

entering and two judges per section. One ballot distributor reported that at least seven sections per round began late, and a number of students were reported as "no shows," in addition to some judges leaving before all speakers had arrived in the round. With a tournament of this calibre, it is important to have each student heard by two judges in all rounds, and a longer period for each round would help to ensure that.

9) Debaters have some specific comments:

A. They would like meal times!

As it was, the cafeteria was closed at most times when the debaters were available to eat meals.

B. In NDT and CEDA, there seemed to be little difference between the Senior and Junior divisions. Is there a need for two divisions?

C. L-D debaters were divided; some felt that the time constraints were too strict; others wanted more concise time constraints.

10) A note of concern seemed to be some changes in the operation of the tournament from the information published prior to the tournament. The specific areas mentioned were the timing of extemp draw and the number of topic choices for impromptu.

11) The extempers would like to have a location where they could have access to tables for their materials. They would also like to have closer adherence to the draw schedule.

12) A suggestion was made that the low rank and rate, not necessarily on the same ballot, be dropped in computing in individual events, as does AFA. This would help to minimize skewing of low ranks and rates that were relatively obvious at this tournament. If rankings and ratings are dropped, it was also suggested that both high *and* low ranks and rates be dropped, since it is possible for judges to be "non-informative" in *both* directions.

13) Two possible rule changes were suggested:

Drama: Would it be appropriate to require two or more characters in the cutting? This would eliminate any narration or monologues, and ensure use of off-stage focus.

Dramatic Duo: Could a clearer interpretation be given as to whether or not this is an actual event? If it is limited to a play, it could conceivably be presented without a script. Or it could be called Duet Interpretation and could include any kind of material—a compiled script, prose, poetry, or screen play.

These suggestions would liberalize the material and the opportunities for the students.

14) It would be helpful for a smoother and perhaps more efficient running of the tournament if the Tournament Director was *not* on the National Council. While Ribert Littlefield did a *super* job, some complications did arise when

he was called out of the tab room for Council meetings.

15) Streamlining of the tournament operation appeared in many ways. Standardization of forms was helpful. In the Tab Room, color - coding of ballot master sheets was helpful.

16) It seems to have been helpful to include many of the Province governors in the running of the tournament.

17) The use of a student tournament manager is a positive method of reinforcing the goals of Pi Kappa Delta.

18) There was tremendous approval of the free-time concept!

19) It was wonderful to have campus maps available! It was such a pleasure to arrive and be given schedules for the entire tournament!!

20) Interest has been expressed that, in order to maintain the "specialness" of the Pi Kappa Delta National Tournament and Convention awards be presented by category only, with no indication in the awards ceremony of individual placings. That information could, and perhaps, should be indicated on the tab sheets, but the feeling seems to be that it is sufficient at the awards ceremony to recognize a group of performers who are Excellent and Superior, and no further designation needs to be made. Students who have participated in previous PKD National Tournaments have indicated that, while it is gratifying and satisfying to be recognized with a particular placing, the absence of that recogni-

tion helps to set this tournament apart as something unique and special.

21) There has been a request (a resolution from the Province of the Southeast) for the Council to consider adding an event for alumni. Participation in this event would be restricted to alumni *only*, not for coaches also. Such an opportunity might help to encourage alumni attendance at the national convention and tournament, and perhaps many of those alumni could/would then also be utilized as judges.

22) A proposal was submitted asking the National Council to add competition in Reader's Theatre at the national tournament.

It is fitting to end the evaluation with a comment from a chapter president from the Province of the Colonies, "I would just like to say that considering the distance our school had to come, this has been one of the most enjoyable tournaments I have ever attended. This tournament/convention has truly been run for the students and with the students in mind. For that I thank you. I am glad to be able to end my forensic/debate career with this tournament. It has been an absolute pleasure."

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

BOB DERRYBERRY, Chairperson
ROBERT RIDLEY, KRIS DAVIS BARTANEN



Bob Derryberry

1. WHEREAS the 1985 Pi Kappa Delta Convention recognizes that the success of this tournament has been the result of the generous service and time of responsible persons,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this convention go on record as commending the dedicated service of the tournament director, his able staff and event and tabulation leadership.
2. WHEREAS the members of the National Council have given of their time and efforts beyond the call of duty for the good of the organization and convention,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this body go on record as expressing its gratitude to our National President and the Council for service resulting in a profitable and educational tournament.
3. WHEREAS convention participants have been accorded an en-

joyable visit to the host city of Fayetteville Arkansas,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that members of this convention express their appreciation to Gina Lane, the local university squad, and the city of Fayetteville for providing an exciting and enjoyable setting for PKD, 1985.

4. WHEREAS this organization recognizes its debt to the tireless leadership of local chapter sponsorship,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that all retiring directors of forensics, those for whom this is their last convention as forensics directors, be recognized by the 1985 convention.
5. WHEREAS Professor Tony Allison given liberally of his time during his tenure as national secretary-treasurer
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this convention go on record as expressing deep appreciation to Professor Allison, his family and his university for many hours given to the fraternity as national secretary-treasurer.
6. WHEREAS the fraternity profited from the use of a portable computer and printer during this convention,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that our thanks be conveyed to Commodore Computers.
7. WHEREAS, the convention

recognizes the importance of the unique history of Pi Kappa Delta,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this body express appreciation to Dr. Larry Norton for his years of service as historian.

8. WHEREAS, this committee recognizes student participation as the very basis of this fraternity,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the leadership of the convention recognize the superior quality of this year's delegates and contestants and offers very best wishes to graduating seniors attending their last PKD national.

9. WHEREAS, recognition for ser-

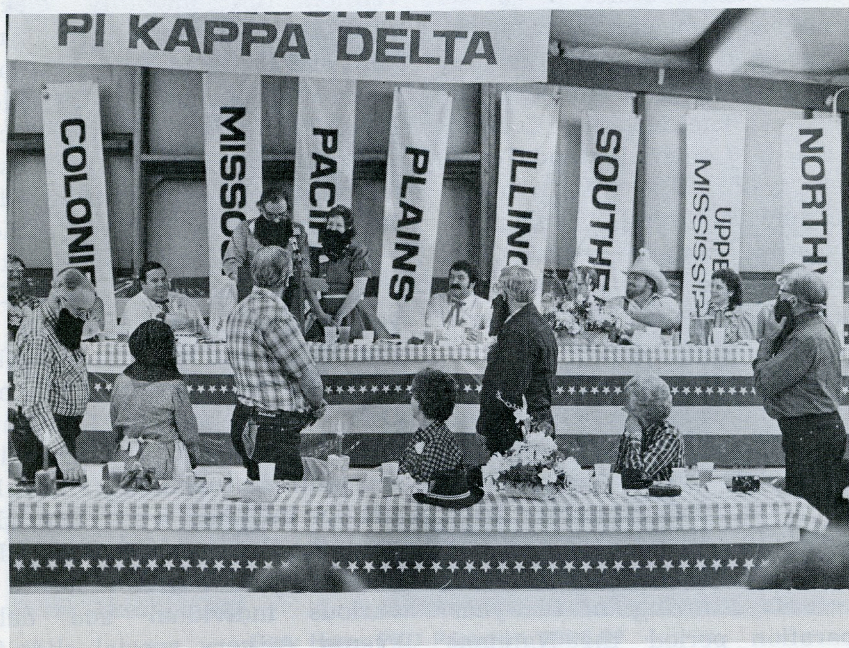
vice is an important part of our fraternity

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to administrators of above recognized persons.

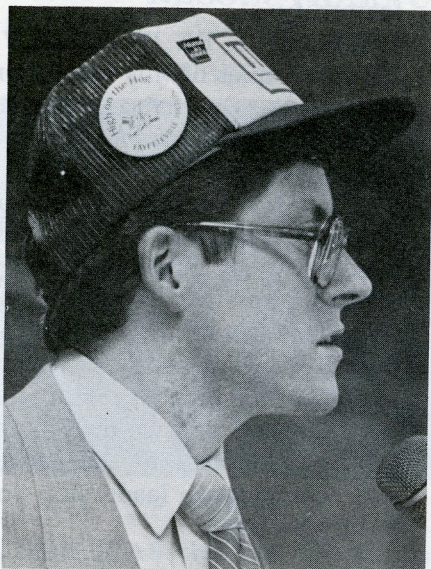
10. (from convention)

RESOLVED that PKD extend its heartfelt thanks to our retiring and lovely President Penny Swisher for her years of unswerving devotion and dedication to PKD. It has been a period of tremendous growth and revitalization and we owe much of that greatness to the caring and competent leadership of Penny Swisher.

Respectfully presented,
Bob Derryberry, Chair



MESSAGE FROM THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR



Robert Littlefield

The 1985 Pi Kappa Delta National Convention and Tournament held in Fayetteville, Arkansas must be considered a success. If we define success to mean well-planned, well-executed, and well-remembered, then there is support for this claim. The National Council planned the Convention and Tournament well. There were a number of new features that enhanced the overall national event. The schedule was revised to allow for students to enter multiple events within a conflict pattern. Special programs were included to afford students and coaches an opportunity to participate in a scholarly dimension of the convention. Special events were created to allow participants to get to know other members from different parts of the country. During the two-year preparation period the National

Council members crossed their fingers in anticipation of what they hoped would be one of the best national events in the history of Pi Kappa Delta.

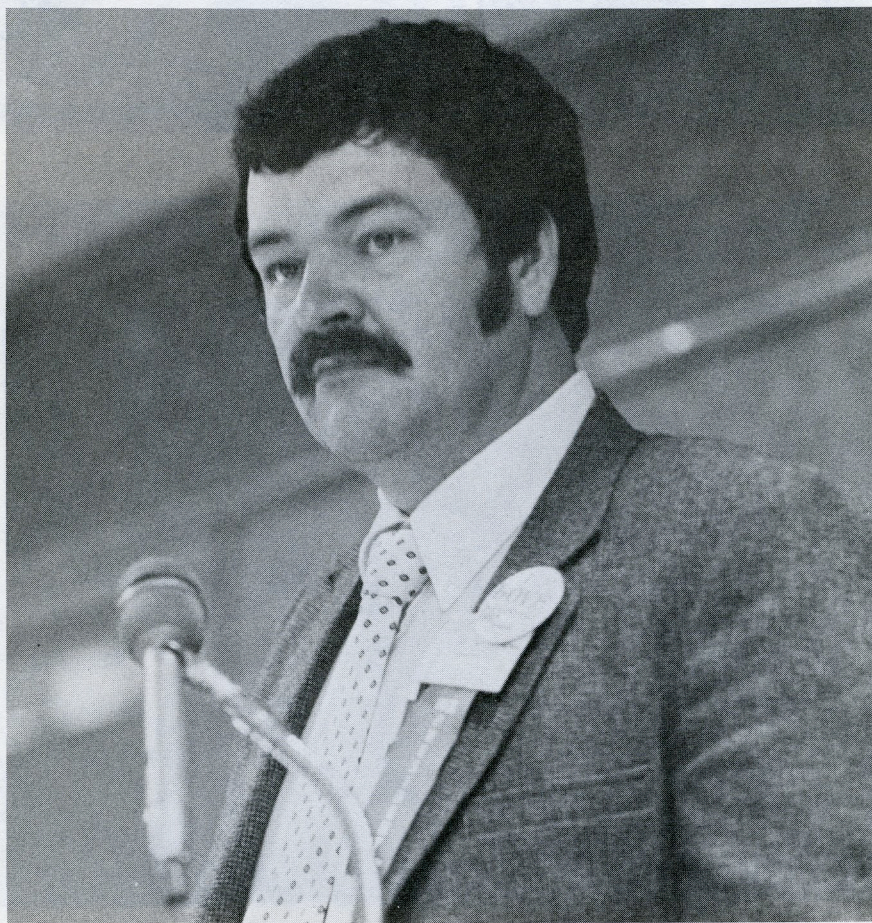
Beyond the preparation, the National Council executed the running of the Convention and Tournament well. 95 schools from 27 states were represented at the event. At final count, 705 participants were involved in some aspect of the Convention and Tournament. The meetings accomplished much business. The tournament ran very close to the schedule established. Some participants even found time to see the sights of Fayetteville and to enjoy some of the fine Arkansas cuisine available in and around the Hilton and neighboring hotels. All in all, the Convention ran smoothly, electing Gary Horn to the office of President and R. David Ray to the newly-created position as President-Elect. The tournament was successfully completed with little consternation. The events were well-attended and effectively scheduled.

Perhaps the most significant attribute of the 1985 National Convention and Tournament is the notion that it will be well-remembered by the membership of Pi Kappa Delta. Throughout the Convention and Tournament, the thread of recognition prevailed. Highest Distinction members were honored: as were the Province Governors, Past Presidents, and contestants in the various individual and debate events. A very special slide-tape

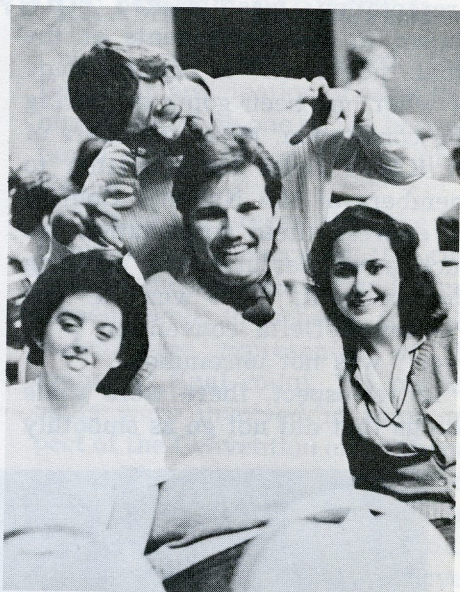
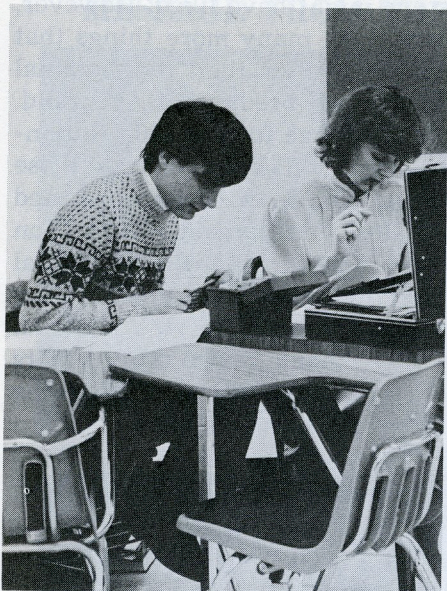
presentation was created and shown to the participants at the final "hoe-down" to capture some of what had been going on during the convention. Many members of Pi Kappa Delta have written to members of the National Council to express their appreciation for such a wonderful event. Hearing the comment, "This was the best Pi Kappa Delta convention . . . ever" was not uncommon.

In retrospect, there were some things that did not go as smoothly

as one might have liked. However, there were many more things that went far better than the National Council had predicted they would. The challenge for the 1985 National Council will be to improve those aspects that have been suggested by the Tournament Evaluation Committee for the 1987 National Convention and Tournament in La Crosse. On behalf of the National Council, thank you to all members of Pi Kappa Delta who made the 1985 event such a success.



Gary Horn, PKD President 1985-87





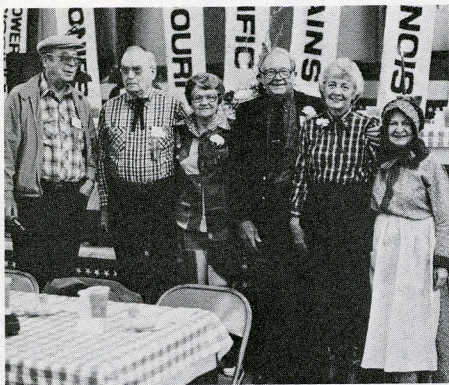
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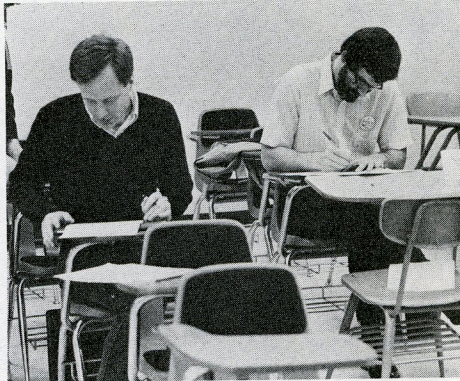


Penny Swisher PKD President 1983-1985





Past Presidents



Tabbing



Past Presidents Banquet