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## SAHISA / ISASA CONFERENCE 2009

- **Conference Evaluation**

This is a final request for Swaziland delegates to return conference evaluation forms. The conference evaluation forms are carefully analysed and the information is used to ensure that future conferences meet the needs of SAHISA members.

Hein Weber has received only 65 Conference Evaluation Form returns! We need approximately another 280. Please fill in and return the forms as a matter of urgency. If you have misplaced your handout, please download another from the *Downloads -> SAHISA Conference 2009* section of the SAHISA website.

Completed returns should please be forwarded by email to [heinw@khanyisaeducentre.co.za](mailto:heinw@khanyisaeducentre.co.za) or by fax to 086 608 7213.

## ARTICLES OF INTEREST

- **What Would Socrates Say?**

My greatest fear about 21st century education is that Socrates' humility has been turned on its head: instead of knowing *nothing* except the fact of our own ignorance, we will know *everything* except the fact of our own ignorance. Google has given us the world at our fingertips, but speed and ubiquity are not the same as actually *knowing* something.

The full article is available from the SAHISA website under the *Electronic Library -> Articles of Interest* section.

- **21st Century Skills: The Challenges Ahead**

A growing number of leaders are united around the idea that students need "new 21st century skills" to be successful. But, in fact, the skills that students need in the 21st century are not new. What is actually new is the extent to which collective and individual success depend on having such skills. If we are to have a more equitable and effective education system, skills that have been the province of the few must become universal.

The full article is available from the SAHISA website under the *Electronic Library -> Articles of Interest* section.

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## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- **The SAHISA / ISDHA Action Research Project**

The SAHISA / ISDHA Action research project is about to 'kick off', and you are invited to be part of it.

On Saturday 24 October 2009 we will be meeting for the morning at St John's College to workshop the process and topic, and to put in place the structures that will guide the process further.

This is your only "residential" commitment, the rest of the project takes place online. Should you not be Johannesburg based, we will make a cash contribution to your school to assist you to be present at the workshop. The demands of the research are realistic, and you will be guided through the entire process. The research team will have the opportunity to present their findings at the 2010 ISDHA conference.

The project is open to any staff member from your school (not just heads and deputies). The broad theme of the project is "leadership". This is a broad topic which may incorporate aspects of leadership at any level of your organisation. Please would you circulate this invitation to your staff. Interested staff should Alan Thompson at St John's College. The final list of selected candidates will be invited to attend the workshop.

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## LEADERSHIP WEBSITE TO VIEW

- **SAHISA Website**

SAHISA members that have not already registered on the SAHISA website are urged to do so as soon as possible. Registration will enable you to access SAHISA only documentation – including conference presentations.

Registration will be performed on a request basis from the SAHISA office. Please email your name, school and preferred username and password to Jenny Mundell.

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## INITIATIVES

- **HEARTLINES – Ideas for School Assemblies**

HEARTLINES is an initiative which uses a variety of television, radio and print media to approach the country's problems from a value perspective. Many initiatives address behavioural change from a health, legal and human rights perspective. HEARTLINES challenges people to embrace positive values in a way that will build people, families, communities and the nation.

HEARTLINES wishes to shift social norms by inspiring and encouraging people to have the courage to do good. One of the HEARTLINE initiatives is to compile a book of assemblies that can be used by Heads at a primary school level.

HEARTLINES requests that any head who has found a particular story or piece inspiring, to send it to Heartlines with a view to sharing information to benefit of all the youth of Southern Africa. For more information please contact Jennifer Charlton, the Project Manager for Schools.

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## GENERAL

- **"Get It Right"**

We try to "get it right" and communicate information that you can trust.

If we have neglected to communicate any relevant details or if you would like to contribute to the SAHISA Weekly Bulletin, please contact Jenny Mundell.

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- **Quote of the Week**

*The very essence of leadership is that you have to have vision. You can't blow an uncertain trumpet.*

*~ Theodore M. Hesburgh*