the huge event, the North Carolina family of educators came on board to help carry the task of making nationals a Tarheel reality. Each coach across our fair state has been willing to be a part of the grand event. To date all buildings have been reserved. Special events have been planned. The community has been educated. Committees are in place to carry out the mission. Other host sites have provided the NFL national experience. Now the baton is passed to the Tarheel State. It is with grace and dignity that we tackle the job before us. We have an academic debt to pay, a professional example to set forth, bonds of friendship to strengthen, and a nation of fellow coaches and qualifying students who are depending on us to accomplish forensic deeds through the wisdom of our Tarheel souls. My heartstrings are playing a beautiful chord because you, my dear friends, are orchestrating the music which will make the altruistic endeavor of hosting nationals a success. I am blessed to be a part of a family of forensic educators who truly make a difference for young people. By your example and sincerity it is evident that a simple lesson in forensics has been learned.

"Hearing is with the ear. Listening is with the heart. Good deeds are accomplished through the wisdom of the soul."

Jackie Foote is Host Director of the Tarheel '96 Nationals and coaches at Southview (NC) HS. The April <u>Rostrum</u> will have full tournament information)

The LMU Debate Net!

THE FUTURE OF DEBATE

Congratulations

our school has been selected to participate in the launch of an online service which we believe will change the future of competitive debate. Thanks to the generous support of Loyola Marymount University, we have developed a next-generation computer network dedicated exclusively to nurturing competitive debate.

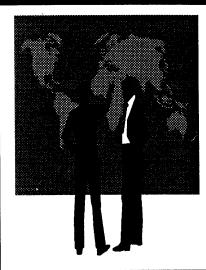
The motivation behind our plan was simple, to create a virtual environment in which debaters world wide could interact. In an activity where success or failure hinges on access to the best evidence available without regard for geographic or economic considerations, these fundamental stumbling blocks are enough to keep some talented people from achieving the success they deserve.

HOW TO SIGN UP

Setting up the software is easy, just insert DISK 1 into your floppy drive, and run the program Install.exe By default, the software will set up a dial-up connection allowing you to call the Debate Net through the phone system. After the setup is complete, simply double click on the World Group Manager Icon in Windows to start the program. If you need to set special options like dialing 9 for an outside line, click once on the DEB8NET icon in the World Group Manager, then select File, Properties. You will see the options screen and be able to edit the phone number.

If you have SLIP or PPP access to the Internet, that is, if you can run Netscape from your computer, then you can connect to the Debate Net through the Internet. To setup your internet connection, follow the procedure for changing your phone number until you see the settings screen. Select the Telnet option and fill in our address:

Debate.LMU.edu. (Note, your SLIP connection must be active to connect).



FEATURES AVAILABLE

he LMU Debate Net offers a wide variety of features not found on any other network. Highlights of our content include the following:

Personal E-mail

Every account has a unique Internet e-mail address

File Libraries

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College debate has selected Parliamentary Debate as an alternative to thoughtful reform, eliminating the substance of debate in order to preserve the form. High School debate has proposed to place duet as a premier event at the National Tournament, perhaps as a lure for speech programs discouraged with debate to continue investing in the national tournament with team revenues. Another suggestion was to make debate a single elimination event, maybe because debate at nationals is no longer a plum. Duet has merit, of course, yet debate as advocacy is the heart of Forensics. NFL sponsored conferences have focused upon some of the important issues, yet in spite of thoughtful dialogue, debate continues to drift further away from public utility. It may be, as some have proposed, that we will soon have two national leagues in place of the NFL; one for the hot shots and one for the bumpkins. That would be the road from NDT to CEDA to Parli; and would be successful as a temporary rear guard, common public schools and more elite schools could sustain their differing predilections for a time. High School debate should be able to avoid this pratfall. We are closer to a debater's beginnings than college programs, and thus less invested in debate as an elite activity and more in debate as an educational activity. Sometimes in the rush of tournament success, we forget to ask the question, what is this activity for? To what end? Rubrics help to ask. They can define what is at the heart of our instruction.

Does this article make claims beyond the rubrics offered? Of course. Don't take the rubrics here offered unexamined. Construct your own rubrics explicating the difference between your ideals for debate and what you observe in cur-

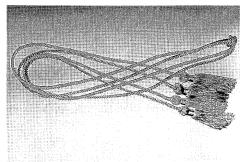
rent practice. You may find your ideal and actual rubrics match, in which case you only need to find a better cudgel to coerce judges into rounds. You may reach a conclusion which does not call for lay judges, as I do, viewing lay critics as a simple expedient which can accomplish much. Non-paid critics might be a better answer, the range of age and experience would widen, we would avoid using only young judges eager for token payments with little tradition in forensic debate, and debaters would add adaptation to their repertory of skills. Whatever other rubrics define, you will discover, it is past time for com-

(John Durkee coaches at Laramie (WY) H.S.)

(Francois from Page 10) dropped my second point, therefore I win"; tell me why the issue is damaging to the opponent's position and how the issue is vital to the affirmation or negation of the resolution. If you cannot illustrate how this idea proves the resolution true or false then do not waste time making it a major issue because it is not.

In order to have meaningful debate of ideas it is imperative that debaters comprehensively explore the ideas and take the time and care to build the foundations of their case ideas, so that the issue(s) is clear, concise and logical. The work for making L/D the intellectual exploration of ideas must be done at home. I think that it all begins with case writing and the willingness to use only the best ideas and not all of the general ideas that have had a modicum of success. L/Der's have to realize that in this activity. more is not better; and, the activity is an alternative to policy debate for a reason, not because it is better, but because it allows students to explore fewer issues at a slower pace so that ideas could be communicated and judged by all people, regardless of their exposure to high school debate. The only way to do justice to the activity, the educational aspect, and to win many rounds is to build your style on the presentation and the refutation of ideas and issues and not tag-lines. (Renard C. Francois represented Montgomery Bell Academy (TN) on the national L/D circuit.)

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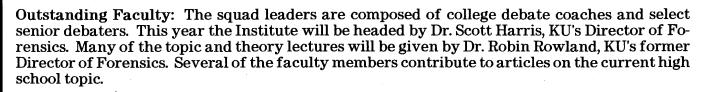
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COACHES CORNER

SITTING ON THE STOEP

by J M Hirsch

I once believed myself to have a life. I was fresh from graduate school and the world seemed to be awaiting my command. Sadly, I exchanged my liberty of destiny for weekly enslavement: cramped and musty hotels, near starvation rations, and migraines that could fuel the next space shuttle. What both saddens and frightens me is that I willingly entered into this profane arrangement.

For some unknown, unethical reason, I accepted the position of debate coach at a high school in Massachusetts and in the process delayed a planned post-graduate research trip to South Africa. I did not intend to become a coach (not that anyone does) and certainly did not labour at university for so many years just to have people repeatedly and dubiously ask me, "You do what?" Given the abnormality of my job, it is only appropriate that I found my team not through application, but rather in much the same way a boy brings home a lost puppy.

This is how it happened. Tim Averill, knowing I was happily retired from both competition and coaching, called in an old favour and coerced me into judging at his October '94 tournament. I should have known it would be easier to retrieve my soul from the Devil than escape this activity. It was my "luck" during that weekend to run across a group of coachless youngsters attending their first debate. My error was in offering to help them. I arrogantly admired their determination and pluck and decided to give them a few pointers.

To my surprise, I suddenly found myself in possession of four hormonally supercharged high school males. One tournament became another and another, and I soon found myself once again traveling every weekend to innumerable high schools around the country. But our story was never so simple... my team rapidly earned a reputation for its creative, if occasionally costly, manner of conducting business.

For now, however, please laugh at an all too accurate account of a recent trip to New York. Keep

in mind that this same team later tackled the European and African continents.

Thursday

6:00 am -- Coach receives a phone call from team to remind him he needs to get up in two hours.

11:00 am -- Coach arrives at high school, is mistaken for a student and sent to the principal's office for not having a hall pass.

11:30 am - Coach plea bargains out of detention and successfully herds team into two automobiles

6:30 pm -- Team arrives in Deadtown, New York and checks into oddly fashionable Bates Inn.

7:30 pm -- Team is "starving" and orders \$150 worth of room service, including twelve bottles of beer. Beer is promptly returned to irate waiter by equally irate coach.

Friday

12:30 am - After an evening of pillow fighting, the team finally begins practicing and passes out fifteen minutes later.

6:00 am -- Coach gets his revenge and awakens the team to appreciate the sunrise.

8:00 am -- Shaving cream war to end all wars ensues, much to the delight of Josephina, the cleaning lady.

12:00 pm - Coach finally gets team dressed in suits, though only after tieing four ties, ironing three shirts, buckling two pants, and rescuing the hotel mascot (Pete the Partridge) from taking a bath in the toilet.

1:30 pm – Team arrives at tournament and begins a long day of debating deep issues, including which Mighty Morphin Power Ranger is "coolest" and whether Dagwood's dog could beat up Garfield. At some point (coach is still unsure when), team actually debates the philosophical topic intended for the competition.

11:00 pm - Team returns to the hotel and promptly passes out, only to be awakened by odd noises in the room next door. Team provides analysis of possible human actions that could create said noises.

Saturday

6:00 am -- Coach again relishes awakening the teenagers.

8:00 am - Coach violates countless driving laws to reach tournament in time. Tardiness is due to Jeph needing to apply a fifth layer of gel to his already chemically hazardous hair.

4:00 pm --Competition ends, but team doesn't notice. Coach foolishly agrees to spend final night in New York City.

6:00 pm -- On route to Manhattan, team gets lost in Bronx. Matte exclaims "Neat!" at seeing two gangs doing their rendition of World War II; Coach begins to cry.

7:00 pm -- Coach has yet to locate hotel, but successfully loses second car of students somewhere on Broadway.

8:30 pm -- Hotel is finally found. Second car of students has already arrived and checked in... to the \$700 a night Liberty Suite! Coach pops several blood vessels and is revived when team splashes him with a mysterious wine. Coach drinks remaining wine.

10:30 pm -- Team tries to order escorts and coach attempts to convince them that a taxi ride around the city would be just as fun.

Sunday

3:30 am -- Team collapses back at suite; coach does shots of Pepto Bismal.

9:00 am - Team begins long, sedate journey home while trying to remember purpose for traveling to New York.

(J. M. Hirsch coaches at Sandwich (MA) HS.)

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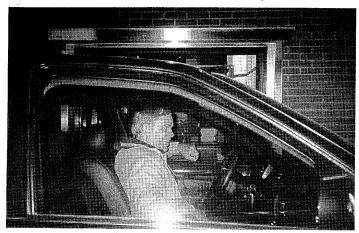
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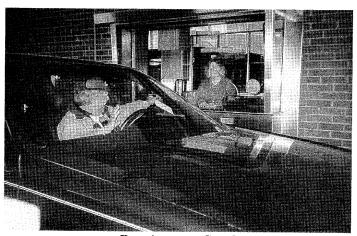
BRO. RENE' "DRIVES THRU" TO DELIVER NFL POINTS

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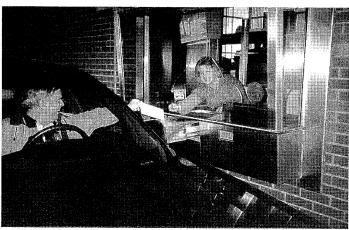
Recently Executive Council administrator representative and La Salle College High School (PA) President and coach Brother Rene' Sterner FSC became the first coach to use the drive thru to "deliver" his NFL points to NFL Comptroller Carol Zanto.



Rene' enters drive thru



Rene' greets Carol



Rene' delivers points

NATIONAL JUNIOR FORENSIC LEAGUE LAUNCHED



The National Forensic League has announced the formation of a speech honorary society for middle and junior high schools students — the National Junior Forensic League. The organization, open to students in grades 6, 7, and 8 was approved by the Executive Council at its Fall Meeting. Since that time the Council's Junior League Committee chaired by Billy Tate and consisting of San Antonio speech consultant L. D. Naegelin and speech coach Harold Keller, have been hard at work developing the league logo, the organization pin, introductory materials, and fine tuning the NJFL Constitution, developed by college coach and Pi Kappa Delta official, Dr. Robert Littlefield.

The need for a junior school program was evident. Students are introduced to activities in junior and middle school and often pursue them in high school. To strengthen NFL in high school, introductory work needs to be done in lower grades. Moreover, there is no current system to encourage, motivate and reward student speakers in the middle grades. A National Junior Forensic League will now take its place next to the National Junior Honor Society and Junior Thespians as a service to junior youth.

The league stresses participation in speech projects and performance in speech activities. The main way to earn NJFL points and degrees is through classroom speech projects, school performances, and community speaking. Although participation in middle and junior school festivals and contests will earn points, competitive activities are at the option of local educational authorities. Ten NJFL points are required to earn membership. Additional degrees are earned at 25, 50, 75 and 100 points. The highest degree, Outstanding Achievement, may only be earned in eighth grade. Students earn one point for speech participation (i.e. school announcements, leading the pledge) and 2 points for speech performance (i.e. oral reports, speeches). Contest rounds each yield 2 points. A limit of 6 points per day may be earned.

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BOOK REVIEW

Advanced Lincoln Douglas Debate and Beginning Debate by William H. Bennett

Whether used by the most experienced debater or the rawest novice, Advanced Lincoln Douglas Debate and it's policy debate counterpart Beginning Debate by William H. Bennett (CDE, Taos, NM) serve as integral tools in the development of any high school debater competing in either policy debate or Lincoln-Douglas debate. Any teacher or coach looking for a text to accompany and augment their normal teaching and training methods should look at both texts.

In Advanced Lincoln Douglas Debate, Bennett has served to create an anthology of seminal debate theory by collecting essays and articles by over 40 prominent debate and argumentation theorists as well as contributing a healthy amount of original scholarship. The text is over 280 pages and is filled from cover to cover with articles and sections covering all possible aspects of Lincoln Douglas debate. The book itself is divided into fourteen sections which makes it easy to use for the beginning debater or coach yet challenging enough in its discussion of more advanced theory and practice for the seasoned debater or coach.

The first section of the text, Coaching and Judging, contains essays on various philosophical systems which are used as paradigms for adjudication in the L.D. debate round. Essays here include discussions on various considerations for debating propositions of value, uses of narrative in Academic Debate, and various judging approaches. This section would serve both the debater and coach/critic. The debater would gain greater insight as to how judges judge which should (at least in a Utopian society) serve to cause the debaters to reflect on how they debate. New coaches and judges would especially gain from this section as they would be indoctrinated to philosophical and pragmatic ideas that may help the less experienced critic in the process of "inventing" their judging paradigm.

This text has served to take new spins on the traditional literature (for example, the sections on negative strategies, criteria and hierarchies, the use of logic and analysis, and of course, the Value versus the Policy debate) and has served to present the material in such a manner that not only can a reader read the "foundational" essays, but they can also read essays that serve to build upon that foundation and provide even more depth and insight than the average L.D. text.

The reviewers were pleased to find sections on such a wide variety of topics including intercultural approaches to value debate, the role of nonverbal communication in L.D. debate, and debating about Rights and the Law. Theoretical issues such as Justification, Presumption, and Parametrics, usually given only a small part of one chapter in the average debate text, were given their own sections totaling ten essays.

If you are a beginning debater looking for a strong foundation in L.D. debate or if you are an experienced Varsity debater looking to expand your horizons in the forum of academic debate, this book is a must for your collection. Also, if you are a beginning coach looking to gain fundamental insight into L.D. debate or if you are an experienced coach looking to keep up with the cutting edge of L.D. debate theory, you really should look at this book.

Whereas many debate texts are predicated upon normative assumptions about possible intrinsic knowledge of the debate activity by beginners, Beginning Debate provides for a true debate foundation for the Novice debater. The aspect of this text that makes it truly unique however is most Varsity debaters will find enough valuable information to enhance their own debate knowledge and performance. The teacher's guide to Beginning Debate is a useful resource that does not come along with most texts of this nature. The teacher's guide contains excellent testing material which can be used to help any coach or teacher gain a better understanding as to what students are and are not grasping. The test questions and accompanying answers, the homework questions, as well as all of the additional material make this text much more "teacher friendly" than most debate texts.

The Bennett text is predicated

upon the belief that there are three things that go into making someone a successful debater. Those three things are debate theory knowledge, topic knowledge, and a positive attitude. There are chapters on basic rules and speaker duties, writing blocks, writing affirmative cases, flowsheeting and Counterplans. All of these chapters introduce these areas of debate in such a way that the beginning debater should grasp these concepts quite easily. What truly sets this apart from other debate texts are the chapters that deal extensively with learning to research, delivery and ethics, and the purpose of practices and tournament competition. These chapters in particular address what Bennett considers the second and third criteria to training a successful debater. The chapter on research provides students with knowledge that transcends what most other texts do by introducing to students hints and tips for doing research in an effective manner. The chapters on delivery and ethics and practice tournaments highlight salient issues more germane to the personal development of the debater as opposed to dealing solely with the theories of debate (as many texts do). It is my belief that as educators responsible for the development and well-being of our students, that we need to take active roles in the personal and social development of our squad members and not just focus our concern on competitive success and win-loss records.

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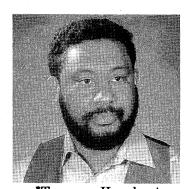
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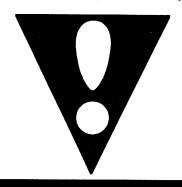
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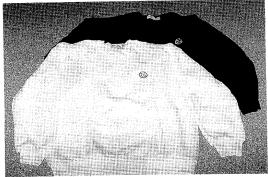
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