



Putting the Pieces Together A District Competitive Puzzle

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Background

You are part of a large community of professionals, made up of regional associations. Each regional association belongs to a larger district.

Every regional association has a culture and a personality. The combination of these association personalities, in turn, gives the districts distinctive personality qualities.

Challenge

Build at least one building per regional association which will become part of a larger district community, all represented by Legos, Play-Doh and pipe cleaners.

Each Regional Association:

Create a building, or set of buildings in a setting for each regional association. Each building should represent a unique aspect of the regional association.

- You may use, or ignore any of the materials provided to you
- You may trade materials with other groups
- You may mix the materials together to make your buildings and settings.

Each District:

The buildings created will then be combined into a community that represents the unique combined cultures in your district.

Points

Points will be awarded for originality, creativity, expressiveness, humor and pretty much anything else we see that we like. The winners will be selected by a secret group of judges who are impervious to bribes (at least most of the time). For the record, RAC Bucks make terrible bribing currency.

Decisions of the judges are final and may not be disputed. In the event a decision is disputed (despite the fact that they cannot be disputed), the disputers will be taken outside and left there to sweat.

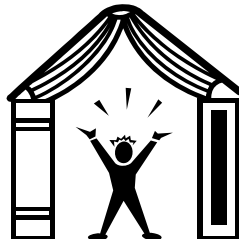
Materials

Legos—lots and lots of Legos.
One large 10 x 10 base for each district
Play-Doh
Pipe cleaners (*aka* chenilles)
RAC Bucks
Scotch tape

Ground Rules

- Please keep vandalism of hotel property to a minimum.
- Besides the allotted Legos and materials, there are additional Legos in the center of the room that can be used to augment your community structures.
- RAC Board members were handing out vintage Speakers-In-A-Box (now “Speakers-Out-of-a-Box,” or “SOBs” for short) earlier today to attendees who showed particular genius in the sessions.
 - These SOBs can be used to populate your communities.
 - The more SOBs you have, the more points you will get.
- For the time being, even though every RAC Board member has an obvious conflict of interest (two, if you count both their home regional and their home district), we’re going to allow them to manage the SOBs and we’ll assume they were objective.
- Winners will be announced at the closing session. Must be present to win.
- Finished communities will be taken to the Lower Level at the conclusion of the District Dinner to be admired and photographed on Friday.
- Tampering, toying with, or disabling other districts’ communities will result in terrible, terrible consequences. We have made friends with the hotel maintenance people and we know how to turn off the air conditioner in your room. Don’t make us go there.

Most importantly ... have fun, express yourselves, create together and get to know the other people in your district!



At the conclusion of the conference ...

Leftover Legos, Play-Doh and pipe cleaners will be donated to The Family Place, a shelter for families experiencing domestic violence. If you care to make a small cash donation to send along with the toys, please contact a Regional Relations staff member.