

# JAC FORENSICS

## 1998-1999

Blanca Quan Diaz  
a great two years  
it was!

Cora Kennedy  
your friend  
for life!!!

Alicia Marie Mandin  
QUEEN-B  
What's to be said?

Chris Child  
The greatest people I've  
ever known. You couldn't  
ask for a better group to  
belong to.

Christy McPhillips  
Queen B of the next  
generation. I love my  
soulful teammates.

"In My Life"  
-Remember.  
I Love You  
All.  
Thank You.

Gin Nelson  
Boys, Boy, Boys....  
on year - it was an  
hell of year! Always  
Gin

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# THE TEAM

1998  
1999





The 1998-1999 YHC Forensics Team was quite an interesting bunch of talent. These hard workers/geeks brought in a total of **113** awards -- this breaks a record for most awards won by a team in a single season! **SOUL!**









← They weren't always this respectable and proper, -just look at the first team photos! What better way to start off the year? (-at the Retreat-)





The Forensics Fresh  
Meat Department  
didn't do too bad  
this year -- they  
brought in 38  
awards! (Including  
2 Bronze Medals  
at Phi Kappa Phi Nats.,  
and a Region Champ  
title! WAY TO GO!

**THE NOW  
SQUAD**





# SOPHOMORE SOUL

The Ruthless Return  
bring home **66** awards!  
This includes 2 Region  
Champ titles, 1 State  
Title and 2 Bronze  
Medals @ Phi Rho Pi Nats!  
WHEW! Amazing what SOUL  
can do!









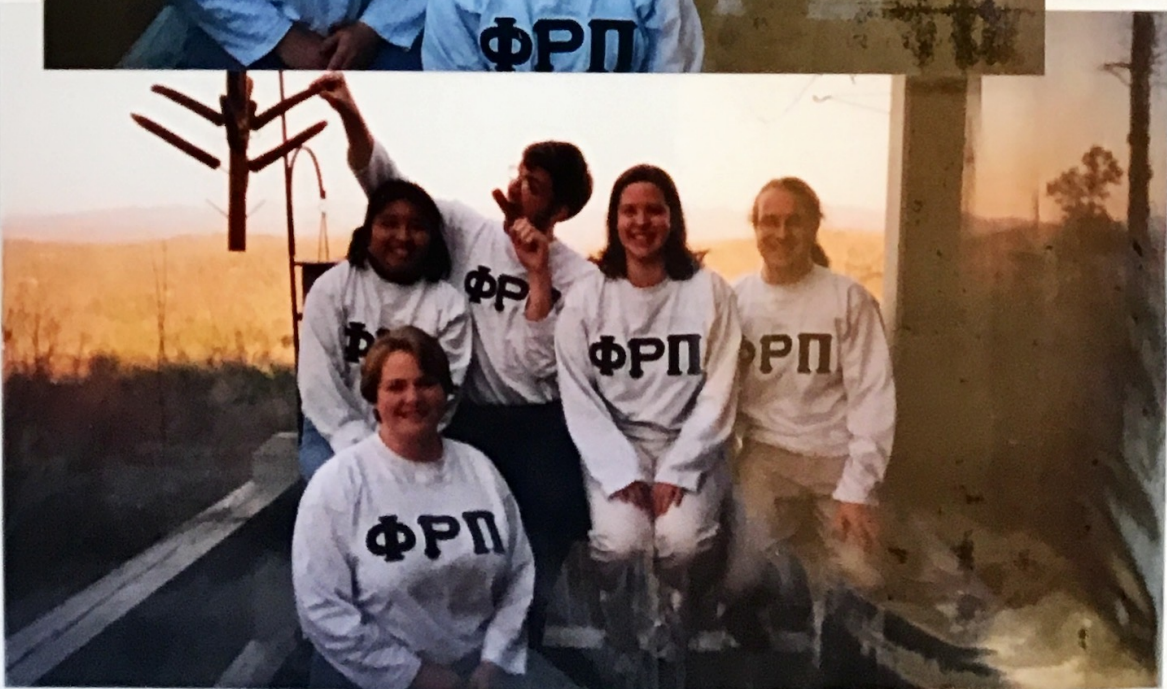
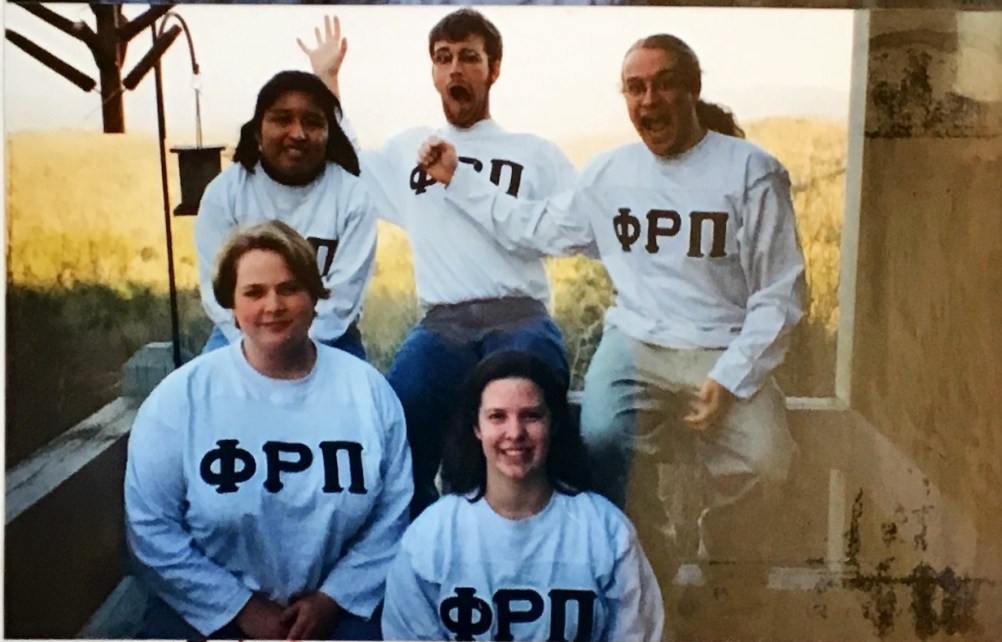
## BREAKING A NEW RECORD:

The team brings home **29** awards  
from the Wesleyan Tournament --  
This breaks a new record for most  
awards won at a single tournament!





THE '98-99 NATIONAL TEAM:  
Christy McPhillips  
Brandon Moody  
Blanca Juan Diaz  
Gin Nelson  
Josh Holley







Christi

An amazing coach behind an amazing team! This outstanding year wouldn't have been so great without her hard work and inspiration. Hope we made you proud, Mrs. Mossy -- we love you, PIMPRESS!!





# Dupont

"Dr. Dupont is the man!"  
Thanks for all of your help,  
we couldn't have done it without  
you! Stay Hep, Cat!





# Alisha

MADAM PRESIDENT!  
Her "Kick @\$\$ and  
take names" philosophy  
led the team to  
amazing heights! Buzz  
Buzz, Queen Bee - We  
Love You!

Alisha the Amazon →

Alisha the Enlightened  
↓







Ginny

REOW! The Baycrazy  
Pillow Vixen Returns!  
Gin's smile, enthusiasm  
and all around macking  
kept the team spirit high!

\*To any male bachelor who  
may be reading this, Gin can  
be reached through C. Moss...



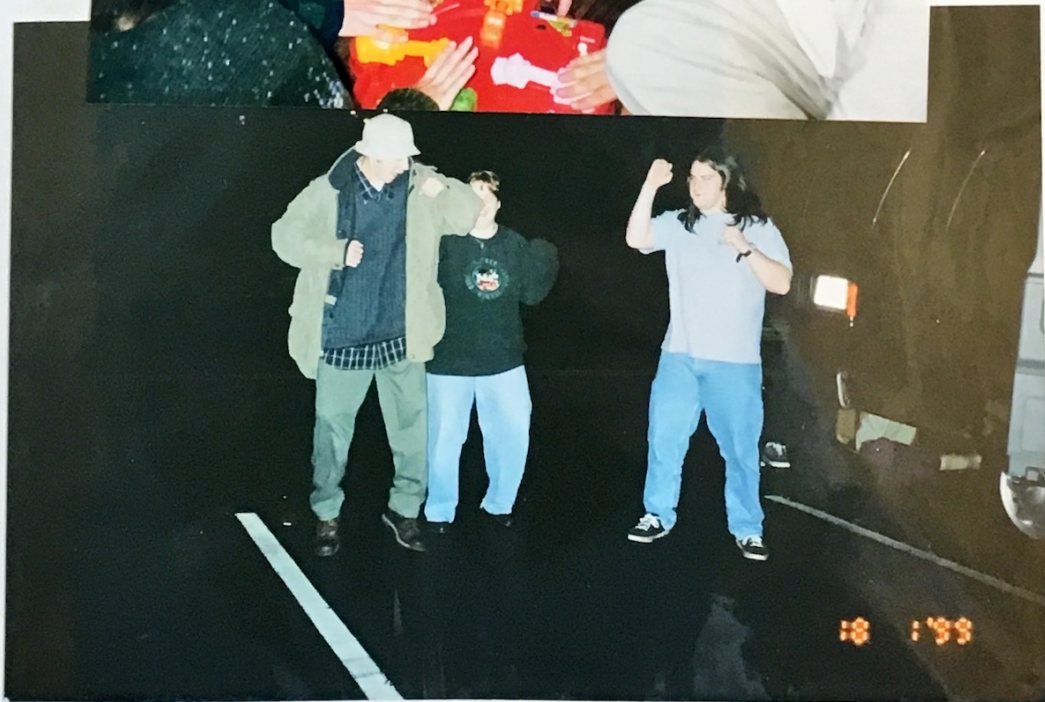




OZZY OSBORNE'S ILLEGITIMATE CHILD... or just another morbid geek? Maybe one day the world will know... but hopefully congress won't let him get that far. Here's to our little horn-flashin' NICKY!

NICK







# Blanca



ONE TOUGH LITTLE FLORIDIAN!  
Blanca's hard work to excel  
in Forensics and overcome a  
language barrier was an  
inspiration to us all! We love  
you, girlfriend!







# Christy

GO ON, LITTLE MAC!  
THIS WAS ONE HOT  
NOVICE -- her first  
year, and she's already  
a Regional Champion and  
Bronze medalist at Nats!  
Keep on smiling - you've  
got a lot to be proud  
of here!

Christy had the recipe  
for success! ➡





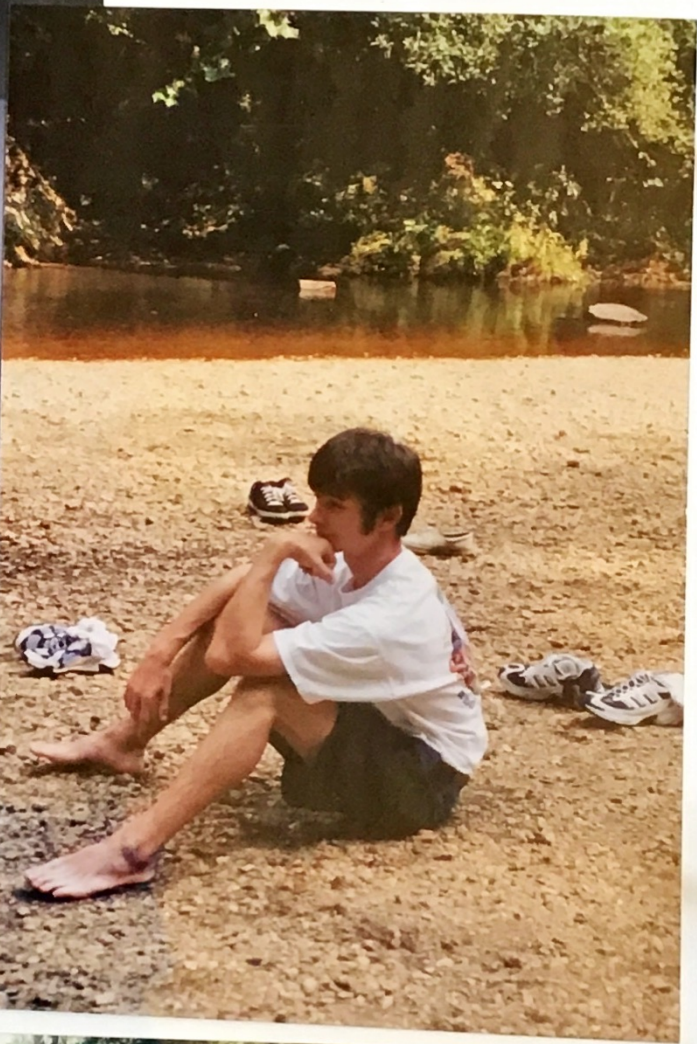


# Chris

The Griffin Co. Wonderboy kept the team going this year with his funky fresh personality! Chris was an interp force to be reckoned with, but not much of an impromptu speaker... GOOD LUCK!





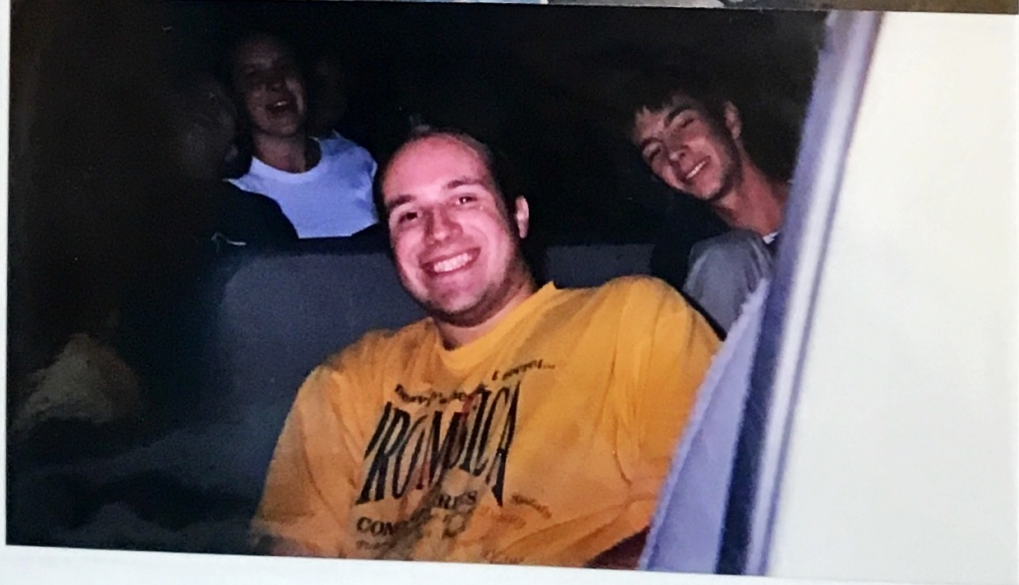




Brandon

THE MIGHTY SNIGLET.  
From groupie to Bronze medalist at Nats... Brandon's first year proved to be quite an experience for us all (-well, at least we know more about fruitflies....)







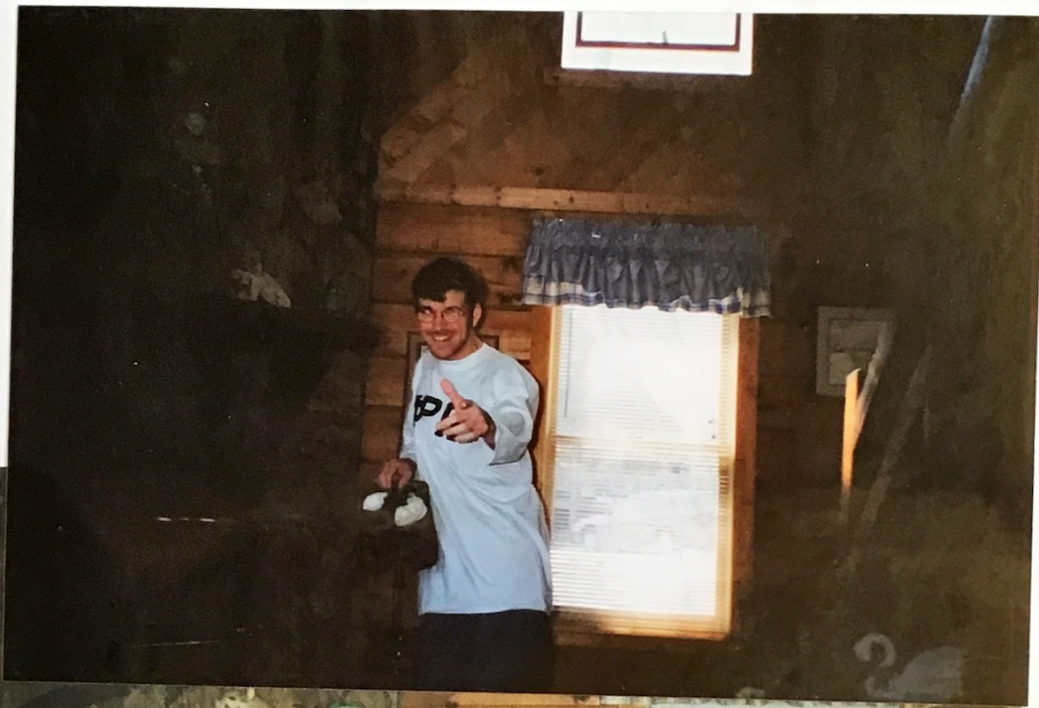
Josh

SOUL GEEK!

Josh, despite hordes of women fans trying to get to him, had a record-breaking year, gaining State & Region titles, as well as a bronze at Nats! Josh was real... um... well.... hmmm...









Although Corrine  
and Brian were only  
on the team for a  
short time, they left  
quite an impression on  
us all - Good Luck, Guys!  
WE MISS YOU!



**The Young Harris College  
Forensics Team**

**cordially invites you to the**

**1999 YHC Forensics Award  
Banquet**

**on  
Friday April 30, 1999**

**at 6:45 P.M.**

**in the Grace Rollins Dining Hall**

**at**

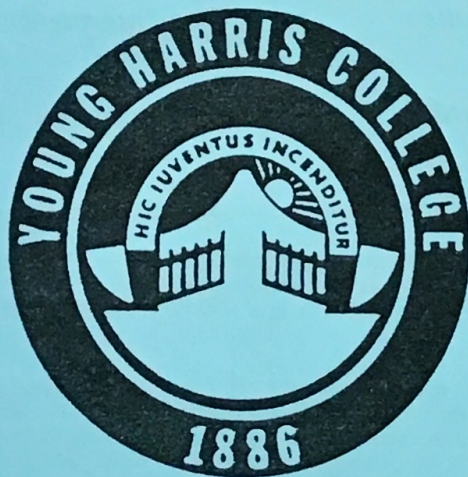
**Young Harris College**

**Please RSVP to Christi Moss  
ext. 5157  
by Monday, April 26, 1999**

The Fifth Annual  
YHC Forensics  
Showcase

**March 30, 1999**

*Susan B. Harris Chapel*



**Young Harris  
College  
Forensics  
Awards Banquet**

*April 30, 1999*

*Rollins Dining Hall*

**1998-1999**

Young Harris College Forensics Team

Alisa Starnes

President

Kim Nelson / Nick Jordan

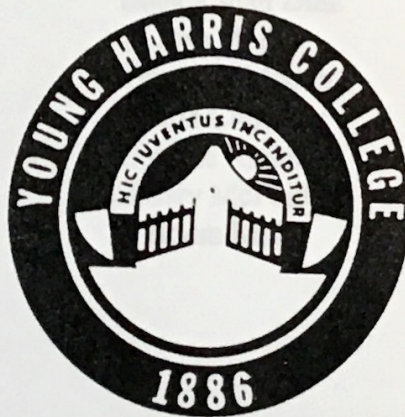
Vice Presidents

Stephanie Jones

Secretary/Treasurer

**Young Harris College**

*Forensics*



# 1998-1999 Young Harris College Forensics Team

*Alicia Mandin* President

*Gin Nelson / Nick Jordan* Vice Presidents

*Blanca Juan Diaz* Secretary / Treasurer

*Josh Holley* Historian

## Team Members:

Alicia Mandin  
Gin Nelson  
Nick Jordan  
Blanca Juan Diaz  
Josh Holley  
Brandon Moody  
Chris Childress  
Corinne Kennedy  
Christy McPhillips  
Bryan Miller

**Middle Tennessee State University Tournament**  
Middle Tennessee State University

*Murfreesboro, TN*  
*September 25-26, 1998*

Gin Nelson	6th place	Informative Speaking
Alicia Mandin	6th place	Extemporaneous Speaking
Nick Jordan	<b>**Impromptu Semi-finals**</b>	
Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	6th place	Duo Interpretation

YHC students brought home 5 awards.

**Alabama Swing**  
University of Alabama/Jefferson State Community College

*Tuscaloosa, Alabama*  
*October 16-18, 1998*

**Camilla Classic (Jefferson State Community College)**

Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	5th place	Duo Interpretation
YHC	3rd place	Two Year College Sweepstakes

**Crimson Classic (University of Alabama)**

Josh Holley	4th place	Prose Interpretation
YHC	3rd place	Two Year College Sweepstakes

YHC students brought home 5 awards.

**Autumn in the Mountains Tournament  
Berry College**

*Rome, Georgia  
October 30-31, 1998*

Josh Holley	5th place	Prose Interpretation
	5th place	Dramatic Interpretation
Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	3rd place	Duo Interpretation
<b>YHC students brought home 4 awards.</b>		
Josh Holley	6th place	Poetry Interpretation
Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	4th place	Duo Interpretation
Chris Childers/Josh Holley	5th place	Duo Interpretation
YHC	1st place	Two Year College Sweepstakes
<b>YHC students brought home 11 awards</b>		
Josh Holley	1st place	Prose Interpretation
	5th place	Poetry Interpretation
Chris Childers/Josh Holley	4th place	Prose Interpretative Speaking
	5th place	Prose Interpretation
Chris Childers	6th place	Extemporaneous Speaking
Brandon Moody	6th place	Extemporaneous Speaking
Chris Childers	6th place	Public Prose Interpretation
Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	6th place	Duo Interpretation
Chris Childers/Josh Holley	6th place	Duo Interpretation
YHC	4th place	Two Year College Sweepstakes
<b>YHC students brought home 11 awards</b>		

**Five Rivers Swing Tournament**  
**Carson Newman College/Asbury College**  
*Carson Newman, Tennessee*  
*November 14-15, 1998*

**Carson Newman College**

Christy McPhillips	<b>1st place</b>	Novice Informative Speaking
	4th place	Novice Prose Interpretation
Chris Childress	<b>1st place</b>	Novice Prose Interpretation
Alicia Mandin	5th place	Extemporaneous Speaking
Brandon Moody	4th place	Novice Informative Speaking
Josh Holley	6th place	Poetry Interpretation
Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	4th place	Duo Interpretation
Chris Childress/Josh Holley	6th place	Duo Interpretation
<b>YHC</b>	<b>1st place</b>	Two Year College Sweepstakes

**YHC** students brought home **11** awards.

**Asbury College**

Josh Holley	<b>1st place</b>	Prose Interpretation
	5th place	Poetry Interpretation
Christy McPhillips	4th place	Novice Informative Speaking
	6th place	Novice Prose Interpretation
Alicia Mandin	4th place	Extemporaneous Speaking
Brandon Moody	6th place	Extemporaneous Speaking
Chris Childress	3rd place	Novice Prose Interpretation
Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	4th place	Duo Interpretation
Chris Childress/Josh Holley	6th place	Duo Interpretation
<b>YHC</b>	<b>1st place</b>	Two Year College Sweepstakes

**YHC** students brought home **12** awards.

Walden College Tournament  
Walden College  
Athens, Georgia  
August 13-14, 1998

**The Holiday Frolic Tournament**  
Ohio State University

*Columbus, Ohio*  
*December 4-5, 1998*

Josh Holley	<b>1st place</b>	Prose Interpretation
	<b>2nd place</b>	Dramatic Interpretation
Christy McPhillips	<b>5th place</b>	Novice Extemporaneous Speaking
Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	<b>3rd place</b>	Duo Interpretation

**YHC students brought home 5 awards.**

**Wesleyan College Tournament**  
**Wesleyan College**

*Macon, Georgia*  
*January 15-16, 1999*

Alicia Mandin	1st place 4th place 5th place	Extemporaneous Speaking Informative Speaking Program Oral Interpretation
Nick Jordan	1st place 2nd place 2nd place 4th place	Rhetorical Criticism Extemporaneous Speaking Impromptu Speaking After Dinner Speaking
Gin Nelson	2nd place 3rd place 6th place	Informative Speaking Children's Literature Poetry Interpretation
Christy McPhillips	1st place 2nd place 3rd place 4th place	Impromptu Speaking Rhetorical Criticism Extemporaneous Speaking Pentathalon
Chris Childress	5th place	Prose Interpretation
Blanca Juan Diaz	5th place	Informative Speaking
Brandon Moody	2nd place 5th place	Program Oral Interpretation Extemporaneous Speaking
Josh Holley	1st place 1st place 1st place 2nd place 3rd place 1st place	Children's Literature Poetry Interpretation Dramatic Interpretation Prose Interpretation After Dinner Speaking Pentathalon
Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	1st place	Duo Interpretation
Chris Childress/Josh Holley	3rd place	Duo Interpretation
YHC	1st place	Overall Sweepstakes

YHC students brought home 29 awards.

**GIFA State Tournament**  
**Young Harris College**

*Young Harris, Georgia*  
*January 29-30, 1999*

Alicia Mandin	2nd place	Informative Speaking
	3rd place	Impromptu Speaking
	4th place	Program Oral Interpretation
	6th place	Extemporaneous Speaking
Blanca Juan Diaz	4th place	Persuasion Speaking
	6th place	Informative Speaking
Nick Jordan	5th place	After Dinner Speaking
	5th place	Rhetorical Criticism
	5th place	Extemporaneous Speaking
	6th place	Impromptu Speaking
Gin Nelson	3rd place	Informative Speaking
	3rd place	Program Oral Interpretation
Brandon Moody	6th place	Program Oral Interpretation
Josh Holley	<b>State Champion</b>	Prose Interpretation
	2nd place	Dramatic Interpretation
	3rd place	After Dinner Speaking
Chris Childress	4th place	Dramatic Interpretation
Christy McPhillips	3rd place	Extemporaneous Speaking
	4th place	Rhetorical Criticism
	6th place	Prose Interpretation
Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	2nd place	Duo Interpretation
Chris Childress/ Josh Holley	4th place	Duo Interpretation
<b>YHC</b>	2nd place	Overall Sweepstakes

**YHC students brought home 25 awards.**

**Region 8 Tournament**  
**Young Harris College**

*Young Harris, Georgia*  
*March 19-21, 1999*

Christy McPhillips	<b>Region Champion</b> 6th place	Impromptu Speaking Communication Analysis
Nick Jordan	2nd place 6th place	Extemporaneous Speaking Lincoln Douglas Debate Speaker Award
Brandon Moody	5th place	Extemporaneous Speaking
Josh Holley	<b>Region Champion</b> <b>Region Champion</b> 2nd place 3rd place	Poetry Interpretation Speech to Entertain Dramatic Interpretation Pentathlon
Brandon Moody/Josh Holley	2nd place	Duo Interpretation
YHC	3rd place 3rd place	Individual Events Sweepstakes Large School Sweepstakes

YHC students brought home 13 awards.

**Phi Rho Pi National Tournament  
Four Points Sheraton**

*Milwaukee, WI  
April 11-16, 1999*

**National Team:**

Christy McPhillips  
Blanca Juan Diaz  
Gin Nelson  
Brandon Moody  
Josh Holley

<b>Christy McPhillips</b>	<b>Bronze Medal</b>	<b>Impromptu Speaking</b>
<b>Josh Holley</b>	<b>Bronze Medal</b>	<b>Dramatic Interpretation</b>
<b>Brandon Moody/Josh Holley</b>	<b>Bronze Medal</b>	<b>Duo Interpretation</b>

**\*\*\*YHC ranked 9th Overall in the Limited Entries Sweepstakes Division!\*\*\***

**YHC students brought home 4 awards.**

## YOUNG HARRIS COLLEGE FORENSICS MILESTONES

- 1886 Young Harris Debate Society Began
- 1914-1916 First three intercollegiate debates took place against Piedmont College (YHC won).
- 1914 First intercollegiate debate award
- 1930 First Intercollegiate debate "team" coached by S. G. Miller until 1932.
- 1934 First YHC "Forensics Team" coached by S. B. Tolar. Team existed until 1941.
- 1991-1992 First intercollegiate Individual Events Tournament  
First attendance at AFA Nationals
- 1992-1993 First Individual Events awards -- Chris Page, After Dinner Speaking, and Abby Wood,  
First Team Sweepstakes at UWF, 3rd place.  
First Public Speaking Awards  
First Debate Speaker Award, Mike Weir
- First National Award  
-- Garrison Newcomer Award at CEDA Nationals
- 1993-1994 Total of 35 Awards
- 1993-1994 First Oral Interpretation Award, Michele Turner  
First attendance at IE Novice Nationals  
First Novice National IE awards, Michele Turner and Tammy Herremans  
First National Sweeps Award, 6th place  
First Awards at a Regional Debate Tournament
- Total of 20 Awards

1994-1995

First Pentathlon First Place, Sarah  
McCarroll  
First attendance and Sweepstakes award at Phi Rho  
Pi Regionals  
First attendance at GIFA State Tournament  
First State Champions, Monica Rollins and Sarah  
McCarroll  
First Regional Champion, Chris Hawkins  
Won 22 awards at GIFA  
First attendance at Phi Rho Pi Nationals  
First Phi Rho Pi National Awards, Michele Gregory  
--Bronze, and David Wallace -- Bronze  
Students have won awards in all competitive events

Total of 45 awards

1995-1996

First Hosting of Phi Rho Pi Regionals  
Broke Record -- Most Awards at Single Tournament  
(GIFA - 27 awards)  
State Champion - David Wallace (Poetry)  
Regional Champion - Kathryn Holmes (Informative  
and Rhetorical Criticism)

Total of 82 awards

1996-1997

Won Eight Team Sweepstakes Awards (5 first place)  
Won 23 awards at GIFA State Tournament  
First Place Regional I.E. Sweepstakes  
First YHC Freshman to win State Champion, Ryan  
Brooks in Prose.  
Regional Champion-Jeremy Collins (Extemp and C.A.)  
First National Phi Rho Pi Sweepstakes  
won--7th place

Total of 77 awards

1997-1998

Won Eight Team Sweepstakes Awards  
Won 24 awards at the GIFA State Tournament  
First competition in Parliamentary Debate  
(won 6 awards)  
State Champions Amy Tate (Impromptu and Extemp)  
Lauren Phillips (POI)  
Regional Champions Amy Tate (Communication  
Analysis, Impromptu)  
Lauren Phillips (POI)

Total of 88 awards won

1998-1999

Won 6 Team Sweepstakes Awards  
Won 25 awards at the GIFA State Tournament  
State Champion: Josh Holley, Prose  
Regional Champions:  
Christy McPhillips (Impromptu)  
Josh Holley (STE, Poetry)  
Top Ten finish at Phi Rho Pi Nationals  
NEW RECORD: Most awards won at a single  
tournament, Wesleyan (29)

Total of 113 awards won.

YHC students have won 463 awards in the history of  
the program

### TEAM RECORD STANDINGS

Most National Awards (Novice Nationals): Michele Turner (6)

Most Awards at a Single National Tournament (Novice Nats.):  
Michele Turner (6)

Most Phi Rho Pi National Awards\*: Michele Gregory (2)  
David Wallace (2)  
Lauren Phillips (2)  
Jeremy Collins (2)  
Josh Holley (2)

Most Awards in a Single Year: Josh Holley (36)

Most Awards in a Career (2 yrs.): Josh Holley (47)

Most Awards in Individual Events\*

Impromptu: Amy Tate (10)

Extemp: Jeremy Collins (8)  
Alicia Mandin (8)

Persuasion: Chris Page (7)

Informative: Gin Nelson (5)

Communicative Analysis: Abby Wood (6)

Dramatic Interpretation: Josh Holley (11)

Program Oral Interpretation: Alicia Mandin (6)

Prose: Lauren Phillips (9)  
Josh Holley (9)

Duo: Josh Holley (17)

Poetry: David Wallace (7)

After-Dinner Speaking: Ginny Nelson (3)  
Josh Holley (3)

Pentathlon: Amy Tate (2)  
Josh Holley (2)

Public Speaking Events: Abby Wood (9)  
Amy Tate (9)

Limited Preparation Events: Amy Tate (16)

Oral Interpretation: **Josh Holley (42)**

CEDA Debate: Chris Gray (3)

Parliamentary Debate: Nick Jordan (2)  
Alicia Mandin (2)

\*These are career standings that may be added up over a students two years of competition. However, some records are broken during a freshman year.

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

OUTSTANDING NOVICE AWARD

This award is given to the first year student who demonstrates the most development, improvement, and growth in intercollegiate forensic competition.

Past winners are:

David Wallace 94-95  
and  
Michele Gregory 94-95

Jennifer Hughes 95-96

Amy Tate 96-97

Alicia Mandin 97-98  
and  
Blanca Juan Diaz 97-98

This year's winner is:

Christy McPhillips

EXCELLENT COMPETITOR AWARD

This award recognizes the team member who earned the most points for the YHC team throughout the year.

Past winners are:

Sarah McCarroll 94-95

David Wallace 95-96

Jeremy Collins 96-97

Amy Tate 97-98

This year's winner is:

**Josh Holley**

THE J.H. STEPHENS CHAMPION OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

Mr. J.H. Stephens established the tradition of debate and public speaking at Young Harris College in 1886. This tradition was organized into the Young Harris Debate Society. At the time public speaking and debate was a great part of YHC culture. Students were encouraged to sharpen competitive speaking skills and strengthen moral character through the public speaking experience.

Today those same encouragements are given to the students who participate on the YHC Forensics Team. This award goes to the student who demonstrates a strong moral character, dedication to the YHC Forensics Team, excellence in competition, and characteristics that reflect the competitive spirit of the YHC Forensics Team.

Past recipients:

Monica Rollins 94-95

Michele Gregory 95-96

Christine John 96-97

Amy Tate 97-98

This year's recipient is:

Blanca Juan Diaz

PAUL COVERDELL  
GEORGIA



UNITED STATES SENATE  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20510-1004

January 14, 1999

Young Harris College Forensics Team  
Division of Fine Arts  
Young Harris, Georgia 30582

Dear Young Harris Forensics Team Members:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter and photograph. Your kind words are much appreciated.

Congratulations on your success this year. Your many victories are a sign of hard work and dedication. Best wishes for the new year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "PDC", enclosed within a circular scribble.

Paul D. Coverdell  
~~United States Senator~~

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