

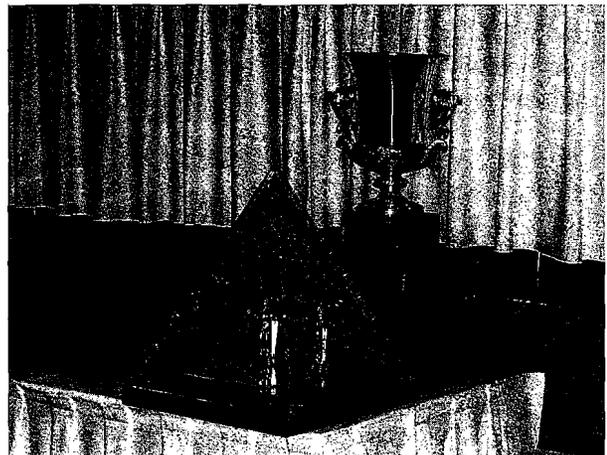
The Sigrid Larmon National Championship  
Traveling Trophy



Keynote speaker was Tom Strong, former  
Southwest Missouri State debater and  
practicing lawyer who headed the State of  
Missouri Tobacco Suit.



Opening Night Banquet



The Rex Copeland First Round Traveling  
Trophy and the NDT Walker Second Place  
Traveling Trophy

# ***The National Debate Tournament***

## ***THE YEARS AT WEST POINT***

In 1947, it was unusual to find debate teams crossing the country or meeting a rival team more than once or twice. Most debate tournaments were local or regional in nature. There was no place where top teams from across the country could compete. The West Point National Intercollegiate Tournament was organized and conducted by the United States Military Academy to provide such an experience—where top teams from across the nation could meet. The tournament rules were determined by West Point Administration in consultation with such debate coaches as A. Craig Baird of the University of Iowa, G.M. Musgrave of Des Moines, Alan Nichols of USC, E.R. Nichols of the University of Redlands, and Joseph O'Brien of Pennsylvania State University.

Seven regions were set up to identify top teams, and select 29 colleges to participate in five seeding rounds and four eliminations over a three-day period. Some of the features of the tournament stipulated that no school would meet a school within 500 miles of itself during the seeding rounds and that no coach would judge a school from his or her own district. Several traditions started at West Point remain in practice today: the "big board," oral announcement of pairings, and three judges in each preliminary round.

West Point administered the tournament for the first twenty years of its history. Initially there were no fees; housing and meals were provided by the Academy. For the first few years coaches stayed in the homes of Academy officers. All entertainment facilities on the base were free, except for the Post Theatre, which charged 15¢ a movie (Debaters Magazine, 1947). During these years the tournament was expanded from 29 to 38 teams. After a series of tab room errors, a committee of coaches was set up to "review" the results of the prelims before elimination rounds began (Parson, "The NDT at Fifty").

### ***THE AMERICAN FORENSIC ASSOCIATION TAKES OVER***

#### ***The Early Years: 1967-1974***

In 1966 West Point Commandant William Westmoreland informed George Ziegelmüller, then President of the American Forensic Association, that the Academy would no longer host the tournament. The reason cited was "budget constraints," and the decision came as a complete surprise to the forensic community. Four coaches, Annabel Hagood of Alabama, Herb James of Dartmouth, William Reynolds of Georgetown and Ziegelmüller of Wayne State formed an interim transition committee, with Hagood and James focusing on the problem of finance.

The early years of the AFA sponsored tournament (1967-1975) were marked by coaches planning, setting guidelines and eligibility rules, searching for a director as well as a tournament site; they were years of change. The first chair of what became the National Debate Tournament Committee was Annabel Hagood, and the first NDT Director, Stan Rives. The initial committee assumption was that it would pick a different director for each year. Following Rives as director were Richard Rieke in 1968 at Brooklyn College, Roger Hufford in 1969 at Northern Illinois, Dave Matheny in 1970 at the University of Houston, and John Lehman in 1971 at Macalester College and again in 1972 at the University of Utah. This period was marked by the development of coaches' responsibility for all aspects of the tournament, which was renamed The National Debate Tournament. Beginning in 1970, it was possible for a school to have two of its teams qualify to the NDT; this occurred after much heated debate (and a fear that some school would "close-out" the NDT which apparently would constitute an embarrassment).

Districts were reconstituted but remained eight in number until a new district (District IX) representing the Rocky Mountain States was added, and an initial allotment of bids for each district was negotiated. The NDT Committee sought a way to recognize teams achieving outstanding records throughout the season,

and the first-round at-large bids were invented to begin operation in 1971. Initially the Committee proposed a list of 10 major tournaments during the year, the winner of which would get an automatic bid to the NDT; since a team might win more than one tournament, the second place would earn a bid if the winner had already received one. With some modification, this system worked for two years (although there were disagreements over which constituted the top ten tournaments for a particular year), but by 1973 the Committee had changed to the current system—having 16 bids awarded on the basis of a team's full season record.

The early 1970s also saw a shift in tournament format. Occasionally a negative team would want to know something about an affirmative plan in the hope of linking a particular disadvantage. The practice was for the first negative to outline a series of questions to be answered in the second affirmative. During the early 1970s there was some movement to adopt a format which allowed direct questioning of each speaker, and the cross-exam format was adopted for the 1976 NDT; while some invitational tournaments initially kept the old format, it was not long before cross examination debate became dominant.

### *The Later Years: 1975-2001*

Merwyn Hayes of Wake Forest directed the NDT in 1973 and 1974. After his surprise resignation in the fall of 1974, a member of his tab room staff, Mike Hazen of Wake Forest was chosen to direct the NDT, a post he held until 1983. The tournament remained the same size (62 teams; it had been increased from 46 teams in 1973), and used the same method of pairing (high-high power match in odd number rounds; high-low within brackets for even numbered rounds). It also placed the same number of teams into the elimination rounds: 16.

David Zarefsky of Northwestern replaced Hazen as director, and ran the tournament from 1984 until 1989. The size of the tournament moved from 62 teams to 74 teams by 1988 and the elimination rounds expanded to include all teams with five wins and thirteen ballots. This was also the decade of the first experiment with computer tabulation, and it occurred at the 1988 tournament (Zarefsky interview). Gary Larson had developed a computer program for pairing and judge placement, but it was backed up in the traditional manner. In 1989 the experiment was tried again, but the computer program crashed early, and the tournament was gently removed from machine control.

Several changes took place in the early 1990s when the tournament was directed by Al Johnson. The tournament size was determined by a complex set of formulas, with the number of teams ranging from 68 to 78, the maximum allowed. Six schools could now have a third team qualify to enter the tournament. The tournament began experimenting again with computer programs, this time with one developed by Rich Edwards of Baylor University (Edwards, Tab-Room-on-the-Mac). The NDT Committee made changes in pairing assumptions, with the number of high-high power matched rounds reduced from three to one.

The 1996 Golden Anniversary NDT brought more than one hundred alums to Wake Forest University where the Anniversary tournament was held. Alumni listened to rounds (with mixed reactions), visited with Former Senator and Presidential Candidate George McGovern, with the current debaters and with each other. Bill Southworth and Allan Loudon prepared an elaborate tournament booklet, featuring a great deal of the 50 year happenings of the NDT.

From 1988 on, participation in elimination rounds was limited to teams which had collected 5 wins and 13 ballots, which meant that typically one to three teams with 5 wins and fewer ballots were denied the chance to participate. From 1997 on, the NDT Committee changed the rules so that all teams with 5 wins regardless of ballot count could advance to the elimination rounds (up to a total of 32).

This was also the first year that the NDT Committee experimented with e-mail for first and second round at-large submissions, with mixed results. The 1998-99 NDT Committee voted to allow third teams from more than six schools to qualify if the allocation of second round at large bids was not filled by qualified teams. For the 1999 and 2000 NDT, that number of third teams remained at six; the tournament was at its maximum: 78 teams.

The 2002 **Lucy Keele Award** was presented to **Pat Ganer**, former member of the NDT Board of Trustees and its tab room. She also served as President of the American Forensic Association. The **George Ziegelmueller Awards** went to **Karla Leeper**, Debate Director at Baylor and NDT Host, shown on p.14 with George Ziegelmueller, and to **Herb James**, long-time debate coach at Dartmouth College and member of the NDT Committee and Board of Trustees.

The 2001-2002 debate resolution was "Resolved: That the United States Federal Government should substantially increase federal control throughout Indian Country in one or more of the following areas: child welfare, criminal justice, employment, environmental protection, gaming, resource management, taxation." The Indian Country topic produced a wide range of interesting and detailed debates. Common affirmative cases focused on subjects as diverse as the placement of foster children, the extraction of natural resources, waste disposal, gaming regulations, and research conducted in Indian Countries. Negative positions explored issues including federal control (versus state control or Indian self determination), international precedents, political consequences, and even our representation of Indians. In the final round, Northwestern ran a new case which extended denied states' taxation authority over natural gas extraction in Indian Country in order to end dual taxation and fuel industry investment to reduce dependence on foreign oil. Kentucky ran a negative strategy which included a state counterplan and a Bush disadvantage discussing Iraq. The judges voted for the affirmative on a 4 to 1 decision.

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Donn W. Parson, editor Lawrence, Kansas June, 2002



Marion and Holt Spicer. Spike, 1951 & 52 NDT Champion, served as long-time SMS debate director and later as Dean of the College.

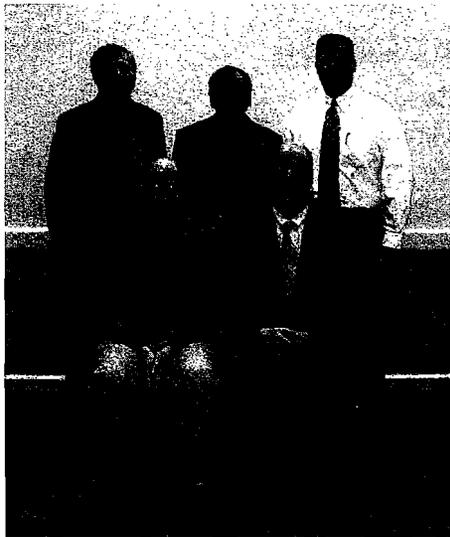


Don Stanton, former SMS debate director and Cary Adams, current Communication Studies Department Chair.

## **2002 National Debate Tournament Administration**



NDT Committee members, Front: David Hingstman, Jeff Parcher, Joel Rollins, Sarah Partlow, Dallas Perkins, Fred Sternhagen, Greg Achten. Back: T.C. Winebrenner, Ross Smith, Catherine Palczewski, Chair, Glen Frappier, Scott Deatherage



Conducting the financial planning and execution of the NDT is the Board of Trustees. Resting: George Ziegelmueeller, John Gossett, Chair. Standing: Tom Hollihan, Tim Hynes, & Brett O'Donnell, Treasurer

The 2002 Tab Room included:  
Front: Donn W. Parson,  
Director, Rich Edwards. Back:  
John Fritch, host, Arnie  
Madsen, Erik Doxtader, Neil  
Phillips



## **56<sup>th</sup> National Debate Tournament Results**

### **First Round At Large Rankings**

	<b>Team</b>	<b>Debaters</b>	<b>Sum of Ranks</b>
1	Dartmouth BT	Alex Berger & Ben Thorpe	12
2	Northwestern FP	Jacob Foster & Jonathan Paul	21
3	Michigan State CM	Austin Carson & Calum Matheson	33
4	Berkeley NS	Stacy Nathan & Dan Shalmon	51
5	Whitman BO	Thad Blank & Charles Olney	68
6	Michigan State SS	Greta Stahl & David Strauss	73
7	Fort Hays State RR	Joe Ramsey & Jason Regnier	82
8	Emory RW	John Raines & Kacey Wolmer	88
9	Kentucky HT	Russ Hubbard & Mike Tetzlaff	101
10	Northwestern FG	Paul Flaig & Geoff Garen	114
11	Wake Forest ES	Rebecca Eaton & Patrick Speice	125
12	West Georgia EH	Rashad Evans & Sarah Holbrook	136
13	Harvard KT	Michael Klinger & Elliott Tarloff	153
14	Berkeley HS	Nathan Haratani & Tejinder Singh	155
15	Emory GL	Adam Goldstein & Josh Lynn	156
16	Southern Cal MS	Chris McFarlane & Andy Silverman	193

### **2002 TOP SPEAKERS**

1	Alex Berger	Dartmouth	633
2	Adriana Midence	Michigan	628.5
3	John Rains	Emory	628.5 (Tie)
	Calum Matheson	Michigan State	628.5 (Tie)
5	Russ Hubbard	Kentucky	628.5
6	Geoff Garen	Northwestern	628
7	Jason Regnier	Fort Hays State	627.5
8	Joe Ramsey	Fort Hays State	626
9	Dan Shalmon	Berkeley	625.5 (Tie)
	Sarah Holbrook	West Georgia	625.5 (Tie)
11	Paul Flaig	Northwestern	625
12	Ben Thorpe	Dartmouth	625
13	Peter McCollum	Gonzaga	624
14	Greta Stahl	Michigan State	623.5
15	Jasdeep Brar	Texas	623.5 (Tie)
	Austin Carson	Michigan State	623.5 (Tie)
17	Jonathan Paul	Northwestern	623
18	Tejinder Singh	Berkeley	622.5
19	Jacob Foster	Northwestern	622.5
20	Andrew Leong	Dartmouth	622.5

## 2002 Qualifying Teams

	Team	Debaters	Wins	Ballots	Points
1	Michigan State CM	Austin Carson & Calum Matheson	7	19	1252.5
2	Kentucky HT	Russ Hubbard & Mike Tetzlaff	7	19	1248.5
3	Texas BM	Jasdeep Brar & Jonathan McCartney	7	17	1245
4	Fort Hays State RR	Joe Ramsey & Jason Regnier	7	16	1253.5
5	Michigan FO	Jonah Feldman & John Oden	6	20	1238.5
6	Emory RW	John Raines & Kacey Wolmer	6	19	1247.5
7	Dartmouth BT	Alex Berger & Ben Thorpe	6	18	1258
8	Northwestern FG	Paul Flaig & Geoff Garen	6	18	1253.5
9	West Georgia EH	Rashad Evans & Sarah Holbrook	6	18	1246
10	USC MS	Chris McFarlane & Andy Silverman	6	17	1239
11	Michigan State SS	Greta Stahl & David Strauss	6	16	1244
12	Michigan MV	Adriana Midence & Shaun Van Horn	6	16	1240.5
13	Northwestern FP	Jacob Foster & Jonathan Paul	5	17	1245.5
14	Emory GL	Adam Goldstein & Josh Lynn	5	17	1236.5
15	Berkeley NS	Stacy Nathan & Dan Shalmon	5	16	1246.5
16	Dartmouth LT	Andrew Leong & John Turner	5	16	1241.5
17	Wake Forest ES	Rebecca Eaton & Patrick Speice	5	16	1238.5
18	Georgetown GS	Sarah Gragert & Arsalan Suleman	5	16	1212
19	Whitman BO	Thad Blank & Chales Olney	5	14	1243.5
20	Berkeley KM	Ivo Keller & Matt MacDonald	5	14	1240.5
21	Berkeley HS	Nathan Haratani & Tejinder Singh	5	14	1238.5
22	Gonzaga LM	Chris Losnegard & Peter McCollum	5	13	1236.5
23	Northwestern GL	Raja Gaddipati & Jim Lux	5	13	1235.5
24	Wake Forest DP	Chris DeVault & Michael Perry	5	13	1229
25	Kansas AW	Sarah Apel & Melanie Wilson	5	13	1226.5
26	North Texas PS	Nirav Patel & Jason Sykes	5	13	1223.5
27	Wayne State GW	Stephanie Gerali & Mike Weitz	5	13	1220.5
28	West Georgia ET	Wallace Eastwood & James Thomas	5	12	1227.5



The West Georgia University team of Sarah Holbrook and Rashad Evans.

### Third Place Teams



The Michigan State University team of David Strauss and Greta Stahl.

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## Southwest Missouri State University

### March 23-March 26, 2002

## Elimination Round Results

### Double Octafinal Round Results

Michigan State CM Advances without debating

Kentucky HT Advances without debating

Texas BM Advances without debating

Ft. Hays St. RR Advances without debating

Michigan FO (Neg) defeated West Georgia ET	4-1 Finch	Russell Kall, Aaron	*Perkins Peterson Jason
Emory RW (Neg) defeated Wayne State GW	5-0 Frappier	Lawrence Hall, Michael	Holland Rayburn
Dartmouth BT (Neg) defeated North Texas PS	5-0 Todd	Skarb, Justin Sbarr, Jon	McBride Falconer
Northwestern FG (Neg) defeated Kansas AW	5-0 Horowitz	Galloway Hester	Hoe Emerson
West Georgia EH (Neg) defeated Wake Forest DP	3-2 *Ardebeli	Wenban Ellis	Hernandez *Kimball
USC MS (Aff) defeated Northwestern GL	4-1 Wells	Harris, Sean Krein	Coffman *Phares
Michigan State SS (Aff) defeated Gonzaga LM	3-2 Achten	Solt *Atchison	Lundberg *Opsata
Berkeley HS (Aff) defeated Michigan MV	4-1 Jenkins	Smith, Ross *Davis, Daniel	Strange Palczewski
Northwestern FP (Aff) defeated Berkeley KM	5-0 Ghali	Stables Scannapieco	Lacy Slusher
Whitman BO (Aff) defeated Emory GL	3-2 *Woidan	Mancuso *Morrow	Bauschard Hall, Sherry
Berkeley NS (Neg) defeated Georgetown GS	4-1 Fitzmier	*Brovero Repko	Heidt Langwell
Dartmouth LT (Neg) defeated Wake Forest ES	3-2 *Luskey	Eber Harris, Scott	Bruschke *Peterson Andy

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### Octafinal Round Results

Michigan State CM (Neg) defeated Dartmouth LT	4-1 Smith, Ross	Todd Symonds, Adam	*Emerson Stetson
Kentucky HT (Neg) defeated Berkeley NS	7-0 Parcher	Hall, Sherry Kimball Finch	Ryan Langwell Baisley
Whitman BO (Neg) defeated Texas BM	5-0 Fitzmier	Solt Brovero	Repko Peterson Jason
Northwestern FP (Aff) defeated Ft. Hays St. RR	3-2 Achten	Atchison Luskey	*Garen *Newnam
Berkeley HS (Neg) defeated Michigan FO	5-2 *Galloway	Harris, Sean Harris, Scott Smith, Nate	*Ghali Barsness Peterson Andy
Michigan State SS (Neg) defeated Emory RW	4-1 Russell	*McBride Opsata	Skarb, Justin Thompson
Dartmouth BT (Aff) defeated USC MS	5-0 Eber	Roland Zompetti	Woidan Lundberg
West Georgia EH (Neg) defeated Northwestern FG	5-0 Falconer	Lacy Horowitz	Lawrence O'Leary

### Quarterfinal Round Results

West Georgia EH (Neg) defeated Michigan State CM	4-1 Langwell	*Roland Peterson Jason	Stetson Skarb, Justin
Kentucky HT (Neg) defeated Dartmouth BT	4-1 Fitzmier	*Stables Sharp, Jon	Hester Perkins
Michigan State SS (Aff) defeated Whitman BO	3-2 *Ryan	Saloom Phares	Scannapiece *Horowitz
Northwestern FP (Neg) defeated Berkeley HS	4-1 Russell	Davis, Daniel *Garen	Repko Harris, Sean

### Semifinal Round Results

Northwestern FP (Aff) defeated West Georgia EH	4-1 Peterson Andy	Harris, Scott Luskey	Heidt *Breshears
Kentucky HT (Neg) defeated Michigan State SS	4-1 Kelly	Smith, Ross Hall, Sherry	Strange *Fitzmier

### Final Round Results

Northwestern FP (Aff) defeated Kentucky HT	4-1 Ardebali	*Galloway Hester	Heidt Luskey
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