

# 2016 IPDA "MENDOZA DEBATES AT LEE COLLEGE"

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of Lee College, the faculty of the Division of Speech Communication, Languages & Teacher Education, and the competitors of the Lee College Debate Team, I would like to cordially extend an invitation for you to attend the **2016** "Mendoza Debates at Lee College" in Baytown, TX on September 16-18, 2016.

The competition will feature both TIPDA and IPDA (Novice, Junior Varsity, Varsity, and Professional) in a single kickoff weekend. There will be SEVEN preliminary rounds of individual competition on Saturday. We hope to offer you a fun and educational weekend of forensic competition to kick off the 2016-2017 IPDA competition season.

All entries must be received by **Tuesday**, **September 13**, **2016**, **at 5:00 pm**. They may be emailed to Joe Ganakos at **jganakos@lee.edu** or phoned to **281.425.6502**. Changes will be accepted without charge until **Wednesday**, **September 14**, **2016** at **12:00 p.m.** at which point fees will be set. Late fees will be charged for any changes after the 15<sup>th</sup> at noon (in addition to any fees associated with the entry).

We'll be serving complimentary pizza on Saturday, available between rounds III and IV, and we believe the schedule will permit you all to have a reasonable end time that evening. Our hope is that this will be an excellent chance for colleges and universities in the mid-South to have an accessible option for your novices to have their first tournament experience and for your varsity competitors to get into their groove.

Bob Alexander of BPCC will be serving as tabulation room director and we expect a large pool of judges from the Lee College faculty and student body to help keep the tournament running on time and your judging commitment light. Pre-tournament updates will be distributed via the IPDA Listserve and Guidebook.

In the pages that follow, you'll find all the details for the "Mendoza Debates at Lee College". If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Cordially.

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#### **HOTEL INFORMATION:**

We have arranged an official tournament hotel with **La Quinta Inn in Baytown**, conveniently located off I-10 and approximately 15 minutes from campus. There is a discounted group rate (please ask for the "Lee College Group Rate") and includes free WiFi, "BrightSide Breakfasts" with waffles and other hot items, and a swimming pool. **When making reservations you must reference "Lee College Group Rate"**; if you have any questions please ask for Crystal:

## La Quinta Inn 281-421-5566

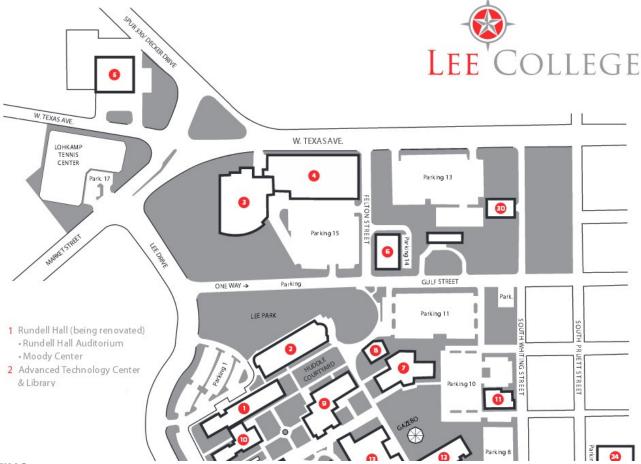
There are several other hotels within 20 minutes of the Lee College campus, easily accessible from I-10, and near shopping and dining that you may wish to consider:

Baymont Inn & Suites	281.839.1400
Hampton Inn	281.421.1234
Days Inn	281.421.2233
Days Inn – Baytown East	281.573.1400
Comfort Suites	281.421.9764
Sleep Inn	281.421-7200
Econo-Lodge Inn & Suites	281.837-5560

If you have questions regarding alternative lodging please call me for more options.

## **ARRIVAL & REGISTRATION:**

Registration will be in the first floor lobby of the Lee College ATC & Library ("2" on the map below) located at 150 Lee Drive, Baytown, TX. Each team will be provided a welcome packet with a schedule, map, and information about local restaurants and activities. Parking lots 1 and 11 are the most convenient awards will be in Tucker Hall ("8" on the map below).



# **PARKING:**

No parking passes will be required for the duration of the tournament. We anticipate ample parking for cars and vans with handicapped-accessible parking convenient to all facilities.

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

The Lee College physical address is 200 Lee Drive, Baytown, TX 77520; registration, tab room, prep rooms and most competition rooms will be in the LC Advanced Technology Center & Library located at 150 Lee Drive.

#### FROM HOUSTON, TX

- 1. Take I-10 East to Spur 330 (Baytown).
- 2. Exit Spur 330 to Decker Drive.
- 3. Follow Decker Drive for approx. 1.5 miles as it merges with Market St. and turn left on Lee Drive.
- 4. Parking Lot 1 for the ATC Building will be your second left (across from Baytown Centennial Park).

#### FROM TOURNAMENT HOTELS

- 1. Take Garth Road from the intersection of Garth Road and I-10.
- 2. Turn left on Decker Drive and it will merge into Market St.
- 3. Turn left on Lee Drive.
- 4. Parking Lot 1 for the ATC Building will be your second left (across from Baytown Centennial Park).

## **MEALS & STUDENT SERVICES:**

Since most of the tournament falls on a weekend, our campus food service will be closed for the majority of the tournament. Numerous options for quick dinners will be available convenient to both the campus and hotels

we've recommended. In addition to complimentary pizza on Saturday, we can provide options for food delivery as well. Vending machines will be available in all buildings.

## **AWARDS:**

Awards will be presented to <u>all elimination round participants</u> in all events. Awards shall be presented to the top five speakers in each debate division. The three top programs and the top community/junior college shall receive awards for Sweepstakes. In addition, we'll be continuing to offer the "Mendoza Cumulative Sweepstakes" award.

## **SCHEDULE:**

We've elected to start early enough on Saturday to permit all prelim rounds to be done that day. Sunday's schedule should permit a less hectic drive home for all regional programs.

<u>Friday, Sept. 16</u>	Saturday, Sept. 17		Sunday, Sept. 18	
11:45 TIPDA Round 1 1:15 TIPDA Round 2 2:45 TIPDA Round 3 4:15 TIPDA Round 4 6:15-6:35 Coaches' Review	8:00 9:00-9:30 9:45 11:15 12:45 2:15 2:45 4:15 5:45 7:15	TIPDA Finals Registration: IPDA Only IPDA Round 1 IPDA Round 2 IPDA Round 3 Lunch Break (Free Pizza!) IPDA Round 4 IPDA Round 5 IPDA Round 6 IPDA Round 7	8:30-8:50 9:00 10:30 11:00 12:15 1:30	Coaches' Review IPDA Octofinals Awards IPDA Quarterfinals IPDA Semifinals IPDA Finals

#### **EVENT INFORMATION:**

#### A. General information

- 1. No minimum number of entries is required for schools to count toward debate sweepstakes awards.
- We will provide ADA accommodations upon request; please let us know at the time you enter if you need any special arrangements.
- 3. The tab room will operate on a closed basis until Coaches' Review.
- 4. We will be offering a Guidebook for this tournament. Information will be provided to you at the time of entry confirmation.
- 5. In addition to Guidebook, we will be using the Lee College Debate Team website for supplemental information found at http:// <a href="http://www.leecollegedebate.org/">http://www.leecollegedebate.org/</a>
- 6. WiFi login information will be provided at the time of registration. PLEASE ask your teams to refrain from streaming video, social media, and other non-tournament related use to provide the best possible service.

#### B. IPDA/TIPDA Considerations

- 1. Please adhere to all rules expressed in the Bylaws and Constitution of the IPDA.
- 2. In order to keep the tournament running on time, please remind your competitors that they should activate their timers when draw begins, not after the strike process ends.
- 3. Please remind your judges that electronic devices are NOT permitted for anyone in a round,' including the judge.

#### JUDGES:

One judge during debate rounds covers 4 IPDA debaters. As is commonplace in IPDA, once eliminated from competition, IPDA competitors may be used to judge IPDA elimination rounds. All judges are obligated to

judge <u>one round beyond the elimination of their program</u>. If you do not bring judges, you will be charged additional fees.

## **ENTRIES:**

Entries should be emailed (preferred) to **Joe Ganakos** at **jganakos@lee.edu** or phoned to **281-425-6502**. **Please make any checks payable to "Lee College Debate Team"**.

Entry confirmations will be emailed to all coaches on Wednesday, September 17th by 5:00 p.m.

**Please Note:** All entries must be received by Tuesday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Changes will be accepted without charge until 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> at which point fees will be set. Late fees of \$5.00 per alteration will be due for any changes after Wednesday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> at noon (in addition to any fees associated with the entry). Any changes made at the time of registration will be subject to a fee of \$15.00 per alteration.



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