

State Finals Tournament T.C. Roberson High School, Asheville, NC

Dear Team Members and Coach;

Congratulations! As a first or second place winner at your Regional competition, you now have the honor of representing your region at this year's North Carolina Odyssey of the Mind State Finals Tournament.

This year's tournament will be hosted by the Western Region, and will be held at T.C. Roberson on Saturday, April 2, 2011.

In the next three days, you must:

- 1.) <u>REGISTER YOUR TEAM</u>. Online registration must be completed by midnight on Tuesday, March 8, 2011. (Instructions follow on page 2.)
- 2.) <u>REGISTER A VOLUNTEER</u>. We ask each team to provide at least one volunteer to help the state tournament run smoothly. The volunteer will be scheduled so that they may see their team's long-term performance. Ask your volunteer to go to the State Website http://www.ncom.org and click on the judge/volunteer link to register for the State Tournament as soon as possible.
- 3.) <u>MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS</u> if needed. You will find suggestions on a sheet attached to the end of this instruction packet.
- 4.) <u>ENCOURAGE TRAINED JUDGES</u> to respond to their invitations or go to the state website http://www.ncom.org and click on the State Finals link to register. WE NEED JUDGES!

The quality of our tournament depends in large part on the expertise of our judges and volunteers. We urge you to encourage experienced judges and volunteers to register for the state tournament. Knowledgeable judges and volunteers insure fair and consistent judging and give our state winners a distinct advantage when they move on to World Finals.

If you have any questions, or if we can be of any assistance, please contact us. Doris: dbarahonaburton@carolina.rr.com, Lynda McGinty: dunroman@bellsouth.net, or Pamela Norton: pamela.norton@bcsemail.org.

We are looking forward to seeing many amazing solutions demonstrated by your fantastic teams! GOOD LUCK!

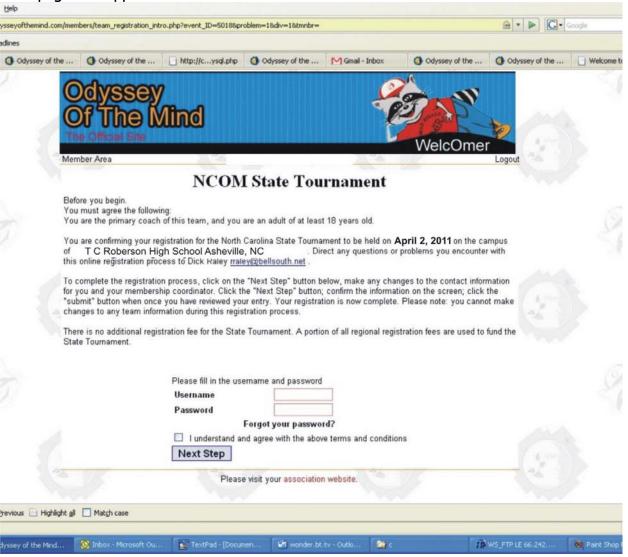
Sincerely, Lynda, Pamela and Doris

Online Registration Instructions.

- 1. Go to: www.ncom.org and click "member area" link near the top of the page or above the red bar on the world home page www.odysseyofthemind.com .
- Fill in your membership number and the zip code that were used for your regional registration. Click "submit."
- 2. Click on the Team Registration Link: The next page will show the team(s), from your membership that is/are eligible to compete in the State Tournament. These teams will be listed in red at the top of the page. Any eligible teams that have already registered will be listed as having registered.
- 3. Click on your team. <u>Do not</u> click on your log-in link from your regional tournament. **Do not** try to register a new team.



This page will appear next:



- 4. When you are ready, use your username and password. They are the same as those issued for your regional tournament registration. Make sure you check the "I understand and agree with the above terms and conditions," before clicking "Next Step.
- 5. The registration form will appear already filled out with the information you entered when you registered for your regional tournament.
- 6. Make any changes to the information entered, such as your address, phone number or email address (if they have changed).
- 7. Once you determine all the information is correct, click the "Next Step" link. "
- 8. Check your information one more time and click the "Submit" link. You and your school coordinator will receive an auto response email confirmation shortly after you "Submit" the form. YOU ARE NOW OFFICIALLY REGISTERED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE TOURNAMENT.

Additional Information

You can access the member's page from www.ncom.org or from the "member's" link in the red bar on the world home page www.odysseyofthemind.com .

Check <u>www.ncom.org</u> often for the latest information and announcements about this year's State Finals. Check the world website <u>www.odysseyofthemind.com</u> for clarifications and other international information.

You will receive periodic information from the tournament directors with additional information about the state tournament. Please make sure you check your email for updates and additional information.

If you have any questions about the online registration procedure, contact Dick Raley at rraley@bellsouth.net or (704) 544-1363.

NORTH CAROLINA ODYSSEY OF THE MIND 2011 STATE COMPETITION

I am pleased to present room blocks from several Asheville and neighboring area, reserved especially for the North Carolina Odyssey of the Mind families. Please review and select as you wish. BE SURE TO REFERENCE "ODYSSEY OF THE MIND" TO RECEIVE THE SPECIAL GROUP RATE AND THE BELOW OUTLINED CONCESSIONS.

Country Inn & Suites 1914 Old Haywood Road Asheville, NC 28806 Phone: 828.665.9556

20 doubles, 10 singles and 10 suites available on 4/1 and 4/2 at a rate of \$70 plus tax

Complimentary full hot breakfast Reservations required by 3/18/11

Standard 24 hour cancellation terms apply

Courtyard – Marriott One Buckstone Place Asheville, NC 28805 Phone: 828.281.0041

Double and king rooms available 4/1 and 4/2 at a rate of \$134 plus tax

Reservations required by 3/21/11

Standard 24 hour cancellation terms apply

DoubleTree Biltmore 115 Hendersonville Road Asheville, NC 28803 Phone: 828.274.1800

10 double and single rooms available on 4/1 and 4/2 at a rate of \$129 plus tax

Reservations required by 3/12/11 72 hour cancellation terms apply

Fairfield Inn Asheville Airport 31 Airport Park Road Fletcher, NC 28732 Phone: 828.684.1144

70 doubles and singles available on 4/1 at a rate of \$89 plus tax 20 doubles and singles available on 4/2 at a rate of \$89 plus tax

Hot breakfast included in rate Reservations required by 3/18/11

Note: rooms cancelled after 4/1/11 will be charged one night's room and tax if hotel

unable to re-sell.

Hampton Inn – Hendersonville 155 Sugarloaf Road Hendersonville, NC 28792 Phone: 828.697.2333

40 queens, 35 doubles and 5 singles available on 4/1 and 4/2 at a rate of \$89 plus tax

Breakfast included in rate

Reservations required by 3/18/11

24 hour standard cancellation terms apply

Hilton Asheville Biltmore Park

43 Towne Square Asheville, NC 28803 Phone: 828.209.2799

10 double and single rooms available on 4/1 and 4/2 at a rate of \$135 plus tax

Reservations required by 3/12/11 72 hour cancellation terms apply

Quality Inn & Suites 1 Skyland Inn Drive Arden, NC 28704 Phone: 828.684.6688

15 double and single rooms available on 4/1 and 4/2 at a rate of \$79 plus tax

Reservations required by 3/12/11 72 hour cancellation terms apply

Ramada

800 Fairview Road Asheville, NC 28778 Phone: 800.836.6732

50 Doubles available 4/1 and 10 Doubles available on 4/2 at a rate of \$63 plus tax

Reservations required by 3/18/11

Standard 24 hour cancellation terms apply

Residence Inn

701 Biltmore Avenue Asheville, NC 28803 Phone: 828.281.3361

One Bedroom Queen Suites, Two Bedroom Queen Suites and Studio King Suites

available at a rate of \$169, \$209, \$139 (respectively) plus tax

Reservations required by 3/18/11 72 hour cancellation terms apply

Sleep Inn Biltmore

117 Hendersonville Road Asheville, NC 28803 Phone: 828.277.1800

10 double and single rooms available on 4/1 and 4/2 at a rate of \$82 plus tax

Reservations required by 3/12/11 72 hour cancellation terms apply

SpringHill Suites - Marriott Two Buckstone Place Asheville, NC 28805 Phone: 828.253.4666

Double and king rooms available 4/1 and 4/2 at a rate of \$134 plus tax

Reservations required by 3/21/11

Standard 24 hour cancellation terms apply

If you have any questions, please contact Alison Donnelly at ADonnelly@HelmsBriscoe.com.