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Question: should summer newspaper workshop be one or two weeks?

Any adviser out there have an opinion on the question below and the time to send some thoughts?

Question is: should the SISPA-School of Journalism summer workshop for newspaper students be changed from a single two-week workshop to two separate one-week workshops?

The purpose of a single week workshop would be to cut costs nearly in half, to attract students who can spare a week from work or other activities, but not two weeks, and to make the class enrollment workable. Repeating the same instruction another week,

with or without a week in between, would make more dates available to work around family vacations or work schedules at home.

The argument for the two-week workshop remains that one-week is just not long enough to accomplish the training necessary, especially for beginners. Laboratory publications would, of course, be reduced to half.

The two one-week workshops would not be arranged as "beginning" followed by "advanced."

The SISPA director and the School of Journalism officials will listen to suggestions. Send them.

16 papers honored by Quill & Scroll

Sixteen SISPA area schools have recently earned awards in the 1979 Quill and Scroll Newsmedia Evaluation Service, based at the School of Journalism at the University of Iowa. One of those schools, Kirkwood HS in Kirkwood, Mo., achieved highest honors when Kirkwood's newspaper was selected one of 44 schools in 21 states as recipient of the George H. Ulup Award.

McCluer HS in St. Louis, received the International First Place Award, which requires at least 900 points of the 1,000 possible.

High School newspapers receiving International Second Place Awards were Belleville Twp. West, Centralia HS, Flora HS, Herrin HS, Gibault HS in Waterloo, Frankfort CHS in West Frankfort, Memorial HS in Evansville, St. Mary's HS in Paducah, Parkway West in Ballwin, Mo., and Oakville and Soldan schools in St. Louis.

Three Missouri schools received International Honor Awards. Those schools are the Incarnate Word Academy and Mehlville HS in St. Louis, and Washington HS.



Miss Nuttall retires

Miss Wilma Nuttall retired from her position at Robinson HS as teacher and adviser of the "News 'N' Everything" and Latin Club last summer. She was SISPA Newspaper Adviser of the Year in 1975. In September, Mrs. Miriam Lewis assumed the position as the paper's adviser.

Compliments' Corner

Compliments this month go to the Centralia High School newspaper, "The Sphinx," its staff and Adviser Joe Pfeiff for its continuing series of in-depth, thoughtful, stimulating articles. The December issue continues the "Pro" and "Con" series about the topic: "Should nuclear power be further developed?" Past articles have reviewed the fast food restaurants in Centralia, shoplifting and birth control.

34 Ky. students join Quill-Scroll

The International Honorary Society, Quill and Scroll, recently accepted members from two SISPA member schools in Kentucky. Sixteen new members from Heath HS in West Paducah and 18 from Lone Oak HS near Paducah were initiated at those schools.

The 16 new members at Heath HS bring the total Quill and Scroll membership to 23. "Post" staff member Julie Harris is president for the current year. Other officers are Pirata staff members Tammy Elrod, vice president and Laurie Tucker, secretary.

The 18 members at Lone Oak HS received their membership pins and cards and "will be involved this year," according to the paper article. The elected officers are staffers on one or both publications. They are Susan Minton, president; Camilla Calhoun, vice president; Jaye Parsons, secretary; Carla White, treasurer; Tammy Stonecipher, reporter and Pam Hoyt, parliamentarian.

Calendar

Mar. 12 - deadline for Best Story Contest entries.

Mar. 24 - deadline for Blue Banner Newspaper entries.

Apr. 14 - SISPA Spring Conference.

Editor's Notebook

Sesser native Glen Wright has replaced Marsha Buanno as newspaper adviser at Sesser-Valier HS. The newspaper also has a new name - the "Devil's Diary" has been re-named "Hi-Lights." Editor-In-Chief of the paper is Thomas Mygatt.

SISPA membership dues from eight more schools have been received in the SISPA office. Sending the \$6 dues were Parkway West Sr. HS at Ballwin, Mo., Sesser-Valier HS at Sesser, Carbondale CHS, Edwardsville HS, Galatia HS, Teutopolis HS, East Richland HS at Olney and St. Vincent HS at Perryville, Mo. 1979-80 member schools so far total 95. Last year, SISPA exceeded previous membership records with 107 members.

The "Tiger Tattler" staff at Herrin HS recently announced yearly subscriptions to the paper are now available for \$4 to anyone wanting the paper sent to them.

Six staffers at Mater Dei HS in Breese were named 1980 Illinois State Scholars, based on ACT exam scores. They are Editors Anita Detmer, Sandy Richter, Diane Duing, Steve Jansen, Kathy Rolwes and News Staffer Mary Jo Huels.

The Kahokian staff at Collinsville HS is "hard at work trying to make a better yearbook than Collinsville has ever had," according to co-sponsor Earlene Shaw. The staff is organized with an editor and co-editor for each section. The staff is concentrating on correcting errors made in previous years, such as leaving out pictures, mixing up names and other general mistakes. Izzetta Davis is the other sponsor of the Kahokian.

"Obelisk" editors and Journalism II students at Murphysboro HS have come up with what they think are ideas to improve student readership and paper sales. One possibility is to include coupons with ads from local merchants. Staffers are also developing a survey for students and faculty to see what the readers feel is interesting and what is not.

Many changes are planned for the appearance of the 1980 Oak Leaves at Lone Oak HS in Paducah, according to co-editors Camilla Calhoun and Susan Minton. Thirty-two colored pages and a double-page spread of the senior class in color, plus double exposure images created for the homecoming section are a few of the changes.

"Warwhoop" Co-Editor John Blasdel has been announced by the State Scholarship Commission as an Illinois State Scholar. He was the only Wayne City HS student selected as State Scholar.

Information on East Richland HS at Olney and Mattoon HS in the 1979-80 Directory of Southern Illinois School Publications should include the following: OLNEY 62450...East Richland High School - 976. Newspaper - "Tiger Rag," offset; Mildred Richardson, adviser; Rena Zollars and Brad Provines, co-editors. Yearbook - Olnean, summerfall delivery; Nancy Van Blaricum, adviser. MATTOON 61938...Mattoon Senior High School - 1333. Newspaper - "The Mirror," Lynn Neal, adviser; Andre Rissel, editor. Yearbook - Riddle, summer delivery, Dorothy Monroe, adviser; Lisa Birch, editor.

A note in the "Tiger Times" of Edwardsville HS explained the difficulties the staff had when it tried to change the format of the paper. According to the article, the goal was not reached because of lack of subscriptions sold.

Work on the 1980 yearbook at Mt. Vernon THS is underway, according to an article in the December issue of "Vernois News." The 13 member staff, advised by Sharon Hall, has sent plans for the cover and opening pages to the publisher and is meeting page deadlines.

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Send ideas to advisers

Advisers from around the SISPA area are invited to send ideas for the Spring Conference program and nominations for Adviser of the Year awards to the SISPA office or to any of the 1980 Executive Committee.

That committee will meet Mon., Feb. 4, at Salem Community High School from 4 to about 6 pm to plan the conference on Mon., Apr. 14 at SIU-Carbondale, to establish newspaper contest rules, and to begin selection of the yearbook and newspaper advisers of

the year.

Committee members are Larry Gwaltney, who advises the newspaper at Fairfield and works with Ruth Knavel as co-sponsor of the yearbook; Susan Schwabe, both yearbook and newspaper adviser at LaGrove High in Farina; Ione Kassner, dual sponsor at Wayne City; Joe Pfeiff, Centralia High double sponsor and journalism teacher who served on the committee in 1979; and Sharon Frankland, yearbook adviser at Salem.

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