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For inquiries, you may contact Prysten Summer A. Andal at 0927-498-7826 or our deputy tournament director, Heather Anne Pulido at 0907-848-9015.

Sincerely yours,

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To: All Public and Private Secondary
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October 13, 2015
To: The Schools Division Superintendents All Divisions
For information and dissemination.
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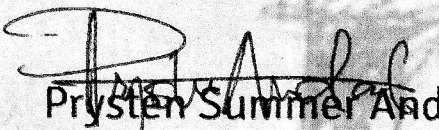
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Greetings!

The Saint Louis University Debate Society cordially invites you to the 4th Scholastic Debate Cup (SDC) on October 23 to October 26, 2015, to be held at Saint Louis University. For the past three tournaments, Scholastic Debate Cup has been in the Asian Parliamentary Debate Format; however, in the goal of enriching the knowledge and expertise of the highschool students in the field of debating, Saint Louise University Debate Society would want to introduce a new format- The British Parliamentary Debate Format. Given these, the tournament would be gathering at least 100 participants from highschools not only from Cordillera, but also from other parts of North Luzon. The tournament continues to provide an arena that seeks to ignite the competitive spirit of the participating institutions. In this light, Saint Louis University Debate Society gives a registration fee of Php 200 for both debaters and public speakers. Inclusive of the said registration fee would be a free seminar about the British Parliamentary, IDs, debate kits, contribution to medals and trophies, certificates and passes to venues. Coaches and observers, on the other hand, will have to pay Php 150 which is inclusive of the IDs, certificates and passes to venues. Attached here is the official invitation and the details for the upcoming 4th Scholastic Debate Cup. For inquiries, feel free to contact Prysten Summer Andal, the Tournament Director, at 0927-498-7826. You may also email us at debsocslu@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing and debating with you at the 4th Scholastic Debate Cup!

Sincerely Yours,



Prysten Summer Andal
Tournament Director
4th Scholastic Debate Cup

QUICK FACTS

DEBATE FORMAT

British Parliamentary

TOURNAMENT CAP

60 teams

INSTITUTION CAP

6 teams

ELIMINATION ROUNDS

5 rounds

BREAK TO OCTOFINALS

REGISTRATION FEE

Php 200.00 for Debaters/ Public Speakers
Php 150.00 for Observers/Coaches

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

DAY 0: October 23, Friday

TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
9:00-10:00	Registration	CCA, SLU Main Campus
10:00-12:00	Debate Seminar	CCA, SLU Main Campus
12:00-1:30	Lunch Break	CCA, SLU Main Campus
1:30-3:30	Demo Debate	CCA, SLU Main Campus
3:30-4:00	Q&A on Judging and Debating	CCA, SLU Main Campus
4:00-5:00	Discussion of Results	CCA, SLU Main Campus
5:00-5:30	Reminders	CCA, SLU Main Campus

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 24, SATURDAY

DAY 1: 4 ROUNDS

TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
7:00-7:30	Registration	UB
7:30-8:00	Ballot Orientation	UB
8:00-10:00	ROUND 1	UB
10:00-12:00	ROUND 2	UB
12:00-1:00	Lunch Break	UB
1:00-3:00	ROUND 3	UB
3:00-5:00	ROUND 4	UB
5:00-5:30	Reminders	UB

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 25. SUNDAY

DAY 2: 2 ROUNDS + 1 HIGH ROUND

TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
7:00-7:30	Registration	Otto Hahn, SLU Main Campus
7:30-9:30	ROUND 5	Otto Hahn, SLU Main Campus
9:30-11:30	ROUND 6	Otto Hahn, SLU Main Campus
11:30-12:30	Lunch Break	Otto Hahn, SLU Main Campus
12:30-2:30	Public Speaking Eliminations	Otto Hahn, SLU Main Campus
2:30-3:00	Announcement of Breaks	Otto Hahn, SLU Main Campus
3:00-4:30	OCTOFINALS	Otto Hahn, SLU Main Campus
4:30-5:00	Announcement of Advancing Teams	Otto Hahn, SLU Main Campus

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 26. MONDAY

DAY 3: 3 HIGH ROUNDS

TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
7:00-7:30	Registration	CCA, SLU Main Campus
7:30-9:00	QUARTERFINALS	CCA, SLU Main Campus
9:00-9:30	Announcement of Advancing Teams	CCA, SLU Main Campus
9:30-11:00	Semifinals	CCA, SLU Main Campus
11:00-12:00	Announcement of Advancing Teams	CCA, SLU Main Campus
12:00-1:00	Lunch Break	CCA, SLU Main Campus
1:00-2:00	Public Speaking Finals	CCA, SLU Main Campus
2:00-2:30	Announcement of Advancing Teams	CCA, SLU Main Campus
2:30-4:30	Grandfinals	CCA, SLU Main Campus
4:30-5:30	Awarding	CCA, SLU Main Campus

The Saint Louis University Debate Society

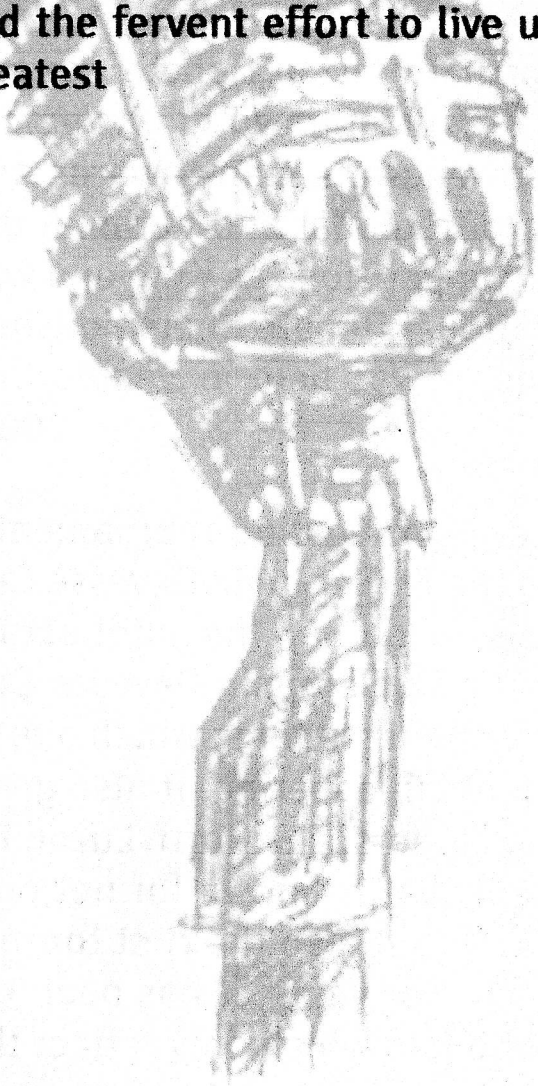
Known simply as 'SLU DS', the Saint Louis University Debate Society had made a name for itself as one of the highest-ranking debating institutions in the region. It is a non-profit academic organization within the University and is dedicated solely to promoting debate. It was created in 1981 and has since gone on to participate into local and national events and acclaimed through its endeavors and feats within the Philippine Debating Community, known as the Philippine Debate Union (PDU)

SLU DS is a founding member of the Northern Luzon Debate Council (NLDC), the largest inter-university debating organization within its name-sake region. It has established a reputation through its many awards and achievements, and remains a steadfast pillar of regional and national debating. It participates in international debate competitions as well, and was undeniably the driving force behind the 8th National Debate Championship, where for the first time since NDC's inception, it was held in Baguio City back in 2006.

SLU DS also has a good reputation in terms of hosting tournaments. The biggest milestones for SLU DS are hosting the Fr. Seraphin Devesse Cup and the North Luzon intervarsity which aims to gather the intellectual minds in the secondary and collegiate level. The Fr. Seraphin Devesse Cup has been known to be the tournament for highschool students which aim to expand and enrich the knowledge of the students in debating. It also gives them a good avenue to establish their debating careers. The North Luzon Intersvarsity or the NLIV has been the tournament that is known for not only being the first intersvarsity in the Northern Luzon but also the first tournament in the Asian Parliamentary Debate Format. For years, it has been expanding in the number and the participants who join which only reflect the capability of SLU DS to host and manage a tournament.

The Saint Louis University Debate Society

Today, the SLU DS remains a well-respected organization both within Baguio City and beyond the longest-running debate society outside the National Capital Region, partner to the best, and one of the highest citadels of excellence in discourse and the art of debating; an academic organization where not only skill resides, but an unflagging resolve to bring its brand of excellence in debate to the farthest areas of the region, as well, and the fervent effort to live up to its own maxim – to truly be where the greatest minds clash.



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BRITISH PARLIAMENTARY DEBATING

Structure

- 4 Teams (two Government (Affirmative), two Opposition (Negative)).
- Each team has two speakers
- Speaking times are 6-7 minutes 15 seconds.
- Points of Information (see below) may be given between the 1st and 6th minutes.

Speaking order:

- 1st speaker of Opening Gov (Prime Minister)
- 1st speaker Opening Opp (Opposition Leader)
- 2nd speaker Opening Gov (Deputy Prime Minister)
- 2nd speaker Opening Opp (Deputy Opposition Leader)
- 1st speaker Closing Gov (Government Member)
- 1st speaker Closing Opp (Opposition Member)
- 2nd speaker Closing Gov (Government Whip)
- 2nd speaker Closing Opp (Opposition Whip)

Distinguishing Features

The first distinguishing feature of British Parliamentary Debating is the definition. The Opening Government team can define the topic how they like. Having said that, if the definition is unreasonable and destroys the debate, the Opening Gov will likely lose. Thus, define a topic fairly. The best debates are when the Opening Gov defines the topic so as to set up a clear debate which all sides were expecting.

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ROLES OF DIFFERENT TEAMS

Each team in British Parliamentary has a different role, as do individual speakers.

Opening Government (OG)

- Defines the topic and provides a positive case.
- Both speakers are the same as the first two speakers in a 3-on-3 debate.
- OG should try and cover as much matter as possible in the debate, so as to leave little room for the CG to distinguish themselves.
- Prime Minister defines the topic, states what the split will be between the 1st and 2nd speakers, and then produces positive Matter.
- Deputy PM rebuts the Opp Leader and produces more positive matter.

Opening Opposition (OO)

- Responds to the Gov team and produces their own case.
- Should try and cover as much matter as possible in the debate so as to leave little room for the CO team to distinguish themselves.
- Opp Leader rebuts the PM, provides the negative split, produces matter.
- Deputy Opp Leader rebuts the OG case and produces positive matter.

Closing Government (CG)

- Rebuts Opposition teams and produces a case extension (see below).
- Government Member rebuts the OO then outlines their teams case extension. Then produces positive matter.
- Government Whip basically delivers a 3rd speaker speech. However, they should do this with particular reference to their team's case extension.

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Should avoid introducing new matter.

Closing Opposition (CO)

- Same as CG
- Under no circumstances can the Opposition Whip introduce new matter.

Case Extensions.

The second half of the debate is where BP differs from 3 on 3 debating. The 2nd Affirmative and Negative teams have to produce a 'Case Extension': they each must produce a new positive case that is consistent with the 1st team's case, but provides a different perspective on the issue. A case extension must not contradict the 1st team's case.

Suppose in the debate that we should abolish the death penalty the 1st affirmative team argues that the death penalty is inhumane, and does not deter crime. The second affirmative team could run any of the following case extensions,

- (a) That the death penalty should be abolished because it targets racial minorities.
- (b) That the death penalty should be abolished due to the possibility that innocent people may get convicted.

If the 1st team covers everything in the debate, the second team should take a small part of the 1st team's case that wasn't covered in enough depth, and make that their case extension. So in a debate about the Death Penalty if a 1st affirmative team only just touches on the death penalties inhumane aspects a 2nd affirmative could use that as a case extension.

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Rules to remember about case extensions:

- (a) Your case must be clear.
- (b) Must be different from 1st team's case.
- (c) Must not contradict 1st team's case.

Winning and Losing

Teams are ranked 1-4 and receive points: 3 for first, 2 for second, 1 for third and 0 for fourth.

To win a BP debate you have to:

- Convince the adjudicator that your side of the house (affirmative/negative) is stronger than the other side. If you are Gov, you want to demonstrate why the Opp is wrong.
- Convince the adjudicator that you were the stronger team on your side of the house. You cannot openly pay out the other team on your side, so instead try to 'outshine' them.

Points of Information

Points of Information (POIs) may be delivered any time between the 1 minute and 7 minute bells. A speaker may reject or accept a point of information.

POIs should be brief, and clear. They should last no longer than 10 seconds.

Points of information can be delivered in three basic ways:

1. An Argument (sometimes phrased as a question.)

This format is basically delivering an argument as a question. For example ir

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the death penalty debate a POI could be phrased as, "Don't you think that the death penalty actually deters murder by increasing the consequences?" or "What do you say to the argument that the death penalty deters crime by increasing the consequences of crime?" This type of POI is essentially an attack on the speaker's case. Alternatively you could avoid phrasing it as a question by saying, "Well actually the death penalty deters murder by increasing the consequences." Either type of phrasing is essential. The important point to remember is that these POIs are arguments.

2. A factual POI.

Often a team may be relying on a certain example or factual piece of information to support their arguments. If you have information that would stop them in their tracks this is worth delivering. For example if an individual is arguing that "The United States military is superior in every capacity and therefore would never lose...", a POI along the lines of "what about Vietnam" would be quite devastating.

3. Exposing a weakness in their case.

POIs are useful to expose where a team's argument is lacking, where their arguments are contradictory, or where they have failed to rebut a key argument. Suppose a team is debating that we should invade Iraq, and they are talking about all the benefits of having the UN administering Iraq after the invasion. A POI may point out that, "You're talking about all these benefits of invasion but have failed to rebut our arguments about how invasion will not be possible."

There are also three basic ways POIs can be used.

1. Foreshadowing your case.

In a BP debate in particular it is important for the second teams to get their

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case seen as early as possible. The way they do this is by delivering points of information that refer to their case.

2. Keeping your case relevant.

In terms of the 1st Affirmative and Negative teams points of information are vital to keep their case relevant during the second half of the debate.

3. Attacking the other team's case

Don'ts:

- *Do not use POIs to nitpick examples, unless the example is important to their case and you have matter that will destroy them.*
- *Do not use POIs to clarify what you said. That is if you feel that someone is misrepresenting you do not use a POI to defend yourself.*
- *Do not 'badger' a debater, by offering too many POIs or offering them after they have said something along the lines of "I'm not going to take one for a minute", it's rude and basically just not cricket!*

How to Deal with Points of Information.

Only accept 2-3 points in your speech. Accept more if you're hot stuff, or if you're short on time. However, it is important to keep control of your speech. Accepting more than 3 wastes a lot of valuable speaking time.

Don't let someone delivering a POI push you around. If they take longer than 10 seconds to deliver their point, sit them down. Don't let them have a conversation with you; once they've made their point that's it.

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There are three techniques to deal with POIs once they've been made.

1. Respond to it: (the best option).

2. Say I'll cover it later: - If you have a section in your speech that relates to the point tell them you will cover it later. When you do cover it explicitly, remind the adjudicator.

3. Dodge: Sometimes you are going to be stumped by a POI; it happens to everyone. If you are stumped don't waffle for 30 seconds. You can restate your caseline, provide token refutation, or say you'll cover it later.

Do not allow a POI to make you lose your concentration.

How to Prepare a BP Debate

A brief outline of how individual teams should spend prep.

OG: Be absolutely focused. Set up the definition, your model, and arguments. Make sure your split and arguments are clear. You are expected to have the clearest case.

OO: Usually, you'll be able to prepare like any other debate. However, if the topic is open, it is worth preparing a couple of cases. Make sure you have something vague thought out in case the Aff decides to take a narrower or odd approach.

CG: Like the 1st Neg, you should try to prepare one topic for most of the 30 minutes but be ready for a shift. At 2nd Aff you need to try and pre-empt the case from the 1st affirmative team, and thus, prepare an extension you don't think they will cover. For example in the debate "That we should invade Iraq" the affirmative may not spend much time analyzing the benefits to the Western world of such an invasion. Thus, it may be advisable for the second affirmative to prepare such a case extension.

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CO: This team should like the other teams focus on their most likely case extension but make sure they are prepared for any curve-balls they get thrown by the 1st Aff or 1st Neg. Remember if the 1st Neg runs your case extension you have to change it. Moreover, if the 1st Neg runs a case that is inconsistent with your extension you have to change your extension as well.

A BP prep is likely any other debate. You need to be ready for the possibility that one of the teams may change the dimensions of the debate.

Conclusion:

British Parliamentary debating is an exciting style. However, it is also challenging. Do not be devastated or hurt if you lose your first couple of debates badly. You will slowly get used to speaking on your feet and dealing with 4 teams. The benefits of BP are numerous. It improves your ability to think on your feet because you often have to change your case in the debate. It also improves your ability to come up with creative arguments because when you are a 2nd Aff or 2nd Neg your case needs to be different and distinguishable.

THE HISTORY OF SDC

Genesis:

With the ultimate goal of spreading the culture of debating in the whole of Northern Luzon, the pioneers of SLU Debate Society established the Louisiana Debate Education Program (LDEP) which provides mentoring and training for interested college and highschool 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 highschool 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, SLU Debate Society established the Seraphin Devesse Cup as an avenue for SLU Debate Society to pass its continuous developing science and art of debating among high school students in a competitive debating sport.

AS SUCH, THE BIRTH OF SERAPHIN DEVESSE CUP WAS WITNESSED ON THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2013.

Seraphin Devesse Cup, as a competitive event, includes two major categories: Asian Parliamentary Debating and Public Speaking. For the past two Seraphin Devesse Cup events, various high schools have proven their supremacy in acumen and reasonability by bagging the various awards of the tournament.

THE HISTORY OF SDC

The 1st Seraphin Devesse Cup yielded the following results:

Asian Parliamentary Debate Format

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:

Asian Parliamentary Debate Format

Champion:

Baguio City National High School

1st Runner-up:

Philippine Science High School

Tournament Best Speaker:

Marco Chinayog (Philippine Science High School)

Public Speaking:

International Speech Champion:

Pines City National High School

Impromptu Speech Champion:

Baguio City National High School

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The 3rd Seraphin Devesse Cup has achieved the following in its latest implementation :

Asian Parliamentary Debate Format

Champion: UB Science High School

Lorenzo Ian Go

Chloe Angluben

Jai Lopez

1st Runner-up: Westmont Montessori School

Tournament Best Speaker:

Lorenzo Ian Go (UB Science High School)

Public Speaking Champion:

Angeline dela Cruz (Saint Louis University Laboratory High School)



REVELATION!

The 3rd Father Seraphin Devesse Cup's success revolved around their triumphant implementation of their aim; to encourage young minds to break free and present their thoughts and ideals with debate and public speaking as their medium. It even went to the bounds of reframing the perspectives of the young High School students from these events which made them formidable in exhibiting their minds to the public. The previous event's achievement brought about the immediate formation of the 4th Seraphin Devesse Cup (which will be recognized now as the 4th Scholastic Debate Cup) now with a broader aim in the continuing formation of young talents.

Approaching its 4th Installment, this year's Scholastic Debate Cup is proud to present:

- A seminar to introduce the British Parliamentary Format
- An environmental theme to raise awareness among the youth
- Impromptu Public Speaking

To all participating institutions and highschool students, we encourage your active involvement in all of the events of the activity.

ON OCTOBER 23-26, 2015, BE AT SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY- PARTICIPATE, COMPETE, AND BRING PRIDE TO YOUR INSTITUTION!