United Nations Day Celebration 2012

October 26, 2012

The University of Arkansas at Little Rock (UALR) International Simulations Association invites local high schools to come celebrate United Nations Day annually on the UALR campus. This year’s U.N. Day celebration will take place on Friday, October 26. U.N. Day at UALR promises a day of fun and interactive learning for students. Events include mock United Nations sessions where students pretend to be actual U.N. ambassadors representing various countries, an essay contest, a presentation on a current event, and an international trivia contest. To sign your school up, please fill out the form below. For more information, please contact Joshua Thomsen at jcthomsen@ualr.edu.

Schedule of Events
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM: Registration
9:30 AM – 9:45 AM: Opening Statements
9:45 AM – 11:30 AM: Mock U.N. session
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM: Lunch
12:30 PM – 1:00 PM: International Issues Trivia Challenge
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM: Keynote Address and essay award presentation

Opening statements will be from Professor of Political Science at UALR Dr. Rebecca Glazier and President of the Model UN student organization at UALR Hamza Arshad. Keynote address by UALR Professor of Anthropology Dr. Simon Hawkins. Students will be responsible for their own lunches. There are many options to choose from in the UALR cafeteria.

Essay Contest
This year, thanks to a grant from the UALR College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, we will be having an essay contest with a cash prize for the best essay. Essays should answer the following question:

Out of the following topics that are on the current UN agenda, which is the most important & why?

a. Conflict in the Middle East
b. Stopping the spread of nuclear weapons
c. Peaceful responses to the Syrian civil war
d. Mitigating the effects of global climate change
e. Encouraging the recognition of women’s rights worldwide

Essays must be 1,000 words long and turned in during registration. Prize will be awarded during after the keynote address.