

MEMO

To: Mike Riggle

Fr: Karen Geddeis

Re: Students and Staff Who Excel

Date: April 26, 2011

At the meeting on May 2, 2011, we will honor the GBS Yearbook editorial board and advisor for three recent noteworthy accomplishments.

Gold Crown winner

The Columbia Scholastic Press Association named the 2010 GBS *Etruscan* (yearbook) “All of the Above” a Gold Crown winner in mid-March, at Columbia University in New York City. Professional journalists judged the publication on its writing/editing, design, content, concept, photography, art and graphics. Of the 50 nationwide finalists, only 15 high school yearbooks received the Gold Crown – and the *Etruscan* was the only yearbook in Illinois to receive this honor. While the book has been a finalist and has earned Silver Crowns in the past, this is the first time the yearbook staff has earned Gold.

Pacemaker

The National Scholastic Press Association awarded the 2010 GBS *Etruscan* (yearbook) “All of the Above” with a National Yearbook Pacemaker recognition at a recent conference in Anaheim, CA. The Pacemaker represents the highest award given by the association. Given to 24 books in the country, the *Etruscan* is the only yearbook from Illinois. It joins nine other yearbooks in the country that won both a Pacemaker and a Gold Crown award.

Brenda Field named Special Recognition Advisor

The Journalism Education Association, the only independent national scholastic journalism organization for teachers and advisers, has named Glenbrook South’s Yearbook Advisor Brenda Field a Special Recognition Adviser. The National High School Yearbook Adviser of the Year program is designed to honor outstanding high school advisers and their exemplary work.

In Field’s past 15 years of advising, her students’ publications have earned both state and national recognition, including National Scholastic Press Association Pacemakers and Columbia Scholastic Press Association Crowns. Field also serves on the board of the Northern Illinois Scholastic Press Association and is a frequent workshop speaker and critique judge.

Ms. Field and members of the editorial board will be present for the recognition.