

HSPA offers incentive to sell ads

Hoosier State Press Association is asking member newspapers to encourage their advertising staff to sell the ICAN Plus program to local advertisers.

HSPA will pay up to \$50 per ad to individuals who sell 2x2 or 2x4 ICAN Plus ads through Dec. 31.

The program — dubbed Holiday Bonus Bucks — is a winner for the advertiser, Indiana newspapers, their advertising staffs and HSPA.

Advertisers benefit from the exposure to 1.5 million readers with their ad placed in more than 90 participating newspapers.

The cost is only \$900 for a 2x2 ad and \$1,800 for a 2x4 ad.

Employees who sell the ads will receive extra cash for holiday spending directly from Hoosier State Press Association. There is no cost to the newspaper.

The newspaper benefits because it keeps 15 percent of the ad cost, and if the newspaper is one of the 90-plus Indiana papers that run ICAN Plus ads it will also see a greater payout from the portion of revenue HSPA pays back to its ICAN Plus newspapers. The more ads sold, the more money that

See ADS, Page 3

Add revenue with ICAN ads

Visit www.hspa.com and click on Advertising Services for an ICAN advertising insertion order form and deadline details.

ICAN Plus offers all-around benefits for:

Your advertisers.

Each ICAN Plus ad reaches 1.5 million readers of more than 90 Indiana newspapers. It's a deal at only \$900 for a 2x2 or \$1,800 for a 2x4.

Your staff.

HSPA will pay your sales reps \$25 for each ICAN Plus 2x2 and \$50 for each 2x4 they sell through Dec. 31, 2010.

Your HSPA.

An association is only as good as its member participation. ICAN Plus ads support HSPA's mission to empower and promote newspapers.

Your bottom line.

15 percent of each ICAN Plus ad and a portion of the annual sales pool boost the revenue of participating newspapers.

Newspaper produces weekly Web show

With a staff of two and a budget of zero, the Churubusco newspaper is changing the way its small community gets its high school football fix.

The paper produces a weekly Web show featuring game highlights, interviews with coach Lee Etzler and forecasts for the next match-up. An editor also posts video sideline reports via Twitter.

The *Churubusco News* project is a way to appeal to local football fans while driving interest in its website and newspaper — and ideally bringing in advertising revenue through commercials, said editor David A. Crabill, the show's producer and videographer.

The weekly paper north-



The *Churubusco News* produces a weekly high school football Web show and airs sideline reports from games using handheld cameras.

west of Fort Wayne debuted "The Lee Etzler Show" on YouTube at the start of football season and has seen

viewership — and hits on its website — steadily grow, Crabill said. A recent show had more than 200 views.

"It's been getting a ton of response," he said. "People are e-mailing us; people are talking about it a lot."

Fans watch the show during its 7:30 p.m. Thursday time slot and after its initial airing.

"A lot of them are waiting by their computer at 7:30 Thursday night," said Don Hiatt, *Churubusco News* sports reporter and the show's anchor.

Work on each 15-minute episode begins almost a week before it's posted online.

Crabill films game footage and sideline interviews each Friday. Then he writes a script with cue cards ahead of taping the show, usually on Mondays.

Finally comes about 20 hours of video editing.

See WEB, Page 2

Thousands enter News Readers contest

The News Readers Are Winners contest closed its entry phase Nov. 6 with 3,690 responses.

The contest is the second stage of HSPA's marketing campaign to draw attention to the vitality of the Indiana newspaper industry.

The winning readers of newspapers, whether in print or electronic format, will be announced the week of Nov. 14 in par-



ticipating newspapers with full-page ads and web ads.

Readers visited an HSPA website and answered one-question quizzes about Indiana and famous Hoosiers to be in the running

for prizes.

Contestants were also asked to identify their HSPA member newspaper.

The contest allowed HSPA-member newspapers to incorporate the Internet and mobile and social networking tools to reach out to readers who may not receive a print copy of their community's newspaper.

Grand prize in the News Readers Are Winners con-

test is an NFL game package consisting of four tickets to the Indianapolis Colts-Dallas Cowboys match-up Dec. 5. A \$150 gift certificate to Weber Grill restaurant is included.

Second prize is a winter getaway weekend in Tampa-St. Petersburg, Fla. The prize includes airfare, three days/two nights at a

See READERS, Page 3

HSPA Foundation updates

We want your opinion to better serve you

Last month HSPA Foundation e-mailed publishers, editors and advertising directors a survey seeking input on webinars.

If you have not completed it, please take a moment to visit www.hspafoundation.org and click on 2010 Webinar Survey under Notices.

The survey is simple and takes two minutes at the most.

We'd like to know:

Has your staff ever participated in a webinar?

If yes, was there a cost to participate?

Would you like to receive e-mail notification of upcoming webinars sponsored by other press organizations?

If HSPA Foundation offered webinars, what topic(s) would be your top priority?

Would you be willing to pay for a webinar (assuming the topic is of interest?)

If yes, what is the maximum you would pay?

Please let us know what you think.

Register now for Newsroom Seminar

The deadline to register for the Newsroom Seminar and Better Newspaper Contest awards luncheon is Nov. 24.

Cost for the Dec. 4 event is \$70.

Each registration includes \$28 for the awards luncheon, a fundraiser for HSPA Foundation, and a copy of the awards tabloid.

Speakers for the seminar include writers, multimedia gurus and legal experts.

To download a brochure with a registration form, visit www.hspafoundation.org. Click on Conferences and Events and then 44th Annual Newsroom Seminar.

For more information, call HSPA at (317) 803-4772.

2010-2011 Calendar

Dec. 3	Newsroom Seminar and Better Newspaper Contest, Indiana Convention Center, Indianapolis
Jan. 29	APME/HSPA Foundation Job Fair, IUPUI campus, Indianapolis
Feb. 2-3	HSPA/HSPA Foundation annual meetings, Indianapolis Marriott

HSPA Board of Directors

HSPA Officers

President: Don Hurd, Kankakee Valley Publishing
 Vice President: Tim Timmons, *The Paper of Montgomery County* (Crawfordsville), *The Times* (Noblesville)
 Secretary: Greg Morris, IBJ Corporation
 Treasurer: Jim Kroemer, *Goshen News*

HSPA Board Members

Dailies

Randy List, Rust Communications
 Jack D. Pate, *Evansville Courier & Press*
 Robyn McCloskey, *Pharos-Tribune* (Logansport), *Kokomo Tribune*
 Tina West, *The Courier-Times* (New Castle)

Nondailies

Robert Allman, All Printing & Publishing Inc.
 John Haley, *Pulaski County Journal* (Winamac)
 Jon O'Bannon, *The Corydon Democrat*
 Kathy Tretter, Dubois-Spencer Co. Publishing Co. Inc.

HSPA Foundation Board of Directors

HSPA Foundation Officers

President: Mayer Maloney, Hoosier Times Inc.
 Vice President: Henry Bird, *The Herald Bulletin* (Anderson)
 Secretary: John Rumbach, *The Herald* (Jasper)
 Treasurer: Jeff Rogers, Home News Enterprises

HSPA Foundation Board of Directors

Linda Chandler, Ripley Publishing
 Curt Jacobs, *The Madison Courier*
 Barbara King, *North Vernon Plain Dealer & Sun*
 Pat Lanman, Vevay Newspapers Inc.
 Kevin Lashbrook, Landmark Community Newspapers

HSPA staff

Stephen Key, executive director and general counsel
 skey@hspa.com • (317) 624-4427

Karen T. Braeckel, HSPA Foundation director
 kbraeckel@hspa.com • (317) 624-4426

Yvonne Yeadon, office manager
 yyeaddon@hspa.com • (317) 624-4433

Pamela Wells-Lego, MAP advertising director
 plego@hspa.com • (812) 350-7711

Shawn Goldsby, ICAN and ICAN Plus coordinator
 sgoldsby@hspa.com • (317) 803-4772

Milissa Tuley, communications specialist
 mtuley@hspa.com • (317) 624-4430

Publishing matriarch dies at 77

Sarah Jane "Sally" Organ Pierce Geitz, who served for many years as publisher of the *Sullivan Daily Times*, died unexpectedly Oct. 20 at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis.



Sarah Pierce Geitz

She was 77.

Her history with the *Times* began almost 40 years ago.

Rex and Sally Pierce bought the newspaper in 1971 from Eleanor Jamison, the sister of Nelson Poynter.

Sally had been a friend of the Jamison/Poynter family all her life and recalled working at the *Times* during the Christmas holiday as a teenager, mostly inserting

advertising circulars in a dirty pressroom.

When Rex unexpectedly died in 1981, Sally, a school teacher by trade, was pushed into the role of reluctant publisher.

She did a good job keeping the paper running until her daughter, Nancy Gettinger, graduated from the Indiana University School of Journalism and came home to help her mom in the day-to-day operations of the newspaper.

Throughout the years, Sally Pierce Geitz remained the *Times'* biggest cheerleader.

She offered advice when asked, was always kind with wayward customers and helped Nancy and her husband, Tom, raise their family while they published

the daily newspaper.

Geitz was born Aug. 2, 1933, in Alton, Ill.

The 1951 graduate of Sullivan High School earned her education degree from DePauw University. She taught school in Euclid, Ohio, and Huntington.

She married Rex E. Pierce on Oct. 12, 1956. Together they ran Pierce Oil Co. and the *Sullivan Daily Times*. She also owned a dress shop called The Wardrobe.

After Rex's death in 1981, she married Henry P. "Hank" Geitz in 1983.

She was a member of Pi Beta Phi at DePauw, the local Tri Kappa sorority and First Presbyterian Church. She served as a volunteer at Sullivan Elementary School.

Web

Continued from Page 1

"I'm up all night Wednesday night to get it done for Thursday publication," Crabill said.

He's been able to keep production costs to almost zero by recording footage and voiceovers on his iPhone and small handheld cameras he already had. A couple of pieces of software have been the show's only expenses.

"We're just doing super-kamikaze videos at this point," Crabill said. "I'm tickled because we're getting it all done with very little investment."

Publisher Bob Allman said "The Lee Etzler Show" is likely the only weekly Web show produced by a newspaper in the state.

"I think it's one of a kind," he said. "The community really looks forward it."

Crabill and two assistants use three cameras to shoot football games, and he uses the same three-camera setup in the studio to record interviews with Hiatt at the anchor desk.

The new roles took a little getting used to for Hiatt, who had never worked with video

before, but came naturally to Crabill. He spent years in the music-recording and television fields in Fort Wayne before starting in advertising at the *Churubusco News* eight years ago.

Crabill has been videoing on the sidelines at Churubusco High School football games almost that long. He has wanted to do more with the video besides supply footage for highlight reels but didn't have an avenue until "The Lee Etzler Show" came together.

The first season of the show is still going strong — Churubusco High School won a sectional championship Friday — but Crabill is making plans for the future of the paper's video ventures and how advertising can play a role in them.

After football season, he'll analyze what worked and what didn't to improve "The Lee Etzler Show," he said.

He hopes an enhanced product brings in advertisers eager to run commercials.

Each episode of the show this season has featured a United Way commercial that runs for free, but eight paid spots per episode would be ideal, he said.

Crabill plans to develop a

Web video business plan and rate sheet in time for next season's show.

"That's the goal: to make money and make it profitable for everyone involved," he said.

Also on the staff's to-do list is developing other video projects.

A basketball show isn't in the lineup for this year, but it's a possibility in the future along with other high school sports, Hiatt said.

Crabill is in the early stages of working with a Churubusco News food columnist to develop a cooking show.

"I'm excited about the future of this," Crabill said. "The football thing isn't going to be the only video production."

For now the 2,500 paid circulation paper is enjoying increased traffic on its website, www.busconews.com, where readers can click on a link to "The Lee Etzler Show."

The positive response online and in the community has been tremendous, Allman said.

"It took off slow, and all the sudden it's just exploded," he said. "My neighbor came over and knocked on my door and said, 'That's terrific.'"

Member notices

Employees sought

Communications consultant/editor/writer — Purdue University seeks an individual to serve as liaison between designated areas within Purdue Agriculture and Agricultural Communication. The person will assist clients in achieving their communication goals in educational outreach, research, recruitment, promotion and identity/positioning efforts; consult with clients to determine

communications needs and strategies; conceptualize new communication pieces; and, as necessary, revamp existing materials. The individual will operate as a team coordinator, marketing consultant, project manager and editor/writer for projects. The job also requires managing the planning, scheduling, creation and production of electronic and printed materials. The position is less than 40 hours a week with benefits. Apply at www.purdue.edu/jobs

and reference job No. 1000966. EOE (1)

Reporter — A small but growing daily with a high-quality product is looking for a general assignment reporter to help us continue that tradition. Must be accurate, inquisitive and ethical. Pagination and photo skills helpful. Please send résumé and clips to: Cynthia Payne, Publisher, 123 S. Jefferson St., Hartford City, IN 47348 or ntcindypayne@comcast.net. (2)

The Indiana HOOSIER STATE PRESS ASSOCIATION **Publisher**

The Indiana Publisher is published bi-weekly by Hoosier State Press Association,
 41 E. Washington St., Suite 301, Indianapolis, IN, 46204,
 (317) 803-4772. ISSN 0019-6711 USPS 058-730.
 Periodicals-class postage paid at Indianapolis, Ind., and at additional mailing office.
 Postmaster: Send address changes to:
 41 E. Washington St., Suite 301, Indianapolis, IN, 46204,
 (317) 803-4772, Fax (317) 624-4428.
 Website: www.hspa.com
 Subscriptions \$25 per year. Ad rates furnished upon request.

Order calls for information change

Unclassified documents will be in fewer categories

President Barack Obama's executive order calling for a more open and uniform approach to handling unclassified information is designed to make documents easier to obtain.

The order mandates a government-wide standard in how sensitive information is categorized for release.

It is critical of governmental agencies' current method that has resulted in inconsistent marking and safeguarding of documents and impediments to authorized information-sharing.

"The huge difference here is the difference between agency policy and government-wide information policy," said Patrice McDermott, director of openthegovernment.org. "Under the current system, agencies have been allowed to just make things up."

The new order stresses

the importance of marking information subject to disclosure as "controlled unclassified information" across the board and doing away with the myriad of agency-specific categories and procedures, of which 117 have been counted.

Currently, agencies use their own set of policies and procedures to control the release of information that involves privacy, security, proprietary business interests and law enforcement investigations, the order said.

"The fact that these agency-specific policies are often hidden from public view has only aggravated these issues," according to the order.

It requires that each department and agency head submit a list of categories they use to mark unclassified information for dissemination. The list must include a definition for each category and must identify the law, regulation or government-wide policy that serves as the basis for withholding the

information.

"We think that this is going to really rein in the number of these markings," McDermott said.

If there is any doubt as to whether the information should be considered controlled unclassified information, the order says to err on the side of disclosure.

The order also makes clear that the controlled unclassified information marking does not affect the disclosure of the information through other statutory means.

Implementation will determine if this policy succeeds or fails, said Gary D. Bass, executive director of government transparency advocate OMB Watch, in a statement.

"This is a huge opportunity to get control of a growing problem, and the president has provided a good vehicle to do just that," Bass said.

Stephen Miller is a journalism intern with The Reporters Committee for Freedom of Press Rights.

Guest Voice

By Stephen Miller

Readers

Continued from Page 1

hotel on the beach and use of a rental car.

Third place is an Indianapolis getaway weekend with lodging and entertainment.

Fourth place is tickets to Holiday World in Santa Claus, located in southern Indiana.

HSPA board president Don Hurd, president of Kankakee Valley Publishing, endorsed the contest's goal at its September launch.

"The contest is meant to be fun while giving us the opportunity to mention newspapers' strengths as the state's most pervasive news

media," Hurd said.

"Addressing negative perceptions such as our industry has experienced recently is not a one-and-done proposition. We plan on continuing the campaign well into the future. Like the "Got Milk" campaign, it's going to be open-ended."

Hurd added, "People change, media change, technologies change. But the newspaper industry remains the bedrock of community news reporting, and we've got to keep reminding people of that.

"We also need to tell advertisers that we can deliver their message in a way no other media can."

Ads

Continued from Page 1

goes into the "kitty."

HSPA's array of ICAN programs helps fuel the services the association provides its members. ICAN keeps dues to a minimum because they provide about 80 percent of the revenue needed to cover expenses.

"We appreciate the support provided by our ICAN newspapers," said Stephen Key, executive director and general counsel of HSPA. "With our ad programs suffering in a slowly rebounding economy, we're asking our members' ad staffs to help energize our 2x2 and 2x4 sales."

HSPA doesn't want newspapers' advertising customers to diminish their local advertising but to consider ICAN Plus an inexpensive but efficient way to expand their advertising reach.

News in brief

Author seeks input on weeklies

A retired newspaper publisher wants to hear from all U.S. weekly paper publishers for a project that could benefit them.

Robert A. Juran, who has edited many weeklies and has published one weekly, wants to send publishers a questionnaire that he or she can fill out and return covering every aspect of weekly publishing — how publishers handle general management, advertising, circulation, production and editorial aspects.

The answers will be compiled and organized by Juran into a book describing current publishing methods and techniques for weeklies. It will be available for purchase.

Publishers can submit answers anonymously if they prefer.

"The American community weekly press is holding up better than the daily press," Juran said. "But it is not without its problems. The biggest area of concern, of course, is revenue and financial stability."

A number of questionnaire topics focus on that aspect.

Weekly publishers can learn from what their fellow publishers have to say about situations regarding revenue and finance as well as editorial issues and other matters, Juran said.

To request a questionnaire, e-mail Juran at bobjuran@msn.com.

Online course covers Web video

An upcoming Ball State University online course will benefit newspapers working to add video to their websites.

Multimedia: Video is part of Ball State's Emerging Media Journalism Certificate, a program offered in collaboration with *The New York Times Knowledge Network*. The program is designed to help working journalists and other professionals learn to use new technologies and to deliver compelling stories

across a variety of media platforms.

The five-week course is based on Ball State curriculum with a journalist from *The New York Times* acting as a guest presenter. It is offered from Feb. 14 to March 20 and June 20 to July 17.

The non-credit course costs \$199.

For more information about Multimedia: Video and the other Emerging Media Journalism Certificate courses, visit www.bsu.edu/nytimes.

Panel discusses security, media

Members of the media and the intelligence community gathered at the Newseum in Washington, D.C., on Oct. 29 for a series of discussions on the intersection of criminal law, national security and the First Amendment.

The event included a panel discussion moderated by former Special Assistant to the Attorney General Abbe Lowell that focused on the role of the media in national security issues.

The panel included Jeffrey Smith, former general counsel to the Central Intelligence Agency; Eric Lieberman, general counsel for *The Washing-*

ton Post; Mark Mazzetti, intelligence correspondent for *The New York Times*; Gabriel Schoenfeld, senior fellow with the Hudson Institute; and Walter Pincus, national security correspondent for *The Washington Post*.

Drawing on decades of experience and the cases of Scooter Libby, the American Israel Public Affairs Committee and others, the panelists considered the consequences of publishing leaks of classified information and the affects of over-classification of documents.

"Over-classification breeds rampant disrespect for the secrecy system," Schoenfeld said.

Please send promotions, announcements, staff changes and other corporate news to mtuley@hspa.com.



Creative Outlet
a solution by MultiAd

A new **art service & sales resource** tailored to the newspaper industry with **flexible pricing** options.

Sign up today for a free account and you'll receive a collection of **25 complimentary** art pieces!
Offer expires December 31, 2010

800.245.9278 | create@multiad.com
creativeoutlet.com

Political changes don't spell end for access-law fine

The Republican surge that swept across the state on Election Day should not adversely impact the chances for passage of legislation that would allow judges to levy a civil fine for public officials who deliberately violate the state's public access laws.

Reps. Russ Stilwell of Boonville and Paul Robertson of Depauw were among the House Democrats unseated. Stilwell has been the House author or sponsor of the legislation in the past two General Assembly sessions, and Robertson was a co-sponsor in 2009.

But soon-to-be Speaker of the House Brian Bosma of Indianapolis has been a co-author or sponsor of the HSPA-supported legislation for the past two sessions. Outgoing Speaker Pat Bauer of South Bend also was a co-author of last year's H.B. 1075.

Bosma already has ex-

pressed House Republicans' intention to increase transparency in government and legislation.

Strengthening compliance with the Open Door Law and Access to Public Records Act should fit well into that position.

Both chambers of the legislature have passed the concept unanimously in the past but not in the same year.

H.B. 1075 was approved by the House this year with a 98-0 vote, but it died in the Senate when it was tagged with a negative fiscal impact.

Senate Republican leadership had declared it would hear no bills with a negative cost as a reaction to governmental budget woes caused by the recession.

In 2009, S.B. 232 was passed 49-0 by the Senate but failed to get a hearing in the House when a rookie committee chairman, upset

Legally Speaking

By Stephen Key



over a different bill's hearing, decided not to have any more hearings, which killed the bill.

Working in HSPA's favor is the constant support of Sen. Beverly Gard, R-Greenfield, who has favored the idea of adding some teeth to the state's public access laws. Prior to the election, Gard had committed to making another attempt at passing this legislation.

HSPA and its members still must do our homework to gain passage of the bill, which will surely be opposed by representatives of local government. That has been their stance every year this concept has been introduced in the legislature.

While Bosma supports the concept, he may decide not to author or sponsor the legislation while serving as speaker.

That would mean HSPA must secure another Republican to shepherd the bill through the House.

Key choke points are the Senate and House committees the bill would be assigned to during the 2011 session.

As noted above, the lack of a committee hearing has killed the legislation the past two years.

When one considers that Hoosiers may be fined for littering, jaywalking and double-parking, there should be no reason why a judge can't fine a public official who denies the public the right to know what its government representatives are doing or contemplating.

But passage of a civil fine for disregard of democratic

principles is not assured.

Stay tuned. The show begins in January.

Correction

In my Oct. 14 column, I erred in identifying the Orange County Sheriff's Department as the law enforcement agency that refused to identify two men who had been arrested. The denial was in violation of the Access to Public Records Act.

According to Stephanie Ferriell, editor of *The Salem Leader* and *The Salem Democrat*, officials at the Indiana State Police post in Jasper, whose territory includes Orange County, refused to identify the men.

I apologize to Orange County Sheriff Richard Dixon for the error and regret the mistake.

Stephen Key is executive director and general counsel for Hoosier State Press Association.

HSPA Hotline

The following questions came from: *Journal and Courier* (Lafayette), *Post-Tribune* (Merrillville), *The Spencer County Journal Democrat* (Mount Vernon) and *The Evening News* (Jeffersonville).

Q The newspaper has requested a copy of a 911 call made in connection with a shooting death. The call came into Tippecanoe County's 911 dispatch center. The sheriff denied the request on grounds that it is part of an investigation in Benton County (the trial just ended there) and an ongoing investigation in Tippecanoe County. The sheriff cited IC 5-1-3-4(b)(1).

Isn't a 911 call a public record that should be made available whether or not it is part of an investigation?

A HSPA and law enforcement agencies have disagreed about the status of 911 tapes for years. We believe they are not investigatory records but are copies of calls to a police department that might lead to an investigation once an officer arrives on the scene to determine whether a crime may have occurred.

Unfortunately, the Indiana State Police made the argument to the Public Access Counselor's office that their dispatchers are specially trained so that as soon as they answer a call they are conducting an investigation.

The counselor at that time bought the argument and said whether the 911 tape was investigatory or not would be fact-dependent — the question being whether the dispatchers have the training that makes them

immediate investigators.

I don't know what training dispatchers get in Tippecanoe County, so I don't know what response you'd get from the access counselor on this particular incident.

Another thing to remember is that investigatory records are confidential at the discretion of the sheriff. Nothing prevents him from making the record available.

Ask how making it available to you could compromise the investigation.

Q Is it mandatory that all public-notice advertisements published in the paper also appear online, or is it only certain notices?

A Public-notice advertisements required to be published by local and state agencies that fall under the state-set advertising rate must be posted on your website, if the newspaper has one.

Public notices required to be published by individuals or paid for ultimately by individuals, rather than government, do not have to be posted. Examples of this include notice of estate administration, sheriff's sales (mortgage foreclosures) and name changes.

Q Four South Spencer football players were suspended for their playoff game against North Posey.

Two are among the best at their positions in southwestern Indiana. Their coach removed them from the All-Pocket Athletic Conference ballot because of their season-ending suspension, according to a coach from

another PAC school. South Spencer's coach said he couldn't comment about anyone receiving or not receiving any awards.

One of them made All-PAC last year so I feel we should mention why he did not receive any votes this year.

If we say he was suspended for violating the school's athletic code or suspended for disciplinary reasons, are we violating any privacy law?

A I don't think the coach is prohibited from saying anything about football awards, but his concern probably rests with the fear of violating the federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, which prohibits the release of educational records. The athletes' suspensions would probably fall under the definition of an educational record, based on Indiana court decisions.

Your reporting of the suspension would not violate any privacy laws, but the question is whether you can confirm it to your satisfaction if the coach isn't talking.

Q I am interested in doing an open-records request for a local nonprofit's IRS Form 990. Guidestar.com has a few on its website but nothing newer than 2008. What documents are publicly available when it comes to nonprofits? With whom should I make the request?

A By federal law, the nonprofit should have its most recent Form 990s on site and available for inspection and copying. You should be able to go to the nonprofit's office and make the request.

Journalists pitch in to judge newspapers

HSPA Foundation thanks the following 37 newspapers and their 54 staff members who served as judges for the North Carolina Press Association's Better Newspaper Contest.

We needed a large number of volunteers this year to meet our reciprocal state's requirement.

We appreciate your continued support and service to reward excellence in journalism.

(Note: Papers are listed alphabetically by city. A number in parenthesis denotes how many staff members volunteered if more than one participated.)

- *Herald-Republican* (Angola) (3)
- *Hendricks County Flyer* (Avon)
- *The Herald-Tribune* (Batesville)
- *Times-Mail* (Bedford) (2)
- *The Herald-Times* (Bloomington) (2)
- *Bluffton News-Banner*
- *The Corydon Democrat*
- *Ferdinand News*
- *Fort Wayne News-Sentinel*
- *The Journal Gazette* (Fort Wayne) (2)
- *Garrett Clipper*
- *Greensburg Daily News*
- *The Indianapolis Star* (4)
- *Court & Commercial Record* (Indianapolis)
- *The Associated Press* (Indianapolis)
- *The Herald* (Jasper) (2)
- *The Evening News* (Jeffersonville)
- *Newton County Enterprise* (Kentland)
- *LaPorte Herald-Argus/Michigan City News-Dispatch*
- *Lebanon Reporter*
- *Greene County Daily World* (Linton)
- *Pharos-Tribune* (Logansport)
- *Martinsville Reporter-Times*
- *Post-Tribune* (Merrillville)
- *The Mail-Journal* (Milford)
- *The Star-Press* (Muncie) (2)
- *Paoli News-Republican* (2)
- *Times-Post* (Pendleton)/*Greenfield Reporter*
- *The Commercial Review* (Portland) (4)
- *Daily Clarion* (Princeton)
- *Rensselaer Republican*
- *The Rochester Sentinel* (2)
- *The Tribune* (Seymour)
- *The Shelbyville News*
- *Perry County News* (Tell City) (3)
- *Tribune-Star* (Terre Haute)
- *Washington Times-Herald*