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News from the President

Dr. Pamela D Chabora

Ahoy Mates!! Are you ready for a wild and enriching ride at the Seven Seas in Mandan on September 14 and 15th! I truly hope your summer has been as refreshing and invigorating as mine! Our Vice President and Convention Planner, Beth Aufforth, has been hard at work to provide us all with two days jam-packed with teaching materials, pedagogical lessons, socializing, and pure fun!! So mark your calendars for September 14th and 15th and come fill yourself up for the year! You can register right on line and even renew your membership!

As I mentioned in our last CSTAND newsletter, the CSTAND Convention will have exciting new elements including a key-note speaker, Dr. Robert Littlefield, and a new mentoring program for new members. So contact us if you are interested in mentoring or having a mentor to guide you through the twists and turns of being a Speech, Debate/Congress or Drama Coach! Of course, all the old favorites will be in place including the Coaches Showcase and a Silent Auction (please check the CSTAND Website for details).

We also have a number of important business items to address at our Annual Business Meeting (at which there will be a raffle for a free CSTAND Membership and Convention Registration for 2008 so you better show up). We have a number of important officer and representative positions to fill this year. In addition to voting in our new Second Vice President, we also have to elect a new Treasurer, a new Historian, and fill our University Representative position. For more information on these job descriptions and those of the other CSTAND officers and representatives, please refer to our Website. If you are interested in being considered for one of these positions, contact Past President, El J. Arntson (El.arntson@sendit.nodak.edu).

I am also including a number of motions related to organization procedures and the revision of our CSTAND By-Laws which we plan to address at the CSTAND Business Meeting, included this Newsletter. In addition to editing the name change from NDSTA to CSTAND throughout, we have a number of procedural issues to address. Please read through the proposed Motions and amendments included here carefully. You may want to refer to our revised BY-LAWS online at our CSTAND Website (Thank-you Bonnie Muehlberg).

Finally, I do want to thank everyone who has submitted workshop proposals and award nominations. We will be in touch with CSTAND award winners and presenters very soon to get your info for our 2007 Convention Program. Remember our convention is only as good as your participation in it! See you there!

If you have issues, questions or concerns which I may be able to assist you with please contact me at pamela.chabora@ndsu.edu, (701) 231-6657.



Riding High on the Seven Seas!

Beth Aufforth, CSTAND 1st Vice President

“Ahoy me Hearties!” Again this grassroots organization has risen to the occasion. Thanks to all of you, we have a varied and worthwhile set of programs for members at this year’s convention as we “Ride High on the Seven Seas.”

Take time to look through the convention program. Those of you who have volunteered to present sessions, check the time and summaries to make sure they are accurate. If I have missed you or put you in somewhere you were unaware, please contact me ASAP.

We are missing a few volunteers for chairs, so if you see a session without a chair and would be willing to do that, let me know ASAP.

“May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be always at your back, and may the sunshine upon your face” until we all meet in September.

Beth

CONVENTION OVER-VIEW

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

6:30-10:00 PM	Registration – Lobby
7:00—8:30 PM	CSTAND Board Meeting –
8:30—9:15 PM	Student Congress Rules Clinic Presenter: Bob Hetler
9:15—10:00 PM	Early-bird Sign Up for Continuing Education
8:30—9:30 PM	“What Have you been Reading?” Round Table Chair/Presenter: Jim Geiermann, Williston H.S.
8:30—10:30 PM	Early Bird Social

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER, 14

7:30—5:30	Registration – Lobby
7:30—8:30	Sign up for Continuing Education Course Robert Littlefield
8:00—8:45	Debate Rules Clinic Presenter: Bob Hetler Silent Auction (Money raised for scholarships) (Auction ends at 12:00 Sat. with winners announced at the luncheon)
9:00—10:00	Session I
10:15—11:15	Session II
11:30—12:00	Mentor/Novice Coaching Session
12:00—1:00	Awards Luncheon and Mentor/Novice Mingling
1:15—2:00	Keynote Address
2:15—3:15	Session III
3:30—4:30	Session IV
5:30—6:30	Social Hour
6:30—9:00	Hall of Fame Banquet

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER, 15

8:00—9:30	All-Conference Breakfast/Business Meeting
9:45—10:45	Session V
11:00—12:00	Session VI
12:15—1:45	Awards Luncheon & Silent Auction Winners TBA
2:00—3:00	Session VII
3:30	Closing / CSTAND Board Meeting

Convention Details: Friday, September 14, 2007

9:00—10:00 SESSION I: “Weigh anchor and hoist the mizzen!”

CLASSROOM/GENERAL/SPEECH/DEBATE/STUDENT CONGRESS

Who’s Afraid of the Big Bad Library: Managing Research in Academics and Competitive Forensics
(Research can be a scary thing for students unless it is coached competently and confidently. Learn how to teach your students to research like pros. Presentation will cover general research skills in both academic and forensics, and then focus on specific needs in Public Address events, Extemp., Students Congress, and Debate.)

Presenters: Amorette Hinderaker, NDSU & Nigel Haarstad, NDSU & Richland H.S.

Chair: Sarah Hicks, Minot High

SPEECH/DRAMA/ GENERAL

Coaching Issues Panel

(Coaching when you are not on staff, working with students, parents, & administration)

Presenters: Bonnie Muehlberg, Rolette, & Pat Pins, Mandan

Chair: ____

DRAMA

Community-Ice Breakers/Techniques for Building Ensemble

(A participation workshop addressing the performer’s connection to each other by heightening listening skills and ensemble utilizing Moscow Art Theatre exercises.)

Presenter: Dr. Pamela D. Chabora, NDSU

Chair: Michael Loy, Minot SU

COLLEGE

On-Line Communication/Speech Courses--Round Table

(Yes, any communication course can be taught online. This session will look at tips and ideas to create, maintain, and assess successful online communication courses.)

Presenters: Conrad Davidson, Minot SU & Shannon Van Horn, VCSU

Chair: Nancy Pearson, Minot SU

10:15—11:15 SESSION II: Let’s get to ‘know the ropes’

CLASSROOM/GENERAL

Action Strategies of Jeff Wilhelm

(Enactment strategies of nationally-known educator and author Jeff Wilhelm to help students actively engage with the text, think, and write--tried and tested in the classroom.)

Presenters: Bridget Ryberg and Scott Conrad, Grand Forks Central H.S.

Chair: ____

SPEECH

Managing a Tournament: Dealing with Problems

(Presenters will share from experience with speech tournaments about what can go wrong, and will go wrong, and how to handle these problems.)

Presenters: Beth Stokka, Griggs County Central & Vickie Iverson, Finley-Sharon

Chair: ____

SPEECH

Coaching the Written Events

(Tips on how to get students into these events, how to organize & write the speeches, and how to practice for the events.)

Presenters: Sue Anderson, Richardton-Taylor; Rhonda Burkhard, Bismarck St. Mary’s,

Chair: Diane Fritel, Wolford

Convention Details: Friday, September 14, 2007.....Cont...**DRAMA***Script Swap Shop—Panel*

(Directors will share 2/3 scripts—one acts or full length or musicals: characters, set, plot summary, etc)

Presenters: Conrad Davidson, Minot SU; Chad Gifford, MMC; Dean Opp, GF Red River; & Michael Loy, Minot SU

Chair: Paula Rauschenburger, Glenburn

DRAMA*Directing 101*

(Information will include basic terminology of drama and directing and a basic plan for steps in the rehearsal process.)

Presenter: El. J. Arntson, Bismarck St. Mary's; Kevin Neuharth, Minot SU

Chair: ___

COLLEGE*Needs of Foreign Students*

(Presentation will share information collected on research concerning the International community and ways that the university and communities can make the students' transition to American society less stressful.)

Presenter: Margaret Marcuson, DSU

Chair: Robert Littlefield, NDSU

11:30—12:00 Mentor/Novice Introductions

(Mentor and novice coaches will set the groundwork for the year's collaboration.)

Presenter/Chair: Beth Aufforth, Bowbells H.S.

12:00—1:00 Awards Luncheon & Mentor/Novice Mingling*Regional Coaches of the Year*

Mistress of Ceremonies – Yvonne Kalka

1:15—2:00 “Come to the Helm”*Keynote Address / Robert Littlefield, NDSU*

“Speaking Their Mind: Public Oratory & the Performing Arts in 20th Century America”

(Program traces the development of forensic education as a movement in the U. S.)

2:15—3:15 SESSION III: Don't be left “high and dry“**GENERAL***Introduction to Interviewing*

(Introduce your students to information gathering and employment interviewing. Such communication skills are vital to life after high school.)

Presenter: Jamie Meyer, U of Mary

Chair: Vickie Iverson, Finley Sharon

Convention Details: Friday, September 14, 2007.....Cont...**SPEECH**

Competitive Events Discussion: Advice from Experience PART I

(Members will have the opportunity to visit one-on-one or in small groups as seasoned coaches share their expertise in specific competitive speech events.)

Extemp. Speaking – Gayle Hyde, Fargo North Impromptu – Pat Pins, Bismarck
 Dramatic – Denise Rader, Central Cass Serious – Clarice Andrus, Mott-Regent
 Poetry – Sue Anderson, Richardton-Taylor Inform – Teresa Visser – Wimbledon-Courtney
 Humor – E. J. Arntson, St. Mary's Entertain – Jeri Dunn, Hettinger
 Chair: Bonnie Muehberg, Rolette

DRAMA/DIRECTING

Approaches to Explore Text

(This workshop will explore approaches to help students to vocally explore text in early rehearsals including: 1-connection with your partner; 2- a 3-action exercise; 3-back intimacy, 4-distance & 5-catch and release.)

Presenter: Dan Rogers, BSC
 Chair: Angela Johnson, Ray

CONGRESS/DEBATE

The Novice Limits: Starting a Policy Debate Team

Presenters: Melissa Marek-Donahue, Fargo Shanley; & Brandon Donahue, West Fargo
 Chair: _____

COLLEGE

Teacher Talk

(Instructors will discuss a variety of topics concerning college communication courses including creativity in the classroom, plagiarism, and more)

Presenters: UND Faculty & Others
 Chair: Mary Haslerud Opp, UND

3:30—4:30**SESSION IV: Time to “batten down the hatches”****CLASSROOM/GENERAL**

Listening Skills

(Session will focus on classroom techniques to enhance listening. Information will include background on the listening/speaking process, barriers to listening, and specific activities to compensate for those barriers.)

Presenter: Beth Aufforth, Bowbells H.S.
 Chair: Rochelle Raan, Tioga

SPEECH

Extemporaneous Speaking: Everything You Need to Know (SUMMARY)

Presenters: Jean Hoerer, Richland, & others
 Chair: _____

DRAMA

Drama Rules Clinic & New and Inexperienced Directors' Round Table

(Information will be given on new contest format, NDHSAA Rules, Administrative Tips & Registration Services)

Presenter: Vickie Mayer, Speech Advisory Committee

Convention Details: Friday, September 14, AND Saturday, September 15, 2007....Cont...

DRAMA

Either Scenic Painting Techniques or Set/Prop construction ??? (summary)

Presenter: Robert Sylskar, Mayville SU

Chair: Dennis Haney, Mandan

COLLEGE

World War I and Propaganda in the Media

(A look at propaganda in the media during World War I and an application of those principles in our current Iraqi situation)

Presenter: Ross Collins, NDSU

Chair: Dr. Judy Pearson, NDSU

5:30—6:30 SOCIAL HOUR W/CASH BAR & ENTERTAINMENT

“Yo! Ho! Ho! And a bottle of rum!”

6:30—9:00 HALL OF FAME BANQUET

Hall of Fame Induction & Other Award Winners

Mistress of Ceremonies – Yvonne Kalka

9:00—9:30 Grab your fishing rod and “Bobber” –it’s time for a good fish story

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 “Show a leg!”

8:00—9:30 All-Conference Breakfast/Business Meeting

(This is your opportunity to have an active voice in our organization by offering opinions & voting.)

9:45—10:45 SESSION V: “Thar she blows!”

SPEECH/DRAMA

Painless Volume

(Together we will explore techniques to achieve the greatest possible vocal volume without screaming or damaging the voice.)

Presenter: Martin Kelly, VCSU

Chair: ____

SPEECH/GENERAL

Fund Raising Panel

(Presenters will share successful fundraising ideas that have worked for them.)

Presenters: Catharine Lutgen, Enderlin; Jeanette Martin, Turtle Lake & Jamie Sailer, Washburn

Chair: ____

SPEECH

Coaching Oral Interps: “Easier Said than Done!”

(Suggestions will be given for finding scripts in the oral interpretation categories, guidelines for cutting scripts, and tips on the actual practice session and how to get students to do what judges suggest on their critiques.)

Presenters: Beth Aufforth, Bowbells; Vickie Mayer, Washburn

Chair: Jude Helling, Alexander

Convention Details: Saturday, September 15, 2007.....Cont...**DRAMA***Starting a Theatre Program from Scratch* (____)

Presenters: Sarah Tron, West Fargo & Eric Rooke, Williston H.S

Chair: ____

DRAMA*What Judges Look for*

(Judges will discuss the criteria on the drama ballot and what they look for in a good show.)

Presenters: Dennis Haney, Mandan; Tim Thuesen, Mandan; Cheryl Nilsen, Minot SU

Chair: Michael J. Loy, Minot SU

COLLEGE/COMMUNICATION*Bridging the Gap: Communication Studies as both Liberal Learning & Professional Development*

(Professional development and liberal learning are not an either/or proposition. Communication studies prove the best of both worlds.)

Presenters: U of Mary Faculty

Chair: Jamie Meyer, U of Mary

11:00—12:00 SESSION VI: “Plain sailing”**GENERAL***Poetry Out Loud*

(This is a national recitation contest which encourages youth to learn about great poetry through memorization and performance.)

Presenters: Linda Ehreth, ND Council of the Arts, & Linda Olsrud, Dakota West Arts Council

Chair: ____

SPEECH/CONGRESS/DEBATE*Competitive Events Discussion: Advice from Experience PART II*

(Members will have the opportunity to visit one-on-one or in small groups as seasoned coaches share their expertise in specific competitive speech events.)

Presenters: Student Congress – Jean Hoerer, Richland Radio – Cheryl Nilsen, Minot SU

Public Forum – Lee Kaldor, Mayville

Storytelling – Bonita Lindseth, Rugby

Policy Debate – Yvonne Kalka EPR – ____

Lincoln Douglas – John Johanson

Persuade – Sarah Tron, West Fargo

HDuo - Betty Thom

SDuo – Phyllis Kardmas, Devils Lake

Chair: Cynthia Kaldor, Mayville

DRAMA*Comedy Techniques*

(An active workshop exploring comic timing and other techniques for staging and Performing comedy)

Presenter: Dr. Pamela D. Chabora

Chair: Toni Gredesky, Wahpeton

COLLEGE/COMMUNICATON*Student Papers*

(Graduate and undergraduate students will share the results of their research. Respondent will provide additional insight.)

Chair/Respondent: Shannon Van Horn, VCSU

Convention Details: Saturday, September 15, 2007.....Cont...

12:15—1:45 Awards Luncheon
State Coaches of the Year
 Mistress of Ceremonies – Yvonne Kalka

2:00—3:00 SESSION VII

SPEECH

“Avast ye scum ridden weevil shaggers. Captain Black Beard is gonna keel haul you and grow barnacles on ye starboard knacker.”

Speech Rules Clinic Presenter: Robert Hetler, NDHSAA

GENERAL/CLASSROOM

Social Propaganda

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Presenter: Aaron Knodel, West Fargo
 Chair: Bridget Ryberg, Grand Forks Central

3:30 Time to “Go by the Board”

Course Closing—Robert Littlefield

CSTAND Board Meeting

“What Have You Been Reading?”

Ever look for a good book and just did not know what to grab? Are you tired of reading the same old thing? Lovers of fiction and nonfiction (as well as ALL other registered convention participants) are invited to participate in a “talk books” on Thursday evening at the pre-convention social hour, September 13.

Take a “CSTAND” for or against the same old books, introduce the unique, or point out the quirky in an informal setting as we talk about books. Bring a book or two (if you’d like to share a visual or a short reading) and be ready to talk *enthusiastically* to other book nuts.



Mentoring is a “win-win” situation

New coaches, do you feel like you are about to “walk the plank” as you start directing or coaching? CSTAND would like to throw you a rope. We are starting a mentor program for novice coaches. If you would like to be part of this program, simply sign up when you arrive at the CSTAND convention in September. The plan is to pair you with a mentor at convention and give you some time to visit and set a course for the year.

If you have any questions please contact Beth Aufforth
Beth.Aufforth@sendit.nodak.edu or phone: home # 377-2901 or school # 377-2397.

INVITATION TO EXPERIENCED COACHES/DIRECTORS

Wanted: a few good men and women to serve as mentors for inexperienced coaches for the 2007-2008 school year. Requirements: experience in your field of competition/performance; a passion for communication; willingness to talk about your passion; and a little time to share.

CSTAND is beginning an organized program to pair experienced coaches with those who feel they need some guidance as they undertake a competitive speech, debate, student congress, or drama program.

Forms will be available at the CSTAND convention for you to fill out which will help us collect a base of volunteer mentors. A time is scheduled during convention to pair mentors with novice coaches and give you an opportunity to set groundwork for contact during the year. Time requirements should not be great and will be on an individual-need basis. The whole purpose is just to give a new coach a contact and make him/her feel comfortable enough to communicate with you.

If you have any questions, suggestions, please contact Beth Aufforth either by email Beth.Aufforth@sendit.nodak.edu or phone: home # 377-2901 or school # 377-2397.

DONATIONS FOR THE CSTAND SILENT AUCTION!!

Please remember to bring your donations for the CSTAND silent auction!

Proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund. Almost anything can be considered eligible for the silent auction, just think of what you would bid on...bottle of wine, signed copies of novels, DVDs, another bottle of wine, gift certificates. Or go all out, donate a basket of goodies. All monies go to a good cause!

If you have any questions please email Sarah Tron:
sarah.tron.1@sendit.nodak.edu



CSTAND Executive Board Meeting June 3, 2007 Grizzly's in Jamestown, North Dakota

Call to Order: President Pam Chabora called the meeting to order. Board Members present were Pamela Chabora, El. J. Arntson, Sarah Tron, Bob Hetler, Nancy Pearson, Beth Aufforth, Clarice Andrus, and Bonnie Muehlberg.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the April 27, 2007, meeting were approved as published on the CSTAND website.

Treasurer's Report:

Our money market and checking balance as of May 23, 2007, was \$5419.90. That included B Speech t-shirt receipts. Bob reported that the online registration is working nicely and that we have already received as of June 1, thirty-five registrations.

Bob is resigning/retiring next year. He would like to turn the CSTAND checkbook over to the new treasurer on November 1, 2007. It was his concern that the CSTAND by-laws allow only for the treasurer to hold his position with the NDHSAA. Bob's successor at the NDHSAA may not be willing nor be qualified to hold CSTAND treasurer office. The by-laws should be amended to take that stipulation off the requirements of the office of CSTAND treasurer.

Bob will have the proposed change in the bylaws will be published on the CSTAND website at least thirty days prior to the September annual meeting of the general membership.

Nominations: Yvonne Kalka was not in attendance due to a badly broken leg. She will communicate with the board via email later this summer.

Historian: Brian Aufforth has resigned as historian. Another historian will be appointed.

Journal/Hall of Fame/Clothing: Robert Littlefield was not present, but Pam gave his report.

There were eighteen articles submitted for journal publication which are currently being reviewed. Robert had a question about solicitation of ads for the publication. Nancy will speak with Robert about that process.

Pam also presented the names of the Hall of Fame Inductees and Scholar of the Year for 2007. After the individuals have been notified, their identities will be posted on the web site.

Clothing samples will be on CSTAND website.

Old Business:**Job Descriptions:**

All of the board members have completed a description of their duties as assigned by the CSTAND by-laws and by "real life". Those descriptions will be sent to Cynthia Kaldor to be posted on the website for the edification of the general membership, especially those considering running for office.

Convention:

Beth Aufforth presented a nearly completed convention schedule. There are still some sessions that need to be filled especially in the area of technical theater, but the convention looks to be a great one with the theme of "Riding High on the Seven Seas".

For the Good of the Order:

Next meeting is scheduled at 7:00 P.M. on September 13, 2007, at the Seven Seas in Mandan.

Meeting adjourned.

Clarice Andrus, Secretary



Kelsey and Ian are seen above as Don Quixote and Aldonza in BSC's spring production of Man of La Mancha.

Bismarck State College Theatre is proud to announce that **Kelsey Fredricks** of Mandan and **Ian Knodel** of Bismarck have received scholarships to study theatre at Emporia State University in Kansas. Kelsey will receive the Endly Award which provides one full year of expenses, estimated value is \$10,000. Ian will receive their highest Drama scholarship for \$3,000.

Class B Representative Encourages Membership

As your Class B Representative, I would like to encourage all present members to get their registration in for CSTAND membership as soon as possible. I know that some of you may need to wait until the new fiscal year, but it is important that we support our professional organization. Each of you has much to offer to the organization and the organization has much to offer to you.

Some coaches may think that the only good thing about becoming a member is that your students become eligible for All-State. This is far from true. The convention that is held in the fall has much to offer. The success of that convention is dependent upon the participation of coaches and advisors, both in attending sessions and presenting sessions.

Join the organization, attend the convention and agree to be a presenter or a chair.

Finally, take the time to check the directory to see which coaches in your region are members of CSTAND and which coaches need to be contacted and invited to join.. If you see a name or two that are missing, send them an e-mail and encourage them to join.

I'm looking forward to working with you and *for* you in this next year. Have a great summer.

Bonnie Muehlberg

2007 Convention Registration Form September 13-15 at Mandan Seven Seas

Send form with payment to: Bob Hetler, C STAND Treasurer, Box 292, Valley City, ND 58072
MOTEL RESERVATIONS: Call Seven Seas at 701-663-7401 and ask for C STAND Convention
Rate which is \$50/\$55(single/double). Please guarantee for late arrival.

(Register ON-LINE BEFORE Sept. 6 and print form to mail in along with payment.)

Name _____ Position/Title _____

School/Business _____

Building Administrator (if applicable) _____

Work Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Home Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Work Phone _____ Work FAX _____ Home Phone _____

Work E-mail Address _____

Home E-mail Address _____

Are you a 1st year member? _____

Including this registration, how many years have you been a member? _____

REGISTRATION OPTIONS (Note: Convention fees are inclusive of regular membership and the total convention meal package with no exceptions.)

***Place an X by the option chosen and (if mailing) include a check for that amount!

1. Regular Registration (Submitted after June 20).....\$100 ()
2. College Student Convention Registration (meals included).....\$70 ()
3. Membership Only-No Convention\$35 ()
4. Hall Of Fame member – meals only(15-20-15-15)..... \$65 ()

NOTE: Registrations will not be accepted nor meals counted if payment is not submitted!
Helpful hint: Do NOT have schools send checks to Bob Hetler after September 5, but bring the check with you.

***Registrations at any time, including day of convention, MUST include payment.

NDSTA membership includes: 3 NCA Communication Teacher Magazines (bound), C STAND JOURNAL, name listing in the C STAND directory and the authority to submit information to a webpage or submit information to the list-serve for www.cstand.org

National Debate Coaches Association announces new project!

The National Debate Coaches Association is very pleased to announce a new project that provides open access to hundreds of summer institute files. We have partnered with 17 different institutes to provide open access to institute files to any interested coach or student.

We truly feel that this is a revolutionary project and its true impact is not felt unless we truly reach as many debate programs as possible.

There is no catch or hidden strings. The NDCA would like to thank the Institutes that have partnered with us in this resource project:

Baylor University	Dartmouth College	Gonzaga University
Miami (OH) University	Michigan State University	Missouri State University
Northwestern University	Stanford	University of California - Berkeley
University of Iowa	University of Kansas	University of Michigan
University of Missouri - Kansas City		University of Richmond
University of North Texas	Whitman - Policy	Whitman - LD

Right now, the project has over 560 files that are available for download for anyone that is interested. We wanted to make this project available as quickly as possible. We will continually be adding files to this project - many of the institutes are in the midst of sending their files to the NDCA for uploading to our hosting server.

To access this open access site, please visit our new website at <http://ndca.debateteams.net> - check out the "Announcements" box on the homepage for instructions.

The password is all lower case. It is case sensitive.

When you get to the directed server that the NDCA website directs you to, please click on "Projects and Files" which is 1/3 of the way down the page. Each institute represents a separate "project". The number of files uploaded for each institute is listed in parentheses. Just click on an Institute to see a list of files to download!

If you are interested in becoming an NDCA member, annual dues are only \$25.00. To pay by check, please send \$25.00 (check made out to the NDCA) to Nicole Serrano, NDCA Secretary/Treasurer, 4001 Harding Road, Nashville, TN 37205. Please send the following information to process your membership: Name, Address, Name of school, Name of principal/headmaster, Phone Number, and Email Address. If you would like to pay by credit card, please see our website for Pay Pal payment through the AFA website.

We encourage you to look at the possibility of a lifetime membership for you and/or an institutional membership for your school or organization.

Memberships need to be active by Oct 1 in order to vote in the elections for the Board and the first round of NFHS topic balloting for the 2008-2009 policy topic.

Best,
Tara L. Tate

Director of Debate, Glenbrook South (IL) President, National Debate Coaches Association Co-director, The 2007 Glenbrooks 4000 West Lake Avenue Glenview, IL 60026

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Summer Performing Arts Company's "Keep the Faith"

Dean Opp, theatre instructor, Red River High School, Grand Forks

Students from all over the upper-Red River Valley participated in a revival of the Summer Performing Arts Company's Keep the Faith, a production chronicling the events of the blizzards and flood of 1996-97.

The production saw four-sold out performances at the Chester Fritz Auditorium, and has been broadcast on Midcontinent channel 23 in the Grand Forks region for many more people to enjoy.

In 1997, Keep the Faith helped the battered Greater Grand Forks community cope with the disaster that left no one unaffected. But this time, Keep the Faith also touched a different aspect of the community. With an initiative by Dr. Sanford, Ron Gruwell, and Jody Thompson, Grand Forks Public Schools students in grades 3-8 received curriculum materials regarding the events of 1997, and were invited to daytime performances of the show. Keep the Faith served as an invaluable tool for educating students that were not old enough to remember the events that unfolded ten years ago.

The Summer Performing Arts Company (SPA) in Grand Forks is a summer theatre and music program for students currently enrolled in grades K-11.

SPA has been a cornerstone of arts education and entertainment in the Upper-Red River Valley for the past twenty years. Over 1,300 students were involved in SPA this year. SPA is a hands-on learning program that takes arts education out of the traditional classroom setting and provides students with a positive learning environment during the summer months.

Any student is welcome to join the SPA program, regardless of his or her experience level. For more information, please visit www.spacompany.org.



MOTIONS TO CONSIDER FOR CSTAND BUSINESS MEETING, SEPT. 15th

I. MOTION TO APPROVE ALL REVISIONS (INCLUDING TITLE CHANGE AND JOB DESCRIPTIONS) AND AMENDMENTS PROPOSED FOR CSTAND CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

(Note: The Revised and Amended Constitution and By-Laws for CSTAND are available at our CSTAND website. Please review them carefully in preparation for this vote.)

A. REVISIONS TO CONSTITUTION - Details Below:

1. Amendment to Treasurer: Remove the NDHSAA requirement to the Treasurer position.
2. Article III – Change “Board” to “Committee” (name given by NDHSAA).
3. Article III, section 2. Change as Follows: “The members of the Advisory (committee) shall serve a three year term. On the designated year, the representative for the student congress, debate, A Speech and B Speech shall be chosen at the State Coaches meeting of that activity with coaches present. On the designated year, the play representative shall be chosen at the CSTAND annual membership meeting by all members present.
4. Article IV: BOARD MEMBERS, Section 3: The Treasurer shall be nominated by the Board, approved by the Association, serve a four year term, and be a voting member of the board.
5. Article IV: BOARD MEMBERS, Section 6 include Website and List-serve Coordinator with Editor of Newsletter.
6. Article V. DUTIES – to accept revisions to Job Descriptions as posted on the Website and adopt revisions for description of Duties of Officers and Representatives here in the Constitution.
7. Article VI: COMMITTEES - Committees may be comprised of more than just Board Officers. Members of CSTAND may also serve on various Committees as needed.
8. Article VI: COMMITTEES - Section 1 Committee on Convention Planning: This committee shall be responsible for planning, coordination, and scheduling programs and events for the annual convention. The First Vice-President shall appoint and chair this committee. (Add, At-Large Members shall assist).
9. Article VII: AMENDMENTS, Proposed Section 4- Ongoing Permission is granted to the CSTAND Board Members to update and adjust incorrect or defunct wording in the Constitution and By-Laws as needed.

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Congratulations 2007 Class A Regional Speech Coaches of the Year

Heather Woods, Wahpeton (East Nominee)

Sarah McRoberts, Valley City (1st Place east team)

El. J. Arntson, St. Mary’s (West nominee)

Pat Pins, Mandan (1st place West team)

These individuals will be recognized during the Friday noon luncheon at State Conference

MOTIONS TO CONSIDER FOR CSTAND BUSINESS MEETING, SEPT. 15th..... Cont.....

B. REVISIONS TO BY-LAWS - Details Below:

1. RULES OF PROCEDURE : ARTICLE IV: AWARDS, section 1c:
Change wording "District" to "Regional". (We have Regional tournaments, not District tournaments. Second, Include "the names of the coaches of the 1st place teams shall be forwarded." Finally, any reference to the Treasurer of CSTAND being at the NDHSAA office in Valley City should be adjusted.)
2. RULES OF PROCEDURE: ARTICLE IV – AWARDS, Section 2.
K. Hall Of Fame - No more than three individuals may be inducted into the Hall of Fame in a single year. If more than three nominees are elected to the Hall of Fame, a second election shall be held to determine the top three. Those not selected in the second balloting shall automatically be carried over to the next year's "second" balloting (Revise to "carried over to next year's balloting.")
3. RULES OF PROCEDURE: ARTICLE IV: AWARDS, Section 3
Competitive Awards, V. Change to: "The competitive awards are administered by the Class A and B Reps."
4. RULES OF PROCEDURE: ARTICLE V. SCHOLARSHIPS, section 2
Revise to "The FIVE scholarships awarded annually to a student enrolling in a North Dakota College/University are as follows:
 - 1) A \$500 scholarship to a current college student in communications or theatre
 - 2) A \$500 scholarship to a Class A High School Senior active in forensics or theatre.
 - 3) A \$500 scholarship to a Class B High School Senior active in forensics or theatre.
 - 4) A \$500 Spencer Cose scholarship to a High School Senior who has been active in forensics.
 - 5) A \$250 Dekker Waldera scholarship to a High School Senior active in theatre.

Congratulations 2006 Class B Regional Play Directors of the Year

Christine Bopp, North Sargent-Region 1 Nominee
Sandy Luttio, Milnor - 1st Place
Lisa Mulvaney, Oak Grove – Region 2 Nominee
Cathie Lutgen & Terri Egan, Enderlin-Region 2 - 1st place
Hazelann Lee, Thompson - Region 3 Nominee & 1st Place
Shannon Miller, Rugby – Region 4 Nominee & 1st Place
Beth Stokka, Griggs Co. Central – Region 5 Nominee
Marlene Boyer, Carrington - Region 5 - 1st place
Debra Turner, Wishek – Region 6 Nominee
Melissa Entzi, Edgeley – Region 6 - 1st Place
Vickie Mayer, Washburn – Region 7 Nominee & 1st Place
Curt Kukert, MLS-Mohall – Region 8 Nominee
Paula Rauschenberger, Glenburn – Region 8 - 1st place
Angela Johnson, Ray – Region 9 Nominee & 1st Place
Jeri Dunn, Hettinger – Region 10 Nominee
Donna Davidson, Bowman County – Region 10 - 1st Place

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CSTAND Financial Report 8/14/07

Checking.....\$6160.86
 Savings (Scholarship).....\$1240.00
 CD (10 Month @ 5.165 from 8/13/07 to 3/13/08).....\$3,574.87
 (earned \$120.87 last 10 months)

Submitted by Robert Hetler, Treasurer

Before you put this newsletter down.....

Are you ready to set sail this school year? Each year is the beginning of an adventure, a memorable journey, like no other before it, and will not be repeated again. Just like each coaching season, each play production, and some days each class session is an adventure, and the journey is just as important as the port to which we are sailing. This year's CSTAND convention is full of sessions to help you prepare for your trip. I hope you've taken the time to look through the convention outlined in the newsletter or looked through the detailed program under "Convention" on the CSTAND web site.

Those of you who have attended past conventions know that the information from the sessions themselves is a sufficient reason to attend convention, but there is even a better reason—the crew. This is the best opportunity you have to mingle and visit with peers who are as passionate about the art of speaking as you are. The journey is often only as enjoyable as the company you keep. And sometimes when the voyage gets a little rough, it is the company that can help you through. See you at convention.

Beth Aufforth
 CSTAND 1st V.P. and Convention Chair

Congratulations 2007 Class B Regional Speech Coaches of the Year

Pam Gabel, Milnor - Reg .1 nominee
 Jan Hovind, Sargent Central - Reg. 1 - 1st place
 Amanda Kubik, Oak Grove – Reg. 2 nominee
 Cathie Lutgen, Enderlin - Reg 2 - 1st place
 Sarah Burger, Northwood - Reg. 3 nominee & 1st place
 Bonnie Muehlberg, Rolette - Reg. 4 nominee
 Bonita Lindseth, Rugby, Reg. 4 - 1st place
 Charlotte Franks-Erickson, New Rockford-Sheye, Region 5 co-nominee
 Monica Hendickson, Dakota Prairie, Reg. 5 co-nominee
 Beth Stokka, Griggs Co, Central, Reg 5 - 1st place
 Betty Thom, Edgeley-Region 6 nominee
 Debra Turner, Wishek – Reg. 6 - 1st place
 Anita Laib, Garrison/Max – Region 7 nominee & 1st place
 Collette Canevello, Velva – Reg. 8 nominee
 Paula Rauschenberger, Glenburn – Reg. 8 - 1st place
 Angela Johnson, Ray – Reg. 9 nominee
 Beth Aufforth, Bowbells – Reg. 9 - 1st place
 Clarice Andrus, Mott-Regent – Reg. 10 nominee
 Sue Anderson, Richardton-Taylor – Reg. 10 - 1st place

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School Administrators:

Searching for the PERFECT training ground for your new speech, theatre, debate and congress coaches? Inexpensive and worthwhile? Some place where you can be CERTAIN that they will get the mentoring needed to become successful with your students?

Sound like too much to ask for? It's a "dream come true" and you don't need to pinch yourself to wake up.....such a place is AVAILABLE NOW.....

It's EASY to get there..... Just print the **Convention Registration Form** included within this newsletter **or register on-line** at

<https://www.commark.com/CSTAND/?page=convention-registration>

Now is the time to register your speech, theatre, debate and congress coaches for the CSTAND (formerly NDSTA) Conference to be held in Mandan (Seven Seas), Friday and Saturday, September 14—15, 2007. Your coaches will be very appreciative and they will most certainly bring home lots of helpful knowledge to keep your students pointed in the right direction. (see the tentative schedule included with this edition of the CSTAND Newsletter.

