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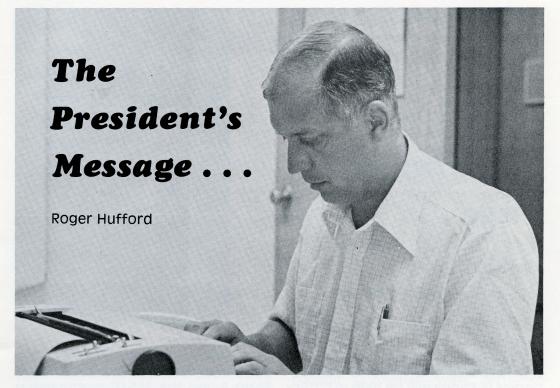
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Beware the 1st of March

Last year National Council announced the "rebate" plan, offering chapters the opportunity to earn a credit of \$5 for each new membership, to apply to their registration fees at the National Convention.

The plan creates additional work for Ted Karl, who **must** know your rebate when you register at Gatlinburg. Council has therefore set March 1, 1981, as the deadline for membership applications earning rebate credit. BE SURE TO SEND ALL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS BEFORE MARCH 1, TO GUARANTEE YOUR \$5 REBATES.

Members will have a number of important decisions to make at Gatlinburg. We received a petition in St. Louis, asking us to eliminate the requirement of attendance at Nationals, and to reduce the membership fee to \$10. National Council has now drafted a Constitutional amend-

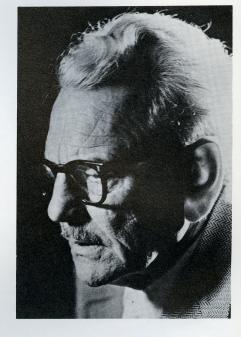
ment eliminating the requirement for attendance at Nationals. Chapters should attend Nationals because they want to, not because they have to. This change can strengthen our organization, by making it more responsive to members wishes. Council endorses the proposal.

Reducing the cost of a lifetime membership to \$10 is more questionable. In an age of continous inflation, it seems inappropriate to make any dollar amount part of the Constitution. This National Council has tried to operate on just \$10 from each membership fee, and succeeded the first year of the biennium. We are unlikely to succeed in the second year, partly because we transferred the cost of the Lawton summer meeting from the tournament budget to the operating budget. For 1980-81, the change allows us to

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Secretary's Page . . .

Theodore O.H. Karl



By this time there is no mistaking the fact that the National Convention of Pi Kappa will be held in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, April 1-4, 1981.

By the time you read this, you should have received, or shortly will receive the official registration blank for the convention. Other materials will be with the registration form. which should make clear all of the reguirements for a registration at the with convention verv misunderstandings. Let me urge you to read all of the instructions, rules for competition, and DEADLINES in this issue of the Forensic. To do so will eliminate the necessity for many long distance telephone calls, and much correspondence with this office and with the Contest Chairman.

It is my duty to call to your attention some items that will affect your attendance and participation:

1. Each participant representing a Chapter at the Convention must be an active member of Pi Kappa Delta, and this office has the responsibility of checking each possible registrant to determine if a membership card has been sent out to the chapter. If

the student qualifies, and he is not yet a member, you must submit a Form A and the \$15.00 membership fee to this office prior to the submitting of the Registration Form, or together with it.

- 2. Please read section 504, 504.1, and 504.2 of the Constitution as printed in the March 1980 issue of the Forensic. This section deals with attendance at the National Convention and the requirements of attendance. There will be an opportunity to change these requirements at the Convention if you so choose, but the requirements are in effect for this Convention. At the same time the question of fulfilling these requirements and the changes being retroactive can also be decided.
- 3. Rebate Plan. Your registration fee will be affected by the number of new members you have added to your Chapter since August 1, 1979. This remains in effect until March 1, 1981. At the rate of five dollars per member, the Chapter will receive credit at the time of registration, applied to the twenty-five dollar

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PI KAPPA DELTA NATIONAL CONVENTION AND CONTEST RULES

GENERAL:

- 1. Each student and one faculty director of forensics from each college attending the convention must pay the \$25.00 registration fee. The fee for each extra judge and guest is \$15.00.
- 2. Each student delegate to the convention and each participant in the tournament must be a bona fide undergraduate student who has not already had four years of forensic participation and who is carrying a minimum of twelve hours of college work with passing grades at the time of the convention. He must be a member of Pi Kappa Delta or must have filed a membership application with the National Secretary and sent in his initiation fee.
- 3. All tournament entries must be sent to the Tournament Director (Jack Starr) so as to show a postmark not later than March 10, 1981. A school cancelling or dropping entries after 12:00 noon (Central Standard Time), March 27, 1981, will be obligated for full fees. A school cancelling or dropping entries after 12:00 noon (Central Standard Time), March 20, 1981, but before 12:00 noon (Central Standard Time), March 27, 1981, will be obligated for one-half fees.
- 4. All questions regarding tournament events not covered by the rules will be decided by the specific contest committee and the Contest Chairman. Questions concerning interpretation of tournament rules should be directed to Jack Starr, Department of Speech/Theatre, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, La Cross, WI 54601.

JUDGES:

- 1. All competing chapters must provide competent judges for debate (if they enter) and for IE (if they enter). One debate judge can judge for two debate entries. One IE judge can judge for up to ten slots in IE. A qualified judge can serve for both:
 - (a) Two debate teams and two IE slots.

or

(b) One debate team and six IE slots.

You must meet the TOTAL judging requirement for all your entries.

- 2. Qualifications: All judges must be college graduates with sufficient training in competitive forensics to suspend personal judgment on issues and judge on the basis of the quality of each student's performance.
 - (a) Coaches
 - (1) For debate judges, each judge should have judged at least ten rounds of intercollegiate debate competition during the current year.
 - (2) For IE judges, each judge should have judged IE in competition at two tournaments during the current year.

(b) Guest Judges

It is an element of the contest that Pi Kappa Delta will utilize judges who are not currently active but have had sufficient experience in forensics in the past to meet the criteria. These persons will be guest judges and will serve to remind all participants of their obligation to make themselves understood to the well-informed general public, not just a small ingroup of specialists. Debate teams

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may be judged by guest judges in not more than two rounds of competition. IE participants will not have more than one of their two judges in a round selected from guest judges. Guest judges will be used only in contests they are qualified by experience to judge.

- (c) No undergraduate student may may serve as a judge.
- 3. Assignments: All judges are to be available to judge up to twelve rounds regardless of the size of their entry.

earning a rating. Each school may earn a maximum of two participation points in each division of debate if they earn no ratings in that division. More than one entry from a school may earn superior, excellent, or good ratings, but participation points are awarded only in events where no contestant achieves a higher rating.

3. Superior sweepstakes awards will be made to the 10 percent of the chapters accumulating the highest number of sweepstakes points. Excellent sweepstakes awards will be made to the 20 percent of the chapters ranking next in number of sweepstakes points.

AWARDS:

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- 1. Gold medals will be awarded to winners of superior ratings in each event. Certificates will be awarded to winners of excellent ratings. Certificates will be awarded to the school for each student who receives a rating of superior or excellent.
- 2. Sweepstakes points will be awarded to each chapter participating according to the following formula:

In debate: Superior rating Excellent Good Participation	10 points 8 points 6 points 2 points
In individual events:	
Superior rating	5 points
Excellent	4 points
Good	3 points
Participation	1 point*

*Each school may earn a maximum of one participation point in each individual event they enter without

DEBATE GENERAL

DIVISIONS:

1. There will be four divisions: Championship, Traditional, Lincoln-Douglas (one-person), and CEDA.

ENTRIES:

- 1. Each chapter may enter a maximum of two debate teams in each division of this tournament.
- 2. Experience and expertise are criteria for entering the Championship Division. In this division each member of the team entered must have won 50 percent of all tournament debates during the 1980-1981 season, with a minimum of twenty rounds of competition.
- 3. Substitutions may be made in the Traditional Division only. NO substitutions may be made in the Lincoln-Douglas (one-person), Championship, or CEDA Divisions.

ROUNDS:

- 1. There will be eight rounds for all teams. In the Championship and CEDA Divisions two teams will participate in a final ninth round.
- 2. Each team entered will participate in an equal number of affirmative and negative rounds.
- 3. Each team will be allowed preparation time between speeches not to exceed eight minutes total. Any additional preparation time will be deducted from speaking time. Debaters are encouraged to use less preparation time when feasible.

JUDGES:

- 1. For all rounds except the elimination rounds in the Championship Division, one judge will be used.
- 2. Judges may make comments to debaters but will not reveal decisions.
- 3. Debate teams may be judged by guest judges in not more than two fo their eight rounds. Guest judges will be experienced in debate but not active on the specific topic this year.

AWARDS:

- 1. Superior ratings will be awarded to the top 10 percent of the teams in each division.
- 2. Excellent ratings will be awarded to the next 20 percent.
- 3. Good ratings will be awarded to the next 30 percent. Win-loss records will be used as the first criterion for award determination; ties will be broken by employing team ratings.

SCHEDULING:

1. Teams will not meet teams from their own province, or their own state, or be judged by judges from their state or province (elimination rounds in Championship and CEDA Divisions exempt from this requirement). Guest judges from the Gatlinburg area may judge nearby teams if there is not affiliation.

SPECIFIC

ON TOPIC DEBATE (Championship and Traditional):

- 1. Subject: Resolved: that the United States should significantly increase its foreign military commitments.
- 2. Parameter: The United States should engage in unilateral, bilateral, and/or multilateral efforts to increase nuclear and/or conventional armed forces to meet international obligations.

We ask all teams to respect the results of the national opinion poll which determined that 86 percent of Pi Kappa Delta coaches expect affirmative teams to present cases that meet the parameter, and that 80 percent of Pi Kappa Delta judges will vote against the cases that do not meet the parameter if the negative carries that argument. We ask all judges to cooperate in enforcing this majority opinion so that there is agreement on the basic rules under which the competition will operate.

CHAMPIONSHIP AND CEDA DEBATE:

1. SCHEDULING: In these divisions scheduling will follow the general form outlined above under "General Debate Rules" up to and including the sixth round. In the seventh

round hidden quarterfinals will be held. In the eighth round hidden semifinals will be held. In this manner each team participating will debate eight rounds, with the finalists not announced until after eight rounds have been completed. A final round (ninth) will be held between the two winners of the semifinal round.

2. FORMAT: A cross-examination style of debate will be observed in these divisions. The debaters will decide which affirmative speakers will question the negative speakers and which negative speakers will question the affirmative speakers, but each participant will question and be questioned. Time limits for speeches will be:

First affirm. constructive	8 min.
Cross-exam by neg.	3 min.
First neg. constructive	8 min.
Cross-exam by affirm.	3 min.
Second affirm. constructive	8 min.
Cross-exam by neg.	3 min.
Second neg. constructive	8 min.
Cross-exam by affirm.	3 min.
First neg. rebuttal	4 min.
First affirm. rebuttal	4 min.
Second neg. rebuttal	4 min.
Second affirm. rebuttal	4 min.

3. The CEDA topic for the second semester will be utilized for this Division (not available at press time).

TRADITIONAL DEBATE:

1. FORMAT: The traditional 10-5 format will be used.

LINCOLN-DOUGLAS (ONE-PERSON) DEBATE:

- 1. SUBJECTS: Two topics will be used:
 - (a) "Resolved: that censorship is a greater moral evil than pornography."

(b) "Resolved: that United States Government foreign espionage activities since 1960 have done on balance more harm than good.

2. FORMAT:

Affirm. constructive	7 min.
Cross-exam by neg.	3 min.
Neg. constructive	8 min.
Cross-exam by affirm.	3 min.
Affirm, rebuttal	4 min.
Neg. rebuttal	6 min.
Affirm, rebuttal	4 min.

(NOTE THAT TWO LINCOLN - DOUGLAS DEBATES ARE SCHEDULED FOR 1½ HOUR TIME SLOTS.)

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS GENERAL

ENTRIES:

- 1. Each chapter may enter three contestants in each event.
- 2. Contestants must be present at the beginning of each round (except in extemporaneous and impromptu speaking; see specific rules) and should remain until the round has been concluded. This rule precludes scheduling individual contestants in events that are held simultaneously.
- 3. No participant may utilize the same presentation in more than one event.
- 4. A manuscript or an outline, whichever is used by the speaker, in all prepared events must be available in each round and available to the tournament committee upon request.

- 5. Failure to meet either the general rules or the rules specified below for each event will result in a contestant's being ineligible for any final rating.
- 6. Judges will provide time signals to contestants. Time cards will be available for those those wish to use them.

ROUNDS:

- 1. There will be three rounds of competition in each event. Each contestant must participate in all rounds to receive a final rating.
- 2. All sections of each event will be scheduled simultaneously according to the published convention schedule. The number of sections will be determined by the number of contestants entered in each event.

JUDGING:

- 1. Judging for oratory, impromptu, extemporaneous speaking, informative speaking, speaking to entertain, dramatic duo, and oral interpretation will be done by two judges in each section in each round. The judges will rank only the four highest ranking speakers, indicating first, second, third, and fourth place. All others in each section will be ranked fifth. Judges will include written comments on the ballot. Judges will not reveal rankings or decisions to the contestants.
- 2. Specific rules for judging discussants are listed under the specific rules for Discussion.

AWARDS:

1. Superior ratings will be awarded to the top 10 percent of contestants in each event.

- 2. Excellent ratings will be awarded to the next 20 percent.
- 3. Good ratings will be awarded to the next 30 percent.

SPECIFIC

ORATORY:

- 1. Orations must not exceed ten minutes in length and shall contain not more than 150 words of quoted material exclusive of direct discourse, dialogue, or other stylistic devices created by the speaker.
- 2. Orations should not be the original work of the contestants and should be designed to convince, inspire, and/or motivate.
- 3. A typed copy of the oration must be submitted at registration. A typed cover sheet for the oration must include the name of the school, the legible signature of the student attesting to the originality of the oration, the number of words, the number of quoted words, and attestation that the oration has not been delivered prior to this school year. All quoted material should be documented in footnotes. The oration delivered should conform to the manuscript, and it must be delivered without notes or manuscript.

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING:

1. The general area will be: "America in the early 80's." Subtopics for each round shall be:

Round I "International Problems and Policies"
Round II "National Problems and

Policies"

Round III "Social and Cultural Values and Styles"

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Specific topics for each round will be drawn by the Contest Committee.

- 2. Speeches must not exceed six minutes in length.
- 3. Topics for extemporaneous speeches will be posted in a designated room at five minute intervals. Speakers will choose from posted topics and must speak in the order in which they draw. Speakers will report to their assigned sections one-half hour after drawing.

ORAL INTERPRETATION OF PROSE:

- 1. The program of each contestant for each round must not exceed eight minutes, including material read from a prepared manuscript, an extemporaneous introduction, and transitions.
- 2. The content of each program may include more than one selection with the arrangement centered on an integrated theme. The material must be taken from published literature of quality. Plays are prohibited.
- 3. Contestants are to place primary emphasis on the vocal aspects of interpretation and to keep overt physical manifestations to a minimum.

ORAL INTERPRETATION OR POETRY:

Same rules as oral interpretation of prose.

DRAMATIC DUO:

1. A cutting (scene) from a play, humorous or serious, involving the portrayal of two characters presented by two individuals. This is not an acting event. Thus, no costumes, props, lighting, etc., are to be used.

2. Presentation is from the manuscript and the focus should be off-stage and not to each other. Maximum time limit is 10 minutes.

INFORMATIVE SPEAKING:

- 1. Informative speeches should be essentially non-persuasive, dealing with concepts, processes, ideas, or objects.
- 2. Audio-visual aids may be used but are not required. The tournament management cannot be responsible for supplying equipment or special facilities.
- 3. The speech may be memorized or delivered extemporaneously. It may be delivered with or without notes, but not more than eight minutes will be allotted each speaker.
- 4. The speech shall be the original production of the speaker and shall not have been delivered prior to the current school year.

SPEAKING TO ENTERTAIN:

- 1. Speeches to entertain should be designed primarily for audience enjoyment. They should be thematically unified, in good taste, and develop a significant point.
- 2. The speech may be memorized or delivered extemporaneously. It may be delivered with or without notes, but no more than eight minutes will be allotted each speaker.
- 3. The speech shall be the original production of the speaker and shall not have been delivered prior to the current school year.