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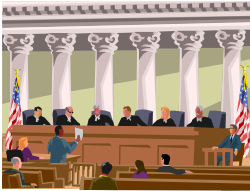



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However, Hall's single greatest coup as a communicator had nothing to do with raising money or selling insurance. It was Hall who had the zeal and enterprise to approach the son of Abraham Lincoln for permission to name the fledgling company after the man whose name was virtually a synonym for integrity.

Inspired as it was, this request was more than a marketing strategy from an ambitious entrepreneur, although it was that, too. Hall had a lifelong admiration for "Honest Abe." Indeed, he wistfully recalled that his mother cherished a dried rose distributed to her from the funeral train that traveled the grieving nation following Lincoln's assassination.

Hall's heartfelt letter to Robert Todd Lincoln, the son of the Civil War president, brought a brief and businesslike reply that gave our company its name and the basis for its core values. That simple note, as well as the famous "five-dollar bill" photo that accompanied it, have been preserved for a century.



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the company's most  
important figure  
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four decades.

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### PER/ASPA

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### Public Forum Debate 'Nationals' Topic:

Topic will be released on May 1<sup>st</sup>  
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### NFL Storytelling Topic for Nationals:

Fairy Tales

### 2005 Lincoln Financial Group/NFL 'Nationals' L/D Debate Topic:

**Resolved:** The pursuit of scientific  
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**Resolved:** That the United States fed-  
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eign policy substantially increasing its  
support of United Nations peacekeep-  
ing operations.

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government should substantially de-  
crease its authority either to detain with-  
out charge or to search without prob-  
able cause.

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## Topic Release Information

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### L/D Topic Release Dates:

August 15	...	September-October Topic
October 1	...	November-December Topic
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February 1	...	March-April Topic
April 1	...	National Tournament Topic

**Public Forum National Topic Release Date:** May 1<sup>st</sup>

### **Policy Debate Topic for New Year**

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- Final Ballot for Policy Debate Topic in December *Rostrum*
- Topic for following year released in February *Rostrum*



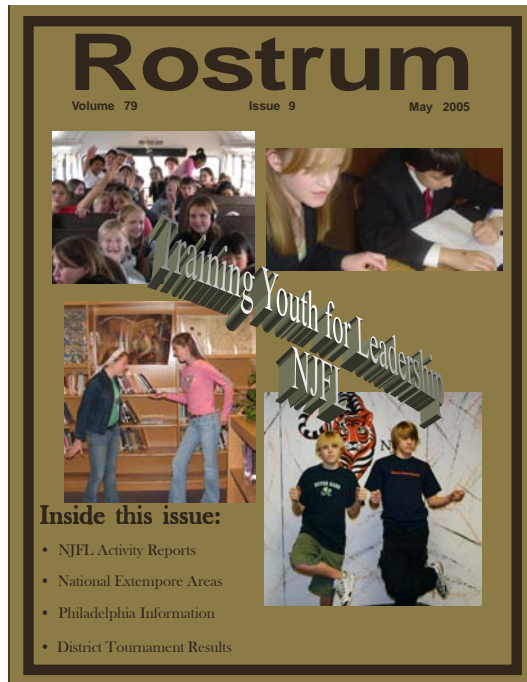
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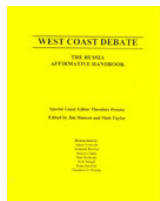
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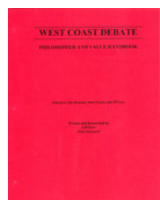


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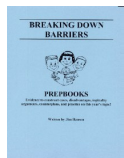
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# Missing NFL Members Await Engraved Invitation

By Richard Stanton

The missing members of the National Forensic League are out there waiting for what my impatient grade-school teachers called an “engraved invitation.” Those potential coaches and competitors are more clueless than you think. The missing members aren’t choosing to ignore competitive debate and speech; they barely know it exists. They need to see that engraved invitation, which happens to be Public Forum.

Because of student interest and my own curiosity, last August I decided to form a debate and speech team at my small, rural high school (270 students). I didn’t know anything about the activity, despite many years teaching English. I represent the untapped membership, a huge market of possible participants who just don’t know what’s going on.

Some examples of my cluelessness: I thought that “impromptu” and “extemporaneous” were synonyms because the dictionary definitions are virtually the same. I didn’t know what “posting a round” meant when I took the team to our first meet. (I didn’t really know what a round was...I assumed everything happened just once.) I didn’t think I would be allowed to judge because I was a coach (conflict of interest, right?). I didn’t know much about the interpretation events, rankings, speaker points, grace periods, tab rooms, all those abbreviations and clipped words...I didn’t know that the beginning of a debate tournament is prone to glitches and a certain amount of chicken-with-head-cut-off activity. I should have been better-informed, but I’m afraid that I’m typical. I regret making a late start, but I can honestly say that this activity was invisible to me, and it is likely invisible to many others who would become enthusiastic participants.

One thing I should hasten to point out, as a newcomer, is that the established competitors are quite impressive. If I hadn’t formed a team and gotten in the judging pool, I would have remained oblivious to the high attainments of many students in my state. I should also mention that new students can really catch on. We went to three tournaments and did a little better each time. It won’t be like the movie *Hoosiers* any time soon, but at least we know what the object of the game is.

Trying to learn about NFL debate is like walking into a family gathering after there’s been an uncomfortable squabble. Researching Public Forum, which I had decided was a good event for a new team, I was dismayed to find out that I was taking a stand with the levelers against the standard-maintainers. Oops...didn’t know that. Also, I didn’t know what a counter-plan was, or what a kritik was supposed to accomplish, so it didn’t matter to me that they were against the rules. I think the questions I asked some veteran coaches gave them the impression I wasn’t too bright.

The Public Forum event, at first glance, corresponds to the colloquial notion of “debate” — a word-scuffle with no standards of proof, a lot of showboating and irrelevant emotional appeals— and if the actual events really played out that way, then Public Forum would really deserve its indictment. But it seems, from my limited experience as a coach and judge, that winning teams do so by organizing their arguments, providing evidence, exploiting weaknesses in the opponents’ cases, maintaining composure, thinking fast, keeping track of what’s happening in the exchange, and expressing passion without bluster.

## Get on the Band Wagon

Participating in this event has benefited my team members, teaching them that you can’t rely on your charm to win, you can’t be a slacker and try to improvise a speech without doing research, that an opponent can lure you into irrelevancy and thus defeat you, that you shouldn’t fiddle with your necklace while an opponent speaks, that you will lose the event if you lose your civility, that you will be jumped on if you contradict yourself, that you should preview your points and not rely on your listeners to do the organizing for you. I admit that these are not the loftiest things to learn from debate, but they are worthwhile for beginners, and if the debate community wants new members, those new members have to emerge from their rustic hovels and they might be riding on hay wagons. To such newcomers, the older debate formats are daunting and the conventions and traditions associated with them represent a barrier to entry that is, in practical terms, insurmountable; the newcomer reads about Policy and Lincoln-Douglas and sees a No Trespassing sign. The Public Forum format, whatever its shortcomings, constitutes the engraved invitation that the outsiders will answer. It worked for us, and next year we hope to field a bigger team, attend more tournaments, and bring some debaters into Lincoln-Douglas.

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## Meet Martha Benham (Marti)



**Martha Benham coaches at Cherry Creek High School in Greenwood Village, Colorado. Marti is a double diamond coach.**

### **What was your first NFL experience?**

*My first NFL experience was at a novice tournament in Colorado. I had no idea what I was doing in LD Debate because my coach and I were learning about LD debate together. After losing my first round miserably, I found help from my coach and students from other schools and rewrote my cases. I went on to win the next two rounds and receive my first speech award. After that, I was hooked on speech and debate!*

### **When did you decide to be a teacher and/or coach?**

*I began coaching and judging speech and debate right after I graduated from high school. I am not sure if there was a specific moment that I decided to be a teacher and coach. Ultimately all of the moments with students are so precious that it is hard to imagine not working with students. I love the challenges of speech and debate and the amazing group of students that are involved in the activity. I also greatly appreciate the opportunity to give back to others what was so generously given to me by adults in my life.*

### **What is your team philosophy?**

*One of the great aspects of speech and debate is the opportunity to compete as an individual with the support of a team. Speech and debate teams are a lot like extended families. Each member brings something unique and has a responsibility to care for the other members. I believe, as my coach believe, that winning is a natural byproduct of excellence and hard work. My expectation for students is that they do their best, learn something, and have fun!*

### **How many hours do you spend with this activity a week?**

*Too many to count and not enough... I love speech and debate and there is always some-*

*thing else to do. There's always a new debate topic to research, a new play to read, students to coach, events to organize, and tournaments to attend.*

### **What is your vision for the future of the NFL?**

*I would like to see the NFL continue to grow and involve more students and schools. The new website is a wonderful addition to the NFL and a great way to allow us to communicate and share resources. The NFL has a unique ability to bring together so many people from so many different backgrounds for the common goal of furthering speech education for all students and I hope to see the NFL continue to do this. It would also be great to have national endowments and more resources to continue to assist schools and coaches with developing new programs and strengthening established programs.*

### **What is exciting about being an NFL coach in the state of Colorado?**

*The most exciting thing being an NFL coach in Colorado is the people. I love my students and treasure my time with them, but each weekend I also look forward to seeing other coaches, judges, and students. The collegiality of speech and debate is amazing and something I truly appreciate. It is especially fun in Colorado when I get to see teams and coaches from other parts of our state that we may not often compete against due to Colorado's expansive geography. There are great speech and debate programs in all four corners of our state. It is not uncommon for teams in Colorado to travel over 100 miles one way to a tournament.*

### **What's unique about Cherry Creek High School as an NFL chapter?**

*Cherry Creek High School is certainly not*

*unique in this aspect, but we truly appreciate the tremendous support we receive from administrators, teachers, parents, and alumni.*

### **What qualities do you look for when recruiting students for your program?**

*Enthusiasm and the willingness to participate on a team are the only two prerequisites that I look for when recruiting students.*

### **What is your favorite memory from a National Tournament?**

*Each national tournament brings back fond memories, but the greatest tales come from the 2001 Oklahoma Nationals "Fun Bus" trip. Around 30 students and coaches from eight high schools boarded a bus early in the morning and began a 12-hour journey from Denver to Oklahoma. Songs were shared, Scrabble was played, briefs were written, and we watched the Colorado Avalanche win the Stanley Cup. All of this camaraderie served us well when the bus broke down for two hours just before arriving at our destination!*

### **What is the greatest challenge as a coach today?**

*In my opinion, the greatest challenge we face today is coach recruitment and retention. There are students throughout the nation that are not able to participate due to the lack of new coaches and sponsors entering our activity. In an ideal world, every new high school would open its doors with a coach in place to start a speech and debate program on day one.*

### **What's your favorite weekend tournament food item?**

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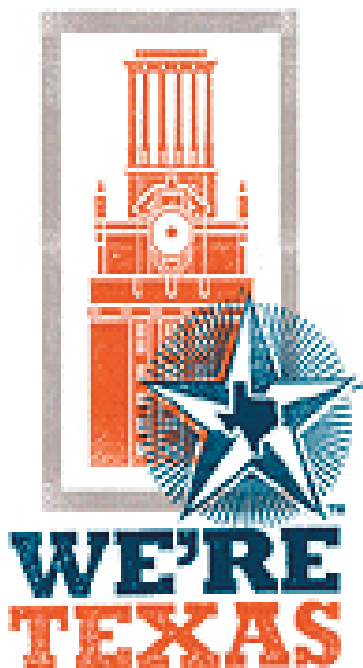
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# *NFL Executive Council Minutes*

*By J. Scott Wunn*

(Spring Meeting)  
(April 2-4, 2005)  
(Las Vegas, NV)

The NFL Executive Council held its spring meeting in Las Vegas, NV on April 2-4, 2005. Members present were: President Billy Tate, Vice President Don Crabtree, Brother Rene' Sterner, Glenda Ferguson, Kandi King, Harold Keller, Ted W. Belch, Tommie Lindsey, Jr., and Pam Cady Wycoff. Alternate, Pam McComas was also present. President Billy Tate called the meeting to order at 2:55pm.

## State of the League

The Executive Secretary updated the council on the state of the League. Items included current sponsorships, website program development, current billing procedures and teacher/coach education initiatives.

The Executive Council commended both the Executive Secretary and the National Office Staff for their efforts.

The Executive Council instructed the Executive Secretary, Mr. Scott Wunn, to investigate the possibility of changing the points application program to require membership fees to be paid before a student is recognized as an active member by the system.

This would be a return to the past policy of the League (prior to online points) that required payment before being recognized as a member or to be counted in chapter strength.

## Executive Session-Personnel

President Tate called the Executive Council into executive session at 5:15pm.

The Executive Council commended Erika Zanto for her commitment to the League over the past 9 years and expressed its congratulations as Erika begins her career as an elementary educator.

The Executive Council agreed to renew the Executive Secretary's employment agreement for an additional 5 year period.

President Tate called the Executive Council out of executive session at 6:15pm.

## District Procedures

The Executive Committee asked the Executive Secretary, to present an updated study of current district boundaries/school locations at the fall 2005 meeting. In addition, the council has asked him to present a study of district tournament entries, national qualifications, and overall district strengths.

The Executive Council would like the Executive Secretary to get feedback from the District Chairs on the use of judge strike systems at District Tournaments.

President Tate appointed a committee of Wycoff, McComas and Wunn to study the current evidence rules and penalties for the District and National Tournaments.

The committee will report its findings and recommendations at the Fall 2005 Council Meeting.

## National Tournament

Tournament host, Brother Rene Sterner, and tournament manager, Scott Wunn, presented an update of the 2005 Philadelphia Nationals to the Executive Council.

Moved by Crabtree, seconded by King  
Present Leonore Annenberg with honorary NFL membership at the 2005 NFL National Tournament in Philadelphia, PA.

**Passed: 9-0**

Aye: Sterner, Crabtree, Keller, Lindsey, Belch, King, Wycoff, Ferguson, Tate

Moved by Lindsey, seconded by Ferguson  
"Accept the bid from the Golden Desert District (Nevada) to host the 2008 National Tournament in the Henderson/Las Vegas area."

**Passed: 6-3**

Aye: Sterner, Crabtree, Lindsey, Belch, King, Ferguson

Nay: Tate, McComas, Wycoff

(Keller deferred to McComas on vote.)

Moved by Belch, seconded by Sterner

"Accept the bid from the Deep South District (Alabama) to host the 2009 National Tournament in the Birmingham area.

**Passed: 7-2**

Aye: Sterner, Crabtree, Lindsey, Belch, King, Ferguson, Tate

Nay: McComas, Wycoff

(Keller deferred to McComas on vote.)

Moved by Belch, seconded by Wycoff

"Bid applications received by December 31<sup>st</sup> of the previous year, will be considered at the following spring council meeting.

**Passed: 9-0**

The next National Tournament available for bidding is the 2010 Nationals. Bids received by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2005 will be considered for 2010 at the Spring 2006 Council Meeting.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by King

"Postpone action on any policy debate hired judge proposal until the fall 2005 council meeting."

**Passed: 8-1**

Aye: Sterner, Crabtree, Lindsey, Belch, King, Wycoff, Ferguson, Tate

Nay: Keller

The Dallas, TX Host committee has offered to arrange hired policy judges for the 2006 Nationals. The Executive Council has asked the Executive Secretary to do more research into the impact of hired judging on the National Tournament and to solicit feedback from the District Chairs.

The Executive Council asked the Executive Secretary to solicit feedback from the District Chairs on the idea of a supplemental debate event at the National Tournament.

Moved by Wycoff, seconded by Lindsey

"Students that are out after round 8 and have pre-registered will be allowed to re-register and enter one supplemental event at the 2006 Dallas Nationals."

**Passed: 9-0**

Moved by Sterner, seconded by McComas

"Add the following statement to the NFL District Tournament manual, 'Scouting: the NFL Executive Council strongly discourages debate scouting at all NFL district tournaments'."

**Passed: 9-0**

## Interpretation Rules

The Executive Council has agreed to make rules in interpretation events a primary agenda item for the Fall 2005 Council Meeting.


Areas of discussion will include (but are not limited to) the definition of a published source, duplication of previous performance material, author's intent, cutting rules, and use of profane language and sexually gratuitous material.

## Flex Time in LD

The Executive Secretary has been asked to organize a presentation on flexible cross-examination/preparation time in LD debate at the District Chair Meeting held on Sunday, June 12, 2005 at the National Tournament.

Along with the presentation at the National Tournament District Chair meeting, a complete description of this new concept will appear in the September *Rostrum* for member review and comment.

President Billy Tate adjourned the 2005 Spring Council Meeting at 11am on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>.



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## Do You Have Any Debate/Speech Good Luck Charms or Personal Rituals/Superstitions?

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### **RACHELLE FROM MISSOURI**

Our team's superstition deals with the number of curbs our coach happens to run over in the bus. If the number is odd, we'll do well at the tournament. If it's even, we'll do badly.

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### **THOMAS FROM WASHINGTON**

I like to rub my coach's beard before going into a round. For some reason, I never lose as long as I put some salt and pepper between my fingers.

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### **ALLISON FROM MISSOURI**

Yes, I never wash my debate clothes, and I fast before debate tournaments. I bring religious figures to my rounds as well.

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### **ANNE FROM NEBRASKA**

I have a very unusual good luck charm. I have a 3-foot long fish pillow named Gary. He comes with me to every tournament and while my coach isn't exactly too pleased with it, he's still part of the team!

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### **SOHAIL FROM MISSOURI**

I drink an ounce of holy water, and ALWAYS make sure I put my right shoe on first.

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### **ASHLEY FROM INDIANA**

A big group of us on our team have a special way of wishing each other 'good luck'. We cross our fingers on both hands, then cross our wrists like an X. So far, it's done us good -- we won our sectional yesterday!

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### **KYLE FROM INDIANA**

Before every round, I walk around the halls of whatever high school I am competing at and sing. I'll sing all different types of songs from rap to country to try and get my voice warmed up and my enunciation up to par.

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### **DREW FROM OHIO**

My extemp partners and I sing a Duck song with rubber duckies.

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### **ANNA FROM WASHINGTON**

As a good luck ritual for our team, we all eat Paydays and drink Pepsi! We do this because when our coach was a student, she did this and she ended up getting 1<sup>st</sup> in all her events!

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### **RYAN FROM FLORIDA**

A tournament isn't a tournament without warm-ups! There is just something about getting in a huge circle with 50 of your closest friends and acting like a complete swirling weirdo. Who cares if the judges and other competitors see you doing it? It is a tradition and one of the best experiences in speech.

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### **ROY FROM TEXAS**

When my debate partner and I check into a hotel before a debate contest, we always have to jump from bed to bed. This is what we call our good luck jump.

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# ◆ *"Join Student Challenges!"*

## Do You Have Any Debate/Speech Good Luck Charms or Personal Rituals/Superstitions?

### **CAMERON FROM GEORGIA**

Before I begin any speech, I recite Colossians 4:6 in my head, "Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man."

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### **Emily FROM New Mexico**

Before state, we play a string game. The president starts and says something about that year, and throws the yarn to someone else, and they tell about the year and it continues until you have a huge tangled star, then we all cut the string, and wear it somewhere until the awards ceremony and then cut it off.

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### **ROBERT FROM NEBRASKA**

I always wear maroon tube socks with my dress shoes. My school colors haven't let me down yet.

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### **WHITNEY FROM MISSOURI**

My coach gave each member on our squad a personal inscribed card. Inside the card was a pressed four-leaf clover. Now, I always carry the clover with me. It has brought me lots of luck!

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### **BENJAMIN FROM VIRGINIA**

Our team's good luck superstition is to listen to Outkast's "Hey Ya" before every tournament. As for my personal good luck charm, I have a special pen that I keep just for my impromptu events.

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### **MIKE FROM IDAHO**

Yeah, I have a little blue bear named Baloo for my Policy or Congress, and in Speech, I don't look at the person who goes before me.

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### **BEN FROM NORTH CAROLINA**

My personal ritual was always wearing an American flag tie to the final session of a tournament.

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### **CALISTA FROM OHIO**

Before every Saturday tournament, my friend Molly and I drive to Starbucks blasting "Footloose". At Starbucks, I have to get a grande peppermint mocha. Since freshman year, after arriving at any tournament, Lauren and I go outside and give each other a pep talk, then we squeeze hands and scream as loud as possible. It's a great stress reliever and we know there is no point in the day when we will make bigger fools of ourselves than that moment.

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### **JUSTIN FROM MAINE**

I carry around a scarab that my coach gave me in my suit pocket. I never review my speech material on the day of competition. I never think of winning anything, I concentrate only on the next round and how well can I do.

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### **JESSICA FROM COLORADO**

When entering a room for a round, I always have to put my name and code in a different color than the rest of the competitors for good luck.

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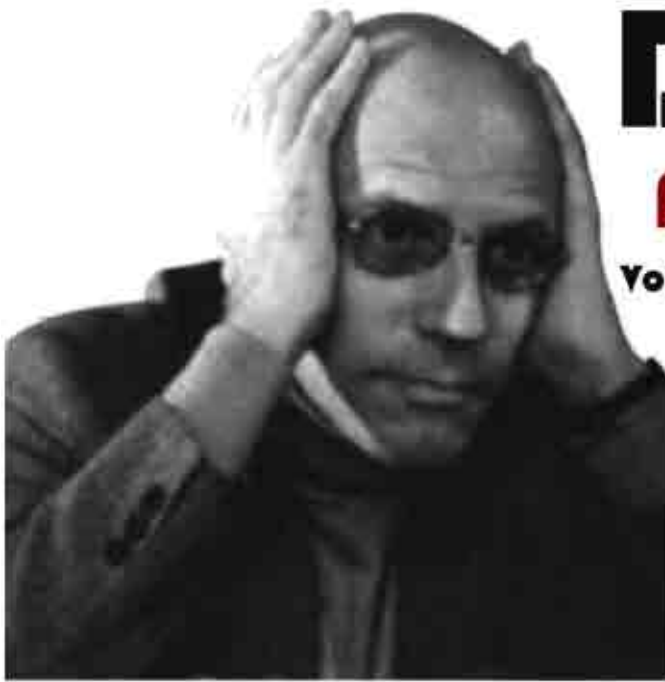


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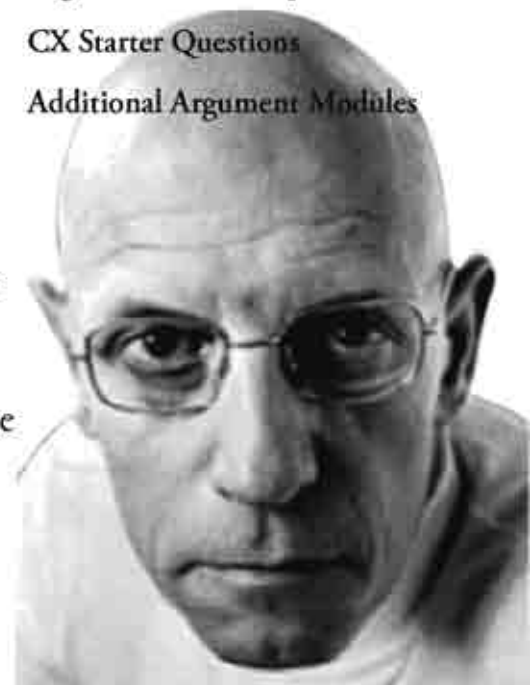
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## Middle School Forensics: Why Compete?

By Amanda Ack

### The Thrill of Competing

Middle school forensics. There are no scholarship opportunities, no prestigious state tournament qualifications. So, what is it exactly, that drives a middle school student to compete in drama and debate? Well, there are a few simple factors that cause junior high forensic competitors to do their best.

The first factor is being part of a team. As the competition season goes by, a team's members will find themselves becoming more and more like a large family. By the end of the year, a competitor may find that the other members of their team are just about as close to them as their actual relatives. Someone who has never competed simply cannot imagine the feeling holding up a tournament sweepstakes trophy

and saying, "We won this -- the team won!"

The second reason to compete in middle school forensics is the sense of individual determination and accomplishment.

Medaling in an event is merely icing on the proverbial cake; true success happens when you know you've done your best, and have done all that you can to beat out your competition. There is nothing in the world that can take that feeling of accomplishment away from you.

The third and most important aspect is the mere essence of competing. Cheesy

and clichéd as it may seem, it is very true.

Nothing can ever top the thrill of stepping into a debate round, or standing up to perform a drama piece. As a middle school competitor, I can say with quite a bit of experience that once you attend a drama and debate tournament, you'll never be the same!

In conclusion, although middle school forensics provides no scholarship opportunities or state team championships to put on your latest resume, it has just as much of an effect on a person's life.

(Amanda Ack is a 7th grade student at Ardmore Middle School in Oklahoma. Her coach is Mr. Anson Shuman.)

The teamwork, determination, and spirit of competition are things that a person will never forget.

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## Mountain Brook Jr. High School, AL

**Summary:** This has been quite a year for the Mountain Brook Junior High group. In addition to having in-class tournaments, many members attended the Junior United Nations Assembly held at Birmingham Southern College. They represented eleven nations, and, among other things, dressed in native costume, presented speeches in both the native language and English, and engaged in the

defense of their own nation's resolutions and the analysis of other nation's proposals.

**Accomplishments:** All eleven nations passed their resolutions and many of the students won awards for excellence in preparation, speaking, or costume. Amanda Claire Grayson, a two-year NJFL member, was chosen the outstanding student among the 300 in attendance. John Patrick McDonald was chosen as one of the Outstanding Male Delegates.

**Details/Comments:** Many members are in the debate class, which will travel to Samford University in May and do a debate for the Samford coaches. After hearing a critique by the Samford coach, they will visit the Samford debate offices and spend some time on campus "hanging around acting like college students". Might lead to some future college debating!

## LaReina Jr. High School, CA

**Summary:** *El Camino Real Speech League, 16 members.*

The Junior High division of our LaReina High School Speech team prepared speeches in the following events: Storytelling, Humorous Interp, Dramatic Interp, Duo Interp, Expository, Oratorical, Poetry, Sight Reading, Creative Duo, Improv. Duo, TV Duo, and Thematic Interp.

Team members competed in four tournaments throughout their region presenting their speeches.

**Accomplishments:** Each student experienced significant growth in confidence, articulation, ability to project, timing, proper usage of pauses, and characterization skills. Eight out of ten team members who qualified for area 'finals' placed in the final tournament.

**Details/Comments:** "We had a wonderful year! Our Junior High League in our area however, is teetering on the edge of dissolving due to low participation from other schools. One thing we found is that during the first tournament of the year we attended, LaReina was the only NJFL member."

## Brentwood Middle School, CO

**Summary:** Middle school forensics continues to grown in Northern Colorado as do the number of events students are participating in. There are now eight schools in the area with ac-

tive forensic teams and a few more hoping to start by the end of the year. Tonya Benich has joined the team as the assistant coach and team mom. Tonya has been a great addition to the team and quite the fundraiser. We have developed a parent group this year, led by Paula Reed. The group assists with fundraising, tournaments, and anything the students need. We couldn't make it without the assistance and encouragement of our parents.

**Accomplishments:** In each of the events that the students took part in as a team, found it to be exciting as students worked together. Forensics encourages 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to participate together, let alone compete against each other. Many of the students have developed long lasting friendships within the team and between the grade levels. This is apparent not only at the practices and tournaments, but also during the passing in the halls. It is encouraging to see students at different grade and experience levels, performing scripts together. The camaraderie that has developed among their team will last a lifetime.

The beginning of the school year (9/04) the forensic team was recognized at their opening ceremonies by the principal for the students accomplishments at nationals. They were then invited to the monthly school board meeting where students were individually introduced and presented a 110% award and lapel pin from the district superintendent. The Brentwood forensic team is supported by the school principal and district administration and encourages the students to follow their dreams.

**Details/Comments:** "Forensics has been such an awesome opportunity for students to explore their talents in areas of speech and debate competition. This exploration has increased students self-esteem and created new relationships. The Brentwood team students are involved in two or three sports, Math and Science competitions, school and community plays, clubs, church, and community service events. We encourage students to be involved in as many activities as they wish but they are required to remain academically eligible to be able to compete in forensic tournaments.

Memorizing a script has been a skill that has been very beneficial for students both in forensics and in the academic setting. It is important that to recognize forensic students have taught themselves to memorize and recall information with ease. This skill has helped students prepare to take tests and recall information in the classroom.



Brentwood Middle School Team



Students from Brentwood wanted to include this photo of their coach, Todd Doleshall. "Is this what happens to the coach after nationals."



## CHAPTER ACTIVITY REPORT

It is exciting to know that most of these students will continue with forensics next year and on into high school. We believe that they have a great future both academically and professionally as they grow into adulthood and become great speakers and self advocates.

We are extremely proud of our students and their accomplishments. We are looking forward to the trip to

Texas again this year with our team.?



Leah Cockroft



Will Benich and Gerald Gregory



Rachel Griess



Heather R



Keaton B



Sarah and Erica

### Bak Middle School of the Arts, FL

Summary: Bak Middle School of the Arts hosted two district middle school speech contests during the year that included about eight schools.

Accomplishments: Raised \$650 hosting the fall tournament. The Bak students won most of the first, second and third places.

Details/Comments: "We coordinate with the local high schools. They send students to demonstrate for us and the varsity high school students act as judges at the middle school tournaments. Total membership, 37.

### Heyworth Jr. High School, IL

Summary: The Heyworth Speech team competed at three different events this year. The first was the Illinois State Speech Meet in November. This is a literary festival style of competition for elementary and Junior high students. Students earn a rank based on memorization, fluency, diction, and presence. In the acting categories, ability is also judged. Students earned twelve 1<sup>st</sup> place, one 2<sup>nd</sup> and one 3<sup>rd</sup> for a very successful day.

The second meet was a novice high school speech meet in December at their local high school which has an active NFL chapter. This was a three round tournament with a total aggregate score determining the final rank. NJFL 8<sup>th</sup> grader Megan Ratts placed 5<sup>th</sup> in Original Oratory and 7<sup>th</sup> grader Chelsea Coombs placed 5<sup>th</sup> in Prose Reading.

Their final meet in January was a High School Novice and Varsity Invitational including eighteen schools from all over Illinois. The competition had two rounds plus a final to determine places. Three Heyworth team members were invited to compete: Chelsea Coombs in Radio Speaking and Prose Reading, Paige Prehoda in Extemp and Impromptu Speaking and Andi Schweers in Verse Reading. Chelsea Coombs earned 5<sup>th</sup> place in Novice Radio Speaking.

Accomplishments: In addition to competitions, the chapter has been active locally doing church readings, classroom speeches, announcements, and helping to support their high school NFL chapter.

Details/Comments: We are trying to get a network of Junior High's that would like a Junior High competition.



Heyworth Team

Back Row:

Beth Randall, Paige Prehoda, Megan Ratts, Joe Randall and Megan Brooks\*.

Middle Row:

Anthony Manzella, Anneke Schweers, Maggie Gebhardt, Wyatt Lawyer and Celina Lewis.

Front Row:

Taylor Leach\*, Chelsea Coombs, Andi Schweers

\* indicates team members in 7<sup>th</sup> grade that have not yet reached participation level, so they have not received their membership in NJFL.

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## Lincoln Junior High School, IN

**Summary:** The Lincoln Junior High School Speech Team in Plymouth, Indiana had a very successful season competing at six tournaments, being the host of one of those.

The team brought home the 4<sup>th</sup> place trophy out of 25 schools (the largest tournament hosted in Indiana this season) with Lincoln being the top public school, from the Brebeuf tournament; a 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophy from both the Memorial Park and Canterbury tournaments, again, the top public school; and a 2<sup>nd</sup> place trophy from both the Stanley Clark and Eastwood/North Central tournaments, and proud to say again, the top public school.

**Accomplishments:** Lincoln was host to six other schools on December 11. Lincoln chose not to take a team trophy. The team ended the season with a dessert awards program. All 37 team members were recognized by telling about the events they competed in, the ribbons they brought home, and what NJFL degree they earned. Each team member received a certificate for participation. There was a tie in Humor and Extemp due to teams having the most sweepstakes points for the season. Humor, had a six-member team, and Extemp, with a four-member team each earned 110 sweepstakes points. Each coach presented two Most Improved Speaker Awards. Trophies went to Miranda Martin in Extemp and Andrew Sanchez for Humor and Duo. The following individual awards were presented to Tom Young, Most Outstanding Public Address Speaker; a tie for the Most Outstanding Interpretation Speaker went to Jonathan Tyree and Andrew Langdon; Declan Fox received the Most Outstanding Limited Prep Speaker, as well as the overall Most Outstanding Speaker for the team.

**Details/Comments:** "We are looking forward to another great season in 2005-2006."



### Lincoln Junior High School

(Front Row) Amy McLiver, Megan Kariger, Chad Griewank, Sara Emmons, Jonathan Tyree, Andrew Langdon, Camden Robertson, KaLyn Hirschy, Erin Galt, Pashina Carnegie, Breanna Brettin, and Maria Ibarra.

(Middle Row) Lindsey Harper, Tashara Hudson, Miranda Martin, Krista Krpan, Rebecca Moberly, Andrew Sanchez, Bailey Capper, Rachel Hayn, and Hailey Hennessy.

(Back Row) Coach Ms. Regina Warren, John Patrick, Kristin Calvert, Tim Gordon, Cailee Brummett, Declan Fox, Tom Young, Andrew Kurtz, and Coach Mrs. Sarah McKenzie

## The Stanley Clark School, IN

**Summary:** The 62-member Stanley Clark team started their work on various categories in September. They experimented with new pieces and challenging topics. They all grew as speakers and as human beings. The team took 2<sup>nd</sup> place at Lincoln Jr. High, 1<sup>st</sup> at Canterbury Middle School, 1<sup>st</sup> at Memorial Park, and 1<sup>st</sup> at Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School in Indianapolis competing against 22 schools. Stanley also hosted a meet in November.



David Harris and Spenser Swihart getting ready to leave on the bus at 5:30am

**Accomplishments:** Besides having a speech team, Stanley Clark School also required all 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to take a Public Speaking class. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders have motivated many audience members to take action. Because of their persuasive speeches, the school has established a plastic recycling center, collected funds for the Red Cross, and informed the public about Walmart's outsourcing policy, just to name a few.

**Details/Comments:** Goal - Public speakers who help make this world a better place.

Alayna Eberhart, 6<sup>th</sup> grade student has this to say about NJFL: "Being on the Stanley Clark Speech Team has helped me to become a confident speaker. I especially enjoyed the drama category where I could become another character and express my interpretation of their feelings. I believe the benefits of speech team also carry over into other class subjects. My friends/team-mates support each other. Speech meets are fun!"



Arriving home after a very long but worthwhile day.

# CHAPTER ACTIVITY REPORT

## Milton Academy, MA

### Summary:

Thoughts from one Middle School captain.

You'd never expect it, but at the end of a hallway at the very corner of the Performing Arts building at Milton Academy, there is a totally separate universe that only exists in one room. It's a world where you're critiqued on your focal points, educated on how and when to look down at your binder that you're supposed to hold parallel to your belly button. It's called our speech and debate team room: K229.

The Middle School Speech and Debate team (40 members) is a very large part of our culture. Every Monday during activities period our team gathers to work and listen to our coach, Ms. Debbie Simon, make her weekly announcements. In addition, to Mr. Simon there are 17 student coaches: Ivy Martinez, Sasha Kamenetska, Sarah, Dain, Jzcob Hentoff, Nathaniel Obler, Megan Campos, Lauren Elizabeth, Palmer, Laila Ameri, Andrea Harris, Colette Perold, Michael Bechek, Laura Gottesdiener, Aidan Hardy, Simin Lee, Marcos Sastre, Tina Nguyen and Frank Smith. We have our own online conference email which is devoted to just us. To most of us here at Milton Middle School, our team is a way of life. After a tournament, the three team captains, Chloe Cole, Gabi Starfield and Dylan Tedaldi, announce the results at our morning assembly. Yes, there is even a tradition about how to clap after each result is announced.

Accomplishments: Recently, on March 5, 2005, the members of the middle school speech team went to The Shrewsbury High School Mardi Gras Tournament and competed against other high school teams. The experience was a positive one, seeing as we placed 10<sup>th</sup> over 15 other teams. The members, all eighth graders, who went were Andre Lima, Grant Hailer, Sophia Rabb, Chloe Cole, Cullen Heater, Gabi Starfield, Samara Bliss, Sarah Konowitz, Tiers Leddy, Kate Davidson and Lyndsey Starks. We all learned a lot about how much tougher the competition would be next year when we enter high school. Half of the middle school members who went placed in the top six of the events they competed in, most of them also winning "Top Novice". We came home proud to announce our winners on Monday.

Details/Comments: Why is speech so popular at Milton's Middle School? I decided to ask the "speechies" about their feelings on the team and their experiences.

"Speech is a really supportive environment at Milton. Practically all the middle schoolers are on the team." Trudie Kaiser, a 7<sup>th</sup> grade member, said when asked about her feelings about their team. Trudie is an active participant. She has won second two times and third once for her amazing prose interpretation about a girl reflecting on her smudged past. The story is very moving and Trudie performs it in a way that will leave you feeling changed forever.

"It's been an extraordinary experience these past two years to be part of something so vast, yet so cohesive. I've become attached not only to friends and classmates, but older kids as well as role models. We are very fortunate to have the upper school team and Ms. Simon to energize us as we develop lifelong skills." Tierney Leddy, an 8<sup>th</sup> grader, commented on the team. "Tierney has had a great year. She has won numerous awards for her stirring interpretation of a woman who overcomes her mother's death with

the help of a young girl and some sandpipers. Not only is her story about dealing with losing loved ones, but it also touches on the subject of forgiving oneself.

"Well, I think our speech team at the middle school level is a great way to gain self-confidence; you really learn how to be professional and present yourself in a well-mannered way to other people." Grant Hailer, another 8<sup>th</sup> grader, told us. Grant is one of our only public speakers on the team who has experience in both Declamation and Original Oratory. Since we don't have as many people competing in public address events as we do in the interpretive events, we're thankful we have members like Grant on our team.

Many of the people I spoke to, as you can see, brought up the friendly community speech team creates. Bonding as a team is essential in any competitive sport, especially on a speech and debate team. On our team you depend on your fellow "speechies" for advice and on your teammates and coaches for moral support. You meet people you never would have met before. You learn that you have things in common with people you never knew you had. Also, since high school students coach us, you bond with older kids as well as your fellow middle school classmates. On the Milton Academy Middle School speech and debate team, you will meet people you will never forget.

"Our team is a vital part of our middle school as middle school is a part of our team; neither would be complete without each other, let alone even exist. I'm sure when we all grow up and we see a black binder or a suit, we will remember the many Sunday mornings we woke up and dressed while half-asleep and mumbling our pieces aloud with great fondness. I know I will remember the huge amounts of fun I am having competing and meeting new people from other schools, learning about confidence and every and acting. So, okay, we have to wake up early once in a while. But we all do it because we love our team."

One final thought, the Milton Middle School Speech and Debate Team would like to thank our principal, Mr. Mark Stanek for all his support and help.

Chloe Cole, Speech & Debate Captain '05



Milton Academy Middle School Speech Team returning from THE PIKE TOURNAMENT, in January, '05.

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## Sacred Heart, MA

**Summary:** The Sacred Heart chapter of the National Junior Forensic League has been overwhelmingly busy. Our local league has recently organized a league for Middle Schools which offered team members an opportunity to compete in 9 tournaments plus a great deal of travel with the high school to national tournaments.

**Accomplishments:** "The thing that means most to the Sacred Heart chapter is the opportunities speech and debate affords us", says Mark McNeil. The trophies are great--but the adventures make the memories.

**Details/Comments:** Most recently, Sacred Heart got snowed in in New York City while attending the Columbia University Speech and Debate competition. The extra day afforded time to attend the "Today Show" where Al Roker used four middle school team members on a story to test 'new' sleds in Central Park. Former NFL'er Katie Couric greeted us warmly--Matt Lauer gave Sacred Heart coach, Beena Koshy, his hand warmers.



(Left to right) **Sacred Heart team members:** Kelley Sweeney, Katie Baker, Micheljit Sandhu and Danielle Ohrenberger



## Pembroke Hill Middle School, MO

**Summary:** Pembroke Hill Middle School team participated in three area speech competition and hosted one of their own.

**Accomplishments:** Hosting their own tournament was a huge success.

**Details/Comments:** Chapter membership totals 34. Chapter President is Ailea Stites and Chapter Adviser is Mike Hill.

## Republic Middle School, MO

**Summary:** The Republic Middle School team won trophies at four tournaments. The team presented two assemblies for the school and community. Also the team did a composite recital at their local library for the community.

**Accomplishments:** The Republic Middle School team won first place sweeps at the Branson Tournament plus first with their Readers Theater.

**Details/Comments:** Chapter membership totals 16. Chapter Adviser is Barbara Self.

## Richland Jr-Sr. High School, ND

**Summary:** Richard Jr-Sr High School had a very good year. One junior high student participated in Debate and Student Congress as well as Speech this year.

In Speech, they had 19 students compete, twelve of which were sixth graders who had earned NJFL membership.

They have had three junior high meets this year, and students have excelled in their speeches. The Richard chapter is planning to perform at Parents' Night in the spring. In addition, they are organizing a fundraiser, selling Schwans this year. The Richland NJFL team hosted two speech tournaments, one was for Junior High. In the second tournament the Junior High furnished manpower (room monitors, timers, etc) for the senior high competition.

**Accomplishments:** Team membership grew. Twelve new members joined the NJFL Richland Chapter. One 6<sup>th</sup> grader placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in a varsity competition.

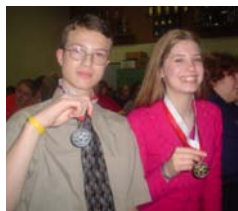
**Details/Comments:** The NFL members of Richland High School coach the 6<sup>th</sup> graders. This arrangement has made both teams strong. Sixth graders go out for speech because of some upper classmates they look up to. NFL'ers learn a lot about how to improve their own performances by helping the 6<sup>th</sup> graders.



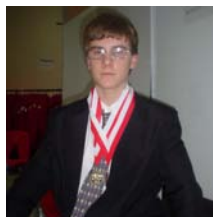
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### Ardmore Middle School, OK

Summary: The Ardmore Middle School team started its season as usual at nationals held in Houston, Texas. The results for the team was not what their coach or team members were looking for, but something great happened! At a team meeting on a Saturday night, an hour and a half long meeting was held and attitudes including the coaches changed. The team came back to Oklahoma with a new resolve. The squad competed in four tournaments this year and won the tournament championship in each one of them. This is the first time in 12 years that the team has done so well.



Accomplishments: Attitudes have improved and practices are held on Saturday at different team members' houses and after practice they go out and eat and then to a movie or some other activity. What makes this unique is that the team members call for the practices, not the coach. The chapter has written one scene plays and performed them in front of other classes. One of the plays this year has already sold over 2300 seats with 3 weeks to go before the actual performance. Two more contests are scheduled, one in Ardmore and one in Oklahoma the last week in April and the first weekend in May.



Details/Comments: The team has earned money by doing car washes, bake sales, jewelry sales, and working at different functions in Ardmore, cooking, serving and cleaning up. Businesses are contacted by students to help raise the money for nationals this year and as done in previous years.

The members are looking forward to this summer and its trip back to Texas.



### Brentwood Academy, TN

Summary: In its first year of existence, the Brentwood Middle School Forensic Team has had great success!

Accomplishments: Attended five tournaments and won a total of 45 awards. Five members have already reached the Degree of Recognition.

Details/Comments: Chapter membership totals 20. Chapter President and Adviser is Jim Jenkins.

### Jane Long Middle School, TX

Summary: This school year was the first year that Jane Long Middle School belonged to the NJFL. Prior to joining NJFL, the team participated in Speech and Drama tournaments for the past three years.

Accomplishments: In March of 2004, the Jane Long Speech and Debate Team competed in seven Speech and Drama Tournaments. They won three sweepstakes awards.

Details/Comments: The team plans to compete in the National Tournament in June. Chapter membership total is 24.

### Vanguard College Preparatory School, TX

Summary: In October Vanguard College Preparatory School hosted a fall Public Forum Debate tournament with middle school students. Awarded trophies to top three teams. Debate resolution was: "Should George W. Bush Be Re-Elected?"

NJFL students assisted with Varsity Tournaments as timers and runners.

Student Congress competitions attended at University Middle School.

Accomplishments: A meeting was held twice a month, increasing weekly attendance to over 30. NJFL students were given the opportunity to volunteer at tournaments. NJFL students learned Public Forum Debate and Student Congress skills. They wrote original legislation, and finally students interacted with NFL varsity/novice debaters to acquire skills.

Details/Comments: Upcoming in May, the NJFL Vanguard College Preparatory School Team members are honoring (along with four other middle school debate groups) their former Mayor Mae Jackson. Mayor Jackson passed away suddenly a few months ago. She was Waco's first black female mayor. She will be remembered by their Student Congress. Mayoral candidates will serve as the judges. Barbara Mulholland of University Middle School is organizing this. Vanguard is sending fifteen students to participate.



# CHAPTER ACTIVITY REPORT

## Clear Creek School, WY

Summary: This is Walter and Emily Farwell with the Clear Creek School Speech Club located in Buffalo, Wyoming posting our end of the year report.

This year we started a new speech club for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. We have had a lot of support for the development of this program from students, teachers, administrators, as well as community members. We participated in three middle school tournaments that featured entries from three different Wyoming schools.

Accomplishments: Our focus, and perhaps strongest selling point, is that we are working on self-improvement and the teaching of skills that can be used by the student to be successful in other parts of the educational experience. As "Coalition of Schools" we are all working toward the same goals and are incorporating the same principles and philosophy into our coaching. We feel that this will provide the greatest benefit for our students and will allow the kids to develop friendships and bonding as fellow speech members early on. There are six primary goals that the schools participating in this program agreed to work toward:

- 1) To develop, strengthen and reinforce student skill levels in the content standards through active learning
- 2) To promote an opportunity to reach students who may not be active in the school
- 3) To train students in communication and persuasion skills
- 4) Promote critical thinking and listening skills in young people
- 5) To increase student self-confidence
- 6) Increase the awareness of High School Speech and Debate in the community

Details/Comments: We are not stressing competition, but simply using competition as a tool to drive student progress and a measuring device to see if individual goals are being met. As a result, our tournaments are light and fairly stress free with the focus being on performing not on advancing to elimination rounds. We had eleven students participate from Clear Creek Middle School this year and had a very enjoyable time working with them.

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## MIDDLE SCHOOLERS DEBATE

**Over 200 Middle School Debaters Prepare at Summerour Middle School in Atlanta, January 22, 2005**

By Atty. J. Lane Bearden

One Saturday each month, more than 200 policy debaters gather at a middle school in Atlanta for spirited competition in the rapidly growing Georgia Middle School Debate League.

The league is sponsored by Emory University and the Atlanta Urban Debate League. The middle school league began in the mid-1990s in an effort to involve the middle school students from Atlanta Public Schools in debate. Soon, private schools began to compete, including Westminster, Pace and Stratford Academy. Suburban schools began petitioning to be in the league, and now schools from around the state enter the competitions.

Tournaments are limited to four power-matched prelim rounds, judged by Emory University debaters and volunteers from local high schools. Debaters may enter novice, junior varsity or varsity divisions. Debaters use the NFL High School Resolution, and this year they are limited to the evidence and cases in the Georgia Forensic Coaches Association novice packet – Affirmative teams run cases dealing with Sudan, India/Pakistan or Rapid Reaction Force. Negative teams are limited to disadvantages concerning politics, overstretch, or hegemony. Counterplans and kritiks are not al-



lowed. Times are slightly shortened to a 5-2-3 format.

Emory's Kara Grant, who is the Co-Director of the Atlanta Urban Debate League, explains: "I am still receiving at least one call monthly from teachers and administrators interested in adding debate programs in their schools. Apparently, word is spreading throughout Georgia about what an influential educational experience debate can be for middle school-aged students. I am thrilled that this league provides a forum where students from varied socioeconomic backgrounds can come together on a level intellectual playing field and truly communicate

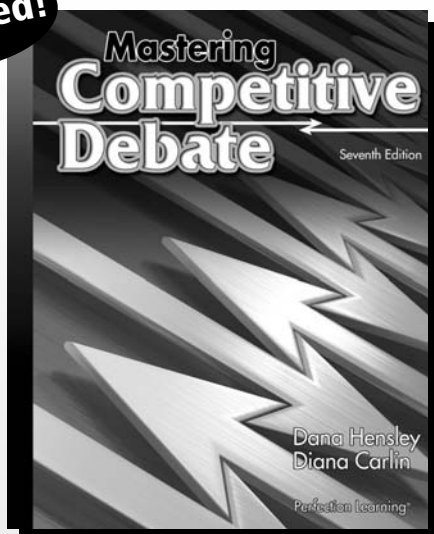
with one another—a rare opportunity in our society."

Melissa Maxcy Wade, the Director of Forensics at Emory University and the Executive Director of the Atlanta Urban Debate League, attends many of the tournaments and helps award engraved medals to the top teams and speakers.

Varsity winners this year have included Inman Middle School, Westminster, High Meadows, and Calhoun, who is the winner of the last two State competitions. The State competition, named after philanthropist and debate supporter J.B. Fuqua, will be held at Pace Academy on April 2.

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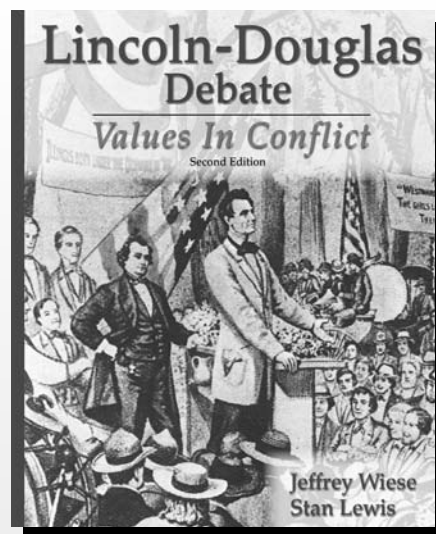
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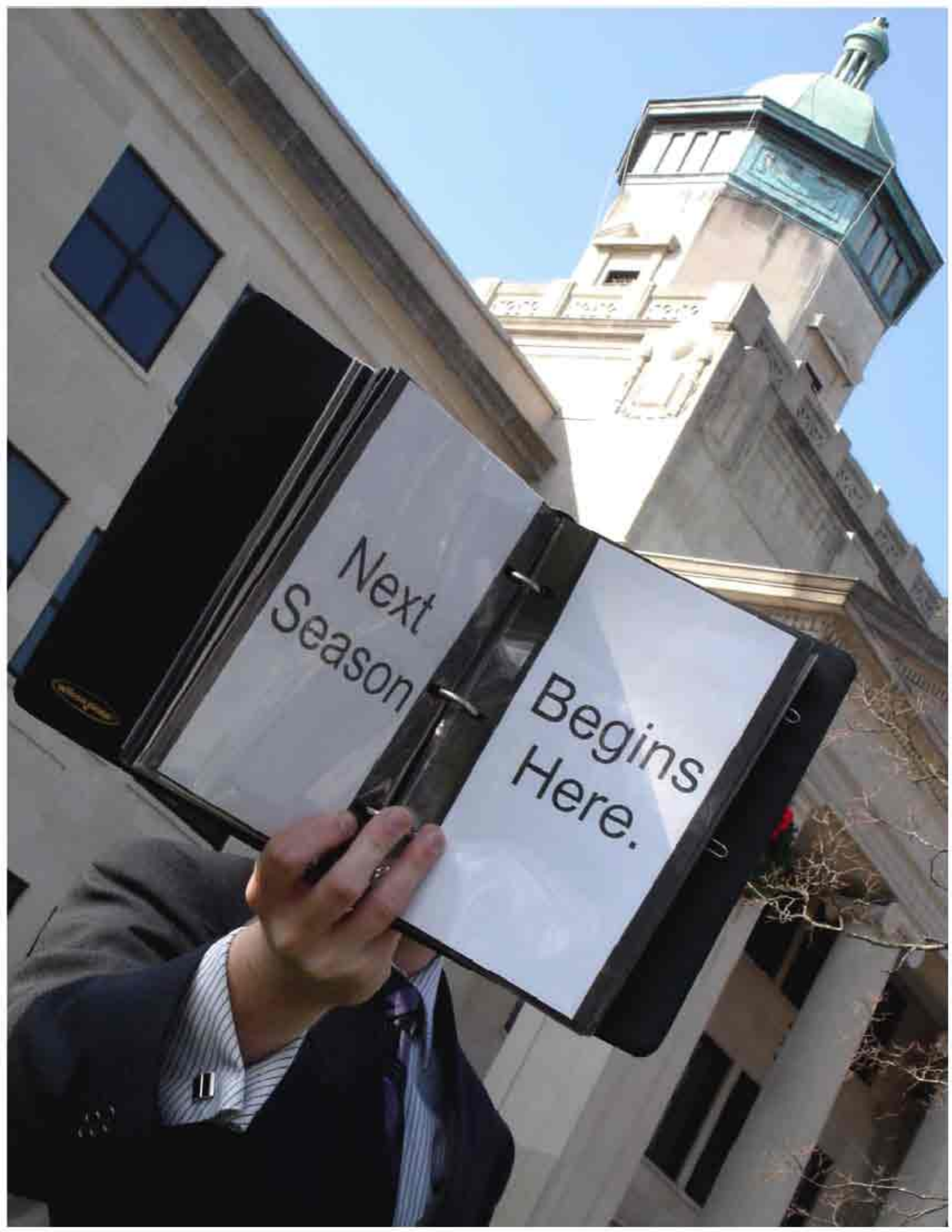
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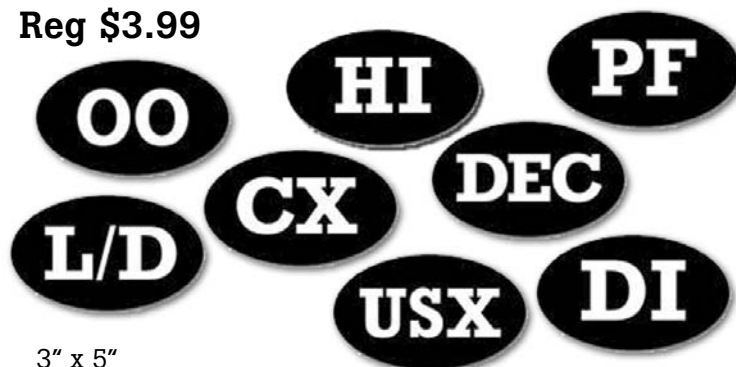
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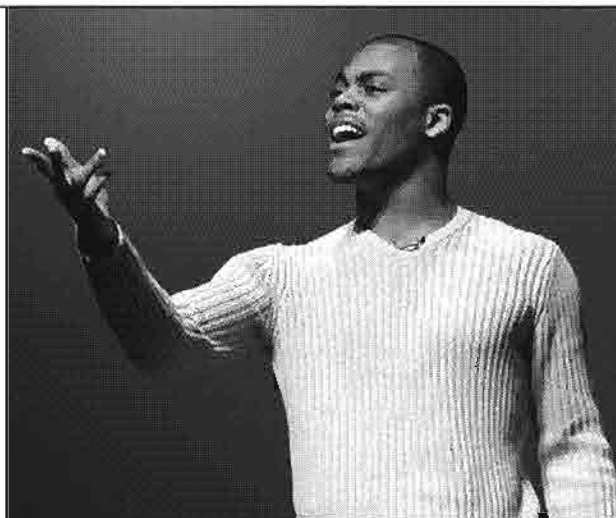
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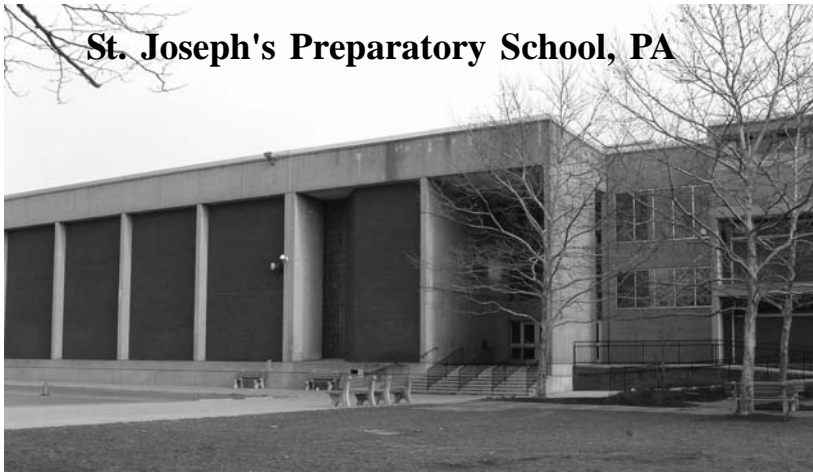
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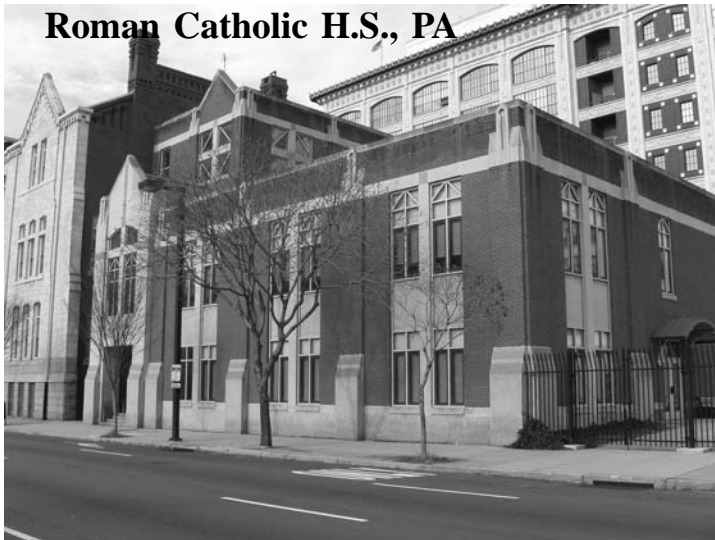
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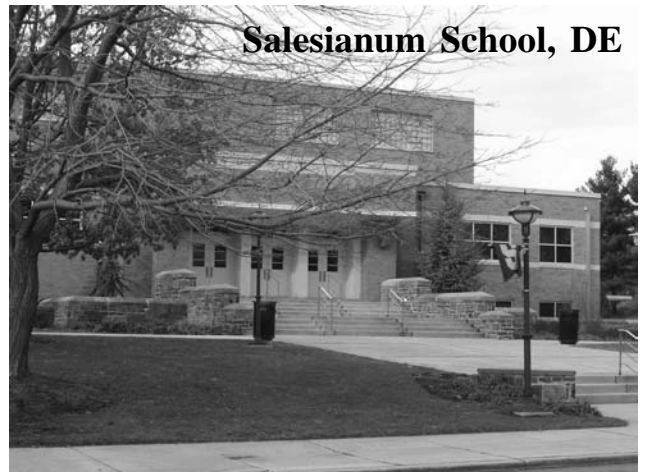
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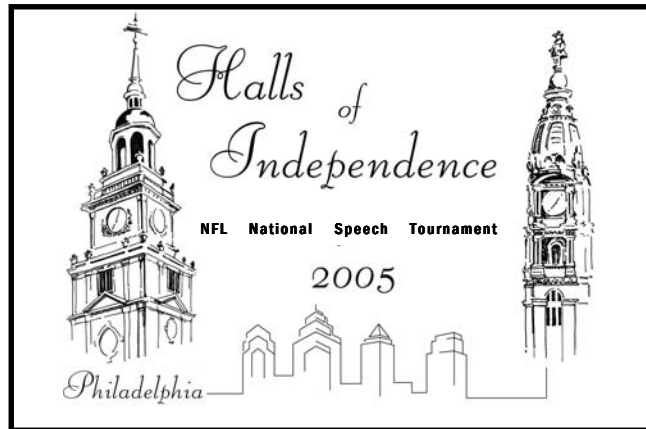
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# ◆ Philadelphia Information



## Hotels

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Courtyard Downtown by Marriott	\$99	Downtown (Block Full)	1-215-496-3200	21 Juniper Street	S, F, IP, W	<a href="http://marriott.com/default.mi">http://marriott.com/default.mi</a>
Hilton Garden Inn-Downtown	\$99	Downtown (Block Full)	1-877-782-9444	1100 Arch Street	F, IP, P, W	<a href="http://www.hiltongardenphilly.com">http://www.hiltongardenphilly.com</a>
Airport Marriott	\$99	Airport Property	1-215-492-9000	One Arrivals Road	S, F, IP, W	<a href="http://marriott.com">http://marriott.com</a>
Four Point Sheraton Airport	\$91	Airport Property	1-215-492-0400	4101A Island Avenue	S, OP, IP, F	<a href="http://www.starwoodhotels.com/fourpoints">http://www.starwoodhotels.com/fourpoints</a>
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 R = Restaurant  
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# IMPORTANT!! Considerations When Selecting and Reserving Hotels In Philadelphia

**Please Read Before  
Selecting Lodging**

By J. Scott Wunn

1. All schools should stay at one of the NFL recommended hotels. The NFL has negotiated the lowest rates available at these properties for our members and has chosen them for their convenience in tournament participation.

2. When calling hotels, all coaches must mention the NFL National Tournament Block to receive the posted rate. All room reservations are subject to an automatic two-night non-refundable deposit per room to avoid double-booking.

3. All Hotel Properties and Competition Venues are accessible from one main interstate-I-95 North and South. I-95 goes from downtown Philadelphia, by the stadium (registration location), by the airport hotels, and then down to Wilmington.

4. Key Travel Times to Note:  
Airport to Downtown--(10 to 15 min)  
Downtown to Wilmington Area--(40 min)  
Airport to Wilmington--(30 min)

5. At first glance, driving times to Wilmington from Downtown may be concerning to teams (40 to 45 minutes), how-

ever, accessibility from I-95 will make travel easier than some previous National Tournament locations.

6. The Congress Headquarters Hotel is the Downtown Philadelphia Marriott.

7. Restaurants and food markets are in abundance near the downtown hotels. The Airport properties are extremely limited.

8. All schools with a public forum team and/or congress competitors should stay at one of the downtown hotels (Marriott, Courtyard, Hilton Garden) as all competition for these events will take place downtown and morning traffic into Philadelphia will be difficult. Schools with PF or Congress students who also have speech competitors will find it nearly impossible to drive into Philadelphia from the Airport, drop off public forum and/or congress competitors and then drive to Wilmington for the speech prelims in time for the morning rounds.

9. All schools with competitors in both debate events and speech events should consider staying at downtown prop-

erties as ALL debate competition will move to downtown Philadelphia beginning on Wednesday AM.

10. NO SCHOOLS SHOULD STAY IN WILMINGTON. Beginning with the Schwan Student Party on Wednesday, ALL competition will move to downtown Philadelphia for the remainder of the week.

11. The Airport properties are excellent for all schools with speech competitors only as they are 15 minutes closer to Wilmington and only 15 minutes from downtown.

12. The downtown hotel properties and parking ramps will charge \$20 to \$32 per day for parking. Many airport hotels provide free parking.

13. Before reserving rooms, all coaches should look at a road atlas and an enlargement of the Philadelphia/Wilmington area to get a better perspective on the logistics of travel. The key to a less stressful week is to seriously consider following the above lodging suggestions provided by the National Office.

**Additional Tournament Information (Logistics, Maps, Individual Event Schedules, etc) are available on the NFL website.**

**~~Register Your Qualifiers for Nationals~~**

**Reminder: All national tournament registration forms are found at [www.nflonline.org](http://www.nflonline.org), under 'National Tournament', 'Forms'.**

# *National Tournament Overview*

## **A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE TOURNAMENT LOGISTICS**

The “Birthplace of Independence” will be an outstanding setting for the 2005 LFG/NFL National Speech Tournament. Philadelphia is a city of incredible culture and tradition, unique sites, and tremendous restaurants! To make planning a little easier, the National Office is happy to provide a preliminary overview of the tournament. Please keep in mind that all logistics are tentative and subject to slight changes.

In addition, students and coaches should read the “Considerations when selecting hotels in Philadelphia” and the “Tentative Tournament Schedule” to assist in planning.

### **Sunday**

#### **(Registration and Opening Ceremony)**

This year, the tournament registration and NFL vending EXPO will take place on Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 4pm at Lincoln Financial Field (Home of the Philadelphia Eagles). The local host committee and our Grand National Sponsor, Lincoln Financial Group, have planned an incredible opening ceremony and welcome. Students will enjoy music entertainment and lots of action on the JumboTron.

#### **Lodging Consideration for this Day**

The stadium is easily accessed from both the downtown hotels and the airport properties as it is located 5 minutes from the Airport and 10 minutes from downtown.

### **Monday and Tuesday**

#### **(Preliminary Rounds)**

Two schools in Wilmington, DE (St. Mark's High School and the Salesianum School) will host the preliminary rounds of Policy, L/D, and Main Event Speech. St. Joseph's Preparatory School in Philadelphia will host the preliminary rounds of Ted Turner Public Forum. The downtown Marriott and Roman Catholic High School will host the preliminary rounds of Congress.

The Monday and Tuesday schedules will be broken up into two segments.

Main event speech will occur in the AM and Policy and LD will occur in the PM. Public Forum and Congress will run on separate schedules throughout the day.

#### **Lodging Consideration for this Day**

Schools with Public Forum and/or Student Congress competitors should stay at one of the downtown hotels. This will allow for a convenient drop off of Public Forum and Congress competitors and judges, before getting on the interstate and heading to the Wilmington Schools, if necessary.

### **Wednesday**

#### **(Elimination Rounds/Supplemental Events/Schwan Party)**

All debaters (Policy, LD, and Public Forum) who qualify for elimination Round 7 or a run-off round will compete at St. Joseph's Preparatory School in Philadelphia beginning on Wednesday. In addition, the international division of Public Forum Debate will begin prelims at St. Joseph's Preparatory School. St. Mark's High School (Wilmington) will host the supplemental events and Salesianum School (Wilmington) will host the main event elimination Rounds 7-10 on Wednesday. The downtown Marriott will host the semi-finals of Student Congress.

The Schwan Party will begin at 7pm at the National Constitution Center (next to the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall) in downtown Philadelphia. All rounds in Wilmington will end by 5:30pm to allow schools enough time to get to the party. Those schools staying downtown will find it a short trek to the party. Schools staying at airport properties will find reserved parking near the Constitution Center.

#### **Lodging Consideration for this Day**

Coaches of Policy, LD, and Public Forum competitors will want to stay at one of the downtown hotels, which will allow them to drop off judges and teams at St. Joseph's Preparatory School in Philadelphia and then head to the Wilmington schools for speech and supplemental rounds.

### **Thursday**

#### **(Elim Rounds/Supp/Cons Events/Interp Finals/Diamond Awards)**

On Thursday morning, the entire tournament will move to downtown Philadelphia. Student Congress will hold its final round sessions at the downtown Marriott. Policy, L/D, and Public Forum (Main Event and International) will continue elimination debates at St. Joseph's Preparatory School. All main event semi-finals will be held downtown at either Roman Catholic High School or the University of the Arts (TBA). All supplemental events and consolation events will be held at the University of the Arts facilities in downtown Philadelphia.

On Thursday evening, attendees will enjoy the national final rounds of Humorous Interp., Dramatic Interp., and Duo Interp, as well as the Schwan Coaches' Diamond Ceremony at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (Home of the Philadelphia Orchestra) which is located three blocks from the downtown hotel properties and adjacent to the University of the Arts facilities.

#### **Lodging Considerations for Thursday and Friday**

All schools will find a stay at a downtown property most convenient on these days as all competition takes place somewhere in downtown Philadelphia. In and Out privileges with prepaid hotel parking will make parking logistics much easier if a school must take the 1+ mile (15 block) trip to St. Joseph's Preparatory School from the downtown hotels. Schools staying at airport properties will find a short 15-20 minute AM drive to a centrally located downtown Parking ramp (pay by the hour) or to St. Joseph's Preparatory School. It will be rush hour on a business day, so driving logistics may be a little taxing until parked.

### **Friday**

#### **(Supp. Cons. and Main Event Finals and National Awards Assembly)**

The remaining Main Event final rounds (Original Oratory, U.S. Extemp, International Extemp., Lincoln-Douglas, Policy, and Public Forum) will be held

# ◆ *National Tournament Overview*

throughout the day on Friday at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts in downtown Philadelphia. All Supplemental Event and Consolation Event final rounds will be held across the street from the Kimmel Center at the former Wiley Church which is now part of the University of the Arts.

On Friday evening, the National Awards Assembly will be held at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts.

## **OTHER TOURNAMENT LOGISTICS TO NOTE**

◇ All schools should plan on renting a vehicle for the Philadelphia Nationals. The NFL has arranged good prices with

Avis Rental. Coaches should call 1-800-331-1600 and mention code J096428 when booking.

◇ The NFL is working with a bus company in Philadelphia to provide low cost shuttling for schools that want to pay for this service. This shuttling will serve to make some logistics easier, but will not be a substitute for a vehicle. All shuttling costs will be the responsibility of the individual schools. More information available by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

◇ Philadelphia does have a train system that runs from the Airport to near the

downtown Marriott. Coaches may want to investigate the costs and ease of this system for later in the week, however, please note that the train does not run to Wilmington.

◇ Great airfares and convenient booking are available through Bannockburn Travel. Their number is 847-597-5603 (Cindy) or 847-597-5600 (Courtney).

◇ Coaches that have any major questions about the logistics of the Philadelphia Nationals should feel free to contact the National Office at 920-748-6206 or at [nfl@centurytel.net](mailto:nfl@centurytel.net).



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## Contest Venues in Wilmington, DE:

St. Mark's High School and the Salesianum School

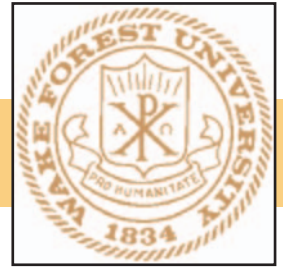
## Contest Venues in Philadelphia, PA

St. Joseph's Preparatory School, Roman Catholic High School, University of the Arts, Philadelphia Marriott Downtown and the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts

<u>Date/Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
<b><u>Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup></u></b>		
Tournament Staff Registration	8:30am-9am	Lincoln Financial Field-Philadelphia
Tournament Registration	9am-4pm	Lincoln Financial Field-Philadelphia
Tab Room Meetings	9am-2pm	Lincoln Financial Field-Philadelphia
New Coaches and Schools Reception	10am-11am	Lincoln Financial Field-Philadelphia
Opening Ceremony	Noon	Lincoln Financial Field-Philadelphia
District Chair Reception and Meeting	1pm-3:30pm	Lincoln Financial Field-Philadelphia
Late Registration (not recommended)	5pm-7pm	TBA
<b><u>Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup></u></b>		
All Main Event Speech	9am-3pm	St. Mark's and Salesianum School-Wilmington
Policy and LD Debate	3pm-10pm	St. Mark's and Salesianum School- Wilmington
Student Congress	8am-6pm	Downtown Marriott/Roman-Philadelphia
Public Forum Debate	9am-4pm	St. Joseph's Preparatory School - Philadelphia
<b><u>Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup></u></b>		
All Main Event Speech	9am-3pm	St. Mark's and Salesianum School-Wilmington
Policy and LD Debate	3pm-10pm	St. Mark's and Salesianum School-Wilmington
Student Congress	8am-6pm	Downtown Marriott/Roman-Philadelphia
Public Forum Debate	9am-4pm	St. Joseph's Preparatory School - Philadelphia
Supplemental Re-Registration	4pm-10pm	Locations TBA
<b><u>Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup></u></b>		
All Main Events Speech	9am-5pm	Salesianum School-Wilmington
Policy, LD, Public Forum	9am-6pm	St. Joseph's Preparatory School - Philadelphia
Supplemental Events	9am-5pm	St. Mark's High School-Wilmington
Student Congress SemiFinals	8am-6pm	Downtown Marriott-Philadelphia
Schwan Party	7pm-10pm	National Constitution Center-Philadelphia
Re-registration-Consolation Events	8pm-10pm	National Constitution Center-Philadelphia
<b><u>Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup></u></b>		
All Main Events Speech	9am-Noon	U of Arts or Roman (TBA)-Philadelphia
Policy, Public Forum, LD	9am-8pm	St. Joseph's Preparatory School - Philadelphia
Supplemental and Consolation Events	9am-7pm	University of the Arts-Philadelphia
Student Congress Finals	8am-6pm	Downtown Marriott-Philadelphia
Duo, DI, HI Finals and Schwan Coach		
Diamond Ceremony	4pm-9:30pm	Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts
<b><u>Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup></u></b>		
Finals and Awards	8am-9pm	Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts



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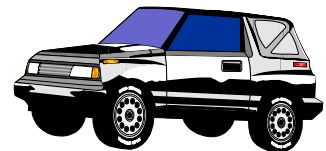
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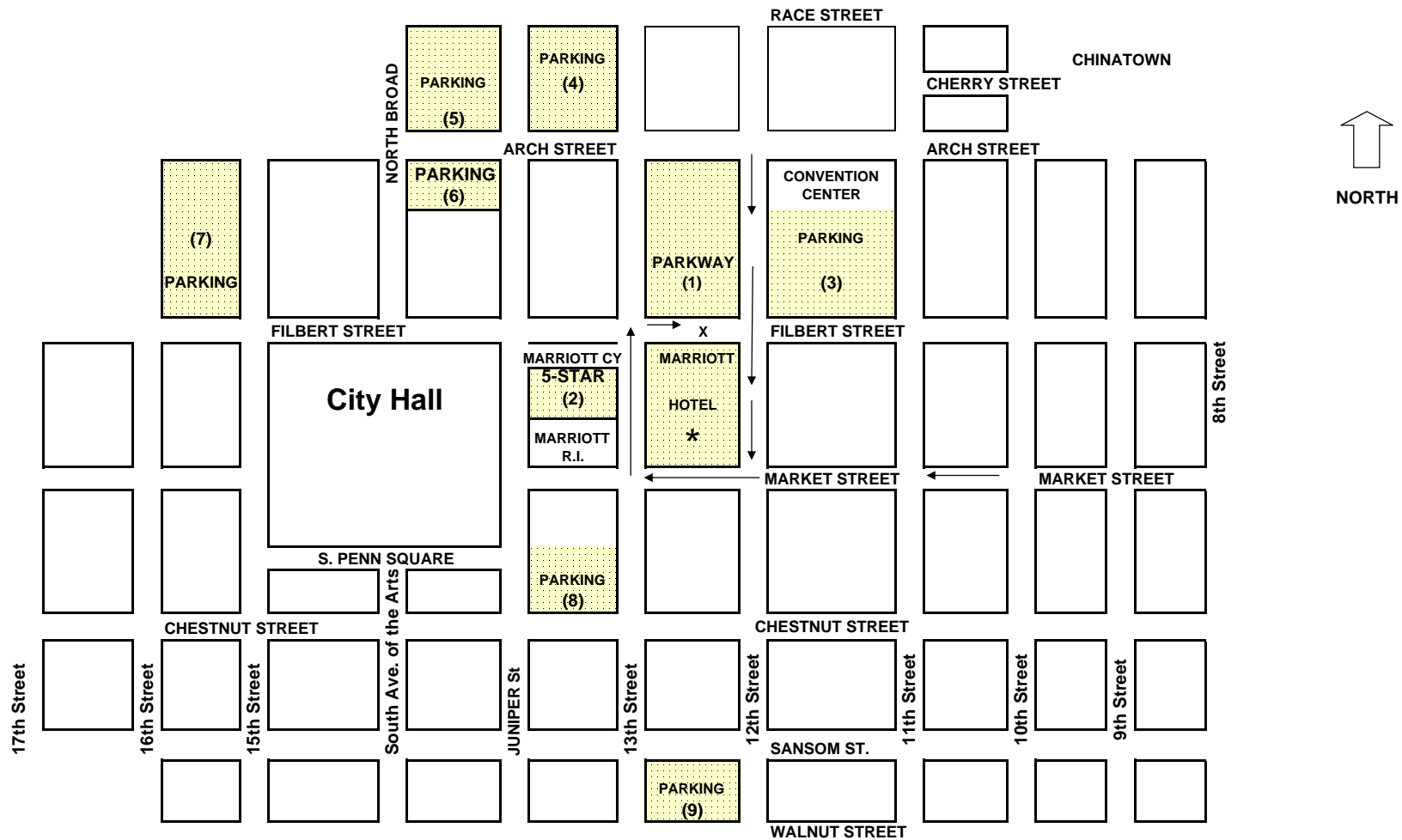
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# When Bad Ranks Happen to Good People”

## Tips on embracing defeat as a source of educational value

By Jordan Mayer

“Judging at this tournament is screwy, in fact, it’s the worst I’ve ever seen it,” is echoed within the hallways of high schools on Saturday mornings across the nation. Since I’ve heard similar outcries on poor judging at virtually every tournament, regardless of location, attended, I am convinced that it is worthwhile to address this concern. Does every tournament have ‘poor judging’? On the other hand, do people use ‘poor judging’ as an excuse to rationalize defeat? Has ‘poor judging’ inflicted forensic tournaments in recent years or has it always been this way? From my observations this past season, I’ve gathered that ‘judging’ at tournaments seems relatively consistent from one tournament to the next. It has been consistent in that it is usually inconsistent. Basically, whenever competition is heavy, varied results are expected. Inconsistency within subjective assessments such as speech judging seems normal to me. However, if you keep your ears open at tournaments, you frequently hear coaches and students argue that the judging at a ‘particular tournament’ is ‘way off’ or that the entire season has been plagued, ‘judging has gone down the tubes this year’. When coaches disagree with rankings, it is easy to discard the judging as poor and point fingers at the judges as ignorant. Instead of using that energy to bitterly demean judges, it might be more effective to use the energy to accept that subjectivity is ‘the nature of the beast,’ and then move forward to study and learn from this. While speaking styles differ across the nation, there are at least three commonalities that always ring true. First, competitors are ranked subjectively. Secondly, since competitors are ranked subjectively,

they frequently board the school busses headed home some exhilarated while others devastated in utter confusion. Thirdly, coaches and students have difficulty handling defeat. In a society, in which, at every corner wishes to identify people as ‘winners’ or ‘losers,’ it’s easy to understand why defeat is uneasy to deal with or value. When one watches ‘The Academy Awards,’ ‘American Idol,’ or the recent NCAA men’s basketball tournament, we are consumed on choosing the ‘winners’ and easily disregard the ‘losers’. Likewise, the desire to win that ‘blue ribbon,’ is an important aspect in speech competition, but the majority of competitors suffer ‘defeat’ at tournaments. By evaluating the following tips on approaching poor rankings, one will gain insight in how to touch on loss for the coach personally and for the coach to use with the student, which ultimately may lead the student to receive better rankings. More importantly than better rankings, these tips may help coaches turn confusion into some sort of sense.

### Tip 1: FOCUS ON WHAT YOU CAN CONTROL.

*Coaches should have a dialogue with students reinforcing that they can control performance only. Students are able to control performance and/or necessary improvement from the last tournament, but they have no control on a judge’s assessment (rank). When you place energy on things you cannot control, you drain yourself mentally and emotionally which can lead to not only mental burn*

*out but potential health risks as well. Prior to a tournament, remind the student that they have no control on the rankings, so it is illogical to set goals on ranks. Instead, set goals relating to performance.*

### Tip 2: REMAIN POSITIVE

*Negative energy leads to more negative energy, so coaches must remain positive at all times. Discuss with your student the power of positive thinking and remain enthusiastic at all times. Being enthusiastic is a choice and coaches might ease the pressure by making light of the meet, reminding children to focus on having fun. Remember, this is not life or death. It’s a forensics tourney. When approaching a student, who just suffered a defeat, do not dramatically engage the student with your own feelings of fear, despair, or worry. Instead, positively remind the student of their strengths and encourage them with words of inspiration. For example, it is more effective to say, “You are doing wonderful, and we will make some changes” versus saying “The judging here is terrible, and I feel awful right with you”. The coach should guide the despaired student back to a new burst of hope, which can be accomplished with enthusiasm and positive attitude.*

**Tip 3:**  
**DO NOT TAKE RANKS PERSONALLY**

While a ranking is supposed to help the student assess their performance, a low ranking is not a value judgment on the student. Reinforce to the student that a low ranking is one person's opinion, which is not to be taken personally. Focus on using the ranking to understand where the performance needs improvement by either analyzing critiques, discussing the ranking with the judge (in an ethical manner), or looking for patterns.

**Tip 4:**  
**DO NOT MAKE ASSUMPTIONS**

Do not assume that you know why the ranking was given. It is not useful to think that a judge personally dislikes the student or a piece. If you are unsure why the ranking was given, find out directly (if appropriate). Otherwise, focus on areas to tweak the performance to appease a great number of judges. Remind students that 'you never know what a judge thinks' based on their reactions. Students enjoy playing a 'guessing game,' in which they guess or assume which judge liked their performance and which didn't. Often, this guessing game distracts students and shakes their performance. Train children to be 'in the

zone' and not focus on judge reactions, thus, assumptions will be reduced. If you are unsure as to what exactly is not working, it is most logical to pay close attention to common critiques or ask others for further feedback.

**Tip 5:**  
**LEARN FROM MISTAKES**

There is an old adage that if you don't change what you're doing, you'll receive the same results. Effective competitors are students of forensics, evaluating which aspects of the performance work and which do not. For example, successful performers use pieces 'that work'. For example, there is a trend in duo interpretation that entire 'stories' do better than 'scenes'. With this trend I have noticed that obscure, made for forensics pieces, which tell an entire story, receive much better rankings than Neil Simon scenes. There is a reason why the successful coaches shy away from certain material, perhaps they realize that it does not effectively display the range of emotions that other pieces do. On the other hand, these coaches might be following a trend that has been successful recently. By analyzing the trends of an event, a coach can assist the performer to learn and grow as the seasons unfold.

'Poor rankings' are much more prevalent than good marks, so it seems worthwhile to evaluate how to handle this necessary element of forensic competition. Hopefully, coaches might gain insight in dealing with 'poor rankings' in order to place everything in an educational perspective. It is perfectly OK to be defeated as long as you are constantly asking the following questions. How do the student and I grow from this experience? What are these rankings telling me? What can I do to tweak the performance to change the results? Remember, the blue ribbon is a wonderful goal, but the ultimate goal is to learn, grow, and discover. If the ribbons and trophies are mere 'bonuses' to the educational experience that each tournament brings, the coach must remember to place energy into using defeat as well as victory as a time for 'coachable moments'. While it's nice to take a picture of your champion with the Kodak, it's equally satisfying to teach and encourage young ones to bounce back up after a defeat, only this time with a smile and renewed energy. By focusing on what you can control, remaining positive, not taking rankings personal, not making assumptions, and learning from mistakes, forensic tournaments are positively embraced as educational experiences for all with trophies and accolades serving as mere by products to the core value-growth.

(Jordan Mayer is a forensics coach at Munster High School in Munster, Indiana, having coached multiple state finalists including the 2005 state champ in duo interpretation. )

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*efforts to improve our environment, education, care for the elderly, etc.*

### HISTORICAL PERSONAGES commenting on current issues.

This area will involve historical persons commenting on some current issue, e.g.,  
*Joseph Stalin on the breakup of the Soviet Union*  
*Babe Ruth on athletes using steroids*

To give all participants adequate pre-preparation, the topics asked will be from the following list of 25 historical personages:

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1) Abraham Lincoln       | 14) John Maynard Keynes |
| 2) Frank Sinatra         | 15) Susan B. Anthony    |
| 3) Jackie Robinson       | 16) Jesus Christ        |
| 4) Franklin D. Roosevelt | 17) Queen Elizabeth I   |
| 5) Indira Ghandi         | 18) Pope John Paul II   |
| 6) Martin Luther King    | 19) Charles Darwin      |
| 7) Chairman Mao          | 20) Prophet Mohamed     |
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## **Additional Questions?**

If you have qualified a Ted Turner Public Forum team to the National Tournament and have further questions/concerns, please contact the National Office at [nfl@centurytel.net](mailto:nfl@centurytel.net) or 920-748-6206 and ask for Jackie Oakes.



# California National Debate Institute 2005 Policy Debate Camps at the University of California, Berkeley

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**- David Chiang, California  
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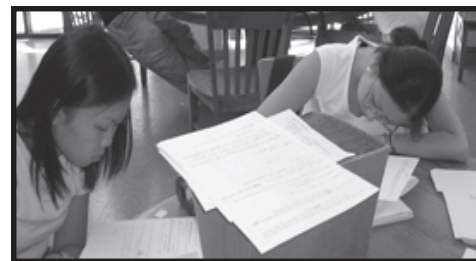
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**Berkeley Mentors:** The Berkeley Mentors lab offers select advanced varsity students the unique chance to be mentored by some of the finest college coaches and debaters in the nation. This three week program, now entering its sixth year, focuses on topic analysis, theory, strategic decision making in the debate round, kritiks, and in-depth research at one of the finest libraries in the nation. This exciting lab will be led by Dave Arnett and Michael Burshteyn.

**Faculty:** The CNDI is directed by **Robert Thomas**. Robert has coached successful teams at both the high school and college level, and has taught at or directed over 40 summer institutes. He is currently the NDT coach at Stanford University. Other initially confirmed staff include **Dave Arnett** of UC Berkeley, **Nick Coburn-Palo**, of the College Prep School, **Beth Schueler**, of Whitman College, **Michael Burshteyn**, of UC Berkeley, and **Judy Butler**, of Augusta Prep.



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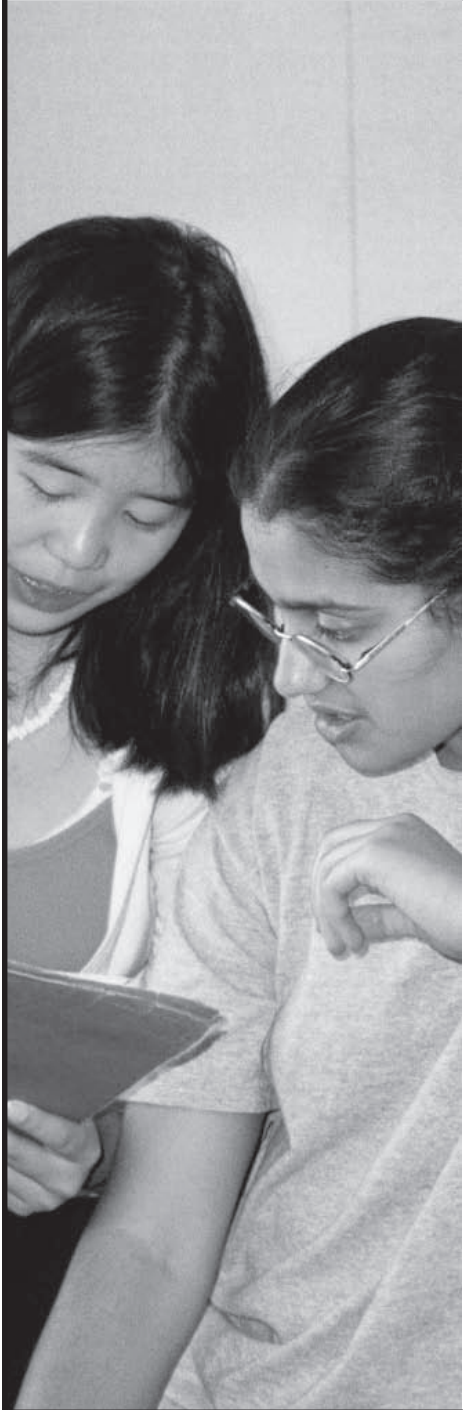
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"The instructors were very intelligent, prepared and interesting. The lectures were informative and well organized."

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**Faculty:** CNDI is taught by an experienced faculty of former championship debaters and veteran coaches with significant institute experience. Initially confirmed for 2005 is **Josh Fulwiler**, former MBA Round Robin Champ and now at Tulane University. Others to be announced soon!

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# 13 Things To "NEVER" Forget in Interp

## Practical Advice

By Don Crabtree, Vice President  
Executive Council

- Never judge a judge
- If you are in this for trophies, look in the yellow pages under "trophies"
- When at a tournament, you are not just competing;  
you are establishing a lifelong reputation
- Never practice at a tournament in view of others; it is a sign of weakness
  - He that owns the room owns the round
- If you are not in a final round, go watch, you might just learn something
- Never stack the round with friends, it is obvious, tacky and will hurt you  
and only you in the long run
  - Good interp is easy; bad interp is hard
- Always act professionally; you never know who is watching
  - Water, Water, Water
- People who win are not necessarily the best and those  
who are the best do not necessarily win
- When you make it to finals, act not only as if you have been there before,  
but also act like you will be there again
  - Every round, letter perfect, by the numbers, just like in practice

## “The Three Step Method”

### The NFL Protest Procedure

By Don Crabtree

A protest is defined as a formal declaration of objection or an expression of opposition through action or words. The National Forensics League has an effective protest procedure to be used at the National Tournament; however, it was brought to my attention during the Salt Lake City NFL Nationals that many coaches are unaware of the actual process in filing a protest. The purpose of this article is not to encourage protests but rather explain the procedure.

The protest or objection procedure is handled in the ombudsman's room during the national tournament. A form for a "Statement of Protest" is available in the ombudsmen's room. Protests are only accepted from the "coach of record" or school-designated adult. No student protests will be acknowledged. The critical components of the protest procedure are:

1. Complaint: Briefly and accurately articulate in writing the concern or potential violation that you have witnessed.

2. Identification: You must indicate your school affiliation and judge code if one has been assigned to you.

3. Signature: Your signature is required on the protest form. Anonymous protests will not be accepted.

4. Event Violation: This is the most important element of the protest procedure. The following information is paramount:

- a. Event
- b. Round
- c. Section
- d. Room Number
- e. Student Contestant Code
- f. Time of the "alleged" infraction

While all of the event violation information is crucial, the "time" of the infraction is of utmost importance. Protests must be timely. I am always amazed when a protest is lodged in Round 8 and

**"The ombudsman will approach each of your issues with civility and seriousness, but one can't solve every problem..."**

when I ask when the infraction occurred, the coach in question says, "during Round 2." That is not timely! Protest denied! When I asked the coach why he waited so long to protest, his reply was that he was waiting to see if the contestant broke. If there was a violation of NFL rules in Round 2 it is wrong in round 2 and must be reported then. A number of contestants may have been impacted by this student who allegedly was violating an NFL rule. ("Round 8... too late!") Similarly, to know of an infraction and not report it is equally wrong. The adage of, "who can protest and does not, is an accomplice in the act" applies here!

5. Explanation of the protest/grievance: At this juncture we must have an exact and precise statement as to what the infraction was. The better the details, the better the opportunity the ombudsmen has to adjudicate. I offer the advice of Bertrand Russell when he stated, "The greatest challenge to any thinker is stating the problem in a way that will allow a solution."

6. Violation of the National Forensic League's Constitution and/or Bylaws:

You must be able to clearly site (in our rules, not your state rules or league rules) why your objection should be examined. State rules, league rules, CFL rules, etc. have no standing in our protest procedure. There must be a clear rule violation and you must be able to site that violation from our constitution and/or bylaws. We always have a NFL Manual for you to consult. Here are a few examples of protests made from the Salt Lake City NFL Nationals that had no merit or no standing.

- "A boy is doing a back flip in duo interp. Duo is not Cirque De Soleil"
- "People are touching during their duo interp."
- "Several people sang in their introductions."
- "Her black suit looked liked costuming to me."
- "My judge looked bored."

All of these were easily explained and





# Protest Procedure

no protest was accepted. Please keep in mind that I said they were all easily explained not that the coaches involved all easily accepted them.

## IF THE PROTESTS MAKES IT THIS FAR, WHAT HAPPENS NOW?

After the ombudsman looks over your protest, he will decide if it merits a protest. Please understand that a number of issues that coaches/students think are violations are in fact, not a protest issue. This is why we ask you to very carefully cite the violation from the constitution and/or bylaws. There is a big difference between protest and an action that should not have occurred but did. That action may have caused some unpleasantness or been alarming but it was not a direct violation of our rules. In these instances, the ombudsman may still take some action but it does not follow our flow chart of the protest paradigm. Examples of problematic issues such as these might include:

- “I know my judge slept through my oratory.”
- “My DI judge said he hated this event and that policy debate was the only real event, so let’s just get this round over.”
- “My room was too small for me to adequately portray the scope of my characters.”
- “The judges did not laugh at any of the humorous interps in my round.”
- “I think I might have been timed incorrectly.”

While these actions are not in the

venue of our protest model, we do our best to talk to those people who created the turmoil in order to avoid any further problems. But let’s be honest, we can’t build you a new room that might allow you the ‘room’ to adequately portray your characters and maybe it just wasn’t a funny humorous interp round. The ombudsman will approach each of your issues with civility and seriousness but one can’t solve every problem that might exist at the National Tournament...but we try! Joseph Joubet said it best when he stated, “It is better to debate a question without settling it than to settle a question without debating it.”

## The Three Step Method

For those protests “deemed” to be in good standing, the ombudsman will give his ruling. Either the protest will be upheld and appropriate action will be taken up to and including disqualification from the tournament or the protest will be denied.

The second level of the protest occurs only if there is disagreement with the ombudsman’s decision. If disagreement exists with that decision, the coach may then move the protest to the second level. The second level involves NFL Secretary Mr. Scott Wunn. The written protest and the ombudsman’s decision are given to Mr. Wunn for his ruling. Mr. Wunn may either uphold the ombudsman’s decision or overrule him.

The final step in the protest process only occurs if the coach making the protest disagrees with Mr. Wunn’s ruling. The coach may then ask that the protest move to its final level.

The final level of the process involves the “available” members of the National Forensic League’s Executive Council. If the current council is not readily available, we will often use past members of the council. Time may be of the essence at this level of protest and many of the council members have tournament duties at various venues. Every effort is made to utilize existing council members, but as a safeguard past council members have been used in their stead. The final ruling of the council is FINAL! In this final protest level, all parties involved are allowed to address the council. The executive secretary will make a statement justifying his decision. The ombudsman may, if called upon, present his findings. The person/coach lodging the protest may speak. It is then up to the remaining NFL Executive Council Members to render the final decision. This decision is not subject to appeal.

The protest procedure is in place to insure a fair and level playing field for all students and coaches. The protest process works! However, it should never be taken lightly and should never be lodged unless it meets ALL of the criteria mentioned in this article.

The number of protests has decreased over the last four years and that is a direct reflection on the wonderful coaches and students who read the rules and follow them! To those coaches and students, I say, “Thank You!” To the few coaches and students who do not read the rules or do not follow the rules, I say, “See you in the bud room.”

(Don Crabtree coaches at Park Hill High School (MO). He is a member of the NFL Hall of Fame and Vice President of the NFL Executive Council.)

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Entering our 26th year, MUDI has provided students excellent opportunities for both topic research and skill advancement. The competitive achievement of students who attend MUDI, along with the wide national draw of the institute, speaks to our ongoing success.

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# THE NATIONAL DEBATE INSTITUTE - D.C.

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## POLICY NOVICE PROGRAM

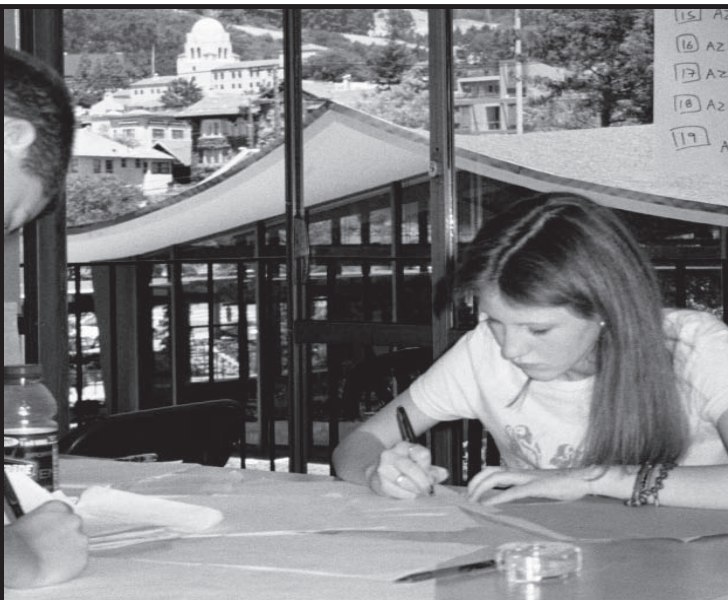
JUNE 30 - JULY 17, \$1845

## POLICY 30 ROUND PROGRAM

JUNE 30 - JULY 17, \$2365

## LINCOLN DOUGLAS PROGRAM

JUNE 30 - JULY 13, \$1685



**Initially Confirmed Policy Staff Include:** Corey Turoff, NDI Director, Chaminade Prep  
Hays Watson - University of Georgia  
Anita Lamar - West Georgia  
Sophia Vickery - Georgetown University  
Melinda McVay - University of Southern California  
Jessica Yeats - Idaho State University

**THE NATIONAL DEBATE INSTITUTE - D.C.** 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 NDI-DC has a hand-picked staff of the best instructors in the nation, and the program curricula have been carefully developed and successfully implemented over the last 10 years.

**30-ROUND POLICY DEBATE PROGRAM:** No other program in the country offers students the opportunity to improve as quickly and extensively: each student is guaranteed the opportunity for 30 full-length debates with extensive post-round critiques. Such concentrated and directed practice allows students to make improvements in argumentative sophistication and technical proficiency that normally take a semester or longer. The staff is carefully selected to provide a balance between high school coaches, assistant coaches, and current college debaters, and the 4:1 student:staff ratio ensures that each student will receive individualized feedback from every instructor.

**POLICY DEBATE NOVICE PROGRAM:** The curriculum of the Novice Program is designed to help introduce students with little to no experience to policy debate. Through lectures, small group discussions and classroom activities students will master the critical thinking and public speaking skills necessary to succeed. Students will learn to apply their knowledge in debate rounds through multiple critiqued practice debates and argument drills and will graduate prepared to compete during the 2005-2006 debate season.

**LINCOLN-DOUGLAS PROGRAM:** The NDI - D.C. program focuses on the teaching of theory and technique in combination with a balanced emphasis on practicums and original research. The program is designed to accommodate students of all levels of experience, with separate labs and primary instructors for advanced and beginning students as appropriate. The NDI LD program is directed by **John Lynch** of the Head-Royce School.

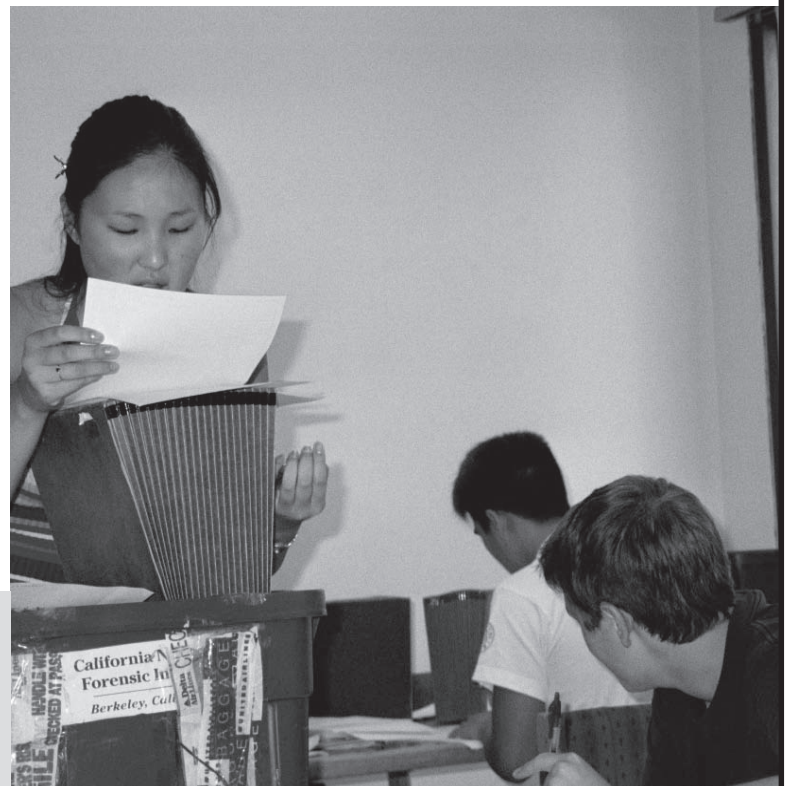
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# ◆ ACADEMIC ALL AMERICANS

(Date through March 15, 2005)

## Alabama

*The Montgomery Academy*  
Houston Shaner  
Michael Franz

## California

*Alhambra High School*  
Lena Chen  
*Athenian School*  
Becky A Peterhansen  
*Bellarmino College Prep*  
Jonathan Weed  
Sameer Jain  
*Cleveland High School*  
Zoe Silverman  
*College Prep*  
Andrew Lee  
Kevin Kooi  
*Gabrielino High School*  
Bonnie Diep  
Clifford Tsang  
Joshua Ma  
Leneve Ong  
Willie Phan

## Colorado

*Mesa Ridge High School*  
Gage Mazurowski  
*Steamboat Springs HS*  
Amanda Toy

## Florida

*Taravella High School*  
Justin McGeary  
*Wellington High School*  
Stephen M Sinclair

## Georgia

*Lakeview Academy*  
Evelyne Freiermuth

## Idaho

*Skyline High School*  
Charles Rohrbaugh  
Katie Oliver  
Kevin Bates

## Illinois

*Downers Grove South HS*  
Genevieve V Garcia  
Jaclyn A Patterson  
*Glenbrook South HS*  
Elizabeth A Kim  
*Highland Park HS*  
Gail X Schnitzer

## Indiana

*Chesterton High School*  
Zena C Kharsa  
Kelly R Starceovich  
*R Nelson Snider HS*  
Brittany L Gerig

## Iowa

*Okoboji High School*  
Jessica J Lambertson  
*West HS - Iowa City*  
Kate Rice

## Kansas

*Ellsworth High School*  
Kyle West  
Megan K Staley  
*Manhattan High School*  
Annie Osburn  
Erika Wurst  
Ryan J Ellis  
Samuel C Procter  
*Shawnee Mission East HS*  
Brady Myers  
*Shawnee Mission West HS*  
April Lawson  
Ronald Schupner  
*Southeast HS - Cherokee*  
Kelsey Thompson

## Massachusetts

*Sacred Heart High School*  
Barry Smith  
Jake Luszc

## Minnesota

*Brainerd High School*  
Carmen A Cummings  
Kellen J Riley

## Mississippi

*Hattiesburg High School*  
Brittany Hickman  
Brittany Lowrey  
Hannah Rachal  
Stephen Goggin

## Missouri

*Marshall High School*  
Alex M Scott  
Chelsea K Koehn  
Rebecca J Kruger  
Tara M Schlotzhauer  
*Nixa High School*  
Nathan McCartney

## Montana

*Browning High School*  
Robert Coleman

## Nebraska

*Columbus High School*  
Wyatt Andrew Kent  
*Lincoln East High School*  
Ann Hunter-Pirtle  
Halley Ostergard  
Sasha Zheng  
*Millard North High School*  
Felicia Synowicki  
Jackie Ostronic  
Sarah Fech  
*Elko High School*  
Casey Hogle  
*The Meadows School*  
Emily Ferenbach

## New Jersey

*Ridge High School*  
Caleb Selley  
David Fan  
Norman Yao

## New York

*Christian Brothers Acad*  
John J Sciuto

## Ohio

*Canfield High School*  
Todd Shuba  
*Cardinal Mooney HS*  
Jennifer Gonda  
*Central Catholic HS*  
Lauren Sabino  
*Jackson High School*  
A.j. Strickland  
Nikki Allem  
*Wooster High School*  
Alex Becker  
Daniel Moskowitz  
Joe Boreman

## Oklahoma

*Mounds High School*  
Courtney Driskel

## Oregon

*Tigard High School*  
Zubin Desai

## Pennsylvania

*Perkiomen Valley HS*  
Anglea Zhu  
Lilly Deng  
*St Joseph's Preparatory*  
Mark Mai

## South Carolina

*Fort Dorchester HS*  
John M Von Schmitten  
*Southside High School*  
Frank Holleman

## South Dakota

*Sturgis Brown High School*  
Jamie Gortmaker

## Texas

*Caney Creek High School*  
John C Johnson  
*Friendswood High School*  
Amani Jambhekar  
Malorie Snider  
*James E Taylor HS*  
Mohini Madgavkar  
Tanya Choudhury  
*Lamar High School*  
John Furlow  
*Plano West Senior HS*  
Priya Gupta  
*Wills Point High School*  
Ralph Carter Mayrell

## Utah

*Skyline High School*  
Matt Wang

## Virginia

*Randolph Macon Academy*  
James Taafel

## Washington

*Port Angeles High School*  
Caleb Dorfman  
*Ridgedale High School*  
Robert A Klaus

## Wyoming

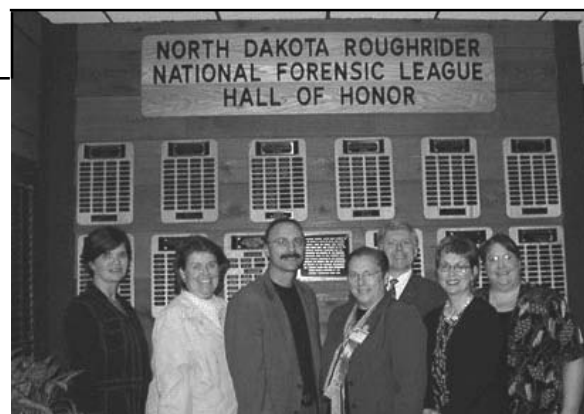
*Cheyenne Central HS*  
Jacob M Staley  
James W Herr  
*Kelly Walsh High School*  
Jake Ginsbach

## WALL OF HONOR

Ever since the founding of the North Dakota Rough Rider District established in 1992, the District has held at least one of its qualifying contests at the Seven Seas Inn. Because of the close relationship between the district and the Seven Seas, owner Shannon Gangl offered the District one wall in the lobby for a permanent display.

Each plaque represents one of the main events at the National Tournament. The plaques are sponsored by individuals involved with the NFL, either as coaches, parents, or administrators. Names of qualifying students are engraved on the plates.

The NFL Wall of Honor was officially dedicated at the 2004 State Convention of the North Dakota Speech and Theatre Association. Pam McComas, NFL Executive Council Alternate presented a series of workshops to coaches in attendance on how to prepare students for national competition.



Pictured from left to right, Members of the District Committee: Yvonne Kalka, Susan Anderson, Shannon Gangl, owner of Seven Seas Inn, Executive Council Member Pam McComas, Dr. Robert Littlefield, Toni Gredesky and Gayle Hyde



# APPLICATION NATIONAL FORENSIC LEAGUE ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN AWARD

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 School \_\_\_\_\_  
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 NFL District \_\_\_\_\_

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The above named student qualifies for the Academic All-American Award by meeting all the criteria **checked** below:  
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- \_\_\_\_\_ NFL Degree of Superior Distinction on record (750 points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ GPA of 3.7 on a 4.0 scale (or its equivalent)
- \_\_\_\_\_ ACT score of 27 or higher or SAT score of 1400 or higher - (**SAT tests taken after 3/1/05 - 2000 or higher**)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6th or 7<sup>th</sup> Semester student
- \_\_\_\_\_ Coach and Principal student quality character reference (character, leadership, commitment, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ NFL Chapter may present Award to any NFL member who meets the above criteria.
- \_\_\_\_\_ School Transcripts included.

We certify that the above information is true and accurate and that the student nominated, in addition to the above criteria, has demonstrated character, leadership and commitment.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 NFL Sponsor (coach)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Principal

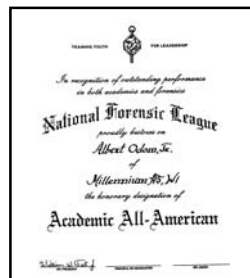
\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student

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# DISTRICT TOURNAMENT RESULTS

## Hoosier Heartland

PF --  
Cynthia Liu and Matt Plumlee, West Lafayette  
Patrick Duvall and Ohm Gore, West Lafayette  
CX --  
Manoshi S. Datta and Rachana Raghothama, West Lafayette  
Drew Schuster and Anant K. Handa, West Lafayette  
DUO --  
Veronica Novak and Dominic Vernon, Logansport  
Josh Lenn and Justin M. McCullough, Reitz  
Addison Kuhn and Nathan Stobaugh, Reitz Memorial  
OO --  
Stacey Yoder, Peru  
Sarah E. Waninger, Reitz  
USX --  
Adam Burgdorf, Reitz  
Yin Huang, Ben Davis  
IE --  
Alex R. Turco, West Lafayette  
Ashwin Kumar, Logansport  
DI --  
Ashley Tinnell, Signature School  
Krysta Cummings, Connorsville Sr.  
Katie Miller, Signature  
HI --  
Luke Robbins, Park Tudor School  
Ben Weber, Mater Dei  
LD --  
William H. Baldwin, Harrison  
Matt Timmerman, West Lafayette  
Plaque -- West Lafayette  
Trophy -- Mater Dei

## Western Washington

PF --  
Sierra Gronewold and Greg Bigelow, Gig Harbor  
Sarah L. Novak and Joshua Goodell, Puyallup  
CX --  
Nathan Cohn and Chris Pierini, Auburn  
Jessica Lawson and Lewis Silver, Puyallup  
DUO --  
Daniel Bevacqua and Justin Campbell, Sumner  
Joe Lawrence and Christi Gagner, Auburn Riverside  
OO --  
Jonathan Dentler, Gig Harbor  
Hannah M. McKenna, Federal Way  
USX --  
Jessica Fitzgerald, Central Kitsap  
Kayomi Wada, Federal Way  
IE --  
Ryan Morgan, Auburn  
Adam B. Wahlen, Federal Way  
DI --  
Sarah Ishmael, Gig Harbor  
Natalia McDonald, Federal Way  
HI --  
Matthew Jarrell, Federal Way  
LD --  
Mostafa Heddaya, Bellevue  
Justin Perry, Bellevue  
Plaque -- Gig Harbor  
Trophy -- Gov. John Rogers

## Heart of America

PF --  
Kali N. Hedrick and Jordan B. Bishop, Marshall  
Leslie Kessinger and Kristen Buri, Park Hill South  
Rick Puig and TJ Spalty, Park Hill South  
Gentry T. Decker and John L. Dobson, Excelsior Springs  
CX --  
Lauren Smith and Melissa Kabrick, Independence Truman  
Zain Pasha and Sarah Backhouse, Liberty Sr.  
Amanda Montee and Andrew Montee, Central HS - St. Joseph  
DUO --  
Dustin Roberts and Justin Hamilton, Truman  
William Hoverder and Jacob Dallas, St. Pius X  
Bryce Veazey and Corbin Harper, Truman  
Corey Stuck and Ryan Stuck, Savannah  
OO --  
Bill Boehring, Fort Osage  
Cassandra J. Reeder, Platte County  
Ryan Flowers, Liberty  
USX --  
Matthew Bartlett, Savannah  
Chase Cook, Savannah  
Tyler Dooley, Truman

IE --  
Andrew Green, KC Oak Park  
Sohail Jouya, KC Oak Park  
Sarah Berenking, Liberty  
DI --  
Abbey McLaughlin, Liberty  
Brady Huffman, Benton  
Vito Mazzara, Park Hill  
HI --  
David Kozminski, Savannah R-3  
Dan Johnson, Truman  
Rachel Vaughn, Park Hill  
Dustin R. Gerber, KC Oak Park  
LD --  
Carl Werner, Park Hill South  
Pat Muenks, Park Hill South  
Josh L. Todd, Winnetonka  
Plaque -- Park Hill South  
Trophy -- Fort Osage

## East Iowa

PF --  
Jamison Kuhle and Kevin Kuhle, Wahlert  
CX --  
Patrick Reynolds and Corey Stone, Washington HS - Cedar Rapids  
Matthew Jarvey and Kyle Vint, Washington HS - Cedar Rapids  
DUO --  
Brian Britigan and Kathleen Hession, West HS - Iowa City  
Raleigh Yoder and Lisa Donahue, West HS - Iowa City  
OO --  
Brian Stewart, West HS - Iowa City  
Alyssa Levitz, West HS - Iowa City  
USX --  
Matt Nisius, Burlington Community  
Kate Rice, West HS - Iowa City  
IE --  
Tom Blaser, Bettendorf  
Mackenzie Pierce, Iowa City  
DI --  
Kelly Johnson, West HS - Iowa City  
Molly Schintler, West HS - Iowa City  
HI --  
Jeff Irlbeck, West HS - Iowa City  
Adam C. Smith, Burlington Community  
LD --  
Grace VanVoorhis, West HS - Iowa City  
Alexander Hiland, West HS - Iowa City  
Plaque -- West HS - Iowa City  
Trophy -- Muscatine

## Utah Wasatch

PF --  
Bennett Anderson and Josh Murdock, Sky View  
Jennifer L. Illum and Kyle D. Wharten, Roy  
Phillip Whiteley and Stephen Nielson, Sky View  
CX --  
Katie Richards and Daisy Bessire, Ogden  
Coby Price and Alex Biggs, Sky View  
DUO --  
Rachel Simmons and Emily Holmgren, Bountiful  
Katrina Moffett and Mina Romney, Bountiful  
OO --  
Ericca Hawkes, Sky View  
Alyson Bean, Davis  
USX --  
Erin Wilson, Weber  
Celeste Olsen, Davis  
IE --  
Dorothy Haynie, Sky View  
Blake Treu, Davis  
DI --  
Kennedy A. Gandy, Bountiful  
JaNa Williams, Logan  
HI --  
Stuart Zuniga, Ogden  
Bryson Kuan, Bountiful  
LD --  
Trevor Perry, Logan  
Meagan Bitner, Logan  
Plaque -- Sky View  
Trophy -- Davis

## Tennessee

PF --  
Wesley Messamore and Liza Short, Nashville-Overtown

Abby Compton and Will Manning, Morristown West  
CX --  
Alex Lamballe and Tripp Rebrovick, Montgomery Bell Academy  
Matt Bodnar and Kevin Wieck, Montgomery Bell Academy  
DUO --  
Kasey Arnold and DeVan Ard, Brentwood Academy  
Gordon J. Burt and Rachel Rogers, Brentwood Academy  
Samantha Stewart and Logan Allen, Brentwood Academy  
OO --  
Nick Courtney, Morristown West  
Loren Brown, Dickson County  
USX --  
Noah Pittman, Collierville  
Chris F. Powers, Brentwood HS  
IE --  
Jonathan Ray, Montgomery Bell Academy  
David Kumbroch, Collierville  
DI --  
Sean Taylor, Rossview  
Caren Carson, Collierville  
Taylor Wood, Collierville  
HI --  
Ryan A. Houston, Morristown West  
Rachel C. Nave, Morristown West  
LD --  
Evan D. Mayo, Battle Ground Academy  
Aaron Greenwood, The McCallie School  
Plaque -- Hamblen HS West  
Trophy -- Brentwood HS

## East Oklahoma

PF --  
Amber Ketchum and Kelly Sehon, Broken Arrow  
Kristin Treager and Claire Turmelle, Bishop Kelley  
CX --  
David Leimbach and Tiffany Tai, Jenks  
Nathan Eicher and Seth A. Warder, Charles Page  
DUO --  
Nayelley Salinas and Shayne Henry, Broken Arrow  
Mark A. Henry and Nicole A. Armstrong, Cordell  
Nataliya Popokina and Vickie Enis, Wilburton  
OO --  
Joe D. Gibson, Owasso  
Emily Goins, Bishop Kelley  
Bethany Duarte, Claremore  
USX --  
Levi Harrel, Broken Arrow  
Katie Wilder, Sapulpa  
Tracy Pfeiffer, Cascia Hall Preparatory  
IE --  
Brian B. Danley, Bartlesville  
Grant Butler, Sapulpa  
Sarah Singletary, Jenks  
DI --  
Esther L. Grabow, Claremore  
Jacqueline Woodfork, Sapulpa  
C. J. Roberts, Bixby  
HI --  
Alex Wozencraft, Mannford  
Christopher Larcade, Muldrow  
Owen C. Sutton, Cordell  
LD --  
Joe Allen, Sapulpa  
Andrew D. Shipley, Bartlesville  
Josh Wesneski, Bartlesville  
Plaque -- Broken Arrow  
Trophy -- Bartlesville

## Inland Empire

PF --  
Hailey M. Rodemacher and Anthony J. Dinato, Gonzaga Prep  
Katelen Kellogg and Peter Zysk, Ferris  
CX --  
Shetha Alaskar and Chelsea D. Heniges, Mt Spokane  
Caleb Jewett and Nikolaus J. Krause, Gonzaga Prep  
DUO --  
Brandon Montang and Justin Kjolseth, University  
Nate Pringle and Kelton Peterson-Allen, Lewis and Clark  
OO --  
Greg Brabeck, Mead  
Catrina A. Holden-Hatchie, Central Valley

USX --  
Ashley McGowan, University  
Carl A. Cutler, Mt Spokane  
IE --  
Beth Niggemyer, University  
Ben B. Brown, Central Valley  
DI --  
Konnie Clary, Mt Spokane  
Jolene Booher, Post Falls  
HI --  
Chris M. Jackson, University  
Xavier Knaston, Lewis and Clark  
LD --  
MaryAnn Almeida, University  
Matthew Holmes, University  
Plaque -- University  
Trophy -- Central Valley

## Puget Sound

PF --  
Adrian L. Sampson and James M. Wagner, Bainbridge  
Ben Hudgens and Greg Nance, Bainbridge  
CX --  
Amy Wooten and Devin Majkut, Sehome  
Robert White and David M. Thompson, Oak Harbor  
DUO --  
Holly Dennis and Mimy Tu, Thomas Jefferson  
Emanuel Russell and Sharelle Johnson, Renton  
OO --  
Chris Mount, Thomas Jefferson  
Dianna Wu, Eastlake  
USX --  
Rebecca J. Sivitz, Bainbridge  
Nick Stevens, Lakeside School  
IE --  
Sean Fraga, Bainbridge  
Steven Hansen, Kentwood  
DI --  
Kelsey Smith, Thomas Jefferson  
Rihana Saucier, Renton  
HI --  
Haley Herr, Tahoma Sr.  
Tyler Schaubert, Mount Vernon  
LD --  
Juliet Rothenberg, Tahoma Sr.  
Jeff Kingshott, Mt. Vernon  
Plaque -- Bainbridge  
Trophy -- Thomas Jefferson

## Pennsylvania

PF --  
Brian Bergman and Samantha Dunn, Norwin  
Amanda Waugh and Danielle Waugh, Greensburg Salem  
CX --  
Andrea Irwin and Carly Hahn, Greater Latrobe  
Kunal Vakharia and Ishani Desai, State College  
DUO --  
Mike J. Seidel and Haley A. Crider, Bellwood-Antis  
Meghan L. McKelvey and Anthony J. Delgrosso, Bellwood-Antis  
OO --  
Jessica M. Ruccio, McKeesport Area  
Mallory L. Panasiti, Bellwood-Antis  
USX --  
John Dumnich, Greensburg Salem  
Samantha M. Brisini, Bishop Carroll  
IE --  
Aldo Prosperi, Greater Latrobe  
Kathryn Townsend, Norwin  
DI --  
Katrina L. Holdren, Bellwood-Antis  
Sydney S. Young, Bellwood-Antis  
HI --  
Michael J. Faix, McKeesport Area  
Eric L. McCrum, Bellwood-Antis  
LD --  
Randall J. Dye, Trinity  
Larissa Woskob, State College  
Plaque -- Norwin  
Trophy -- McKeesport Area

## New York City

PF --  
Andrew Nesi and Doug Eickman, Regis  
CX --  
Joana Sidaroy and Gaby Collins-Fernandez, Bronx HS of Science  
Forrest Pearce and Sumeet Sharma, Bronx HS of Science

# DISTRICT TOURNAMENT RESULTS

DUO --  
Kevin Bowles and Jeffrey Morris, Regis  
Fiore Mastroianni and David Grunner, Regis  
OO --  
Isaac Maddow-Zimet, Stuyvesant  
Jimei Hon, Stuyvesant  
USX --  
Matthew Garippa, Regis  
Gregory Leporati, Chaminade  
IE --  
John Calhoun, Regis  
Kevin E. Koslowski, Cathedrawl Prep Seminary  
DI --  
Laura Ross, Syosset  
James Legerme, Nazareth Regional  
HI --  
Tim Janas, Stuyvesant  
Jessica Garcia, The Mary Louis Academy  
LD --  
Thomas DeFranco, Chaminade  
Rahul D'Sa, Chaminade  
Plaque -- Regis and Bronx HS of Science (Tie)  
Trophy -- St. Joseph Hill Academy

## East Missouri

PF --  
Lindsay Bayham and Adam Schneider, Ladue  
Horton Watkins  
Christopher A. Girouard and Nadie Mozaffar,  
Marquette  
Yang Song and Anna Alekseyeva, Ladue Horton  
Watkins  
Dehalina De and Emily Huang, Marquette  
CX --  
Steven Marcus and Tal Kopan, Ladue Horton  
Watkins  
Gerardo Flores and Jason Wu, Ladue Horton  
Watkins  
William Peter and Christina Ma, Parkway South  
DUO --  
Whitney LaMora and Chris Notestine, Howell  
North  
Aaron Henrickson and Maggie Murphy, Jefferson  
City  
Aislinn Lowry and Samantha Clemens, Jefferson  
City  
OO --  
Brandon C. Taylor, DeSmet  
Christina Sidiropoulos, Jefferson City  
Stephanie Fengler, Parkway West  
USX --  
Collin Galster, Pattonville  
Craig Boyd, Parkway South  
Andy Kile, Pattonville  
Jackson Otto, Jefferson City  
IE --  
Omar Abdel-Hamid, Parkway South  
Kevin Andert, Pattonville  
Yue Yin, Ladue Horton Watkins  
DI --  
Ashley Johnson, Parkway South  
Zoe Manzy-Coates, Soldan Inter. Studies HS  
Josh Strickland, Marquette  
HI --  
Diana Zhou, Parkway Central  
Cherish Varley, Clayton  
Alice Stanley, Parkway West  
LD --  
Daniel Dorsey, Pattonville  
Osman Chaudhry, Parkway West  
Todd Schiller, Marquette  
Evan Sadler, Clayton  
Plaque -- Ladue Horton Watkins  
Trophy -- Pattonville

## New England

PF --  
Jeffrey S. Gang and Charles C. Comenos,  
Manchester-Essex Regional  
Kenny Lin and Akshay Dayal, Shrewsbury  
CX --  
Seungwon Chung and Alex Jenson, Lexington  
Leo Zimmermann and Doowan Chung, Lexing-  
ton  
DUO --  
Kelly Lootz and Alexander Price, Sacred Heart  
Noah Luszc and Conor Demers, Sacred Heart  
OO --  
Katherine Han, Milton Academy  
Kristin Livingstone, Shrewsbury  
USX --  
Ruotao Wang, Shrewsbury  
Nathaniel Obler, Milton Academy

IE --  
Ron Kendler, Newton South  
Simin Lee, Milton Academy  
DI --  
Rachel Goldenberg, Needham  
Laila M. Ameri, Milton Academy  
HI --  
Frank Smith, Milton Academy  
Julie Griffin-Carty, Ursuline Academy  
LD --  
Liz Mullins, Sacred Heart  
Isabelle Figaro, Bishop Guertin  
Plaque -- Lexington  
Trophy -- Lexington

## North East Indiana

PF --  
Ryan C. Anderson and Kevin D. Weaver,  
Chesterton  
Margaret C. Knopic and Katherine E. Weber,  
Chesterton  
CX --  
Kevin Steinmetz and David Dickmeyer, Colum-  
bia City  
Kelly R. Starceovich and Samantha J. Wuletich,  
Chesterton  
DUO --  
Joshua D. Hambrock and Audrey Wendling, Fort  
Wayne North Side  
Christine N. Derek and Emily Hoham, R. Nelson  
Snider  
OO --  
Zena C. Kharsa, Chesterton  
Kathryn R. Kattalia, Chesterton  
USX --  
Anthony J. Rodriguez, Chesterton  
Dmitri Y. Leybman, South Side  
IE --  
Sarah R. Christofersen, Chesterton  
Suhasini Bhargava, Homestead  
DI --  
Sruthi Sadhujan, Chesterton  
David E. Corso, Chesterton  
HI --  
Kerri Jyland-Hade, South Side  
Sam Herber, Fort Wayne Northrop  
LD --  
Andrea Listenberger, Canterbury School  
Lowell Caulder, Canterbury School  
Plaque -- Chesterton  
Trophy -- Chesterton

## Deep South

PF --  
Phillip Powell and William M. Plosser, Moun-  
tain Brook  
Casey Raymond and George Elliot, Mountain  
Brook  
CX --  
Spenser Smith and William Landau, Mountain  
Brook  
Chad Colon and Morgan Rote, Vestavia Hills  
DUO --  
Jimbo Dawkins and John B. Hammontree, Moun-  
tain Brook  
Bill Butler and Nancy Stewart, The Montgomery  
Academy  
OO --  
Jean Luan, Vestavia Hills  
Amy Watson, Vestavia Hills  
USX --  
Tazwell Jones, The Montgomery Academy  
Walt Johnson, The Montgomery Academy  
IE --  
William Bloom, The Montgomery Academy  
Tripp DeMoss, The Montgomery Academy  
DI --  
Blake Williams, The Montgomery Academy  
Jenny Wells, Vestavia Hills  
HI --  
Harry DeBray, The Montgomery Academy  
Michael Blackburn, Prattville  
LD --  
James M. Mangus, Saint James School  
Arthur Leslie, Saint James School  
Christopher G. North, Saint James School  
Plaque -- The Montgomery Academy  
Trophy -- The Montgomery Academy

## East Texas

PF --  
Anthony Franklin and Emmett Phillips, Klein For-  
est  
Courtney Lee and Marie Vasquez, Jersey Village

CX --  
Paul Williamson and Jessica Kryznowski,  
Crosby  
Eric Lanning and Leah Moczuiszky, The Wood-  
lands HS McCullough  
DUO --  
Stephen Brown and Adam Roberts, Kelin  
Karmen Edwards and Alice Weisner, Klein  
OO --  
Christina Lopez, Jersey Village  
Kokila Kakarala, Klein  
USX --  
John C. Johnson, Caney Creek  
Andrew Scheller, Spring  
Joseph R. Genovese, Kingwood  
IE --  
Rajiv Menon, Kingwood  
Tanya Choudhury, James E. Taylor  
Travis L. Holmes, Kingwood  
DI --  
Roy A. Otto, Spring  
Sally Hughes, Klein  
HI --  
Hanna Meghji, Cypress Falls  
Milena Machado, Humble  
LD --  
Bryan Cory, Jersey Village  
Gary W. Johnson, Katy  
Daniel Cory, Jersey Village  
Plaque -- Jersey Village  
Trophy -- Humble

## Ozark

PF --  
Patrick Carver and Emma Rebecca, Parkview  
Zed Davis and Rebecca Bays, Camdenton  
Brad Miller and Katey Buchholz, Kickapoo  
CX --  
Mark Dapp and Brett Marler, Greenwood Labo-  
ratory School  
Adam Testerman and Kelsey E. Tindle, Parkview  
Kelby Dickinsheet and Allen Sutton, Glendale  
DUO --  
Megan Parker and Amy Whitehead, Camdenton  
Josh Roselman and Colin Towery, Central  
Jason Blinzler and Chris Lewis, Marshfield  
OO --  
Ashley Felton, Parkview  
Whitney Bair, Kickapoo  
Amanda Robertson, Marshfield  
USX --  
Brandon Klementzos, Ozark  
Pyone Thi, Central  
Paige Oster, Central  
IE --  
Eric Miller, Kickapoo  
Anh Vy Mai, Parkview  
Lacey Greninger, Marshfield  
DI --  
Samantha Wingo, Parkview  
Jill Aldridge, Camdenton  
Jenna Jordan, West Plains  
HI --  
Ryan Hall, Camdenton  
Jessica Kershner, Nixa  
Rachel Damron, Hillcrest  
Jon Woodson, Glendale  
LD --  
Carrick James, Greenwood Laboratory School  
Erin Conway, Parkview  
Adam Waldowski, Hillcrest  
David Maxson, Kickapoo  
Plaque -- Parkview  
Trophy -- Hillcrest

## UIL

PF --  
Nathan Phennel and Jordan Carmona,  
Princeton  
Britain Bruner and David Caughran, Vanguard  
College Prep  
Donna M. Lewis and Kristina A. Thomas, Gilmer  
CX --  
Rory McKenzie and Brittany Allen, Lindale  
Kenneth Cauthen and Nicole Yeakley, Lindale  
Elizabeth Jewell and Alexandria Jones, Good  
Shepherd  
DUO --  
Chris Page and Bridget Fritts, Princeton  
Derek W. Flowers and Kaitlin Fitzrandolph,  
Princeton  
OO --  
Bryan C. Simpson, Skyline HS & Career Devel-  
opment  
Julie Richter, Lindale

USX --  
Amber L. Russell, Princeton  
Alexander M. Warren, Tyler Lee  
David Baloch, Lindale  
IE --  
Michael D. LeMaster, North Lamar  
Anna Russell, Aubrey  
Samantha M. Boklage, Princeton  
DI --  
Ruthann Stokes, Terrell  
Sarah Hunt, Van  
HI --  
Bethany Moore, Van  
Lauren M. Moore, Van  
LD --  
Scott A. Fitzwater, North Lamar  
Ralph C. Mayrell, Willis Point  
Plaque -- Lindale  
Trophy -- Princeton

## Nebraska

PF --  
Mallory Sleight and Deepa Joshi, Millard North  
Nick Dalke and Matthew Rosson, Lincoln South-  
west  
CX --  
Brent Klingemann and Mike Storey, Millard North  
Charles F. Fisher and Lilly Kinkade, Fremont  
DUO --  
Nathan Fineman and David Carmody, Millard  
North  
Katie Powers and Michaela McGill, Marian  
OO --  
Sarah Fech, Millard North  
Emily Smith, Raymond Central  
USX --  
Jason Rippe, Malcolm  
Alee Taylor, Marian  
IE --  
Dustin Rymph, Lincoln Southwest  
Anna Tan, Millard West  
DI --  
Larissa Schultz, Millard North  
Ryan Durham, Millard North  
Aaron Blackman, Raymond Central  
HI --  
Taylor Sloey, Raymond Central  
Brent Friedeman, Raymond Central  
LD --  
Alex Raksin, Millard North  
Alex Good, Millard North  
Plaque -- Millard North  
Trophy -- Raymond Central

## South Oregon

PF --  
Robert M. Clark and Kily M. Thomas, North  
Valley  
Arran Forbes and Caitlyn M. Burford, Summit  
CX --  
Ian Lowrie and Phillip Shiels, Ashland  
Scott Goodman and Hailey Sheldon, Marshfield  
DUO --  
Kyle T. Ackerman and David S. Liskey, North  
Valley  
Tara M. Chavez and Felicia Y. Chavez, North  
Valley  
OO --  
Morgan K. Padgett, Mountain View  
Lacy M. Paap, Mountain View  
USX --  
Kyle Lachmund, Ashland  
Jason Doddridge, Eagle Point  
IE --  
Bradley S. Green, Summit  
Curtis L. Haley, Willamette  
DI --  
Tim Eckley, Marshfield  
Kelly Greenburg, Ashland  
HI --  
Hayley Farr, Willamette  
Scott Edinger, Willamette  
LD --  
Jeremy Schiffberg, South Eugene  
Erin Miller, Marshfield  
Plaque -- Ashland  
Trophy -- Mountain View

## Northern Lights

PF --  
Dyland Gagner and Julie Edin, St. Francis  
CX --  
Cassandra Bonitto and Dana Rognlie,  
Moorhead Senior  
Rachel Sternhagen and Sarah Mogen,  
Moorhead Senior

# DISTRICT TOURNAMENT RESULTS

DUO --  
Reba Marana and Brittany Kolquist, Denfeld  
Lisa J. Dooley and Casey Schmitt, St. Cloud Tech  
Matthew Barnett and Brendan Frost, Moorhead Senior

OO --  
Allyson N. Carey, Moorhead  
Fola Gazal, St. Cloud Tech

USX --  
Billy Affield, Barnesville  
Corey Dahl, St. Cloud Tech

IE --  
Ryan Jackson, St. Francis  
Andrew Bakken, Moorhead Senior

DI --  
Rae Smith, Moorhead Senior  
Elizabeth M. Bendix, St. Cloud Tech  
Nels Hunstad, Moorhead Senior

HI --  
Carl Hulden, Moorhead Senior  
Andrea Lichtsinn, Moorhead Senior  
Sean Benedict, Moorhead Senior

LD --  
Carmen A. Cummings, Brainerd  
Kellen J. Riley, Brainerd

Plaque -- Moorhead  
Trophy -- Walker

## West Iowa

PF --  
Valarie Hobbs and Michelle Schmit, Bishop Heeland

Devan J. Hillsabeck and Jessica J. Lambertson, Okoboji Community School  
Tommy Morgan and Billy Hamilton, West Des Moines Valley

CX --  
Travis Henderson and David Gobberdiel, West Des Moines Valley  
Meggie Mapes and Megan Johnson, LeMars Community

DUO --  
Kathleen Lawler and Luke Roth, Dowling Catholic  
Bernadette Egger and Bridget Solawetz, Dowling Catholic

OO --  
Natalie Schira, Dowling Catholic  
Finley Sesker, Dowling Catholic

USX --  
Jonathan Quinn, Dowling Catholic  
La'Cee Groetken, LeMars Community

IE --  
Chase Nordengren, West Des Moines Valley  
Eric Allen, Dowling Catholic

DI --  
Megan Koester, Dowling Catholic  
Conor Fudge, Dowling Catholic

HI --  
Spencer McCurnin, Dowling Catholic  
Chris Coffin, Dowling Catholic

LD --  
Ernie Rose, Des Moines North  
Kim Larson, Des Moines North  
Tracey Shi, West Des Moines Valley

Plaque -- West Des Moines Valley  
Trophy -- Bishop Heelan

## Show Me

PF --  
Anthony Badami and Andrew Blackwell, Rockhurst  
Adam Smith and Alan Simpson, Blue Springs South  
Arshad Khalid and Cooper Brown, Lee's Summit North

CX --  
Christopher Harvey and Jared Terry, Raytown  
Bethany Owens and Emily McKnight, Blue Springs South  
Phillip Christensen and Michael Headley, Raytown

DUO --  
Jessica Bauer and Megan Rothaus, Blue Springs  
Sarah L. Youmans and Steven G. Shaw, Raymore-Peculiar  
Krystal Johnson and Chad Carroll, Hickman Mills

OO --  
Lorenzo Jordan, Grandview Sr.  
Katie Bubalo, Blue Springs South

USX --  
Brandon Beth, Blue Springs  
Kevin Charochak, Blue Springs  
Cameron Tolle, Raytown

IE --  
Brigitta Wade, Raytown South  
Spencer Williams, Lee's Summit North

DI --  
Yohannah Laws, Blue Springs  
Rebekah Christensen, Blue Springs South  
Joey Daniel, Blue Springs

HI --  
Tyson Sprick, Raytown South  
Kira Horne, Belton  
Tressa Canaday, Raytown South

LD --  
Caleb Miller, Lee's Summit North  
Austin Steelman, Blue Springs  
Travis Allen, Lee's Summit North

Plaque -- Blue Springs South  
Trophy -- Blue Springs South

## New York State

PF --  
Harrison Siegel and Antionette Fuoto, Monticello Central  
Justin Becker and Erin Vehstedt, Hendrick Hudson

CX --  
Benjamin Cole and Matthew Mutino, Lakeland  
Caroline Harkins and Jessica Spanier, Lakeland

DUO --  
Matthew Fitzsimmons and Joseph Bittingmaier, Iona Preparatory  
Steve Erosa and Joseph Rubin, Iona Preparatory

OO --  
Dan Esposito, Iona Preparatory  
Frank Riccobono, Iona Preparatory

USX --  
Reid Bagwell, Scarsdale  
Ardevan Yaghoubi, Scarsdale

IE --  
Phil Kaplan, Scarsdale  
Michael L. Boyle, Christian Bros. Academy

DI --  
Maria Fallia, Scarsdale  
Louis Romain, Iona Preparatory

HI --  
Tarikh Campbell, Iona Preparatory  
Josh Lanzet, Scarsdale

LD --  
Matt Shields, Scarsdale  
Scott Brainard, Niskayuna

Plaque -- Scarsdale  
Trophy -- Hendrick Hudson

## Nebraska South

PF --  
Halley Ostergard and Sasha Zheng, Lincoln East  
Justin Horn and Stephen LaPorte, Bellevue East

CX --  
Elizabeth Comfort and Jayme Fowler, Westside  
Brian Kaplinger and Will Pflug, Millard South

DUO --  
Kevin M. Cheairs and Rachel Lowery, Bellevue East  
Alexandra Bartha and Arity E. Dickerson, Lincoln East

OO --  
Ann Hunter-Pirtle, Lincoln East  
Jessica Earnest, Lincoln East

USX --  
Anish Mitra, Lincoln East  
Catherine Crider, Bellevue East

IE --  
Aimee Schwab, Crete  
Sally L. Hudson, Lincoln East

DI --  
Derek Outson, Lincoln East  
Nicko Fretes, Lincoln East

HI --  
Mike Goode, Bellevue West  
Aaron Stephenson, Lincoln East

LD --  
Solomon Eppel, Lincoln East  
Marty Nachman, Westside

Plaque -- Lincoln East  
Trophy -- Bellevue East

## Louisiana

PF --  
Andrew P. Best and Nicholas A. Boone, Lafayette  
Chelsie Boudreaux and Jon Decuir, New Iberia

CX --  
Nick Shirley and Chapman Matis, St. Thomas More  
Katherine Urquhart and Aliya Sabbarwahl, Isidore Newman School

DUO --  
Colby Melvin and Samantha Debevec, Teurlings Catholic  
Dustin Dought and Camille Gauthier, Teurlings Catholic

OO --  
Kati Bauer, Comeaux  
Hobie Artique, Cecilia

USX --  
Branson Sparks, Bolton  
Benjamin C. Bologna, St. Martin's Episcopal School

IE --  
Jordan Stone, St. Martin's Episcopal  
Sara Callais, Teurlings Catholic

DI --  
Braxton Bernard, St. Thomas More  
Kim Manuel, St. Thomas More

HI --  
Alex LaBat, Acadiana  
Stephen McElroy, St. Thomas More

LD --  
Patrick Laborde, St. Thomas More  
Jude David, St. Thomas More

Plaque -- St. Thomas More  
Trophy -- Lafayette

## Kentucky

PF --  
William Sampson and Megan Colson, Calloway County

DUO --  
Dawn Schulz and Mauricus Lofton, Danville  
Christian T. Loy and Alexander M. Shoaf, Rowan County Sr.

OO --  
Kayla R. Albert, Rowan County Sr.  
Leanne Craig, Calloway

USX --  
Courtney Otto, Kentucky Country Day  
Ariel Perkins, Rowan County Sr.

IE --  
Brice Acree, LaRue County  
Ashley L. Adkins, Rowan County Sr.

DI --  
Benjamin P. Ochsner, Rowan County Sr.  
Mason Scisco, Danville

HI --  
Tyler J. Elam, Rowan County Sr.  
Shy Underhill, Calloway County

LD --  
Sierra Enlow, LaRue County  
Brian J. Huot, Boone County

Plaque -- Rowan County Sr.  
Trophy -- Rowan County Sr.

## North Oregon

PF --  
Jade Olson and Franziska Edwards, Century  
Sarah Dunlap and Lauren Teegarden, Lakeridge

CX --  
Fangyu Zhang and Alan H. Hsu, Westview  
Zhao Tan and Xiangnong G. Wang, Westview

DUO --  
Mark Polendey and Brandon J. Wolf, Canby  
Andrew Fink and Brianna Barrett, Southridge

OO --  
Debbie Southorn, Tigard  
Diana Serrano, Woodburn

USX --  
Thai Nguyen, Glencoe  
Edward S. McGlone, Beaverton

IE --  
Aisaku Pradhan, Southridge  
Da Lin, Westview

DI --  
Asteria Valusek, Southridge  
Melissa Im, Clackamas

HI --  
Anindya Kundu, Westview  
Mackenzie Frost, Mc Minnville

LD --  
Bert Ma, Lakeridge  
James W. Johnson, Forest Grove

Plaque -- Westview  
Trophy -- Silverton

## South Carolina

PF --  
Matthew Manglesen and Frank Holleman, Southside  
Megan Novak and Lindsey Wallace, Mauldin

CX --  
Andrew S. Mims and Samuel C. Smith, Northside Christian School

DUO --  
Sarah M. Keesee and Galen Roue, Bob Jones Academy  
Josh J. Innerst and Elizabeth A. Apelian, Bob Jones Academy

OO --  
Suhani A. Shah, Riverside  
Rebecca A. Leshman, Riverside

USX --  
Jeet Guram, Irmo  
Nikhil Buhm, Southside

IE --  
Victoria A. Alvarez, Riverside  
John M. von Schmitten, Fort Dorchester

DI --  
Chelsey Moore, T L Hanna  
Jessie Haggerty, Mauldin

HI --  
Jennifer Martin, Mauldin  
Matt Ungar, Mauldin

LD --  
Kevin Flesher, Riverside  
Christopher K. Nicholas, Bob Jones

Plaque -- Mauldin  
Trophy -- T L Hanna

## Wind River

PF --  
Matthew Crichton and Spencer Pittman, Worland  
Jessica Weiss and Amanda Rawson, Rock Springs

CX --  
Brett Delaney and Jake Ginsbach, Kelly Walsh  
Matthew Shaw and Max Rerucha, Laramie

DUO --  
Grant Langdon and Daniel Cummings, Powell  
Quincey Smith and Danyon Satterlee, Powell

OO --  
Rachel Johnston, Douglas  
Jennifer Johnson, Green River

USX --  
Melissa Cunningham, Cody  
Carson Kaufman, Jackson Hole

IE --  
Shelby Boe, Natrona County  
Andrew Henley, Hot Springs Co

DI --  
Katie Robichaud, Powell  
Jill Haller, Greybull

HI --  
Traci Hill, Kelly Walsh  
Zack Eckerdt, Powell

LD --  
Tristen Cramer, Lander Valley  
Abigail Perl, Natrona County

Plaque -- Kelly Walsh  
Trophy -- Laramie

## Carolina West

PF --  
Arun Das and Jonathan Jerome, Myers Park  
Teresa Reed and Ian Sharma, Myers Park  
Amanda Meixsell and Karel Mazanec, North Mecklenburg

DUO --  
Natalya Sharma and Aleksandr P. Sharma, Charlotte Latin School  
Jesi Harris and Mitch Manquim, Providence

OO --  
Andrew Daub, North Mecklenburg  
Christi Wise, Providence

USX --  
Sam Yelton, providence  
Bess Pickett, Myers Park

IE --  
David Rotberg, Myers Park  
Carole Muedder, Myers

DI --  
Ashley Millett, Enka  
Dariya Smetanina, Myers Park

HI --  
Nathaniel Timmerman, Freedom

LD --  
Benjamin P. Belser, Asheville  
Daniel Widis, Myers Park

Plaque -- Myers Park  
Trophy -- Myers Park

## Valley Forge

PF --  
Rachel N. Urban and Lauren W. Zabeli, Southern Lehigh

Angela Zhu and Graham Partner, Perkiomen Valley

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CX --  
Steve Herzog and Adam Herbert,  
Susquehannock  
Stephanie Luczaiko and Josh Lachewitz, Truman

DUO --  
Elsie B. Brumbach and Ryan Albertson,  
Shikellamy  
Spencer Marte and Rick Heaslip, Holy Ghost

OO --  
Nicole L. Garman, Shikellamy  
Daniel Edwards, Holy Ghost

USX --  
Roy A. Kimmey, Shikellamy  
Tony Romm, Truman

IE --  
Mike Hoffman, Holy Ghost  
Joseph A. Kapusnick, St. Joseph's Prep

DI --  
Michael Frawley, Holy Ghost  
Steve Yost, Holy Ghost

HI --  
Nicholas Fox, Holy Ghost  
Daniel D. Strawser, Shikellamy

LD --  
Mollie Schwartz, Danville Area  
Ted Kopec, E. L. Meyers

Plaque -- Holy Ghost  
Trophy -- Pennsburg

## Carver Truman

PF --  
James Colston and Audrey Covey, Neosho  
Rebecca Coffman and Kelly A. Crosby, McDonald  
County  
Casey Slaughter and David Lawson, Webb City

CX --  
John Carr and Matthew Day, Neosho  
Ryan Childress and Ashley Honeycutt, Neosho

DUO --  
Amber Lehl and Amanda Sitton, Monett  
Celia L. Ashbaugh and Kristina Bauman,  
Cassville

OO --  
Christina M. Atkinson, Monett  
Ashley Hoyer, Monett

USX --  
Tony Rosequist, Neosho  
Garrett Saunders, Neosho

IE --  
Emily Scarborough, Nevada  
Jessica Bentz, Neosho

DI --  
Chris Moore, Neosho  
Jermaine J. Duffis, Cassville  
Sarah Patchin, Aurora

HI --  
Andrew Ormsby, Republic  
Zack Self, Neosho

LD --  
Mary Easley, Neosho  
Kristin McFarland, Neosho  
Jared Vansandt, Neosho

Plaque -- Neosho  
Trophy -- Joplin

## Pittsburgh

PF --  
Timothy Ryan and Michael Ducker, Baldwin  
Philip Coulsun and Ravi Mehta, Bethel Park  
Andrew M. Watkins and Tom Hatzilabrou, Shady  
Side Academy

CX --  
Jeffrey J. DeBello and Michael Zurn, Cathedral  
Prep School  
Greg Wittman and Matthew Reichert, Cathed-  
ral Prep School

DUO --  
Catherine Gallagher and Virgil Looney, Mt.  
Lebanon Sr.  
Michael Barasch and Stephanie Yessler, Mt.  
Lebanon Sr.

OO --  
Brian J. White, Lakeview Christian Academy  
Kelsey Ballance, Pine-Richland  
Samantha Moore, McDowell

USX --  
Ben Moore, Mt. Lebanon  
Abhiram, Bhashyam, Bethel Park

IE --  
Paul Katz, Mt. Lebanon  
Omar Ayyash, North Allegheny Sr.

DI --  
Alexis Burton, Mercer Area  
Allison Koval, Mt. Lebanon

HI --  
Anna Reilly, Mt. Lebanon  
Andrew Freeman, Mt. Lebanon

LD --  
Ralph Crivello, Bethel Park  
Andrew Natalo, McDowell  
Plaque -- Mt. Lebanon  
Trophy --

## East Los Angeles

PF --  
Ben Epstein and Andrew Silverstein, San Marino  
Heidi Tao and Jasmin Kamel, LaMirada

CX --  
Jeffrey Pan and Diana Zhang, San Marino  
Matthew Berggren and Roi Ceren, Damien

DUO --  
Julian Genato and Jenny Ong, Gabrielino  
Danny Kwan and Daniel Cho, Gabrielino

OO --  
Clifford Tsang, Gabrielino  
Sarah Moore, San Marino

USX --  
Lily Tran, Gabrielino  
Michelle Chan, Gabrielino

IE --  
David Mah, Gabrielino  
Joshua Ma, Gabrielino

DI --  
Kimberly Jarbo, Schurr  
Kwan Lieu, Gabrielino

HI --  
Freddie Blacksher, Schurr  
Matthew Burnett, Gabrielino

LD --  
Elizabeth Zahler, San Marino  
Benjamin Morris, San Marino

Plaque -- San Marino  
Trophy -- Gabrielino

## Idaho

PF --  
Ryon Sorg and Carol Ann Denver, Hillcrest  
Patrick Stone and Brittney Horman, Hillcrest

CX --  
Stoddard Davenport and Michael Smith, Madison  
Travis Walker and John Cutler, Hillcrest  
Tony Johnson and Michael Bausch, Centennial

DUO --  
Kendra Ricks and Brodie Smith, Sugar Salem  
Jeffrey Farnsworth and Lindsay Hymaas, Sugar  
Salem

OO --  
Jennifer Wang, Centennial  
Rachel Luthy, Madison

USX --  
Colin Crawford, Skyline  
Jason Montgomery, Skyview

IE --  
Rachel Waddoups, Hillcrest  
Michael Wernecke, Eagle

DI --  
Ryan Jeppson, Sugar Salem  
Tessa Jones, Burley

HI --  
Brooke Poteet, Minico  
Michael Mecham, Sugar Salem

LD --  
Susan Elle, Skyview  
Rachel A. Esplin, Blackfoot  
Jessica D. Haggard, Rigby

Plaque -- Hillcrest  
Trophy -- Hillcrest

## Florida Panther

PF --  
Alexia Ash and Eric L. First, Winter Springs  
Lacey Lowers and Brandon Blount, Winter  
Springs

CX --  
Robbie Mulholand and Karen Harrison, Cel-  
ebration School  
Jessica Tischer and Samantha Morris, Cel-  
ebration School

DUO --  
Tarik Madni and David Selassie, Trinity Prepa-  
ratory School  
Katie Ruark and Rebecca Kirschner, Trinity  
Preparatory School

OO --  
Logan Ury, Spanish River  
Natasha Jubert, Winter Springs

USX --  
Rachel Johnson, Trinity Preparatory School  
Arlie Hudson, Lake Highland Preparatory

IE --  
Varun Hippalgonker, Lake Highland Prepara-  
tory  
Julie Steinberg, Spanish River

DI --  
Johanna Ayala, Palm Beach Gardens  
Lauren Northover, Palm Beach Gardens

HI --  
Jonathon Mitchell, Celebration School  
Patrick Hurlburt, Lake Highland Prep

LD --  
Tara Tedrow, Celebration School  
Kelsey Averill, Celebration School

Plaque -- Celebration  
Trophy -- Palm Beach Lakes

## Tarheel East

PF --  
Jacob Boehm and Davis Bennett, East Chapel  
Hill

Stephen West and Carlyn Cowen, East Chapel  
Hill  
Samuel Behrend and Illiya A. Zilberter, Cary  
Academy

DUO --  
Meagan Y. Anderson and Sarah Berk, Pinecrest  
Paul Sechrest and Ramon Ramos, Massey Hill  
Classical

OO --  
Lisaandra Maisonet, Jack Britt  
Reagan Briggs, Jack Britt

USX --  
William E. Harbour, Cary Academy  
Elissa M. Hachmeister, East Carteret

IE --  
Kaitlin Niccum, Jack Britt  
Ryan M. Jamiolkowski, Cary Academy

DI --  
Winston Fairley, Seventy-First  
Anna Flanagan, Massey Hill Classical

HI --  
Lauren Powell, Cape Fear  
Nathan Pearce, Jack Britt

LD --  
Haley M. Nix, Cary Academy  
Claiborne R. Hane, Cary Academy

Plaque -- East Chapel Hill  
Trophy -- Massey Classical

## Sundance

PF --  
Mallory Day and Nicholas Bernard, Juan Diego  
Catholic

Jared Bienlein and Amy K. Lewin, Jordan

CX --  
Jessica Smith and Sarah Wade, Bingham  
Helah Robinson and Audrey Anderson, Jordan

DUO --  
Jon Thomas and Virginia Todd, Riverton

OO --  
Tyler Jaramillo, Juan Diego Catholic  
J. Springer, Jordan

USX --  
Riley Swenson, Jordan  
Micah Heaton, Bingham

IE --  
David Heyborne, Jordan  
Will Thompson, Jordan

DI --  
Paula Jo Porter, Beaver  
Kelsey Bills, Alta

HI --  
Curt Cordery, West Jordan

LD --  
Neal R. Mason, Bingham  
Brie Coyle, Jordan

Plaque -- Bingham  
Trophy -- Jordan

## Mississippi

PF --  
Brittany Hickman and Brittny Lowrey, Hattiesburg  
Neil Maneck and Mori M. Bellamy, St. Andrew's  
Episcopal School

CX --  
Chad M. Macumber and Luv Agrawal, St.  
Andrew's Episcopal School

DUO --  
Josh Mohon and Chris Davis, Picayune Memo-  
rial  
Hannah Rachal and Rachel Evenson,  
Hattiesburg

OO --  
Evan K. McCarley, St. Andrew's Episcopal  
School  
Stacy Ahua, Hattiesburg

USX --  
Chase Porter, Picayune Memorial  
Stephen Goggin, Hattiesburg

IE --  
James Hoggatt, Brookhaven  
Anna Hopper, St. Andrew's Episcopal School

DI --  
Jessica K. Boyd, Laurel  
Anna Donnell, St. Joseph Catholic School

HI --  
Marcus Cooper, Oak Grove  
Matthew Woods, Terry

LD --  
Kate Goertzen, Hattiesburg  
David Machado, St. Joseph Catholic School

Plaque -- Hattiesburg  
Trophy -- St. Andrew's Episcopal School

## Arizona

PF --  
Nicollete Z. Kratochvil and Andi S. Berg, Dob-  
son

Kyle D. Pagliaro and Nira Lee, Dobson  
Chelsey D. Megli and Sarah Takash, McClintock

CX --  
Rohit Nath and Ashiwan Kotwal, Desert Vista  
Matthew S. Irvine and Logan Kelley, Brophy  
College Prep

DUO --  
Micah Gardner and Mollie Doyle, Desert Vista  
Beau Becerra and Erin Mooney, Desert Vista

OO --  
Geoff Brookshire, Shadow Mountain  
Kate Figgins, Desert Vista

USX --  
Stephanie Figgins, Desert Vista  
Ryan Whalen, Phoenix-Central

IE --  
Merry Regan, Shadow Mountain  
Gregory W. Dursteler, Sandra Day O'Connor

DI --  
Rachel Chapman, Desert Vista  
Jacqueline McAndrew, Desert Vista  
Joseph D. Jaafari, Dobson

HI --  
Shane A. Allen, Red Mountain  
Shela J. Yu, Dobson  
Danny L. Torgerson, Dobson

LD --  
Radhika Sen, Desert Vista  
Alexandra Welch, Phoenix-Central  
Christopher H. Bennett, Brophy College Pre-  
paratory

Plaque -- Dobson  
Trophy -- Desert Vista

**Attention: Some  
results may be  
pending audit.**





# Congress Honors

## East Iowa

Senate 1  
 \* O Erin Cavanagh, Bettendorf  
 \* S Adam Kirschbaum, West HS-Davenport  
 P Sterling Graves, Clinton  
 P Erin Cavanagh, Bettendorf

House 1  
 \* O Andy Frick, Bettendorf  
 S Justin C. Morris, West HS-Davenport  
 P Paul Baresel, Davenport Central  
 P Jamison Kuhle, Wahlert

House 2  
 \* O Aaron P. Windeknecht, West HS-Davenport  
 S Noah Blaser, Bettendorf  
 P Kevin Kuhle, Wahlert  
 P Matt P. Nisius, Burlington Community

## Western Washington

Senate 1  
 \* O Rod Campbell, Capital  
 \* S Trevor L. Richie, Gov. John R. Rogers  
 P Adam B. Wahlen, Federal Way

House 1  
 \* O Sean Carhart, Central Kitsap  
 S Curry McFadden, Puyallup  
 P Jonathan Dentler, Gig Harbor

House 2  
 \* O Emma B. Morris, Gov. John R. Rogers  
 S Josh Cole, Capital  
 P Josh Cole, Capital

## Deep South

Senate 1  
 \* O Mycheal E. Thompson, Homewood  
 \* S Barrett Hails, The Montgomery Academy  
 P Miland Simpler, The Montgomery Academy

House 1  
 \* O Davis Wilder, The Montgomery Academy  
 S Dexter Hobbs, The Montgomery Academy  
 P Davis Wilder, The Montgomery Academy

House 2  
 \* O Zack Hutto, The Montgomery Academy  
 S Ashton Seip, The Montgomery Academy  
 P Tripp DeMoss, The Montgomery Academy

## Kentucky

Senate 1  
 \* Chelsea Darnell, Calloway County  
 \* S Chad Reese, Scott County  
 O Brice Acree, LaRue County  
 P Chad Reese, Scott County  
 P Brice Acree, LaRue County

House 1  
 O William Sampson, Calloway County  
 S Ashley L. Adkins, Rowan County  
 P William Sampson, Calloway County  
 \* P Ali Othman, Boone County

House 2  
 \* O Spencer Greenhalgh, Boone County  
 S Ariel A. Perkins, Rowan County  
 P Stephen Lewis, Scott County  
 P Spencer Greenhalgh, Boone County

## Carolina West

Senate 1  
 \* O Rachael McMillian, Asheville  
 \* S Daniel Friedman, Providence  
 P Emma Norton, Asheville  
 P Brian D. Schuster, Charlotte Latin School

House 1  
 \* O Jessica Raynor, Myers Park  
 S Chris Smith, Asheville  
 P Maggie Morrissey, Asheville  
 P Sharonda Bradley, Asheville

House 2  
 O Benjamin Belser, Asheville  
 \* S Lee Storrow, Asheville  
 P Christine Wu, Myers Park  
 P Zachary Cobb, Asheville

## Show Me

Senate 1  
 \* O Eric Knapp, Lee's Summit North  
 \* S Michael Dowell, Raytown  
 P Andrew Blackwell, Rockhurst  
 \* Whitney Wells, Raytown  
 \* Lawrence S. Collins, Raytown  
 \* Christian Glazier, Raytown

House 1  
 O Caleb Miller, Lee's Summit North  
 S Kelly Richardson, Blue Springs South  
 P Michael Headley, Raytown

House 2  
 \* O Eric Wright, Lee's Summit North  
 S Ian Bahr, Blue Springs  
 P Jared Terry, Raytown

House 3  
 O Daron C. McGee, Grandview  
 S Christopher Harvey, Raytown  
 P Christopher Harvey, Raytown  
 P Daron C. McGee, Grandview

House 4  
 O Curtis Allen, Raytown  
 S TJ Carderella, Raytown  
 P Curtis Allen, Raytown

## West Iowa

Senate 1  
 \* Megan L. Srinivas, Fort Dodge  
 \* Eric Babe, Denison Community School

House 1  
 \* Andrew Quist, Spencer

House 2  
 \* Matt Savage, Dowling Catholic

## South Kansas

Senate 1  
 \* O Kayela L. De La Cruz, Field Kindley Memorial  
 \* S Caleb Linn, Southeast  
 P Nicole Schneider, Field Kindley

House 1  
 \* Keith M. Wilson, Field Kindley  
 P Michael O. Shelton, Field Kindley  
 P Stephanie D. Irwin, Field Kindley

House 2  
 \* Reanne Utemark, Labette County  
 P Keith M. Wilson, Field Kindley  
 P Chelsie S. Spoon, El Dorado

House 3  
 \* Liz Betzen, Parsons  
 P Stephanie D. Irwin, Field Kindley  
 P Sheena Colvin, Pittsburg

## Wind River

Senate 1  
 \* Trevor Ford, Jackson Hole  
 \* Beth Simpson, Cody

House 1  
 \* Rey Fuentes, Evanston

House 2  
 \* Charles Galey, Laramie

House 3  
 \* Joshua Skinner, Laramie

## New York State

Senate 1  
 \* O Matthew Perrigino, Iona Prep  
 \* S John J. Sciuto, Christian Bros. Academy  
 P Harrison Garcia, Hendrick Hudson

House 1  
 \* O Darshan R. Subramanian, Christian Bros. Academy  
 S David P. Rokeach, Christian Bros. Academy  
 P Stephen P. Astemborski, Christian Bros. Academy

House 2  
 \* Jack Robling, Iona Prep  
 O Michael L. Boyle, Christian Bros. Academy  
 S Spencer Siegel, Monticello  
 P Michael Kesselman, Lakeland

## South Carolina

Senate 1  
 \* O Stephanie J. Dunaway, Riverside  
 \* S Niti Parthasarathy, Governor's Sch for Arts & Humanities  
 P Neel Mehta, Mauldin  
 P Logan Kincaid, JL Mann Academy

House 1  
 \* O Frank Holleman, Southside  
 S Shivam J. Desai, Riverside  
 P Rishi Desai, Riverside  
 P Neda Mofrad, Southside

House 2  
 \* O Baldeep Pabla, Riverside  
 S Samantha Jaeger, Southside  
 P Monica L. Ryskamp, Riverside  
 P Samantha By, Southside

## Louisiana

Senate 1  
 \* O Manny Dumatrait, Breaux Bridge  
 \* Luke Landry, Teurlings Catholic  
 S Jude David, St. Thomas More  
 P Matthew S. Fillette, Alexandria Sr.  
 P Josh Olivier, New Iberia

House 1  
 \* O Mickey Cox, St. Thomas More  
 S Christopher J. Allain, Lafayette  
 P Mickey Cox, St. Thomas More  
 P Michael Mouton, Breaux Bridge

## House 2

\* O Albert Jimenez, Commeaux  
 S Loren M. Price, Alexandria Sr.  
 P Jebby Soignier, Breaux Bridge  
 P Matt Crouch, St. Thomas More

## Valley Forge

Senate 1  
 \* O Liz Nabasny, Pennsbury  
 \* S Carl Marrara, Danville

House 1  
 \* O Kyra Smerkanish, Perkiomen Valley  
 S Tony Romm, Truman

House 2  
 \* O Perryne Vyas, Pennsbury  
 S Kyle Serfuss, Truman

## Idaho

Senate 1  
 \* O Joel Davenport, Madison  
 \* S Devin S. Bean, Blackfoot  
 P Devin R. Bean, Blackfoot  
 P Joel Davenport, Madison

House 1  
 \* O Jeffery M. Kunz, Blackfoot  
 S Ryan C. Davis, Blackfoot  
 P Jeffery M. Kunz, Blackfoot  
 P Ryan C. Davis, Blackfoot

House 2  
 \* O Mike Klein, Skyline  
 S Patrick Stone, Hillcrest  
 P Mike Klein, Skyline  
 P Patrick Stone, Hillcrest

House 3  
 \* O Grant Collet, Teton  
 S Jeremy Marcotte, Skyline  
 P Grant Collet, Teton  
 P Stoddard Davenport, Madison

## Florida Panther

Senate 1  
 \* O Ravi Shah, Dreyfoos School of the Arts  
 \* S Tyler Shani, Lake Highland Prep  
 P Ravi Shah, Dreyfoos School of the Arts  
 P Jonathan Poletick, Dreyfoos School of the Arts

House 1  
 \* O Collin Outerbridge, Trinity Preparatory School  
 S Eric L. First, Winter Springs  
 P Anya Nanayahhara, Atlantic  
 P Zachary M. Hindin, Wellington

House 2  
 \* O Sonjay Sivanesan, Trinity Preparatory School  
 S Benjamin O. Walker, Wellington  
 P Michael A. Perrone, Wellington  
 P Nicholas P. Hoover, Wellington

## Sundance

Senate 1  
 \* Jordan Smith, West Jordan  
 \* Steven Merrill, Bingham

House 1  
 \* Stanley Lloyd, Bingham

House 2  
 \* Bryson Alm, Jordan

## Colorado

Senate 1  
 \* O Matt Robinson, Mullen  
 S Robert Duran, Aurora Central  
 P Matt Robinson, Mullen  
 P Nate Guerra, Overland

Senate 2  
 \* O Joel Pratt, Cherry Creek  
 S Joseph Savage, Columbine  
 P Joel Pratt, Cherry Creek  
 P Jack Davies, Chaparral

House 1  
 \* O Alex Mencer, Mullen  
 S Alex Pacheco, Highlands Ranch  
 P Alex Mencer, Mullen  
 P Audrey Sianko, Cherry Creek

House 2  
 \* O Danny Townsend, Cherry Creek  
 S Zach Hussain, Kent Denver School  
 P Zachary J. Siegel, Cherry Creek  
 P Amanda Shoates, Rangeview

House 3  
 \* O Catherine Safaya, Kent Denver  
 S Sarah Kihm, Cherry Creek  
 P Paul J. Connell, Cherry Creek  
 P Catherine Safaya, Kent Denver School

## Tarheel East

Senate 1  
 \* O John Sheffield, Pine Forst  
 \* S Abhinav Komandur, Terry Sanford  
 P Charles B. Snipes, East Carteret  
 P Kourtney Hindman, Massey Hill Classical

## House 1

O Davis Bennett, East Chapel Hill  
 \* S Tasmaya Lagoos, East Chapel Hill  
 P John Elliott, Massey Hill Classical

## House 2

\* O Matt Graham, East Chapel Hill  
 S David Chappell, Pine Forest  
 P Peter Sheng, East Chapel Hill  
 P Ben Clark, Enloe

## House 3

\* O Clara Kim, East Chapel Hill  
 S Nina Gupta, Terry Sandford  
 P Rika Mando, E E Smith  
 P Robert J. Chamberlain III, Pinecrest

## Capitol Valley

Senate 1  
 \* O Arsani H. William, Granite Bay  
 \* S Devin Black, Yuba City  
 P Arsani H. William, Granite Bay  
 P Devin Black, Yuba City  
 P Jordan C. Fidler, Granite Bay  
 P Nakul Bhardwaj, Oakridge

## House 1

\* O Sana Naeem, Granite Bay  
 S Jason Dyer, Ponderosa  
 P Sana Naeem, Granite Bay  
 P Jason Dyer, Ponderosa  
 P Nick Way, Ponderosa

## House 2

\* O Jack L. Allen, Granite Bay  
 S Jonathan A. Kolkey, Granite Bay  
 P Sam Shuck, Ponderosa  
 P Erica Fong, Kennedy  
 P Harpreet Nakhwal, Yuba City

## Northern Illinois

Senate 1  
 \* O Gail Y. Schnitzer, Highland Park  
 \* S Gennady Stolyarov, Glenbrook South  
 P Blair A. Nathan, New Trier Township  
 P Gail Y. Schnitzer, Highland Park  
 P Gennady Stolyarov, Glenbrook South

## House 1

\* O Adam M. Hoffman, New Trier Township  
 S Ellina Kushnir, Adlai Stevenson  
 P Sarah B. Brodsky, New Trier  
 P Ellina Kushnir, Adlai Stevenson  
 P Fatima S. Khan, Wheeling

## House 2

\* O Aki Nikolaidas, Wheeling  
 S Brian N. Jansen, New Trier Township  
 P Olga Lekakh, Adlai Stevenson  
 P Rahul Gorawara, Adlai Stevenson  
 P Aki Nikolaidas, Wheeling

## House 3

\* O Sebastian J. Cua Jr., New Trier Township  
 S Eric C. Steckling, Wheeling  
 P Steven W. Lawrence, New Trier  
 P Zoe Madigan, Adlai Stevenson  
 P Eric W. Steckling, Wheeling

## Central Minnesota

Senate 1  
 \* O James Hohmann, Eastview  
 \* S Ronni Toledo, Apple Valley

## House 1

\* O Devin Evers, Apple Valley  
 S Grant Anderson, Eastview  
 P Shannon Joyce, Forest Lake Sr.  
 P Jake E. Branchaud-Linsk, Eastview

## House 2

\* O Erin Grandlund, Apple Valley  
 S Betsy Litman, Apple Valley  
 P Jacob A. Siegel, Eastview  
 P Michael R. Lenz, Eastview

## Georgia Southern Peach

House 1  
 \* Chelsea Mansulich, Starr's Mill  
 P Blake Bliss, McIntosh

## House 2

\* Erin Ramsey, McIntosh  
 P Jay Prosser, McIntosh

**Not all Districts have  
been received for audit**

# ◆ Pi Kappa Delta Honors

## Tournament Time

By Sandy Krueger

NFL staff member Joyce Krueger recently returned from the Pi Kappa Delta National Tournament which was held in St. Louis, Missouri from March 16 to 19 at Webster University. At the tournament, Joyce was presented the Golden Gavel Award for her service, vision and dedication.

Joyce has been an NFL staff member since 1993, and has been responsible for maintaining Pi Kappa Delta records since 1997.

Pi Kappa Delta was originally formed at Ripon College, Ripon, (WI). At one time, archival materials were stored at William Jewell College and permanent records and supplies were located in Fargo, North Dakota. The National Forensic League invited Pi Kappa Delta to relocate its National Office in Ripon and in 1997 Pi Kappa Delta's National Council directed the President and Secretary-Treasurer to take the necessary steps to move all of Pi Kappa Delta's materials to its new permanent home in Ripon.

Prior to the National Tournament, Joyce is busy throughout the year. Her responsibilities include providing telephone and member/chapter service for PKD chapters across the country, maintaining membership and chapter records, record awards presented to coaches who have been coaching 10, 15, 20, 25 or more years, record schools receiving awards for having the most members in

the last two years, record schools who have been a member the longest, mailings, merchandise inventory and distribution, as well as special projects for the National Council.

At the Pi Kappa Delta tournament, Joyce has many responsibilities. On registration day, Joyce makes sure all school dues are collected and all students who register for the tournament are paid members. After registration, Joyce gathers all the tournament payments to enter into the computer, distributes new membership cards and pins to new members. During the four days the tournament is going on, Joyce sells PKD merchandise. She sees that all the awards are in order for presenting to coaches based on their years of service, schools having the most members in the last two years, schools having been a member the longest and when Joyce returns to Ripon, records all this information.

What is Pi Kappa Delta? It is a national honorary forensic organization for intercollegiate debaters, individual event speakers, non-classroom audience speakers, and instructors who teach courses in oral communication.

Since its beginning ninety-two years ago, in 1913, Pi Kappa Delta has been a national leader in collegiate forensic education. Active chapters range from community colleges, two year colleges, small liberal arts schools, mid-sized and large universities.



**Joyce Krueger**  
**NFL Staff Member since 1993**

Pi Kappa Delta provided the model for the National Forensic League (NFL) and it is the oldest national collegiate forensic organization.

If you have enjoyed high school forensics, then a college that offers a Pi Kappa Delta forensic program is a good choice for you.

Discover if a college you plan to attend is a member by contacting the Pi Kappa Delta National Office at [nflpikappa@centurytel.net](mailto:nflpikappa@centurytel.net) or call 920-748-7533. Visit the website at: <http://www.uamont.edu/Organizations/PiKappaDeltaNational/>.

## ◆ Tribute

**David Reed**, from Western High School in Davie, Florida, was killed in a car accident March 2<sup>nd</sup>. David was an excellent LDer who competed in Broward County and various other tournaments. Not only was David a great debater, but after graduating in 2003, judged all of Western's tournaments. From local to state and national tournaments, David Joseph Reed was always available to promote LD and every other aspect of debate. Harvard was one of David's favorite competitions. The debate community has lost someone very special.

**David Reed**

*By Nancy Dean, Director of Forensics*

# Fulfilling NDCA'S Vision of Professional Development

By Tara Tate

The 2005 National Debate Coaches Association was a notable success. The convention was held on April 1, in conjunction with Woodward Academy's Junior Varsity and Novice National Championships in Atlanta, GA.

A range of panels were offered to students and coaches, including one on the 2005-2006 Civil Rights topic. Several of the panel discussions focused on critical arguments in both policy and Lincoln-Douglas. Students were offered panels on debating in college and how to judge novice debates. Attendance at the convention set record numbers – over 130 students and coaches participated. I want to extend a special thank you to our convention host, Frank Seaver, and to the individuals that served as panel discussants.

One of the primary purposes of the National Debate Coaches Association is to provide avenues for encouraging participation in debate. The mission of the organization when it was originally founded was to promote coach retention and education. That mission continues today – it is evident in our drive for teacher scholarships to attend institutes, our judge philosophy database, and our programs to further professional development. The NDCA is an outstanding resource for coaches, at any experience level, to gain further knowledge about coaching debate and maintaining a program, regardless of debate style or competitive level.

The NDCA Convention strives to fulfill the organization's dual mission by providing panels that assist coaches in furthering their education about high school debate. The Convention is also a template to facilitate regional conventions to assist educating coaches on a local level. These forums can be especially valuable since they target the diverse needs of the various regions of debate. Local conventions are nearly a necessity for new coaches as they try to carve out a place in this activity and to keep their specific programs going.

We participate in the greatest extra-curricular activity for high school students in America. As coaches, we understand the important skills that students develop when they participate in forensics. As active participants in this community, our education should continue as our activity continues to evolve. We can continually learn and grow from others. The NDCA urges its members to create regional conventions to serve that purpose. Panels on debate theory, such as topic discussions or the evolving nature of specific types of debate arguments, can be employed. Having a forum for discussion about formulating and understanding specific rules and procedures about debate in your area can translate into healthier competitions. Workshops for young coaches are a necessity. Providing information about professional resources and organizations that are available to them as well as advice on how to manage a program are invaluable.

## Hearing from NDCA

The NDCA is committed to providing an organization on a national level to make these missions a reality. However, our vision does not end there. We hope that individuals in attendance at the convention gained an understanding of the importance of these types of workshops and took home ideas of how to create forums for discussion in their own areas.

The 2006 NDCA Convention will be held on March 30 in conjunction with the Woodward Academy Junior Varsity and Novice National Championships in Atlanta, GA. Individuals that have panel ideas or that are interested in being a discussant on a panel should email Tara Tate at [ttate@glenbrook.k12.il.us](mailto:ttate@glenbrook.k12.il.us). Individuals that have questions or would like suggestions about how to create a workshop or convention in their area should contact Tara Tate or any member of the NDCA Executive Board.

The NDCA is committed to making our vision for this profession become a reality. We derive strength and influence from numbers. To become a member of the NDCA, please visit our website at [www.thendca.com](http://www.thendca.com).

**(Tara Tate**, director of debate at Glenbrook South HS (IL). Tara serves on the Executive Board of the National Debate Coaches Association and serves as the coordinator of the NDCA Convention.)

# Affirmative Action for Higher Education

## SpeakFirst Program

By Attorney Stephen F. Black

About two years ago, I learned some disturbing news about our area's brightest and most talented young people. I began hearing stories of Birmingham high school students who maintain excellent grades, but because of a limited vocabulary and underdeveloped critical reasoning skills, they do so poorly on standardized tests that they are either rejected by our region's best colleges, or fail to succeed if accepted.

To help remedy this, I collaborated with Birmingham area colleges, the Birmingham City School System and numerous area businesses to start SpeakFirst. Our program is designed to enrich the academic experience of motivated students from Birmingham's public high schools through participation on an all-star debate team. The debate training provided by SpeakFirst develops students' critical thinking, writing, research and public speaking skills. Tutoring, college admissions guidance, standardized test prep and summer internships are also provided.

The reasons for starting such an initiative became obvious to everyone involved only a few weeks into the school year. Temani Beck is one of those reasons. Temani is a 14-year-old freshman attending West End High School. She is one of seven foster children being raised by a single mother. Temani is gifted, driven and has worked very hard on her debating skills for four months. If you would like to argue with her about the *importation of prescription drugs or the relationship between church and state*, be prepared, she is getting really good.

Another reason SpeakFirst was started has to do with a story too few people know - the story of affirmative action in our nation's higher education system. In recent years, the end of racial preferences in admissions at some major universities around the country has elicited an outcry from many liberals, raising predictions that once-diverse campuses would become nearly all-white communities of privilege and exclusivity.

Taking center stage in the drama was the state of California which, in 1996, passed Proposition 209 amending their state constitution to prohibit the consideration of race in college admissions. Prior to 1996, California's so-called affirmative action policy was warm and fuzzy, but also effortless and cost-free: "come to a football game, tour our campus, buy a t-shirt, and we will drop the bar low enough for you to get in. We get credit for valuing diversity and inclusion and you get a college education. Everyone wins, right?" Wrong.

As it turns out, there is more to the story. Although college enrollment has soared during the past quarter century, the proportion of college students completing degrees of any kind has remained flat. How could this be? Many students from low-income families receive an inadequate secondary education and simply aren't prepared to succeed in college. In fact, low-income students are six times less likely to graduate with a bachelor's degree than high-income students.

Not surprisingly, in the first year following the removal of racial preferences from the University of California System admissions, minority enrollment dropped 50%. But then the UC System tried something novel - they dramatically increased their efforts to improve the academic preparation of students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds in California's K-12 schools - expanding the pool of qualified minority students prepared to succeed in college. The UC System's initiatives include partnerships between UC colleges and individual schools, strengthening curricula and establishing summer academic enrichment programs.

So what happens when you couple high standards with outreach, innovation and hard work? Five years after passage of Prop 209, the percentage of minority students admitted to California colleges has rebounded to pre-1996 percentages - and most importantly - graduation rates have

increased as well. Ending racial preferences forced the UC System to acknowledge that true affirmative action requires an obligation to act affirmatively - affirmative action as a verb rather than a self-congratulatory soundbite.

Racial preferences in higher education are a cop-out. When we become buried in our own myths about race, we put off the far harder work of ending the intellectual isolation of poor children. Focusing outreach on economically disadvantaged communities inevitably promotes racial diversity in higher education since African Americans are disproportionately concentrated in low resource areas.

Academic partnerships such as SpeakFirst, in which individuals from institutions of higher education provide assistance to K-12 students, are a welcome development, but assisting only a relatively small number betrays the larger calling on our community. Outreach to our poorest-performing schools must become a stated priority of the leadership of our institutions of higher learning (both administration and faculty), reinforced by leadership from the state and support from our business community. Only by making such outreach a priority, will we provide the necessary nourishment to support initiatives like SpeakFirst on a larger scale.

I invite you to visit one of our debate practices and meet Temani. She will continue to practice debate for three hours a day, three days a week for the next three years. On her own merit, she will get a full scholarship to the college of her choice, and she will graduate with honors four years later. She believes it. I believe it. High standards, outreach, innovation and hard work will make it happen.

(Attorney Stephen F. Black, practices law in the Birmingham law firm of Maynard, Cooper & Gale. He is the President and Founder of SpeakFirst, an Alabama Student Debate Initiative.)

# ◆ NFL DISTRICT STANDINGS

*(as of April 1, 2005)*

Rank	Change	District	Average No. Degrees	Leading Chapter	No. of Degrees
1	--	Three Trails (KS)	238	Blue Valley North HS	621
2	--	Calif. Coast	196	Leland High School	771
3	--	Heart Of America (MO)	191	Independence Truman HS	440
4	+1	Sunflower (KS)	188	Wichita East High School	332
5	-1	Northern South Dakota	186	Watertown High School	439
6	+2	East Los Angeles	184	Gabrielino High School	732
7	-1	East Kansas	182	Shawnee Mission East HS	555
8	-2	Show Me (MO)	178	Belton High School	429
9	+2	Kansas Flint-Hills	164	Washburn Rural High School	399
9	+3	West Kansas	164	McPherson High School	409
11	-1	New York City	163	Regis High School	555
12	-3	Northern Ohio	162	Canfield High School	257
13	+5	Rocky Mountain-South	158	Denver East High School	275
14	-1	San Fran Bay (CA)	153	James Logan High School	791
15	+6	Central Minnesota	150	Eastview High School	424
16	-2	Nebraska	147	Millard North High School	378
17	-3	Illini (IL)	146	Downers Grove South HS	434
18	-4	Montana	145	Flathead Co High School	397
19	+2	Northwest Indiana	144	Plymouth High School	446
20	-2	Rushmore (SD)	143	Sioux Falls Lincoln HS	381
21	-1	Eastern Missouri	142	Pattonville High School	415
22	-5	Northern Illinois	140	New Trier Township HS	424
23	+1	Florida Manatee	138	Nova High School	514
24	-1	Ozark	135	Central HS - Springfield	404
25	--	South Kansas	133	El Dorado High School	301
26	-1	North East Indiana	129	Chesterton High School	633
27	--	Southern Minnesota	126	Edina High School	372
28	+1	Utah-Wasatch	125	Sky View High School	284
29	--	New England (MA & NH)	124	Lexington High School	417
30	-2	Eastern Ohio	122	Perry High School	387
31	-2	Great Salt Lake	121	Skyline High School	247
32	--	South Texas	120	Bellaire High School	752
33	--	Nebraska South	118	Lincoln East High School	312
33	+3	Hole In The Wall (WY)	118	Cheyenne East High School	352
35	+2	Idaho	116	Skyline High School	251
36	-2	Florida Panther	114	Trinity Preparatory School	252
36	+1	Carver-Truman (MO)	114	Neosho High School	426
38	+3	Northern Wisconsin	113	Appleton East High School	350
39	-2	Sundance (UT)	111	Bingham High School	271
40	-6	Inland Empire (WA)	110	University High School	243
41	-4	Golden Desert (NV)	109	Green Valley HS/The Meadows	263
41	+3	New Mexico	109	Albuquerque Academy	310
43	-1	Michigan	108	Portage Central High School	263
44	+4	New Jersey	104	Ridge High School	359
45	-3	South Carolina	103	Riverside High School	404
46	-1	Sierra (CA)	102	Sanger High School	291
46	+14	Greater Illinois	102	Harrisburg High School	173
48	+3	Arizona	101	Desert Vista High School	343
48	+1	Southern California	101	La Costa Canyon High School	257
50	+2	North Dakota Roughrider	99	Fargo South High School	212
51	-1	Hoosier Crossroads (IN)	98	Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School	229
51	-6	North Coast (OH)	98	Gilmour Academy	301



# ◆ NFL DISTRICT STANDINGS

Rank	Change	District	Average No. Degrees	Leading Chapter	No. of Degrees
53	+1	West Oklahoma	96	Norman North High School	324
54	-7	East Texas	94	Dulles High School	228
54	+6	Southern Wisconsin	94	Marquette Univ High School	251
54	-2	Wind River (WY)	94	Kelly Walsh High School	190
57	+11	Northern Lights (MN)	93	Moorhead Senior High School	333
58	-2	Pittsburgh	91	North Allegheny Sr High School	226
59	-3	Colorado	90	Cherry Creek High School	353
59	+25	Sagebrush (NV)	90	Reno High School	261
59	-5	Valley Forge (PA)	90	Holy Ghost Prep	181
59	+1	Lone Star (TX)	90	Plano Sr High School	275
59	-3	Western Washington	90	Gig Harbor High School	229
64	--	Deep South (AL)	89	The Montgomery Academy	301
65	-1	Big Valley (CA)	88	Fred C Beyer High School	259
65	-5	West Iowa	88	Dowling Catholic High School	261
65	-9	Central Texas	88	Winston Churchill High School	357
68	-4	Rocky Mountain-North (CO)	86	Greeley Central High School	230
68	-4	Colorado Grande	86	Centennial High School	215
68	--	North Texas Longhorns	86	Plano East Sr High School	201
71	+4	New York State	85	Monticello Central High School	139
71	--	Heart Of Texas	85	Carroll High School	252
73	-5	Western Ohio	84	Sylvania Northview High School	133
73	+2	North Oregon	84	Gresham-Barlow High School	194
75	-2	Kentucky	83	Rowan County Sr High School	188
76	+2	Hoosier Heartland (IN)	82	West Lafayette High School	196
76	-4	East Oklahoma	82	Jenks High School	266
78	-5	Space City (TX)	79	Alief Taylor High School	202
79	+1	West Los Angeles	78	Loyola High School	173
80	-5	West Texas	77	Americas High School	167
81	--	South Oregon	75	Ashland High School	131
82	-1	Mississippi	73	Hattiesburg High School	161
82	+3	Tarheel East (NC)	73	Cary Academy	171
82	-3	Tennessee	73	Morristown West High School	184
85	-4	Georgia Southern Peach	72	Starr's Mill High School	211
85	--	Gulf Coast (TX)	72	Gregory Portland High School	207
87	--	Puget Sound (WA)	71	Kamiak High School	153
88	+3	Louisiana	70	St Thomas More High School	199
89	--	Carolina West (NC)	68	Myers Park High School	269
90	-1	East Iowa	67	West High School - Iowa City	253
91	-3	Florida Sunshine	65	Niceville HS/Acad of Holy Names	120
92	--	Pennsylvania	63	Greensburg Salem High School	169
93	-1	Georgia Northern Mountain	60	Henry W Grady High School	191
94	--	UIL (TX)	58	Princeton High School	200
95	+2	Chesapeake (MD)	57	Baltimore City College HS	136
96	--	Hawaii	55	Kamehameha Schools	264
96	+4	Mid-Atlantic (VA & MD)	55	Randolph Macon Academy	209
98	-3	South Florida	54	Michael Krop High School	140
99	-1	Maine	51	Poland Regional High School	95
99	-1	Tall Cotton (TX)	51	Big Spring High School	127
101	+1	Capitol Valley (CA)	46	Granite Bay High School	104
102	+1	Iroquois (NY)	44	R. L. Thomas High School	132
102	-1	West Virginia	44	Wheeling Park High School	63
104	--	Pacific Islands (GU)	25	Harvest Christian Academy	69

# ◆ Meet NFL Staff Member Carol Zanto

by Sandy Krueger

*"It's not just a job, it's a way of life"*

*...Carol Zanto*

If you have received a Diamond Coach letter, a Press Release Announcement, a Distinguished Service Award, a District Chair Gold or Silver Award, a Scholarship, or Academic All-American recognition, you can thank Carol Zanto.

Back when Carol first started working for the NFL in May of 1970, at age 19, things were done a lot differently. There was more paperwork, and more time involved, despite a lot less schools belonging to the NFL. We lived in a paper world. Email, what was that?

When Carol began her career at the NFL, she entered points, mailed out NFL merchandise to the schools and mimeographed copies on a machine that had to be handled with TLC. Staff gathered, a production line was formed and large mailings were hand sealed and hand stamped. With the growth of the NFL she has seen the enormous change in technology. Computers, printers, email, a user friendly website that coaches can post student points on a daily basis, a photocopy machine that makes approximately 30 copies in a minute and a scaled postage meter that electronically puts the stamp on and seals envelopes.

In November of 1970, Carol started in bookkeeping. She has worked under all National Secretaries except for Mr. Bruno E. Jacob who had already retired, but came back to train Carol in bookkeeping. Everything then was hand posted in journal books. Eventually the NFL went with a type of computer bookkeeping system and now Carol works with Quick Books, which is an accounting system that is updated on a regular basis. On a daily basis, Carol and her staff invoice for both school and student memberships. At Nationals, you will see Carol working in the Judge Pool area where she and Ron Steinhorst assign judges to different events. You'll also see Carol at Registration settling school payments and at the end of the tournament, paying out judge bonds.

There is a lot to be said about Carol Zanto. Here is what some of her co-work-

ers have to say about her...

"Carol's management style is the perfect balance of professionalism and yet she makes it fun. She provides a positive, relaxed working environment while continuing to motivate and advise the staff in their specific areas." *Becky*

"Carol is not only a supervisor, but also a friend. She knows the ins and outs of the NFL and steps up to do what needs to be done. If you are in doubt, ask Carol, her years of service to the NFL has made her knowledgeable in all areas. The financial department is in good hands. Thanks Carol for being who you are!" *Ruth*



"Carol is a hardworking, dedicated member of the NFL work team. She never expects you to do more than she does herself and that is what it takes to be a good supervisor. Carol has been at the NFL a long time and if we need to know anything about a school, we just ask her, she will know. She is about the only one that knows about the old paper files and how they worked for recording student points back in the beginning. She will always listen if you have a suggestion or a problem. It has been a pleasure working with her." *Joyce*

"In Webster's Dictionary, the word 'dedication' should follow with the name Carol Zanto. Note, they both contain ten letters." *Kathy*

"I will never forget when Carol was inducted into the Hall of Fame. She had no clue. It was kept a secret among the NFL staff. When her name was announced she

was stunned and it left her speechless. Carol is a hardworking person who gives her all and beyond the call of duty. She works many hours at both work and many hours on weekends at her home, without any complaint of workload. Carol certainly has earned my respect as a friend, co-worker, and someone who cares about NFL and its programs." *Diane*

"Carol is a joy to work with. She's funny, has a charisma I have learned to appreciate, she listens to her staff with an open-mind, she is respectful to her co-workers and I have never heard Carol complain about her workload. She loves her position, she is definitely a bean counter, sparkles when she talks about the League and all it stands for, and I look forward to her and I retiring together if we ever do." *Sandy*

"Carol is a pleasant person to work with. Her years of experience is very helpful when I need her assistance in working with the older paper records to look up student or coach information." *Patti*

"Carol and I have worked together for 15 years now. She has spent most of her working years at the NFL. She shows us every day her dedication to the NFL by all the hours she spends here making sure all schools, coaches and students get what they need to run their programs." *Jackie*

"I have always respected the work of Carol Zanto. First, I respect Carol because she works hard, genuinely cares for those she interacts with, and is extremely humble. Second, there is a certain level of respect I must show for someone who has worked for the League longer than I have been alive." *Scott Wunn*

## Meet Carol Top Ten favorites...

10. Working at NFL
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7. Working at NFL
6. World War II Movies - "Pearl Harbor"
5. TV - "The Amazing Race" & "Survivor"
4. Stamping (Cards and Crafts)
3. Motorcycling
2. Attending Craft Fairs
1. Spending Time with Family

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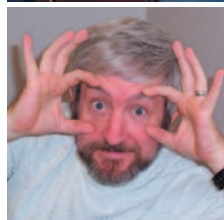
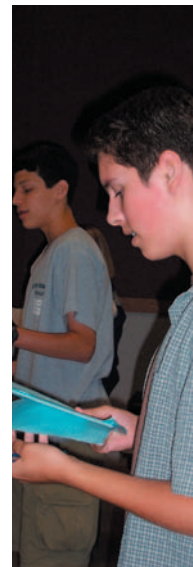
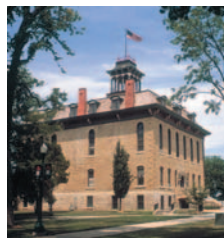
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