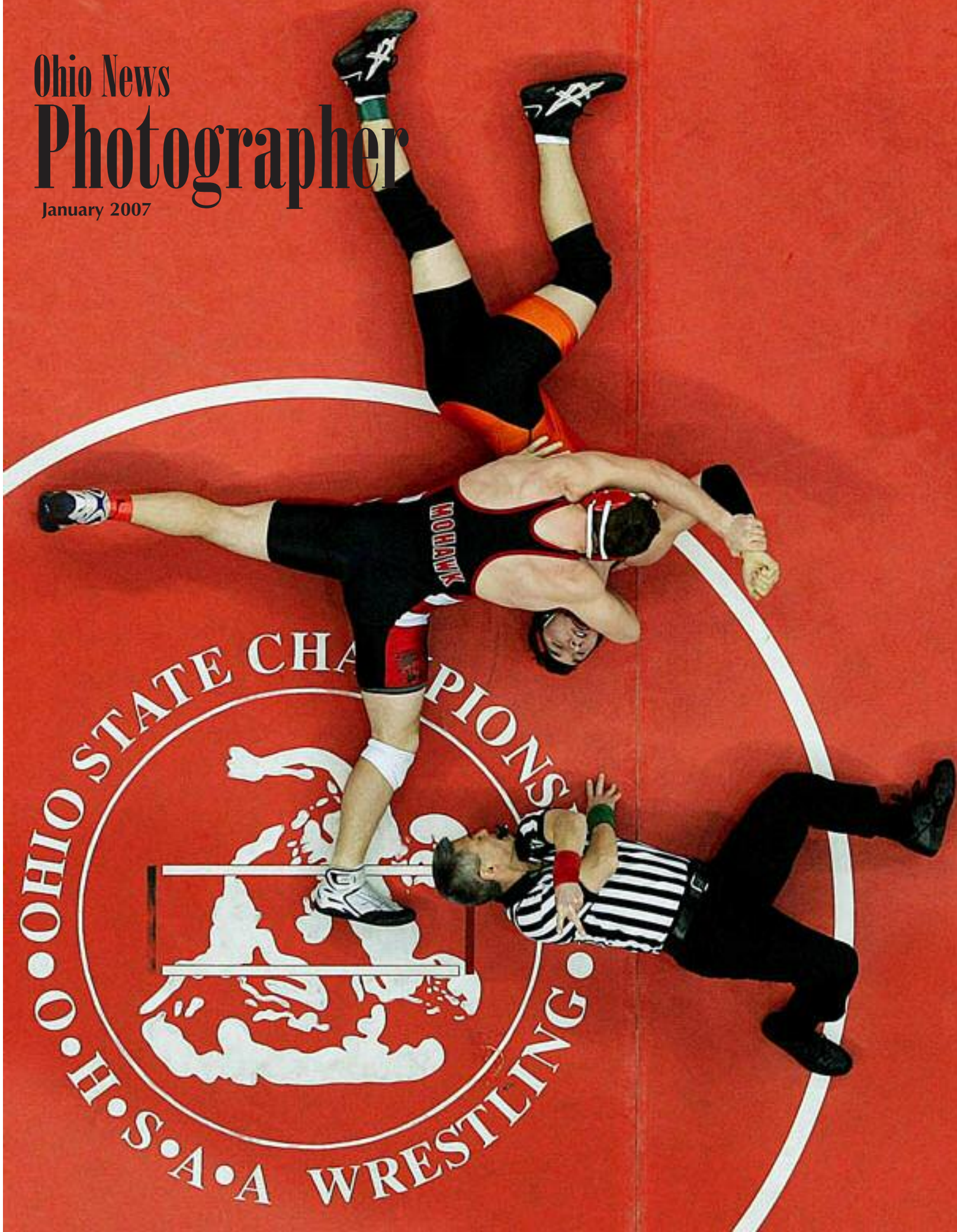


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Newspapers; the shrinking business that's growing

Bob DeMay

ONPA Board Chairman

At the Akron Beacon Journal it might be known as the long hot summer. It had nothing to do with the weather, but the temperature rose like the tension in the Paul Newman, Orson Welles screen gem of the same name.

It played out differently at other newspapers across Ohio, but when it was all over there were far fewer staff photographers working for papers in the Buckeye state.

In Akron the angst began in Nov 2005, when Knight Ridder announced that it was going on the auction block. The paper was sold twice in the span of three months. The McClatchy Company was the top bidder for the Knight Ridder chain. McClatchy then sold the Akron property to Black Press Ltd. for \$165 million in June.

By August, owner David Black directed Akron's new publisher Ed Moss to cut newsroom staffing by 25 percent. The proposed cuts for the photo department were to be much deeper. Black wanted six of the twelve positions cut.

Editor Debra Adams-Simmons lobbied to reduce that number to four when the layoffs were announced and later saved another position in the department after voluntary resignations in the newsroom took place.

In the end Jocelyn Williams, with 19 years of service and Robin Sallie with 12, opted for voluntary severance packages. Those actions saved the jobs of Karen Schiely and Ken Love.

Not all of the departures were voluntary though. Lindsay Semple was laid off and has since taken a position as a staff photographer at The State in Columbia, SC.

One of those opting for voluntary severance packages at the Beacon was Susan Kirkman, managing editor of multimedia & special projects. Kirkman plans to start graduate school at Kent State University.

The anxiety in Akron is now playing out at it's competitor to the south as Copley Press has hung for sale signs on The Repository in Canton and dailies in Massillon, and New Philadelphia.

In Canton, general manager Michael E.

Hanke and special projects editor Rick Senften have accepted buyouts as The Repository adjusts operating expenses in preparation for the sale of the paper. A number of other staff reductions are pending.

There is obvious speculation that the Beacon's new owner would be interested in other acquisitions in the region.

In Cleveland and Dayton staff reductions were achieved through buyouts rather than layoffs.

In Dayton Bill Garlow, Bill Reinke, Skip Peterson and Ed Roberts have all accepted the early retirement option offered by Cox Newspapers. In all, the Dayton Daily News is losing 18 people from the newsroom.

Cox papers in Hamilton, Springfield and Middletown could see changes as some operations may merge to Dayton's new office building.

At The Plain Dealer, staff members Richard Conway, C.H. Pete Copeland and Rosemary Kovacs are retiring.

Five-time ONPA Photographer of the Year Mike Levy has left the paper to freelance and teach.

Eustacio Humphrey has accepted a position as assistant photo editor at the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

All have accepted buyouts offered by Advanced Publications. A Plain Dealer story said that 64 of the paper's 372 newsroom employees accepted buyout offers. Incentive packages were based on age and seniority.

Elsewhere in Ohio it's a game of attrition as open positions go unfilled.

In Columbus, Barth Falkenberg has taken an early retirement from the Dispatch, where he served as director of photography for 21 years. Managing editor of graphics, Karl Kuntz will take over Falkenberg's responsibilities.

In Canton, the vacancy created when David Distelhorst left the paper, will not be filled.

While the cuts are felt at the individual papers, they also have an effect on ONPA. To borrow a line from our publishers, we will need to make sure costs are inline with expected revenue. Membership retention will be more important than ever in the coming

year.

One of ONPA's newest members had a front row seat for a course not taught on campus. Kent State University student David Foster started his internship at the Beacon in late August just as staff reductions were being announced.

Half the photo staff was busy pursuing job boards and trying to figure out what part of the country they might want to unwillingly relocate to. Not quite the nurturing environment one would envision for an internship.

It was a first hand lesson on the state of the newspaper business today. Its one thing to hear about an industry's decline in a new story. The lesson sinks in a little more when every Friday they are serving cake in the newsroom for another departing journalist.

Wide-eyed high school graduates need to know what they face after graduation before they start filling out FASFA applications. It can still be a great career choice for an aspiring photojournalist.

Don't ignore reality though. Take a realistic look at your talent level, and the salary your talent will bring. School loans themselves may be next to impossible to pay off earning a non-living wage.

The changing landscape of the newspaper business makes it necessary for veteran staffers to learn new job skills. Video and multi-media are your new storytelling tools. The still camera may soon be relegated to the NFL sidelines where no video is allowed.

As always, some newsrooms are ahead of the curve, while others talk a good game, but don't provide the resources or training needed. It's a challenge for managers who must find a way to balance the needs of the print and online products with reduced staffs and tighter capital budgets.

ONPA won't sit on the sidelines as our industry is reshaped. We will make every effort to tailor educational programs to serve the membership as the distinction between still and video members evaporates.

You'll soon be one of those people with a video camera that's been standing in front of you all these years.

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New clip chair Growing Season brings migrants to life

Neal Lauron from The Columbus Dispatch is the new chairman of the monthly still clip contest. January clips should be mailed to Lauron at The Columbus Dispatch, 34 S Third St, Columbus, OH 43215.

Clips must be in the hands of the contest chairman by the 7th of the month following publication.

Lauron is taking over for David Distelhorst who served in the position since April 2004.

Distelhorst was very diligent in his duties, constantly reminding judges to adhere to the contest deadlines and compiling point standings in a timely fashion.

Odds n' ends

The Press Club of Cleveland has inducted Cleveland-based freelance photographer **Ron Kuntz**, into the Cleveland Journalism Hall of Fame.

Former graphic editor **Apryl Pilolli** from The Morning Journal in Lorain has taken a job with VOX Teen Communications in Atlanta, Ga. Pilolli will be the visual arts coordinator for the nonprofit youth-development organization and will teach teens about photography, and news and web design.

William Cannon has left his position at the Lancaster Eagle Gazette and is now photo editor at the Utica Observer-Dispatch in Utica, NY. **Ken Ritchie** has also left the Gazette and is now a staff photographer at The Madison (IN) Courier.

Repository staff photographers **Scott Heckel** and **Julie Vennitti** received recognition in the annual Copley Press "Ring of Truth" contest. The awards were established to recognize and encourage editorial excellence within Copley newspapers and news service.

Heckel won first for best news photograph for "Saying goodbye," taken at the funeral of a fallen gang member. Heckel also won first for best feature photograph for his picture of a child playing Connect Four during TV-Turnoff Week.

Vennitti placed second in best series of multiple photos for her picture story "Tiny lives," a series about a neonatal intensive-care unit.

Not all the "best shots" from Repository photographers are taken with a camera. Staff photographer **Bob Rossiter** scored a hole in one while playing Rolling Green Golf Course in Massillon last summer.

Last year Kent State University chief photographer Gary Harwood won the James R. Gordon Ohio Understanding Award for his five-year project documenting the lives of migrant farm workers who annually travel to work on the Zellers family farm in Hartville, OH.

Kent State University Press has now published the project. "The Growing Season - Life of a Migrant Community" with text by David Hassler goes even beyond Harwood's winning contest entry.

The book's coming out party was held at the Canton Museum of Art, which displayed fifty prints from the project.

The authors shared the stage with many of the subjects, who joined them for an autograph session at a reception to mark the occasion. On this night, the migrants were the life of the community.

The photographs were also on exhibit at the Salem Branch of The Butler Institute of American Art.

On the web <http://upress.kent.edu/>

Growing Season can be purchased from Kent State University Press online and is available on Amazon.com



Gary Harwood autographs books with Brianna Soto. Members of the Hartville migrant community joined co-authors Gary Harwood and David Hassler during an autograph session at the conclusion of the opening reception of the exhibit "Growing Season, The Life of A Migrant Community" at the Canton Museum of Art.



GARY HARWOOD/Kent State University Press
Ruben Balderas looks toward the fields at sunrise while waiting for the work bus to take him to the fields. The foreman for each crew travels to the camps to gather the workers before stopping at the washhouse for supplies and their harvest orders.

On the cover

Neal C. Lauron
The Columbus Dispatch
1st Sports - March

Brock Kirian gets two points for a takedown of Joe Wasserback, of Richwood North Union, from referee Toby Dunlap in the consolation round of the Division III 189 pound class at the state wrestling championships at Value City Arena.



ONPA Calendar

- Jan 22**
Television contest deadline
- Jan 26**
Still contest deadline
- Jan 31**
Annual dues payment deadline
- Feb 16/17**
Still contest judging Kent State
- April 13/14**
Annual convention Columbus
- April 15**
1st qtr TV clip contest deadline

TV Clip Results

1st Quarter

Spot News

1st - Rich Yedlicka, WBNS-TV, "Car Jacked Kid"
2nd - Rich Yedlicka, WBNS-TV, "Family Arrested"

General News

1st - Brian Wicker, WBNS-TV, "New Recruits"
2nd - Jeff, Sheerer, WBNS-TV, "911 Changes"
3rd - Kendall Griggs, WJW-TV, "Animal Shelter Protest"

News Feature

1st - Brian Wicker, WBNS-TV, "Love of the Team"
2nd - Tim Flaherty, WBNS-TV, "Manny's Rehab"
3rd - Dan Pasciak, WUPW-TV, "The Heckler"

In-Depth

1st - Jeff Ritter, WBNS-TV, "One Postman's New Route"
2nd - Steve Maguire, WBNS-TV, "Dive Team Training"
3rd - Chris Kettler, WBNS-TV, "Waste Management?"
HM - Scott Doelling, WBNS-TV, "Kouns Cold Case"
Judges: KTHV-TV Little Rock, AR

2nd Quarter

Spot News

1st - Jeff Ritter, WBNS-TV, "Mt. Victory Victorious"
2nd - Billy Muhammed, WJW-TV, "I saw it's butt"
3rd - Rich Yedlicka, WBNS-TV, "Southside Shooting"

General News

1st - David Bradford, WJW-TV, "Amish Sting"
2nd - Billy Muhammed, WJW-TV, "Splash Class"
3rd - David Bradford, WJW-TV, "Swat Surprise"

In-Depth

1st - Chris Kettler, WBNS-TV, "Risky Road Reflectors"
Judges: KTRK-TV Houston

Standings

1 st Rich Yedlicka, WBNS-TV	26
2 nd Jeff Ritter, WBNS-TV	24
3 rd Brian Wicker, WBNS-TV	23
4 th Chris Kettler, WBNS-TV	18
5 th David Bradford, WJW-TV	17
6 th Billy Muhammed, WJW-TV	17
7 th Tim Flaherty, WBNS-TV	10
Jeff Sheerer, WBNS-TV	10
9 th Steve Maguire, WBNS-TV	9
10 th Dan Pasciak, WUPW-TV	7
Kendall Griggs, WJW-TV	7

Schwane HOF winner



RON SCHWANE / US Presswire

Cleveland based freelance photographer Ron Schwane was a winner in the Pro Football Hall of Fame Contest sponsored by Canon, USA. Schwane's image of Cincinnati wide receiver Chad Johnson stealing a flag after an off side penalty in a Bengals game against the Detroit Lions won honorable mention in the feature category.

Hartong named Ohio's best

Glenn Hartong, a photographer for The Cincinnati Enquirer, has been named the Ohio Associated Press Member Photographer of the Year for 2006.

The \$1,000 award, announced Oct. 4 at the annual Ohio AP Photo Workshop, is based on an individual photographer's contributions to AP and the quality of those photos.

Hartong was also named Best Photographer in the Society of Professional Journalists Ohio SPJ Awards for papers over 100,000 daily circulation. Hartong has worked as a photographer at the Enquirer for 16 years and is multimedia producer for Enquirer.com.

Jeff Forman of the News-Herald in Willoughby was named Best Photographer for papers under 100,000 daily circulation in the Ohio SPJ contest.

The Associated Press also recognized ten newspapers for their overall photo contributions to the Ohio AP over the last year. They were: The Lima News, The Repository, Springfield News-Sun, Middletown Journal, The Blade, Dayton Daily News, Akron Beacon Journal, The Cincinnati Enquirer, The Columbus Dispatch and The Plain Dealer.



Hartong

OBITUARY

Richard Garrett

ONPA Life Member
Richard Edwin Garrett, age 82, died Saturday, October 14, 2006 at Mt. Carmel East Hospital. Dick was born on March 29, 1924 in Dalton, PA to Dora and John Garrett and relocated to his mother's hometown of Columbus in 1939.

He attended Grandview High School and graduated from Central High School in 1942. Following graduation, he joined the U.S. Army (1943-46) and served in the 86th Infantry as a jeep machine gun squad leader and his outfit spearheaded Gen. Patton's drive up the Ruhr Valley to Austria.



Garrett

For five months he never had a meal from a division kitchen, they lived off the land (champagne and eggs). They moved so fast that he also never dug a foxhole the entire campaign. The war ended as the 86th was in the Philippines preparing to invade Japan.

Following discharge, he attended Northwestern State Teachers College in Alva, Oklahoma as well as The Ohio State University in Columbus. While attending OSU he joined the Citizen newspaper in 1946 working part-time on the telephoto machine. Within a few months he became a darkroom technician and a year later became a full-time photographer. He never looked back and retired following a 40-year career from the Columbus Citizen Journal as Chief Photographer in 1985.

"It's not a good picture unless it tells the story," he always said and his pictures are timeless classics in that regard.

He was a member of the VFW as well as an avid golfer and OSU football and basketball fan. Survivors include his wife, Patricia, three children, two stepchildren, 13 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made in the deceased name to the Mt. Carmel Hospice Center. www.mountcarmel-health.com

STILL CLIP RULES

Photos must be entered in the month published. A photo can be entered only after its initial publication. Publication is defined as printed or electronically reproduced by your publication's official Web site.

All Web published entries must be in the form of a hard copy no larger than 8 by 10 inches, with a screen shoot of the picture's online publication on the back.

Submissions of wire photos will be handled similarly. If a clip of your AP submission is not available a print no larger than 8 by 10 inches may be entered. Attached must be a proof from your AP server of the photo or the routing code and date of transmission.

Remove your name and affiliation from the front of the clip. Affix a completed official entry label on the back. Include a separate sheet of paper with your name, address and total number of clips entered.

Layouts are judged as a single entry but single pictures from a layout can be entered also. You must submit another clip of the single image from the layout in this case.

Sort clips by category:

Spot news: A picture of an unscheduled event for which no advanced planning was possible. Examples: fires, accidents and natural disasters.

General news: A picture of a scheduled political, social or cultural event for which advance planning was possible. An assigned and/or scheduled news event. Example: Demonstrations, funerals, trials and promotional events.

Portrait: A picture of a person that reveals the essence of the subject's character.

Sports: An unposed sports-related picture, either feature or action. Sports-related portraits should be entered in the portrait category.

Feature single: A general human-interest photo.

Multiple pictures: A photo story, sequence or series of any subject matter.

Illustration: A created picture, not a found situation or portrait. Intended to clarify or dramatize a preconceived idea. This would include illustrations depicting food, fashion, industrial or editorial topics. This category will be judged quarterly but clips must be entered in the month published.

Each entrant is limited to a total of nine clips per month. The clip contest is open to all ONPA members in good standing who live or work in Ohio during the month entered. The ONPA clip contest is not affiliated with the NPPA Region 4 clip contest. Clips must be in the hand of the clip chairman by the 7th of the month following publication. Clips should be sent to

Neal Lauron
The Columbus Dispatch
34 S Third St
Columbus, OH 43215

SUBMITTING WINNING CLIPS

All winners in the monthly clip contest must submit a copy of the winning entry for the ONPA newsletter and/or web site. Winners will be notified via e-mail, so remember to include your e-mail address on the back of each clip. If you do not respond to the first notification in seven days a second notice will be sent. Failure to respond to the second notice in ten days will result in a loss of points for that clip win. If in subsequent months the same photographer fails to reply he or she will be disqualified from entering the contest for the remainder of the year.

First place winners should be 10 inches widest measurement @ 200 dpi. 2nd, 3rd, HM: winners should be 7 inches widest measure @ 72 dpi. Files should be slugged accordingly: month_category_place.jpg Example: May_genews_1st.jpg. All photos must be captioned.

Send all winning entries to clips@onpa.org

CLIP STANDINGS THROUGH MARCH 2006

1st	Neal Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch	296
2nd	Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch	236
3rd	Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun	226
4th	Fred Squillante, The Columbus Dispatch	166
5th	Bill Lackey, Springfield News-Sun	156
6th	Jeff Hinckley, The Columbus Dispatch	136
7th	Ed Suba Jr., Akron Beacon Journal	116
	Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal	116
9th	Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal	96
	Shari Lewis, The Columbus Dispatch	
11th	Lew Stamp, Akron Beacon Journal	86
	Tom Dodge, The Columbus Dispatch	
13th	Mike Munden, The Columbus Dispatch	66
14th	Scott Heckel, The Repository	56
	Scott Shaw, The Plain Dealer	
	Karen Schiely, Akron Beacon Journal	
17th	Ron Alvey, Dayton Daily News	54
18th	Michael Balash, The Repository	46
19th	Jeff Swinger, Cincinnati Enquirer	44
20th	Marvin Fong, The Plain Dealer	42
	Jonathan Quilter, The Columbus Dispatch	
22nd	David Maxwell, The Record Courier	36
	Robin Tinay Sallie, Akron Beacon Journal	
	Mike Cardew, Akron Beacon Journal	
25th	Tim Revell, The Columbus Dispatch	34
	Andrea Kjerrumguard, Times-Gazette	
	Kyle Lanzer, Sun Newspapers	
	Lorrie Cecil, ThisWeek Newspapers	
28th	Lisa Powell, Dayton Daily News	14
	Mark Duncan, Associated Press	
31st	Kevin Whitlock, Massillon Independent	12



Ed Suba Jr

Akron Beacon Journal - 1st Picture Story

Tyler Beatty, left, get a hug from friend Trey Wright during gym class at Akron Public Schools Integrated Preschool. Tyler's class has children who are typically developing and others who have disabilities.

January winners

Spot News

- 1st - Jeff Hinckley, The Columbus Dispatch, "Cable Car"
- 2nd - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "Fighting the Fire"
- 3rd - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "Amish Helicopter"

General News

- 1st - Ron Alvey, Dayton Daily News, "Faces of Reenactment"
- 2nd - Shari Lewis, The Columbus Dispatch, "Kindergarten Marine"
- 3rd - Robin Tinay Sallie, Akron Beacon Journal, "Mother's Grief"
- HM - Ed Suba Jr., Akron Beacon Journal, "Video Game Tournament"

Portrait

- 1st - Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal, "National Signing Day"
- 2nd - Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Internet-less Farmer"
- 3rd - Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Dad's Death, Son's Search"
- HM - Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Colored"

Feature Single

- 1st - Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal, "Just Around the Bend"
- 2nd - Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal, "Picking Grapes"
- 3rd - Jeff Hinckley, The Columbus Dispatch, "Their Own Sweet Time"
- HM - Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal, "Tiger Surprise"

Sports

- 1st - Scott Heckel, The Repository, "Going After Loose Ball"
- 2nd - Jonathan Quilter, The Columbus Dispatch, "Swimmer"
- 3rd - Mike Munden, The Columbus Dispatch, "Kings of the Desert"
- HM - Mark Duncan, Associated Press, "James Blocks out Suns"

Feature Picture Story

- 1st - Fred Squillante, The Columbus Dispatch, "Quit Smoking"
- 2nd - Michael S. Balash, The Repository, "Life on the Streets"

Judges: From the *St. Petersburg Times*, Brian Cassella, intern, Mack Goethe, assignment editor, Ken Helle, Melissa Lyttle and Chris Zuppa, staff photojournalists



Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal
1st Feature

A hospital orderly walks with a patient across the Arch St bridge between Akron City Hospital and the Professional North Building. A glass reflection bends the scene's reality.



Ron Alvey
Dayton Daily News

1st General News

Mario Cosey, a seventh-grader at McKinney Middle School in Yellow Springs, has his eyes wide open as he participates the reenactment of the 'tight-pack' practice of a slave ship.



Scott Heckel
The Repository

1st Sports

Canton McKinley's Kyrk Freeman, left, and Zanesville's Jordan Aronhalt chase down a loose ball.



Jeff Hinckley
The Columbus Dispatch

1st Spot News

Driver Penny Blanton sits with passenger Tony Tarter after she drove off Route 23 to avoid stopped traffic and ended up on a support cable for a power line pole. The traffic had been stopped for a funeral procession.

Phil Masturzo
Akron Beacon Journal

1st Portrait

Wadsworth High School kicker Nate Reed, a Kent State University recruit, has kicked a 43-yard field goal in competition, and 65 yards in practice.



Fred Squillante
The Columbus Dispatch

1st Story

John Rea tries to convince his daughter, Cameron, 5, to go outside and play after eating her after school snack. Rea decided to quit smoking after Cameron pretended to smoke a crayon.

February winners

Spot News

- 1st - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "Vehicle Fire"
- 2nd - Bill Lackey, Springfield News-Sun, "Found Child"
- 3rd - Bill Lackey, Springfield News-Sun, "Precarious Position"

General News

- 1st - Scott Shaw, The Plain Dealer, Homelessness"
- 2nd - Fred Squillante, The Columbus Dispatch, "Graveside Services"
- 3rd - Ed Suba Jr., Akron Beacon Journal, "Curley Grieves"
- HM - Ed Suba Jr., Akron Beacon Journal, "Stevenson Home"

Portrait

- 1st - Karen Schiely, Akron Beacon Journal, "Honest Abe"
- 2nd - Lew Stamp, Akron Beacon Journal, "Bass Player"
- 3rd - Andrea Kjerrumgaard, Ashland Times-Gazette, "Teen Makeup"

Feature Single

- 1st - Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Gift of Music"
- 2nd - Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, "Sea of Glass"
- 3rd - Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, "Three Cheers"
- HM - Lorrie Cecil, ThisWeek Newspapers, "Canopy of Balloons"

Sports

- 1st - Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, "Hockey Dive"
- 2nd - Marvin Fong, The Plain Dealer, "Basketball Scrum"
- 3rd - Mick Cardew, Akron Beacon Journal, "Flying"

Feature Picture Story

- 1st - Ed Suba Jr., Akron Beacon Journal, "Brain Tumor"
- 2nd - Jeff Swinger, Cincinnati Enquirer, "Amputee Wrestler"
- 3rd - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "Missing Toddler"

Judges: From the Columbia (MO) Daily Tribune, Gerik Parmele, photo editor, and staff photographers, Jenna Isaacson, G.J. McCarthy, Ed Pfueller and Don Shrubshell.

Neal C. Lauron
The Columbus Dispatch

1st Sports

Manny Malhotra of the Blue Jackets dives in an attempt to control the puck against the Avalanche.



Scott Shaw
The Plain Dealer

1st General News

A homeless person sleeps on the sidewalk on W Third Street.

Marshall Gorby
Springfield News-Sun

1st Spot News

A member of the Springfield Township Fire Department prepares to extinguish a truck fire.



Monthly Clip Contest



Chris Russell
The Columbus Dispatch
1st Feature

Amy Bell wipes away tears as she is serenaded by barbershop singers on Valentine's Day. Bell's boyfriend arranged for the quartet to show up at the American Cancer Society's Franklin County Unit, where his girlfriend works.



Karen Schiely
Akron Beacon Journal

1st Portrait

Pete Raymond, 71, is an Abraham Lincoln presenter who travels the country portraying the 16th president of the United States. In the foyer of Raymond's Wooster home, the portrait on the upper left is of him; the other two are of Lincoln.

March winners

Spot News

1st - Jeff Hinckley, The Columbus Dispatch, "Hilltop Shooting"
2nd - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "Township Firefighters"
3rd - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "Woman Freed From Wreck"
HM - Kevin Whitlock, Massillon Independent, "Detective looks at body"
HM - Bill Lackey, Springfield-News Sun, "Injured Firefighter"

General News

1st - Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Memorial T-shirts"
2nd - Tom Dodge, The Columbus Dispatch, "Horton Sentenced"
3rd - Dodge, "Shanks Found Guilty"
HM - Dodge, "Howard Celebrates"

Portrait

1st - Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal, "Bob Jones Silhouette"
2nd - Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, "Formidable Foursome"
3rd - Kyle Lanzer, Sun Newspapers, "Muscle Car Portrait"
HM - Lisa Powell, Dayton Daily News, "Serving up heaters"

Feature Single

1st - Shari Lewis, The Columbus Dispatch, "On Top of the World"
2nd - Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, "Tiny Dancers"
3rd - Scott Shaw, The Plain Dealer, "Tonya Reese"
HM - Ed Suba Jr., Akron Beacon Journal, "Chess Tournament"

Sports

1st - Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, "Winning Position"
2nd - David Maxwell, The Record Courier, "Center Court Flip"
3rd - Mike Munden, The Columbus Dispatch, "Lancaster Celebrates"
HM - Lauron, "Big Ten Trophy"

Feature Picture Story

1st - Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Children of War"
2nd - Lew Stamp, Akron Beacon Journal, "Legacy of Love"
3rd - Tim Revell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Horse Masseur"

1st Qtr Illustration

1st - Fred Squillante, The Columbus Dispatch, "Winter Treat"
2nd - Bill Lackey, Springfield News-Sun, "You've Got Hate Mail"
3rd - Bill Lackey, Springfield News-Sun, "Car Colors"
HM - Squillante, "Feast of Fortune"
HM - Squillante, "Hot Stuff"

Judges - From the Iowa City Gazette; Brian Ray, Cliff Jette, Jim Slosiarek, Duane Crock



Chris Russell
The Columbus Dispatch
1st General News

Two children of Antoine M. Patterson, 25, wear memorial T-shirts to his funeral. Each with a special message imprinted for their father, who was shot to death.



Chris Russell
The Columbus Dispatch
1st Picture Story

Lee Ann Ivy helps five-year-old son Harrison into his miniature Marine uniform as his 18-month-old sister, Reagan, observes.

Monthly clip contest



Jeff Hinckley

The Columbus Dispatch - 1st Spot News

Evette Johnson, an aunt of shooting victim Dashae T. Carroll, pleads with neighbors who might have seen the gunfight on Belvedere Avenue to come forward.

Fred Squillante

The Columbus Dispatch - 1st Illustration

Versatile pears ripen to their sweetest in cold months

Shari Lewis

The Columbus Dispatch

1st Feature

Abrao Silva works on building 11 at Lifestyle Communities' Falls at Hayden Run. Work on the project, which includes about 600 town houses, has moved along more quickly than expected because of the mild winter.



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Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal
1st Portrait - March

Bob Jones, 72, owner of Business Interiors in Akron, sits on the bumper of his 1941 Ford Super Deluxe convertible silhouetted by a sign in his collection.