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### **STEIN WINS 2009 IBNA JACK SHELLEY AWARD**

(AMES, Iowa)— A Wartburg College professor has received Iowa broadcast journalism's highest honor.

Jeff Stein, the college's R.J. McElroy Chair & Executive-in-Residence in Communication Arts, was given the Iowa Broadcast News Association's Jack Shelley Award during the group's annual convention in Ames on Saturday, May 2.

The presentation was made personally by Shelley, the 97-year-old former news director for WHO radio and television and professor emeritus of journalism at Iowa State University. The award is given to individuals who have made outstanding contributions to professional broadcast journalism in Iowa.

"This was a complete surprise," Stein said. "I cannot tell you how much this means to me, and to receive it from Jack Shelley himself makes it even more special."

Stein began his broadcasting career as a high school student, at KFJB radio in Marshalltown. He was an anchor/producer for Iowa Public Radio station WSUI while earning his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Iowa.

In addition to his other duties, he also serves as political analyst for KWWL-TV, the NBC affiliate in Waterloo. His commentary was part of the station's election night reporting, which received this year's 'best political coverage' award from the IBNA. Stein also comments on media and politics regularly on KASI radio in Ames, and KSTP radio in St. Paul/Minneapolis.

"Citizens need good, responsible broadcast journalism now more than ever, and it's our job as professionals and educators to make sure we work every day to serve the public interest," he said.

Previous recipients of the award include Iowa broadcasting fixtures Grant Price, Ron Steele, Liz Mathis, Dave Shay, Kevin Cooney, John Bachman, Russ Van Dyke, Jim Boyd, Kay Henderson and Dean Borg.

Stein is administrator and co-founder of the Archives of Iowa Broadcasting, and the author of "Making Waves: The People & Places of Iowa Broadcasting". He serves as faculty adviser for

the national award-winning Wartburg Television student channel, and teaches media law & ethics, electronic media history, and television courses at the Waverly-based college.

2003 Jack Shelley Award winner, KCCI-TV News Director Dave Busiek, wrote in a nomination letter, "There's no question about Jeff's commitment to furthering the cause of broadcast journalism in Iowa. Through his roles as a journalism professor at Wartburg and his outstanding service to the IBNA, he helps train young journalists and helps boost the issues we all care about."

"Jeff Stein has been a tireless advocate of quality broadcast journalism in Iowa for more than two decades," wrote Northwest Broadcast News Foundation Executive Director Derrick Hinds, a former Minnesota news director and anchor.

"I am stunned by how many people were involved in making this happen, and I thank each of them for their confidence in me," Stein said.

The Iowa Broadcast News Association is an organization of radio and TV news directors, reporters, and producers; educators; and public relations professionals and others from Iowa and adjacent states, working together to improve electronic media news for stations and the public.

Stein is the 38th recipient of the Shelley Award. Previous recipients are:

2008 Dean Borg , Iowa Public Television/Iowa Public Radio  
2007 Mark Minnick, WOC Radio, Davenport  
2006 Cary J. Hahn, KGAN-TV, Cedar Rapids  
2005 John Bachman, WHO-TV, Des Moines  
2004 Liz Mathis, KCRG, Cedar Rapids  
2003 Dave Busiek, KCCI, Des Moines  
2002 O. Kay Henderson, Radio Iowa , Des Moines  
2001 Jim Boyd, WMT Radio, Cedar Rapids & WHO Radio, Des Moines  
2000 Ron Steele, KWWL, Waterloo  
1999 Kevin Cooney, KCCI, Des Moines  
1998 Dick Michels, KSCJ Radio, Sioux City  
1997 Dave Nixon, Iowa Lakes Comm. College  
1996 J.K. Martin, KBUR-KGRS, Burlington  
1995 Dave Shay, KGAN, Cedar Rapids  
1994 Dennis Sutterer, Radio Iowa  
1993 Dale Woolery, KRNT, Des Moines  
1992 Ev Hickman, WHO, Des Moines  
1991 Dean Navin, KVFD-KUEL, Fort Dodge  
1990 Bill Henry, KBUR-KGRS, Burlington  
1989 Rich Fellingham, KASI-KCCQ, Ames  
1988 Ned Dermody, KMA, Shenandoah  
1987 Tim Renshaw, KGLO, Mason City  
1986 Jackie King, KIOA, Des Moines  
1985 Paul Rhoades, KCCI, Des Moines  
1984 Jim Vogelaar, KIOA, Des Moines  
1983 Larry Huegli, KGLO, Mason City  
1982 Cliff Brockman, KCAU, Sioux City

1981 Dan Miller, IPBN, Des Moines  
1980 Larry Schmitz, KLEM, LeMars  
1979 Bob Wilbanks, WHO, Des Moines  
1978 Bob Bruner, WMT, Cedar Rapids  
1977 Russ Van Dyke, KCCI, Des Moines  
1976 Bud Chaldy, KASI, Ames  
1975 Grant Price, Black Hawk Broadcasting  
1974 Gordon Kilgore, KDTH, Dubuque  
1973 Jim Bormann, WCCO, Minneapolis  
1972 Dick Petrik, KOEL, Oelwein

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