

JOURNALISM

2010 HIGH SCHOOL PRESS CONVENTION

South Dakota State University, Brookings

September 27, 2010

The 2010 High School Press Convention was held on the SDSU campus in Brookings on September 27th. Over 250 high school journalists and their advisors from 25 schools attended the convention.

During the morning sessions the students attended programs lead by Lori Oglesbee, Logan Aimore, Terry Vandrovec, and Robert Gallagher. Lori Oglesbee is the yearbook advisor at McKinney High School (TX) and was named the JEA National Yearbook Advisor of the Year in January 2010; Logan Aimore is the Executive Director of the National Scholastic Press Association; Terry Vandrovec currently covers SDSU athletics for the *Argus Leader*; and Robert Gallagher is currently a SDSU Journalism and Mass Communication Department Major and is also a freelance photographer.

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.

2010 ALL-STATE ANNUAL PUBLICATIONS CONTEST AWARDS

(Awards for high school publications published during the 2009-10 school year)

Submitted publications are judged and given All-State, First Class, Second Class or Third Class ratings. Each school receiving All-State honors receives a plaque. The All-State award winning publications in the various classifications are as follows:

A. ALL-STATE YEARBOOKS

Class 1 (Enrollment: 425 & above)

Brandon Valley – LYNXONIAN – Deb Rothenberger, Advisor
Brookings – BOBCAT – Becky Ekeland, Advisor
S.F. Lincoln – HERITAGE – Mary Tranberg & Sarah Winterscheidt, Advisors
S.F. Washington – WARRIOR – Alison Halgerson, Advisor
Watertown - ARROW – Dodie Bemis, Advisor

Class 2 (Enrollment: 140 to 425)

Redfield – THE PHEASANT – Kaylin Frost, Advisor
Vermillion – THE TANAGER – Cindy Heckenlaible, Advisor

Class 3 (Enrollment: 75 to 140)

Clark – THE COMET – Tammy Sprouse & Susan Schmit, Advisors

Class 4 (Enrollment: 45 to 75)

Northwestern – THE WILDCAT – Nora Groft, Advisor
Wilmot – WOLFPACK – Ruth Settje, Advisor

Class 5 (Enrollment: under 45)

Emery – EMERY EAGLE – Judy Hamaker, Advisor

B. ALL-STATE NEWSPAPERS

Class 1 (Offset, Enrollment: 300 & above)

Brandon Valley – BV ECHO – Deb Rothenberger, Advisor
Mitchell – THE KERNEL – Brooke DeJong, Advisor
Pierre T.F. Riggs – THE GOVERNOR – Elizabeth Vogt, Advisor
S.F. O’Gorman – THE O’GORMAN KNIGHT SCROLL – Jason Van Engen, Advisor
Watertown – THE PURPLE & GOLD – Shanon Manley, Advisor

Class 2 (Offset, Enrollment: 175-300)

None

Class 3 (Offset, Enrollment: under 175)

Northwestern – THE SCRATCHIN’ POST – Nora Groft, Advisor

Class 4 (All Self-Published)

None

Class 5 (All Departmental)

Emery – EMERY WHEEL – Judy Hamaker, Advisor

C. ALL-STATE LITERARY PUBLICATIONS

None

D. MOST IMPROVED PUBLICATIONS AWARDS

Newspaper
None

Yearbook
None

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
Brandon Valley – ECHO - Deb Rothenberger,
Advisor

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

F. SWEEPSTAKES AWARD

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

Brandon Valley High School
Newspaper & Yearbook Advisor: Deb
Rothenberger

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 (2000-01 through 2009-10)
None

Yearbooks (2000-01 through 2009-10)
None

2010-11 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. O’Gorman – THE KNIGHT SCROLL
Jason VanEngen, Advisor

Second Place (Tie): Brandon Valley – ECHO
Deb Rothenberger, Advisor

Second Place (Tie): Huron – JUNGLE CALL
Angie Klein, Advisor

HM: Mitchell – THE KERNEL
Brooke DeJong, Advisor

Enrollment; Under 175

First Place: Aberdeen Roncalli – CAVALCADE
Stephanie Litzen, Advisor

Second Place: Northwestern – THE SCRATCHIN’ POST
Nora Groft, Advisor

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2010-11 “ON-THE-SPOT” CONTESTS

Each year, the students that attend the High School Press Convention 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: Jenna Morlock, Eureka
Second Place: Reva Bork, Mitchell
Third Place: Paige TeGantvoort, Deuel

YEARBOOK DESIGN CONTEST

First Place: Jordan Koch, Yankton
Second Place: Sara Adams, Hamlin
Third Place: Nathan Rausch, Yankton

FEATURE WRITING CONTEST

First Place: Timmie Lunsford, Pierre T.F. Riggs
Second Place: Jean Van Driel, Mitchell
Third Place: Erin Bos, Yankton

PHOTOGRAPHY

First Place: Alexis Alholinna, Hamlin
Second Place: Kim Nguyen, Gregory
Third Place: Jessica Sedillo, Gregory



“On-The-Spot News Writing” Contest Winners:
(l to r) Reva Bork, Mitchell; Jenna Morlock, Eureka;
Paige TeGantvoort, Deuel



“On-The-Spot Feature Writing” Contest Winners:
(l to r) Erin Bos, Yankton; Timmie Lunsford,
Pierre Riggs; Jean Van Driel, Mitchell



“On-The-Spot Yearbook Design” Contest Winner:
Nathan Rausch, Yankton; Jordan Koch,
Yankton; Sara Adams, Hamlin



“On-The-Spot Photography” Contest Winners:
(l to r) Kim Nguyen, Gregory; Alexis Alholinna,
Hamlin; Jessica Sedillo, Gregory

2011 SPRING WRITING CONTEST

ADVERTISING

-Schools 175 & Over

None

-Schools under 175

1st – Kara Fischbach, Northwestern

ARTS REVIEW

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Brittany Knutson, Watertown

2nd – Libby Hoffman, Brandon Valley

3rd – Erin Williams, Watertown

HM – Erin Williams, Watertown

-Schools under 175

1st – Ellie Everist, Dell Rapids St. Mary

2nd – Jason Michel, Dell Rapids St. Mary

3rd – Brandi Hanten, Deuel

CARTOONS

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Brit Hicks, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

1st – Kathy Stuck, Northwestern

EDITORIALS

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Brittany Erks, Brandon Valley

2nd – Alexa Moeller, Watertown

3rd – Cassi Murtha, Mitchell

HM – Reva Bork, Mitchell

-Schools under 175

1st – Calli Peterson, Northwestern

2nd – Laine Mielke, Northwestern

FEATURE STORY

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Erin Williams, Watertown

2nd – Mike Frazer, Brandon Valley

3rd – Joel Krause, Mitchell

HM – Jasmine Larson, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

1st – Theresa Duffy, Dell Rapids St. Mary

2nd – Haley Donahue, Deuel

FRONT PAGE LAYOUT

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Jean Van Driel, Mitchell

2nd – Emily Crowe, Ciara Weatherford &
Kayla Sorensen, Brandon Valley

3rd – Erin Williams, Watertown

-Schools under 175

1st – Ellie Everist, Mikayla Brown &

Danielle Fiegen, Dell Rapids St. Mary

2nd – Laine Mielke, Northwestern

GENERAL INTEREST COLUMN/OPINION ARTICLE

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Erin Williams, Watertown

2nd – Erin Williams, Watertown

3rd – Jean Van Driel, Mitchell

HM – Emily Crowe, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

1st – Shelby Rindels, Deuel

2nd – Danielle Fiegen, Dell Rapids St. Mary

3rd – Mikayla Brown, Dell Rapids St. Mary

IN-DEPTH NEWS FEATURE

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Jean Van Driel, Mitchell

2nd – Ciara Weatherford, Brandon Valley

3rd – Brittany Knutson, Watertown

-Schools under 175

1st – Erin Engelkes, Deuel

INFOGRAPHICS

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Cassi Murtha, Mitchell

2nd – Jean Van Driel, Mitchell

3rd – Dakota Gamber, Mitchell

-Schools under 175

None

NEWSWRITING

- Schools 175 & Over

1st – Megan Knadle, Watertown

2nd – Joel Krause, Mitchell

3rd – Megan Knadle, Watertown

HM – Cassi Murtha, Mitchell

-Schools under 175

1st – Lexi Anderson, Deuel

2nd – Kiley Wolles & Brooke Wolles
Dell Rapids St. Mary

PHOTO: NON-SCHOOL SUBJECT

-Schools 175 & Over

1st- Ian McClanahan, Brandon Valley

2nd – Libby Hoffman, Brandon Valley

3rd – Jasmine Larson, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

1st – Alexis Alholinna, Hamlin

2nd – Paxten Johnson, Gregory

PHOTO: PORTRAITS

-Schools 175 & Over

1st – Tristan Chasse, Brandon Valley

2nd – Allison Kiner, Brandon Valley

3rd – Michael Frazer, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

1st – Kimmy Nguyen, Gregory

2nd – Paxten Johnson, Gregory

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

1st – Allison Kiner, Brandon Valley

2nd – Jean Van Driel, Mitchell

3rd – Zoe Weitala, Mitchell

-Schools under 175

1st – Haley Wetzler, Northwestern

2nd – Sierra Thomas, Gregory

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

1st – Allison Kiner, Brandon Valley

2nd – Zoe Weitala, Mitchell

3rd – Michael Frazer, Brandon Valley

HM – Amber Broekemeier, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

1st – Ashlie Steppat, Gregory

2nd – Kimmy Nguyen, Gregory

3rd – Katrina Frericks, Northwestern

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

1st – Allison Kiner, Brandon Valley

2nd – Sara Grabow, Watertown

-Schools under 175

None

SPECIAL EDITION**-Schools 175 & Over**

None

-Schools under 175

1st – Laine Mielke, Northwestern

2nd – Briana DeBoer, Brooke Donahue &
Brandi Hanten, Deuel**SPORTS COLUMN****-Schools 175 & Over**

1st – Kyle Rokeh, Brandon Valley

2nd – Sam Williams, Watertown

-Schools under 175

None

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

1st – Ian McClanahan, Brandon Valley

2nd – Jean Van Driel, Mitchell

3rd – Kyle Rokeh, Brandon Valley

-Schools under 175

1st – Allyson Brown, Dell Rapids St. Mary

2nd – Paige TeGantvort, Deuel

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

1st – Jean Van Driel, Mitchell

2nd – Erin Williams, Watertown

3rd – Allison Kiner, Brandon Valley

Class 2 -Schools under 175

1st - Laine Mielke, Northwestern

2nd – Ellie Everist, Dell Rapids St. Mary

3rd – Kimmy Nguyen, Gregory

WRITING SWEEPSTAKES

The "Writing Sweepstakes" reflects the highest total scores received by a school after combining the points earned in the writing categories.

Class 1 -Schools 175 & Over

Brandon Valley

Deb Rothenberger, Advisor

Class 2 -Schools under 175

(TIE) Dell Rapids St. Mary

Denice Boehmer, Advisor

(TIE) Deuel

Samantha Walder, Advisor

OVERALL SWEEPSTAKES

The "Overall Sweepstakes" reflects excellence and balance by a school throughout all the areas of the Spring Writing Contest competition, including the writing, photography, cartoons, front page layout, and special edition categories.

Class 1 - Schools 175 & Over

1st – Brandon Valley High School

Deb Rothenberger, Advisor

Class 2 -Schools under 175

1st – Deuel High School

Samantha Walder, Advisor

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.

2010 Founders Award – Kenneth Pickering South Dakota High School Activities Association

The 2010 Founder's Award was presented to Kenneth Pickering during the Annual High School Press Convention.

With a forty-eight year career in education and working with high school student activities Ken Pickering will retire at the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year. Pickering has served as an Assistant Executive Director of the SDHSAA since 1989 where he has been responsible for the administration of the Activities Association's fine arts programs in the areas of journalism, student council, music and speech. Over 30,000 student participants were involved in the SDHSAA fine arts activities programs last year.

A graduate of Yankton High School, Pickering earned his bachelor's and masters degrees from the University of South Dakota. Prior to joining the SDHSAA staff he taught and directed speech activities for 26 years at Clear Lake High School in Clear Lake, SD. While teaching, he held numerous elected positions in the various South Dakota speech organizations. His one-act plays achieved state superior ratings on numerous occasions. The Clear Lake oral interpretation team won the district championship 21 consecutive years and received many individual state superior awards. The debate and individual events competitors coached by Pickering consistently placed in the top three places at the state tournament and won the State Policy Debate championship six times.

At the national level, Pickering served a term on the National Federation Speech Committee and served as the South Dakota voting delegate at the NFHS Debate Topic Selection Meeting. On various occasions he served as a presenter at the NFHS Summer Meeting, the NFHS State Speech Coordinators Meeting, and the NFHS Annual Music Conference.

In the area of journalism, it has been under Pickering's direction that high school newspaper and yearbook journalists have achieved the same status as the professional journalists at Activity Association state athletic events. Also, during his time at the Activities Association, Pickering has supervised the expansion of the number of Activities Association's sanctioned high school journalism contests.

FORMER FOUNDER'S AWARD RECIPIENTS

1961 Dorothy Hanson	1978 Hal Coleman	1994 Rebecca Stapert
1962 E. L. Kaufman	1979 Darell Pribyl	1995 Dr. Richard Lee
1963 Dorothy Fosness	1980 Dorothea Edgington	1996 Deb Rothenberger
1964 Maxine Wiseman	1981 Kenneth Saeger	1997 Julie George
1965 Nellie Moe	1982 Mary Jewel Ledbetter	1998 Becky Ekeland
1966 Bernice Speh	1983 Jean Fylling	1999 Judy Hamaker
1967 John Aldrich	1984 David McFarland	2000 Lois Wells
1968 Iva C. Rames	1985 D.J. Cline	2001 Carol Gaikowski
1969 Ruth Morgan	1986 Richard Anderson	2002 Liz Vogt
1970 Russell Johnson	1987 Carol Stobbs	2003 Ken Steinken
1971 Helen Morganti	1988 Janelle Klapperich & Ralph Wilkinson	2004 Jan Johnson
1972 Merlin Hiaring		2005 Richard Anderson
1973 Vincent Penning	1989 Margie Peters	2006 Ann Lundquist
1974 Elsie Haddock	1990 Eugene Borland	2007 Sandy Gant
1975 Lorraine Norman	1991 Terry Peterson	2008 David Bordewyk
1976 Bernice Schultz	1992 Jeanette Lusk	2009 Robert Trewatha
1977 Mavis Haverly	1993 Deb Merxbauer	2010 Kenneth Pickering