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139TH ANNUAL
SDNA CONVENTION
MAY 12-14, 2022
MITCHELL
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SDNA
SOUTH DAKOTA NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION



Robert Slocum
Timber Lake Topic

Welcome to Mitchell and the 139th SDNA convention. We are glad you are here.

For the first time since 2018 we are back on schedule with a springtime newspaper convention, and it feels good. In 2019, we met in Medora, N.D., during the month of June. The COVID-19 pandemic derailed the 2020 and 2021 spring conventions.

If anything has been made clear to me during these past few tumultuous years, it is that community newspapers are resilient and essential. The work that all of us do to inform our readers every day and every week and keep our communities connected has proven to be vital to the civic and economic well-being of where we live. Pretty important work, I would say.

I applaud all of you for the great work you do to serve your community and your market. You should be proud. It's difficult to see that sometimes because of our never-ending cycle of meeting daily and weekly deadlines, but you need to take pause from to time and recognize the good you do.

The SDNA convention is a good opportunity to do just that. We will celebrate the best in South Dakota newspapers with awards, honors and special recognitions during the next few days. Plus, we will learn a few things along the way that you can take home and help make your newspaper even better.

It's been an honor and a privilege to serve as president of our association and I am fortunate to serve with other talented and wonderful colleagues on the SDNA Board of Directors.

Again, thank you for being here and thank you for the great work that you do. Enjoy!



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Friday, May 13

- 8:30 a.m. Registration open
- 9:00 a.m. **Flipping negative perceptions about newspapers.**
Matt McMillan, CEO, Press Publications, White Bear Lake, Minn.
- 10:00 a.m. **Complying with new public notice and legal newspaper laws.**
SDNA's David Bordewyk and Column's team members
- 11:00 a.m. **Archiving South Dakota's newspapers. Why it matters.**
Chelle Somsen, State Archivist
- Noon Lunch with presentation of the
• 2022 SDNA Eagle Award and
• 2022 Distinguished Service Award
- 1:15 p.m. **Better Newspapers Contest awards presentation.**
Announcing winners in news/editorial and advertising
- 2:15 p.m. **A community's newspaper: the Kingsbury Journal.**
Tim Aughenbaugh, Publisher
- 3:15 p.m. Concurrent sessions:
1) **Tips to make your photos pop.**
Erin Woodiel, Argus Leader Media
2) **Open meetings & open records: Your questions answered.**
SDNA legal hotline attorney
Jon Arneson and David Bordewyk
- 4:30 p.m. SDNA Annual Meeting

Friday, May 13 continued

- 6:00 p.m. Reception
- 7:00 p.m. **Banquet with Awards and Honors**
 - Outstanding Young Journalist
 - Newspaper Hall of Fame
 - SDNA General Excellence and Sweepstakes
- 9:00 p.m. Silent Auction ends at conclusion of banquet

Saturday, May 14

- 8:00 a.m. Past President's Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. Coffee and General Session
Quick Takes:
 - 1) **Cultivating Local Stories**
Bart Pfankuch,
South Dakota News Watch
 - 2) **Design Tips to Polish Your Paper**
James Helland, SDSU School of
Communication and Journalism
- 10:00 a.m. Convention Adjourns

Featuring



**Jim
Helland**



**Bart
Pfankuch**

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. Trevillyan, 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, Moberge 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

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

2022 South Dakota Hall of Fame Inductees



Jon Hunter

Jon Hunter succeeded his father and grandfather as publisher of the Madison Daily Leader and now joins both as a third-generation member of the South Dakota Newspaper Hall of Fame. Jon was publisher of the Daily Leader for 31 years before selling the newspaper and printing business in 2021. During his tenure he was noted for being devoted to his employees and to the community. Jon grew the family business, with almost one fifth of all weekly newspapers in the state printed at his central plant. Jon was president of SDNA in 1996-97. He has been active in support of Dakota State University and the South Dakota Heritage Fund, and he served as chairman of the South Dakota Investment Council.



Mark Roby

Mark Roby was raised in Watertown and one of his first jobs was helping his brothers deliver the Watertown Public Opinion. Mark went on to an impressive career in the corporate world before returning to Watertown in 2002 to be publisher of the Public Opinion. Mark was president of SDNA in 2008-09 when the association office was built in Brookings. Mark has been active in many ways in Watertown and northeastern South Dakota, including serving on the Prairie Lakes Healthcare System board of directors. He has been called upon to devote his expertise and experience statewide as well, including an appointment by the governor to the South Dakota Judicial Qualifications Commission.

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 Eagle Award Recipient

District 7 Representative Tim Reed has been a consistent and strong proponent for open government, whether it be open meetings, open records or public notices.

This legislative session, Tim sponsored two important open government bills: one bill that modernized various laws for public notices and legal newspapers and another bill that fixed a loophole in the executive session provisions of the open meetings laws. The inadvertent loophole was the result of an open meetings bill he sponsored in 2019. Tim agreed it needed to be addressed and was willing to sponsor legislation to address it. He worked well with all sides to see the bill become law.

The same is true for the public notices bill he sponsored this year. Tim has repeatedly supported the need for independent third-party publication of public notices while at the same time challenging newspapers to be pro-active to modernize various public notices laws. Again, he was instrumental in working with all sides to see the bill across the finish line this year.

Tim may be unique in the legislature in that he knows well the importance of balancing open government issues from the viewpoint of both a public official as well as that of the average citizen. His experience and his perspectives have made it possible for open government to be advanced in South Dakota.



Tim Reed
South Dakota
State Representative,
Brookings

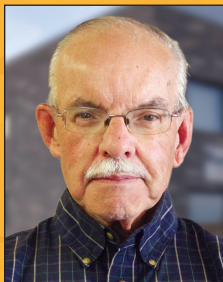


Distinguished Service Award

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

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| 1978 - Camille Yuill | 1999 - Keith Jensen |
| 1979 - Fred Christopherson | 2000 - Phyllis Justice |
| 1980 - Alex Johnson | 2001 - Ralph Nachtigal |
| 1981 - Aubrey Sherwood | 2003 - Dorothy Allison |
| 1983 - Robert Hipple | 2006 - Roger Toland |
| 1984 - Fritz Clement | 2007 - Terry Hipple |
| 1985 - Fred Breukelman | 2008 - Clarence Justice |
| 1986 - E. J. Buckingham Jr. | 2009 - Noel Hamiel |
| 1987 - Wendell Long | 2011 - Cindy Eikamp |
| 1988 - Anson Yeager | 2012 - Terry Woster |
| 1989 - Jeanette Lusk | 2013 - Parker Knox |
| 1990 - George Phillips | 2014 - Chuck Brokaw |
| 1991 - William McDermott | 2015 - Kathy Nelson and
the late Jim Nelson |
| 1992 - Jim Kuehn | 2016 - Cherie Jensen |
| 1993 - Knowles Trippler | 2017 - Bob Mercer |
| 1994 - Bert Moritz | 2021 - Tim L. Waltner |
| 1995 - John Lowrie | |
| 1996 - Gene Chamberlin | |
| 1997 - Charles L. Card | |
| 1998 - Merle E. Lofgren | |

2022 Distinguished Service Award Honoree



Dan Bechtold

Known as “Dan, Dan the Camera man,” Dan Bechtold has been reporting news in Winner since 1967. Bechtold, who graduated in 1969 from South Dakota State University with a journalism degree, followed in his father’s footsteps. Herb Bechtold was the city editor for the Sioux Falls Argus Leader for more than 30 years. It became clear in high school while working at the school newspaper Dan was going to be a journalist. His time in Winner started 1967 with an internship at the Winner Advocate. Dan has worked at the Advocate for more than a half century, earning many awards over the years and more importantly, respect and appreciation from the community for his journalism and his service.



Distinguished Achievement Award

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

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| 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 McIlravy |
| 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.

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| 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 Prevailers 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 Prevailers 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 Prevailers News

SDNA Past Presidents

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



SDNA Past Presidents

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

Better Newspaper Contest

We need your help! Each year the SDNA Better Newspapers Contest is judged by another state association. The 2021 SDNA Better Newspapers Contest was judged by the Washington Newspaper Publishers Association, and now it is our turn to return the favor.

The Washington Better Newspaper Contest judging period runs from June 20 through July 8, 2022. The contest is judged entirely online.

After June 1, WNPA will reach out to you with your assigned categories to judge.

If you are interested in helping judge, please scan the QR code below, enter your contact information and select the categories of interest to you.

Please use an email address that you check frequently.



Sign-up at www.sdna.com/wajudge



Support the South Dakota Newspaper Foundation Fund Silent Auction and 50-50 Raffle

The South Dakota Newspaper 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 silent auction and 50-50 raffle. All proceeds will go to the foundation fund. These are the only fundraisers held each year for the Newspaper 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 Newspaper Foundation Fund and the person with the winning ticket will receive the other half.

The Silent Auction will conclude at the end of the banquet on Friday evening. If you are successful in bidding for a silent auction item, please see Nicole or Sandy to pay for your winning bid at that time.



Convention Sponsorships

Thank you to the following companies and organizations for their support of our convention. Their sponsorship benefits our associations 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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