

# NFA NEWSLETTER

October 15, 2007

## Dear Colleagues:

Greetings everyone. It has been approximately one month and the forensic season is well underway. I trust everyone had a good rewarding summer and are busy doing the thing that all good forensic coaches do – wondering how the year will go. Seriously, I do want to welcome everyone back and to give you some information with which to begin the year as far as NFA is concerned. **We will once again, be using e-mail for sending and receiving materials.** This is the first of a number of Newsletters you will be receiving over the year. Each will contain information that I hope you will find helpful.

This Newsletter will contain the following information:

1. Appointments for NFA Committees for 2007-2008.
2. Date and Location of the NFA National Tournament for 2007-2008.
3. Date of the NFA Business Meeting at the NCA Convention in Chicago.
4. Address for sending in Tournament Results.
5. Call for Bids for hosting the NFA National Tournament in 2009, 2010, 2011.
6. Announcement of Developmental Conference on Individual Events.

The next addition of the Newsletter will be out in the near future. Watch for it in your e-mail. Looking forward to seeing you at various tournaments in the near future or at the NCA Convention in Chicago.

Larry Schnoor, President, NFA

### NFA COMMITTEES FOR 2007-2008

#### AWARDS:

Karen Morris, (Chair/Exec. Council) UW – Eau Claire  
Larry Schnoor, (President, Exec. Council) MSU-Mankato  
Vicki Karns, (Tournament Director) Suffolk U.

#### CONSTITUTION:

Leah White (Chair/ Exec. Council) MSU-Mankato  
Richard Paine (Exec. Council) North Central College  
Brendan Kelly (Exec. Council) U. of West Florida  
Larry Schnoor (President, Exec. Council) MSU-Mankato  
David Trumble, St. Anselm College

#### ELECTIONS:

Larry Schnoor (President, Exec. Council) MSU-Mankato  
Audrey Cunningham, U. of Indianapolis  
JoAnn Edwards, U. of Mississippi

#### ETHICS:

Richard Paine (Chair, Exec.Council) North Central College  
Larry Schnoor (President, Exec.Council) MSU-Mankato  
Katie Hatfield, Creighton University  
Edward Hinck, Central Michigan University  
Audrey Cunningham, U. of Indianapolis

**EXTEMP TOPICS:** Brendan Kelly (Chair, Exec. Council) U. of West Florida  
Randy Richardson (Exec. Council) Berry College  
Susan Millsap, Otterbein College  
Kevin Minch, Truman State University  
Bruce Wickelgren, Suffolk University

**IMPROMPTU TOPICS:** Dan West, (Chair) Ohio University  
Dan Smith (Exec. Council ) Bradley University  
Janis Crawford, Butler University  
Kimberley LaMarque, Tennessee State University  
Alphonso Atkins, Indiana U-Purdue U. Indianapolis

**LINCOLN DOUGLAS:** Marty Birkholt (Chair, Exec. Council) Creighton U.  
Vicki Karns (Tournament Director) Suffolk U.  
John Boyer, Lafayette College  
Curt Gilstrap, Drury University  
Michelle McNabb, Otterbein College  
Marcus Schultz-Bergin (student) Washburn U.

**RESEARCH COMMITTEE:** Leah White (Chair, Exec. Council) MSU-Mankato  
Ed Hinck, Central Michigan University  
Vicki Karns (Tournament Director), Suffolk U.  
Meagan Houge, Illinois State University  
Richard Brophy (Student) Eastern Michigan University

**HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE:** Karen Morris (Chair, Exec. Council) UW – Eau Claire  
Ray Quiel, Eastern Michigan University  
Penni Pier, Wartburg College  
Jackson Miller, Linfield College  
Ryan Cohn (Student) Florida State University

## **2007-2008 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT**

The 2007-2008 NFA National Tournament will be held at Tennessee State University in Nashville, Tennessee. **The dates for the tournament are April 17 – 21 with Registration scheduled on Thursday evening, the 17<sup>th</sup>, and the tournament running on a 4 day schedule on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, April 18-21.** More information regarding the tournament will be contained in the next issue of the Newsletter.

## **NFA BUSINESS MEETING – NCA CONVENTION**

The National Forensic Association General Business Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, November 17 from 12:30 – 1:45 p.m. and will be held at the Palmer House in room PDR 17. There are other forensic programs scheduled for the convention and the times and locations can be accessed by checking out the NCA web page for convention news. Please put this business meeting on your schedule if you are attending the convention.

## 2007-2008 TOURNAMENT RESULTS

**Please make sure to report tournament results as soon as you possibly can. It will make the verification of qualifications must easier if each tournament director would send the results immediately after the tournament to Dr. Vicki Karns, Tournament Director. Her e-mail address is [vkarns@suffolk.edu](mailto:vkarns@suffolk.edu) .**

### TOURNAMENT BIDS

SITES ARE NEEDED FOR FUTURE NFA NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS. ANYONE WISHING TO HOST OR IS THINKING OF POSSIBLY HOSTING, IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF YOU COULD CONTACT THE PRESIDENT WITH YOUR INTENTION. WE HAVE A SITE FOR THIS YEAR, BUT WE NEED TO DETERMINE SITES FOR 2009, 2010, AND 2011. IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. PLEASE GIVE THIS SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. THE EARLIER WE CAN DETERMINE SITES, THE EASIER IT IS FOR EVERYONE TO SCHEDULE IN TERMS OF BUDGET AND TIME. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING HOSTING THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT, PLEASE CONTACT THE PRESIDENT FOR DETAILS. YOU CAN ALSO ACCESS THE NFA WEB SITE TO GET BID INFORMATION ( [WWW.NATIONALFORENSICS.ORG](http://WWW.NATIONALFORENSICS.ORG) ) IT WOULD BE IDEAL IF WE COULD DETERMINE THE SITE FOR 2009 AT OUR ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING IN APRIL OF 2008. IT WOULD BE OUTSTANDING IF WE COULD ALSO DETERMINE THE SITE FOR 2010 AT THAT TIME ALSO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR CONSIDERING ACCEPTING THIS CALL FOR HOSTING.

### DEVELOPMENTAL CONFERENCE ON INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

**There will be a Developmental Conference on Individual Events during the summer of 2008. The date and location, with further information, will be contained in the next edition of the NFA Newsletter. Plan now to be able to attend.**