



## NITOC NUGGET



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May 2016, Week 3



Hi {FIRST\_NAME|Valued Customer},

### HOORAY!!!!

You're reading this message. Hooray!  
You're coming to NITOC 2016.  
Hooray! Soon, we'll all be on the Drury University campus together. Hooray!  
Hooray! Hooray!



The Stoa Board and the NITOC 2016 team have been working hard to make this a great celebration and competition for you. We're very excited to meet you and to celebrate your year of achievements and successes!! HOORAY!!

So, how can you make this experience the best ever?

1) **Preparation.** What does it take for you to be at your best in your

### Music Mix



Do you love music? Can you think of songs that are celebratory in feel and rhythm? If you love music, then, we need your help putting together a mix with great instrumental music to help us create a celebratory mood during our check-in afternoon at Drury. If you can help us create this mix, please let Ron & Kerry Beaman know at [kerbug1@yahoo.com](mailto:kerbug1@yahoo.com)

debate arguments or speech presentations? Whatever it takes for you to be at your best, do it, whether it's researching with your partner, practicing your speeches in front of the mirror, or making a list of "things to bring" to NITOC.

2) **Goal setting.** What are your goals at NITOC? Before you arrive in Springfield, MO, set some goals. Think of skills you want to strengthen, and work towards improving those skills. Think of ways you want to encourage others, and make opportunities to do so at NITOC.

3) **Appreciation.** Are you appreciating the actual process of preparation for NITOC week? Are you having joy as you work on details and go through challenges? Have you shown appreciation to people who have helped you along the way? The process is precious. Appreciate it!

4) **Seeing God in it all.** What's important to you at NITOC? More importantly, what's important to God at NITOC? Even though we don't know the outcome of NITOC competition, we do know that God is going to orchestrate every detail, big and small, to make this a memorable experience for you. Between now and the tournament, see God in every detail. He will be showing Himself to you in very real and tangible ways.

All of you have worked hard to get to NITOC. All of you continue working hard in preparation for NITOC. You are training for Christ. You are running for Christ. At NITOC 2016, you will continue running and training for Christ so you are equipped with a voice for Him. Hooray! I'm praying for you and looking forward to meeting you at NITOC 2016. Hooray!

In His Service,  
Joanne Quan  
NITOC 2016 Tournament Director

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## Recruit Through Social Media

Many of us are active and vocal on social media. Please help us recruit judges in or near the Springfield community so our students receive more ballots and feedback from community judges. Here is a sample post for you:

Hi Facebook friends in the Springfield, MO area!

\_\_\_\_\_ and I are headed to Springfield, MO for our national speech & debate competition May 23-28. Do you live near-by? Do you want to invest in some hard-working, smart young people?

Come out and judge! It's easy! We will train you, we will encourage you, and we will FEED you!!! You will laugh, you will be inspired, you will THINK. In eight years, I have never heard a judge walk away at the end and say, "Well THAT was a waste of time." NEVER!

<https://nitoc2016.homeschooldebate.net/judges>

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## Serving Our Members

Moses Tey

We are looking for 2 to 3 more photographers. If you know your f-stops from your shutter speed, and your framing from your depth of field, we'd love to have you join the team.



If you have shot tournaments before, even better. We'll coordinate your assignments around your judging roles and you can shoot as you have time.

Please email:  
[mosestey@aol.com](mailto:mosestey@aol.com)  
cell - (909) 800-2125

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## Printable Map



Help Desk created a 'Stoa-style' campus map, marking our competition areas, judge areas, and family areas. Great item to put with your student's prep material. Please download and print a copy today:  
[Printable Map](#)

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## Scholarships for NITOC 2016 Competitors

There will be scholarship opportunities in every event and for every competitor at NITOC 2016. We encourage you to visit the websites online and vendor booths at NITOC to learn more about the schools and groups offering them. [Please also find information and links to schools' websites at our Sponsors, Scholarships, and Vendors page.](#)



*1 Timothy 4:8: "Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come."*

## POINT OF ORDER!



Parli Debaters: Please make sure to check out the Parli Debate Procedure tab on the NITOC registration home page. We have made changes to the Parli debate procedure this year and we want to make sure everyone knows the drill before we all start the fun next Monday morning! [Read it here!](#)

## EXTEMPERS! IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

**Mandatory Meeting** - Tuesday at 12:00 Olin Library Second floor (Extemp Prep room)

Check in and Set up times for laptop and/or Extemp File box:

- **Speech Only Competitors:**  
Tuesday 9:30-10:45 am
- **LD/TP Debate Competitors** (non-Parli): Tuesday, 10:45 – 11:45 am
- **Parli competitors – immediately** after the Mandatory meeting Tuesday at 12:00 pm



## WHATEVER THE WEATHER

Don't forget to check the weather before traveling to NITOC!

Verizon 8:18 AM 98% weather.com

The Weather Channel 51° Springfield, ...

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FRI May 20	69°/55°	☁️🌧️	80%
SAT May 21	78°/57°	☀️☁️	20%
SUN May 22	84°/61°	☀️☁️	20%
MON May 23	86°/64°	☁️🌧️	80%
TUE May 24	85°/63°	☁️🌧️	80%
WED May 25	85°/62°	☀️☁️	50%
THU May 26	85°/60°	☁️🌧️	80%
FRI May 27	84°/60°	☀️☁️	40%
SAT May 28	84°/60°	☀️☁️	40%
SUN May 29	85°/59°	☀️☁️	30%

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Whether the weather be fine  
 Or whether the weather be not,  
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 Or whether the weather be hot,  
 We'll weather the weather  
 Whatever the weather,  
 Whether we like it or not.

Anonymous

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