

18th annual "Hell Froze Over" Swing

Hosted by Bradley University and the University of Texas at Austin

January 14 and 15, 2017

Dear Colleagues:

We invite you to join us for the **Eighteenth** annual Hell Froze Over Swing for colleges and universities, to be hosted by our two friendly forensics programs this year on the campus of Bradley University, January 14 and 15, 2017.

This year's swing offers you a number of benefits including spending some time at the host site for the 2017 AFA-NIET, but in our minds the most important is the celebration of the continuing friendship not just between our programs, but between ALL programs!

The swing will consist of two, one-day tournaments, reducing your travel time. Each tournament will offer all eleven AFA-NIET events and will follow AFA event descriptions.

Those of you who attended last year know how much fun we had and we assure you the fun has just begun! Please come join our teams in Peoria, as we celebrate yet another chapter in the rich relationship that is collegiate forensics!

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REGISTRATION:

1. Each school may enter an unlimited number of students per event.
2. Each student may enter a maximum of three events per group. Two duos count as two events.
3. Groups are as follows:
 - GROUP A: ADS, DUO, EXTEMP, PERSUASION, POETRY, POI
 - GROUP B: CA, DI, IMPROMPTU, INFORMATIVE, PROSE
4. Semi-Finals will be held for events containing over 50 entries.
5. All entries should be sent through speechwire.com. You may have your entry confirmed electronically using this registration mechanism. Entries should be submitted no later than Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at 5:00 p.m CST.

FEES:

1. A fee of \$10 will be charged for each entry slot.
2. As is usually the case in a two pattern tournament, judges will be used for most of the preliminary rounds on both days. As a result, each judge may cover up to **nine** slots entered. Judges may be hired for an additional \$10 per slot.
3. Drop penalties are as follows:
 - no charge for drops up to 12:00 noon CST, Wednesday, January 11, 2017.
 - \$10 charge per dropped slot plus entry fee after 12:00 noon, Wednesday, January 11, 2017 until Thursday, January 12, 2017 at 5:00 pm CST.
 - \$25 charge per dropped slot plus entry fee and \$75 charge per dropped judge plus judge fees thereafter.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT TO:

Beta Sigma Tau

AWARDS:

1. Individual event awards will be presented to all finalists in each event.
2. Team Sweepstakes awards will be presented to the top five schools at each half of the Swing. In addition, a Swing Sweepstakes award will be presented to the school accumulating the most sweepstakes points at both halves of the Swing.
3. Individual Sweepstakes awards will be presented to the top five speakers of each tournament. In addition, a Swing Individual Sweepstakes award will be presented to the student accumulating the most Individual Sweepstakes points at both halves of the Swing.
4. Team and Individual Sweepstakes are calculated as follows.
 - 12 pts: 1st place in final
 - 10 pts: 2nd place in final
 - 8 pts: 3rd place in final
 - 6 pts: 4th place in final
 - 4 pts: 5th place in final
 - 2 pts: 6th/7th place in final
 - 1 pt: non-advancing semifinalist

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(tentative schedule)

Schools can park in any legal parking space on Bradley's campus

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2017

8-9:30 p.m.	Early Registration	Location sent to registered schools via email
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SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2017 – Bradley University portion

7:00 a.m.	Registration	Michel Student Center
7:45 a.m.	Extemp Draw	<i>Baker B51</i>
8:00 a.m.	Round 1, Group A	(ADS, DUO, EXT, PER, POE, POI)
9:30 a.m.	Extemp Draw	<i>Baker B51</i>
9:45 a.m.	Round 2, Group A	
11:15 a.m.	Round 1, Group B	(CA, DI, IMP, INF, PRO)
12:45 p.m.	Round 2, Group B	
2:00 p.m.	Extemp Draw, semis	
2:15 p.m.	Semifinals, Group A	
3:45 p.m.	Semifinals, Group B	
5:00 p.m.	Extemp Draw, Finals	
5:15 p.m.	Finals, Group A	
6:45 p.m.	Finals, Group B	
ASAP	Awards	TBA

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2017 – University of Texas at Austin portion

7:00 a.m.	Registration	Michel Student Center
7:45 a.m.	Extemp Draw	<i>Baker B51</i>
8:00 a.m.	Round 1, Group A	(ADS, DUO, EXT, PER, POE, POI)
9:30 a.m.	Extemp Draw	<i>Baker B51</i>
9:45 a.m.	Round 2, Group A	
11:15 a.m.	Round 1, Group B	(CA, DI, IMP, INF, PRO)
12:45 p.m.	Round 2, Group B	
2:00 p.m.	Extemp Draw, semis	
2:15 p.m.	Semifinals, Group A	
3:45 p.m.	Semifinals, Group B	
5:00 p.m.	Extemp Draw, Finals	
5:15 p.m.	Finals, Group A	
6:45 p.m.	Finals, Group B	
ASAP	Awards	TBA
10:30 p.m.	Social Gathering (TBA)	