



53rd ANNUAL

TRAPPER RENDEZVOUS FORENSIC TOURNAMENT

Dear Colleague:

The Northwest College Forensics Program and the Charlotte Patrick Speech and Debate Society extends to you a cordial invitation to attend the **53rd ANNUAL TRAPPER RENDEZVOUS FORENSICS TOURNAMENT** to be held in Powell, Wyoming, on September 29-30, 2023. We are excited to host you once again in Powell.

The 2023 Rendezvous will feature: 6 preliminary and 2-4 elimination rounds (depending on entries) in three divisions of parliamentary debate and one division of IPDA. PLEASE NOTE: *Students can only enter one format of debate.* Should the need arise we reserve the right to collapse divisions in parliamentary debate. In addition, the Rendezvous will feature two preliminary rounds and two elimination rounds in one open division for eleven individual events. Please note that all individual events will follow AFA-NST rules and format. We also offer an open division of British Parliamentary Debate.

This invitation includes a copy of the regulations, a schedule of events, and contact information. A motel list for Powell and Cody is included, and we encourage you to make early reservations. The tournament entry should be received no later than **Tuesday, September 26**. Entries will be facilitated by the Forensicstournament.net website.

We look forward to hosting you and your squad.

Cordially,

Bob Becker
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Charlotte Patrick Speech and Debate Society
Northwest College

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS: GENERAL

ELIGIBILITY: Any regularly enrolled full-time college student in good academic standing is eligible to attend this tournament. NWC students are eligible to participate and advance in all events. NWC is ineligible for sweepstakes.

AWARDS: Awards will be given for all finalists in all categories of competition. Two third place awards will be presented in all divisions of debate. Top speakers in Parliamentary debate will be recognized and receive an award. Awards will also be given for 1st and 2nd in Overall Sweepstakes.

JUDGES: Because of the scarcity of judges in Powell, it is necessary to hire judges from the surrounding communities. In order to pay their expenses we will charge a \$40.00 judging fee for each debate team not covered by a judge or for every six individual events slots not covered. One judge covers ten total i.e. slots, two NPDA teams, 2 IPDA teams, or n-1 Worlds teams. All judges are expected to remain available for judging through the individual events finals.

Practices and Standards: NWC subscribes to and will abide by the NPDA rules and bylaws, the IPDA Constitution and bylaws, and the AFA Code of Standards.

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS: INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

CONFLICT POLICY: Students may enter up to three (3) individual events in conflict patterns A and B, but must accept any hardships created by multiple entries. EXTEMPERS CHOOSING DOUBLE ENTRY WILL BEAR THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF PERFORMING WITHIN THE ALLOTTED SCHEDULED ROUND TIME WHETHER THEIR OTHER ENTRY ALLOWS THEM THEIR 30 MINUTES OF PREP TIME OR NOT.

MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS: All individual events programs, speeches, and materials used by participants should be composed of materials not used in competition prior to September 1, 2022. Specific events will follow general AFA-NST guidelines and will be available at the tournament.

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS: DEBATE

Open Parliamentary Debate: Open to anyone eligible to attend the meet.

Junior Parliamentary Debate: Open to students in their first or second year of college debate.

Novice Parliamentary Debate: In accordance with the NPDA bylaws, a novice team must consist of two debaters with fewer than two semesters of high school or college experience. Neither student should have advanced to elimination rounds more than three times.

PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE: There will be six preliminary rounds and appropriate elimination rounds in debate divisions. The format will include flex time 7(2)-8(2)-8(1)-8-4(1)-5. Prep time will be 20 minutes. Topics will be taken from current political and social issues of the day. Topics may be policy, value or metaphor. If a topic is a metaphor, it will occur in an odd-numbered round, and the following round also will contain a metaphor. Topic announcement will follow the national norm of a centralized topic announcement. Topic announcement will be in the Yellowstone Building second-floor lounge.

British Parliamentary Style Debate: Open to anyone eligible to attend the meet. The division will follow the WUDC format, with 15 minutes preparation time and 7-minute speeches. Topics will be derived from current political and social issues of the day.

IPDA: Open to anyone eligible to attend the meet. Topics will be derived from current political and social issues of the day. We will use the 5-2-6-2-3-5-3 format with thirty (30) minutes of preparation time. Debaters will be presented with five resolutions; each debater will be allowed to strike two resolutions, thus leaving one resolution to be debated.

Fees:

NPDA/Worlds Debate	\$40.00 per team
IE's	\$ 7.00 per slot
IPDA	\$15.00 per debater
Hired Judges	\$40.00 per NPDA/Worlds team, IPDAer, or 10 IE slots

Fees will be assessed as of 12:00 noon Thursday, September 28, 2023.

Contact Information

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TRAPPER RENDEZVOUS OFFICIAL SCHEDULE

Friday, September 29

7:30 - 8:00am	Registration:	Yellowstone Building Conference Center
8:00 - 9:30	Round 1	Parliamentary debate, IPDA
8:00 - 10:00	Round 1	BP
9:30 - 11:00	Round 2	Parliamentary debate, IPDA
10:00 - 12:00	Round 2	BP
11:00 - 12:30	Round 3	Parliamentary debate, IPDA
1:00		Extemporaneous Speaking Draw -- Rd 1
1:00 - 2:15	Round 1A	Duet, Persuasive, Poetry, ADS, Program Oral
1:30	Round 1	Extemp
2:15 - 4:00	Round 3	BP
	Round 4	Parliamentary Debate, IPDA
4:00 - 5:15	Round 1B	Impromptu, Informative, Prose, Drama, CA
5:15		Extemporaneous Speaking Draw -- Rd 2
5:15 - 6:30	Round 2A	Duet, Persuasive, Poetry, ADS, Program Oral
5:45	Round 2	Extemp,
7:00 - 8:30	Round 2B	Impromptu, Informative, Prose, Drama, CA

Saturday, September 30

8:00 - 9:30	Round 5	Parliamentary Debate/IPDA
	Round 4	BP
9:30 - 11:00	Extemporaneous Speaking Draw -- Semi-Finals or Finals	
	Semi-finals	All Individual Events [with sufficient entries] Some finals may run at this time as well
10:00	(Semi)finals	Extemporaneous Speaking
11:00	Round 6	Round 6 Parliamentary Debate, IPDA
	Round 5	BP
1:00 - 2:30	Finals	All Individual Events (Extemp Draw)
2:30 - 4:00	Elim 1	1 st Elim Parliamentary Debate, IPDA, and BP
4:00 - 5:30	Elim 2	2 nd Elim NPDA & BP
5:30 - 7:00	Elim 3	3 rd Elim Parliamentary Debate
7:00	Awards Assembly (may be earlier, please watch for schedule changes) Yellowstone Building Conference Center	

POWELL, WYOMING MOTELS

This is the entire list of available accommodations.

1. America's Best Value Inn

777 East Second Street
Powell, WY 82435
(307) 754-5117

2. Lamplighter Inn (All non-smoking rooms)

234 East First Street
Powell, WY 82435
(307) 754-2226

3. Super 8 Motel

Coulter Avenue West
Powell, WY 82435
(307) 754-7231
1-800-800-8000

4. Additional accommodations are available in Cody (24 miles from Powell). We have listed a few popular motel chains that are located in Cody. There are numerous other motels available. If you have any questions, please call us.

Holiday Inn

(307) 587-5555

Super 8 Motel of Cody

(307) 527-6214

Comfort Inn

(307) 587-5556

Kelly Inn

(307) 527-5505

The Cody Hotel

Phone: (307) 587-5915