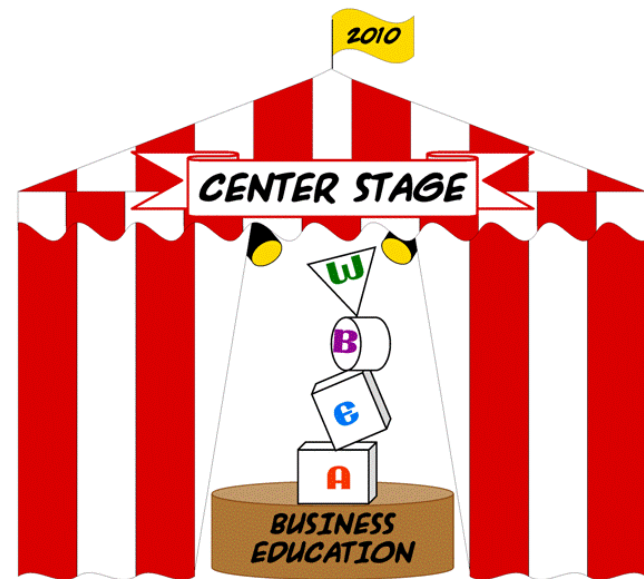


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1951-52	Marsdon Sherman, CA	1980-81	Georgiale Smithpeters, WA
1952-53	Evan Croft, UT	1981-82	G.W. (Jim) Maxwell, CA
1953-54	Eugene Kosy, WA	1982-83	May Oka, OR
1954-55	Edwin Swanson, CA	1983-84	H. Robert Stocker, UT
1955-56	Verner Dotson, WA	1984-85	Lloyd W. Bartholome, UT
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1957-58	Mary Alice Wittenberg, CA	1986-87	Jeanette Bieber-Moses, MT
1958-59	Clisby Edlefsen, ID	1987-88	James Young, AZ
1959-60	Ralph Asmus, AZ	1988-89	Mike Hovey, ID
1960-61	Edith Smith, OR	1989-90	Kathleen Richards, UT
1961-62	Laura Lynn Straub, CA	1990-91	Ross Byrd, WA
1962-63	Frances Brown, WA	1991-92	Jane Thompson, CA
1963-64	Dean Peterson*/ G.W. (Jim) Maxwell), CA	1992-93	Colleen Vawdrey, UT
1964-65	John Lin, CA	1993-94	Sue Trautwein, OR
1965-66	Leonard Carpenter, OR	1994-95	George Borg, WA
1966-67	George Dunn, AZ	1995-96	William (Bill) Neal, HI
1967-68	Robert Rose, ID	1996-97	Billie Herrin, MT
1968-69	Ted Ivarie, UT	1997-98	James Young, AZ
1969-70	Ray Christopherson, WA	1998-99	Roger Rankin, ID
1970-71	Robert Thompson, CA	1999-00	Mary Ann Lammers, OR
1971-72	Ted Stoddard, UT	2000-01	Helen Humbert, WA
1972-73	Howard Jones, OR	2001-02	Pauline Newton, CA
1973-74	John Chrape, HI	2002-03	Alden Talbot, UT
1974-75	Daniel Hertz, MT	2003-04	Nancy Noe, OR
1975-76	James Manos, CA	2004-05	Joseph McFarland, CA
1976-77	Lohnie Boggs, AZ	2005-06	Jean Matsui Hara, HI
1977-78	Mona Noble, ID	2006-07	Julie O'Dell, MT
1978-79	Ed Goodin, NV	2007-08	Kris Sheets, AZ
		2008-09	Angie Neal, ID

*Dean Peterson was elected but did not assume the president's position.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATORS

Junior High			Postsecondary		
1993	Cindi Sorensen	WA	1991	Carol Hinricher	MT
1994	Linda James	UT	1992	Joan Ryan	OR
1995	Colleen Richardson	UT	1993	Janece Connor	WA
1999	Janet Leatham	UT	1994	MaryO Fury	WA
2000	Marie Mortensen	UT	1995	Colleen Vawdrey	UT
2002	Jackie Floetke	WA	1996	Mary Ann Lammers	OR
2005	Tara Haslam	UT	1997	Karen Jolly	OR
			1998	Jean Hara	HI
			1999	Kyle Saunders	UT
			2000	Wayne Franks	OR
High School			2001	Jane Thompson	CA
1991	Kathleen Richards	UT	2002	Carol Jordan	OR
1992	Cynthia Denton	MT	2003	Kay Fujimoto Ono	HI
1993	Rita Figlenski	WA	2004	Patricia Lewis	OR
1994	Marilyn Bennion	UT	2006	Della Kunimune	HI
1995	Linda Montanaro	AZ	2007	Roy Kamida	HI
1996	Valerie Abbott	OR	2008	Michael J. Batali	WA
1997	Arlinda Carlson	MT			
1998	Joyce Johnson	AZ	Collegiate/University		
1999	George Borg	WA	1991	Lloyd Bartholome	UT
2000	Mark Branger	MT	1993	V. Wayne Klemin	WA
2001	Susan Boothe	UT	1994	H. Robert Stocker	UT
2002	Christi Pilcher	MT	1995	Billie Herrin	MT
2003	Joe McFarland	CA	1996	Margaret Beilke	WA
2004	Pauline Newton	CA	1997	Doris Williamson	UT
2005	Teresa Wood	OR	1998	Robert Gryder	AZ
2006	Toni C. Simmons	UT	1999	Alden Talbot	UT
2007	Eileen Wascisin	WA	2000	Pamela Weigand	WA
2008	Jon R. Abel	OR	2001	Ross Byrd	WA
2009	Tacey Keylon	ID	2002	Dennis LaBonty	UT
			2003	Greg Golf	UT
Career and Technical Student Organization Advisor			2004	Colleen Vawdrey	UT
2007	Jean Hyde	WA	2005	Allyson Saunders	UT
2008	Colleen Vawdrey	UT	2006	Joseph Otto	CA
2009	Kathleen O'Brien	ID	2009	Cynthia Olsen Krebs	UT

PRESIDENT'S AWARD John M. Wascisin



There are so many people that I believe have been instrumental in my success; my conference chair and committee chairs, peers, the WBEA and WSBEA executive boards, and all of my friends. When thinking about this award, I examined the criteria to narrow this down to one recipient for this award. The main criterion to consider is to choose a person that has helped the WBEA President the most throughout

his/her professional career. When put into this context there is only one person that this award can be given from me and that is to my husband and main supporter for over 36 years, John M. Wascisin.

John, throughout my professional career, has always been there to lend a helping hand to those in need. He never thinks twice about chaperoning events, helping students, helping with concessions, lifting and moving items in my classrooms, repairing equipment for me and teaching me how to repair various business machines, to helping design my last classroom. He is a gregarious person who is able to talk to anyone. This year he has traveled with me to various state conferences where he always asks, are you sure you have enough stuff, with a laugh?

John, by trade, is a mechanic and truck driver who throughout the years supported me in my profession as a business educator and encouraged me to pursue my leadership roles. He is always there. He is the one I sound off on and he is there to listen and offer objective thoughts and, yes, even well deserved criticism.

It is with my heartfelt gratitude and love that this year's President's Award goes to John M. Wascisin, my supporter and best friend.

WBEA Congratulates John M. Wascisin!

**Presented by: Eileen Wascisin
2009-2010 WBEA President**

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Eric Swenson



Eric Swenson goes above and beyond the call of duty to Business Education. Eric is involved in a number of leadership roles in WBEA, having served for many years as its newsletter editor for his highly praised excellent work on the *Western News Exchange*, recognized for surpassing his goal in recruiting members for NBEA/WBEA, played a major role in planning the WBEA Conference in Missoula, Montana, and served as publicity chair for the 2010 WBEA Conference in Reno, Nevada.

Colleagues Eileen Wascisin, Helen Humbert, and Kay Ono praised Eric as follows: “Not only is Eric’s dedication and service to WBEA outstanding, his service to Business Education is remarkable. He is an accomplished presenter. He has presented several technology-related workshops for various organizations. Currently, he serves as MBEA membership director and newsletter editor, and is the past president and news editor for Montana ACTE. Additionally, he has written several articles for the following newsletters: Montana ACTE, MBEA’s *M-News*, the WBEA’s *Western News Exchange*, and the Business professionals of America *Communiqué*.”

“Eric is the consummate business educator, always creating, designing and implementing curriculum improvements. In his position...Eric’s dedication to business education makes him deserving of this award.”

“WBEA is fortunate to have a leader like Eric Swenson. He is a dedicated business educator who is a mentor to his students.”

Congratulations Eric Swenson!

PREVIOUS WBEA AWARD WINNERS

Distinguished Service

1984	Robert J. Thompson, CA	1997	Ginny Held, OR
1985	May Oka, OR	1998	Dr. Colleen Vawdrey, UT
1986	Dr. H. Robert Stocker, UT	1999	Sue Trautwein, OR
1987	Dr. Lloyd Bartholome, UT	2000	Bernice Collins, CA
1988	Evelyn Schemmel, HI	2001	Mary Ann Lammers, OR
1989	Kathleen Richards, UT	2002	Helen Humbert, WA
1990	Dr. James L. Young, AZ	2003	Pauline Newton, CA
1991	Georgina Seals, OR	2004	Dr. Alden A. Talbot, UT
1992	Jeanette Bieber-Moses, MT	2005	Marty McFarland, CA
1993	George Borg, WA	2006	Rita Figlenski, WA
1994	Dr. V. Wayne Klemin, WA	2007	Kay Fujimoto Ono, HI
1995	Jane Thompson, CA	2008	Joseph B. McFarland, CA
1996	Dr. Ross Byrd, WA		

Robert J. Thompson Membership Achievement Award

(NBEA membership goal reached by June 30 of previous year)

1987	Eileen Aaberge, MT	1998	Arlinda Carlson, MT
1988	Sheila Crosmer, MT	1999	Jill Meyer, WA
1989	Dr. Robert Gryder, AZ	2000	Julie O’Dell, MT
1990	Dee Hartman, ID	2001	Julie O’Dell, MT
1991	Nevada	2002	Denise Carlson, MT
1992	Mary O Fury, WA	2003	Stanley May, HI
1993	Clair Schenk, UT	2004	Eric Swenson, MT
1994	Sue Van Meter, OR	2005	Lue Ann Amburn, NV
1995	Clair Schenk, UT	2006	Jean Matsui Hara, HI
1996	Arlinda Carlson, MT	2007	Eric Swenson, MT
1997	Arlinda Carlson, MT	2008	Michael Haney, NV

S/T/P NEWSLETTER RECOGNITION

WBEA recognizes S/T/Ps for their excellence in publications. This July 1, 2008-June30, 2009, award is designed to encourage contact with every member on a regular basis, promote professional and educational opportunities, and serve as a support network among S/T/P membership. Each year three S/T/Ps are selected from the newsletters submitted.

<u>Newsletter</u>	<u>Editor(s)</u>	<u>S/T/P</u>
<i>M-News</i>	Eric Swenson	Montana Business Education Association
<i>Nevada Business Education Association</i>	Robert Bencivenga	Nevada Business Education Association
<i>WSBEA Educator</i>	Pam Weigand	Washington State Business Education Association



ROBERT J. THOMPSON WBEA MEMBERSHIP AWARD

This is presented to the S/T/P Membership Director who reaches the highest percentage of the NBEA membership goal on June 30 of the previous year.

Roy Davis, Idaho
June 30, 2009



WBEA MEMBERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Eric Swenson, Montana
Kristen Stuart, Nevada

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATOR POSTSECONDARY

Joyce T. Porter



Joyce T. Porter has over 28 years in the Utah secondary schools and 7 years at Weber State University. Joyce has a Bachelor of Science degree from Weber State College, a Master of Education degree from Utah State University, and several software application certifications.

Professor Diana Green, a colleague from Weber State University, praises Joyce, "She is continually learning and applying her knowledge in her classrooms. Joyce has also been chair for the Telecommunications & Business Education (TBE) Department...She coordinates teachers for more than 17 courses per semester...She serves as a liaison for the instructors as well as a mentor."

Joyce is well-liked by her students, goes above and beyond to assist students who have difficulty understanding concepts, and makes herself available during office hours and other times as needed. Joyce is positive and enthusiastic and well-liked by her colleagues.

Another colleague from Weber State University, Department Chair Alden Talbot, states, "Mrs. Joyce Porter is very efficient and effective with her use of time, is energetic, positive, a joy to work with and certainly receives my recommendation to be selected."

Joyce T. Porter is a member of the Utah Business and Computer Education Association, WBEA, and NBEA. She was awarded the UBCEA Distinguished Post Secondary Business Educator for 2009. She has conducted several sessions at the Utah Association for Career and Technical Education Conferences.

In her letter of recommendation, Diana Green summarizes Joyce's professionalism, "She is very professional and represents Business Education professionals with dignity and integrity."

Congratulations Joyce T. Porter!

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATOR HIGH SCHOOL

Eric Swenson



Eric Swenson has taught at Denton High School in Montana since 1997. As the only business educator, Eric is constantly developing and modifying curriculum for his students. He teaches a wide variety of courses in order to prepare his students for the workforce and continued education. Eric also teaches software applications through Adult Education.

Eric serves as advisor for the Denton chapter of Business Professionals of America (BPA), is co-advisor for the Class of 2012, and is co-webmaster of the Denton School web site. Every year, through his tutelage, Eric's BPA students consistently qualify for the coveted Ambassador Torch Award, no small feat considering the emphasis on many activities and being one of the smallest schools in the country.

Eric contributes to business education by keeping up with the latest trends. He completed the Family Economics and Financial Education Project financial literacy training at Montana State University to gain the skills to teach "Take Charge of Your Finances," a semester-long family economics and finance course.

Colleagues Kathie O'Brien and Bill Phillips describe why Eric deserves the award: "Eric has been involved at a variety of levels in a multitude of professional organizations including the Association for Career and Technical Education, MACTE, NBEA, WBEA, MBEA, DPE, and BPA. When Eric is involved in an organization, he isn't satisfied with simply paying his membership fee and showing up on the membership list. He consistently serves each organization at a high level and gives of his time and energy."

"I am confident our students are leaving with a strong foundation in business and technology and will be successful in the next phase of their lives. I attribute much of their success to Eric Swenson."

Congratulations Eric Swenson!

OUTSTANDING CAREER & TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISOR

Alden A. Talbot



Alden Talbot has over 30 years of teaching experience and holds a Ph.D. in Education, M.S. and B.S. degrees in Business Education, and an A.S. degree with an Executive Secretarial major. His teaching experiences range from high school through university; he has been teaching at Weber State University in Ogden, Utah, since 1975.

Dr. Talbot has been very active in the Utah Business and Computer Education Association (served as president in 1997), WBEA (served as its president 2002-2003, and is chair of the Robert J. Thompson Student Scholarship), and UVA boards and has contributed greatly to the success of those organizations.

Alden Talbot has been the Weber State University Phi Beta Lambda advisor for over 30 years and has helped hundreds of students find great success in the organization as well as in the classroom. He has had numerous state officers and at least one national officer from his chapter of PBL. Since 1979, at least two Weber State Chapter students have placed in the top ten at the National Leadership Conferences.

Colleagues Nanette Anderson, Allyson Saunders, and Colleen Vawdrey expressed the reasons Al Talbot is deserving of this award: "The Weber State Chapter is one of our most active PBL chapters in Utah, always competing strongly for our Traveling Trophy at the Utah State Conference. Weber often wins."

"Dr. Talbot has the respect and admiration of students, faculty, and peers."

"Al is conscientious and dedicated both to business education and to students...Dr. Talbot is the epitome of a professional business educator and lifelong advisor!"

Congratulations Al Talbot!