



DERBY CHALLENGE 2009

BELLARMINE UNIVERSITY

HISTORY The Derby Challenge was first held in the fall of the 1999-2000 season. Prior to the Derby Challenge, no invitational tournaments used the challenge format, which has now become a staple at tournaments across the country. It has always been a small field filled with teams from the most competitive programs in the country – a true invitational in the sense that teams compete by invitation only. Past champions include Bellarmine, Furman, Rhodes, UCLA and UVA. A glass Thoroughbred traveling trophy is awarded to the winner, and engraved Louisville Slugger bats go to the top attorney and witness. Historically, Round 1 was held on Bellarmine's campus, and then Rounds 2-4 took place at the Judicial Center. Now all are at the Hall of Justice.

FEE The tournament fee is \$175 per team.

FORMAT

A 1-2-1 Friday through Sunday,
November 6-8. The schedule is below:

Friday, November 6

5:30 p.m.: Captains' Meeting/
Judges' Meeting

6:00 p.m.: Round One

Saturday, November 7

9:30 a.m.: Captains' Meeting/Judges' Meeting

10:00 a.m.: Round Two

2:00 p.m.: Captains' Meeting/Judges' Meeting

2:30 p.m.: Round Three

Sunday, November 8

9:00 a.m.: Captains' Meeting/Judges' Meeting

9:30 a.m.: Round Four

1:30 p.m.: Awards Ceremony



Awards go to the top five, with the traveling trophy to the champion. Only two individual awards will be given – one to the top attorney in the competition and one to the top witness. These awards will be calculated by using the normal ranking system and then adding the number of ballots won by the individual's team on plaintiff/defense (depending on the side of the case on which the attorney/witness earned the ranks).



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DOWNTOWN RESTAURANTS

Caviar – Sushi. www.caviarsushibar.com

Jeff Ruby's – Expensive steak house. <http://www.jeffruby.com/louisville.html>

Los Aztecas – Inexpensive Mexican. www.losaztecas.net

The Bristol – Reasonable, varied menu. www.bristolbarandgrille.com

The Old Spaghetti Factory – Inexpensive Italian. www.osf.com

Vincenzo's – Swank, pricy Italian. www.vincenzositalianrestaurant.com

Fourth Street Live – Downtown entertainment area. www.4thstlive.com

LUNCH ON SATURDAY

For lunch between rounds two and three, we recommend heading to Fourth Street Live, which has a number of sit-down restaurants and a mall-style food court for quicker service. To get there, exit the Hall of Justice and head right (1/2 block) to Liberty. Make a left on Liberty and walk two blocks to 4th Street. Fourth Street Live is on the right.

LODGING

21C – www.21cmuseumhotel.com

The Marriott – www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/sdflm-louisville-marriott-downtown

The Downtown Marriott is the official hotel for the Derby Challenge. It is located four blocks from the Hall of Justice and offers Derby participants a discounted rate of \$149 a night under Bellarmine Mock Trial if reserved by October 16, 2009. To secure this rate, contact Lisa Robertson directly at Lisa.robertson@marriottlouisville.com.

As always, we highly recommend the 21C modern art museum/hotel/restaurant – an indescribably funky experience. It's just two blocks from the Hall of Justice but unfortunately is low on rooms during the Derby weekend, so no group rate is available. If interested, you should book immediately.