THE MONUMENT SWING



Forensics Invitational Tournament

February 3rd-5th, 2017

Forensics Colleagues,

Eastern Wyoming Community College and Western Nebraska Community College would like to cordially invite you to participate in the inaugural Monument Swing Tournament, to be held on the Western Nebraska Community College campus – Scottsbluff, NE. February 3rd-5th, 2017 for one 5/3 IPDA (Fri) Tournament, one 2/1 IE (Sat), and one 3/0 (Sun) tournament.

This tournament promises to feature a weekend full of forensics fun, with opportunities to compete in debate and speech. Additionally, we plan on running the Sunday tournament as 3 unflighted rounds. These 3 ballots will be cumulated for final placings. This schedule still fulfills AFA and NFA qualification, while shortening the schedule to give extra leeway time for the drive home. For more information please feel free to contact us.

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Tournament Schedule "The Monument Swing"

Individual Events Patterns, Competitors can enter no more than three events per pattern on Saturday and no more than four events per round on Sunday

SATURDAY FLIGHT PATTERNS:

Pattern A: Extemp, POI, Poetry, DI, CA, Info Pattern B: Impromptu, Prose, ADS, DUO, PERS

Friday 3 rd Schedule		Saturday 4 th Schedule		Sunday 9th Schedules	
WNCC Campus		WNCC Campus		WNCC Campus	
Friday IPDA		Sat IE		Sun IE	
Registration	11:30	Registration	7:30	Registration	7:30
IPDA 1	12:00	Ext Draw	8:00	Ext Draw	8:00
IPDA 2	1:15	Round 1A	8:15	Round 1	8:15
IPDA 3	2:30	Rd 1B	9:30	Ext Draw	9:45
IPDA 4	3:45	Rd 2B	10:45	Round 2	10:00
IPDA 5	5:00	Lunch	12-1	Ext Draw	11:30
Dinner	6:00	Ext Draw	1:00	Round 3	11:45
IPDA Quarters	6:30	Rd 2A	1:15	Awards	1:15
IPDA Semis	8:00	Finals B	2:45		
IPDA Finals	9:15	Ext Draw	4:15		
		Finals A	4:30		
		Awards	6:00		

TOURNAMENT NOTES

IPDA

No in-round oral critiques. Please inform your coaches, judges, and students that we expect no in-round oral critiques. To ensure the tournament schedule and avoid hosting strife we ask that critiques be given only after the round's ballot has been submitted. If the ballot for the round has not been submitted by the judge before the start time for the next round, the round may incur a double-loss if it is the fault of the competitors in the round, or losses given the competitors affiliated with that judge for that round if it is the fault of the judge. Decisions will be made be the tournament director. There is opportunity for critique in between rounds and throughout the competition day and it is encouraged once ballots have been submitted. Additionally, if competitors are not present for draw, topic announce, or round start time for reasons that are under their control, they may be given a loss for that round.

Judges will be responsible for every preliminary round, and schools will be responsible to judge at least one round beyond the elimination of your competitors.

A separate novice and varsity division will be used for both forms of debate, but may break down to one division if necessary. WNCC will be competing in debate but will not be eligible for debate sweepstakes.

IPDA will be offered for individual competitors. There will not be a team division at this time.

A novice competitor is a student who is in their first two semesters of collegiate competition and has not attended a year-end nationals tournament. The Varsity or Open category is for students who are not novice competitors, but are still within the eligibility guidelines for each activity (and may include novice students based on entry). We will not be offering a "professional" division for non-collegiate students at this time.

IPDA will follow the time limits and rules established by the International Public Debate association. Students will have thirty minutes of preparation time (includes walking time to rounds).

IIE

Saturday's tournament will break to finals, Sunday's tournament will be 3 rounds, no finals-awards will be based on the cumed scores of the 3 ballots.

Saturday - No competitor may enter more than 3 events per flight pattern (2 Duos=2 events).

Sunday - no competitor may enter more than 4 events per round (2 Duos=2 events)

I.E.'s will break to semifinals at 40 entries, quarterfinals at 80, and octo-finals at 160.

for the 11 AFA events should follow the AFA-NIET Event Descriptions which can be found at http://www.mnsu.edu/cmst/niet/eventdescriptions-new09-10.htm

Awards

Individual:

Awards will be presented to all IE finalists. The top five speakers will be given awards for debate in each division as well as all competitors advancing to out rounds. The top placing novice (1st year) competitor will be recognized in each event. The top 5 individual speakers in 3 or more IE events will be recognized each day.

Team:

Saturday $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ IE Sweepstakes, $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ IPDA Sweepstakes, and 2-year college awards as warranted. Sunday 1^{st} - 3^{rd} IE Sweepstakes and 2-year college awards as warranted.

Sweepstakes Formula:

IE Prelims 1st-3, 2nd-2, 3rd-1

IE Finalists 1^{st-}12, 2^{nd-}10, 3rd -8, 4th -6, 5th -4, 6th -2, 7th on 1 pt.

IPDA Prelim Win or Bye $-3 - 1^{st}$ -24, 2^{nd} -20, semifinalist-16, quarterfinalist-8, octafinalist-4.

Tie Breakers:

IE:

Saturday-Competitors will be advanced to out rounds based on lowest cumulative rank, then inverse reciprocals, then highest cumulative rating points. If after these criteria are applied there is still a tie, tied competitors will advance to the appropriate out round. Ranking in finals will follow this order Majority of first place rankings, Lowest cumulative ranking, Majority of preference based on each individual judges' rankings, highest cumulative rating points, highest cumulative rating points after dropping high score, highest cumulative points after dropping low score, highest cumulative points after dropping high/low scores.

-Sunday-Preliminary round tiebreakers will be applied first, then if there are still ties, 1's, drop high points, drop low points, drop high/low.

IPDA:

Elim Rounds: Wins/H-L adjusted speaker points/

total speaker points/opp record

Speaker: H/L adjusted points/total speaker points/W/L

FINALS:

Because we believe forensics should be educational, in events containing 8 or more competitors we will err towards at least 6 finalists in each event to ensure maximum experience and ballots.

Fees Individual Events:

\$10 per entry (1 judge covers 6 entries) Judging Fees: \$115 per uncovered entry

IPDA:

\$30 per entry (1 judge covers two entries) Judging Fees: \$60 per uncovered slot

Food fee:

\$2 per person attending for the weekend

Saturday Lunch:

A \$7 per person meal ticket can be purchased to eat in the Pioneer Dining Hall on Campus during the Saturday Lunch break through Speechwire

Drops:

Any competitor changes, adds, or drops after 5:00 pm Wednesday, February 1st, 2017 be charged at \$10 per change. Schools dropping judges 24 hours or less prior to the beginning of the tournament will be charged a \$100 drop judge fee. Adding judges is ALWAYS WELCOME!!!

Entry	All entries need to be submitted to speechwire.com by 5:00 p.m. (Mountain) Monday, January 30th, 2017. Mark your calendars!
	Changes can be made on the website for 24 hours after the registration deadline.
Meals	Friday- Snacks and Pizza for dinner covered by \$2 fee
	Saturday-Snacks covered by \$2 fee. Meal tickets for lunch can be purchased to dine on
	campus
	Sunday-Snacks covered by \$2 fee.
Lodging	Hampton \$91=WNCC Block
	(308) 635-5200
	301 West Highway 26, Scottsbluff, NE 69361
	Comfort Inn \$70 a night - WNCC Speech Block
	(308) 632-7510
	1902 21st Ave, Scottsbluff, NE 69361
	At this time the Days Inn is not recommended.