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NEWMAN HOSTS

KICKAPOO WORKSHOP

BY MIKE BUSBOOM

On November 5th, the Student Council of Newman High School hosted a workshop for KDASC members. The workshop consultant was Mr. Steve Allen, Student Council advisor and counselor at Newman High.

The program dealt mainly with interpersonal communication and a human potential lab.

When everyone was seated into their groups, Mr. Allen introduced a very distinguished member of the KDASC, Mr. Wayne Trumann. Mr. Trumann was awarded a plaque for his outstanding work as treasurer's advisor and advisor at large, and as one of the organizers of the KDASC. Mr. Trumann is now the administrator at Cumberland High School.

Through a variety of activities, ranging from the longest thumb to broom powered airplanes, delegates learned to communicate with others and to become better listeners.

Non-verbal communication exercises

included trying to find things out about your partner without the use of talking. Delegates were only allowed to use the word "Zoom," in honor of IASC Workshop Director Gary Zum-Mallen who was observing the workshop.

Lunch was served by Newman students, and was followed by a Gong Show, for the delegates "entertainment."

The afternoon Human Potential Lab included values clarification activities and an exercise for delegates to clarify what is important in their lives. They listed and discussed the twelve most important things that had happened to them, and told to the groups why these things were important.

When the workshop was over, the delegates left with a new outlook on life. This knowledge would in turn help their Student Councils because you have to know yourself before you can help others effectively.



Workshop Consultant Steve Allen



Steve Allen Gets Workshop Participants Involved.

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Monticello Hosts Chicago Cubs

BY PAT AND PAM BORELLI

On a snowy December 5th evening, the Monticello High School Student Council sponsored a fun-filled night with the Chicago Cubs playing basketball against Monticello's Miscellaneous Misfits.

Plans for the successful evening began in early October. A steering committee did the advance planning and presented recommendations to the full student council. The materials which included posters, radio spots, newspaper write-ups, and tickets were sent to us from the agency after the contract had been signed. The down-payment of \$200.00 was made and now the advisor's task of organizing and implementing our plans began. First, a well-drawn map giving directions to the players was drawn and sent immediately. The remainder of responsibilities rested with the council in choosing teams, publicizing, selling advance tickets and providing a program. In order to involve a large portion of the community, four teams were chosen, including big men, business men, high school and grade school faculty. Publicizing ticket sales and getting tickets sold was the most demanding job for the council members. A push for advance sale tickets was required to insure the Cubs their money. Ticket sales commenced at the first of November and continued through the day of the game. At first, the sales were going rather slowly until the adviser, president, and vice-president gave an enthusiastic speech to the council requiring that each member sell twenty tickets by November 24th. After this notification, the selling of advance tickets went more smoothly and we rested a little easier. All the publicizing had been done and all we wanted was to reach our goal; selling 1400 tickets. The last step was designing and making the program which was done by a couple of students using the mimeograph machine.

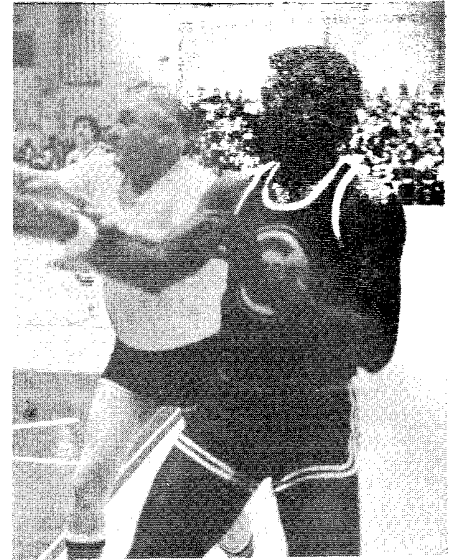
Finally, the day had come, snow covered Monticello and it was still coming down. Many people were asking, "Are the Cubs still coming

down?" And as far as we knew they were on their way. At our Student Council Meeting, all the money and unused tickets were turned in and we had good results, but we prayed that the weather would permit those players to come down to Monticello. We presumed since we had heard nothing that "no news is good news" until we received a phone call around 2:30 p.m. It was a Cub player telling us that they were on their way. The day went by with our hopes and dreams drawing a little closer. Then came the evening and the snow was falling heavier and the wind was blowing. We received many phone calls between the hours of five and seven asking if the game was cancelled. Of course, the answer was "NO." Not after all we had done, not after all the money we raised, were we going to call off something as big as this. Reports came in saying that the seventh, eighth grade and freshman games were cancelled. This heightened our fears, but also meant these kids would hopefully come to the game.

We arrived at the school just before seven with people waiting to get in. More people kept coming and coming. We were so excited and nervous at the same time. Seven fifteen rolled around and the Cubs were not there. 7:25 came and they were not anywhere to be found. Then at 7:30 the camper holding all the players came, and from then on the evening was a total success. We all knew in our hearts that they would make it and they did.

The teams and cheerleaders from Monticello were all there ready to go. The gymnasium was filled with townspeople and their families waiting for the thrill of seeing the Chicago Cubs.

The game commenced at 8:00 p.m. and people were still pouring in trying to find some seats. Photographs were taken throughout the game with the favorite Cub player of your choice. Before we knew it the game was coming to a close with the Cubs taking the lead. Ray Burris grabbed the microphone and started announcing in his wild and enthusiastic tone. The



THE CUBS IN ACTION

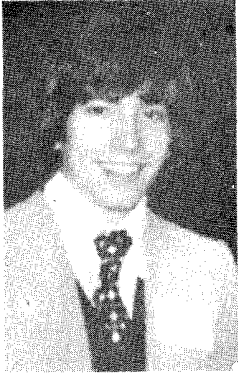
Monticello Miscellaneous Misfits were putting forth a great effort during those last couple of minutes. We could easily see they were enjoying themselves as much as the crowd. The game ended with a tie score of 98-98.

The line for autographs stretched from the middle court to around the out-of-bounds lines of the gymnasium floor. The line ended and the Cubs had to decide whether to stay in Monticello or head back home against travel advisories.

With the departure of the Cubs, the town of Monticello had a three fold experience. First, it promoted a sense of unity and closeness between the Cubs and the spectators. Secondly, it provided for a thrilling evening, which I'm sure some will never forget, and thirdly, it served as a very suitable fund raising project; the Student Council's income was \$1400. It is hoped that more projects of this sort will be launched in other councils. This type of project requires diligent team work. If other councils are interested in this, here are a few recommendations: Plan and organize everything that has to be completed, make a list of who has tickets and how many and don't start selling advance tickets too early.

If you are interested and have any questions feel free to contact Pat or Pam Borelli at 762-2423 or Mrs. Hazel Lindsley at 762-2245.

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BRIEFS from BRAD

BY BRAD WHITEHEAD IASC PRESIDENT

There's a book that is currently on the bestseller list entitled, "The Thorn Birds," by Colleen McCullough. The author prefaced her material with a quotation that is pretty interesting and I believe it may say something to student council members and just about anyone else. So I would like to spend a little of my space this month by sharing with you this passage.

"There is a legend about a bird which sings just once in its life, more sweetly than any other creature on the face of the earth. From the moment it leaves the nest it searches for a thorn tree, and does not rest until it has found one. Then, singing among the savage branches, it impales itself upon the longest, sharpest spine. And, dying, it rises above its own agony to outcarol the lark and the nightingale. One superlative song, existence the price. But the whole world stills to listen and God in Heaven smiles. For the best is only bought at the cost of great pain . . . Or so says the legend."

Sacrifice — it's really an intriguing subject. The key to it is how much a person is willing to give up to get something that he really wants. Sacrifice is a boy giving up watching Monday Night Football so that he will get a decent grade on his math test, a girl giving up candy so that she can snare all of the boys at school, and a parent giving up a weekend vacation to watch a son or daughter perform in a band concert. But sacrifice is also the thorn bird who kills himself so that he can sing more beautifully than any of the other birds.

Because of the position you are in this year, you are going to have to make quite a few decisions. There are times when you need to do five things at the same time and a choice between them is inevitable. Your time is going to be spent making a lot of small and large sacrifices, and your success as a leader may well depend on your ability to make a necessary sacrifice.

This doesn't mean that the more things you give up, the better leader you will be. It is really unfortunate when a person thinks he will have to give up all of his extra-curricular activities so that he can be Student Council President. This is not true. To be effective, you only need to know what are the necessary sacrifices and when to make them.

Sacrifice and organization go hand in hand. How well you budget your free time can greatly affect how many of your other activities you have to give up. If you're like me, you can spend forty minutes complaining about a project that would probably only take twenty minutes to do if you would just get started. If you can efficiently manage your available time to get what needs to be accomplished done, you will less often find yourself in the position of having to "make" time.

But there will be times when you are going to have to cancel your prior plans so that you can fulfill your obligations, and you must be willing to do so. If you aren't willing to spend your time working on something, how do you expect anyone else to? It is a question of priorities and you've been put in your office because you said you would spend the necessary time. Sometimes it will mean giving up something that really means a lot to you and when it does, think of the thorn bird and how "the best is only bought at the cost of great pain."

IASC CALENDAR

January

- 14-16 Advanced Workshop at McKendree at McKendree College, Lebanon, IL
- 28-29 Kickapoo District Workshop at Allerton House
- 28 METRO Workshop at Collinsville

February

- 2 Chicago Workshop at Whitney Young
- 3-4 Illini Convention at Peoria Hilton
- 9 Prairie Eight Convention
- 18 Illinois Valley Convention
- 18-19 Materials Workshop
- 25-26 Executive Board Meeting at Kaneland

March

- 4-5 Conference on Student Views-East Bay Camp
- 28 Chicago Convention

April

- 5-6 North Central District Convention at Rockford
- 8 Kickapoo District Convention at Round Barn Convention Centre-Champaign, IL.

May

- 4-6 State IASC Convention, Pick Congress, Chicago

June

- 25-29 NASC Convention, Hurst, Texas

July

- 25-29 Leadership Workshop at McKendree College-Lebanon, IL

August

- 1-5 Leadership Workshop at McKendree College-Lebanon
- 8-12 Leadership Workshop at McKendree College-Lebanon

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The 1977 Convention of the EIDASC was held Thursday, November 17 at Eastern Illinois University's Grand Ballroom in Charleston. Registration began at 1:00 p.m. and Sullivan High School acted as host. Thirty member schools were in attendance.

President Jeff Livergood called the First General Session to order. The president of the host school's student council, Randy Righter, gave the invocation. A welcome to the delegates was given by Mr. Judson Camaron, Principal of Sullivan High School.

Jeff Livergood then introduced the 1977 members of the EIDASC Executive Board. Steve Hendrikson, Phil Claire, and Mike Walsh of the

IASC were also introduced at this time.

Office reports were then given along with excellent reports on the National Conference in Marlboro, the leadership workshop at McKendree College, and the Pana Workshop.

Next to step to the podium was president of the IASC Brad Whitehead, who delivered a speech on leadership to the delegation.

Nominations for officer candidates were then opened. As there were no nominations from the floor, the nominations were closed. This action led into the introduction of the candidates and their campaign speeches.

The first general session was adjourned. An advisor's meeting and two sessions of discussion groups were

held. Dinner was served and the delegates were entertained by Jeff Pellaton Combo.

The second general session was then called to order. The convention's keynote speaker, Mr. L.K. Veris, Dean of the Evening College at Lakeland College in Mattoon, talked to the delegates.

The next order of business was ratification of the proposed amendments. The delegates voted, passing all amendments.

Officer candidates were then voted on. Jeff Livergood gave his final president's address. The new 1978 officers were installed. The convention was then adjourned.

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DISTRICT NEWS

The Kaskaskia District of Student Councils 13th annual Convention was held November 19, 1977 at Belleville East High School.

The Convention featured Dr. Marshall Rosenberg, a motivational consultant from St. Louis and the author of the book *From Now On*, the theme of this year's convention. His presentation stressed the importance of learning to enjoy what one does, the importance of expressing oneself in positive action language, and the pitfalls of labeling people who are not like oneself.

The day's activities included the choosing of district flag, interesting discussion groups, the project corner,

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the memorabilia board, and of course the highlight was the campaigning and election of the new district officers. A very productive business session was conducted by past president Carol Winte, in which constitutional amendments were passed.

The Kaskaskia District of Student Councils would like to recognize Mr. Ray J. Potthast for his 11 years of service to the organization. Mr. Larry Thompson will be replacing him. Thanks again, Mr. Potthast.

Mr. Jim Hindelang was awarded the Grade E. Sewing's award for his superb service to his local Student Council, the KDSC, and his participation in state activities.

Special guests attending the Convention included the IASC President, Brad Whitehead, his advisor Mrs. Hazel Lindsley; IASC Secretary, Sue West, her advisor Larry Thompson; IASC Executive Secretary, Ed Phelps, and past KDSC Board Members.

Dana Gruber of Collinsville was elected President to lead the KDSC through a productive year. Dana is the first student from Collinsville High School to have been elected to the office of KDSC President. Her campaign was based upon expanding leadership opportunities for more schools through additional workshops, possibly an officer's workshop or an overnight retreat at Pere Marquette. Also improving communications amongst the schools and getting more schools involved in existing programs. Her campaign was supported by her Student Council experience. She was an Illinois delegate to the National Conference held in Boston, Mass. in June 1977, attended the IASC State Convention and has participated in the IASC Summer Leadership Training Workshop at McKendree College.

The KDSC would like to thank Kebi Smith, the past Convention Secretary, and her advisor, Tim Barth for making the Convention a success and something enjoyed by all.

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the delegates. Janet Stan then gave the invocation. Next was the Keynote address delivered by Earnest Hood, who spoke to the delegates on student involvement. Brad Whitehead, President of the IASC, then delivered a message on student leadership. The delegates were then broken into discussion groups, where each of them had a chance to share their ideas and leave a few footprints.

After the delegates returned from lunch candidate nominations and elections took place. The newly elected officers were installed, and the convention was adjourned.

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"It don't come easy" was the theme for the North East District Convention November 12, 1977. The theme was selected from a NASC filmstrip title. The convention was planned so the delegate would have some enriching experiences at the convention and would leave with the realistic approach that things in student council "don't come easy." The day's activities and facilities provided an excellent way for all students to realize this.

The program got under way with Jeff Francione, Convention Secretary, presiding over the first general session. Dr. Martin, principal of Forest View High School, delivered the welcome from the host school. The rest of the first general session included a welcome from Dr. Gilbert, superintendent of High School District 214, entertainment from New Directions, a Forest View High School group, discussion groups, and an address delivered by Dr. Earl Reum. This excellent address sent many important

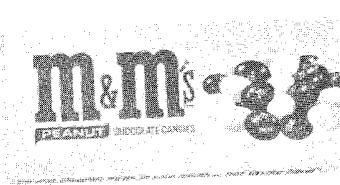
messages to the delegates in areas of student council interests, motives, and personal interests. Needless to say Dr. Reum was well accepted.

During lunch or second session, Dr. Reum also provided entertainment in the theatre with "Student Council is fun." This program included several activities Dr. Reum uses in his workshops, all of which are fun ways to learn about leadership.

The third general session began with a "State of the District" address from Brian Caputo, president of the NED, an address from Brad Whitehead, IASC President, and the candidates speeches and elections.

The fourth session was basically the installment of the new officers with Brian Caputo presiding and then adjournment.

As the delegates left each had realized that "it don't come easy," but the work that has to be done can be fun.



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Advisor's Workshop

What is the role of a Student Council in the school? How can Student Council improve its relationship with the community? How can a Student Council raise funds to send its students to workshops? What is the role of the Student Council Advisor?

These were just a few of the topics that were discussed at the 1977 Adviser's Workshop held at McKendree College November 20 & 21. Ed Pehlps,

executive secretary for the IASC, was the consultant for the workshop.

Despite the fact that the number of participants was small, the workshop was a success. Advisors were given the opportunity to discuss informally their student councils and how they could improve them. As promised, a variety of material was available for duplication.



Advisers Relate Student Council Experiences

Materials Workshop

The purpose of the Conference is to develop and research topics for the IASC State Convention. Everyone interested in being a discussion group leader at the convention should plan on attending, but the Conference is open to anyone interested in becoming active in IASC activities, developing Student Council materials or in simply helping to make the convention a success. *A maximum of four (4) delegates is allowed per school.*

The Allerton Park Conference Center is located near Monticello, Illinois. The Conference Center is "Allerton House," the beautiful mansion of the late millionaire, Robert Allerton. The center offers comfortable and convenient residence, cafeteria, and meeting facilities. These facilities are in first-class condition and have a resident manager. The town of Monticello is a small community about 25 miles west of Champaign-Urbana. Despite their feeling of isolation, these workshop facilities are within minutes of Interstates 57, 72, 74, Amtrak, and Greyhound.

IASC Spotlights

KEITH SMILIE

This year the IASC Executive Board is privileged to have a very outstanding young man serve as the 1st Vice-President. Keith Smilie since elected, has proven to be a person who always puts his best foot forward, and never hesitates to take that step.

Keith is a senior at Roanoke-Benson High School. He is currently serving as Roanoke-Benson Student Council Vice-President, workshop director, and on the Student Teacher Panel. Until this year Keith was involved in Varsity Basketball, Baseball, and Track, Catholic Youth Organization, and the Senate Youth Program. Active as he may be, Keith still finds time for people. He likes people who are punctual, efficient, open-minded, politically oriented, and active.

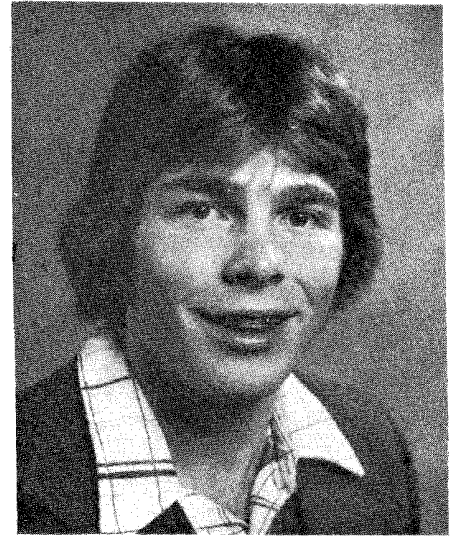
The goal Keith has set for himself this year is to strive to stimulate a new concept of Student Council as a truly important and progressive organization. But a threatening problem facing him is one of an anti-student council feeling in High School students. Keith feels many students are looking beyond student council in regards to controversial issues and curriculum development. In his opinion, one of the most difficult tasks is convincing these students that student councils are indeed effective in these areas.

Keith's conceptions on the role of student government in Illinois is two-fold. Keith feels, "Student governments may be a salient organization in secondary school systems if they become something more than advisory groups. To apply to all members of the school community they must be "agents" for meaningful participation. Student governments must constantly change and revitalize their programs to fit the needs of today's students." He also feels that "Student governments in Illinois must not be hesitant to undertake a project in a new area. They must constantly reach out for different areas of interest. Student Governments must not be afraid to take a stand on an issue affecting the school environment. As an agent for student participation, student councils must constantly create an environment in

which the school community will realize that responsible student involvement can be the most valuable resource available to numerous educators."

In closing, Keith would like to leave student council members a little advice. He hopes members will realize that the full subject of interest must encompass three areas: 1) social, 2) community service, and 3) educational. He feels that to date many student councils are avoiding the latter two, and becoming the social-dance coke-machine council. Remember to be an effective council, all three areas must be a part of your program.

Keith plans to enroll in the University of Illinois and major in pre-law.



His favorite quote is: "I will not follow where the path may lead, but I will go where there is no path, and I will leave a trail."

Our best of luck to Keith and hope that the trail he leaves is a successful one.

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