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Dear Forensics Friends and Community Members:

San Diego State University is pleased to hold an individual event-based, 1-day tournament, as a complimentary competitive opportunity the day before the Sunset Cliffs Classic at Point Loma Nazarene. SDSU will host the 2nd annual Montezuma Mesa Invitational. The Montezuma Mesa Invitational offers IE competitors a full tournament experience immediately preceding the Sunset Cliffs Classic. The date of the Montezuma Mesa Invitational is Friday, February 12th, 2016. So, while teams are debating at Point Loma's Round Robin tournament, individual events and IPDA competitors can compete at SDSU.*

*The Aztec Forensics Team upholds the notion that "debate is debate," despite different game structures, styles, and conventions. As such, any single-player format of debate, serves as a great opportunity for debaters to learn to critically think for themselves, thereby strengthening their contributions as a partner, if and when they fall back into a team debate pattern. So come on out, and give it a try!

The Invitational offers all 11 individual events in **Open division and an Open IPDA division.** Two preliminary rounds of competition will be offered with a single break to Finals and four IPDA rounds with 2 elimination rounds. **ONLY double entry is permitted in each pattern**. <u>Due to tight scheduling, triple entry will not be allowed.</u> Also due to limitations with rooms and time available we will be running Individual events and IPDA concurrently. *You CANNOT compete in both IE's and IPDA*.

Reasons to consider competing at the Montezuma Mesa Invitational:

- IE competitors attending the Sunset Cliffs Classic on Saturday and Sunday get an additional day of tournament competition on Friday.
- The new addition of four rounds of IPDA and two elims.
- Competitors have a chance to earn legs for Nationals.
- Highly experienced Tab room.
- Great tasting snacks.
- Skip Rutledge has made a tournament-time-adjustment for Individual Events on Saturday so students competing at SDSU can sleep later. How cool is this?
- Sweepstakes awards for both two-year and four-year schools.
- Swing Sweepstakes awards available to schools participating in both Montezuma Mesa and the Point Loma tournaments.

We hope to see you and your team on Friday, February 12, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact me at diberri-shea@mail.sdsu or Marquesa Cook-Whearty at mcwhearty@gmail.com

Best Regards,

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Montezuma Mesa Invitational

February 12, 2016

Entries:

Undergraduate students attending a two-year or four-year college carrying 6 or more units are eligible to compete. Students may not use materials at this tournament that they used in interscholastic competition before September 1, 2014.

Extemp Files: Extemporaneous speakers may use electronic information retrieval systems as long as they are drawing from databases on the premises. **Pulling from Internet sources or linking to outside databases will not be allowed.**

Rules:

AFA regulations will guide tournament decisions.

Entry Deadline:

All entries must be entered using *forensicstournament.net*. The entry deadline is 6:00p.m. Wednesday, February 10th, 2016. All entries are final. No refunds will be made for drops after the February 10th deadline.

Entry Fees:

\$25.00 school fee

\$15.00 per entry (Duo is \$20.00 per team/pair)

\$20.00 per uncovered judging slot (for details, see judging requirements)

\$30.00 per IPDA slot

\$75.00 per uncovered IPDA slot. (We need judges!!)

Registration:

Registration is scheduled from 11:00am – 12:15pm on Friday 12, 2016 in the Communication Building, 1st floor, outside the Little Theatre. The Communication Building is located on the west end of the campus. Please check the campus map enclosed for its location.

Tournament Schedule:

IE Tournament

11:00-12:15 REGISTRATION

12:30-1:00 Extemp Prep

1:00-2:15 Pattern A, Round 1

2:00- 2:30 Extemp Prep

(please note overlapping prep time. All judges will be notified of overlap)

2:30-3:45 Pattern A, Round 2

3:45-5:00 Pattern B, Round 1

5:00-6:15 Pattern B, Round 2

6:00-6:30 Extemp Prep: (please note overlapping prep time. All judges will be notified of overlap)

6:30-7:45 Pattern A Finals

7:45-9:00 Pattern B Finals

9:00 or ASAP AWARDS CEREMONY

IPDA Tournament

IPDA rounds to run **concurrently** with the IE tournament.

1:00-2:15 Round 1 IPDA

2:30-3:45- Round 2 IPDA

3.45-5.00- Round 3 IPDA

5:00-6:15- Round 4

6:30-7:45- Elim 1 IPDA

7:45-9:00- Elim 2 IPDA

Events:

Pattern A - Extemp, Informative, After Dinner Speaking, Prose, and Poetry

Pattern B - Impromptu, Persuasive, Communication Analysis, Drama, POI, and Duo

Pattern C- IPDA

Judging:

Each judge can cover up to five IE slots or portion thereof in their heaviest pattern. Judges must be qualified to judge at the Open level. Schools will be charged \$20.00 for each uncovered **I.E.** judging slot. All judges are obligated to judge through finals. For IPDA one judge covers two entries. Schools will be charged \$75.00 for each uncovered **IPDA** judging slot.

Montezuma Mesa Sweepstakes:

Sweepstakes awards will be presented to the 2-year and 4-year schools accumulating the most points. Sweepstakes points will be based on the following formula.

1st place = 10 points

2nd place = 8 points

3rd place = 6 points

Finalist = 4 points

Sweepstakes points earned at the Montezuma Mesa Invitational will be reported to the Sunset Cliffs Classic for combined Swing Sweepstakes awards given to both 2 year and 4 year schools.

Directions:

San Diego State University is located off Interstate 8. Please, for your own sanity, use Interstate 8 as your approach to the college. Here's how:

Heading east on Interstate 8, take College Ave. exit and <u>stay in the far right lane</u>. Once you are on College Ave., in the right lane, you will turn right on <u>Canyon Crest Drive</u> and follow the road. At the top of the road you will come to a stop sign. Turn right and park in the 8-level parking structure on your right. The structure is called PS4.

Parking:

The ONLY parking lot approved for no citation is PS4. Please see above description or go online and use the campus map.

Accommodations:

Please reference the Sunset Cliffs Classic's tournament letter.

Food:

This year the Montezuma Mesa tournament staff is excited to provide pizza and water for all competitors. Additionally, San Diego State University has several restaurant options including the Habit, Oggi's Pizza, two food courts. All are open late except the college cafeteria.

We look forward to seeing you and your squad. Thanks,

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