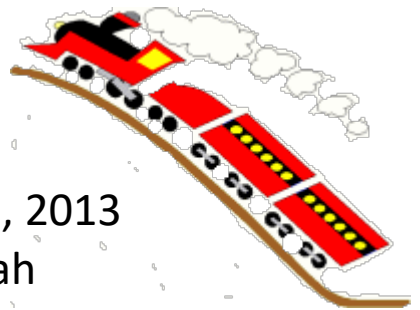




2012-2013 AWARD RECIPIENTS



February 15-17, 2013
Ogden, Utah

2013 WBEA Conference

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

W. Neil Gailey



One of the most difficult and rewarding tasks during my term as WBEA President has been to select this year's recipient of the WBEA President's Award. As I looked back upon the past two decades that have led up to this point, I can point to many individuals who contributed my individual growth and to business education. The faculty in the Business Education and Computer Information Systems program at Southern Utah University, who would later become colleagues and dear friends, demonstrated the values of professionalism, compassion, concern, and a love for teaching that I carry with me today.

I can vividly recall the winter day when as a not-so-young student I first thought of teaching as a profession. We had a new guy teaching our database class. He'd just graduated from the Business Information Systems and Education program at Utah State University and joined the faculty at SUU as a mid-year replacement. As students, we weren't expecting much, but he applied his twenty plus years of business experience to help create real-life, meaningful examples and drew parallels to what we were learning in class and the outside world. Although I doubt he would admit to it, I suspect that he was a little nervous those first few terms. As I neared graduation, it was his encouragement that led me to enroll in the Master's program at Utah State. He took a vested interest in my education, just as he does with every one of his students.

While at Southern Utah University, he served on numerous committees and as Faculty Senate President. When I had the opportunity to join the faculty at SUU, he served as my mentor and colleague. When the ocean breeze called, he joined the faculty at Long Beach City College where he has now taught for the past 12 years. At LBCC he is well-respected by the faculty, staff, and students and led efforts to revise the curriculum and programs to ensure that the students are developing the skills necessary for them to succeed.

For me, he has become a close friend and constant supporter. I value his opinion and admire his encyclopedic knowledge of all things. One word of advice, when asked to play "Name That Tune" – Broadway edition, "Dictionary Pronunciation", or "Tony Award Winners from" – simply smile and politely decline or face certain defeat.

In appreciation of exemplary support and dedication and providing high standards of leadership in business education, it is my great honor to present Mr. W. Neil Gailey with the WBEA President's Award.

Presented by Greg Colf, 2012-2013 WBEA President

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Kris Sheets



Kris Sheets has been an advocate for business education for over 40 years, serving as an instructor, advisor, and leader. His professional involvement in WBEA is varied, on committees, the Executive Board, and most notably WBEA President in 2007-08. Even in retirement, he continues to be actively involved and has served on the NBEA Executive Board.

Kris was a dedicated high school teacher for decades, mentoring students in a variety of business courses and serving as department chair at two different high schools. He developed and implemented curriculum to include diverse student populations such as ESL and Special Needs. He has also advised both FBLA and DECA chapters over the years and planned conferences at the State and Regional levels.

His dedication to business education has crossed all levels of the education spectrum. Kris has taught as an adjunct faculty member on the community college level and served several terms on the Elementary School Board. He was presented with a “Dedicated Years of Service” Award at the 2011 Arizona State Spring Conference.

One of his high school colleagues indicated that Kris “was a fair and strong advocate for the teachers in the Business Department and a leader to be admired. Kris encouraged and supported his CTE teachers to be involved in CTSOs, and he recruited me into WBEA.”

Barbara Renner, who nominated Kris, indicates “his strength is as a leader, and he has brought this strength to each organization.”

Congratulations Kris Sheets!

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATOR POSTSECONDARY

Roietta Fulgham



Roietta Fulgham has been teaching business subjects at the postsecondary level since 1971. At that time she joined WBEA and has been an active member ever since. During that time, she has taught thousands of students.

She continues to utilize technology to enhance teaching and learning within the classroom. Roietta has developed individualized/self-paced keyboarding curriculum and has served as

Work-Based Learning Trainer and Instructional Skills Facilitator for educators.

Roietta has been actively involved in the California Business Education Association, serving as northern section president, state treasurer, and State President. In addition, she has conducted leadership training sessions and served on numerous committees.

Barbara Blanchard, former department chair, indicates, “Roietta was a true leader not only within her department, but also with her involvement on a college-wide level. There were many weekends when Roietta would bring a youth group on campus and give them a tour of the facilities to help them see college as an option for their future.”

Billie Miller, another colleague, notes that Roietta is “decisive, self-disciplined, and respectful of herself and others—a respect returned by both her students and colleagues.”

Pauline Newton, another professional colleague, indicates, “Roietta is very good with people. She seems to know exactly how to handle conflicts and come out of situations with glowing colors.”

Congratulations Roietta Fulgham!

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATOR HIGH SCHOOL

Christine M. Liebelt-Garcia



Christine M. Liebelt-Garcia has been a business education teacher since 1996. During that time, she has taught a variety of courses in the curriculum. After completing her master's degree, she continues to take classes to keep up with changing curriculum and help her meet the needs of a diverse student population.

In addition to her classroom activities, Chris has been an FBLA advisor for the last 19 years and has served on the State Board of Directors for the last 3 years. She has been active in her state association, serving on the board for more than a decade and president in 2008-09. She

has also been actively involved in the planning committees for the two WBEA conferences held in her state.

Her department chair indicates, "Chris is well prepared, enthusiastic, and sensitive. She gets along well with the students and staff and is a positive role model for all. In turn, Chris is well respected by students for her caring nature and staff for her professionalism."

Christine's principal writes, "She is a highly effective teacher who also excels in providing opportunities for her students to intern and shadow with professionals in the industry."

Another colleague is impressed with her project-based strategies. She writes, "These projects include a taste test activity for marketing, a job fair for human resources, creation of business plans for entrepreneurship, and a shark tank activity for venture capitalism."

Congratulations Christine M. Liebelt-Garcia!

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATOR JUNIOR HIGH

Julie G. Thorngren



Julie G. Thorngren has been a business educator for the past 14 years on various levels and currently teaches junior high school students. In addition, she is currently pursuing a master's degree.

As if those two activities are not enough, Julie is also involved in training teachers in her district about new technology and software. She also teaches courses for the State Office on how to teach keyboarding to students.

Interestingly, she was Utah's Teacher of the Year for Agriculture in the Classroom and went to the national level. She was selected because her message to all teachers has been that agricultural content is easy to integrate into core standards and is meaningful to students when presented as the source of their food, clothing, and shelter.

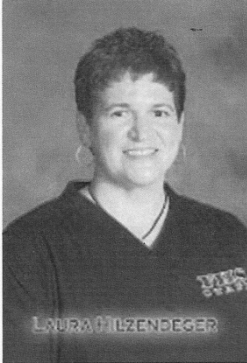
Debra Spielmaker, Director of Agriculture in the Classroom at Utah State University, indicates "Julie is the type of teacher who is always looking for the practical applications of the skills she is imparting to her students. She has used creative approaches to accommodate student learning styles and has demonstrated her commitment to excellence while meeting educational standards."

Her principal indicates Julie has a genuine concern for all those she comes in contact with. "Julie is able to work with our lowest achievers and motivate them while having the knowledge to work with our most advanced students and help them reach their potential. She elevates those around her with her example."

Congratulations Julie G. Thorngren!

OUTSTANDING CAREER & TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISOR

Laura Hilzendeger



Laura Hilzendeger has been the FBLA Advisor in her high school for the last 12 years. During that time, her chapter has grown to 70 members with numerous students placing in regional, state, and national competitions. She has also had 10 state officers, some of whom have served more than one term, and proudly supports the current Washington State FBLA President.

Laura teaches a variety of business subjects in her high school along with her activities as advisor. She takes students on field trips and never runs out of energy when mentoring her students. She organizes study sessions after school and on the weekends with mock interviews, speeches, and tests to make sure individual students are successful in competition.

Laura's principal indicates she is a "dynamic, positive influence on our school culture, be it through the classroom or extracurricular activities."

Marlyne Johnson, CTE Director for her district, writes, "One of the most important qualities that Laura demonstrates as an educator and an advisor is the encouragement and motivation she gives to students who may not see themselves as leaders. She takes time to work with students individually and guides them to participate in ways they never thought possible, and with great success!"

One of her colleagues indicates that some students even call her "Mom" showing the respect and love they have for her.

Congratulations Laura Hilzendeger!

PREVIOUS WBEA AWARD WINNERS

Distinguished Service

1984	Robert J. Thompson, CA	1998	Dr. Colleen Vawdrey, UT
1985	May Oka, OR	1999	Sue Trautwein, OR
1986	Dr. H. Robert Stocker, UT	2000	Bernice Collins, CA
1987	Dr. Lloyd Bartholome, UT	2001	Mary Ann Lammers, OR
1988	Evelyn Schemmel, HI	2002	Helen Humbert, WA
1989	Kathleen Richards, UT	2003	Pauline Newton, CA
1990	Dr. James L. Young, AZ	2004	Dr. Alden A. Talbot, UT
1991	Georgina Seals, OR	2005	Marty McFarland, CA
1992	Jeanette Bieber-Moses, MT	2006	Rita Figlenski, WA
1993	George Borg, WA	2007	Kay Fujimoto Ono, HI
1994	Dr. V. Wayne Klemin, WA	2008	Joseph B. McFarland, CA
1995	Jane Thompson, CA	2010	Eric Swenson, MT
1996	Dr. Ross Byrd, WA	2011	Jean Matsui Hara
1997	Ginny Held, OR		

Robert J. Thompson

Membership Achievement Award

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

1987	Eileen Aaberge, MT	2000	Julie O'Dell, MT
1988	Sheila Crosmer, MT	2001	Julie O'Dell, MT
1989	Dr. Robert Gryder, AZ	2002	Denise Carlson, MT
1990	Dee Hartman, ID	2003	Stanley May, HI
1991	Nevada	2004	Eric Swenson, MT
1992	Mary O Fury, WA	2005	Lue Ann Amburn, NV
1993	Clair Schenk, UT	2006	Jean Matsui Hara, HI
1994	Sue Van Meter, OR	2007	Eric Swenson, MT
1995	Clair Schenk, UT	2008	Michael Haney, NV
1996	Arlinda Carlson, MT	2009	Roy Davis, ID
1997	Arlinda Carlson, MT	2010	Eric Swenson, MT
1998	Arlinda Carlson, MT	2011	Linda Cotton, MT
1999	Jill Meyer, WA		

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATORS

Junior High

1993	Cindi Sorensen	WA
1994	Linda James	UT
1995	Colleen Richardson	UT
1999	Janet Leatham	UT
2000	Marie Mortensen	UT
2002	Jackie Floetke	WA
2005	Tara Haslam	UT

High School

1991	Kathleen Richards	UT
1992	Cynthia Denton	MT
1993	Rita Figlenski	WA
1994	Marilyn Bennion	UT
1995	Linda Montanaro	AZ
1996	Valerie Abbott	OR
1997	Arlinda Carlson	MT
1998	Joyce Johnson	AZ
1999	George Borg	WA
2000	Mark Branger	MT
2001	Susan Boothe	UT
2002	Christi Pilcher	MT
2003	Joe McFarland	CA
2004	Pauline Newton	CA
2005	Teresa Wood	OR
2006	Toni C. Simmons	UT
2007	Eileen Wascisin	WA
2008	Jon R. Abel	OR
2009	Tacey Keylon	ID
2010	Eric Swenson	MT
2011	Ken Kuhn	BC
2012	Kimberly Gregory	WA

Career and Technical Student

Organization Advisor

2007	Jean Hyde	WA
2008	Colleen Vawdrey	UT
2009	Kathleen O'Brien	ID
2010	Alden A. Talbot	UT
2011	Marjorie Carlile	UT
2012	Lucille Brizzee	UT

Postsecondary

1991	Carol Hinricher	MT
1992	Joan Ryan	OR
1993	Janece Connor	WA
1994	MaryO Fury	WA
1995	Colleen Vawdrey	UT
1996	Mary Ann Lammers	OR
1997	Karen Jolly	OR
1998	Jean Hara	HI
1999	Kyle Saunders	UT
2000	Wayne Franks	OR
2001	Jane Thompson	CA
2002	Carol Jordan	OR
2003	Kay Fujimoto Ono	HI
2004	Patricia Lewis	OR
2006	Della Kunimune	HI
2007	Roy Kamida	HI
2008	Michael J. Batali	WA
2010	Joyce T. Porter	UT
2011	Twila Lehman	OR
2012	Lance Wrzesinski	WA

Collegiate/University

1991	Lloyd Bartholome	UT
1993	V. Wayne Klemin	WA
1994	H. Robert Stocker	UT
1995	Billie Herrin	MT
1996	Margaret Beilke	WA
1997	Doris Williamson	UT
1998	Robert Gryder	AZ
1999	Alden Talbot	UT
2000	Pamela Weigand	WA
2001	Ross Byrd	WA
2002	Dennis LaBonty	UT
2003	Greg Colf	UT
2004	Colleen Vawdrey	UT
2005	Allyson Saunders	UT
2006	Joseph Otto	CA
2009	Cynthia Olsen Krebs	UT
2011	Dennis Garner	UT
2012	Diana J. Green	UT



ROBERT J. THOMPSON

WBEA MEMBERSHIP AWARD

This award 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.

Linda Cotton, Montana

June 30, 2012



S/T/P NEWSLETTER RECOGNITION

WBEA recognizes S/T/Ps for their excellence in publications. This July 1, 2011-June 30, 2012, 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>CBEA Bulletin</i>	Stacy Leitner	California Business Education Association
<i>HBEA</i>	Cheryl Fujii	Hawai'i Business Education Association
<i>NVBEA Bulletin</i>	Alan Watts	Nevada Business Education Association

WESTERN BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION PAST PRESIDENTS

1950-51	Theodore Yerian, OR	1981-82	G.W. (Jim) Maxwell, CA
1951-52	Marsdon Sherman, CA	1982-83	May Oka, OR
1952-53	Evan Croft, UT	1983-84	H. Robert Stocker, UT
1953-54	Eugene Kosy, WA	1984-85	Lloyd W. Bartholome, UT
1954-55	Edwin Swanson, CA	1985-86	Evelyn Schemmel, HI
1955-56	Verner Dotson, WA	1986-87	Jeanette Bieber-Moses, MT
1956-57	Jessie Black, UT	1987-88	James Young, AZ
1957-58	Mary Alice Wittenberg, CA	1988-89	Mike Hovey, ID
1958-59	Clisby Edlefsen, ID	1989-90	Kathleen Richards, UT
1959-60	Ralph Asmus, AZ	1990-91	Ross Byrd, WA
1960-61	Edith Smith, OR	1991-92	Jane Thompson, CA
1961-62	Laura Lynn Straub, CA	1992-93	Colleen Vawdrey, UT
1962-63	Frances Brown, WA	1993-94	Sue Trautwein, OR
1963-64	Dean Peterson*/ G.W. (Jim) Maxwell), CA	1994-95	George Borg, WA
1964-65	John Lin, CA	1995-96	William (Bill) Neal, HI
1965-66	Leonard Carpenter, OR	1996-97	Billie Herrin, MT
1966-67	George Dunn, AZ	1997-98	James Young, AZ
1967-68	Robert Rose, ID	1998-99	Roger Rankin, ID
1968-69	Ted Ivarie, UT	1999-00	Mary Ann Lammers, OR
1969-70	Ray Christopherson, WA	2000-01	Helen Humbert, WA
1970-71	Robert Thompson, CA	2001-02	Pauline Newton, CA
1971-72	Ted Stoddard, UT	2002-03	Alden Talbot, UT
1972-73	Howard Jones, OR	2003-04	Nancy Noe, OR
1973-74	John Chrape, HI	2004-05	Joseph McFarland, CA
1974-75	Daniel Hertz, MT	2005-06	Jean Matsui Hara, HI
1975-76	James Manos, CA	2006-07	Julie O'Dell, MT
1976-77	Lohnie Boggs, AZ	2007-08	Kris Sheets, AZ
1977-78	Mona Noble, ID	2008-09	Angie Neal, ID
1978-79	Ed Goodin, NV	2009-10	Eileen Wascisin, WA
1979-80	Kenneth McDonald, WA	2010-11	Jackie Floetke, WA
1980-81	Georgiale Smithpeters, WA	2011-12	Roietta Fulgham

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

WBEA 2012-2013 Executive Board

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Kim Bartel, Secretary

Roietta Fulgham, Past President

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Tish Rutter, Alberta, President

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