

# Leaguer

## A GRAND idea

### Denius-UIL Excellence Award to honor contributions made by contest sponsors

The UIL is completing plans for the creation of a program to make cash awards to 10 outstanding sponsors of school activities. The program, called the Denius-UIL Sponsor Excellence Award, seeks to "identify and recognize each year 10 outstanding sponsors who assist students in developing and refining their extracurricular talents to the highest degree possible," said Dr. Bill Stamps, assistant to the UIL director. "We have the large elements for the scholarship set, although we have not finalized all aspects of the program."

Dr. Bailey Marshall, UIL director, said the League has been concerned that contest sponsors do not receive the recognition that they deserve. "We recognize that the quality of the benefits of educational competition for students is directly attributable to the knowledge, values, ability and enthusiasm of the sponsor, coach or director," he said. "We wanted to honor teachers with something other than purely symbolic awards, and this program allows us an opportunity to do so."

Nominations are to be made by peers or members of the community, and nominees may be either athletic coaches, fine arts directors or academic contest sponsors. Local nominees will receive a certificate from the UIL and will be recognized locally. Additionally,

the 10 chosen to receive the awards will receive a \$1000 cash award and an appropriate symbolic memento.

Among the criteria to be considered in the selection process are:

- accomplishments of students as a result of the sponsor's leadership over a 5-year period;
- indications that the sponsor is receiving maximum results from existing resources;
- and recommendation of the sponsor by the principal as an effective teacher in non-UIL classroom activities.

Also, nominees will be required to submit a philosophical statement regarding the role of competitive activities in the secondary curriculum.

The selection committee will attempt to recognize sponsors from each of the three categories of UIL activities, Stamps said. Nominations will be accepted in the spring and winners announced by September 15, 1991.

The awards are made possible by a grant from the Effie and Woffard Cain Foundation. Mr. Frank W. Denius, for whom the award is named, has been a director of the Cain Foundation since 1955 and Executive Committee Chairman from 1983 to the present. Denius was also chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of the Southern Union Company prior to its sale in February, 1990.

## Special study committee defeats 6A proposal

A special University Interscholastic League committee voted 7-0 April 17 against a proposal to create a 6A conference of schools with larger enrollments.

Members of the Reclassification and Realignment Study Committee decided against making any recommendations on the matter until they have a chance to review the three team playoff format in class 5A that has won approval of the State Board of Education and will go into effect this fall.

"The committee did acknowledge a

need for some future relief for schools in the lower range of conference enrollment, not only in 5A but also in other conferences," said Dr. Bill Farney, UIL athletic director.

"It is possible that Crawford ISD Supt. Kenneth Judy will present to the Policy Committee of the Legislative Council in June a proposal to alleviate the plight of smaller schools in Conference A," Farney added. Judy is a member of the Legislative Council representing Region IV, conference A.



Photo by KIRK J. CRIPPENS.

POETIC JUSTICE. Jennifer Zepeda of Seagraves High School is congratulated by her coach after being named the Conference 2A poetry champion at the UIL State Meet Academic Contests, May 4-5 in Austin. The awards announcement was made in the Lyndon Baines Johnson Auditorium. For complete state meet academic results, turn to pages 4/5.



## Dollars vs. values

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By JIM WATKINS

Win — pressure; victory — pressure; choose — pressure; practice, practice, practice — pressure. Sound familiar? These are the words and ideas that we are preaching to our high school athletes.

Today, high school sports are BIG dollar productions. Victory and winning teams mean dollars for the athletic department, new uniforms, travel, prestige for community. But where are we going with our athletes and their values? What type of future do we see for tomorrow's players? What have we done to the play for the love-of-the-game attitude? Have we changed to a play-for-the-dollar attitude?

Years ago, many young men and women played athletics for the pleasure and the thrill. It was fun, exciting and for some a little glamour. We loved the games, had fun, celebrated in victory and cried in defeat. Where are we now? What has happened to change these innocent games to mortal combat?

As our society has evolved, we have become a nation of conditional support givers, e.g., "if you win we will support you." "If you don't we will go on to something else." We have replaced camaraderie and team desire with victory and money.

Television, sports publications — the entire media service has placed all athletic events in a win only mode. If we don't win, we receive little if any publicity. In order to receive media attention, we must produce winners.

How has this winning attitude

changed high school athletics? We now specialize. We make athletes decide the sport in which they will participate, what coach they like the best, what perks they are to receive, and then tell them they must give themselves to the program 12 months a year. We practice our athletic teams constantly to keep up with the other coaches and programs. We direct our athletes to summer camps, summer league play, practice out of season (until some get caught), demand total dedication to our phase of life. We have sold ourselves to victory at all costs.

When do kids get to be kids? I am not against working hard as a team to develop a winning program and a proud program. I am concerned with the method we are using to achieve this end. Families now must postpone or even cancel summer vacations or Christmas vacations so that their sons and daughters can play in tournaments or take part in a summer camp. This has added in breaking down the family unit.

When athletic administrators have let the universities and colleges and the camp organizers (and now the shoe manufacturers) control our very lives. We pay money to universities for summer camps to allow their coaching staffs to view and recruit our young people at our expense. We have allowed rating services to exploit our young people. In our desire to be noticed, we have let others manipulate us and our programs.

It is time we took a look at ourselves and our programs. Our country was built on dedication, desire and the will to succeed. But at what cost is victory? We need to let our athletes experience the athletic arena for the fun and pleasure of the event. We need to look at the recruiting services, the college programs and the media. Athletics has become big business. As administrators we need to review our purpose and re-examine the basic goals for athletic programs. We may have lost sight of our original goals — our purpose for becoming athletic administrators. Do our programs reflect educational values?

## Moving ahead

### Committee to study UIL housing problems

The University Interscholastic League Legislative Council established a policy in the early 1970's to maintain a reserve fund equal to the amount of budget for the succeeding year. At the end of the 1979-80 school year, the UIL reserve funds were \$1,260,167. The reserve reflected about the same amount as the annual budget, which was \$1,164,112 for that year.

Since 1979-80, the reserves have kept pace with the budget increase. In 1989-90, we began with reserves of \$2,462,357 and a budget of \$2,204,187. The Council reduced the membership fees to \$5 per school to bring the reserves for the 1989-90 school year in line with the budget.

Since the 1979-80 school year, the interest income from these reserves has totaled \$1,095,728. This has allowed the membership dues and other budgeted income to be established at an average of \$110,000 less than budgeted expenditures each year.

In 1988-89, the Legislative Council established a Finance Committee for the UIL. This committee serves as a recommending board to The University of Texas administration regarding the UIL budget. It also recommends policy changes to the UIL Legislative Council regarding the League's budget. The University administration has cooperated well with the UIL Council regarding the Council's suggestions and policies, and this relationship is not likely to change.

In January 1990, the Finance Committee voted to recommend a policy change to the Legislative Council to limit the reserves to \$2,000,000, and to place all year ending balances over that amount into a UIL building fund.

At present, The University continues to house the UIL at no cost, but the space is inadequate and other space is unavailable.



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### Director's Viewpoint

able. It is possible that The University may approve a cooperative purchase or construction arrangement to house the UIL within the next two years. The Legislative Council has established a Facilities Committee to explore solutions to the housing problem.

The University Interscholastic League annual budget is less than many states even though Texas has more activities, more schools, and more students participating in activities than any other state. One of the primary reasons the costs to the schools have been minimal is due to the low cost and no cost services that have been provided by The University of Texas over the past 80 years. The University continues to provide this service to the public schools and the students as a part of the public service mission of The University.

Students have benefitted greatly from the working relationship between The University and the public schools that has resulted in the UIL as we know it today. It is my hope that school administrators, athletic coaches, contest sponsors, and board members will write The University of Texas at Austin President William Cunningham to thank him for the services provided by The University to the schools through the UIL program.

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**"The arts provide unique ways of knowing about the world and should be central to learning for this reason alone."**

**David Rockefeller, Jr.  
Coming to Our Senses**

## Music district alignment correction

In the March/April issue of the *Leaguer*, four counties were incorrectly illustrated as being reassigned to UIL Music District 1. Parmer, Castro, Brisco and Hall counties will remain in Music District 16 for the 1990-91 and 1991-92 school terms.

Schools in these counties will continue their music contest participation as they have during the current biennium.

# A true measure of our success

As we complete yet another school term, put away music, have the uniforms or robes cleaned for the last time and turn in final grade reports, each of us begins to reflect on the successes and failures of the past nine months. For some of us, this evaluation process is often triggered by the inquiry of a friend or colleague asking, "How did your year go?" Others in our profession are ushered into this evaluation process via that internal yardstick that challenges us to ponder, "Was it all worth it?"

Regardless of the motivation, this period of "taking stock" is a natural component of professional measure and growth. Many times, when I hear someone discuss these issues, the analysis is somehow tied to the competition results that punctuate our annual schedule. Typical comments that accompany this form of evaluation include "We made our 10th Sweepstakes in a row!" or "My students earned more chairs in the All-Region Band than any of our competition." Negative assessments that are generated by this mind-set might result in such



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## Music Matters

conclusions as "We got lousy ratings at contest because nobody on the panel understood our problems" or "My students can't take private lessons so we don't have a chance."

This form of evaluation has little substance in the true arena of music education and the meaningful assessment of progress in our programs. What does really matter? Surely we should be more concerned with the quality of repertoire that our students performed and how they grew from the experience. Seeing students become aware of key musical insights and be excited about the work of a gifted composer, a new musical concept

or special performance experience should be one of our greatest measures of relative success or failure. These kinds of revelations are the essence of our programs. It is crucial that each of us have meaningful priorities and goals in place for our students. These expectations cannot focus solely on "Making a one", "Beating the competition", or "Winning the most medals." Such measures are the results of hard work, dedication and commitment. Competitive achievements are not an end in themselves and, above all, they are not the ultimate yardstick of musical performance and growth.

As each of us assess the merits of the year, let's be mindful of the fact that music education serves no function unless it enhances musical awareness, initiates artistic understanding and builds an appreciation of music that will last a lifetime. Such an appraisal will surely lead us to make worthy decisions in terms of repertoire, performances and musical priorities. Our students deserve no less and our profession will not survive without such vision and commitment.

# Looking ahead to State OAP, fall activities

I like to finish the year by thanking everybody that made the 64th year of OAP a profitable and productive educational experience. It has been a good year. No, everybody wasn't happy with the results and there were three communities that were particularly unhappy about the advancing schools, the judge, and the contest site. I guess that means they are about as normal as the rest of us.

The parents and supporters in those unhappy communities do not think one judge is fair and hosting a contest in a participating school facility is a lousy way to organize. Perhaps they should encourage building theatre facilities in their community and offer to host. It is not an easy task and everybody deserves the opportunity.

There will be opportunities for several new area sites next year. Some current managers do not wish to host any longer and other sites will be lost because of changing conferences or districts. I haven't started on area organization for next year, but a casual look at district alignments will let you know that changes must be made. I hope all current area sites will hang on to April 5-6 until I know what is going to happen. All area meets must be held these dates because of the required testing in all schools April 2-4.

You can look forward to using the *Handbook for One-Act Play, 11th Edition* for another year. An addendum will be



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## Educational Theatre

published next September. Yes, I know I said this last month, but some of you are still trying to operate with editions 7th - 10th. Throw away or bronze all copies earlier than the 11th Edition.

Any teacher looking for a different way to spend a productive three weeks should consider TETA's Teachers' Summer Rep Company June 24 - July 15 at East Texas State University in Commerce. Contact Kay Coughenour for details. Wouldn't you really like to act (or at least perform) again, receive course credit, and have fun with 20 of your colleagues?

I have received several calls about the Annual TETA Secondary School Theatre Teacher's Workshop. It is set for July 13-15 at ETSU, the final three days of Summer Rep. The site hosts are Elain Bent, Mesquite, and Jan Jones, Tyler Robert E. Lee. Participants in this program will gain a full measure of theatre ideas in terrific programs. John Steele, Plano, has been

scheduling events for the past few weeks and he reports that the information is in the mail.

Ten of the best high schools teachers in Texas were honored April 18 as recipients of the Fourth Annual Texas Excellence Awards for Outstanding High School Teachers. These awards were given by the Ex-Students' Association of UT-Austin, in cooperation with the College of Education. The award was created in an effort to promote public esteem for the teaching profession in Texas and recognizes teachers who help prepare their students for higher education. Our own Charlotte Brown, theatre director at Gregory-Portland, was one of the recipients.

The Texas Excellence Award for Outstanding High School Teachers was funded by the Ex-Students' Association Foundation for Texas Excellence. Governor Bill Clements endorsed the association's teaching award last October by sending a letter to high school principals encouraging them to participate. There were almost 300 candidates nominated. At President George Bush's education summit meeting for governors last September, Clements listed the awards as one of eleven examples of what Texas is doing to strengthen the state's educational program.

We will all help Charlotte spend the \$1,000 cash award and I hope each of you will ask to see the commemorative sculp-

ture. No, Charlotte is not a regular feature in this column! Wonder what I can say about her in September?

We regret to report the death of an old friend and long time TETA and UIL supporter, Nick Carter. Nick died March 11 in San Antonio after a long bout with failing kidneys. We will remember Nick for his calm and tireless efforts. He was always pleasant. As a regional and area OAP contest manager or working as TD, exhibits, or local arrangements for several TETA Conventions, Nick was kind, generous, and always willing to help. Thanks Nick for coming our way.

Contributions in memory of Nick Carter may be made to: National Kidney Foundation of Texas, South Texas Chapter, 84 N.E. Loop 410, Suite 171, San Antonio, Texas 78216.

It is now Tuesday morning a few hours before the 64th Annual State Meet OAP crew starts to work. I don't know the 1990 OAP results, but I am certain the quality will be even better than past years. I am looking forward to three days of positive experiences with super people in an educational theatre experience unparalleled anywhere. I know Texas has the largest play competition in the world, but I truly believe that it is one of the strongest positive influences in educational theatre anywhere. I hope you'll be around next year to help us make it better.

Have a good summer.



# State Meet Results

## News Writing

### Conference 5A

1. Tim Walker, Midland Lee
2. Stephanie Smith, Houston Cypress Fairbanks
3. Clint Davis, El Paso Eastland
4. Vincent Aurelio, Sugar Land Kempner
5. Beverly Scull, Victoria Stroman
6. Sherly Alexander, Sugar Land Kempner

### Conference 4A

1. Sesha Kalapatapu, Taylor Katy
2. Marc Schwarz, Big Spring
3. Jennie Whitley, Midlothian
4. Lee Briggs, Port Neches-Groves
5. Cheryl Peterson, Los Fresnos
6. Jennifer Gentzyl, Liberty-Eylau Texarkana

### Conference 3A

1. Lori Watkins, Quitman
2. Kathy Klinsiek, Fredericksburg
3. Shara Stuart, Cleveland Tarkington
4. Lisa Stigler, Caldwell
5. Connie McAllister, Cuero
6. Paige Bradbury, Bellville

### Conference 2A

1. Casey McGuire, Beckville
2. Shannon Hand, Chico
3. Kayla Hunt, Clarendon
4. Jody Hyatt, Junction
5. Amy Ewing, Rivercrest Bogata
6. Julie Snyder, Iraan

### Conference A

1. Cindy Albracht, Nazareth
2. Kelly Spidel, Era
3. Mike Conrad, Groom
4. Lorelea Acker, Nazareth
5. Carol Wilson, Axtell
6. Shayla Compton, Celeste

**Tops in Texas News Writing:** Sesha Kalapatapu, Katy Taylor

## Feature Writing

### Conference 5A

1. Erin Timmerman, San Antonio Clark
2. David Lemley, Lubbock
3. Michelle Caballero, Corpus Christi Ray
4. Jung Mi Kim, Irving Nimitz
5. Johnathan Briggs, Plano East
6. Margaret Tracy, Alvin

### Conference 4A

1. Kerry Drennan, Los Fresnos
2. Kara Brandenburgh, Sulphur Springs
3. Kate Mewhinney, Stephenville
4. Jesaka Long, Pampa
5. Chris Long, Friendswood Clear Brook
6. Kim Garcia, Los Fresnos

### Conference 3A

1. Paige Bradbury, Bellville
2. Kelly Wright, Floresville
3. Michelle Barnhart, Pearsall
4. Bronwyn Reid, Robinson
5. Sara Parker, Universal City Randolph
6. Charlie Bird, Frisco

### Conference 2A

1. Heath Thomas, Ganado
2. Wendy White, Alto
3. Josh Burnaman, Groveton
4. Jana Gilbreath, Stamford
5. Stephanie Bradshaw, Canadian
6. Carey Conner, Van Alstyne

### Conference 1A

1. Beth Dial, Tenaha
2. Amy Lewis, Gail Borden
3. Rachel Romero, Gail Borden
4. Misti Hunt, Fruitvale
5. Jenny Partlow, Skidmore-Tynan
6. Melissa Holubec, Skidmore-Tynan

**Tops in Texas Feature Writing:** Erin Timmerman, San Antonio Clark

## Editorial Writing

### Conference 5A

1. Monica Perales, El Paso Coronado
2. Clint Mashburn, Rosenberg Terry
3. Dan Heath, Houston Clear Lake
4. Kathy McClintock, Austin Reagan
5. Kendal Rogers, Nacogdoches
6. Dolly Sarli, El Paso Bel Air

### Conference 4A

1. Marc Schwarz, Big Spring
2. Corin Connelly, San Antonio Alamo Heights
3. Jonathan Jarvis, Azle
4. Stephanie Bullock, Stephenville
5. Windy Green, Tyler Chapel Hill
6. Jennifer Tello, Pleasanton

### Conference 3A

1. John Henning, La Grange
2. Tonya Harper, Mt. Vernon
3. Craig Fincher, Atlanta
4. Holly Hirsch, Trinity
5. Krista Renner, Friona
6. Autumn Rives, Hampshire-Fannett

### Conference 2A

1. Patricia Campos, Three Rivers
2. Leslie Bayouth, Stamford
3. Angelee Couch, Dublin
4. Tera Sims, Forsan
5. Scott Hinshaw, Panhandle
6. Chris Coker, Malakoff Cross Roads

### Conference 1A

1. Julie Harris, Gail Borden
2. Charlotte Heyman, Menard
3. Beth Dial, Tenaha
4. Cody Robinson, Anderson
5. Ricky Trammel, Granger
6. Davon Taylor, Ropesville Ropes

**Tops in Texas Editorial Writing:** Marc Schwartz, Big Spring

## Headline Writing

### Conference 5A

1. Chris Shieh, Houston Clear Lake
2. Aaron Gangross, Spring Westfield
3. Jenny Garrigues, Mesquite North Mesquite
4. Jerrell Watts, Odessa Permian
5. Brenna Hapes, Conroe
6. Kit Purdy, Corpus Christi King

### Conference 4A

1. Ryan Caruthers, West Orange-Stark
2. Heather Loyd, Burkburnett
3. Oscar Solis, Mercedes
4. Hays Porray, Mt. Pleasant
5. Tracy Denton, Crosby
6. John Cyr, Freeport Brazosport

### Conference 3A

1. Michelle Barnhart, Pearsall
2. Kami Tilley, Hondo
3. Mike Pisaneschi, Universal City Randolph
4. Lynette Porter, Hampshire-Fannett
5. Samantha Evard, Cameron Yoe
6. Andrew Steele, Center

### Conference 2A

1. Wil Burlin, Clarendon
2. John Vermillion, Eastland
3. Melissa Harrington, Woodsboro
4. Paul Jones, Beckville
5. Lisa Coston, Wallis Brazos
6. Amy Howell, Seymour

### Conference 1A

1. Heather Brown, Groom
2. Davon Taylor, Ropesville Ropes
3. Misti Hunt, Fruitvale
4. Stephanie Byers, Earth Springlake-Earth
5. Denise Porter, Lindsay
6. Coy Callison, Rocksprings

**Tops in Texas:** Heather Brown, Groom

## Accounting

### Conference A

1. Stan Aalbers, Jayton
2. Eduardo Ramos, San Isidro
3. April Daniels, Gorman
4. Debbie Rejeck, Abbott
5. TIE: Angie Staggs, Knox City, and Tonya Todd, Rocksprings

### Conference AA

1. TIE: Bonnie Frerich, Bracketville, Justin Dudo, Overton
3. Jeff Meador, McCamey
4. Rory Cox, Dublin
5. Michelle Diener, Rosebud-Lott
6. TIE: Beth Creech, McCamey, Andrea Decker, Celina, Laura Reilly, Moody

### Conference AAA

1. Elizabeth Eska, Gonzales
2. David Hyman, Robinson
3. Mark Madrid, Friona
4. Shailesh Topiwala, Dalhart
5. TIE: Phillip McElmurray, Bowie, and Jessica Parker, Wylie

### Conference AAAAA

1. Susan Beavers, Midlothian
2. Danny Morris, Midlothian
3. Amy Williams, Rockwall
4. Tony Fideale, Burkburnett
5. TIE: Nicole Mitchell, Rockwall, and Lars Harding, Dayton

### Conference AAAAAA

1. Julia Soccio, Wichita Falls: Rider
2. Kevin Crumpton, Duncanville
3. TIE: Shaunna Lowman, San Angelo: Central, and Meg Wright, Garland: Lakeview Centennial
5. Eduardo Lozano, McAllen
6. TIE: Jeff Miller, Kingwood, Rahim Oberholtzer, Houston: Clear Lake, and Carlo Barrera, Laredo: United

## Calculator Applications

### Conference A

1. TIE: Lance Marrow, Plains and Charles Hines, Westbrook
3. John Call, Lefors
4. Layne Marrow, Plains

### Conference AA

1. Keith Taylor, Van Horn
2. Heather Jordan, Shallowater
3. Jana Muller, Cisco

### Conference AAA

1. John Dorsey, Bishop
2. Bryan Barrington, Bishop
3. Maria Diaz, Carrizo Springs

### Conference AAAAA

1. Chad Gamble, Wichita Falls: Hirschi
2. Jason Gayman, Azle
3. TIE: Chad Milstead, Carthage
3. TIE: Bobby Korn, Sulphur Springs
3. TIE: Omar Salazar, Edcouch-Elsa

### Conference AAAAAA

1. Tom Zavisca, Lubbock
2. Eduardo Echavarria, Grand Prairie
3. Anthony Parsons, Baytown: Sterling

## Calculator Applications

### Team Event

### Conference A

1. Plains: Lance Marrow, Layne Marrow, and Nieves Garcia

### Conference AA

1. Shallowater: Jimmy Garrett, Heather Jordan, Lichele Hopson

### Conference AAA

1. Bishop: John Dorsey, Bryan Barrington, Brad Charles

### Conference AAAAA

1. Azle: Billy Newsom, Jason Gayman,

## Number Sense

### Conference A

1. Lance Morrow, Plains
2. HiLario Alvarado, San Isidro and Ronnie Cole, Spring Lake Earth
3. Nicole McDonald, Sterling City
4. Nieces Garcia, Plains
5. Robert Taylor, Center Point
6. Nancy Ostermann, Windthorst

### Conference AA

1. Heather Jordan, Shallowater
2. Thomas Davis, Wall
3. Kevin Lange, Ingram: Moore
4. Jon Jackson, Shallowater
5. Chris Gray, Archer City
6. Jennifer Donald, Hubbard

### Conference AAA

1. John Dorsey, Bishop
2. Robert Byerly, Orangefield
3. Larry Eshleman, Devine
4. Lee Jenkins, Bandera and James Warren, Friona
5. Bryce Elliott, M. Belvieu: Barber's Hill
6. Mark Lanman, Wylie

### Conference AAAAA

1. Chad Gamble, Wichita Falls: Hirschi
2. Harshal Dave, Crowley
3. Anmol Mehra, Friendswood
4. Joe Mata, Lubbock: Dunbar-Struggs
5. Lorin Swint, Paris: Stone and Curtis Daniels, Dayton
6. Robert Utley, Athens

### Conference AAAAAA

1. Linda Barker, Lubbock: Lubbock; Todd Biesel, Longview; Fernando Rivera, Mission.
2. Tom Aavisca, Lubbock: Lubbock
3. Rafael Gonzales, Mission; Vijay Pai, Alief: Hastings; Hoang Pham, Converse: Judson
4. Jonhhy Carter, Wichita Falls: Rider
5. Sameer Savkar, Garland: Garland
6. Antony Parsons, Baytown: Sterling

## Number Sense

### Team Event

### Conference A

1. Plains - Lance Marrow, Nieves Garcia and Layne Marrow
2. Sterling City - Nicole McDonald, L. D. White and Manuel Lujan

### Conference AA

1. Shallowater - Heather Jordan, Jon Jackson and Karrie Alewine
2. Archer City - Chris Gray, David Foster and Derek Patton

### Conference AAA

1. Orangefield - Robert Byerly, Bryan Oswalt and Douglas Wilson
2. Wylie - Mark Lanman, David Doyle and Jody Bean

### Conference AAAAA

1. Wichita Falls: Hirschi - Chad Gamble, Stephan Stringer and Phi Tran
2. Dayton - Curtis Daniels, Deane Webb and Jacqueline Darneille

### Conference AAAAAA

1. Mission - Fernando Rivera, Fafael Gonzales and Rene Reyes
2. Lubbock: Lubbock - Linda Barker, Tom Zavisca and Nirjar Sridhara

## Ready Writing

### Conference A

1. Wesley Stidham, Chillicothe
2. Sean Slater, Muenster
3. Jason De Fee, High Island
4. Nikki Schoenhals, Follett
5. Shatrel Colopetzer, McLean
6. George E. Miles, McMullen County

## Conference AA

1. Brent McGuire, Coleman
2. Jason Moon, Olney
3. Shanna Cleveland, Jacksboro
4. Lynett Henderson, Hawkins
5. Jo Beth Jimerson, Industrial
6. Erica Riley, Cushing

## Conference AAA

1. Charlie Bird, Frisco
2. Laurie Lamb, Canyon
3. Amy Clark, Denver City
4. Jeff Kirk, Lake Travis
5. Noclia Santos, Hondo
6. Ken Sellers, West

## Conference AAAAA

1. Marty Seay, Taylor
2. Jessie Liu, A&M Consolidated
3. Diadra McGregor, Hallsville
4. Stacy Jeffries, Pinetree
5. Shelley Story, Midway
6. Jason Monroe, Nederland

## Conference AAAAAA

1. Rochelle Hayes, Austin: Johnson
2. Paul Goode, San Antonio: Churchill
3. Brian Martinez, New Caney
4. Bethany Matz, Harlingen
5. Sylvia Van, Sugar Land: Clements
6. Susan Rhodes, Tyler: Lee

## Science

### Conference A

1. Debra Whiteman, Avery
2. Ronnie Cole, Springlake-Earth
3. Jerod Markley, Valley Mills
4. Lance Marrow, Plains
5. Christi Carpenter, Springlake-Earth
6. Priscilla Lopez, Holland

### Conference AA

1. Joe Patterson, Redwater
2. Alan Holtzman, Van Alstyne
3. Trey Wiederhold, Troy
4. Harlan McMorris, Seymour
5. David Waldon, Elysian Fields
6. Sam Brown, Iraan

### Conference AAA

1. John Dorsey, Bishop
2. Mark Calais, Pt. Arthur: Austin
3. Jody Bean, Wylie
4. Paul Hagelstein, Graham
5. Jeff Newbern, Needville
6. Tamara Anthony, Van

### Conference AAAAA

1. Don Priour, Kerrville: Tivy
2. Lorin Swint, Paris: Stone
3. Chris Kao, Saginaw: Boswell
4. Drew Puckett, Dallas: Highland Park
5. Chad Milstead, Carthage
6. Joseph Philip, A&M Consolidated

### Conference AAAAAA

1. Perry Cheng, Houston Memorial
2. Amit Patel, Fort Worth Dunbar
3. Alex Hsia, Lubbock
4. Jay Moore, Lubbock
5. Chris Bauch, League City Clear Creek
6. James Reiner, San Antonio Madison

## Science

### Top Scorers

### Conference A

- BIOLOGY: (tie) Debra Whiteman, Avery, Michael Connolly, Petrolia and William Hatfield, Medina  
CHEMISTRY: Jerod Markley, Valley Mills  
PHYSICS: Lance Marrow, Plains

### Conference AA

- BIOLOGY: Joe Patterson, Redwater  
CHEMISTRY: Alan Holtzman, Van Alstyne  
PHYSICS: Charles Nowicki, Blanco

### Conference AAA



**BIOLOGY:** Jody Bean, Wylie  
**CHEMISTRY:** John Dorsey, Bishop  
**PHYSICS:** John Dorsey, Bishop

**Conference AAAA**  
**BIOLOGY:** Lorin Swint, Paris Stone  
**CHEMISTRY:** Drew Puckett, Dallas  
 Highland Park  
**PHYSICS:** Chris Kao, Saginaw Boswell

**Conference AAAAA**  
**BIOLOGY:** David Vu, Houston Jersey  
 Village  
**CHEMISTRY:** Gene Joe, Fort Worth  
 Dunbar  
**PHYSICS:** Chris Bauch, League City Clear  
 Creek

#### Shorthand

**Conference A**  
 1. Lisa Melcher, Ropes - Ropesville  
 2. Debi Rawlings, Rule  
 3. Stacy Henson, Meadow  
 4. Jeran Ware, Westbrook  
 5. Michelle Krasucky, Louise  
 6. Tracy Henson, Meadow

**Conference AA**  
 1. Roxann Reed, Beckville  
 2. Terri Cousins, Pottsboro  
 3. Connie Hernandez, Wellington  
 4. Ronda Tidwell, Hull-Daisetta  
 5. Dayna Ritchey, Early  
 6. Christine Deadman, Cisco

**Conference AAA**  
 1. Deena Bibb, White Oak  
 2. Elaine Robinson, Mt. Vernon  
 3. Paige Bradbury, Bellville  
 4. Krissa Steadham, Mont Belvieu  
 5. Cindy Flores, Sharyland  
 6. Monica Baumbach, Columbus

**Conference AAAA**  
 1. Niki Marek, Dayton  
 2. Rachel McCain, Calallen  
 3. Kim Clark, Monahans  
 4. Leslie Campbell, Levelland  
 5. Belinda Garcia, Sweetwater  
 6. Stacy Voorheese, Sulphur Springs

**Conference AAAAA**  
 1. Sharla Walther, Pearland  
 2. Katey Elias, El Paso: Coronado  
 3. Maria Fernandez, El Paso: Irvin  
 4. David Rives, Pearland  
 5. Jennifer Hill, Del Rio  
 6. Maribel Morado, McAllen

#### Spelling

**Conference A**  
 1. TIE: Virginia Lopez, San Isidro  
 1. TIE: Cindy Brown, Corsicana: Mildred  
 3. Earl Humphreys, Port Aransas  
 4. Nancy Garcia, San Isidro  
 5. Aubrey Dunham, Robert Lee  
 6. Jennifer Smith, Yantis

**Conference AA**  
 1. Natalie Richter, Wimberly  
 2. Mistina Bates, Eddy: Bruceville-Eddy  
 3. Dorinda Blount, Joaquin  
 4. Nikki Robinett, DeLeon  
 5. Bethany Douglas, McGregor  
 6. Tana Sims, Overton

**Conference AAA**  
 1. Delaine Foss, Devine  
 2. TIE: Alison Terry, Clyde  
 2. TIE: Helen Sulc, Princeton  
 4. Sunshine Ogden, Orangefield  
 5. Trino Maldonado, Altair: Rice  
 6. Bhavesh-Patel, Waco: Connally

**Conference AAAA**  
 1. William Fisher, San Antonio: Alamo  
 Heights  
 2. Kristi Jones, Sulphur Springs  
 3. Reshma Jaqsi, Waco: Midway  
 4. TIE: Andrew Parsons, Sulphur Springs

4. TIE: Tracy Edmondson, Crosby  
 6. Joseph Khamo, Gregory: Gregory-  
 Portland

**Conference AAAAA**  
 1. Gina Hicks, Wichita Falls: Rider  
 2. Elizabeth Nguyen, Houston: Jersey  
 Village  
 3. Meera Thakoo, Arlington: Houston  
 4. Matthew Martinez, Donna  
 5. Karl Cheng, Houston: Clear Lake  
 6. Cheryl Hohimer, Garland

#### Prose

**Conference A**  
 1. Casey Hall - Vega  
 2. Sheri Epperson - Rocksprings  
 3. Luvenia Sanchez - Thorndale

**Conference 2A**  
 1. Robert Lathan - Big Lake: Reagan  
 County  
 2. Jennifer Bricker - Lexington  
 3. Wendy Rodgers - Hull-Daisetta

**Conference 3A**  
 1. Shane Brooks - Breckenridge  
 2. Brandi West - Atlanta  
 3. Kristi Kovar - Needville

**Conference 4A**  
 1. C. Michael Rodriguez - Gregory-  
 Portland  
 2. Joe Walters - Gregory-Portland  
 3. Kendra Doherty - Conroe: Oak Ridge

**Conference 5A**  
 1. Gwen Templeton - Klein  
 2. Tammi McCall - Houston: Yates  
 3. Ruben Navarro - Mission

#### Poetry

**Conference 5A**  
 1. Lisa Aceves - El Paso: Hanks  
 2. Michelle Courtney - Klein  
 3. Monika Lee - Clear Lake

**Conference 4A**  
 1. Kristi Mize - Snyder  
 2. Michelle Garza - Mercedes  
 3. Kiki Barrera - Gregory-Portland

**Conference 3A**  
 1. Gary Arnold - Bishop  
 2. Gaius Cameron - Waco: La Vega  
 3. Amy Anthony - Atlanta

**Conference 2A**  
 1. Jennifer Zepeda - Seagraves  
 2. Michelle Tohola - El Maton: Tidehaven  
 3. Laura Bateman - Gilmer: Harmony

**Conference A**  
 1. Jessica Warner - Spur  
 2. Danielle Loller - Harrold  
 3. Bridget Sharp - White Deer

#### Informative Speaking

**Conference A**  
 1. Marcus Dominguez - Austwell-Tivoli  
 2. Starla Whitaker - Knox City  
 3. Bryon Cox - Grandfalls-Royalty

**Conference 2A**  
 1. Patricia Campos - Three Rivers  
 2. Andy Justus - Boys Ranch  
 3. Ben Connell - Lytle

**Conference 3A**  
 1. Lance Cobb - Premont  
 2. Stephen Wilson - Sealy  
 3. Serena Simmons - Atlanta

**Conference 4A**  
 1. Justin Waggoner - Conroe: Oak Ridge  
 2. Matt McIntosh - Bay City  
 3. Rita Setser - South San Antonio West

**Conference 5A**

1. Cristina Rodriguez - San Antonio: Lee  
 2. Robin Thorner - San Antonio: Lee  
 3. Shalini Ramanathan - Carrollton:  
 Newman-Smith

#### Persuasive Speaking

**Conference 5A**  
 1. John Campos - El Paso: Hanks  
 2. Michael O'Donnell - San Antonio: Lee  
 3. Sara Joyce - Spring: Klein Oak

**Conference 4A**  
 1. James Beauchamo - Snyder  
 2. Nicole Fagerberg - San Antonio: Alamo  
 Heights  
 3. Drew Schufletowski - Schertz: Clemens

**Conference 3A**  
 1. Angie Petree - Abilene: Wylie  
 2. Lori Vail - Columbus  
 3. Andrea Brannon - Vernon

**Conference 2A**  
 1. Derek Blount - Early  
 2. Chad Lewis - Mart  
 3. Margaret Jones - Ozona

**Conference A**  
 1. Davon Taylor - Ropesville: Ropes  
 2. Jason Coleman - Meadow  
 3. Karla Aldridge - Robert Lee

#### One-Act Play

**Conference A**  
 1. Thorndale  
 2. O'Donnell  
 3. Lindsay  
**Best Actor:** Kevin Menzel, Thorndale  
**Best Actress:** Amy Vizona, Thorndale  
**Samuel French:** Courtney Mounce,  
 O'Donnell

**Conference AA**  
 1. Seagraves  
 2. Goldthwaite  
 3. Boys Ranch  
**Best Actor:** Gary Haney, Boys Ranch  
**Best Actress:** Kara Champion, Goldthwaite  
**Samuel French:** Nicole Lancet, Seagraves

**Conference AAA**  
 1. Mineola  
 2. Cameron: Yoe  
 3. Sonora  
**Best Actor:** Andrew Sundholm, Mineola  
**Best Actress:** Christi Spain, Sonora  
**Samuel French:** Mona Cash, Cameron Yoe

**Conference AAAA**  
 1. Gregory-Portland  
 2. Snyder  
 3. Katy: Taylor  
**Best Actor:** Coy Berryman, Snyder  
**Best Actress:** Ashley Salaway, Katy Taylor  
**Samuel French:** Michael Rodriguez,  
 Gregory Portland

**Conference AAAAA**  
 1. Conroe McCullough  
 2. Arlington Martin  
 3. Richardson Lake Highlands  
**Best Actor:** not available at presstime  
**Best Actress:** not available at presstime  
**Samuel French:** not available at presstime

#### Cross-Examination Team Debate

**Conference AAAAA**  
 1. Nicholas Montfort-Daniel O'Brien, San  
 Antonio Lee  
 2. Matthew Stanton-Jason Levin, San  
 Antonio Lee  
 3. Jason Patomson-Kurt Shelton,  
 Carrollton Newman-Smith  
 3. Kamran Karimi-Greg Press, San  
 Antonio Clark

**Conference AAAA**  
 1. David Haworth-David Kim, West  
 Orange-Stark

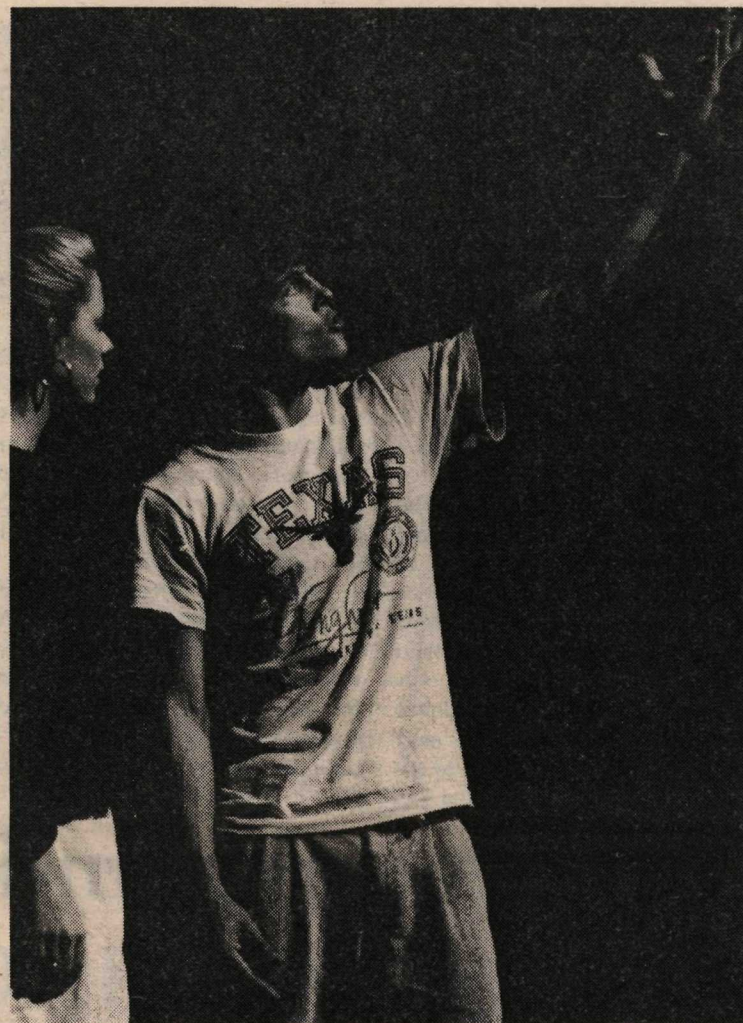


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**LAST REHEARSAL.** Members of the Snyder High School one-act play troupe practice at the University of Texas at Austin Performing Arts Center prior to the UIL State Meet One-Act Play Contest later than day (May 4). The troupe performed William Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*, and placed second in the Conference 4A competition. The Snyder High School director is Jerry Worsham. Snyder's Coy Berryman was named Best Actor for his role as Petruchio. The Conference 4A one-act play champion was Gregory Portland.

#### Lincoln-Douglas Debate

2. Aaron Bos-Lisa Kocian, Gregory  
 Portland  
 3. Rish Narang-Randy Keenan, Crowley  
 3. John Beliveau-Kelli Burrus, West  
 Orange-Stark

**Conference AAA**  
 1. Christopher Duke-Robert Butcher,  
 Barbers Hill  
 2. Kelley Cash-Krista Renner, Friona  
 3. Keith Bullard-Chad Edwards, Crane  
 3. Jake Wall-Derek Einkauf, Sealy

**Conference AA**  
 1. Kevin Franta-Duncan Sczepanik, Karnes  
 City  
 2. Alan Milles-Angela Baker, Wall  
 3. Jason Smith-David Shoemaker, Boys  
 Ranch  
 3. Christy Schabach-Amy Lawrence,  
 Woodsboro

**Conference A**  
 1. Austin Camp-Kevin Menzel, Thorndale  
 2. Sarah Aquirre-Heather Hatton,  
 Austwell-Tivoli  
 3. Andy Williams-Justin Emerson, Knox  
 City  
 3. Wendy Biehle-Karen Weise, Thorndale

**Conference AAAAA**  
 1. Laney Shannon, Conroe  
 2. Leo Rodriguez, McAllen  
 3. Jacqueline Lee, Houston Memorial  
 3. Marinda Robertson, Lubbock Coronado

**Conference AAAA**  
 1. Jason Caldwell, Terrell  
 2. Justin Waggoner, Conroe Oak Ridge  
 3. Wendy Atkins, Gregory-Portland  
 3. Yvonne Setser, San Antonio South San

**Conference AAA**  
 1. Tanya Rieke, Mission Sharyland  
 2. Darwin Archer, Breckenridge  
 3. Chad Waggoner, Vernon  
 3. Stefanie Boullion, Orangefield

**Conference AA**  
 1. Derek Blount, Early  
 2. Jon Calvert, Ingram-Moore  
 3. Eric Knustron, Clifton

**Conference A**  
 1. Kristi Wuensche, Thorndale  
 2. Bryan Cox, Grandfalls-Royalty  
 3. Leanora Bessire, O'Donnell  
 3. Amy Conner, Corsicana Mildred



## See you in September

It's never too early to get information for the 1990-91 school year. The student activity conferences are set.

The conferences are free and registration is not required. Watch for the specific times in September. Since the UT conference is so early, the program will most likely be generic with a detailed program available at the conference. Fewer areas will offer AAT credit this year.

The dates for invitational meets for which you will have tests prepared by UIL contest directors are:

Invitational A February 2

Invitational B February 23

Invitational C February 23 (A+ elem/junior high)

Materials for the invationals may be used *only on these dates*. Set your date early, and you can save yourself a lot of energy. You may host a meet on other dates if you write your own materials or purchase materials from individuals who write tests.

Two new events will have their debut next year. One is Current Issues and Events which should be attractive to so-



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cial studies buffs. It will be scheduled in Session I on the Academic Conflict Pattern. This eliminates C-X and L-D debaters, readywriters, number sense and calculator applications competitors and students in shorthand, prose and poetry. UIL coordinators should look for Current Issues and Events sponsors among the social studies teachers.

Conferences 4A and 5A will be a part of an exploratory program in computer science. At all three levels, the contestants will have a written exam with questions pertinent to computer science, Pascal language, and programming logic. At the state level, there will also be a problem

solving component. Consideration will be given to adding other conferences and possibly adding the problem solving component at the regional level as interest warrants. The rules will be in the 1990-91 C & CR and are available upon request by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope marked CS to the League office.

Several rule changes will be in effect this fall. The interp categories and L-D topics will be reduced from three to two. Spellers will be permitted to print. Substitutions will be permitted on calculator applications and number sense teams.

Two big changes will affect the academic contestants. One is that a team champion will be named at district, regional, and state. All events will be included, but points have been revised so one event cannot dominate the program as the competition moves to state.

The second major change has to do with the Awards Rule. This is hard to paraphrase, but in general contestants in academic contests other than UIL district, regional, and state will not be restricted from accepting prizes. For details on this change, wait for the 1990-91 C & CR and read section 480.

The UIL coordinator will receive the customary mailing in late August. Watch for it.

## Changes, good and bad

The trick here is to cram as much information as possible into this small corner of the page, while allowing myself time to edit it later. Those of you with particularly keen eyes may have noticed that last month's column contained somewhere in the vicinity of 25 typos of every conceivable nature. It was not a test. It was an accident.

In the rush to finish the *Leaguer* by 4:30 p.m. on the Friday prior to the ILPC spring convention, I failed to edit my column once in Pagemaker. For those of you who aren't up on Macintosh lingo, it can be translated thusly: I screwed up but my heart was in the right place.

Hopfully, this wno't happen againn.

### HEADLINE CONTEST

The Texas Association of Journalism Educators will recommend changes in the headline writing contest that promise to improve it considerably. A TAJE advisory committee met in Austin April 7 to study the contest, and approved the following recommendations:

(1) To allow students to enter four journalism contests. (2) To expand the headline writing contest to 45 minutes. (3) To change the count system so that each letter — however large or small, upper or lower case — will count as one unit. (4) To remove the word limitations on the news, editorial and feature writing contests.

The first two recommendations will be presented to the Academic Commit-



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tee of the Legislative Council at its June 7 meeting in Austin. The last two will be implemented next year as administrative procedures changes.

### RATINGS UPDATE

ILPC will update its newspaper and yearbook ratings forms this summer. I am concerned that rating forms are too restrictive, too narrow. They often penalize staffs for what they're not doing rather than rewarding them for what they are doing. I frankly don't care that a newspaper staff has a predetermined percentage of short item news, news features, in-depth news, and personality profiles. It is more important that the content of the publication be timely and relevant, and written journalistically. If the staff chooses to write more personality profiles than news-features, then it should not be penalized for doing so.

Concerning yearbooks, a way must be found to minimize the effect of trends. The rating should emphasize journalistic writing, photojournalism, structured design and sophisticated graphics. All else is superfluous.

Frankly, I fail to understand the need for themes. Most staffs select the theme during a summer workshop and then pray that the school doesn't burn down lest their theme — let's say it is "Too Good To Be True" — becomes a mockery.

Advisers and staffs can best determine content based on reader needs, staff talents and interests, publication format and timely events and issues. So long as the total package — the whole — is journalistically sound, then press association critics need not be concerned with the individual parts.

### SALUTE

Col. Joseph Murphy, the late director of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, made it his tradition to conclude activities with a salute to publications advisers, "the finest people we know."

Each year, my appreciation for the wisdom of his words grows. To the hundreds of wonderful friends and colleagues here and across the nation, I salute you, "the finest people I know." Thanks for everything.

And finally, John Cutsinger of Austin Westlake is resigning at the end of the year in order to accept a position with Jostens Yearbook Company.

I am reminded of John Didion's *The White Album*, in which she described the roar of the Hoover Dam turbines as "so explicit as to suggest nothing other than itself." All the best, John.

### 1990 Student Activities Conference Dates/Sites

- September 29 UT Austin
- October 13 Sam Houston State
- October 27 UT-Pan American
- November 3 University of North Texas
- November 10 Texas Tech

### Literary Criticism readings selected

By DR. FRED TARPLEY

Literary Criticism Director

For literary criticism competition next year, contestants will be reading a novel by Robert Penn Warren *All the King's Men*, a play by Henrik Ibsen *A Doll's House*, Peter Watts translation, and poems by Robert Browning. Questions over the reading list will comprise the second portion of the three-part competition, which also includes a tie-breaking critical essay.

The poems by Browning are *My Last Duchess*, *The Pied Piper of Hamelin*, *The Lost Leader*, *Andrea Del Sarto*, *A Grammarian's Funeral*, *Rabbi Ben Ezra*, *The Bishop Orders His Tomb at Saint Praxed's Church*, *The Statue and the Bust*, *The Last Ride Together*, and *Prospice*.

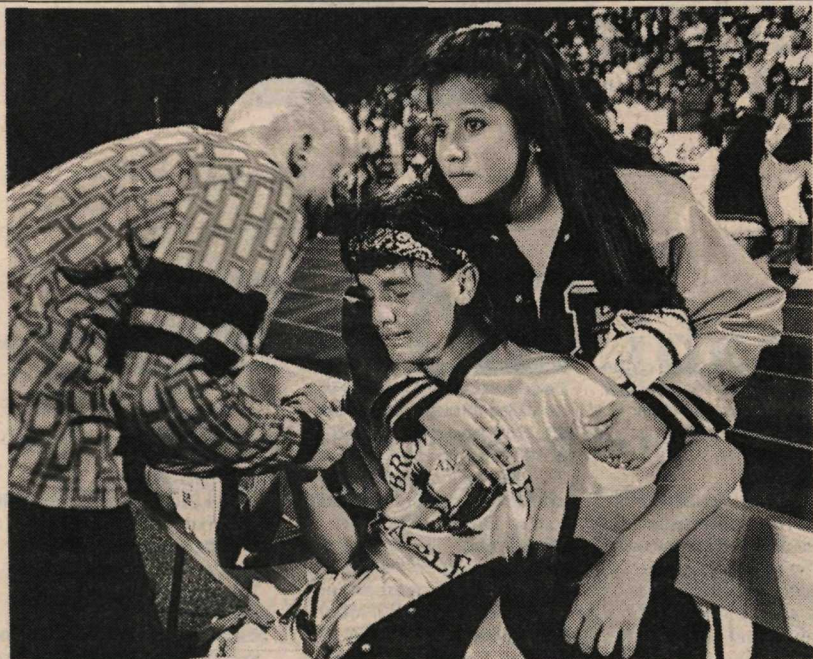
The first part of the competition will continue to be questions over literary history and literary terms taken from *A Handbook to Literature*, 5th ed., and valued at one point each.

Questions over the reading list are assigned two points each. The third portion of the test asks critical questions over short selections not previously seen by the contestants. Each question is valued at two points. The tie-breaking question, required of all contestants, but scored only for those involved in a tie, calls for a short focused essay on a specific critical aspect of the short selection of poetry or prose.

To make works on the reading list more readily available to contestants, campus book stores at the sites of the fall superconferences have been asked to keep the titles in stock. The superconferences are scheduled at the University of Texas at Austin, University of Texas-Pan American, Texas Tech University, Sam Houston State University, and the University of North Texas. As in previous years, the University Bookstore at East Texas State University in Commerce is prepared to fill mail orders for titles on the reading list, as well as for *A Handbook to Literature*.

Titles for the reading list were recommended at the fall superconferences and reviewed by an advisory committee of some of the sponsors whose students had advanced to regional and state meets last year. The final selection was made by Dr. Fred Tarpley, state contest director for Literary Criticism, in consultation with several teachers of English.





**AFTER THE FALL.** Eduardo Sanchez is consoled by Brownsville Hanna cheerleader Lorraine Martinez and Tyler Lee's goalkeeper Charlier Hellmuth in the moments after Lee's 2-1 victory in the semifinals of the UIL state soccer tournament. Lee fell to Grapevine in the finals, 2-1. Photo by Frank Ordoñez.

## Duncanville, Grapevine win soccer crowns

Duncanville rallied three times against San Antonio Madison to win the 1990 University Interscholastic League state girl's soccer championship while Grapevine used a strong defense to coast to the boy's title over Tyler Lee.

Duncanville (23-3-1) fell behind 2-0 against San Antonio Madison (19-2-3) after goals by Jackie Karam and Kim Partin, but with just under 10 minutes cut the lead with an Ashley Hayden score with 9:37 left in the match and then forced an overtime period after Niki Paulus scored with just 1:30 left.

In overtime, Karam again placed San Antonio Madison as she scored a header from an assist by Partin with 7:32 left in the extra period to give the Lady Mavericks a 3-2 margin. But Duncanville again would not die as Jenny Ermish tied the game at 3-3 in the second overtime period,

sending the game into a shootout.

Duncanville scored on two of five attempts in the shootout while Madison scored once, allowing Duncanville its second state soccer title in the eight years of the sports. In 1987, Duncanville defeated Plano.

In the boy's final, Grapevine (24-3-1) shutout Tyler Lee (23-2) 3-0 for its first state soccer championship. Tyler Lee, committing 30 fouls to only 17 for Grapevine, attempted only a dozen shots on goal, as Grapevine was able to control the midfield area all game long.

In the girls' semifinals, Duncanville nipped Klein and Madison edged Allen. In the boys' semifinals, Lee trimmed Brownsville Hanna in a shootout, and Grapevine knocked off Klein. Remarkably enough the score in all four semifinals was 2-1.

## Finding an acceptable niche

School activities must be seen as an educational solution, not problem

It has been a year of transition for UIL athletics. During the fall, students were able for the first time to play on non-school baseball, soccer, and basketball teams. After volleyball and football seasons, those participants were able to play on non-school teams. During the school season in all of the five team sports (soccer, baseball, basketball, volleyball, and football), students in grades 7-12 were restricted from playing on a non-school team in the same sport.

New rules allow for all students to play in non-school teams after their school season and during the summer. Early indications are that these activities are progressing without too much difficulty. However, school coaches should be aware of the regulations which place limits on the number of students from the same school, school coach involvement, and especially the athletic amateur rule. Students or parents must pay the entry fees. Any equipment not paid for by the fee must be returned to the organizers at the end of the season. Students can receive medals, trophies, plaques, etc. provided the items do not have monetary value and are not valuable items. For example: a simple plaque is not an item of valuable consideration, but a desk set or engraved coffee mug would be in violation. Students should be made aware of the regulations to protect themselves from league sponsors who either do not know the rules or, in rare cases, choose not to abide by them.

Reclassification was accomplished in February and schools were reassigned for



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### Postscripts on Athletics

1990-91 and 91-92. There were fewer appeals than in other reclassification years, but smaller schools in each conference strongly indicated that they feel disadvantaged competing against larger schools in the same conference. A special study committee in April surveyed the continuing concerns of realignment as well as proposal for six conferences. It was decided to postpone any recommendations about realignment until after the new football play-off involving three winners from each 5A district had been given an experimental season. Conference A schools may have an opportunity to look at a new way of forming districts in future years, if a study proposal from the ad hoc committee is approved by the Legislative Council in June and October.

In March, another committee addressed the continuing problems of sports officials. The year prior to the meeting had been a negative showcase for unsportsmanlike acts at school athletic contests. More and more school authorities are having to deal with a public that sees officials as fair game to abuse. Violent incidents (some involving injury to players) marked the agenda of State Executive

Committee hearings. Although students, fans, coaches, and schools were penalized, it is obvious to even the casual observer that something more must be done to insure safety and sanity at events. The Legislative Council will hear strong proposals for new rules which tighten security and levy stricter penalties to violators. The general consensus is that not only sports officials, but everyone involved at a sports contest must be assured that the contest will be safe to attend, free from the threat of verbal and physical abuse to anyone.

Increased substance abuse shared national headlines as school authorities wrestled with the growing concern over both recreational drug use and the ugly threat of anabolic steroids. The National Federation has determined that the best preventive approach to all substance abuse must begin with a solid educational program which stresses ethical values while reminding students of the harmful effects of steroids. This job is an uphill battle against misinformation, parental attitudes, and the lure of fame and financial gain so avidly sought by an achievement-conscious public.

As another school year has passed, we are reminded of the privilege school activities offer. This privilege comes with the awareness that these activities cannot be taken for granted. It is only if they can remain or become strong positive additions to the basic education that their value is needed. If the emphasis detracts from the academic mission of the student, the activity must be altered or deleted. Edu-

cation is life. All education does not occur in the classroom. In fact, some of the most valuable experiences happen in interschool activities. When life needs (i.e. education needs) are diminished by cross-purposes of activities, life needs must prevail. For this reason, all school activities must contribute to the educational process.

The financial reality of educating an ever-changing population for a productive tomorrow hangs in the balance of our state's judicial and legislative leaders. In order to find an acceptable niche in the future, school activities must continually evaluate, adjust, and be seen as part of the overall solution. Currently, most of the state's legislators recognize activities as having a rightful place in the schools.

The challenge of member schools in 90-91 and beyond is to be innovative in finding ways to offer meaningful activities which enhance development of youth. A delicate balance is needed to protect overemphasis of one activity over others. It is apparent that school years are an optimum time, if not the only time, that certain experiences can be obtained. Many of these experiences are offered outside the classroom in extracurricular format.

To deny these opportunities may prevent certain students from ever enjoying the benefits and challenges of competition. Surely, educators can work collectively to insure a future of full educational experiences for students who seek an extra dimension of self-improvement through activities.



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#### SPLENDORA ISD

The District 23 AAA Executive Committee has issued a public reprimand to Splendor ISD and placed them on probation in football through the 1990 season. The penalties were issued for failure to file correct eligibility forms and allowing students to participate, and failing to submit physical examination/medical appraisal forms prior to allowing students to practice.

#### WESTWOOD ISD

Westwood High School, Palestine, has been given a public reprimand for violations of the residence rule by a football player, and all games in which the ineligible player participated have been forfeited. The penalty was issued by the District 18 AAA Executive Committee.

#### WEST-ORANGE COVE ISD

The State Executive Committee has issued a public reprimand to Coach Dan Hooks, West Orange-Stark High School, and has placed him on probation through December 12, 1990, for violating the Athletic Code.

#### MUNDAY ISD

The State Executive Committee has issued a public reprimand to Munday High School and placed the school on probation for violating the Athletic Code. The terms of the probation include presenting an acceptable plan to the State Executive Committee to resolve the situation and to see that it doesn't occur in the future.

#### PORTER HS (Brownsville)

Coach Bud Mounts has been assessed a public reprimand, probation through May, 1990, and suspended from attending or participating in the first two home football games of the 1987-88 season for violations of off-season practice restrictions. The penalty was assessed by the State Executive Committee.

Also, Porter HS has been assessed a public reprimand, probation through May, 1990 and forfeiture of one win in football district standings for the 1987-88 season for violation of off-season practice restrictions.

#### SOMERSET ISD

Somerset ISD has been issued a public reprimand for the 1989-90 school year for violation of the Athletic Code.

#### MILLSAP HS

Millsap HS has been issued a public reprimand for violation of the Athletic Code and Millsap Coach H.E. Brown has been issued a public

reprimand for violation of the Athletic Code and placed on probation through May 31, 1990.

#### ROMA HS

Roma HS Coach Robert Naranjo has been issued a public reprimand for violation of the Athletic code and placed on probation through May 31, 1990.

#### BROWNFIELD HS

Brownfield HS baseball coach Les Schubert has been issued a public reprimand and placed on probation through the 1989-90 school year for violation of the Athletic Code.

#### MARTIN HS (LAREDO)

Martin HS band director Juan Valenciano, has been suspended from UIL activities through school year 1990-91 for violation of Section 1111 (c), prior knowledge of sightreading music, Section 1101 (a) (4) (A), the Music Code, and Section 560 (a) (3). Assistant band directors Nick Balli and Thomas Aguilar, Laredo ISD, have been suspended from UIL activities through school year 1989-90 for violation of Section 1111 (c) and Section 1101 (a) (4) (A). In addition, the State Executive Committee issued a public reprimand to Martin HS and placed it on probation through the 1989-90 school year in music. Terms of the probation include close supervision and monitoring of UIL music activities by the high school principal.

#### C & CR OFFICIAL INTERPRETATION

The State Executive Committee issued the following interpretations of the C & CR:

**Section 400 (d)**, the 15-day rule: Section 400 (d) would allow a student to be considered in regular attendance at the participant high school even though the hospitalized student had been transferred to another school's home bound program provided: the student's class work assignments are determined by the home school; the student continues to use textbooks from the home school; the hospitalized student never attends a class held in a regular classroom of the home bound ISD; the student's physician certifies that he may return to the home school and is able to participate; the student's grades are transferred back to the home school with him.

According to Section 440 (b), students who have an option to attend more than one high school within a

school district, rather than being assigned to a school according to attendance zones, are eligible at the school they first select. If a student subsequently changes to another school within that school district, he is not eligible for varsity athletic competition until he has been enrolled in and regularly attending that school for at least the previous calendar year.

**Section 1014 (c)** prohibits a student from entering the Keyboarding Contest more than one time, regardless of how many school years that student is enrolled in first-year typing.

**Section 1220 (b) (8)**, in the boys' baseball plan, should be deleted from page 310 of the 1989-90 C&CR. See Section 1209 (h) (2) on page 308 for current restrictions on participating on a non-school baseball team.

In order to consider a guardianship under Section 442 (b) and (c), the guardianship must be legal, recorded in its regular order in the office of the District or County Clerk, and of at least one year's standing. If no legal guardianship has been taken out, three years' residence with and support of a contestant establishes guardianship within the meaning of this rule.

**Section 1206 (c)**: Schools may use non-traditional systems for length of classes provided:

1. the classes meet within the regular school day;
2. classes are alternated throughout the semester and meet on Monday-Wednesday-Friday one week and Tuesday-Thursday the next week;
3. the total time for the alternate period in any five five-day school week does not exceed 300 minutes;
4. the school has Texas Education Agency approval of the plan;
5. the schedule is mandated at the beginning of the semester and is not changed to allow for more time during an abbreviated school week.

**Section 402**: For the purposes of eligibility, persons are considered high school graduates if they received an equivalency credential based on the General Education Development Testing Program.

#### DALLAS CARTER

Carter High School, Dallas ISD, has been disqualified from district football honors for the 1989-90 school year, and placed on probation in football through the 1990-91 school year, for playing an ineligible student in a district football game. This penalty

was assessed as a result of the appeal by Carter High School of the decision of the district executive committee.

#### DEBATE

The following schools and sponsors have been issued a public reprimand for failure to notify the regional and/or state director that a qualifier in debate was not going to compete at the next higher level:

Mineola HS, Kaylin Burleson, Debate Sponsor; Houston Lamar HS (no sponsor delegate); Houston Bellaire HS, David Johnson, Debate Sponsor; Houston Sterling HS, Yvonne Dupree, Debate Sponsor; Shamrock HS, Oleta Mercer, Debate Sponsor; North Dallas HS, Madelyn Hart, Debate Sponsor.

#### MANSFIELD ISD

The State Executive Committee has suspended John Parnell from working with students in preparation for any UIL activities during the 1989-90 school year, and he has been placed on probation through the 1989-90 school year for violation of practicing on sightreading music.

#### HAMSHIRE-FANNETT HS

The State Executive Committee has assessed a public reprimand to Coach Claude Tarver, probation through June 30, 1990, and suspended him from attending the first home football game of the 1988-89 season for violation of off-season practice rules.

#### ANTHONY HS

The District 5-A Executive Committee has assessed Anthony HS a public reprimand and probation through the 1989-90 school year in football for violation of Subchapter M, Section 400 (g) regarding academic eligibility of a student.

#### WESTLAKE HS (EANS ISD)

Westlake High School, Eanes ISD, has been issued a public reprimand and placed on probation in all UIL activities through the 1990-91 school year. The penalties were assessed by the district executive committee for violation of the Athletic Codes.

#### MUSIC MEMORY

The Bass Clef Book contains the only official Music Memory List for the 1989-90 school year.

#### PORT ISABEL ISD

Jaqueline Pederson of

Port Isabel High School has been suspended from all UIL activities through November 30, 1989, and placed on probation through October 31, 1990, for incorrectly certifying a student's eligibility for the 1988-89 academic district meet.

Virgil Lee of Port Isabel High School has been suspended from all UIL activities through November 30, 1989, and placed on probation through October 31, 1990, for falsifying records which resulted in incorrectly certifying a student's eligibility for the 1988-89 academic district meet.

#### SAN FELIPE-DEL RIO

The State Executive Committee has assessed a public reprimand to Coach Dan Neuse, placed him on probation through the 1989-90 school year, and suspended him from attending the first home football game of the 1988-89 season for violation of off-season practice rules.

#### SAVOY ISD

Coach Billy Coburn, Savoy High School, has been issued a public reprimand and placed on probation through October 31, 1990, for violation of the Athletic Code.

Also, Savoy High School has been placed on probation in football through October 31, 1992, for violation of the Athletic Code.

#### MUSIC NOTICES

*Prescribed Music List* - Page 107, Russell: Buffo Set (play one) is published by G. Schirmer.

*Prescribed Music List* - Page 117 - Miscellaneous String Trios - Class 2  
Tartini - Two Trio Sonatas in D Major (2 violins, cello or viola)

#### MEDIUM ENSEMBLE CONTEST

Section 1109 (d) (5) on page 270 of the 1989-90 *Constitution and Contest Rules* should read:

(5) Limitation. A student may enter two medium ensemble events provided they are different events as listed in Section 1109 (a), (b) and (c) in addition to the limitations stated in Section 1108 (g).

#### PICTURE MEMORY

David, Jacques - Louis or David  
French Interior (correct in Bulletin).

#### GREGORY PORTLAND

The SEC has issued a public reprimand to Gregory-Portland HS and placed it on probation in football through

February 25, 1991 for violations of the state law limiting schools to one 60-minute athletic period within the school day.

#### SAN ELIZARIO ISD

The SEC has issued a public reprimand to San Elizario HS and placed it on probation through February 25, 1991. The terms of the probation include requiring the superintendent to be involved in overseeing UIL participation and developing a plan of action for crowd control. The committee suspended coach Mary Lou Corral, San Elizario HS, from coaching any UIL activity through February 25, 1991. A player on the San Elizario HS junior varsity girls' basketball team has been suspended by the committee for the first two games of the 1990-91 basketball season.

#### GALENA PARK HS

The SEC has placed coach Glynn Black, Galena Park HS, on probation through February 25, 1991 for violations of the Athletic Code.

#### MCMULLEN COUNTY ISD

The SEC has suspended coach Jim Voight of McMullen County ISD (Tilden) from coaching any UIL activity through February 25, 1991 for violations of the Athletic Code.

#### CLEBURNE HS

The SEC has suspended two Cleburne HS soccer players from the next two soccer games for violations of the Athletic Code.

#### PALMER HS

The SEC has issued a public reprimand to coach Joe Rodriguez of Palmer HS, suspended him from the first three games of the 1990-91 football season, and placed him on probation until February 25, 1991.

#### RICHARDSON ISD

The SEC has issued a public reprimand to coach Bryan Spruill of Richardson North Jr. High School, suspended him from the first three games of the 1990-91 basketball season, and placed him on probation through February 25, 1991.