Speakers' Academy

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About the forum:
The Speakers' Academy is driven by a fundamental learning objective—to cultivate and elevate the art of public speaking. We aim to provide a dynamic platform for individuals to develop effective communication skills, articulate thoughts with confidence, and foster critical thinking. Through engaging activities like debates, elocution competitions, and the cherished Rostrum Spectrum, we strive to nurture eloquent and persuasive speakers.

Event 1: Orientation Ceremony
Day & Date: Saturday, 26th August 2023
Time & Venue: 10 AM, F2 Classroom
No. Of Attendees: 65 Male, 55 female

Description:

The Speaker's Academy, in collaboration with The Group Discussion Cell, held its orientation session for the academic year 2023-24 on August 26th, 2023. It marks the continuation of a long-lived tradition of guiding and helping junior college and undergraduate students understand the importance of public speaking and communication skills. Mr. Pranav Advani honored the session as the guest of honor. The orientation garnered an impressive turnout, with over 100 students actively participating. The event provided students in the audience with opportunities to engage in mock debates, group discussions, and elocution exercises.

Event 2: A.D Shroff Memorial Elocution Competition:
Day & Date: Tuesday, 26th September and Saturday, 30th September, 2023
Time & Venue: 11 AM to 1 PM, G5 Classroom
No. Of Participants: 12 Males, 7 Female

Description:
The intercollegiate elimination rounds for the AD Shroff Memorial Elocution Competition, organized with fervor and enthusiasm by the Speakers' Academy, achieved tremendous success. A rigorous elimination round took place on September 26, followed by the finals on September 30, 2023. The ultimate round was adjudicated by Ms. Varsha Srinivasan, a distinguished alumna and past winner of the A.D. Shroff Memorial Elocution Competition. Mr. Arjun Shivaramakrishnan, securing the top position in the event, has earned the opportunity to represent the college in the upcoming competition. Scheduled for January 21, 2024, the finals witnessed Arjun clinching the second spot on the podium.

Event 3: Bullfights: Junior College and Degree College
Day & Date:
Junior College: 6th October 2023
Degree College: 28th to 30th November 2023
Time & Venue: 10:30-12 noon, in G5 Classroom
No. Of Participants: 45 Male, 47 Female

Description:
The Speakers' Academy hosted Bullfights- the annual intra-collegiate debate event in two phases- Junior College Students and Degree College Students. With the participation of a whopping more than 80 participants, it was indeed a sight to behold. With pressing issues being debated and factual discussions taking place the Debaters were guided and provided effective suggestions and remarks by the judges. The participants were also awarded certificates to provide the necessary thrust last but not least, these Debtors were encouraged to participate in other inter-collegiate events maximising their exposure and indeed marking the success of the event.

Event 4: Rostrum Spectrum
Day & Date: Saturday, 6th January 2024
Time & Venue: 9 AM To 5pm in G1, G4, G5, G6, G7 Classrooms
No. Of Participants: 46 Male, 26 Female

Description:
On January 6, 2024, the forum conducted its premier literary inter-collegiate event, Rostrum Spectrum 2023-24. The chosen theme for the year was 'Spectrum of Change.' Serving as a successful platform for public speaking, the event provided a stage for articulating ideas ranging from factual information to the development of influential speakers. A joint initiative by the Group Discussion Cell and the Speaker's Academy at the college aimed to offer opportunities through various activities that showcased eloquence. The event drew participation from approximately 8 colleges, featuring competitions such as debates, group discussions, JAM (Just-A-Minute), and elocution.