

THE



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PKD National Tournament and Convention Overview

This is a special experience. It is not just a tournament. It is a tournament and a national convention combined. There are competitive events in debate and individual speaking, but there are also forums, showcases, province meetings, PKD business meetings, and special opportunities for fellowship. There are also chances to experience "Southern Hospitality" and "Raging Cajun" graciousness with the recreation, food, and dare we say it , gambling, in the Shreveport-Bossier environs.

Remember Ed Inch's five purposes for this experience: (1) celebrating forensics education, (2) showcasing rhetorical-dialectical skills, (3) promoting speech communication education, (4) celebrating fraternity (which includes both men and women), and (5) appreciating one another and our service and humanity for one another.

Keep Up Be Informed

Be sure to read your program. Note the times and places for events. Also, read the bulletin boards noting such things as shuttle times and tournament changes.

Voting delegates have a packet of materials for all business meetings containing reports from PKD officers from the last two years. To keep up on your fraternity, find out from your voting delegate what is happening.

Keep Your Editor Informed

If you have news for **The Key**, please drop it off at tournament headquarters, at the national business meeting, or at the Grande Isle addressed to Steve Hunt, Editor. Salacious gossip (if somewhat restrained) and good jokes would also be appreciated.

Louisiana B University Center is Extemp Prep and Evidence Storage Designated Area University Center is Tournament Headquarters for any problems. Any extra judging help would be greatly appreciated. Bulletin boards and announcements at University Center. USE FOOD SERVICE THEY HAVE OPENED ESPECIALLY FOR US ON VACATION!!!!!!

Wednesday Retrospective

#1 Joel Hefling Becomes President Elect of PKD

Joel Hefling , South Dakota State University, Province of the Northern Lights, was elected president elect of PKD Wednesday evening March 22, 1995. In a three way race with Ed Inch and Scott Jensen, Hefling prevailed. He called for clear goals, clear thinking, and clear communication as PKD heads toward a new millennium. Give Joel your congratulations throughout the rest of the convention and give him your ideas and your support. *CONGRATULATIONS JOEL!!!! AND BEST WISHES!!!!*

#2 Scott Jensen coordinates a progressive professional development conference

Wednesday, March 22, Scott Jensen of McNeese State University, facilitated a very successful PKD Professional Development Conference. More than 80 forensics educators and students participated utilizing the theme "Constructing the Deconstruction." The keynote address was given by Larry Schnoor of St. Olaf College. There were seven panels with much great interchange of ideas The developmental conference themes and ideas continue in forensics forums Thursday , Friday, and Saturday. See your programs or the special forensics forums flyer for details. *WELL DONE SCOTT!!!* The development proceedings will be published this summer or fall by PKD and the top 4-5 papers will appear in a special issue of **The Forensic**.

#3 Special Recognitions

A. Jim Norwig, former director of forensics at Louisiana Tech our cohost, was eulogized. His family received recognition as Sally Roden paid tribute to Jim with Pi Kappa Delta's John Shields Award for Outstanding Contributions to PKD. Jim will be greatly missed.

B. Jorji Jarzabek, of LSU-Shreveport, our hostess, received the newly established PKD Presidents' Award for Distinguished Service. **CONGRATULATIONS JORJI AND THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR YOUR GRACIOUS HOSPITALITY AND HUNDREDS OF HOURS OF WORK PREPARING FOR PKD'S BIENNIAL TOURNAMENT AND CONVENTION AT SHREVEPORT. YOU REALLY HAVE US "ROLLING ON THE RED."**

C. CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO NEW CHAPTERS.

Please give a warm and gracious PKD welcome to new chapter members from: Allegheny College PA Tau, Carthage College WI Theta, Howard Payne University TX Alpha Nu, Ohio State University OH Sigma, University of South Dakota SD Lambda, University of Virginia, VA Gamma, William Carey College MS Eta, and University of Central Arkansas AR Alpha Eta Alumni Chapter.

Thursday Prospective

#1 Shuttle Service

Our hosts and the cities of Shreveport-Bossier City have provided wonderful shuttle service at great expense. **PLEASE USE IT** Note shuttle schedules posted at the tournament and at hotels. We are on tight schedules frequently so plan ahead.

#2 Student Store

Step right up and buy your t-shirts, sweat shirts, and much more. The student store, operated by student representatives Colby Walker and Melissa O'Connor, located at the University Center, has a vast variety of wonderful products with the Rolling on the Red logo. Colby and Melissa report having done nearly a \$1000 worth of business in the first two days of operations and you need to order your products **NOW** to be sure you get what you want.

#3 Candidates for National Council

The national council guides PKD. It provides the vision and the leadership for the fraternity. It keeps things going between national convention/tournaments. National Council members are important!!!! Some national council members have already been nominated. They are Jeff Hobbs of Abilene Christian University, Glenda Jenkins Treadaway of Appalachian State University, Willis Watt of Fort Hays State University, and Joyce C. Webb of Shepherd College. They should be joined by Ed Inch of Pacific Lutheran University and Scott Jensen of McNeese State University. They may also be joined by nominees from the floor at the National PKD Business Meeting Thursday evening.

There will be nominating speeches for all council prospects at the Thursday business meeting. There will be a Friday chance to "Meet the Candidates" 9:30-10:30 AM University Center Theater. You can also find out about the candidates through their respective "propaganda machines" via stick ons, flyers, et al.

National Council ELECTIONS will be Friday evening at the business meeting.

#4 Reminders of Thursday and early Friday morning events

National Council and Province Officers Luncheon 12:15-1:30 PM Garden Room Grande Isle Hotel

Province Meetings Convention Center 7:30-8:30 PM

**2nd National PKD Business Meeting 8:30-10:00 PM
Convention Center (Nominations National Council and
Nominating Speeches Is the Art of Persuasion Beautiful and
Just in Practice?)**

**History display and chapter displays Grande Isle Hotel
Thursday and Friday Mornings (come see some pretty neat
history and inform yourself about PKD's Hall of Famers
Talk to Historian and former PKD President R David Ray,
University of Arkansas, Monticello.**

**Past Presidents Luncheon 11:45 AM Friday Garden Room
Grande Isle Hotel**