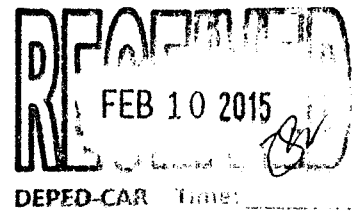


February 7, 2015

ELLEN B. DONATO, Ed. D., CESO III
Regional Director
Department of Education—CAR Office
Wangal, La Trinidad, Benguet, 2601



Re: Request for Endorsement on the Implementation of 3rd Scholastic Debate Cup: Annual High School Public Speaking and Debate Cup on February 20-22, 2015

Dear Ma'am:

Greetings!

The Northern Luzon Debate Council will be implementing the 3rd Scholastic Debate Cup: Annual High School Public Speaking and Debate Cup at Saint Louis University on February 20-22, 2015.

For this year, the event aims at a) creating the Northern Luzon High School Debate Circuit (the first ever high school debate council in the whole of Northern Luzon) and b) conducting the traditional Asians Parliamentary and Public Speaking Competitions.


A registration fee of Php. 400.00 will be collected per participants to cover for the meals and snacks of the participants for the 3 day event, participant primer and kits, and for the championship dinner of the event.

In this regard, we would want to request for an official endorsement from the Regional Office of the Department of Education for the distribution of the invitation letter.

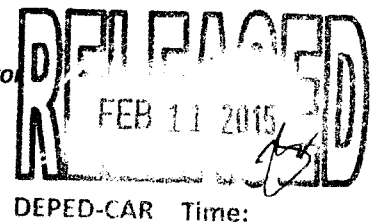
Attached to this letter is the official invitation for the event.

For inquiries, you may contact Allan B. Castro at 0919-790-6461 or Francesca Villota at 0905-292-9250.


Sincerely yours,


ALLAN B. CASTRO
Tournament Director


JOHN PAUL G. GALONG
Deputy Tournament Director



Noted by:


CHARLESTON E. CASTRO
President, Northern Luzon Debate Council

To: ALL Secondary School Heads and Teachers

For your information and appropriate action.


FRANCIS CESAR B. BRINGAS, C ESO VI
Schools Division Superintendent



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Cordillera Administrative Region
Wangal, La Trinidad, Benguet



To : The Schools Division Superintendents
This Region

February 11, 2015

For information and dissemination.


ELLEN B. DONATO, Ed. D., CESO III
Regional Director

LETTER OF INVITATION



January 27, 2015

Dear Sir/ Ma'am:

We are happy to announce that the 3rd installment of the SDC, annually hosted by the Northern Luzon Debate Council, will be held on February 20-22, 2015 at various premises of Saint Louis University.

Since the SDC was envisioned as an avenue to develop the field of debating and public speaking in the whole of Northern Luzon among High School Institutions, a new development in the competition will be introduced for this year. This is the establishment of the Northern Luzon High School Debate Circuit which is the first High School Debate Council in the whole of Northern Luzon, under the supervision of the Northern Luzon Debate Council (specifically under Saint Louis University), with the objective of creating an active debating circuit for high school students patterned from the structure and activities of the Philippine Debating Union.

In the planned Summit to create the envisioned High School Circuit, some of the major matters that will be discussed includes:


- Ratification of the Constitution and By-Laws of the High School Circuit;
- Election of Officers among the Attending Participants; and
- Introduction for the Bidding System of the Northern Luzon Debate Summit (similar to the National Debate Competition of the Philippine Debate union).

On the other hand, the debate competition aspect of the event will utilize the Asians Parliamentary Debate Format with a team cap of three (3) teams per participating institution. Also, the tournament will be opening a public speaking category among interested participants who will be competing for the debate category.

A Registration Fee of Php. 400.00 per person will be collected for each participant for their Debate Primer and Journal and for their 3 Day Lunch Meals during the duration of the event.

For further details of the tournament, please feel free to peruse the official invitation or you may contact Francesca Louise Villota, Communications Director at 0905-292-9250.

Cheers,


ALLAN B. CASTRO
Tournament Director

EVENT SCHEDULE



DAY 1: February 20, 2015

TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
07:30 a.m.—08:00 a.m.	Registration and Opening Ceremony	Navy Base Campus Decaestecker Theatre
08:00 a.m.—12:00 n.n.	Introduction to the Northern Luzon High School Debate Circuit and Ratification of the Constitution and By-Laws	
01:00 p.m.—02:00 p.m.	Election of Circuit Officers	
02:00 p.m.—05:00 p.m.	Debate Seminar and Demo Debate	

DAY 2: February 21, 2015

TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
07:30 a.m.—08:00 a.m.	Registration and Release of Motions for Round 1	Navy Base Campus (Deacestecker Theatre)
08:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m.	Round 1 and Release of Motions for Round 2	Navy Base Campus (High School Campus Buildings)
10:30 p.m.—12:00 n.n.	Round 2	
01:00 p.m. — 02:30 p.m.	Release of Motions for Round 3 and Round 3	
02:30 p.m.—04:00 p.m.	Release of motions for Round 4 and Round 4	Navy Base Campus (Decaestecker Theatre)
04:00 p.m.—06:00 p.m.	Circuit Meeting and Announcement of Breaks	

DAY 3: February 22, 2015

TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
07:30 a.m.—08:00 a.m.	Registration and Release of Motions for Octo Finals	Otto Hahn Building
08:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m.	Octo Finals and Release of Motions for Quarter Finals	Otto Hahn Building
10:30 p.m.—12:00 n.n.	Quarter Finals	
01:00 p.m. — 02:30 p.m.	Release of Motions for Semi Finals and Semi Finals	
02:30 p.m.—04:00 p.m.	Release of motions for Grand Finals and Grand Finals	Otto Hahn Building
04:00 p.m.—06:00 p.m.	Awarding Ceremony and Induction of Officers for Northern Luzon High School Debate Circuit	

HISTORY OF SDC

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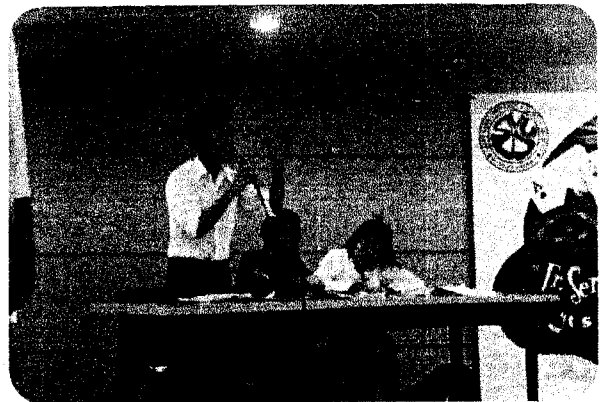
With the ultimate goal of spreading the culture of debating in the whole of Northern Luzon, the pioneers of debating in the Northern Luzon (primarily, from SLU) established the *Louisian Debate Education Program (LDEP)* which provides mentoring and training for interested college and high school institutions within Northern Luzon.



For years, LDEP was implemented and has resulted to the creation of various debating societies in the college and high school levels. The collegiate phase of LDEP resulted to the further creation of the *Northern Luzon Debate Council (NLDC)*, formerly Baguio Debate Council, which serves as the active regional unit for Debating in Cordillera Administrative Region, Region I and Region II.

The high school aspect, however, have seem to backlog when it comes to its development in the current updates in the methods and style of debating as observed by the National and International Debating Community. So that, the Northern Luzon Debate Council established the SDC as an avenue for NLDC to pass its continuous developing science and art of debating among high school students in a competitive debating sport.

As such, the Birth of SDC was witnessed on the Month of January 2013.



Exodus:

SDC, as a competitive event, includes two major categories: Asians Parliamentary Debating and Public Speaking. For the past 2 SDC's, various high schools have proven their supremacy in acumen and reasonability by bagging the various awards of the tournament.

The 1st Seraphin Devesse cup yielded the following results:

- Asians Parliamentary Debate
 - **Champion:** UB Science High School Team E
(Jeriah Gray, Francis Ramos, Marco Pantaleon)
 - **1st Runner-up:** Pines City National High School Team A
(Heather Ann Pulido, Christian Bayasen, Carlos Gabrielle Blanco)
 - **Tournament Best Speaker:** Christian Bayasen
(Pines City National High School)

- Public Speaking
 - **International Speech Champion:** *Pines City National High School*
 - **Impromptu Speech Champion:** *Baguio City National High School*



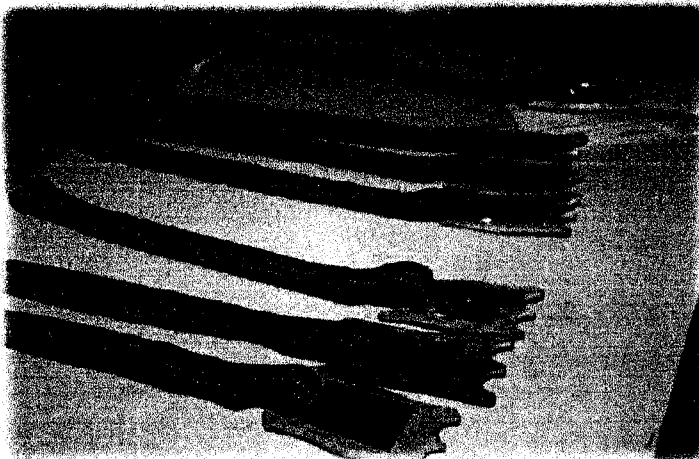
The 2nd Seraphin Devesse cup yielded the following results:



- Asians Parliamentary Debate
 - **Champion:** Baguio City National High School
 - **1st Runner-up:** Philippine Science High School
 - **Tournament Best Speaker:**
Philippine Science High School

- Public Speaking
 - **International Speech Champion:**
Pines City National High School
 - **Impromptu Speech Champion:**
Baguio City National High School

REVELATION!!!



Approaching its 3rd Installment, this year's SDC is proud to present:

- Northern Luzon Debate High School Circuit
- Asians Parliamentary Debate
- Impromptu Public Speaking

To all participating institutions and high school student, we encourage your active involvement in all of the events of the activity.

On February 20-22, 2015, be at SDC—
PARTICIPATE, COMPETE AND BRING PRIDE TO YOUR INSTITUTION!

ASIANS PARLIAMENTARY FORMAT

I- Format

SDC 2015 will be following the Asian Parliamentary format. Speakers are given seven minutes each to deliver their speech, with a 20-second grace period to allow for wrapping up. A marshal warns the speaker after the first minute with a single tap, after the 6th minute with another tap, and after the 7th minute with two taps. In the time interval between the two single taps (ie, after the first minute and before the end of the 6th minute), debaters from the opposing bench are allowed to raise **Points of Information** or POIs. POIs are given by a speaker from the opposing side for a maximum of 15 seconds, after which the speaker or the marshal may opt to cut short the POI.

Prime Minister

- The PM gives the setup of the debate. He/she
 - defines of the motion
 - determines the issue that directly pertains to the motion
 - gives the parameters (ie, the place, parties involved, legislations, etc)
 - gives the theme or general idea of the opening team's speeches and the case split
 - builds his/her own case
 - summarizes his/her case

Deputy Prime Minister

- The DPM extends the case of the PM. He/she
 - rebuts the case of the previous speaker
 - fulfills his/her part of the split
 - summarizes his/her case

Government Whip

- The GW is the last speaker of the Government side. He/she
 - rebuts the cases of the constructive speakers of the opposition side
 - summarizes the cases of the OG and highlights the case of the Member of Government

Leader of Opposition

- The LO gives an effective clash against the government. He/she
 - accepts the definition given by the Prime Minister if it is debatable and provides a new one if it is not
 - rebuts the case of the previous speaker
 - builds his/her case
 - summarizes his/her case

Deputy Leader of Opposition

- The DLO extends the case of the LO. He/she
 - rebuts the case of the previous speaker
 - fulfills his/her part of the split
 - summarizes his/her case

Opposition Whip

- The OW is the last speaker of the Opposition side. He/she
 - rebuts the cases of the constructive speakers of the government side
 - summarizes the cases of the OO and highlights the cases of the Member of Opposition

Negative Reply Speaker

- Gives a biased adjudication of the debate for the Negative side by encouraging the adjudicator to give them the win

Affirmative Reply Speaker

- Gives a biased adjudication of the debate for the Affirmative side by encouraging the adjudicator to give them the win

** The Asians Parliamentary Format follows the following speaker role arrangement:

- First Speaker: Prime Minister
- Second Speaker: Leader of Opposition
- Third Speaker: Deputy Prime Minister
- Fourth Speaker: Deputy Leader of Opposition
- Fifth Speaker: Government Whip
- Sixth Speaker: Opposition Reply
- Seventh Speaker: Opposition Reply (Either LO or DLO)
- Eighth Speaker: Government reply (Either PM or DPM)

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

❖ TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR



Name: Allan B. Castro

Course and Year: Doctor of Medicine 1

Achievements: Octofinalist (Open Break) & Semi-finalist (Union Cup), National Debate Championship 2013

Message: *Hi Guys! I wish you would find Serpahn Devesse Cup a very wonderful learning experience.*

❖ DEPUTY TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR



Name: John Paul Galong

Course and Year: BS Ac 3

Achievements: 6th Best and Grand Finals Adjudicator, College of St. Benilde Intervarsity 2014 and 3rd Best and Grand Finals Adjudicator, Pi Sigma Debate Open 2014

Message: *If you always say no, you'll never say yes*

❖ COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR



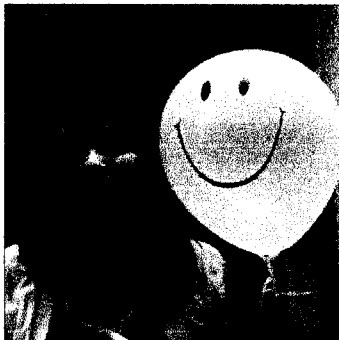
Name: Francesca Louise Villota

Course and Year: MS in Public Management 1

Achievements: Octofinalist, Northern Luzon Intervarsity 2015 and Octofinalist Adjudicator, Ateneo Intervarsity, 2014

Message: *It's the punches in the groin that makes you stronger*

❖ SOCIALS DIRECTOR



Name: Rocelle Amber Molintas

Course and Year: BS Ac 5

Achievements: 9th Best speaker and Quarter Finalist, Pi Sigma Debate Open, 2014 and Octofinalist, Northern Luzon Intervarsity 2013

Message: *Never let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game*

❖ FINANCE AND AUDIT DIRECTOR



Name: Carlo Ian Manalansan

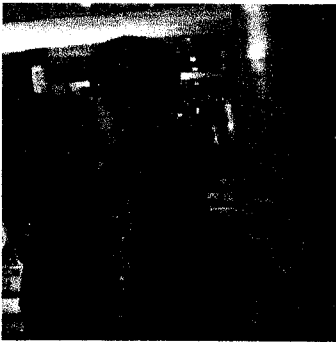
Course and Year: BSBA Mktg 4

Achievements: Competing debater Luzon Intersivity 2014, National Debate Championship 2014, Northern Luzon Intersivity 2015

Message: *Excel in the sport*

ADJUDICATION CORE

❖ JHAZEN BINAYAN



Course and Year: LLB 1

Achievements: Pi Sigma Debate Open Champion, 2014 and 2nd Debate sa Bombo Champion 2014 and Sinag Cup Semi-finalist Philippine Intercollegiate Debate Championship 2014

Message: *Debate is love. Debate is life.*

❖ CHARLESTON CASTRO



Course and Year: BS Ac 5

Achievements: Octofinalist (Open Break) and Union Cup Grand Finalist, National Debate Championship. 2014 and Pi Sigma Debate Open Champion, 2014

Message: *You lose in debates not when you get 0 but when you start recognizing your mistakes and weaknesses. That is when you lose your will to win.*

❖ JUSTIN KITONG



Course and Year: BS Finman 4

Achievements: 7th highest speaker score in the Philippines, National Debate Championship 2014 and Union Cup Grand Finalist, National Debate Championship 2014

Message: *Nothing should stop you from debating*