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Come to CASUAL FLING 2014 At MHCC!!!!

May 9-10, 2014

Dear Colleagues:

Mt. Hood Community College invites you and your students to attend the Casual Fling Tournament held on the MHCC campus Friday and Saturday, May 9-10, 2014. We hope you will take this opportunity to attend this very unique end of the year tournament

The goal of this tournament is to let our hair down after a long season and just enjoy ourselves!!! Being casual is the idea. Therefore, the dress code will be relaxed, but keep it appropriate. We will be offering IPDA debate, 3 IE events, including Tabloid Extemp, Situational Impromptu, and the ever popular Bad Interp.

This year we are going to try something different. We are shortening the tournament so that teams can participate along with hundreds of volunteers across the Portland Metro Area for the biggest one-day food drive of the year, the National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive. There is a need for volunteers to be at the Gresham Post Office to help unload and box food up so it can be brought back to the Oregon Food Bank.

We encourage all schools to join MHCC by putting all of our conversations about social justice and improving the world to work by volunteering a couple of hours of our time to help thousands of families across Northern Oregon and Southwest Washington. (Fast Fact: **270,000 people** per month eat meals from emergency food boxes. That's half of Portland's population. Of those, **92,000 are children**. Since the beginning of the Great Recession in 2008, emergency food box distribution has increased 41 percent. – Oregon Food Bank Website).

We hope that many of you will be able to attend. You will be forever impacted by this tournament!!!! Trust us, you will never be the same!

Entry Deadline: 5:00pm Wednesday before the tournament-May 7, 2013

Please enter on www.forensicstournament.net

ENTRY FEE: A Cooler of food that will feed 10-15 people and PLEASE COVER YOUR JUDGES!!!! We can't promise to hire someone to cover you.

Sincerely,

Shannon Valdivia

Liz Kinnaman

Ryan Rhoades

Director of Forensics

Assistant Director of Forensics

Assistant Coach

DIVISIONS: Novice Division: A novice speaker is a student who has less than two semesters of high school or college experience and/or who has won less than three awards (an award is placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd) in high school or college competition. A student can list his/her awards separately for debate, public speaking and oral interpretation events

Open division is open to any undergraduate student with less than four years of intercollegiate forensics competition.

ENTRY RESTRICTIONS: Novices can only double enter. Senior speakers can enter 3 events per pattern AT THEIR OWN RISK. The tournament will not run over! Please note on the schedule, particularly for extemp, there likely will not be enough time to fully prepare if you double enter. No student may enter the same event twice, except for BAD INTERP!

JUDGES: Each school must cover their entry! Otherwise, we reserve the right to drop events until it does or you may be judging your own students! A

judge covers 2 debate teams and 6 IE entries. If you have qualified judges you can bring beyond your entry, please let us know, we may be able to hire them. Of course judges are committed at least one round beyond the point where their students are eliminated.

FEES: School Fee- A COOLER OF FOOD THAT CAN FEED 10-15 PEOPLE

GENERAL RULES: All materials used in competition shall not have been used by the student in interscholastic competition prior to September 1, 2012. Out round brackets in debate will be broken to avoid teams from the same school meeting. **NO ORAL CRITIQUES ALLOWED.** Teams must be prepared to debate on time

EVENTS:

IPDA Debate: One-on-One debate similar to Lincoln-Douglas format. Time limits: 5 aff const.-2 +X,-6Neg Cons-2+X-3 aff rebuttal-5 Neg rebuttal -3aff rebuttal. There will be a central topic announcement with a five topic strike. *30 minutes preparation time.* We will attempt to use lay or even student judges for some of the rounds. Should we be able to schedule lay judges, we will make sure that each debater faces the same number of lay judges. For more information on IPDA, see: HYPERLINK "http://www.ipdadebate.org/" [IPDAdebate.org](http://www.ipdadebate.org/)— Please have your judges review this information. It is assumed that the judges you provide will be supportive of the philosophy and goals of this event. *Novice and Open Divisions*

IE Events

Tabloid Extemp- Contestants will be given three topics in the general area of “important tabloid news!”, choose one and have 30 minutes to prepare a speech. Limited use of notes is permitted. We seriously suggest reading some of those great supermarket tabloids before you show up! Speech 7 minutes maximum. Novice/Open.

Situational Impromptu – Each student will be given a “situation” (ex: You are caught speeding, and the officer has asked you why were you going 100 in a 20). Students will be given 7 minutes to both prepare and present a clearly outlined response to this situation they will find themselves in. Contestants will be required to

wait outside til it is their turn. Novice/Open

Bad Interp – A program that is so utterly offensive that it should bring about tears, screams of pain and stomach cramps from too much laughter. The more offensive the better it should be rewarded. Limit 10 min. Open Divison

**MHCC/CLARK COLLEGE CASUAL FLING
Speech & Debate Tournament Schedule
May 9-10, 2014**

Friday, May 9, 2014

11:30am - 12:00 p.m.	Registration in AC 1700
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Debate Round 1 (IPDA)
1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Debate Round 2 (IPDA)
3:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	Debate Round 3 (IPDA)
5:45p.m – 7:15 p.m.	Bronze Medal IPDA Round
7:30 p.m – 9:00 p.m	Gold Medal IPDA Round

Saturday, May 11, 2013

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Round 1, Pattern A
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Round 2, Pattern A
11:00 a.m. – 11:30a.m.	Lunch
11:30 a.m- 1pm	IE Finals
1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Awards
2:30pm	Adjourn to the Gresham Post Office for
Volunteering	

Event Patterns:

**IE Pattern - Tabloid Extemp, Bad Interp, Situational Impromptu
Debate: IPDA**

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