September 2015

Dear forensics colleagues,

You and your students are cordially invited to attend the second annual Pirate-Boxer Rebellion swing tournament, which will be held on the Whitworth University campus on **Saturday, October 24 and Sunday, October 25, 2015**. This tournament is being co-hosted by Pacific University and Whitworth University. In addition to the traditional **11 NIET events** in open division, we will also offer **novice** extemp, prose, impromptu and informative. Additionally, we will offer novice and open **IPDA debate. IPDA** will run concurrently with A and B pattern events. To help avoid scheduling conflicts, students will **NOT** be allowed to compete in both IPDA and IE’s. However, students eliminated in IPDA may enter the Sunday IE tournament (see Tournament Registration, General Guidelines, and Judging & Fees for details).

All the academic buildings are less than a five-minute walk from tournament headquarters, and buildings in use have elevators. Please let us know if you have competitors, coaches, or critics who need ADA accommodation.

The Swing adheres to the AFA-NIET Code of Ethics, the Northwest Forensics Conference Code of Ethics, and the IPDA Constitution.

Please let us know if you have any questions or if we can provide any more information to you. We look forward to seeing you in Spokane this October!

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**TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION**

**Entry Deadline:** *Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 5:00 pm*

We will not accept additional entries or substitutions after this point. Competitors in IPDA, who are eliminated and wish to compete in IE’s on Sunday, must register for events by this deadline, as well. \*Refunds will be granted for students that enter IE’s but advance in IPDA (see Judging & Fees).

**Drop Deadline:** *Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 5:00 pm*

Fees are calculated based on entries at this time; any changes after this point must be emailed to dsbroyles@pacificu.edu and will be charged full entry fees and entry change fees.

*Note: To manage your team entries and drops, please use* [*http://www.forensictournament.net/*](http://www.forensictournament.net/)*. A Code of Conduct document will be posted on the registration page to provide tournament information about safety and inclusion.*

**GENERAL GUIDELINES**

**DIVISIONS:** We will offer novice and open divisions for IPDA. **All IE events are open division with novice divisions of extemp, prose, impromptu and informative.** Please use the following guidelines to determine the appropriate divisions for your students:

* **Novice** – Students in the novice division must be undergraduate students in their first two years of collegiate forensics, and as per NFC rules, have fewer than three trophies per category (interp, debate, etc).
* **Open** – Students in the open division must be undergraduate students with less than four years of intercollegiate forensics experience.

**ENTRIES:** Students may *triple-enter* within either pattern of competition, except for those competing in IPDA, Duo and Ext. For those events, please use the following guidelines:

* Students in Duo may ***ONLY*** *double-enter* in pattern A.
* Student in Ext may ***ONLY*** *double-enter* in pattern B – speakers 1-4 should compete in Ext prior to their other event, whereas speakers 5-6 should compete in their other event prior to Ext.
* Students in IPDA may ***ONLY*** *single-enter* in IPDA on Sat. They may also register for IE’s on Sunday in the case of elimination (see Tournament Registration and Judging & Fees).

**RESTRICTIONS:** If we run into issues with entries, divisions or availability of rooms and judges, we reserve the right to impose the following restrictions as needed.

* **Teams Limits** – If we have to limit team entries, decisions will be based on AFA-NIET standards (66 entries or less per school) and then a first come first serve basis.
* **Division Limits** – If there are less than 12 entries in IPDA, we will collapse novice into open accordingly. If there are less than 9 entries in an IE, we will collapse that division as well. Students competing in novice IPDA that have surpassed the restrictions for this division will be reassigned to the open division at the discretion of the tournament director.

**EVENTS**

**INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC DEBATE (IPDA)**

Procedures will follow standard IPDA/NFC guidelines. We will use 5-2-6-2-3-5-3 time limits and 30 minutes of preparation. Debaters will be presented with five resolutions and each side will have two strikes. Topics will be drawn from a variety of current events and include policy, value, fact and metaphor resolutions. Guidelines are at: <http://www.ipdadebate.info/constitution--bylaws.html>

**INDIVIDUAL EVENTS**

ALL Students are responsible for making it to their rounds on time – **competitors MUST arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the end of the current round to be given a chance to compete.** AFA-NIET descriptions and rules apply to individual events. For information please see: <http://www.afa-niet.org/>

* **Pattern A:** CA, DUO, IMP, INF, POE, & IPDA
* **Pattern B:** ADS, DI, EXT, PER, POI, PRO, & IPDA

Novice divisions in extemp, prose, impromptu and informative.

**AWARDS & SWEEPSTAKES**

**AWARDS**: Certificates (or something similarly inexpensive, yet thrilling) will be awarded to all IE finalists and IPDA elimination round participants. Additionally, awards will be given to the top three teams, the top place two year school, and the top place cumulative swing sweeps school.

**SWEEPSTAKES**

**IPDA** 1st 2nd Semis Quarters

IPDA: 10pts 8pts 4pts 2pts

**IE** 1st 2nd 3rd Finalist

IE’s: 10pts 8pts 6pts 4pts

**JUDGING & FEES**

**JUDGING REQUIREMENTS:** Schools **MUST** provide qualified judges for the tournament. Restrictions may be imposed for schools that do not provide a reasonable number of judges to cover their entry. When possible, judges will be assigned to the IPDA or IE pool for each full day. Please use the following guidelines for your judges:

IEs: one judge covers eight entries

IPDA: one judge covers two entries

**ENTRY FEES per day UNCOVERED LATE FEES per day**

School fee $20 Uncovered IPDA debater $30

IPDA Entries $15 Uncovered IE slot $10

IE Slots $5 each

*\*Refund $5 each IE entry for IPDA students that advance into IPDA outrounds*

**2015 Pirate Boxer Rebellion Schedule**

**Saturday, October 24 – hosted by Whitworth**

8:00 Registration – Hixson Union Building lobby (HUB)

9:00 IE 1 A (Draw 9:00 and speak 9:30) IPDA Rd 1

10:30 IE 2 A (Draw 10:30 and speak 11:00) IPDA Rd 2

12:00 Lunch

12:30 IE 1 B (Draw 12:30 and speak 1:00) IPDA Rd 3

2:00 IE 2 B (Draw 2:00 and speak 2:30) IPDA Rd 4

3:30 IE Finals A

5:00 IE Finals B IPDA Rd 5

7:00 Awards – HUB Multi-Purpose Room

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**Sunday, October 25– hosted by Pacific**

8:00 Registration – Hixson Union Building lobby (HUB)

9:00 IE 1 A (Draw 9:00 and speak 9:30) IPDA Elim 1

10:30 IE 2 A (Draw 10:30 and speak 11:00) IPDA Elim 2

12:00 Lunch

12:30 IE 1 B (Draw 12:30 and speak 1:00) IPDA Elim 3

2:00 IE 2 B (Draw 2:00 and speak 2:30) IPDA Elim 4

3:30 IE Finals A

5:00 IE Finals B

7:00 Awards – HUB Multi-Purpose Room

**Pattern A:** CA, \*DUO, IMP, INF, POE, & \*IPDA

**Pattern B:** ADS, DI, \*EXT, PER, POI, PRO, & \*IPDA

*\*Note: students in Duo, Ext, and IPDA are restricted events. See “Events” on page three of the document for details.*

**HOTELS**

\*Quality Inn Oakwood

7919 N. Division St

 509.467.4900

Queens @ $85

\*Comfort Inn North

7111 N. Division St

509.467.7111

Queens @ 94.50

\*LaQuinta

9601 N. Newport Hwy

509.468.5020

Queens @ approx. $85

(They will offer a percentage off the best available rate of the time you make your reservation.)

Apple Tree Inn

9508 N. Division St

509.466.3020

Single $50, 2 beds $60, deluxe $175 2 queen, 2 twin

\*Mention you are attending the Whitworth University Debate Tournament to obtain these rates. Each hotel is less than five minutes from Whitworth, and provides a continental breakfast.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Interstate 90: Take exit 281 on Division. Go north on the Division/Ruby couplet for about 7 miles. Turn left on Hawthorne (at the corner of Jack in the Box on the left and Bruchis on the right). Go through the first light. Turn right into campus by the brick welcome sign. The road swerves to the right and the Hixson Union Building (HUB) will be the first building on your left.

Parking: From the HUB, turn around and exit the university. Then turn right onto Hawthorne and park in the large parking lot on your left, Lot A-1 on the south side of Hawthorne. You will get a parking pass at Registration to put in your vehicles.