

Peggy Ann Madden Memorial Speech and Debate Tournament
North Hills Forensics Society
North Hills High School
53 Rochester Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15229

January 2010

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

In our 36th Tournament Year, the North Hills Forensics Society is proud to invite you to compete at the **Peggy Ann Madden Memorial Speech and Debate Tournament**. We are proud to continue the tradition started at North Hills many years ago. We are happy to offer your students a variety of events this year at our tournament. Details follow:

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Richard R. Schiavoni

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- DATE:** Saturday, February 6, 2010.
- PLACE:** North Hills Junior High School
- EVENTS:** Policy Debate, L/D Debate, Public Forum Debate, Extemporaneous Speaking (alternating foreign and domestic rounds), Original Oratory, Humorous Interp, Dramatic Interp, Duo Interp, Prose, Poetry, and Congress. *C/X debate may be cancelled if there are not enough teams. Schools registering teams will be notified.
- FEES:** \$5 per contestant, \$10 for each Duo and PF team.
Make checks payable to: "Forensics Team Account"
- AWARDS:** **Top Prize- The Peggy Madden Perfect Performance Scholarship-** The top debater and speech contestant will receive a \$200.00 scholarship from the North Hills Forensics Society. Congress and Policy Debate contestants are excluded from this prize.
Individual Events – The top three in each category will receive trophies.
Debate – The top three in each category (top two in Policy) will receive trophies.
Congress- Certificates to merit speaker and presiding officer, trophies to the outstanding and superior speakers.
- JUDGES:** One Judge for every 5 speech/congress entries and one judge for every two debate entries. If you are interested in hiring judges at a rate of \$60 for the day, please email us. If you do not bring your required judges or your judges leave early, you will be charged a \$60 nuisance fee per judge. Snacks and beverages will be provided in the judge's lounge but judges will be responsible for purchasing lunch tickets.
- LUNCH:** Lunches will cost \$5 and students will choose from cheese or pepperoni pizza.
- Registration:** Register all competitors at www.varsityspeech.com by Thursday February 4th at 12pm. The tournament password is: NHHS2010 (case sensitive)

***Schools please note* There is a strict limit of 6 competitors per category per school. If entries are low in certain events, additional entries may be allowed. No adds will be accepted after the registration deadline or on the day of the tournament. Drops after the registration deadline will still be responsible for the \$5 entry fee.**

Many of us are involved in forensics because of Peggy and she is the inspiration for our team. Her dedication to education and the forensics community has pushed numerous people to succeed in their lives. With the continued support of you and your competitors, Peggy's legacy will continue to thrive. We look forward to seeing you on February 6. If you have specific questions, call Richard Schiavoni at 412-951-4072 or e-mail NH Forensics at SchiavoniR@nhhsd.net.

Sincerely,

Richard R. Schiavoni
Director of Forensics