

A row of trophies is displayed on a red cloth. The trophies have black bases with silver plaques. In the background, a large trophy statue is visible, and a blue banner with the word "CEREMONY" is partially seen.

BRIARWOOD ACADEMY SPEECH/DEBATE AND LITERARY TEAMS

So...what is speech and debate?

- It can mean finding your voice.
- It can mean using your voice.
- It can mean communicating your mind and your heart.
- It can mean entertaining an audience.
- It can mean opportunities for learning, traveling, growing, and winning.
- It DOES mean making a difference in your world.

NSDA Video



Mrs. R's Coaching Background

- Began coaching speech and debate in 1993
- Named GFCA Coach of the Year in 2007
- Inducted into the GFCA Hall of Fame in 2010
- Two Diamond Coach in the NSDA (138 students)
- Coach of GHSA Class A State Champions in extemporaneous speaking in 2004 (girls), 2005 (girls), 2008 (boys), 2009 (boys and girls), 2010 (boys), 2011 (boys and girls), and 2013 (girls - public)
- Coach of GHSA Class A State Champions in dramatic interpretation in 2002 (boys)



Lenalee Robinson

Profile

NSDA ID#:	1221100
Total Points:	30,306
Service Citations:	0 View
Points This Year:	0
Points Last Year:	0
Last Points Entry:	4/24/2016
Highest Degree:	2nd Diamond
Points to Next Degree:	29,694

Alton Dawkins (N/A)	170
Gideon Smith (N/A)	42



Thirty six coaches have been inducted into the Georgia Forensic Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Every other year the GFCA Executive Committee and Hall of Fame members induct new members in the hall.

To be eligible for our Hall of Fame, coaches must have coached in Georgia for at least five (5) years. The coach will have promoted interest not only through the strength of their program, but also through the Association itself. The coach will have demonstrated that speech and debate is the ultimate tool for education and communication.

Class of 2010

Charles Heywood, Lakeside
Lenalee Robinson, Lincoln Co.

1983: Sandra Worthington Silvers - Calhoun
1984: Martha Dye - Lee County
1985: Bruce Rogers - Northside
1986: Eric Brannen - Westminster
1987: Paula Nettles - Woodward
1988: Chuck Spurlock - Pace
1989: Richard Bracknell - Carrollton
1990: Ted Carter - Lee County
1991: Lionel Clark - Pickens County
1992: John McClellan - Warner Robins
1993: Leslie Watkins - Brookwood
1994: Chris Wheatley - Pace
1995: Barbara Wilson - Rome
1996: Phillip Wertz - Thomas County Central
1997: Medgar Roberts - Hart County
1998: Donald Rhodes - Houston County
1999: Martha Kelley - Dublin
2000: Chuck Heywood - Lakeside
2001: Kenneth Grodd - St. Pius X
2002: Allan Hayes - Trion
2003: Frank Seaver - Woodward
2004: Lisa Willoughby - Henry W. Grady
2005: Adam Smiley - Chattahoochee
2006: James Holt - Camden County
2007: Lee Robinson - Lincoln County
2008: Beth McMahon - Milton
2009: Beverly Kelly - Fayette County
2010: Jenny Heidt - Westminster
2011: Matt Bartula - Sequoyah
2012: Jeffrey Miller - Marist
2013: John McClellan - Warner Robins
2014: Shunta Jordan - Pace
2015: Garrett Abelkop - Chattahoochee
Pam Childress - Valdosta
2016: Maggie Berthiaume - Woodward
2017: Lyndsey Hinkley - Columbus
2018: Jordana Sternberg - Westminster
2019: Jamie Wills - Cherokee
2020: James Brock - Houston County

Debate Coach of the Year

Invitational Tournaments v. GISA Spring Literary

Invitational Tournaments

- Competition is throughout the school year
- More than one person from a school can compete in an event
- Include more speaking events than spring lit does
- Include at least 4 rounds in each event
- Can include competitors from anywhere in the United States



GISA Spring Literary

- One representative per event per school
- Also includes music and writing events
- Only one round in each event
- Includes competitors from only our region (region meet) and classification (state)



Events involved in both tournaments AND spring literary. . .

- **Dramatic Interpretation**
Up to 10 minutes. . . serious in nature. . . memorized
- **Humorous Interpretation**
Up to 10 minutes. . . humorous in nature. . . memorized
- **Duo Interpretation**
Up to 10 minutes. . . serious or humorous. . . with a partner. . . memorized
- **Extemporaneous Speaking**
Up to 7 minutes. . . prepared in 30 minutes before giving speech. . . current events. . . can use supplemental sources
- **Impromptu Speaking**
Up to 5 minutes. . . prepared in 2 minutes before giving speech. . . topics vary. . . no supplemental sources

Tad McCorkle - "The Button"

Taylor Headrick - "Killer Halloween"

Greta Besser & Adam Bouchareb - *Charlotte's Web*

Olivia Shoemaker - "What can be done to alleviate Venezuela's economic crisis?"

Spencer Schumacher - "It is not our differences that divide us. It is our inability to recognize, accept, and celebrate those differences." — Audre Lorde (start at 2:06)

Other Competitive Events

- **Debate**
Policy, Lincoln-Douglas, and Public Forum
- **Original Oratory**
Up to 10 minutes. . . written by speaker. . . memorized. . . topic should be meaningful to speaker but also have universal, thought-provoking appeal
- **Informative Speaking**
Up to 10 minutes. . . written by speaker. . . memorized. . . topic should provide information to the audience. . . often includes visual aids

2019 NSDA Final Round - Lincoln-Douglas Debate

Justin Cooper - "Open the Door"

Bharathi Arasan - "A Fable on Labels"

Places my students and I have been thanks to speech and debate. . . .



Invitational Tournaments. . . COVID Style

- Many tournaments this year are virtual. . . compete via NSDA Campus.
- Some events are synchronous. . . some are asynchronous.
- Schools still pay fees but can compete in tournaments throughout the country without leaving home.



2021 National Tournaments

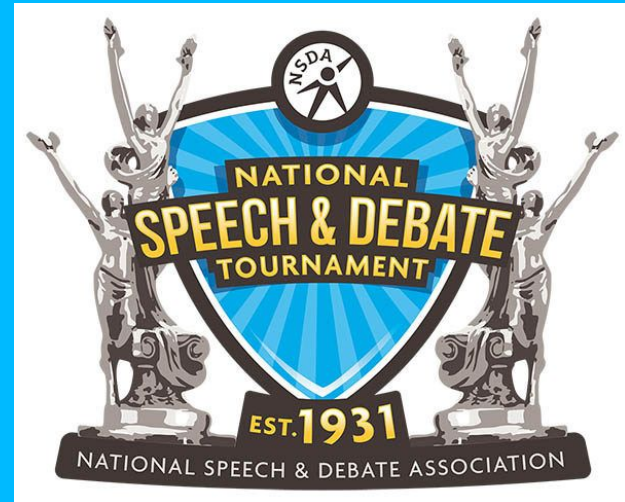
NCFL Grand National Tournament

May 28-30 - Minneapolis, MN



NSDA National Speech & Debate Tournament

June 13-18 - Des Moines, IA










GISA Spring Literary

- The Region 4-AA competition is usually held during the first week in March. . . the past two years at East Georgia State College in Swainsboro.
- Those who place in the top two in each event qualify for the state competition.
- The Class AA competition is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 17, 2021.



NSDA Student Membership

- \$20.00. . . covers all high school years
- Impressive on transcripts and applications
- Points earned through competition and service
- Advanced degree levels through earning points

Students & Coaches Degree	Points	Seal or Badge
Member	Less than 25 points	None
Merit	25	
Honor	75	
Excellence	150	
Distinction	250	
Special Distinction	500	
Superior Distinction	750	
Outstanding Distinction	1,000	
Premier Distinction	1,500	