

THE IASC WELCOMES SCOTT ALLEN

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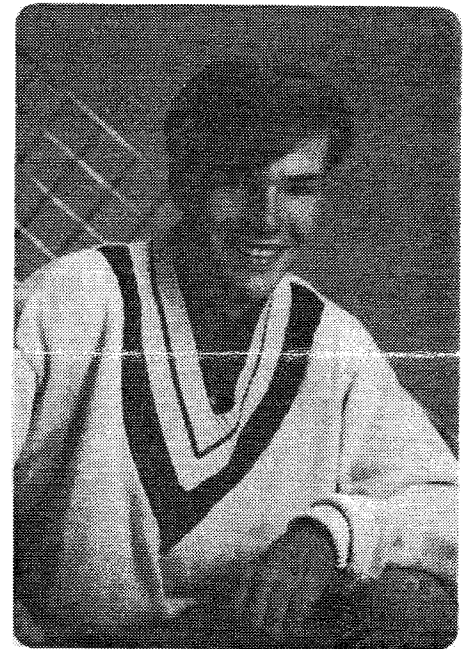
Since the last issue of the Reporter, the Illinois Association of Student Councils has undergone a major change. As editor of the Reporter, I would like to introduce to you our new IASC president, Scott Allen. Wayne Scott, who was elected to the presidency last May, felt that he could not fulfill his duties of president, and sent a letter of resignation as of December 7th. The IASC Executive Board accepted his resignation at the December 7th board meeting, and voted to offer the president's position to Scott Allen, who was the runner-up in the May election. Scott, from Collinsville High School, accepted the appointment of president, and has thrown himself in to the work of the presidency as of December 9th, 1991. On behalf of the IASC Executive Board, I would like to take this time to offer encouragement, and welcome in Scott Allen as our new IASC president. Congratulations, Scott, and best of luck to you in the future.

TAKING STOCK

*By Scott Allen
IASC President
Collinsville High School*

In light of Wayne Scott's resignation and my appointment, I would like to reassure you that everything is under control and being taken care of to the best of my ability. This situation has made me realize the importance of knowing "what you are jumping into" and what has to be done to accomplish the task you have taken upon yourself. But now it is time to move on, and get on track.

With the new year just beginning, we are gearing up for the "home stretch". The IASC has a very busy and exciting spring scheduled for all and I encourage you to attend your district's convention and the IASC workshops planned (see calendar for dates and locations). These workshops and conventions are our life-line to what today's student council member is learning and how that member can strengthen the IASC and his or her own organization. Remember, the districts are not only the stepping stones to the state organization, but are also the keys to the state's success. A well educated student council member can help



make the convention and year a successful one.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the IASC Executive Board for giving me the chance to serve the IASC, and for their overwhelming support.

I hope you had a joyous holiday season. I am looking forward to meeting you at one of the upcoming workshops or conventions. Again, thanks for the opportunity to serve you.

NEW REP: What An Experience

BY SHARA ROSENOW
IASC FIRST- VICE PRESIDENT
DE KALB HIGH SCHOOL

New Representative's Workshop: what an experience! Although this year I attended as a staff member, the experience was still definitely a worthwhile event.

As people began to arrive, I saw some very nervous faces. But, as the weekend came to an end, everyone had met new friends, and had learned many new leadership skills.

I was a little hesitant about going back to East Bay for a second time. For those of you who have survived the "rustic" camp, I am sure you can understand my nervousness. Everyone did survive the food, no fuses were blown by us girls, and yes, we even had fun.

The workshop began with everyone in a large group. Here, general rules were told. Then, Ed Phelps began the workshop. From the large group, delegates were broken into four small groups. It was in the small groups that most of the work took place. The entire workshop focused on procedure and the responsibility of a student council member.

Students from across the state were at East Bay for all of the same reason: to become better student leaders. I think everyone left the workshop with a new attitude about the very important and positive role they play in student council.

I encourage everyone to attend one of the IASC weekend workshops. The memories are great, and the knowledge you gain is very valuable. Besides, it is really fun. (You even get to have free time, and you even get to have pizza and watch a decent movie!)

IASC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

25-26 Advanced #1 Workshop at Allerton House in Monticello, IL

FEBRUARY

1-2 Advanced #2 Workshop at Allerton House in Monticello, IL

MARCH

7-8 New Representatives Workshop at East Bay in Bloomington, IL

MAY

7-9 IASC State Convention

THE DISTRICT DATELINE

February

- 5 Blackhawk Hospitality Night
- 15 Chicago Honor Delegate Workshop (tentative date)
- 25 Kickapoo Hospitality Night

March

- 5 Blackhawk District Convention
- 5 Little Egypt Spring Convention
- 18 Chicago Spring Convention
- 19 Prairie-Eight Spring Convention
- 21 Kickapoo Spring Convention
- 21 Kaskaskia Spring Convention
- 21 NED Spring Convention
- 23 NCD Spring Convention 6th and 7th

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NATIONAL TRIP INFORMATION!

A Message From The IASC Executive Director, Hank Clark

This year the National Association of Student Councils Conference will be held at Smoky Hill High School in Aurora, Colorado. The conference begins on Saturday, June 27th, with the whole afternoon and evening devoted to meeting your host family. Sunday there will be an opening ceremony Olympic style with each delegation entering the stadium behind the flag. After all the opening ceremony, welcomes, and keynote speaker presentation, the delegation will head for the amusement park. Monday we all head for the University of Colorado for the Point-Counterpoint sessions with the candle lighting session in the mountains that evening. Tuesday will be the workshops put on by the student discussion group leaders, the Interstates, and the Dinner Dance. Wednesday will be the closing with an aerial photograph of the delegation.

For the Illinois delegation, the trip will include a stop in Omaha, Nebraska, with some sight-seeing and then a stop in North Platte, Nebraska before the conference. After the conference we will be visiting Glenwood Springs where we will take a raft trip on the Colorado and go on to Durango with a ride on the narrow gauge railroad to Silverton, and then on to Mesa Verde National Park.

Tentative dates for the trip are Thursday, June 25 through Tuesday, July 7. The cost for the trip including the \$195.00 conference registration fee is \$750.00. The cost will include all meals at the conference, all motels, all admissions and fees for events, and, of course, the bus ride. The fee will not include the cost of food before and after the conference while the group is touring. I estimate a \$15.00 a day expense for food for about eleven days,

plus any additional money for souvenirs and snacks.

This year the conference officials want to have 75 discussion groups or 25 more than previous years. Last year Illinois provided three discussion group leaders. If there is enough interest Illinois can provide more discussion groups this year. Contact me if you have an idea for a discussion group for the conference.

Please return a completed application with a down payment of \$300.00 by March 15th. Remember your school must be a member of the NASSP (\$65.00 fee) and a school can send no more than four delegates whether it be students or adults. Please send your registrations in early-remember first come first served. Questions? Call me at school (708) 360-5500; home (708) 662-0967.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

BY SHARA ROSENOW, IASC FIRST-VICE PRESIDENT, DE KALB HIGH SCHOOL

I would like to thank all Honor Delegate applicants! All of the applications I received were great. Congratulations to all of you who were accepted! I really wish I could have accepted all of you. I would also like to say thank you for the quality, neatness, and the meeting of the deadline date with the applications. Reminder, Honor Delegate Workshop is April 4, 1992 at Illinois State University. Good luck to all of you in the future, and I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the state convention in May.

FROM THE OFFICE OF IASC SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

BY DAVID CHERTOW, IASC SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT, NILES WEST HIGH SCHOOL

It has come to my attention that some student council members and advisors are unhappy about rejections of Honor Delegate applications. For this reason, I wish to explain the selection process. To begin, a school may submit more than one application. However, any applications that are received after the deadline are automatically disqualified. There is a limited amount of space in the display room, so it is impossible to accept everyone. This year one out of every three Hall of Ideas applications had to be rejected for this reason. In some cases, applications from a single school must be limited so that another school has an opportunity to participate. We do our utmost to be fair and impartial.

What can you do? Take the time to make sure that your application is legible, is filled out completely and accurately, and includes a description of your topic that is understandable. When there are two or more applications on the same topic, the one that is neatly and thoughtfully filled out will be accepted.

I hope that my comments have responded to your concerns and will be helpful for the future. If you were not accepted, I encourage you to stay involved, continue your interest in the IASC, and try again next year. For those of you throughout the state who will be attending the convention in May, I invite you to check out the displays. There will be something of interest to everyone, so don't miss them!

DISTRICT SPOTLIGHT

This is just a taste of what all of the districts throughout the state are up to. Take a look, and enjoy! Look for more districts in the next issue of the Reporter!

CENOIS DISTRICT BY ARRIC PLOCH CDSC PRESIDENT

The Cenosis District of Student Councils has been very active this year. Cenosis started the year off with a District Fun Night. This was Cenosis' first District Fun Night ever. Everything went over very well, and we had a lot of fun.

Our next district event was on November 6, 1991. This was the date of our district workshop. Our district had nearly 250 people registered for this workshop. The delegates went to several discussion groups throughout the day, which were led by other students. Our day ran very smoothly, thanks to Suzanne Bye (Convention Secretary) and her committee from Normal Community.

The Cenosis District Executive board is now planning the district convention, which will be held in March of 1992, and possibly another District Fun Night.

The Cenosis District of Student Councils is proud of their strong executive board, and we wish the best to all of the districts in Illinois.

KICKAPOO DISTRICT BY AMANDA MILLER KDASC LIASON

This year the Kickapoo district started off on the right foot. The Fall Picnic turn out was excellent, being one of the best ever. For the picnic, the KDASC had each involved school adopt a school which was not as active in the district. This allowed the schools to get a look at what the district does. The next district event was the Fall Workshop. This event took place Saturday morning, with Peter Alexander, an attorney in the area. He served as the guest speaker. This was a great learning experience, and a lot of fun. The Kickapoo District has come a long way this year, making the attendance at an all time high. Thanks to everyone who has attended a Kickapoo District event! Some events coming up are the winter retreat, hospitality night, and the Kickapoo District convention. The rest of the year should be a success, thanks to all of the members and the executive board.

NORTHWEST DISTRICT MICHELLE BERBERET NWD PRESIDENT

Hello! I would like to thank all of the councils who attended the 1991 North West District Fall Convention. The board and I feel that it was a big success, and we hope that you agree. We wanted you all to have a great time and learn some valuable information for your councils as well as yourself.

The North West District also would like to hear from you any time you are doing something special or different. We welcome any guests at our monthly meetings, and if you are interested in running for a state or district position, coming to a meeting is a great way to get involved! Please let us know what your councils are up to!

I hope all of you are enjoying your year, and we look forward to seeing you at our spring convention!

TRACIE YOUNG NCD SECRETARY JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL

This year has been very eventful for the North Central District. There have been many activities held throughout the year, and several more coming up very soon. This activities should be very exciting. The executive board has been busily planning the NCD Spring Convention which will be held March 6-7 at the Elgin Holidome. This year's convention will be hosted by Woodstock High School led by Winona Monge, NCD Convention

Secretary. The theme for the convention is "Create Your Own Destiny", and many activities have been planned such as discussion groups, speakers, and, of course, a dance.

Among the events that have already taken place, is our annual Winter Retreat, which was held December 6-7 at George William's College on Lake Geneva. The Winter Retreat was hosted by NCD Vice President Jessica Ryg and H.D. Jacobs High School. Many students from NCD schools attended, and participated in such activities as Beach Ball Mania and small group

discussions.

The NCD has also held two workshop so far this year, both at DeKalb High School. The NCD Orientation was held September 23 and the President's Leadership Workshop was held January 27. The purpose of the NCD Orientation is to welcome new freshman and new student council members to the NCD, and also to encourage new schools to become involved in the district activities. The President's Leadership Workshop is used to strengthen leadership skills and strengthen the

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DISTRICT SPOTLIGHT

BILL PANTAZOPOULOS NED PRESIDENT DOWNERS GROVE NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

On behalf of the executive board of the Northeast District, I would like to report to the IASC, about what has transpired in the district up to this date.

On October 30, 1991, the NED held its first workshop. Hosted by Thornwood High School, the new officers/advisors' training workshop was a great success. The main purpose of this workshop was to help

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schools in the NCD.

Each of the four area representatives has also held a workshop for their respective areas. These workshop are to strengthen leadership skills, acquaint schools with their representative to the executive board, and to meet new people within the area.

This year the NCD has also continued to have an Honor Council program. Each school that submits an honor council book will have their book judged at Spring Convention. Constitution revisions, elections for the 1992-1993 year, and the annual advisor award will also take place at Spring Convention.

The NCD board set many goals at the beginning of the year, and has spent the year reaching for these goals. Although there have been setbacks, this year has been one of learning for the schools and the board members, and a year of new friends and new experiences.

new officers and less experienced advisors to develop their skills as role models in their council, as well as inform them of the duties and responsibilities their positions demand.

The next workshop the district held was the Fall Workshop on November 14, 1991. The purpose of this workshop, hosted by Downer's Grove South High School, was to introduce the district and its goals for the year, to all schools in the district. In addition, discussion groups were held, to help develop certain skills, and to make the council members aware of the many different aspects covered by student council. This workshop was a great success, as it accomplished many of the goals set by the executive board.

The last public event held by NED was the Hospitality Night. Because the original host school was unable to fulfill their commitment to hosting, the NED was extremely grateful to Warren Township High School for hosting this event. The theme was "Olympics". Each school represented a country, and different games and activities were participated in by each team. Team Italy, Downer's Grove North High School, won the competition, and received three full scholarships to the district convention. All attenders had a wonderful time. This was truly conveyed in one person's evaluation, as they said, "It was better than CATS".

This year, our treasurer has noted that membership is down. In an effort to alleviate this problem, the executive board held a private retreat at Katherine Legge Lodge in Hinsdale, Illinois. At this retreat,

the executive board made personal interviews, which were video taped by a student from Thornwood High School. Each officer describes his or her duties, as well as how a certain event in the district is run. Finally, each officer described their own personal feelings about the district. We also had an interview panel section, with the whole executive board, as well as one with the executive director. With this footage, as well as footage from all forementioned events, we are creating a video yearbook, named "Club NED". We plan to send this video to schools in the district that are not as involved as many of the active schools are and hopefully will encourage non-member schools to join.

In addition to planning all of these events, the district board has worked together to make the year as fun, and as informative as possible. We have held open forum meetings to try to get input from the rest of the district about what we have done, or should be doing. Finally, we have adopted Mr. NED, the new NED mascot.

On February 18th, Palatine High School will be hosting the NED pre-convention workshop. This will be a preview of the great things to come at the 1992 NED convention. The convention will be on March 21, 1992 at Thornwood High School, in South Holland, Illinois. I encourage all parties interested to attend either of these functions. If you are interested in attending a board meeting, or have any other questions regarding the NED, please call or write me. Thank you for your time and interest. 2806 South Meyers Road, Oak Brook, IL, 60521, (708) 969-6908.

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City, Zip _____ Home Address _____
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**IASC District _____ Telephone () _____
Are you a previous member? Yes No _____ President _____
Home Address _____
City, Zip _____
Membership Fee: \$40.00
Advisor's Signature _____ Date _____

**You must be a member of your respective district

This membership is good from September 1, 1991 until August 31, 1992. It also includes a subscription to The Reporter and all other IASC publications and membership discounts to all IASC leadership workshops.

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