 

Dear Forensics Colleagues, June 24, 2019

The Southwest Baptist University forensics program, the Heartland Sigma chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, and the Bob R. Derryberry School of Communication Arts want to invite you to the Bob R. Derryberry Memorial Season Opener to be held on the campus of SBU October 4th and 5th. We invite you to come to lovely Bolivar, MO for two days of strong early season competition.

Our tournament offers four preliminary rounds of College Public Forum and four rounds of Lincoln Douglas debate on Friday; and all 11 standard AFA individual events **(plus interviewing)** on Saturday. **One special note about interviewing. All competitors in that event will be expected to submit a hard copy of their resume at registration. Those who do not will be ineligible for the final round (which will be the resume round).**

Our tournament offers several nice amenities including…

* A humane competition schedule on both Friday and Saturday.
* A relatively compact campus—no competition building is more than a brisk five-minute walk from our tournament hub in the Jester Learning and Performance Center.
* Many hotel accommodations in the Bolivar/Springfield area.
* A nice selection of local eateries! (For a small town in Missouri anyway!)
* Lunch provided by the SBU Forensics Program on Saturday!
* A wide array of individual and sweepstakes awards!
* Nice trophies!
* A chance to start the season with the warm camaraderie fostered by the activity we love!

We hope that you will come and join us in October! Please contact us with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Dr. David Bailey Mr. Jordan Compton Director of Forensics Assistant Director of Forensics Southwest Baptist University

**Derryberry Season Opener Schedule\***

**Friday, October 4**

**10:30a.m.-11:45p.m: Registration (Lobby of the Jester Learning and Performance Center)**

**12:00-1:00p.m: Public Forum Round 1**

**1:00-2:00p.m: Lincoln Douglas Round 1**

**2:00-3:00p.m: Public Forum Round 2/Lincoln Douglas Round 2**

**3:00-4:00p.m: Public Forum Round 3/Lincoln Douglas Round 3**

**4:00-5:00p.m: Public Forum Round 4/Lincoln Douglas Round 4**

**5:00-6:15p.m: Dinner Break (On your own)**

**6:30-7:30p.m: Public Forum/Lincoln Douglas Elimination Round 1**

**Saturday, October 5**

**7:00-8:00a.m: Registration for IE only schools (Lobby of Jester Center)**

**7:45a.m. Extemp Draw (TBA)**

**8:00a.m.-9:15 Round 1 Pattern A (Extemp, Persuasion, DI, Poetry, Informative, Prose)**

**9:30a.m.-10:45 Round 1 Pattern B (Impromptu, POI, Duo, ADS, CA, Interviewing)**

**11:00a.m.-12:15p.m Round 2 Pattern B**

**12:15p.m.-1:00p.m. Sack Lunch Provided by SBU Forensics**

**1:00-2:00p.m. Public Forum/LD Elimination Round 2**

**1:45p.m. Extemp Draw (TBA)**

**2:00-3:15p.m. Round 2 Pattern A**

**3:30-4:45p.m. Finals Pattern B**

**4:45p.m. Extemp Draw for Finals (TBA)**

**5:00-6:15p.m. Finals Pattern A**

**6:30-7:30p.m. Public Forum/LD Elimination Round 3 (Location TBA)**

**7:45p.m. Awards (Davis-Newport Theatre)**

**\*Note: We reserve the right to make schedule changes as necessary to accommodate tournament size, room needs, and other logistical considerations.**

**General Tournament Notes**



This tournament is named in memory of Dr. Bob R. Derryberry—a beloved figure in the forensics community—who spent 46 years as a Professor of Communication and the Director of Forensics at SBU. He was VERY competitive, but always held to the notion that forensics was and ought to be an educational activity. We are pleased to host this tournament as a celebration of the forensics values he taught and believed in: fairness, audience-centeredness, competition, education, collegiality, and hospitality.

**Lodging Options**

There are several lodging options available in Bolivar, MO and many more in nearby Springfield, MO. **Bolivar Options Include:**

Best Western Plus (New!!!)

777 E. San Martin Street, Bolivar, MO 65613 US

This hotel offers a rate of $94 while supplies last. Please mention “SBU Speech and Debate” when making your reservation. Please book by Monday, September 30th for the best possible chance to secure this rate. Call 1-417-326-0188.

Super 8 Bolivar

1919 S Wommack, Jct of Hwys 13 and T, Bolivar, MO 65613 US

417-777-8888

Comfort Inn

2451 Tower Drive, Bolivar, MO 65613

417-326-6169

**Dining Options in Bolivar**

**Breakfast and Lunch**

Brenda’s Café 115 West Broadway 417-326-7357

**Fast Food**

Arbys 1995 S. Springfield Ave. 417-326-2729

Burger King 1911 S. Springfield Ave. 417-326-3534

Dairy Queen 1040 S. Springfield Ave. 417-326-6998

Little Caesars Pizza 451 South Springfield Ave. 417-777-1543

Master Wong’s 1003 S. Springfield Ave. 417-326-6056

McDonalds 903 S. Springfield Ave. 417-326-8844

Mom’s Deli 1913 W. Broadway 417-326-3354

Rooster’s BBQ 525 W. Broadway Street 417-298-0231

Sonic 404 S. Springfield Ave. 417-326-6291

Subway 2230 S. Springfield Ave. 417-326-7827

Taco Bell 1875 S. Springfield Ave. 417-777-2880

Wendy’s 2480 S. Springfield Ave. 417-777-5541

**Restaurants**

Boone’s BBQ 5260 S. Scenic Ave. 417-326-7008

China King 2270 S. Springfied Ave. 417-326-5888

Curly Que BBQ 507 East Maupin St. 417-777-0004

Jasmine 2117 S. Springfield Ave. 417-326-4624

El Rodeo 306 E. Jackson St 417-777-7020

El Tres Amigos 913 S. Springfield 417-326-4049

Kathy’s Pasta 329 S. Main Ave 417-326-4100

Oseyo 712 W. Broadway 417-326-2100

Pizza Hut 1988 S. Springfield Ave. 417-326-5505

Smith’s Restaurant 3140 Highway U 417-777-6484

Springfield Avenue Café 921 S. Springfield Ave. 417-326-2070

The Mediterranean 115 W. Broadway St. 417-777-6700

**About The SBU Campus**

We will distribute maps of the SBU campus at registration. If you wish to familiarize yourself with our campus before you arrive please follow this link. <http://www.sbuniv.edu/_resources/documents/campus-map.pdf>

Parking on the SBU campus is free for our visitors and guests of our tournament. Visitor parking tags will be made available to you when you register. We recommend that you attempt to park behind the Jester Center (the same building as the library). Parking on Friday will be a bit tighter but there should still be plenty of spaces available. There will be ample parking available on Saturday.

**SBU is a nonsmoking campus!**

**Individual Awards**

Awards will be presented to all students who reach elimination rounds of individual events, Public Forum, and LD debate. Each member of the partnership in partnered events (e.g. Duo and Public Forum) will receive a trophy.

Although there is no novice division, we will recognize the top novice in each individual event.

**If the number of entries warrant, we will offer both novice and open divisions in Public Forum. We define a novice as any competitor in his or her first year of collegiate competition.**

We will present quadrathon awards to the top three students. A student must be entered in at least 4 different events representing at least two of the three individual events genres (oral interpretation, platform speaking, limited preparation) to be eligible for quadrathon. **Only a student’s top 4 events will count toward the quadrathon competition.**

**We will also present a special award (the “Bright Young Scholar”) to the top three students entered in both individual events and either College Public Forum or LD Debate. Please note that our schedule does permit LD debaters to cross over and compete in individual events!**

**Sweepstakes Awards & Formula**

We will present sweepstakes awards to the top three schools in debate, individual events, and overall. We will also recognize our top community college and our top participating Pi Kappa Delta chapter.

Sweepstakes points will be awarded to a school’s top four performers per individual event. Schools participating in Public Forum will earn sweepstakes points for their top four teams. In LD debate, two debaters will constitute one entry for sweepstakes purposes. In other words, a school can count its top eight LD debaters for sweepstakes purposes.

**Individual Events**: Schools will earn sweepstakes points for a top three ranking in preliminary rounds…3 points-2 points-1 point for a 1, 2, or 3 rank respectively. Placement in final rounds will earn 6 points-5 points-4 points-3 points-2 points-1 point for places 1 through 6 or 7 respectively.

**Public Forum**: Schools will earn 6 points per win in Public Forum and 0 points per loss in the preliminary rounds. Schools will earn 7 points per elimination round win and 3 points for an elimination round loss up until the final round. The final elimination round of Public Forum will not count toward sweepstakes.

**Lincoln Douglas:** Schools will earn 3 points per win in Lincoln Douglas and 0 points per loss in the preliminary rounds. Schools will earn 4 points per elimination round win and 2 points for an elimination round loss up until the final round. The final elimination round of Lincoln Douglas will not count toward sweepstakes.

**Local Host Entries**

Southwest Baptist University students (particularly our novices) may be entered in individual events and debate. SBU will not be eligible for sweepstakes awards.

**Fees and Judging Obligations**

Fees will be calculated according to the following schedule…

Tournament Participation Fee $10.00 per student and judge either day

IE entries $8.00 per slot

Public Forum Teams $50.00 per team

Lincoln Douglas $25.00 per debater

Uncovered IEs $10.00 in addition to the entry fee

Uncovered PF Teams $70.00 in addition to the base entry fee

Uncovered LD Debaters $50.00 in addition to the base entry fee

Judging obligations….

In Public Forum one judge will cover two teams.

In Lincoln Douglas one judge will cover two LD debaters.

In individual events one judge will cover six entries.

We will have several SBU and community judges available, but judges are a little scarce in Bolivar so please make every effort to cover your entries. **We’d rather have your judges than your $$$.** For those paying with a check, please make it payable to SBU Forensics. **Please also note that we reserve the right to limit entries if needed. Schools with larger quantities of uncovered entries will be asked first.**

**Entry Deadlines and Instructions**

We will be receiving entries via forensicstournament.net again this year. Please visit <https://forensicstournament.net/derryberryseasonopener/19> to register. **Entries should be received no later than Tuesday, October 1st by 5:00p.m. Central time.** You will have until Wednesday, October 2nd at 5:00p.m. to make changes to your entry. You will receive a confirmation of your entry on Wednesday, October 2nd. Fees will be assessed at that time.

**Host/Tournament Director Contact Information**

If you should have any questions at all about our tournament please feel free to ask. Please direct any inquiries to Dr. David Bailey at dbailey@sbuniv.edu. You may also call me at the office at 417-328-1697 or on my cell phone at 979-739-9615.

**Individual Events Notes**

**Individual Event Conflict Patterns**

**Pattern A: Extemp, Persuasion, DI, Poetry, Informative, Prose**

**Pattern B: Impromptu, POI, After Dinner, Communication Analysis, Duo, Interviewing**

**General Rules**

AFA rules will be followed for all individual events. Students should not enter material that has been used in competition before September 1, 2019. The tournament will follow AFA tabulation procedures.

Extemp topics will cover issues pertinent to the socio-political realm with emphasis upon: international affairs, the 2020 elections, and the economy. Students will be able to have access to wireless on the campus (however we do not guarantee the speed of the wireless access). Extemp competitors may use the internet for prep.

Impromptu participants will choose between two topics that will vary by round and section. Topics will be drawn from philosophical quotations, song lyrics, and quotations from popular films.

Students may enter up to three events per conflict pattern. We will make every effort to place multiple-entered students who are entered in extemp in sections where they will draw as one of the first three speakers.

**Interviewing**

Interviewing is designed to give students the opportunity to sharpen their questioning, job interviewing and resume writing skills. The event will consist of two rounds of interviews in pattern B of the preliminary rounds. Competitors should bring a copy of their resume to the preliminary rounds. Those students who break to finals will have their resumes evaluated based upon the presentation and professionalism of their resume and not their qualifications. As such, the final round in this event will be a “resume round” only—not a traditional final speech round.

Students will assume that they are applying for a generic summer internship in their field.

For preliminary rounds, competitors will be divided into sections of 5-6 competitors. A judge will interview each competitor for a maximum of 10 minutes using an interview protocol (instructions and list of generic interviewing questions) provided by the tournament. Judges will evaluate students on the interviewing performance and not whether they are a good fit for a specific job description.

**Competitors in this event MUST submit 1 copy of their resumes at registration. Failure to submit a resume will mean that a student is ineligible for the final round.**

**Although there is no novice division in individual events, we will recognize the top performing novice in each IE. We define a novice as a student in his or her first year of collegiate competition. At registration we will ask coaches to designate which of their competitors meets this definition.**

**Lincoln Douglas Debate**

**In keeping with current practices in LD debate, we strongly encourage LD debaters to disclose their cases on the appropriate LD case list. We will send the link when it becomes available.**

**College Public Forum Notes**

We will use the CPF topic for Fall 2019 which will be released in September. When this happens we will send an addendum to this invitation including the topic.

College Public Forum

1. Philosophy: Public Forum focuses on advocacy of a position derived from the issues presented in the resolution. Competitors in this team event advocate or reject a position posed by a resolution (prepared by the College Public Forum committee and distributed via the IE-L). The clash of idea must be communicated in a manner persuasive to the non- Public Forum should:

a. Display solid logic, lucid reasoning, and depth of analysis.

b. Utilize evidence without being driven by it.

c. Present a clash of ideas by countering/refuting arguments of the opposing team (rebuttal)

d. Communicate ideas with civility, clarity, organization, eloquence, and professional decorum.

This is not a debate event, per se, and as such, teams do not have prime facie burdens or the burden of rejoinder. Instead, teams are asked to advocate for (pro) or against (con) the ideas and policies represented within the resolution.

Since this is not a debate event, in the traditional sense, teams are prohibited from utilizing plans (formalized comprehensive proposals for implementation), counterplans and kritiks (off-topic arguments). Multiple competitive venues exist for the application of these argumentative strategies.

2. Resolutions: Resolutions will be distributed five times in this year. Topics will be announced on the IE-L.

3. Procedure and order of speeches: Prior to EVERY round and in the presence of the judge(s), a coin is tossed by one team and called by the other team. The team that wins the flip may choose one of two options: EITHER the SIDE of the topic they wish to defend (pro or con) OR the SPEAKING POSITION they wish to have (begin the debate or end the debate). The remaining option (SIDE OR SPEAKING POSITION) is the choice of the team that loses the flip. Once speaking positions and sides have been determined, the debate begins (the con team may lead, depending on the coin flip results). Note: The round begins at the conclusion of the coin flip/sides/positions discussion. Contestants may not leave the room or consult with coaches after the coin flip, which begins the round.

a. First Speaker – Team A 5 minutes

b. First Speaker – Team B 5 minutes

c. Crossfire (first question by speaker A1) 3 minutes

d. Second Speaker – Team A 5 minutes

e. Second Speaker – Team B 5 minutes

f. Crossfire (first question by A2) 3 minutes

g. Summary – First Speaker – Team A 3 minutes

h. Summary – First Speaker – Team B 3 minutes

i. Closing Arguments – Second Speaker – Team A 3 minutes

j. Closing Arguments – Second Speaker – Team B 3 minutes

k. Prep Time 2 minutes per team

4. Timing: Judges and/or debaters should keep track of speaking time.

5. Plans/Counterplans: In College Public Forum, neither side is permitted to offer a plan nor a counterplan (formalized comprehensive proposal for implementation). Instead, each team should offer reasoning to support a position of advocacy. Debaters may offer generalized, practical solutions.

6. Oral Critiques: No debate ballot may be turned in without a reason for decision. Oral commentary is not considered a substitute for the written ballot. CPF and the ICFL discourage judges from disclosing decisions in preliminary rounds of competition. The ballot serves as a valuable educational tool to the teams and their coaches. Comments made by a judge (orally or written) should be constructive and professional.

7. Judges: The use of community judges is strongly encouraged.

8. Governance: College Public Forum is sponsored by the Intercollegiate Forensics League (ICFL) and all matters not covered in this description will be clarified by the ICFL committee.