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Susan Says . . . Words of Wisdom

I thank all of you for your energy and hard work that you have contributed to the IASC. From attending your district functions and the IASC workshops to applying for an honor delegate position, Many of you have been helping to make the year shine bright for student councils across the state. I have been able to meet many of you at various district events and am looking forward to meeting many more incredible leaders during 1993! If any of the state officers, including myself, can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to call or write. We're here for you, the IASC.

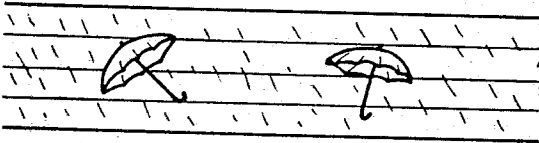
As we enter the new

year, there are many opportunities for us to take advantage of in 1993. Attending leadership and student council workshops and functions will help you to soar to greater heights in your leadership position. I also hope you to attend all your district events and conventions. Again, the IASC attended Region V. This year, we headed east to West Virginia. The trip in February was an excellent time to expand one's leadership skills while forming new friendships and lasting memories. I



hope that you will consider attending next years conference and experiencing these great opportunities.

I hope that 1993 allows you to soar to greater heights in your leadership position. But as someone once said, "If you want to soar like an eagle you need to earn your wings every single day." May you find your wings each of the 365 days of the year.

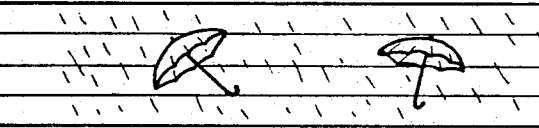


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HONOR COUNCIL ! WHAT IS IT ???

What exactly is Honor Council? Many people don't really know what it is all about. Even some of the people who understand the process have lost sight of the purpose of the IASC Honor Council program. The purpose of the Honor Council is, very simple, to help your student council realize its strengths and weaknesses so you can reach your fullest potential.

The Honor Council book is a scrapbook which shows what your council has done during the year. The Honor Council scorecard is a list of what the "perfect" student council would do in a year, with specific points assigned to the different activities. The scorecard is geared to be applicable to small and large schools - schools that are very involved in district and state as well as those that are not as involved. In short, it is geared toward **your** council.

When you evaluate your book according to this scorecard, you can see the places where your council is weak, and the places where your council is strong. By doing this, you can isolate the areas where you need improvement. If you utilize this, you can greatly improve your student council.

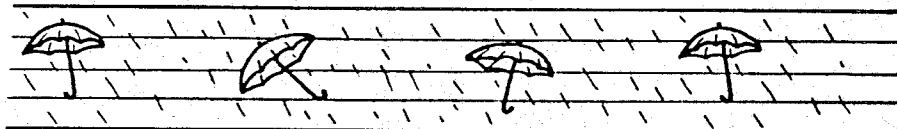
The purpose of the Honor Council committee is to evaluate your book and to reward you for all your hard work, both in compiling the book and taking part in the activities within it. Honor Council is not a contest; everyone wins something, whether it is a plaque or a certificate. Every school in the IASC should take advantage of the Honor Council program which will help build better councils and thus, a better IASC.

THANK YOU FROM THE FIRST VICE-PREIDENT

Thank you 1992-1993
Honor Delegate Applicants!

All of the Honor Delegate applications that I received were great. I know it takes a lot of time to apply for an Honor Delegate position, and I appreciate your hard work. I wish I could have accepted everyone of you as Honor Delegates, but space at the convention will not allow for this. I know many of you are excited about finding out if you got accepted. Once again, thank you for applying. If you have any questions feel free to contact me. I would enjoy hearing from you.

JACI DURBIN



LISTEN UP IT'S THE SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

To all the Hall of Ideas, Project Schools, and Service Project applicants, thank you very much for showing your interest in the IASC. I wish I could have accepted all of them. I want you to know the time, effort, and interest you have shown by applying is greatly appreciated by the IASC. In return for your enthusiasm, the IASC has a great deal to offer, and I hope you take advantage of those opportunities. Thanks Again!!!

AMANDA CLARK

DISTRICT

HOPEWELL BY KYLE HAM 1992-93 PRESIDENT

Hopewell District has had a great year so far. Starting with record attendance of over 350 people at our fall workshop. The workshop, which was held at Pekin High School, consisted of discussion groups, a detective speaker, Tim Friesmeyer of Normal, and a surprise speaker who turned out to be a NFL football player. Hopewell District President Kyle Ham, First Vice-President - Kelly Rankin, Second Vice-President - Jamie Hawkins, Secretary - Wendy Ergie, Treasurer - Mark Murphy, Convention Secretary - Nicole Sundberg, and Liaison - Kim Winslow have pulled together to make this year Hopewell's best ever. The spring convention was held March 24, 1993 at the Illinois Central College Auditorium. At that time new officers for the 1993-94 school year were elected.

KASKASKIA BY CHRISTINA GUCCIONE

1992-93 PRESIDENT

Hello! I am Christina Guccione, Kaskaskia District of Student Councils President. This year the K.D.S.C. executive board has been busy on a variety of events. I would first like to take a few moments to introduce the K.D.S.C. executive board.

Vice-President..... Julie Evans
Secretary..... Corey Ross
Treasurer..... Keith Lueking
Newsletter Editor..... Kristen Clark
Convention Secretary..... Michelle Lin

The K.D.S.C. offers membership schools three leadership workshops throughout the school year. First, our Leadership Training Workshop, this year hosted by Collinsville High School Student Council. The workshop was held on September 23, 1992. The workshop consisted discussion groups and icebreakers!

Hospitality Night was held on November 9, 1992. The event was hosted by Red Bud Student Council. Hospitality Night seems to be the favorite among students.

CHICAGO BY LISA BITOS 1992-93 FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

Many years ago, the Chicago area student councils were all a part of the Northeastern District, NED, of the Illinois Association of Student Councils. In 1966, due to its growing size and expanding participation in student council, the schools of Chicago seceded from its parent and created their own district. This was the start of the Chicago District Student Council Association, CDSCA, as we now know it.

The CDSCA was created to further student participation, develop leadership, and promote the democratic system of government throughout the Chicago Schools. This year's Annual Convention was held at the Bismarck Hotel on March 24 and hosted by Marshall Metro H.S.

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**NORTH EAST BY CHRIS FOSDICK
1992-93 PRESIDENT**

**KICKAPOO BY MAREESA BLAASE
1992-93 PRESIDENT**

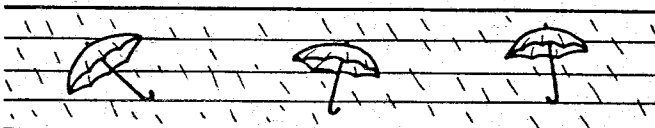
This has been a very exciting and busy year for the Kickapoo District. Last fall we held a district picnic where we spent the day at the park playing team games. Then in December the fall workshop was on leadership and communication. Our first event of the new year was the winter retreat which is a lock-in. Topper Steinman held a workshop in the evening, and the rest of the evening was spent playing games and watching movies. In March there was a hospitality night at Unity. It is an evening of playing games and having fun. Our district convention was March 20. This year's officers are:

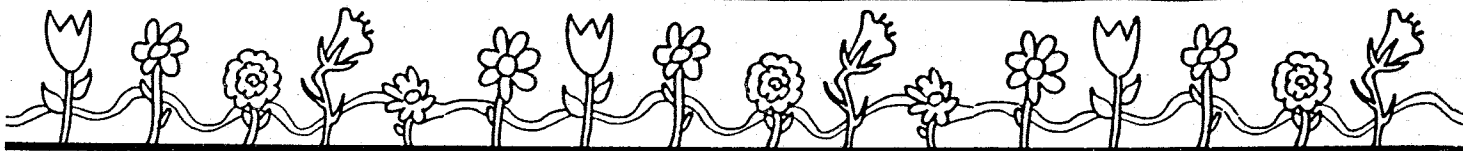
President Maressa Blaase
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Historian Jenna Collins

The Kickapoo district extends its condolences to the students of Shiloh High School on the death of their advisor, who was killed in a car accident before Christmas. She will be missed not only by the students at Shiloh, but also by everyone in the Kickapoo district.

Hospitality Night. It's much more than just an annual Northeast District workshop. Traditionally, the N.E.D. Hospitality Night Workshop has provided district schools with an opportunity simply to meet and have a lot of fun with members of other schools throughout the N.E.D. The purpose of this workshop is always to encourage individual and group interaction as well as to have a great time.

This year, the Northeast District Hospitality Night Workshop was held at Naperville Central High School on January 27th. The theme was that of "casino night" starting with Group Blackjack, Bingo, and even horse racing. In lieu of money, red tickets were distributed to those attending the workshop at registration. Using these tickets, students "tried their luck" with the various games, attempting to accumulate as many tickets as possible for the auction which climactically concluded the night's activities. In addition, State Secretary, Tracie Young, was on hand to enjoy the proceedings and report on the activities of the I.A.S.C. Fine Italian cuisine(good pizza) and great music completed the ambiance of elegance, intellectual stimulation, and pandemonium!





**CENOIS BY PAUL ODLAND
1992-93 PRESIDENT**

The Cenois District of the Illinois Association of Student Councils, originally part of the Champaign District, held its first convention on October 29, 1938, in Champaign.

In 1975, the Champaign District was divided into the Kickapoo and Cenois Districts. Cenois gets its name from the combination of Central and Illinois.

The Cenois District has many purposes. One of which is to promote the development and improvement of student councils within the district. It also recognizes the need to stimulate and guide student leaders to better serve the students, communities, and schools of this district, this in turn establishes good citizenship and character in the youth that belong to the Cenois District. Most importantly Cenois focuses on helping student councils within the district conduct activities and attain specific goals that benefit the school and communities in which they are located.

The Cenois District had its annual Fall Workshop on November 4, 1992 at ISU Ballroom. Approximately, 250 student council representatives and advisors from the District attended. The annual Cenois District Spring Convention Was Held on March 19 at the Illinois State Capital in Springfield. In hopes to get district members better acquainted, the second annual hospitality night was held on October 8, 1992 at Decatur Eisenhower High School.

The goal for the next year is, again to add more schools to the Cenois District through more activities like the hospitality nights.

**ILLINOIS VALLEY BY STEPHANIE DUNTON
1992-93 PRESIDENT**

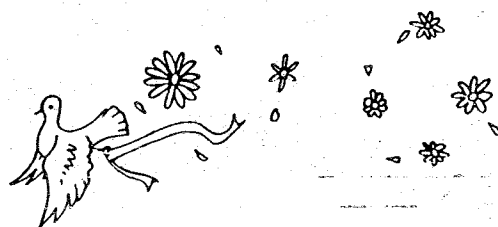
The Illinois Valley District executive board met in October to plan the year's activities. The first event that occurred was the Fall Workshop which was held on December 9, 1992 at Jacksonville High School. This workshop, entitled "The Lifecycles of a Leader", presented opportunities for students to learn how to become effective leaders, share ideas, learn how to run meetings, and to become more organized. Recently, Area IV had a get-together in Bluffs where they played volleyball and basketball and ate pizza. Remember "IVD: Is the Right Choice for the Now Generation".

**BLACK HAWK BY CHAD SELLMAN
1992-93 PRESIDENT**

What's up, IASC? My name is Chad Sellman and I am President of the Blackhawk District.

So far we have had a very productive year. After a few meetings where we discussed our goals for the year, United Township High School hosted a Splash Party, which was a fun event for our district. It was more or less a pool party with a lot of fun and games. Next we had a Fall Workshop in November, hosted by Rock Island High School. Everybody broke up into groups and rotated through three sessions, one with a palm reader, one with handwriting analysis, and one with a professor from Augustana College. All three were excellent! Finally, on March 4th, the district held our annual Convention, at the Milan Community Center. Our theme was "Moving in the Right Direction."

This event is similar to the State Convention. During the course of the day there were discussion groups, guest speakers, election of officers for the next year. We go about selecting our officers by first interviewing each candidate with the executive board to make sure they are qualified. The candidates then give their speeches in front of the convention. The schools are given a chance to ask questions of the candidates and then vote for their choice, with one vote per school. Something new we tried this year was selling T-shirts with the BASC logo on them. If anyone has any questions about our district, please feel free to write or call me or anyone on our executive



"A STEP AHEAD"

BY GUY WESTERMEYER
IASC CONVENTION SECRETARY

I would like to take this time to cordially invite everyone to the 59th annual IASC State Convention on May 6-8, 1993. The Convention's theme this year is "a Step Ahead." The convention will be held again at the Bismarck Hotel, in downtown Chicago. Convention registration packets have been sent to all schools and the postmark deadline is **April 8, 1993**. The convention registration and the advisors' breakfast are both ten dollars a person. Thursday evening the dance will be done by Video Band stand while Friday evening the Wizard will DJ the dance. I personally hope to be able to meet all of you while at the state convention. And if you are sitting out there thinking my school is too small to become involved in the IASC you are wrong. I attend Bluffs High School, which this year was a first year since I have been in high school that enrollment broke a hundred. So, I encourage everyone no matter the size of your school to come to the state convention on May 6-8, 1993. **Hope to see you there!**

RUNNING FOR OFFICE

As the IASC state convention approaches there are many positions that are being filled to ensure that the convention is a success. Although most positions have been filled there are still some of the most important positions to be filled. What am I talking about you ask, I am speaking of the state officers who are elected at the state convention May 6-8. Many people say there is too much work involved while being a state officer, this is totally wrong. The work you do as a state officer is demanding but it also allows you to meet people throughout the state and make new friends which will last a lifetime. This is in addition to serving an organization that helps numerous people throughout the country. If you are considering running for a state office or even have a glimmer in the back of your mind you should talk to your advisor and then fill out a state office application which you can get from a member of the state board, students and advisors. If you have any questions feel free to call or write to any state board member and we will be glad to answer any of your questions or concerns.

Darren Johnson
IASC Treasurer 1992-93

ALLERTON . . . WHAT AN EXPERIENCE!

If I had to describe it in one word, I don't think I'd be able to. There are so many different words that come to my mind when I think of the first session of the Illinois Association of Student Councils' Advanced Workshop, which was held at Allerton House, in Monticello, Illinois on Saturday, January 30th and on Sunday, January 31st.

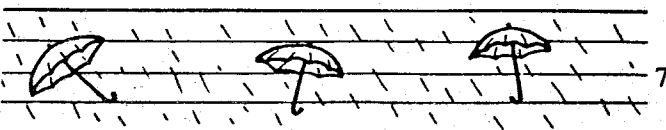
From General Sessions, smaller group discussions, and "chatting" with old and new friends, there was never a dull moment at this workshop.

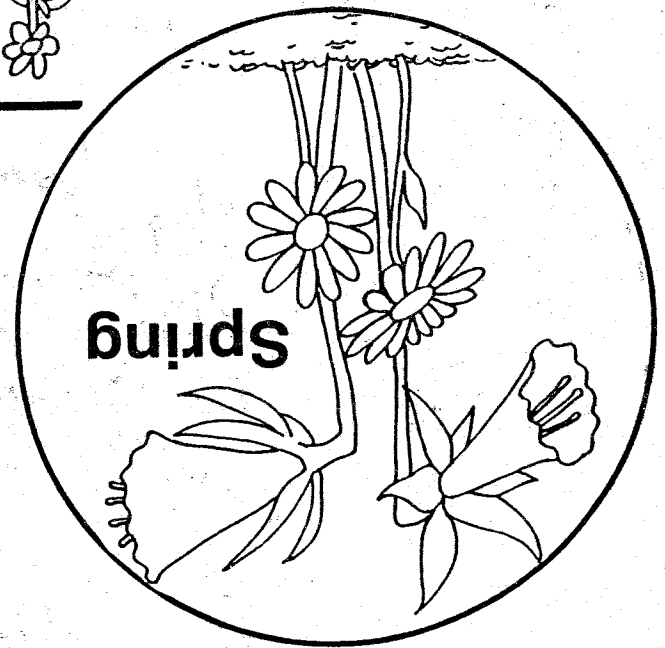
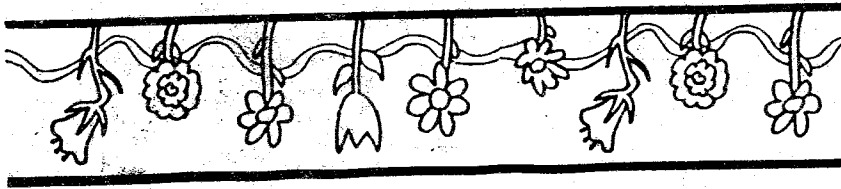
During the general sessions, we learned a lot about ourselves from worksheets to movies. On Saturday evening, we watched two movies. One was called "Bag Lady" and the other was "Cipher in the Snow." These two movies focused on how everyone needs love and it's very unhealthy when people are ignored too often, or put down too much.

When split up into our smaller groups it was kind of a special time because in these groups we all got to get our personal thoughts and feelings out. In these groups we also got to know people on a more personal basis.

I really think this workshop was a great follow-up from the Summer Workshop at Millikin University. I recommend this exciting workshop to anyone, because at this workshop there is something for everyone! Sure, this workshop was short, but it definitely sweet! You'll love it!!!

ELIZABTH GRIFFIN
IASC REPORTER-EDITOR 1992-93





Attention Student Council!

WESTINGHOUSE VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
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The Pekin High Student Council has a very special program called the **Friend Program** (Finding Respect in Every New Day). This program was started four years ago by Candi Hallam, a junior high and grade school counselor. She found the idea for the program in a counseling journal. The purpose of this program is to help students in grades one through three, build self-esteem by receiving extra attention from older students. Pekin High Student council members are matched with younger students who were selected by their teachers. The "big friends" meet with their friend every Friday during lunch time. Many people feel this program benefits both the high school and elementary students. The "big friends" feel they are making a change in someone's life, while the younger friends look up to and admire their "big friends". I encourage all student councils to start up their own **Friend Program**. It is a very rewarding experience. If you have any questions about the **Friend Program**, feel free to contact the Pekin Community High School Student Council.

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