

JOURNALISM

2007 HIGH SCHOOL PRESS CONVENTION

South Dakota State University, Brookings

September 24, 2007

The 2007 High School Press Convention was held on the SDSU campus in Brookings on September 24th. Over 344 high school journalists and their advisors from 25 schools attended the convention.

During the morning sessions the students attended programs lead by Lori Oglesbee and Eric Landwehr.

Lori Oglesbee is currently the yearbook advisor at McKinney (Texas) High School. She has advised high school publications in three states for 25 years. Oglesbee was named the JEA's distinguished advisor in 2004 and the Texas Journalism Teacher of the Year in 2005.

Eric Landwehr has been a professional photographer for 18 years. He has worked for SDSU for the past eight years. He also owns his own photography business and continues to do freelance work for the Associated Press.

The Convention concluded with the "General Awards Session in the afternoon". This session included the announcement of the results for the "On-the-Spot" contests that were held that morning, and the Annual Publications Contest for Newspapers, Yearbooks and Literary Publications. The members of the SDHSAA Journalism Advisory Committee made the awards presentations.

2007 ALL-STATE ANNUAL PUBLICATIONS CONTEST AWARDS

(for high school publications published during the 2006-07 school year)

Submitted publications are judged and given All-State, First Class, Second Class or Third Class ratings. The All-State award winning publications in the various classifications are as follows:

A. ALL-STATE YEARBOOKS

Class 1 (Enrollment: 425 & above)

S.F. Lincoln – HERITAGE – Mary Tranberg & Sarah Winters, Advisors

Brookings – BOBCAT – Rebecca Ekeland, Advisor

Yankton – ARICKARA – Jill Mikkelsen, Advisor

Watertown - ARROW – Dodie Bemis, Advisor

Class 2 (Enrollment: 140-425)

Vermillion– TANAGER – SHADES OF RED – Cindy Heckenlaible, Advisor

Milbank – KENNEL – Ann Tuchscherer, Advisor

Redfield – THE PHEASANT – Kaylin Frost, Advisor

Class 3 (Enrollment: 75-140)

Sioux Valley – THE COSSACK – Solveig Hjermstad, Advisor

Tea Area – STORM – Nancy Loofbourrow, Advisor

Sully Buttes – ETERNAL FLAME – Georgia Sutton, Advisor

Clark – THE COMET – Deb Schlagel & Tammy Sprouse, Advisors

Deubrook - DOLPHIN – Bob Trewatha, Advisor

Class 4 (Enrollment: 45-75)

Emery – EAGLE – Judy Hamaker, Advisor

Castlewood – WARRIOR – Barbi Schulte

Jones County - COYOTE - Margie Peters, Advisor

Roslyn – THE VIKING – Carol Gaikowski & Mary Wagner, Advisors

Class 5 (Enrollment: under 45)

Rutland – RAMBLER – Karen Rahn, Advisor

B. ALL-STATE NEWSPAPERS

Class 1 (Offset, Enrollment: 300 & above)

S.F. Lincoln - STATESMAN – Virginia Olson, Advisor

Brandon Valley - ECHO - Deb Rothenberger, Advisor

Yankton – THE WOKSAPE – Richard Anderson, Advisor

Pierre Riggs – GOVERNOR – Elizabeth Vogt, Advisor

Class 2 (Offset, Enrollment: 175-300)

None

Class 3 (Offset, Enrollment: under 175)

Roslyn – THE VIKING – Carol Gaikowski, Advisory

Castlewood – DACOTAH WARRIOR – Michele Hansen & Diane Anderson, Advisors

Class 4 (All Self-Published)

None

Class 5 (All Departmental)

Emery - THE WHEEL - Judith Hamaker, Advisor

Lennox – PEP-A-GRAPH – Katie Salmela, Advisor

C. ALL-STATE LITERARY PUBLICATIONS

Yankton – CELLAR DOOR – Sandy Hoffner, Advisor

Northwestern – CREATIVE CATASTOPHES – Nora Groft, Advisor

D. MOST IMPROVED PUBLICATIONS AWARDS

Newspaper

Huron High School – Angie Klein, Advisor

Yearbook

Sioux Valley High School – Solveig Hjermstad, Advisor

E. TOP OF CLASS

The top of Class Award for newspaper and yearbook is presented to the school whose newspaper accumulated the highest All-State rating score and to the school whose yearbook accumulated the highest All-State rating score.

Newspaper

Emery – Judith Hamaker, Advisor

Yearbook

Rutland – RAMBLER – Karen Rahn, Advisor (TIE)

Emery –EAGLE – Judy Hamaker, Advisor (TIE)

F. SWEEPSTAKES AWARD

The Sweepstakes award is given to the school accumulating the greatest total combined points in newspaper and yearbook in all divisions.

Sioux Falls Lincoln High School

Newspaper Advisor: Virginia Olson

Yearbook Advisors: Mary Tranberg & Sarah Winters

G. HALL OF FAME AWARDS

The Hall of Fame Award is given to any school newspaper or yearbook that accumulates ten consecutive “All-State Awards”.

Newspapers

None

Yearbooks

None

2007-08 FIRST EDITION CONTEST

This contest is designed to evaluate the first edition of each school's newspaper for the school year.

Enrollment: 175 & Over

First Place: S.F. Lincoln – STATESMAN

Virginia Olson, Advisor

Second Place: Brandon Valley – ECHO

Deb Rothenberger, Advisor

Third Place: S.F. O’Gorman – THE KNIGHT SCROLL

Jason VanEngen, Advisor

Enrollment; Under 175

First Place: Northwestern – THE SCRATCHIN’ POST

Nora Groft, Advisor

2007-08 “ON-THE-SPOT” CONTESTS

Each year, students are offered the opportunity to compete under deadline conditions. This competition is the “On The-Spot” contests for “News Writing”, “Feature Writing”, “Yearbook Design” and “Photography”.

NEWS WRITING CONTEST

First Place: Kayla Lapka, Leola
Second Place: Maggie Clemensen, Northwestern
Third Place: Emily Grenz, Eureka

FEATURE WRITING CONTEST

First Place: Alysa Eberhart, Eureka
Second Place: Janae Hansen, Northwestern
Third Place: Samantha Jung, Leola

YEARBOOK DESIGN CONTEST

First Place: Heidi Kirchner, Milbank
Second Place: Ellen Cameron, Milbank
Third Place: Kim Buehner, Deubrook Area

PHOTOGRAPHY

NONE



“On-The-Spot News Writing” Contest Winners:
(l to r) Maggie Clemensen (Northwestern); Emily Grenz (Eureka)
(Photo courtesy of SDPB)



“On-The-Spot Feature Writing” Contest Winners:
Janae Hansen (Northwestern); Alysa Eberhart (Eureka)
(Photo courtesy of SDPB)



“On-The-Spot Yearbook Design” Contest Winners:
(l to r) Ellen Cameron (Milbank); Heidi Kirchner (Milbank)
(Photo courtesy of SDPB)

2008 SPRING WRITING CONTEST

ADVERTISING

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Luke Rodig, Sioux Falls Lincoln
2nd – Raniro Del-Cid, Sioux Falls Lincoln

-Schools under 175

None

ARTS REVIEW

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Joe Klein, Sioux Falls O’Gorman
2nd – Janelle Bakke, Watertown
3rd – Andy Gacke, Brandon Valley

HM – Eric Lenhoff, Yankton

-Schools under 175

1st – Shannon LaJoie, Estelline

CARTOONS

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Kristina Greve, Brandon Valley
2nd – Raniro Del-Cid, Sioux Falls Lincoln
3rd – Kate Stephens, Sioux Falls O’Gorman
HM – Chris Rokahr, Yankton

-Schools under 175

None

EDITORIALS

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Matt Thompson, Watertown
2nd – Collin Michels, Yankton
3rd – Amanda Curtis, Watertown
HM – Eric Ellis & Mindy Roeder, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

1st – Chris Prosch, Estelline
2nd – Casey Dolezal, Estelline

FEATURE STORY

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Carrie Andersen, Sioux Falls Lincoln
2nd – Melissa Rushing, Sioux Falls O’Gorman
3rd – Kayla Prasek, Watertown
HM – Chris Kappen & Joe Klein, Sioux Falls
O’Gorman

-Schools under 175

1st – Misty Hilger, Gettysburg
2nd – Jessica Derby, Estelline

FRONT PAGE LAYOUT

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Erik Nyberg, Sioux Falls Lincoln
2nd – Ngoc Thack, Sioux Falls O’Gorman
3rd – Kara Feistner, Brandon Valley
HM – Collin Michels, Alex Smith & Jaclyn
Mathison, Yankton

-Schools under 175

1st – Jessica Derby, Estelline

GENERAL INTEREST COLUMN/OPINION ARTICLE

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Erik Nyberg, Sioux Falls Lincoln
2nd – Melissa Rushing, Sioux Falls O’Gorman
3rd – Kevin Loker, Mitchell
HM – Tanner Cresap & Jarod Ruud, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

1st – Katlin Ward, Estelline

IN-DEPTH NEWS FEATURE

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Andrew Sogn, Sioux Falls Lincoln
2nd – Daniel Wilcox, Sioux Falls Lincoln
3rd – Briana Gust, Sioux Falls Lincoln
HM – Leslie Johnson, Yankton

-Schools under 175

None

INFOGRAPHICS

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Daniel Wilcox, Sioux Falls Lincoln
2nd – Eran Moore Rea, Sioux Falls Lincoln
3rd – Kyle Sadler, Sioux Falls Lincoln
HM – Leslie Johnson, Yankton

-Schools under 175

None

NEWSWRITING

- Schools 175 & Over

1st – Carrie Andersen, Sioux Falls Lincoln
2nd – Becca Andersen, Brookings
3rd – Ashley Schelling, Brandon Valley
HM – Tonya Kapoor, Sioux Falls O’Gorman
HM – Eran Moore Rea, Sioux Falls Lincoln

-Schools under 175

1st – Misty Hilger, Gettysburg
2nd – Jessica Derby, Estelline
3rd – Kelsie Wright, Gettysburg

PHOTO: NON-SCHOOL SUBJECT

-Schools 175 & Over

1st- Lauren Thompson, Sioux Falls Lincoln
2nd – Rachel Holub, Sioux Falls Lincoln
3rd – Alissa VanMeeteren, Yankton

-Schools under 175

None

PHOTO: PORTRAITS

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Rachel Holub, Sioux Falls Lincoln
2nd – Liz Randolph, Brandon Valley
3rd – Jenae Olson, Watertown

-Schools under 175

None

PHOTO: SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**-Schools 175 & Over**

None

-Schools under 175

None

PHOTO: SPORTS**-Schools 175 & Over**

1st – Rachel Holub, Sioux Falls Lincoln

2nd – Brennan Kranz, Watertown

3rd – Tanner Cresap, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

1st – Shannon LaJoie, Estelline

PHOTO: STORY**-Schools 175 & Over**

1st – Allison Deering & Sara Bartscher, Brandon Valley

2nd – Dan Wilcox, Sioux Falls Lincoln

3rd – Ellen Reinecke, Sioux Falls Lincoln

-Schools under 175

None

SPECIAL EDITION**-Schools 175 & Over**

1st – Eric Nyberg, Sioux Falls Lincoln

2nd – Eric Nyberg, Sioux Falls Lincoln

3rd – Eric Nyberg, Sioux Falls Lincoln

-Schools under 175

None

SPORTS COLUMN**-Schools 175 & Over**

1st – Kara Feistner, Brandon Valley

2nd – Kyle Sadler, Sioux Falls Lincoln

3rd – Andrew Sogn, Sioux Falls Lincoln

HM – Taylor Fish, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

None

SPORTS STORY/SPORTS FEATURE**- Schools 175 & Over**

1st – Brianna Gust, Sioux Falls Lincoln

2nd – Paige Peiper, Brandon Valley

3rd – Andrew Sogn, Sioux Falls Lincoln

HM – Melissa Rushing, Sioux Falls O’Gorman

-Schools under 175

1st – Jessica Derby, Estelline

2nd – Amanda Hamburger, Gettysburg

3rd – Kelsie Wright, Gettysburg

HM – Amanda Hamberger, Gettysburg

HIGH POINT STUDENTS**Class 1 -Schools 175 & Over**

1st – Andrew Sogn, Sioux Falls Lincoln

2nd – Carrie Andersen, Sioux Falls Lincoln

3rd – Melissa Rushing, Sioux Falls O’Gorman

4th – Brianna Gust, Sioux Falls Lincoln

Class 2 -Schools under 175

1st – Jessica Derby, Estelline

2nd – Misty Hilger, Gettysburg

WRITING SWEEPSTAKES

The "writing sweepstakes" reflects the highest total scores received by combining the points earned in the writing categories.

Class 1 -Schools 175 & Over

1st – Sioux Falls Lincoln High School (34 pts)

Virginia Olson, Advisor

2nd (Tie) – Sioux Falls O’Gorman High School (13 pts)

Jason VanEngen, Advisor

2nd (Tie) – Brandon Valley High School (13 pts)

Deb Rothenberger, Advisor

4th – Watertown High School (11 pts)

Shanon Manley, Advisor

5th – Yankton High School (5 pts)

Dick Andersen, Advisor

Class 2 -Schools under 175

1st – Estelline High School (25 pts)

Kristy McAninch, Advisor

2nd – Gettysburg High School (16 pts)

Ann Lundquist, Advisor

OVERALL SWEEPSTAKES

The "overall sweepstakes" reflects excellence and balance throughout all the areas of competition in the Spring Writing Contest.

Class 1 - Schools 175 & Over

1st – Sioux Falls Lincoln High School (70 pts)

Virginia Olson, Advisor

2nd – Brandon Valley High School (28 pts)

Deb Rothenberger, Advisor

3rd (Tie) – Watertown High School (18 pts)

Shanon Manley, Advisor

3rd (Tie)– Sioux Falls O’Gorman High School (18 pts)

Jason VanEngen, Advisor

Class 2 -Schools under 175

1st – Estelline High School (33 pts)

Kristy McAninch, Advisor

2nd – Gettysburg High School (16 pts)

Ann Lundquist, Advisors

FOUNDER'S AWARD

Each year, during the Annual High School Press Convention, the Founders award is presented to an individual in recognition of outstanding service to high school journalism education through the teaching of the principles of good journalism in South Dakota. The recipient of the award is selected by the Journalism Advisory Committee of the South Dakota High School Activities Association.

2007 Founders Award – Sandy Gant Geddes High School

The 2007 Founder's Award was presented to Sandy Gant, during the annual High School Press Convention on September 24, 2007.

Sandy Gant has been a high school journalism advisor for 30 years and a teacher for 34 years. She has served as an adviser for both the newspaper and yearbook, beginning at Platte High School in the mid-1970's then moving to Geddes High School.

While teaching at Geddes, Sandy's yearbooks and newspapers consistently received winning publications awards in the Annual Publication Contest. Her publications also were the winners of the Publications contest sweepstake award.

Beginning with the 2002-03 school year, Sandy served as the principal at Geddes in addition to advising the yearbook and newspaper and teaching accounting, keyboarding and computer science classes.

With the consolidation of the Platte and Geddes school districts, Sandy started teaching at the new consolidated school during the 2007-08 school year. In her new position at the Platte-Geddes High School she is the senior adviser and teaches employability and ACT preparation.

FORMER FOUNDER'S AWARD RECIPIENTS

1961 Dorothy Hanson	1977 Mavis Haverly	1992 Jeanette Lusk
1962 E. L. Kaufman	1978 Hal Coleman	1993 Deb Merxbauer
1963 Dorothy Fosness	1979 Darell Pribyl	1994 Rebecca Stapert
1964 Maxine Wiseman	1980 Dorothea Edgington	1995 Dr. Richard Lee
1965 Nellie Moe	1981 Kenneth Saeger	1996 Deb Rothenberger
1966 Bernice Speh	1982 Mary Jewel Ledbetter	1997 Julie George
1967 John Aldrich	1983 Jean Fylling	1998 Becky Ekeland
1968 Iva C. Rames	1984 David McFarland	1999 Judy Hamaker
1969 Ruth Morgan	1985 D.J. Cline	2000 Lois Wells
1970 Russell Johnson	1986 Richard Anderson	2001 Carol Gaikowski
1971 Helen Morganti	1987 Carol Stobbs	2002 Liz Vogt
1972 Merlin Hiaring	1988 Janelle Klapperich & Ralph Wilkinson	2003 Ken Steinken
1973 Vincent Penning	1989 Margie Peters	2004 Jan Johnson
1974 Elsie Haddock	1990 Eugene Borland	2005 Richard Anderson
1975 Lorraine Norman	1991 Terry Peterson	2006 Ann Lundquist
1976 Bernice Schultz		2007 Sandy Gant