

**NATIONAL FORENSIC ASSOCIATION
NEWSLETTER, AUGUST 1, 2005**

Dear Colleague:

LINCOLN DOUGLAS DEBATE:

According to the timeline and procedures of the NFA, this Newsletter will be the official announcement of the NFA Lincoln Douglas Debate topic for the academic year of 2005 - 2006. The topic for debate is as follows:

RESOLVED: THAT THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD ADOPT A POLICY TO INCREASE THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING NATIONS: TIBET, BHUTAN, AFGHANISTAN, NEPAL, MYANMAR, THAILAND, EAST TIMOR, INDONESIA, PHILIPPINES, AND/OR PAKISTAN.

Please make note of this topic and pass it along to others that may not be a member of the NFA but will be holding Lincoln Douglas debate competition at their tournaments.

Please consult the NFA Webpage for the complete rules and regulations regarding Lincoln Douglas Debate.

This topic was selected following the procedures established by the Lincoln Douglas committee for the selection of the topic area and resolution for the year 2005-2006.

The Lincoln Douglas topic selection process for the year 2006-2007 will be announced in a forthcoming edition of the NFA Newsletter. Members of the committee for 2006-2007 selection process will be announced in the next edition of the NFA Newsletter.

NFA 2006 TOURNAMENT:

The 2006 NFA Tournament will be held at the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire on April 14 – 17, 2006. Please remember that this is a condensed schedule, with registration for the tournament on Thursday evening, April 13, and rounds beginning early on Friday morning at 8:00 a.m. The tentative schedule for the tournament will be announced in the next edition of the Newsletter schedule for early September.

HOST FOR 2007 – 2008 – 2009:

Anyone school interested in hosting the NFA tournament in 2007 is invited to submit their bid to the President of the NFA as soon as possible. It is the desire of the National Council to have bids for 2007 discussed at the NCA Convention in Boston this November, with the final announcement to be made at the NFA Tournament in Eau Claire in April, 2006. Anyone wishing information regarding the hosting is encouraged to contact the President of NFA for specific details.

Hosts are also being encouraged to submit bids for the years of 2008 and 2009 as well. If future sites can be determined early, it will make it easier for all members to plan forensic schedules accordingly. The Council encourages member schools to look at their schedule and local arrangements to see if they may be able to serve as a host.

MEMBERSHIP LIST:

This Newsletter is being sent to all those schools that attended the 2005 NFA tournament as well as those schools that paid their membership for 2005-2006. In addition, it has been sent to the IE-L as well. We will be working on making sure our membership list is up to date so please inform others that may not receive this mailing, to contact us if they have paid their fees for 2005-2006 and are not on the mailing list.

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Yours truly,

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