



Greetin's to everyone from sunny Southern California:

We are pleased to announce our fourth annual Golden Cowboy Swing. We invite the forensics community to our cozy little campus, nestled in the foothills of the San Raphael Mountains. We are lucky enough to again co-host our tournament with California State University, Los Angeles (CSULA), veiled in the mysterious ghost-town of downtown Los Angeles. **Be sure to read this invite carefully, a lot has changed (especially the schedule), so keep a sharp eye out for the bits in BOLD and underlined.** Come on down and join us for the festivities! Yee-haw!

~The Entire Coaching Staff of Glendale Community College  
California & California State University, Los Angeles

**ACTIVITIES/GRUB:**

The first half of the competition is as famous as Wild Bill Hickok for havin' all sorts of fun an' games. It's always a surprise what the cowboys and cowgals will come up with, but more'n likely you'll have a scavenger hunt, a piñata or two, and plenty of things to keep yerself occupied. Plus, we'll have our saloon girls teach y'all how to line dance. More importantly, we'll have plenty of food, so you can enjoy the festivities instead of leavin' town. But, if yer bellybutton starts gnawin' at yer backbone, there's plenty of to be had right across the street at some local eateries.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:**

The swing tournament will be held Feb. 10-12, 2012. The first half of the swing will be held at Glendale Community College on Friday and Saturday, and the second part will take place on Sunday at CSULA. The campuses are located about ten miles away from one another, and many hotels are near to both. Because so many of the rooms we reserved in previous years went unused, we are not providing room blocks, however, if your team is traveling from out of town, we may still be able to help. Just ask!

## **ENTRIES:**

We will again offer NFA-LD, with the prelims and finals to be held on Friday, Feb. 10th. The Sunday portion of the tournament will also host a one day NFA-LD tournament, thus making it a swing NFA-LD weekend! This year, we will also offer Parliamentary Debate with rounds to also begin on Feb. 10th. Saturday and Sunday will follow two-round IE swing schedules, with finals for each pattern. Triple entries are allowed in Open, double entries allowed in Novice. Open ADS will have THREE prelim rounds on Saturday (see below for more information).

All Entries MUST be received no later than Wednesday, February 8 at NOON PST (Fees are computed at that time) through [www.forensicstournament.net](http://www.forensicstournament.net) or, for a direct link, you may copy and paste the following address into your browser: <http://www.forensicstournament.net/GoldenCowboyPt1/12/>

## **DIVISIONS:**

We will provide a Novice Division in all events with at least 10 Novice contestants. Otherwise, we will award a "Top Novice" speaker at the awards ceremony. Coaches must identify novices at the time of entry. A novice competitor is any student who has attended 3 or fewer tournaments.

## **AWARDS:**

Awards will be provided for all finalists, including sweepstakes for the top three colleges and a top community college award. We plan to have both a open and novice division in all debates.

Congratulations to last year's ADS winner, Rachelle DeYoung. We have named the award after DeYoung, therefore, it is now called the Connor-Connor-DeYoung Award. Let your students know that this year's winner will add his/her name to the award, to make it the Connor-Connor-DeYoung-[Insert Your Student's Name Here] ADS Award in 2012. Please assist us in supporting this tradition by encouraging your students to showcase AFA qualified ADS-es at the Saturday portion of the swing for a chance to secure their name in Golden Cowboy lore. As a result of this special feature, ADS will have 3 prelim rounds on Saturday, each round will have two judges. Additionally, the final round of ADS will have five judges and will be videotaped (finalist teams will have a free DVD mailed shortly after the competition). Please let the tournament staff know ahead of time if you do not wish for your student(s) to be videotaped.

We hope to have a spectacular tournament, and if we can make your weekend any more manageable, please don't hesitate to contact any one of us with your questions and concerns (contact info is at the end of the invite). We can't wait to host this event, and we're quite sure a boot-kickin' time will be had by all. See you at the showdown!

**SCHEDULE/ENTRIES:**

Pattern A: Extemp, Informative, Prose, Poetry, ADS  
Pattern B: Persuasion, DI, POI, Impromptu\*, Duo, CA  
\*Impromptu will follow AFA style.

**Friday: February 10, 2012: At GCC**

11:00 Registration (Student Center)  
12:00 Round 1 Parliamentary Debate  
1:00 Round 1 NFA-LD  
2:00 Round 2 NFA-LD  
3:00 Round 2 Parliamentary Debate  
4:15 Round 3 Parliamentary Debate  
5:30 Round 3 NFA-LD  
6:30 Round 4 NFA-LD  
7:30 Semifinal Round NFA-LD  
8:30 Final Round NFA-LD

**(NFA-LD Schedule will accommodate quarterfinal rounds as needed.)**

**Saturday: February 11, 2012: At GCC**

7:30 Round 4 Parliamentary Debate  
8:00 Late Registration (Student Center)  
9:00 Round 1 Individual Event: Pattern A (EXT draw 8:45)  
10:15 Round 2 Individual Event: Pattern A (EXT draw 10:00)  
11:30 Quarterfinal Round Parliamentary Debate/Lunch Break  
12:30 Round 1 Individual Event: Pattern B  
1:45 Round 2 Individual Event: Pattern B / **Round 3 ADS\***  
3:00 Finals A: EXT (Draw at 2:45), INF, PRO, POE only  
4:15 Finals B: Persuasion, DI, POI, Impromptu, Duo, CA  
5:30 **Finals of ADS**/Semifinals of Parliamentary Debate  
7:00 Awards  
ASAP Finals of Parliamentary Debate

**\*Students may be quad-entered in Pattern B DURING ROUND 2 to accommodate the third round of ADS, but do so at their own risk.**

**Sunday: February 12, 2012: At CSULA**

7:30 NFA-LD Round 1  
8:15 NFA-LD Round 2  
9:15 Round 1 Individual Events Pattern A (Ext draw: 9:00)  
10:30 NFA-LD Round 3  
11:15 Round 1 Individual Events Pattern B  
12:30 NFA-LD Round 4/Lunch Break  
1:45 Round 2 Individual Events Pattern A (Ext draw: 1:30)  
3:00 Round 2 Individual Events Pattern B  
4:15 NFA-LD Semis  
5:15 Finals Individual Events Pattern A (Ext draw: 5:00)  
6:30 Finals Individual Events Pattern B  
7:45 Awards  
ASAP NFA-LD Finals

**FEES (PER TOURNAMENT) :**

\$30 school fee  
\$10 per IE slot (\$20 per Duo team)  
\$25 per LD slot  
\$50 per Parli slot  
\$15 judging fee per uncovered IE slot  
    (One judge covers 6 IE slots)  
\$25 per uncovered debate slot  
    (One judge covers 2 NFA-LD/Parli slots)  
\$15 per change after Thursday at 12:00 p.m. PST.  
\$100 dropped judge fee after Thursday at 12:00 p.m. PST.\*

**\*In order to make certain that the tournament starts on time and runs smoothly, we are instituting a \$25 nuisance fee for any/all judges who do not check in at the judge's table 15 minutes before the first round.** Please let your judges know the times for the first round for **all three days**, as we will definitely be instituting this fine. Additionally, **please ensure that you have entered the correct judges for the correct dates.** Nuisance fees may be applied if promised judges are not on time; switching judges is the easiest way to mess that up.

We don't want your money... We want your judges. That's why.

**ADDRESS INFO:**

GCC:  
1500 North Verdugo Road  
Glendale, CA 91208

CSULA:  
5151 State University Drive  
Los Angeles, CA 9003

**PARKING:**

GCC

Parking at GCC is available in the main parking structure. This is accessible off of Mountain Dr. As you exit CA-2, turn left. At the 2nd stoplight, turn right onto College Driveway. Pick up a permit from a cowboy, and park in the structure. Take the elevator in the parking structure to the ground floor, and then follow the horseshoes to registration.

<http://www.glendale.edu/maps/index.htm>

CSULA

Park in Lot 5 off of Circle Drive. You must purchase a permit.

<http://www.calstatela.edu/univ/maps/cslamap.php>

**HOTELS NEAR GCC:**

There are plenty of hotels available in the Glendale area.

Hilton Los Angeles North/Glendale  
100 W Glenoaks Blvd  
Glendale, CA, 91202  
(866) 539-8430

Brandwood Hotel  
339 1/2 N Brand Blvd  
Glendale, CA, 91203  
(866) 539-8430

Econo Lodge Glendale  
1437 E Colorado St  
Glendale, CA, 91205  
(866) 539-8430

Days Inn Glendale  
600 N Pacific Ave  
Glendale, CA, 91203  
(866) 539-8430

**HOTELS NEAR CSULA**

Valley Lodge Motel  
4949 Valley Blvd  
Los Angeles, CA  
(323) 222-4949

Vista Motel  
4180 City Terrace  
Los Angeles, CA  
(323) 260-7883

Super 8 Motel  
5350 S. Huntington Drive  
Los Angeles, CA  
(323) 225-2310

**CONTACT:**

Questions, comments, concerns? Feel free to send us an e-mail or phone call... even snail mail will suffice.

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