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## Illinois Rocks the NASC!

**Karla Weber**

**J.D. Darnall H.S.**

When I originally thought of going on the trip, I wasn't sure because of the length of it (ten days). Although now I could definitely say the trip was a great experience and worth missing our county fair and other events.

I was amazed to find that some of us did not know each other before this trip, but it wasn't long before we did. It was almost as if we had been life-long friends.

The pre-conference trip helped everyone get aquatinted and created great memories for everyone. The conference itself was where the real fun and learning began. The conference in one word would be a "BLAST."

At the conference, we learned we have the power to make our dreams reality and succeed in anything we do. It all begins with yourself.

The most amazing thing to me was how close we all got to each other in such a short time. It made me feel as if we were one big family. Thanks to everyone who went for all the fun times and great memories.

**Antwon McGruder**

**Curie H.S.**

The Spirit of a New Frontier is what I learned by attending this year's 59th NASC Conference in Tulsa, OK. From the moment I stepped foot on the bus, to the departure from Illinois, to the moment I stepped foot on the bus on the way back home, I learned a great deal and have memories that will last a lifetime.

When my advisor, Ms. Katrina Sloss, approached me and asked if I wanted to go, I was a little hesitant because the cost was so much. After reading what the trip entailed and had in store for those who attended, my mind was no longer in doubt; I knew I was going.

I had a dream that I was going to visit every state within our country and I would like to thank Mr. Hank Clark and my advisor for starting me on my way to fulfill my dream. I would like to say to all those who have a chance to attend, do not let it pass you up. I learned the Spirit of a New Frontier in Oklahoma and you will learn Rays of Leadership in Florida next year.



**The IASC at Nationals in Tulsa, Ok.**

**"YOU GUYS  
ROCK!" - PASC**  
(Pennsylvania Association of  
Student Councils)

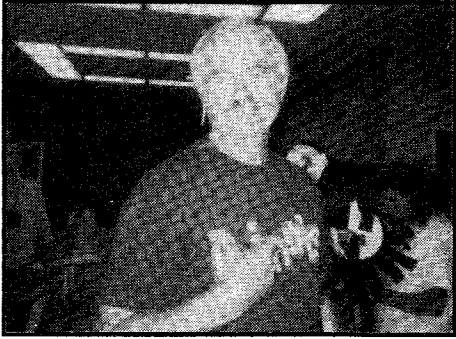
**"It's all good." -  
Katherine Cummins**

**"I didn't want to be  
any other place but  
there." - Brandon April**

**"Your state made  
my trip more fun  
and entertaining!"**  
- Kane Kuchynka (Montana)



# Summer Workshop '95!



**Nichole Bierman**  
**Newton Comm.**  
**H.S.**

Student Council camp at Millikin University, July 24-28, is a week that will remain in my memory for years to come. Not only will I remember the great people I met and the friends I made, but also the fun things that I did as a delegate to learn about leadership and communication. Through "broken squares" and role playing I learned about verbal and non-verbal communication and how it affects our leadership abilities. Besides the learning and working together, there was also the variety show, junior olympics, a banquet and dance, which allowed for a great amount of fun for everyone. I'm really glad that I went to Millikin this summer. Not only do you get taste of college life, staying in a dorm with little sleep a night, and meeting a new roommate, you'll also be encouraged to become a better leader in your school and community; go for it! It's definitely worth your time.



## Can Food Drive- by Manisha Shetty

Clatskanie High School in Oregon has started a project to involve students across the nation in the largest national food drive in history. Clatskanie's Help Hungry kids has already been established throughout Oregon and started as a Region 7 project. This June, at the National Convention in Tulsa, Help Hungry Kids was introduced to the entire nation.

The purpose of the project is to make students aware of the pervasive problem of childhood hunger in America, as well as to give the much needed recognition to students for the positive things they are doing for their community.

The actual process is simple. Clatskanie has challenged each school to raise \$1.00 and 2 cans of food per student, but all food drives are included. Individual schools would keep track of how many cans and how much money they donate, then they would send those results to their state president. I would tally the results for our state, and send them to Clatskanie for national publicity.

If one-third of the schools in the US participate, Clatskanie will have organized and carried out the nation's largest food drive. If you believe, like we do, that young adults can change their world, then "Catch the Dream of Help Hungry Kids" and accept the challenge. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

### Routing Slip

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- Post on council bulletin board

# Memo from Manisha



Hi everyone! Yes, we are finally back into the swing of school. After months of watching *Cosby Show* reruns, we are now completely busy with books, extracurricular activities, and returning to an intellectually stimulating educational environment, you become even more overjoyed as another thought hits you- the beginning of school means nine great months of Student Council! You are so happy you jump up and do an Irish jig, hoping it does not look like the rain dance because you just waxed your car. The thought of Student Council floats through your mind as you lean back and sigh- you have finally found the reason for your existence.

Welcome back to the IASC and Student Council. I am Manisha Shetty, your 1995-96 IASC President, and I am Looking forward to representing you this year. The IASC provides the opportunity for you to keep your Student Council up to date, as well as learn more about yourself and others through leadership training and meeting interesting people. We have many exciting events planned, and we hope that your participation will help to make this year fun and productive for the IASC. If you have any Questions or suggestions for us feel free to contact any of us. We would love to hear from you.

The beginning of the school year is the time for setting goals. We must make sure we look beyond what we have accomplished and reach for opportunities that are new and challenging. Once goals are set, we must work hard to make them a reality. The IASC, with your help, can flourish in 1996.

Good luck with all you do this year, and remember to stay involved.

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## First Vice-President

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Kelly Tsai

I eat Jell-O. I am a 5'1" small, Asian female, a Leo and a horse (according to the Chinese Zodiac.) I worship Manatees and Madonna, and I am addicted to my television. Hello!! I am Kelly Tsai, your 1995-96 IASC First Vice-President. This fall I am senior at William Fremd High School. I have been involved in most school non-athletic activities (National Honor Society, Principal's Advisory Board, Class President, etc.) I also served as the 1994-95 Northeast District Newsletter Editor.

Alas, I am no stranger to hard work and difficult schedules. Good thing, I am already seasoned to handle the rigors of the First Vice-Presidency! Wheee! As First vice, I coordinate the four honor delegate committees (**Credentials, Constitution, Honor Council, Resolutions**) that all serve as grading and/or approval committees at the State Convention. I also lure in all the **Discussion Group Leaders (DGL's)** and **Recorders**, (observers and note-takers on sessions at the State Convention.) Honor Delegates, all Committee members, DGL's, and recorders attend the annual State Convention.

Applications are mailed to each school in September. The completed applications are returned in late October/ early November, and decisions are cast at the December Board meeting. Acceptances and denials are mailed out shortly thereafter.

I hope that I can be the best First Vice that I can be, without strangling or mutilating anyone or anything in the process. Although the IASC is already a glorious and beautiful thing, there is room for improvement like anything else on this planet. I want an IASC that the average student council member can appreciate. I want an IASC that is more accessible to those on the district

and state level. I want an IASC Honor Delegate application that reflects the diversity and ambition of its applicants through more specific individual questions for each committee, DGL, and Recorder. I want an IASC discussion group where you do not need binoculars to see who you are talking to. I want an IASC Cultural Issues or Speaker Showcase session like they had at the National's Conference. And I want an IASC Honor Delegate evaluation form so they can complain about what needs improvement with the State Convention.

Right on my brothers and sisters, help me make this dream come true. So get your Hiny in gear, and start going to District and State functions, and snag your direct ticket to the 1996 State Convention! Feed my mailbox, or ring my bell (1-708-202-0827.) Until we meet again.

## Second Vice-President Jaime Brandel



Well, it was inevitable. the summer has ended, and the school year has begun. I know, I know, you do not want to be reminded about that, but it is time to start thinking about... dum, dum dum dum ... *Student Council*.

As you look down that long road to the year's end, you will hopefully see many exciting events, including homecomings, dances, sports tournaments, charity drives, as well as district and IASC functions. I wish your council the very best of luck; it is the student council activities that make a year fun to some and tolerable to others. Please realize that your council has an amazing affect on the morale and spirit of students. Try your hardest to boost it all year through and I promise everyone will see awesome effects.

The entire state board is working diligently to plan the very best convention ever! Together we have come up with many new ideas for it; I can almost guarantee it will be one of the most up beat and productive



conventions the IASC has held.

My role as Second Vice-President allows me to organize half of the honor delegate program. Be on the alert for information! It is extremely important to make sure everyone in your council has the opportunity to apply. Please think seriously about the positions. Each is very different from the others, some are hard to get and some go unopposed, some require very little effort at the convention, and some ask for all of your time, etc. Find out as much as you can about all of the possibilities. **Please call me for suggestions or for any questions because I want all of the positions to be filled with eager council members who will like and understand what they are doing.**

Set goals for yourself and the council as a group. Work hard through the year to achieve those goals so you can look back with a smile and say "We did it, and what a year it was!"

## Secretary

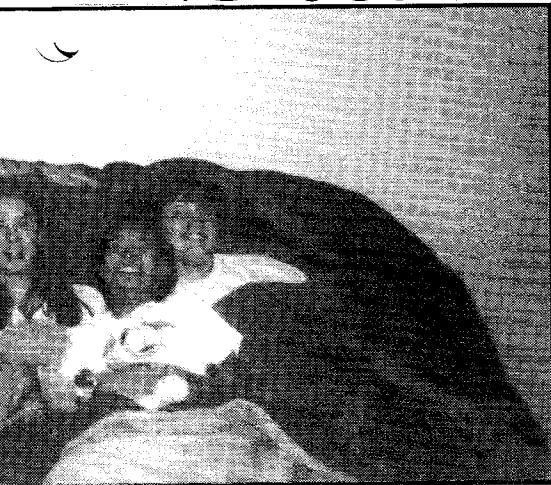
Robin Chidister



The lazy days of summer are over and it is time to get back into Student Council. Greetings from the IASC!! my name is Robin Chidister, and I will serve as this year's IASC Secretary.

This year I will be a senior at Woodstock High School where I am

# State Officers!



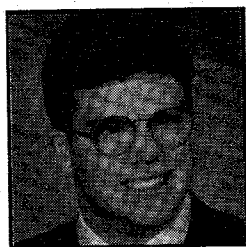
my council's Secretary. As you can tell I **LOVE** to take minutes. I am also involved in many other activities at my school such as National Honor Society, GREEN, and our school's community service organization (Key Club). Even with all of these commitments, I am willing to serve the IASC the best I can.

The IASC is really pumped up about this coming year. The Executive Board got together in August and had a weekend getaway in Chicago to talk about what we wanted to get accomplished this year. We have loads of ideas, but we are also open to more.

My main goal as this year's IASC Secretary is to get as many schools as possible in the Honor Council Program. If your school has never submitted an Honor Council Book, now is the time to start. Working on an Honor Council is a great way to improve your council and earn recognition at this year's State Convention.

I am really looking forward to a great year and meeting a lot of new faces. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions please feel free to call or write me. I wish you all a happy and productive year.

## Treasurer



**Mike  
Abate**

Welcome back to another year

of IASC activities! I hope your summer went well, I am sure it was very busy. I am honored to serve as this year's IASC Treasurer, and have been working very hard, along with the rest of the state board, to keep the IASC in touch with the needs of it's member schools; those students who make this organization possible.

As you may or may not know, the major focus if the IASC treasurer is the upcoming Membership Drive. This year I hope to use new approaches to this time-honored tradition, and show the IASC is willing to reach out to those school who still feel they are not missing out on anything by not joining.

On a personal note, I am looking forward to working with all the people who make up the IASC. I enjoyed meeting everyone at Nationals and Millikin, and hope to see even more faces at the Advanced workshop and State Convention. I want to let you know how important you are to the success of the IASC. I believe that for the IASC to improve, communication between individuals, schools, districts, and the State board is essential. Please feel free to call or write if you know if any schools who are reluctant to join, or if you have any idea that may help the IASC adapt to the changing needs of it's member schools.

Over the past three years, I have come to love the people who make the IASC such a wonderful experience. I would encourage all of you to become involved. Otherwise, you may be missing the opportunity of a lifetime. Good luck in all your Student Council activities, and best wishes for a successful year.

## Convention Secretary



**Linda  
Thompson**

As Convention Secretary for 1995-96, my primary duty is to plan a successful convention for the IASC. I am looking forward to my new position and all the hard work accompanying it. With help from my Co-Secretary,

Courtney Boudreau, my advisor Jack Podowicz, and the Central High School student council, this year's convention will definitely stick out in your mind as a great experience.

I am a senior at Central High School where I am involved in chorus, show choir, math team, and, of course, student council. Central is, well..., how can I put this?..., not one of the largest schools you will ever hear about. We are located in the middle of a cornfield about one mile from the town of Clifton. I am sure you have seen Central if you have traveled north on I57 between Champaign and Chicago. Just look for a big blue "C" sticking out of the corn and you are there. Even though Central does not have quite as many students as most schools, we make up for our lack of population with knowledge and determination. Our home motto, which is proudly displayed in our main, well... only hallway, simply states, "Small is the number, mighty are the deeds." Enough said.

Now that I have told you a little about myself, I hope to learn a little about each and everyone of you involved in the IASC. I plan on having a great senior year in school and on the State board and I want all of you to be a part of it. Always remember to work hard and you will succeed in whatever you attempt to accomplish. Have a great year and keep smiling.

President's article  
on page 3.

## The Reporter

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## Letter From the Editor



Hi! I am Cori Franz, I am a senior at Collinsville High School, and I am the 1995-96 IASC *Reporter* Editor. Yes, I am the lucky person who put this lovely newsletter you are reading together. Is this not great or what? Okay, okay, maybe I am a little bit more excited than you are, but hey, I have been working hard on this just to please you! I hope your happy! Ha ha! Just kidding.

I was lucky enough to meet a lot of you this summer on Nationals and Millikin, but for those of you I have yet to meet I look forward to meeting you. This office has been a lot of fun, but do not think for a second it has been easy. I do look forward to many new ideas, if any of you have any **PLEASE** let me know!!

I am planning new ways to get the *Reporter* into more students hands and I need your help. You may have seen in this something called the "Routing Slip." This is something to make sure everyone has a chance to see the Reporter, so, after you have looked through this issue please check your office off and pass it on to the next person.

Thanks for taking the time to look through this. There will be three other issues coming out this year. Be sure to look for them. As I said earlier, if you have any ideas or even an article be sure to get in touch with me. Your school earns Honor Council points for each article, so please write one for me.

Thanks and I hope to see you soon.

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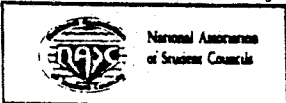
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**Nov. 4, 1995:** Drive-in Workshop #1,  
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**Nov. 18, 1995:** Drive-in Workshop #2,  
Carbondale H.S.

**Dec. 2, 1995:** Drive-in Workshop #3, Oswego  
H.S.

**Dec. 9-10, 1995:** IASC Executive Board  
meeting, El Paso H.S.

**Jan. 20-21, 1996:** Advanced Workshop I,  
Allerton House

**Jan. 27-28, 1996:** Advanced Workshop II,  
Allerton House