

2016 HALL OF FAME NOMINEE
KATHY GRABER, TRI-COUNTY FORENSIC LEAGUE, AREA III



It is a great pleasure to state that Kathy Graber's contributions to TCFL have been tremendous. First and foremost, as Co-President she has helped to bring equity within our league which gives all schools an equal chance of qualifying for state. Secondly, it's a blessing for our league that Kathy loves numbers and is our liaison with CHSSA because she keeps us abreast on our state standings as far as allocations, results, and state dues. It's because of her strong leadership that most schools pay their state dues in a timely manner. She also not only keeps us informed on the latest by-laws, but also helps author state by-laws which help to make regulating the state qualifiers more efficient. Thirdly, she created a league workshop for new coaches and novices. It's so successful that schools from other leagues sometimes attend because it's very informative and organized. Fourthly, the speech handouts and ballots on our website were created by Kathy. Those handouts make it easier for new coaches to learn about all the events as well as get an understanding of the judging criteria. Finally, Kathy administers the state qualifiers. She created committees to help check scripts, but no script gets approved without Kathy's okay. With her as administrator, we have never qualified an illegal piece. She also created a student eligibility form which coaches must fill out before competing at any of our qualifiers. Furthermore, during the speech qualifier, Kathy acts as pit boss and resolves all speech-related conflicts. It would be impossible to state all of Kathy's contributions in 200 words, but the reasons mentioned above should be more than enough to get her elected into the CHSSA Hall of Fame.

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