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### HART HIGH SCHOOL'S STEVEN G. LINDBERG IS THIS YEAR'S PIASC EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR



PIASC's Educator of the Year  
Mr. Steven G. Lindberg  
Hart High School, Newhall, CA

Los Angeles, CA- Susan Kinney, PIASC Education Chair, announced that Mr. Steven G. Lindberg of Hart High School is this year's Educator of the Year. Lindberg was nominated by his peers and students and was recently unanimously selected by the Education Committee.

One could say that Lindberg grew up in printing. He was introduced into the field of graphic arts at the age of 14. In 1979 he went to work for Commercial Office Suppliers, after school, as a part-time employee. Lindberg says that he'll never forget his first task, which was to hand-jog thousands of carbonless forms and carefully place them in a padding press for gluing but he remembers that it wasn't until after three unsuccessful attempts that he finally got them perfect! But what really made him happy was what the owner said—which was like music to his ears: "Fine, now they feel as smooth as glass, do it that way every time."

It was in this shop that he learned how to expose and develop film, strip, make metal plates, run offset duplicators, letterpresses, and perform many bindery operations.

In 1981 he enrolled in the ROP Offset-Lithography class at Canyon High School and spent two years running many jobs for the school and district as he perfected his skills.

He learned that creating and producing printed material was exciting, challenging, and rewarding at the same time. He also realized that people always needed things printed and by helping them he could always make friends.

After high school, he went to Cal State Northridge in 1983 to continue his education. He again worked part-time in the field of graphic arts to help put himself through school.

In the summer of 1987 he interviewed for an opening to teach graphic arts at Hart High school. This opportunity required obtaining an emergency credential and refocusing some of his remaining classes for graduation. He got the job, and started teaching and printing that fall. One of the things he enjoys the most is that many of the students from his first classes of 1988 still keep in touch with him today.

Lindberg completed his education at UCLA extension in 1991, and has been teaching, printing, coaching, and advising students in the Wm. S. Hart Union High School District for almost 20 years.

In 1993 he created the Print and Screen Club at Hart High to promote excellence in graphic arts and give the students an avenue to further their skills. He is a member of the National Education Association, California Teachers Association, California Regional Occupational Centers/Programs, PIASC, Santa Clarita International Printing House Craftsmen and the Boy Scouts of America.

Lindberg has placed many students over the years into good entry level jobs in the field of graphic communications. Some of his students have made careers out of their graphics training and are now pressroom managers, graphic designers, lead pressmen, or have started their own companies. Many of his students have continued their graphics education at The Arts Center, Cal Arts, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, College of the Canyons, and Pasadena Community College.

Lindberg's students have competed in practically every PIASC/RAISE Foundation competition for over the last 12 years and, needless to say, have won many awards!

Mr. Steven G. Lindberg will receive the Jack Simich Award at the 20th Annual Student Assembly on Friday, April 20, 2007, during PrintFest.

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