



2024

SDNA's *got* **Talent**

CONVENTION & KARAOKE

141ST SDNA CONVENTION
APRIL 25-27, 2024 | HURON
CROSSROADS HOTEL





from the president



Kristi Hine
True Dakotan,
Wessington Springs

Welcome to the 141st SDNA convention in Huron — where newspaper editors first met on July 26, 1882, and formed an organization called the Huron Land District Press Association.

While this convention's topics and structure surely look different from that first meeting in 1882, I am certain attendees both then and today share a common passion: keeping their communities informed, engaged and connected through quality journalism.

From AI to mental health, a revenue roundtable and unearthing story ideas in unexpected places, we have an exciting lineup of sessions at this convention.

We also will take a look at how SDNA continues to strategically adapt and move forward in the rapidly changing news media industry. I am appreciative we are carving out a time to talk with members — both new and long-established — about how SDNA is renewing its core mission: serving and supporting the news organizations that serve their communities with quality journalism and relevant news and information.

While we know you will gain useful ideas and valuable takeaways from the sessions, we also hope this convention provides a fun (let's go karaoke!) and encouraging setting to celebrate the work you've done the past year. I know I look forward to connecting with fellow journalists who share the dedication of being the light bearers and truth seekers of our communities dotted across the South Dakota prairie.

It has been a true honor to serve this past year as SDNA's president. I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to take part in the essential work and advocacy of the association that helps local journalism across South Dakota persevere, evolve and thrive.

Cheers to many more years of telling the shared stories of our communities.



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schedule of events

THURSDAY / APRIL 25

5:00-7:30 p.m. Downtown pub crawl with pizza at Fire Pit Pizzeria (serving at 6 p.m.-7 p.m.)

8 - 10 p.m. **Karaoke Party/Contest**
at Crossroads Hotel with Double Tap Entertainment
(cash bar closes at 10:30 p.m.)

FRIDAY / APRIL 26

Breakfast on your own.

8:30 a.m. Registration opens

9 a.m. *Panel Discussion:*
**SDNA – A New Name
A Renewed Mission**

9:30 a.m. **“Are You Ready for AI?
How Community Journalism
Can Benefit”**
– Matt Waite,
U. of Nebraska-Lincoln
journalism professor

11 a.m. *Documentary Film:*
**“Unwarranted: The Senseless
Death of Journalist
Joan Meyer”**

11:45 a.m. *Luncheon & Presentation:*
Distinguished Service Award
presentation
– SD Public Broadcasting
**“Enhancing Skills of Resilience
in Journalism”**
– Nikki Eining,
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Featuring



Matt Waite
Journalism Professor,
U. of Nebraska-Lincoln



Julie Overgaard
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FRIDAY / APRIL 26 – Continued

- 1:00 p.m. **SDNA Better NewsMedia Awards Presentation**
– News/editorial and advertising awards
- 2:00 p.m. **“How to Find Story Ideas in Your Community”**
- Amanda (Fanger) Dulitz, Reporter & Farmer/Webster
- 3:00 p.m. **Revenue Ideas Roundtable and Hot Ideas Flash Session**
- 4:00 p.m. **New Statewide Public Notices Website: What You Need to Know**
- 4:30 p.m. SDNA/SDNS Business Meetings
- 6:00 p.m. Reception
- 7:00 p.m. **Banquet with Awards & Honors**
- Eagle Award
- Hall of Fame
- Outstanding Young Journalist
- General Excellence
- Sweepstakes
- 9-11 p.m. Hospitality

SATURDAY / APRIL 27

- 8:30 a.m. - Breakfast & General Session
“Vote South Dakota”
- Carson Walker, South Dakota News Watch
“Educating Journalists for Tomorrow”
- Joshua Westwick, Director
SDSU School of Communication and Journalism
- **Drawing for 50/50 Raffle**
- 10:30 a.m. Adjourn

Featuring



Amanda Dulitz
Publisher,
Reporter & Farmer



Joshua Westwick
Director,
SDSU School of
Communication &
Journalism



S.D. Newspaper Hall of Fame

- 1934 - Alice B. Gossage, Rapid City Journal
1935 - George W. Kingsbury, Yankton Press & Dakotan
1935 - George Schlosser, Wessington Springs Republican
1935 - Clate Tinan, Kimball Graphic
1936 - Newman C. Nash, Sioux Valley News, Canton
1936 - Carter Sherwood, De Smet News
1937 - Len V. Doty, Doland Times-Record
1937 - C.E. Sanders, Garretson News
1938 - Robert E. Dowdell, Artesian Advocate
1938 - Charles F. Hackett Sr., Parker New Era
1939 - Irwin D. Aldrich, Big Stone Headlight
1939 - Erie S. Danforth, Vermillion Daily Republican
1940 - Lyman J. Bates, Lake Preston Times
1940 - Thomas B. Roberts, Pierre Daily Dakotan
1941 - W.C. Allen, Dakota Farmer
1942 - Paul Dutcher, Brookings Register
1943 - Baron C. Dow, Argus Leader
1946 - D.C. DeVany, Vermillion Plain Talk
1946 - J.F. (Dick) Halladay, Iroquois Chief
1947 - Charles M. Day, Argus Leader
1948 - H.A. Sturges, Arlington Sun
1949 - R.O. Schaber, Hudson Hudsonite
1950 - John H. Craig, Tripp Ledger
1951 - James S. Smith, Belle Fourche Bee
1951 - J.B. Townsley, Vermillion Dakota Republican
1952 - W.W. Sanders, Dell Rapids Tribune
1953 - Albert J. Adams, Sisseton Courier
1954 - W.R. Ronald, Mitchell Daily Republic
1954 - Edward L. Senn, Deadwood Daily Telegram
1955 - John E. Hipple, Pierre Capital Journal
1956 - Stephan A. Travis, Pierre Times, Capital Journal
1957 - Charles H. Hornbeck, Centerville Journal
1958 - Doane J.L. Robinson, SD Historical Society
1959 - E.B. Yule, Alexandria Herald
1960 - Howard C. Anderson, Aberdeen American News
1961 - Will A. Wells, Webster Journal
1962 - William S. Dolan, Grant County Review
1962 - R.W. Hitchcock, Rapid City Journal
1963 - Royal A. Turner, Brookings County Press
1964 - Charles H.J. Mitchell, Brookings Register
1965 - Fred H. Monfore, Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan
1966 - Lloyd B. Boorman, Lemmon Leader
1967 - E.H. Lighter, Rapid City Journal
1967 - Robert D. Lusk, Huron Daily Plainsman
1967 - H.B. Tysel, Britton Journal
1968 - John B. Perkins, Highmore Herald
1969 - George M. Hunter, Madison Daily Leader
1969 - Charles A. Mitchell, Brookings Register
1969 - John T. Trevelyian, Tyndall Tribune and Register
1970 - B.W. (Jeff) Condit, Clark County Courier
1971 - Casper Nohner, Hayti Herald-Enterprise
1971 - John P. Sanders, Garretson News
1971 - Dean C. Trippler, Canova Herald
1972 - L.L. Coleman, Moberg Tribune
1973 - Grace M. Adams, Sisseton Courier
1974 - Clifford D. Sanders, Sioux Falls Suburban News
1974 - Rachel A. Walradth, White Leader
1975 - Harold W. Card, Webster Reporter & Farmer
1976 - Ed B. Oddy, Woonsocket News
1976 - Albert Applegate, S.D. State University
1977 - James E. Hammer, Wolsey News
1978 - Morris H. Ingalls, Murdo Coyote
1979 - Andrew M. Johnson, Sioux Valley News
1980 - Mike Heinbaugh, Black Hills Pioneer
1981 - Eldredge MacKay, Pollock Prairie Pioneer
1982 - Camille Yuill, Deadwood Pioneer-Times
1983 - Les Helgeland, Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan
1984 - Fred Christopherson, Argus Leader
1984 - Aubrey Sherwood, De Smet News
1985 - Fritz Clement, Selby Record
1985 - Ida Clement, Selby Record
1986 - Ed Hofer, Lennox Independent
1987 - Fred H. Breukelman, Corsica Globe
1988 - Don Johannsen, Winner Advocate
1988 - Phyllis Justice, Grant County Review
1989 - Robert Hipple, Pierre Capital Journal
1989 - Bert Moritz, Clark County Courier
1989 - George Phillips, SDSU Journalism
1990 - William McDermott, Highmore Herald
1991 - Harold Jones, Redfield Press
1992 - Wendell Long, Bennett County Booster II
1993 - Jack Dorman, Hamlin County Republican
1994 - Verlyn Hofer, Lennox Independent
1994 - Anson Yeager, Argus Leader
1995 - Keith Jensen, SDNA
1996 - Bob Karolevitz, Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan



S.D. Newspaper Hall of Fame

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| 1997 - Chuck Card, Britton Journal | 2011 - Jo Hall, Mobridge Tribune |
| 1997 - Gene Chamberlin, Mobridge Tribune | 2011 - David Kranz, Argus Leader |
| 1998 - Gerald Sturges, Arlington Sun | 2012 - Noel Hamiel, The Daily Republic |
| 1999 - Wendell Anderson, Canistota Clipper | 2016 - Jim Moritz, Faulk County Record |
| 2000 - Jack Adams, Sisseton Courier | 2016 - Kathy Nelson, Timber Lake Topic |
| 2000 - Larry Ingalls, Webster Reporter & Farmer | 2016 - Tim Waltner, Freeman Courier |
| 2001 - Merrill Hunter, Madison Daily Leader | 2016 - K.B. "Kenneth" Way, Watertown Public Opinion |
| 2002 - Richard Lee, SDSU Journalism | 2017 - Larry Atkinson, Bridge City Publishing, Inc. |
| 2004 - Merle E. Lofgren, Corson/Sioux Co. News-Messenger | 2018 - Helen Clausen, Eagle Butte News |
| 2007 - Wayne Bertrand, Scotland Journal | 2018 - Brian Hunhoff, Yankton County Observer |
| 2007 - Gordon Garnos, Watertown Public Opinion | 2020 - Charley Najacht, Custer County Chronicle |
| 2007 - Tim Giago, Indian Country Today | 2020 - Norma Najacht, Custer County Chronicle |
| 2007 - Ralph Nachtigal, Platte Enterprise | 2022 - Jon Hunter, Madison Daily Leader |
| 2011 - Dale Blegen, De Smet News | 2022 - Mark Roby, Watertown Public Opinion |

2024 South Dakota Hall of Fame Inductees



**Bruce & Susan
Odson**

Bruce and Susan Odson were longtime publishers of the Southern Union County Leader-Courier at Elk Point and the Dakota Dunes/North Sioux City Times. Their newspapers won more than 200 contest awards, including frequent awards for general excellence. Bruce served as SDNA president in 2005-2006. They worked hard to connect the growing southeastern corner of South Dakota with the state as a whole and showcase the importance of quality, local journalism. Bruce and Susan sold their newspapers in 2022, and Susan died one month later. Bruce is retired and lives in Vermillion.



**Gayle A. Van Genderen
& J.P. Studeny, Jr.**

Gayle A. Van Genderen and J.P. Studeny Jr. are publishers of The South Dakota Mail at Plankinton. J.P. worked in radio broadcasting before joining Gayle at the Mail in 1987, which then was owned by Gayle's parents, Bob and Adeline Van Genderen. Over the years, Gayle and J.P. have been among Plankinton's biggest advocates and have contributed greatly to public service and various civic endeavors in the community. They also are champions for all community newspapers, often devoting many hours to visiting with legislators and other public officials about the importance of local community newspapers and the public's right to know.



Eagle Award

This award is given annually to an individual, group or organization who has demonstrated outstanding efforts to protect and enhance openness in the conduct of the people's business.

- 2002 - The Justices of the 2001 South Dakota Supreme Court
- 2003 - Rodney Hall, Mitchell School Board Member
- 2004 - Larry Long, South Dakota Attorney General
- 2005 - Brian Hunhoff, Yankton County Commissioner
- 2006 - Vince Foley, Codington County State's Attorney
- 2007 - Jason Gant, South Dakota State Senator, Sioux Falls
South Dakota State University Collegian Staff
- 2008 - Nancy Turbak Berry, South Dakota State Senator, Watertown
- 2009 - Dave Knudson, South Dakota State Senator, Sioux Falls
- 2010 - Gordon Heber, Sioux Falls
- 2012 - Al Novstrup, South Dakota State Senator, Aberdeen
- 2016 - Corey Brown, South Dakota State Senator, Gettysburg
- 2018 - Dennis Daugaard, South Dakota Governor
- 2019 - Arthur Rusch, South Dakota State Senator, Vermillion
- 2022 - Tim Reed, South Dakota State Representative, Brookings
- 2024 - Chuck Baldwin, Journalist and Educator

Posthumous Eagle Award Recipient



Chuck Baldwin

Journalist and educator Chuck Baldwin epitomized the spirit of the Eagle Award through his lifelong dedication to upholding the principles of openness and transparency in government and a free and fair press as embedded in the First Amendment. Whether in the newsroom or the classroom, Chuck championed the fundamental principle that a well-informed citizenry is essential for a thriving democracy. Chuck died unexpectedly on Sunday, Dec. 17, 2023. He was 70 years old.

Distinguished Service Award

Recognition of people who have provided outstanding service to the newspaper profession in South Dakota.

1978 - Camille Yuill
1979 - Fred Christopherson
1980 - Alex Johnson
1981 - Aubrey Sherwood
1983 - Robert Hipple
1984 - Fritz Clement
1985 - Fred Breukelman
1986 - E. J. Buckingham Jr.
1987 - Wendell Long
1988 - Anson Yeager
1989 - Jeanette Lusk
1990 - George Phillips
1991 - William McDermott
1992 - Jim Kuehn
1993 - Knowles Trippler
1994 - Bert Moritz
1995 - John Lowrie
1996 - Gene Chamberlin
1997 - Charles L. Card
1998 - Merle E. Lofgren

1999 - Keith Jensen
2000 - Phyllis Justice
2001 - Ralph Nachtigal
2003 - Dorothy Allison
2006 - Roger Toland
2007 - Terry Hipple
2008 - Clarence Justice
2009 - Noel Hamiel
2011 - Cindy Eikamp
2012 - Terry Woster
2013 - Parker Knox
2014 - Chuck Brokaw
2015 - Kathy Nelson and
the late Jim Nelson
2016 - Cherie Jensen
2017 - Bob Mercer
2021 - Tim L. Waltner
2022 - Dan Bechtold
2024 - South Dakota Public Broadcasting

2024 Distinguished Service Award Honoree

For decades, South Dakota Public Broadcasting has connected South Dakotans with news, music and educational programming. Public broadcasting's history in South Dakota is traced to the start-up of a radio station in the 1920s. Over the years, a statewide network of radio and television stations

developed. Online programming expanded SDPB's offerings, including live streaming of the Legislature. In recent years, SDPB has provided all news media outlets with access to photography and content from South Dakota High School Activities Association competitions and extracurricular events.



SDPB

Distinguished Achievement Award

Recognition of non-newspaper people who have distinguished themselves in achievement in or for South Dakota.

1975 - Dr. Hilton M. Briggs	1993 - Charles D. Gemar
1976 - Gladys Pyle	1994 - Kevin Locke
1977 - Al Schock	1995 - Dr. Richard Lee
1978 - Ron Howe, Dr. Robert Vandemark	1996 - Linda Hasselstrom
1979 - Mike Evans	1997 - Sen. Larry Pressler
1980 - Ted Husted	1998 - Dr. Robert Wagner
1981 - Robert Karolevitz	1999 - Terry Redlin
1983 - D.J. Cline	2000 - Sen. Tom Daschle
1984 - Joseph Robbie	2001 - Lincoln McClravy
1985 - Josef Meier	2002 - Amb. George McGovern
1986 - Gene Amdahl	2003 - Carole Hillard
1987 - Wilbur Foss	2004 - Dr. Aelred Kurtenbach
1988 - Bernard Thomas	2005 - Jack Marsh
1989 - C. P. 'Buck' Moore	2006 - Dar Baum
1990 - Eugene Thin Elk, Tillie Black Bear	2008 - Bernie Hunhoff
1991 - Ruth Ziolkowski	2016 - Jerry Lohr
1992 - Lionel Bordeaux	

Distinguished Service/Achievement Award

Combines the features of both awards.

1987 - Sen. James Abdnor	2002 - Allen H. Neuharth
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Outstanding Young Journalist Award

For recognition of the outstanding work of a journalist under the age of 30. One winner is chosen annually from a weekly newspaper and a daily newspaper.

2000

Steve Buchholz, Rapid City Journal
Jeremy Waltner, Freeman Courier

2001

Jerrod Niedermyer, Brookings Register
Wendy Williams, Custer County Chronicle

2002

Chuck Blomberg, The Daily Republic, Mitchell
Jason Ferguson, Custer County Chronicle

2003

Wayne Hammond, Watertown Public Opinion
Laura Woodard, Hill City Prevailor News

2004

Elissa Grossell, American News, Aberdeen
Erik Kaufman, Hutchinson Herald

2005

Rich Remmers, Watertown Public Opinion
Sarah Ebeling, Parker New Era

2006

Emily Arthur, American News, Aberdeen
Ariel Emery, Southern Union County
Leader-Courier, Elk Point

2007

Seth Tupper, The Daily Republic, Mitchell
Anne Homan, The Lennox Independent

2008

Nathan Johson, Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan
Jamie Gibson, Parker New Era

2009

Kayla Gahagan, Rapid City Journal
Amanda Fanger, Onida Watchman

2010

Joe O'Sullivan, Watertown Public Opinion
Billy Drown, Hill City Prevailor News

2012

Chris Huber, The Daily Republic, Mitchell
Matt Heinrichs, Lake Preston Times

2013

Luke Hagen, The Daily Republic, Mitchell
Carrie Moore, Custer County Chronicle

2014

Jeremy Hoeck, Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan
Erica Gaspar, Tea Weekly

2015

Brooke Cersosimo, The Daily Republic, Mitchell

2016

Evan Hendershot, The Daily Republic, Mitchell
Emre "Ray" Erku, Reporter & Farmer, Webster

2017

Marcus Traxler, The Daily Republic, Mitchell
Dana Ferguson, Argus Leader, Sioux Falls

2018

Ellen Bardash, The Daily Republic, Mitchell

2019

Brian Haenchen, Argus Leader, Sioux Falls
Beth Fennel, Dakota Dunes-North Sioux City Times

2020

Arielle Zions, Rapid City Journal
Gray Hughes, Hill City Prevailor News

2022

Erin Woodiel, Argus Leader, Sioux Falls

2023

Matt Case, Rapid City Journal
Esther Noe, Hill City Prevailor-News

SDNA Past Presidents

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| 1882-1883 - John T. Cain, Huron Times | 1928-1929 - L. W. Robinson, Mitchell Gazette |
| 1883-1884 - J.F. Ryan, Blunt Times | 1929-1930 - C. P. Sherwood, De Smet News |
| 1884-1885 - S. J. Conklin, Watertown Dakota News | 1930-1931 - Casper Nohner, Hayti Herald-Enterprise |
| 1885-1889 - Augustine Davis, Huron Huronite | 1931-1932 - G. G. Warner, Gregory Times-Advocate |
| 1889-1891 - George W. Hopp, Brookings | 1932-1933 - H. H. Heath, Artesian Commonwealth |
| 1891-1892 - N. C. Nash, Canton News | 1933-1934 - W. G. Tamblin, Miller Press |
| 1892-1893 - Thomas W. Bishop, Volga Tribune | 1934-1935 - C. E. Saunders, Centerville Journal |
| 1893-1894 - John Longstaff, Huron Huronite | 1935-1936 - H. B. Tysell, Britton Journal |
| 1894-1895 - J. E. Patten, Salem Special | 1936-1937 - D. C. DeVany, Mobridge Tribune |
| 1895-1896 - J. D. Reeves, Groton Independent | 1937-1938 - Harold W. Card,
Webster Reporter & Farmer |
| 1896-1897 - T. B. Roberts, Armour Chronicle - Times | 1938-1939 - Harold W. Carpenter, Beresford Republic |
| 1897-1898 - Lyman J. Bates, Lake Preston Times | 1939-1940 - John B. Perkins, Highmore Herald |
| 1898-1899 - G. M. Farley, Madison Outlook | 1940-1941 - L. B. Boorman, Lemmon Leader |
| 1899-1900 - Henry S. Volkmar, Milbank Review | 1941-1942 - Aubrey H. Sherwood, De Smet News |
| 1900-1901 - J. H. Halliday, Iroquois Chief | 1942-1943 - Fred Christopherson,
Sioux Falls Argus Leader |
| 1901-1902 - T. W. Taubman, Plankinton Herald | 1943-1944 - Chas. H. J. Mitchell, Brookings Register |
| 1902-1903 - W. F. Bancroft, Watertown Public Opinion | 1944-1946 - E. Y. Berry, McLaughlin Messenger |
| 1903-1904 - Charles E. Allen, Brookings Press | 1946-1947 - Fred Breukelman, The Corsica Globe |
| 1904-1905 - C. R. Tinan, Kimball Graphic | 1947-1948 - R. W. Hitchcock, Rapid City Daily Journal |
| 1905-1906 - Harry Wentzy, Pukwana Press-Reporter | 1948-1949 - A. M. Johnson, Sioux Valley News/Canton |
| 1906-1907 - Charles F. Hackett, Parker New Era | 1949-1950 - T. R. Burges, Clear Lake Courier |
| 1907-1908 - W. R. Donald, Britton Sentinel | 1950-1951 - Fritz Clement, Selby Record, Java Herald |
| 1908-1909 - R. E. Dowdell, Artesian Advocate | 1951-1952 - J. T. Trevillyan, Tyndall Tribune & Register |
| 1909-1910 - C. M. Day, Sioux Falls Argus-Leader | 1952-1953 - F. Lyn Gladstone, Valley Irrigator, Newell |
| 1910-1911 - W. C. Lusk, Yankton Press & Dakotan | 1953-1954 - Sid I. Davison, Miner Co. Pioneer/Howard |
| 1911-1912 - Len V. Doty, Doland Times-Record | 1954-1955 - L. L. Coleman, Mobridge Tribune |
| 1912-1913 - Charles McCaffree, Howard Press | 1955-1956 - B. W. "Jeff" Condit,
Clark Co. Courier, Clark |
| 1913-1914 - Hans Demuth, Deutcher Herald, S. Falls | 1956-1957 - Wm S. Gibson, Vermillion Plain Talk |
| 1914-1915 - M. M. Bennett, Yankton Herald | 1957-1958 - Oliver F. Freed, Woonsocket News |
| 1915-1916 - George Schlosser,
Wessington Springs Republican | 1958-1959 - E. H. Lighter, Rapid City Daily Journal |
| 1916-1917 - E. B. Yule, Alexandria Herald | 1959-1960 - Charles A. Mitchell, Brookings Register |
| 1917-1918 - L. E. Aldrich, Big Stone Headlight | 1960 - Roy S. Adams, Gregory Times-Advocate |
| 1918-1919 - J. H. McKeever, Aberdeen American News | 1960-1961 - John A. (Jack) Adams, Sisseton Courier |
| 1919-1920 - H. A. Sturges, Beresford Republic | 1961-1962 - Marvin T. Gilbertson,
The Parkston Advance |
| 1920-1921 - R. O. Schaber, Hudson Hudsonite | 1962-1963 - Mike Heinbaugh,
Queen City Mail, Spearfish |
| 1921-1922 - Dean C. Trippler, Canova Herald | 1963-1964 - Wendell E. Long,
Bennett Co. Booster, Martin |
| 1922-1923 - E. S. Danforth, Vermillion Republic | 1964-1965 - George M. Hunter, Madison Daily Leader |
| 1923-1924 - Paul Dutcher, Brookings Register | |
| 1924-1925 - John H. Craig, Tripp Ledger | |
| 1925-1926 - J. S. Smith, Belle Fourche Bee | |
| 1926-1927 - E. B. Oddy, Woonsocket News | |
| 1927-1928 - Carmon L. Bates, Onida Watchman | |



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- 1965-1966 - Harold D. Jones, The Redfield Press
1966-1967 - M. B. Chilcott, Seaton, Lead, Deadwood
1967-1968 - Wm. R. Owens,
Potter Co. News, Gettysburg
1968-1969 - Don L. Johannsen, Winner Advocate
1969-1970 - Clifford D. Sanders,
Suburban News, Sioux Falls
1970-1971 - Bert Moritz, Clark Co. Courier, Clark
1971-1972 - E. E. Hanssen, Hot Springs Star
1972-1973 - Charles L. Card, Britton Journal
1973-1974 - Colin Monfore, Yankton Press & Dakotan
1974-1975 - Gene Chamberlin, Mobridge Tribune
1975-1976 - Virgil M. Smith, Dell Rapids Tribune
1976-1977 - E. J. Buckingham Jr., Chamberlain Register
1977-1978 - Larry Ingalls, Webster Reporter & Farmer
1978-1979 - L. J. "Bud" Maher, Huron Daily Plainsman
1979-1980 - L. Bruce Boorman, Lemmon Leader
1980-1981 - G. L. Sturges, Arlington Sun
1981-1982 - Ralph Nachtigal, Platte Enterprise
1982-1983 - Phyllis Justice, Grant Co. Review, Milbank
1983-1984 - John Lowrie, Watertown Public Opinion
1984-1985 - Allen Hermann,
Spearfish Queen City Mail
1985-1986 - Wayne Lyford, Enterprise, Flandreau
1986-1987 - Wayne Bertrand, Scotland Journal
1987-1988 - Verlyn Hofer, Lennox Independent
1988-1989 - Larry Fuller, Argus Leader, Sioux Falls
1989-1990 - Dale Blegen, De Smet News
1990-1991 - Hubert Alewel, Chamberlain Register
1991-1992 - Tim Waltner, Freeman Courier
1992-1993 - Wendell Anderson, Canistota Clipper
1993-1994 - Tim Waltner, Freeman Courier
1994-1995 - Jim Moritz, Faulk Co. Record, Faulkton
1995-1996 - Kathy Snyder Nelson, Timber Lake Topic
1996-1997 - Jon M. Hunter, Madison Daily Leader
1997-1998 - Brian Hunhoff,
Mo. Valley Observer, Yankton
1998-1999 - Nelson L. Miller, Gregory Times-Advocate
1999-2000 - Larry Atkinson, Mobridge Tribune
2000-2001 - Don Ravellette, The Pioneer Review, Philip
2001-2002 - Arnold Garson, Argus Leader, Sioux Falls
2002-2003 - Bill Masterson Jr., Rapid City Journal
2003-2004 - Scott E. Ehler, Parkston Advance
2004-2005 - David Clausen,
Potter County News, Gettysburg
2005-2006 - Bruce Odson, Leader-Courier, Elk Point
2006-2007 - Tim Huether,
Bennett County Booster II, Martin
2007-2008 - Bill Krikac, Clark County Courier
2008-2009 - Mark Roby, Public Opinion, Watertown
2009-2010 - Hollie Stalder, Northern Hills Weeklies
2010-2011 - Doug Card, Britton Journal
2011-2012 - Lucy Halverson,
Lyman County Herald, Presho
2012-2013 - Charley Najacht, Custer County Chronicle
2013-2014 - Steve Baker, Capital Journal, Pierre
2014-2015 - John Suhr, Reporter & Farmer, Webster
2015-2016 - Bill Krikac, Clark County Courier
2016-2017 - Jeremy Waltner, Freeman Courier
2017-2018 - Kelli Bultena,
Lennox Independent & Tea Weekly
2018-2019 - Debbie Hemmer,
Grant County Review, Milbank
2019-2020 - Letitia Lister,
Black Hills Pioneer, Spearfish
2020-2021 - Beau Ravellette, Pioneer Review, Philip
2021-2022 - Robert Slocum, Timber Lake Topic
2022-2023 - Garrick Moritz, Garretson Gazette



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Proceeds from the t-shirt sales will go directly to our foundation, which supports education and professional development opportunities for news media in our state.

If you missed the pre-order or didn't pick one up at the registration table, you can still purchase online.

Order yours today at sdna.com.

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Support the South Dakota NewsMedia Foundation Fund

50-50 Raffle

The South Dakota NewsMedia Foundation Fund supports education, training and professional development opportunities for journalism in our state. The fund is maintained by the South Dakota Community Foundation and contributions to it are tax-deductible.

Help support journalism in our state and participate in the convention 50-50 raffle. All proceeds will go to the foundation fund. The 50-50 raffle and the 'Support Matter' t-shirts are the only fundraisers this year for the NewsMedia Foundation Fund.

50-50 Raffle Details:

- Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.
- SDNA Board Members will be selling the tickets.
- Raffle ticket sales begin during the reception on Thursday evening and will conclude Friday evening at the end of the hospitality hour following the banquet.
- The winning ticket will be drawn during the Saturday morning session. Must be present to win.
- Half of the proceeds will be donated to the NewsMedia Foundation Fund and the person with the winning ticket will receive the other half.

Good Luck!



Convention Sponsorships

Thank you to the following companies and organizations for their support of our convention. Their sponsorship benefits our association in the planning and hosting of this annual meeting. We are grateful to them and encourage you to express your thanks as well during this convention.

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