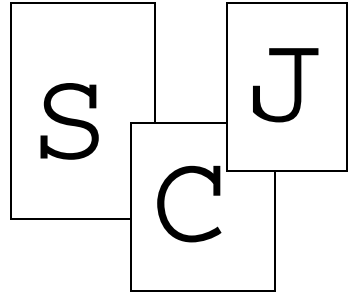


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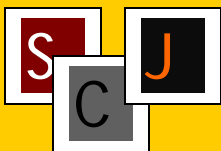
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SCJ member Ben Giles consults National Council officers.

Last March we had a convivial and successful Biennial Convention at Barton College in Wilson, N.C. Our next is in the works for the spring of 2010 at North Carolina State University in Raleigh. And we're hoping to see SCJers at the upcoming CMA/ACP National College Media Convention in Kansas City (details below).

Meanwhile, the big celebratory news is that SCJ will soon be 100 years old!

As your National Constitution and Handbook records, we were founded by our progenitors in Pi Delta Epsilon at Syracuse University on Dec. 6, 1909, making next year our centennial. We have a long history of service to those who would serve journalism. We offer encouragement and recognition to young men and women embarking upon a calling that has continued to make a crucial difference through many social and technological changes over the decades.

We're proud of you and of SCJ.

MEET WITH US AT THE ACP/CMA CONVENTION

The 87th Annual ACP/CMA National College Media Convention is coming up Oct. 29 - Nov. 4 at the K.C. Marriott Downtown in Kansas City. There will be the usual spate of workshops, speakers, critiques and general sharing and networking with student journalist peers and professionals. If you can make it, please note the SCJ National Council Meeting – visitors welcome! – takes place Friday, Oct. 31, at 8 a.m. in the Burgundy Room in the Muehlebach Tower wing on the Trianon Level; at 9 a.m. in the same room we will be greeting and recruiting. Join us.

Serve with Us, Stay with Us



SCJ photo editors Meghan See and Eric Zitz collaborate at deadline.

Advisers matter.

The backbone of SCJ is the chapter adviser, who makes sure inductions take place in a timely fashion, who sustains the efforts of the membership and helps facilitate chapter endeavors. The adviser provides the example and support for the rewards of this work.

Advisers, please copy and distribute our newsletters to your chapter members. Let us know of your achievements. Send us news and photos of your members in action.

And recruit, both at your institution and at others for the establishment of new chapters.

Don't forget colleges and universities that have an SCJ chapter and wish to host a **College Media Day** conference that focuses on student media issues are eligible for a \$250 stipend.

In order to qualify for the stipend, the chapter must complete a form which can be obtained from the National Office or downloaded from our website at www.scj.us.

INDUCT NEW MEMBERS

To remain an active chapter in the Society for Collegiate journalists, you need to induct new members annually and elect officers to conduct your business. You must be active to participate in the SCJ yearly contest. Remember that individual recognition can only be awarded to inducted members.

If your chapter has not inducted members in the last three years, you are inactive; to reinstate your chapter, send us a \$15 reinstatement fee and induct at least four new members as chapter officers.

