

JOIN SISPA FOR 99-00

October 4 • SIU Carbondale

Make plans to attend fall conference

The 41st Annual Fall Conference sponsored by the Southern Illinois School Press Association has been set for Oct. 4, 1999 at the Student Center on the campus of Southern Illinois University in Carbondale.

Plans are well underway to provide sessions and other activities for students in newspaper and yearbook publications.

Questions or suggestions for the Fall Conference should be directed to John Wells, adviser at Mater Dei High School of Evansville, IN, at atjowells@dynasty.net, or Judy Vidakovich, adviser at Coulterville High School, at jdvjtv@juno.com.

The Fall Conference has been for more instruction to help staffs generate ideas and train staff members. Work-

shops will concentrate on training and will be conducted by SISPA advisers, SIU faculty and yearbook representatives.

Josten's Publishing and

Herff-Jones have already committed to participation.

More help is always needed. If you have any suggestions or would like to assist, contact John or Judy.

Swap Shop added

A Swap Shop session will be held at the Fall Conference on Oct. 4 which will allow advisers and editors to share and receive ideas that worked.

Each adviser needs to bring 15-20 copies of his or her favorite handout, suggestions or idea. Bring a handout used in staff training or a successful idea you have used in the past that has helped the production of your publication.

At the top of the copies please put the name of your school, the name of the person who submitted it, a phone number or e-mail address. This would insure that if someone had a questions later about your idea, he or she could contact you.

Remember this is a SWAP shop, so to take something you need to bring something. Let's share our resources and send everyone back home with a stack of new ideas.

The Best of 1998-1999 Yearbooks, newspapers recognized for excellence

GOLDEN DOZEN

Bulldog - Sparta High School
Bellevinois - Belleville West High School
Chieftain - Wayne City High School
Graduate - Greenville High School
Robinello - Robinson High School
Dial - Carbondale High School
Pirata - Heath High School, KY
Minuteman - Bunker Hill High School
Hi Lights - Mater Dei High School, Evansville, IN
Eagle - Coulterville High School
Knight - Breese Mater Dei
Anchor - St. Thomas Seminary

Riddle - Mattoon H.S.

BLUE BANNER

Hy News - Belleville West High School
Kahoki - Collinsville high School
The Bell - Paducah Tilghman High School, KY
The Senator - Springfield High School
Zephyr - Taylorville High School
Heath Post - Heath High School, KY
Lance - Mater Dei High School
Comet Spirit - Greenville High School
News 'n' Everything - Robinson High School
The Gargoyle, University Lab High School
Screaming Eagle, Coulterville High School

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SISPA UPDATES**
SISPA WEBSITE
www.Coulterville1.org

Belleville West takes honor of two Advisers of the Year

Jo Lynda Manion, yearbook adviser, and Laurie Bielong, newspaper adviser, received the 1999 Manion Rice Adviser of the Year awards.

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GOLDEN DOZEN

Entries must be postmarked
by **NOVEMBER 17, 1999**
or bring to Fall Conference on
October 4

ALL entrants must be a member of SISPA.

Name of Yearbook _____

School _____

School Street Address _____

School City/State/Zip _____

School Phone _____

Adviser _____

Editor(s) _____

Is the cover of the 1999 book original design?

yes no

Are the endsheets an original design?

yes no

Send this form along with \$12 fee to:
Judy Vidakovich, Coulterville High School,
101 W. Grant, Coulterville, IL 62237

Send in 1999 Yearbooks for Golden Dozen contest

Entries for the Golden Dozen yearbook competition are now being accepted. The competition is open to all members of SISPA.

Judges who are not affiliated with SISPA will select the top 12 books based on overall quality.

Winners will be announced at the Spring Conference of SISPA.

To enter the Golden Dozen Yearbook Contest:

- 1) Become a member of SISPA
- 2) Complete the Golden Dozen Entry Form

3) Send the entry form, book and \$12 entry fee to:

Judy Vidakovich
Coulterville H.S.
101 W. Grant
Coulterville, IL
62237

Questions about SISPA membership may be directed to Laurie Bielong of Belleville West High School.

Golden Dozen competition questions should be addressed to Judy Vidakovich, Coulterville High School, 618/758-2338.

1999 Spring Conference sees rise in attendance

The 49th Annual spring Conference was the largest gathering of students and schools in the last five years.

The final numbers show that 28 schools attended the conference with a total of 439 students

and 33 advisers.

A breakdown of registration papers indicated 265 yearbook students and 174 newspaper students attended. Nearly half of these students participated in the on-site writing contest.

Journalism Education Association and
National Scholastic Press Association

FALL CONFERENCE

November 18-21, 1999

Atlanta, GA

SPRING CONFERENCE

April 6-9, 2000

Anaheim, CA

Learn more by visiting the NSPA Web Site:
www.studentpress.org

Correct mailing mistakes

Advisers are asked to share the *Editor* with other publication advisers in their district. Some advisers have notified SISPA that they did not receive copies of the *Editor*.

Apparently the mailing is given to one adviser who does not share it with the other publication adviser. Please make a copy of the *Editor* for other advisers that may be interested.

If you have not joined SISPA in the past, we urge you to take advantage of the organization for the benefit of your publications and your students.

If you do have problems with mailing please contact: Karen Waldron at the SIUC School of Journalism at 618/536-3361.