



IFTSA South Central Area

"Food Science with a Southern Flavor"

Arkansas, Louisiana State, Mississippi State, Monterrey Tech,
Oklahoma State, Texas A&M, and Texas Tech



Hello Everyone. I hope the Spring semester for all is going well. Can you believe it, though? We are halfway done with the semester and our South Central Area Annual Meeting and College Bowl Competition is only a few weeks away. I am very excited about the meeting, and I hope everyone is looking forward to fun, Louisiana food, and competition. This year we will have five competing teams Arkansas, Louisiana State, Mississippi State, Oklahoma State, and Texas A&M. Also, I have decided to let the coaches of each of the teams participate in a little competition. All of the information for this year's South Central Area College Bowl, coach's competition, and IFT News can be found below. See you in April!!!!



AREA NEWS



2006/07 South Central Area Annual Meeting And College Bowl Competition

The South Central Annual Meeting and College bowl Competition brings together students from our IFTSA area to compete in the college bowl competition, meet with food industry representatives, and interact with other students from the various universities. This is a great place to test your knowledge of various food science areas like Food Safety, Food Chemistry, IFT/IFTSA History, etc...

I encourage all schools to participate because not only does the South Central Area's winning school get a \$1000 travel grant to the annual IFT meeting which will be held in Chicago, July 2007, but it is going to be a great time having a food science weekend in the bayou. If you have any questions you can contact the College Bowl Chair: Naomi Sundalius, nsunda1@lsu.edu

Entry Requirements: All schools are required to submit 40 competition questions by April 5 as their entry fee into the college bowl competition. I have sent an email to all chapters about the proper format of these questions.

Now that I have formalities out of the way...

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South Central Area Meeting and College Bowl Cajun Style

Who: Arkansas, Louisiana State, Mississippi State, Oklahoma State, and Texas A&M

Where: Nelson Memorial and Efferson Hall
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, LA
(Map on page 5)

When: April 13-15
(Agenda on page 3)

What: To compete for a trip to Chicago, to talk about updates in the South Central Area and IFTSA, and to EAT Cajun Food of course!!

1st Annual Coach's Bowl

As many of you know, our coach's have put in a lot of time and effort into getting all of the college bowl teams ready for competition. You also know that most of the coaches are just as competitive as many of the team members. Many of them can't bear to sit on the sidelines while you struggle to answer a question, so they sit at the edge of their seat and try to send you the answer with their eyes. They like to argue the rulings and won't waste a second making sure the scoreboard is perfectly accurate. But at the end of the day, they ultimately do not get to compete and show their true colors. So in response to their admirable competitiveness, I have created ...

THE COACH'S BOWL

Coach's be prepared to go head to head against the other coaches as your knowledge of everyday trivia will be tested through 20 grueling questions.

The winner of the Coach's Bowl will receive the newly coveted "Coach's Bowl" and will give their team the first-round "bye"!

Justification: We have an odd number of teams scheduled to compete, so this is a fair way to give out the first-round bye and still have a lot of fun seeing our coach's compete.

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**2007 South Central Area Annual Meeting
and College Bowl Competition Tentative Agenda**

April 13th, Friday Night, Nelson Memorial

- 7 pm Welcome. Potluck supper with LSU Food Science Club and teams that have already arrived
- 8 pm Ice Cream Sundae Social with LSU Food Science Club and teams that have already arrived

** During the night there will be Door Prizes and possibly Karaoke**

- 9 pm Late night kick ball game on Parade Grounds
(optional)

April 14th, Saturday, Efferson Hall

- 8 am Moderators and judges meet to discuss questions and answers
- 9 am Welcome. Breakfast. Introduction of moderator and judges. Review of rules.
- 10 am Coach's Bowl to determine 1st round bye

College Bowl Competition begins.
- 12 pm Lunch with possible speaker / Area Meeting/ Door Prizes
- 1 pm *Competition Resumes*
- 3 pm End of competition/ Awards/ Door Prizes/ Thanking of Sponsors
- 3:30 pm Crawfish boil for all participants

*** If anyone has a food allergy to crawfish, please let me know so that I can make alternate food arrangements for the dinner***

IFT/IFTSA NEWS

CHAPTER OF THE YEAR

Do you think your chapter has what it takes?

If your chapter exemplifies *leaders, versatile members, positive attitude, involvement with IFT/IFTSA, quality programs, active faculty and staff, networking, etc...*,

Turn in your application for Chapter of the Year by **May 1, 2007**.

For rules eligibility visit www.iftsa.org/competitions/coy/coy.php

Or contact:

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VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!

IFTSA elections are now open. And we need your vote to decide President-elect, Secretary, and Area Representatives.

You can vote at www.iftsa.org.

Polls close April 1



Need Funding to the Meeting???

Be a Session Monitor

- Apply by **April 20th** at www.iftsa.org
- Monitor 3 IFT sessions
- Attend Monitor Session Training
- **Receive complimentary registration and free lodging**
- Contact Kristen Distelhorst Flesch at kflesch@ift.org

Be a Student-as-Exhibitor

- Email résumé in PDF format to buju69@aol.com by **April 1st**
 - Companies will contact you
 - You will help companies during their presentation at the Food Expo
 - **Receive compensation as determined by company**
- * I did this last year, and it was a great opportunity*

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Directions to LSU

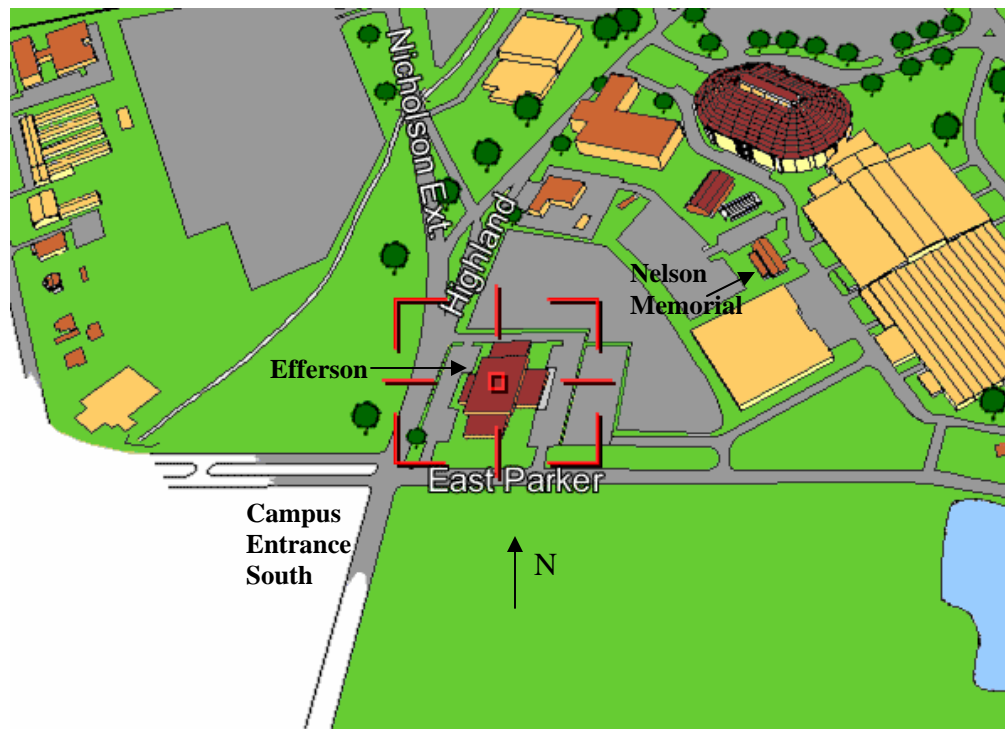
From I-10:

- Route 1: Exit at Nicholson Dr./Highland Rd. (Exit 155A). Take Highland Rd. to Dalrymple Dr. (about 1.4 miles).
- Route 2: Exit at Dalrymple Dr. (Exit 156B). Both eastbound and westbound traffic will take a right onto Dalrymple Dr. from the off-ramp. Take Dalrymple Dr. to Highland Rd. (about 0.5 mile).
- Route 3: Exit at Acadian Thruway (Exit 157B). If exiting from the eastbound off-ramp you will take a right onto Acadian Thruway; if exiting from the westbound off-ramp you will take a left onto Acadian Thruway. Take Acadian Thruway (which turns into Stanford Avenue and then into LSU Avenue) to Highland Rd. Take a right onto Highland Rd. Take Highland Rd. to Dalrymple Dr. (about 1.8 miles).



[View Map](#)

To make it easy for everyone, please try to come on to campus on the South side using Highland Road. Nelson Memorial and Efferson Hall can be accessed right after you enter that side of campus. Both are on the right off of Highland road.



If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at:

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