



SUMMER 2000

Ohio News
Photographer



Annual membership meeting minutes

The Annual Business Meeting of the Ohio News Photographers Association was called to order on April 8, 2000 with officers Bob DeMay, Ed Suba, Jr., Lisa Dutton, Vince Shivers, Kimberly Barth and David I. Andersen present. It took place during the lunch hour of the Annual Convention held in Cleveland.

The first order of business was handled by Richard Bixler who swore in all current officers to another two-year term.

A motion was then made to waive the reading of the previous meeting's minutes, which passed.

Barth reported that the ONPA's checking account was in good shape. The organization lost \$491 in 1999. She also stated that last year's convention, which was held in Dayton, lost \$1,972.

DeMay had talked with Still Monthly Clip Contest Chairman Chris Parker who reported that there is a need to separate the News category into General News and Spot News. Also it will be easier and faster to get out the results if entrants put their e-mail address on the back of the entries.

The Annual Picture Contest was discussed next. Suba, who has been the interim chairman, said that we had more entries this year and the quality was up. A discussion then followed on making the competition digital instead of slides. DeMay and Suba talked about their experience judging a digital contest in Pittsburgh. The biggest problem they saw would be people following the directions. If you did not do it correctly, the judges would not see your picture. It was decided that the judging will stay in Columbus because the turnout has been good. Finally, David Polcyn volunteered to chair next years Annual Picture Contest. Thank you David.

New television contest chairman Tony Giordullo reported that sending the tapes out to be judged worked well and they plan to continue doing that. David Colabine and Giordullo are pushing members to enter the quarterly clip. It can be a great help with the annual contest. They have been discussing

making a few changes. The board would need them by the summer board meeting.

A round of applause began the discussion of the newsletter by DeMay. People are very happy with it. The biggest need is for more information and tidbits from members. If something interesting has happened at you paper or with co-workers, simply e-mail DeMay. He also invited members to write articles.

There was no old business.

Under New Business, it was announced that The ONPA Board and the Beacon Journal would be hosting the 2001 convention at Attwood Lake Lodge near New Philadelphia on March 30-31. Volunteers are needed to help out. This will be the 50 anniversary of the organization and its history will be emphasized. Any members with information they think would be useful should get in touch with a board member.

The ONPA's website was the next topic of discussion. The general feeling was that it needs to be beefed up. Forum discussions, links to personal websites, pictures and video clips of winners were among the ideas tossed around. Mark Duncan reported that he has had numerous problems with the Ohio.net server presently used. They also provide only 5 megs of space. Phil Long then made two motions. The first was to secure a domain name. The second was to seek a donated site with 15 megs of space. If it can not be found the ONPA would pay for the space. Both motions passed. Later in the day Mark Duncan secured www.onpa.org.

The final item on new business was the George Smallsreed Estate. DeMay reported that the estate is settled and the money is in a trust. A tax lawyer has been hired and should have the money figures in time for the next newsletter. The board would like input from members on the best way of using the money. The operating fund should enable the board to keep dues where they are currently.

The meeting was then adjourned.

David I. Andersen/ONPA Secretary

Job moves

Peggy Turbett has joined *The Plain Dealer* as an assistant picture editor on the night desk leaving *The Cincinnati Enquirer* where she held the position of assistant photo director.

Joining the staff at *The Cincinnati Enquirer* as a staff photographer is **Brandi Stafford** who spent the last eight years in Tulsa, OK.

Kent State University student **Louis Sanchez** interned at *The Cincinnati Enquirer* this summer and will spend this fall interning at the *Akron Beacon Journal*. Fellow classmate **Jason Kaye** spent the summer as an intern at *The Vindicator* in Youngstown.

Kendall Griggs left his position at WNWO-TV in Toledo to join WCPO-TV in Cincinnati.

Also leaving the Toledo area for Cincinnati is **Molly Corfman** who will freelance there.

Thomson sell off

Thomson Corp announced June 14 that it had reached an agreement to sell *The Repository* in Canton, Ohio to The Copley Press, Inc. for an undisclosed sum.

A week earlier Thomson had sold 38 properties, including eight in Ohio, in a deal with Gannett and Community Newspaper Holdings. The Ohio publications were all acquired by Gannett and include the *Telegraph-Forum* (Bucyrus), *The Chillicothe Gazette*, *The Coshocton Tribune*, *Lancaster Eagle-Gazette*, *News Journal* (Mansfield), *The Marion Star*, *The Advocate* (Newark), *Times Recorder* (Zanesville), *The Journal-News* (Hamilton) and *Middletown Journal*.

Gannett, also recently announced that it had given its local newspapers approval to run advertisements on their front pages.

Hirt Media Company has acquired The Galion Inquirer in a sale effective May 8. Hirt Media currently owns seven weekly papers in Ohio.

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Odds 'n ends

Bill Wade, former staff photographer at the *Akron Beacon Journal* now on staff at the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* recently was named the Pennsylvania Press Photographers Association's Photographer of the Year. Wade went to dinner following the judging and got a very accurate fortune cookie. It read, "your luck has been completely changed today."

Former ONPA member **Sharon Cekada** of *The Post Crescent* in Appleton, Wisconsin was selected as the Wisconsin News Photographers Association's Photographer of the Year. Cekada is a graduate of Kent State University.

A digital pundit had this to say about his digital experience recently on a discussion list. This is how I describe the D1 experience: You are strapped into the front seat of a new super duper roller coaster. As the coaster pulls away from the gate, someone hands you a full cup of hot coffee and says, have fun. Incidentally the observation was that of former ONPA member **Steve Stokes**.

Congratulations are in order for clip contest chairman **Chris Parker** and his wife Amy who gave birth to a healthy baby boy on June 12. Jack Fenton Parker is their third child. They also have twin two year-old daughters. As Chris puts it, "needless to say I will be going to work to get a little peace and quiet."

Vindicator photographer **Lindsay Simple** was married to Doug Ripple in June. Never being one to miss a moment with a camera the bride could be seen on the dance floor sporting a point and shoot camera capturing the evening's high points while dancing. She was backed up by **Ed Suba, Jr.** who grabbed one of the disposable cameras

ONPA web site gets a new address: www.onpa.org

The ONPA web site has a new host and a new address which should make the site much easier to find for one and all.

ONPA has purchased the domain onpa.org which is the new address for the web site. The site was formerly hosted on the servers of Ohio.net courtesy of the Medina County Gazette. The site is now being hosted by Ohio.com courtesy of Jim Arnold. Ohio.com is the internet division of the Akron Beacon Journal.

The switch in hosts allows web master Mark

Duncan more flexibility in content and format which he is currently working on with Jim Arnold of Ohio.com.

Visitors to the site have seen a members only area which requires a password to access. The area is under construction and members will be furnished passwords when complete.

Webmaster Mark Duncan and ONPA President Ed Suba, Jr. are working together on the content for the site. If you have any suggestions feel free to pass them along.

Dominican Duel wins Detrich trip around the world

Block News Alliance photographer Allan Detrich was the 2nd place winner in the Million-Dollar Moment contest sponsored by PhotoPoint.com. Detrich's prize is a trip for two around the world valued at \$20,000. His entry, "Dominican Duel" was taken in 1994 while working on a story about baseball in the Dominican Republic. *Seattle Times* photographer Steve Ringman captured first place and a prize of a million dollars.



Best of the best results

The wining clips from 1999 were kept in their categories and rejudged as a group to determine the Best of the Best for the year. The results were to be announced at the annual convention but a delay in judging prevented that from happening. Winners for 1999 Best of the Best:

NEWS

- 1st - Matt Detrich, Akron Beacon Journal, "Grif Brings Students Together"
- 2nd - Bob DeMay, The Vindicator, "Arrested"
- 3rd - Ken Blaze, The News Herald, "Robert Arnold Forgives"

FEATURE

- 1st - Steven Herppich, Cincinnati Enquirer, "Cowboy Tapes Up"
- 2nd - Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal, "River Painting"

- 3rd - Alysia Peyton, Columbus Dispatch, "My Fair Ladies"
- HM - Eric Albrecht, Columbus Dispatch, "Sammy Turns on the Charm"
- HM - Tom Dodge, Columbus Dispatch, "Happy Cat"

SPORTS

- 1st - David Richard, The Morning Journal, "Flying"
- 2nd - Ken Blaze, The News Herald, "Touchdown"
- 3rd - Ed Suba Jr., Akron Beacon Journal, "Kids Fielding"
- HM - David Richard, The Morning Journal, "Tagged Out"
- HM - David Richard, The Morning Journal, "Scrapping for the Ball"
- HM - Neal Lauron, Columbus Dispatch, "Tough Loss"

FEATURE PICTURE STORY

- 1st - Allan Detrich, Block News, "Beryllium"
- 2nd - Bill Reinke, Dayton Daily News, "Mission of Mercy"
- 3rd - Alysia Peyton, Columbus Dispatch, "Healer of Hearts"



On the cover

WITH A PISTOL IN HAND, JEFFREY BORNHOEFT TALKS TO A LEBANON POLICE OFFICER DURING A STANDOFF AFTER A SHOOTING HIS EX-WIFE'S NEW HUSBAND. THE PHOTO BY **TY GREENLEES** OF *THE DAYTON DAILY NEWS* PLACED FIRST IN SPOT NEWS IN APRIL.

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Heckle equals Browns '99 record with two wins

Scott Heckel, staff photographer with *The Repository* in Canton was a multiple winner in the 32nd annual Pro Football Hall of Fame Photo Contest.

Heckel placed third in the feature category with his entry, "Take That"

Heckel also won an honorable mention in the category for "All Lined Up".

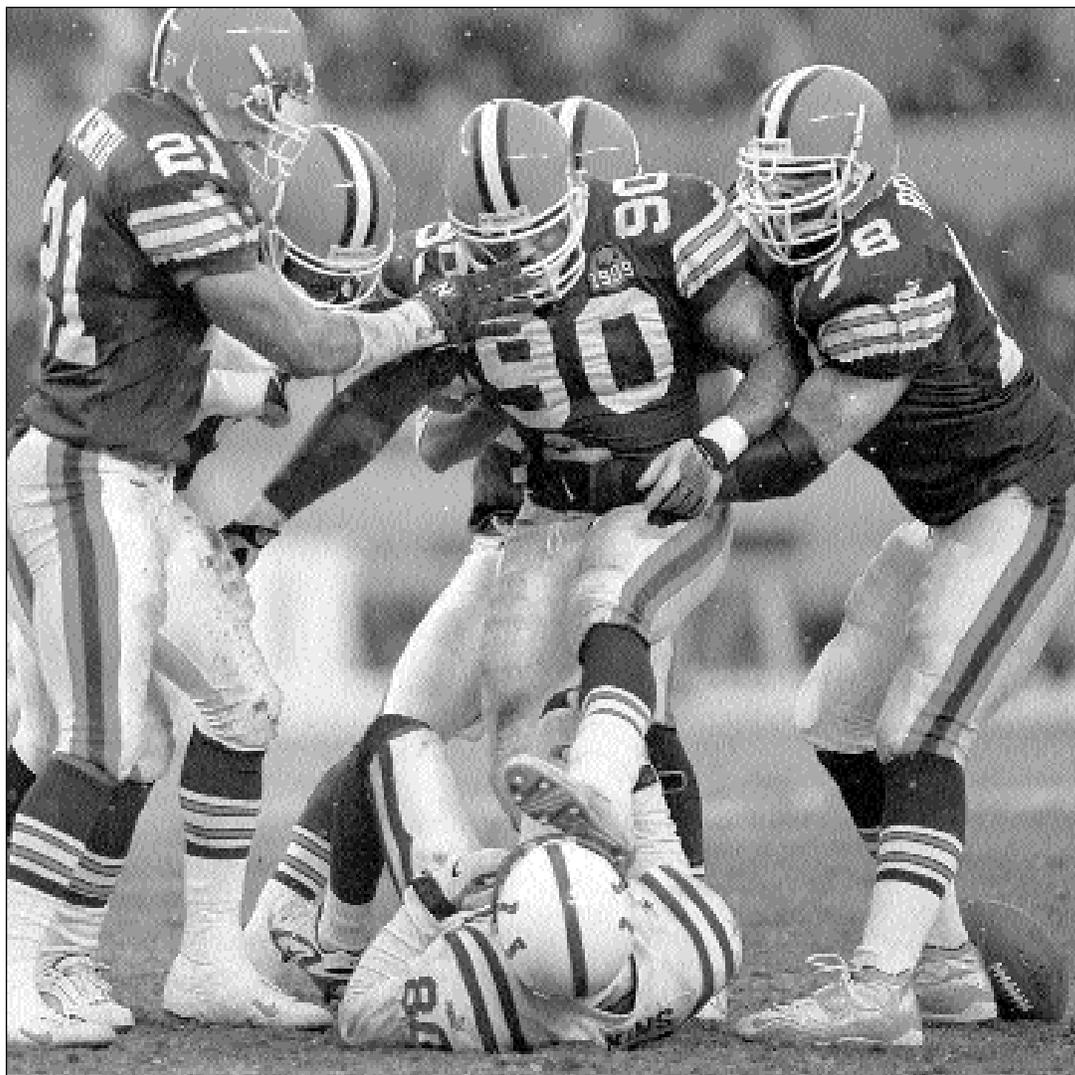


Scott Heckel

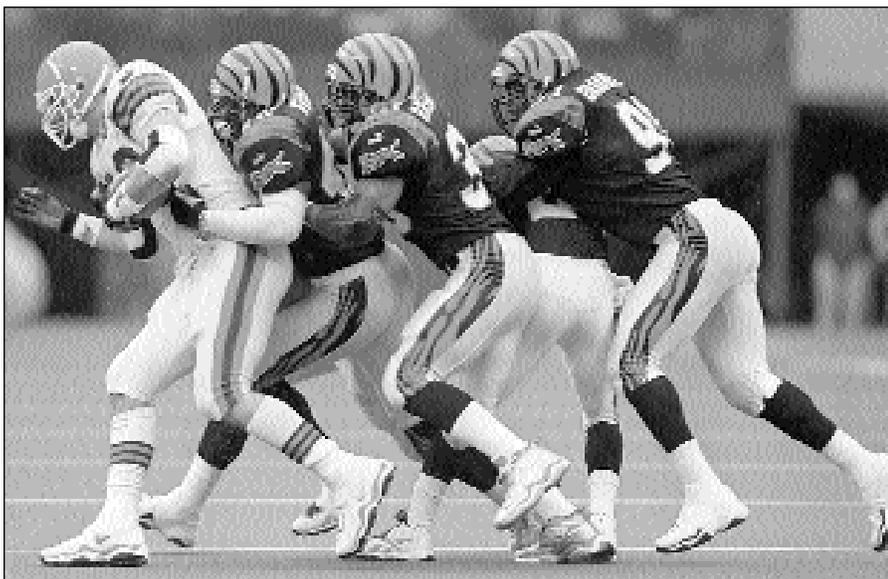
John Biever of *Sports Illustrated* won the Dave Boss Award of Excellence for Photograph of the Year with his photo, "Over the Top" from the Jacksonville Jaguars game against the Cleveland Browns.

Heckel who has worked at *The Repository* since November 1986 has previously received two honorable mentions in the Pro Football Hall of Fame photo contest winning in 1989 and 1992.

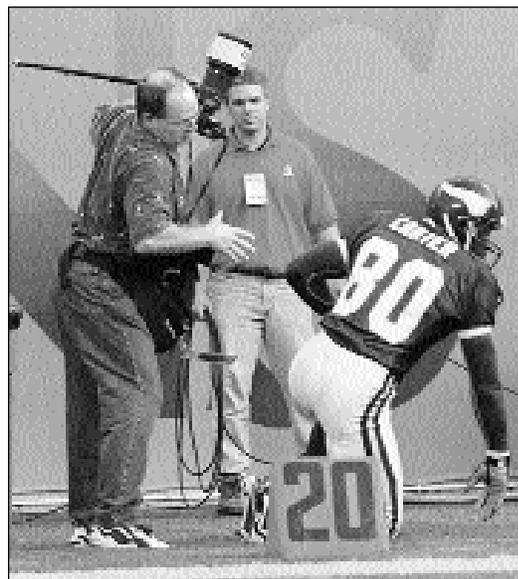
Heckel is a veteran on the sidelines of NFL games covering over 80 games including 16 regular and preseason games in the Browns inaugural season in 1999.



Take That - - The Browns James Williams (90) is restrained by teammates after kicking the Indianapolis Colts Terrence Wilkins following a fourth quarter kickoff return in Cleveland December 26, 1999.



All Lined Up - - Browns tight end Mark Campbell tries to fend off a group of Bengal defenders after picking up a short gain in the first quarter of their game at Cincinnati's Cinergy Field December 12, 1999.



The Repository / Bob Rossiter
Scott Heckel dives out of the way of Minnesota Vikings receiver, Chris Carter, during the Browns first preseason game at Cleveland Browns Stadium.

Odds 'n ends

Former ONPA member **Richard Sitler** is now a Peace Corp volunteer working in Jamaica. He recently finished his training and is hoping to pick up his cameras and document the experience.

Associated Press photo editor **Gary Gardiner** is publishing a Ohio AP Member Newsletter available via e-mail. It highlights the member Photo of the Month and provides valuable information for photographers for contributing photos properly. Those wishing to request a copy can send an email to Gardiner at ggardiner@ap.org

The NPPA bestowed honors to two ONPA members at the annual convention held recently in San Francisco.

Larry Nighswander, director School of Visual Communications at Ohio University, received the Robin F. Garland Award, given for outstanding service as a photojournalism educator.

Karl Kuntz of The Columbus Dispatch was the recipient of the J. Winton Lemen Fellowship Award.

Block News Alliance Washington Bureau photographer **Allan Detrich** and his wife Mary welcomed new son Noah Bower Detrich into the world on July 3rd. Noah was born just 12 short hours after his mother Mary Bower delivered a baby to one of her patients.

ONPA secretary **David Andersen** got caught up in the Cleveland Indians rash of injuries this summer. Andersen was hit by a foul ball off the bat of Texas Ranger outfielder Gabe Kapler. The ball hit Andersen on the hand and broke his finger in several places. Despite the pain he kept shooting after receiving first aid in the photo pit.

Wally Nelson, Dayton Daily News staffer passes away

Skip Peterson
Dayton Daily News

Wally Nelson spent 40 years working at a job he loved, news photography. By anyone's standards, that's truly an amazing accomplishment.

Moreover, his vision and creative talent brought memorable and powerful photographs to the readers of the *Dayton Daily News*.

Nelson died in April after a long battle with cancer. He was 58 years old when he died. He was a graduate of Kiser High School in Dayton, and a veteran of the US Army. Nelson started his career at the *Dayton Daily News* in 1959 as a wirephoto operator and later became a staff photographer, a talent that was self taught.



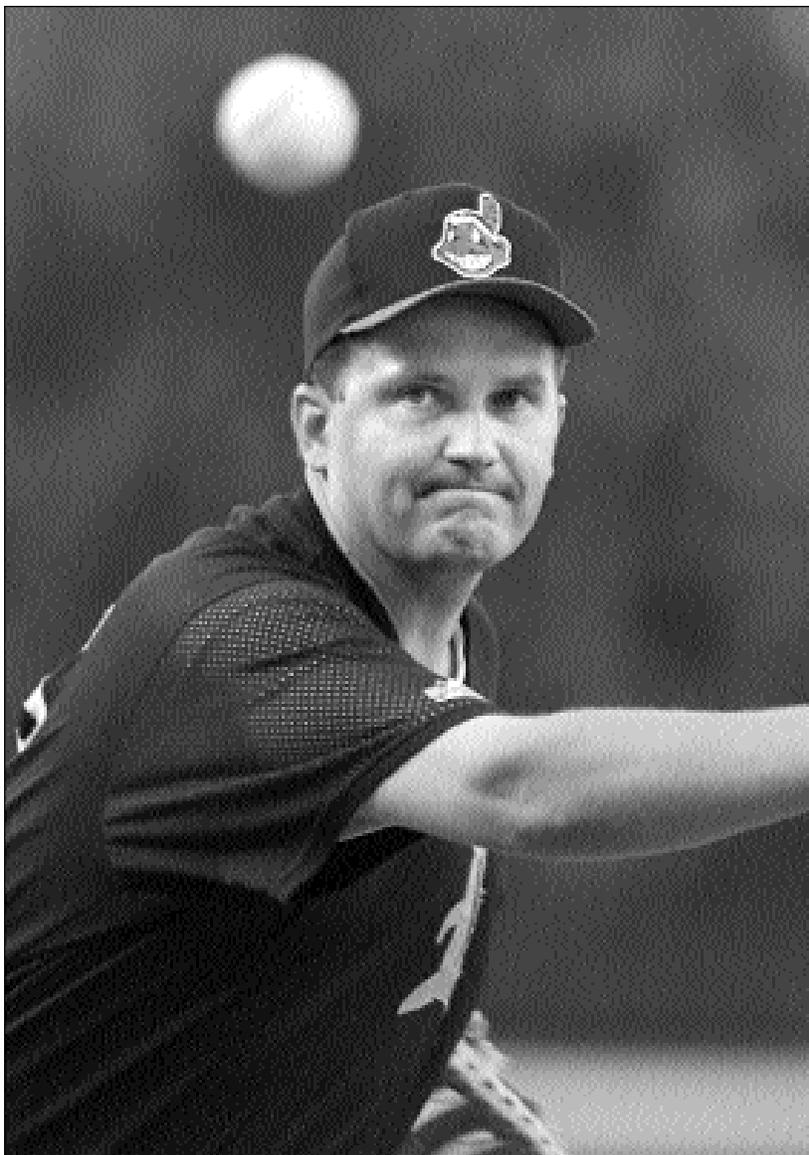
WALLY NELSON

Nelson never backed off when he was on assignment. It didn't matter if it was a "routine" feature in the suburbs, or covering The President of the United States. They all got equal intensity, a sincere look, an objective but creative view, through Nelson's lens.

Nelson was a stickler for detail, a photographer who had the patience to wait for that "right moment." He pushed deadlines because he wanted to make sure the reader got the best possible picture. He wasn't interested in his ego, he was interested in sharing his view with the readers.

He made sure he reported each event in a fair manner, sometimes agonizing over the negatives during editing to be sure he didn't miss the right photo.

While Nelson won many awards over the years from the ONPA, AP, SPJ and other groups, his real goal was to share his photography with the *Daily News* readers. He truly chronicled daily life in the Miami Valley, and his vision will never be replaced.



AP / Mark Duncan

Tom Puskar of the *Ashland Times-Gazette* found himself on the other side of the camera when he had the honor of throwing out the first pitch at Jacobs Field prior to the Cleveland Indians taking on the Pittsburgh Pirates in July.

NPPA Flying Short Course stop Oct 22 at Indianapolis

Indianapolis, IN will serve as the midwest stop for the NPPA Flying Short Course, October 22.

This years speakers include: Boston based freelance photographer Paula Lerner, civil rights photographer Will Counts, Rob Finch the 1999 NPPA still POY, Doug Legore, 1999 NPPA Television POY, Maria Mann, director of photography for the Americas for Agence France-Presse.

Also speaking are *Chicago Tribune* national photographer Pete Souza, Brian Storm, director of photography for MSNBC.com and David Sutherland, documentary film producer for PBS's *Frontline* series.

Pre-registration prices are in effect until Oct 11. Rates are \$45 for NPPA members, \$55 for non-members, \$25 for students. Those prices increase \$5 after October 11.

The event will be held at the Indianapolis Marriott. The seminar rate of \$89 is available until Sept 30. Reservations can be made by calling (317) 352-1231.

For additional registration information contact Joe Vitti at The Indianapolis Star at (317) 272-4407 or jvitti@starnews.com.

Associated Press Society of Ohio 1999 contest winners

Division V over 75,000

Spot News Photos:

1st, Ernest Coleman, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Not all lost"; 2nd, Lonnie Timmons III, The Plain Dealer, "Marijuana"; 3rd, Glenn Hartong, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Prayer of thanks"; HM, David I. Andersen, The Plain Dealer, "Dog's death."

Feature Photo:

1st, Steven M. Herppich, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Their First Communion"; 2nd, Scott Shaw, The Plain Dealer, "X-Filed"; 3rd, Glenn Hartong, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Reflection"; HM, Jim Witmer, Dayton Daily News, "Once in a blue moon."

General News Photo:

1, Bill Reinke, Dayton Daily News, "Ray Charles at Wilberforce University"; 2nd, Ernest Coleman, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Tears for Petey"; 3rd, Michael E. Keating, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Veteran reflection."

Photo Essay:

1st, Steven M. Herppich, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "The way we worship cycles of life"; 2nd, Craig Ruttle, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "A young prince"; 3rd, Doral Chenoweth III, The Columbus Dispatch, "Drunk tank."

Sports Photo:

1st, David I. Andersen, The Plain Dealer, "Game saving tag"; 2nd, Chuck Crow, The Plain Dealer, "Baseball celebration"; 3rd, Chuck Crow, The Plain Dealer, "Prayer for 33"; HM, Chuck Crow, The Plain Dealer, "Come back here."

Division IV 25,000 - 75,000

Spot News Photo:

1st, Joe Munson, The Cincinnati Post, "Tornado damage"; 2nd, Melanie Sochan, The Tribune Chronicle, "Near riot"; 3, Michael Blair, The News-Herald, "Bus overturns."

Feature Photo:

1st, Daniel Melograna, News Journal, "Hanging around"; 2nd, Ross Weitzner, The Morning Journal, "Rocks 4 sale"; 3rd, Chris DeVitto, The Lima News, "Sharing friendship."

General News Photo:

1st, Ken Blaze, The News-Herald, "Grief"; 2nd, Ross Weitzner, The Morning Journal, "Juneteenth"; 3rd, Julie Vennitti, The Repository, "Veterans' Memorial."

Photo Essay:

1st, Nick Short, The Lima News, "Back to

school with baby at home"; 2nd, Rich-Joseph Facun, The Lima News, "Ashleigh can now smile."

Sports Photo:

1st, Maribeth Joeright, The News-Herald, "A tough loss"; 2nd, Daniel Melograna, News Journal, "Head first"; 3rd, Daniel Melograna, News Journal, "Celebration."

Division III 13,000 - 25,000

Spot News Photo:

1st, Tony Furbee, The Sidney Daily News, "Fatal fire"; 2nd, Shirley Ware, The Medina County Gazette, "Father's relief"; 3rd, Tim Fleck, Sandusky Register, "Keeping cool under fire"; HM, Dave Kline, Lancaster Eagle-Gazette, "Fire aftermath."

Feature Photo: 1st, Steve Schenck, Morning Journal, "Watching the white stuff arrive"; 2nd, Rose Shriver, Lancaster Eagle-Gazette, "Discus thrower"; 3rd, Matthew Hovis, The Medina County Gazette, "Here's looking at you"; HM, Bill Lackey, Middletown Journal, "Foot art."

General News Photo:

1st, David Allan Sturman, The Marion Star, "All that's left"; 2nd, Andy Morrison, Sandusky Register, "Winner!"; 3rd, Jim Denney, The Journal-News, "Casper strikes"; HM, Dave Kline, Lancaster Eagle-Gazette, "She shoots ... she scores!"

Photo Essay:

1st, Andy Morrison, Sandusky Register, "Healing thyself"; 2nd, Andy Morrison, Sandusky Register, "Lazy days - crazy nights"; 3rd, Tim Johnson, Chillicothe Gazette, "Eyes on the fair"; HM, Steve Schenck, Morning Journal, "Starting school."

Sports Photo:

1st, Tom Lowry, The Marion Star, "End of the season"; 2nd, E.L. Hubbard, The Journal-News, "Safe at the Plate"; 3rd, Andy Morrison, Sandusky Register, "Making the play"; HM, Scott Osborne, Chillicothe Gazette, "A wild ride."

Division II 8,000 - 13,000

Spot News Photo:

1st, Paul Vernon, Bellefontaine Examiner, "Bank robbers nabbed"; 2nd, Tom Puskar, Ashland Times-Gazette, "Firefighter framed in window"; 3rd, Mark Pummell, The Daily Standard, "Motorcycle death."

Feature Photo:

1st, Tom Puskar, Ashland Times-Gazette, "Me and my shadow"; 2nd, Kyle Lanzer,

The Alliance Review, "Color our world"; 3rd, Peter Fellman, Norwalk Reflector, "Tiny tumblers."

General News Photo:

1st, Mark Pummell, The Daily Standard, "Bunkmates"; 2nd, David Hooker, The Athens Messenger, "Gettin' down!"

Photo Essay:

1st, Mitch Casey, The Marietta Times, "Historic trip"; 2nd, Peter Thomson, The Marietta Times, "Closing the gap"; 3rd, Molly Corfman, The Sentinel-Tribune, "Youth Olympics."

Sports Photo:

1st, David Hooker, The Athens Messenger, "Tough shot in the lane"; 2nd, Randy Roberts, The Advertiser-Tribune, "We did it!"; 3rd, Mitch Casey, The Marietta Times, "Buzzer jumping."

Division I under 8,000

Spot News Photo:

1st, Pat Aukerman, The Xenia Daily Gazette, "Crying poodle"; 2nd, Nancy Radcliff, Circleville Herald, "Everything lost"; 3rd, Nancy Radcliff, Circleville Herald, "Fireman rescues kitten"; HM, Mike Dornbirer, Telegraph-Forum, "Wyandot home destroyed."

Feature Photo:

1st, Bob Lauriha, Coshocton Tribune, "I got it!"; 2nd, Jennifer A. Ernst, Daily Advocate, "Snakes alive!"; 3rd, Pat Aukerman, The Xenia Daily Gazette, "Right back at you"; HM, Brian Koeller, Northwest Signal, Napoleon, "Flying high."

General News Photo:

1st, Pat Aukerman, The Xenia Daily Gazette, "Hallelujah!!"; 2nd, Mike Dornbirer, Telegraph-Forum, "Cemetery of the innocents"; 3rd, Mike Dornbirer, Telegraph-Forum, "White House replica"; HM, Nancy Radcliff, Circleville Herald, "The past remembered."

Photo Essay:

1st, Matthew Emmons, The Delaware Gazette, "Buckeye bicentennial barn"; 2nd, Pat Aukerman, The Xenia Daily Gazette, "Hog heaven"; 3rd, Matthew Emmons, The Delaware Gazette, "Unlimited access."

Sports Photo: 1st, Brad Avery, Wapakoneta Daily News, "Trojan triumph"; 2nd, Jennifer A. Ernst, Daily Advocate, "Kicking up the action"; 3rd, Brad Avery, Wapakoneta Daily News, "Black rain."

WANTED: unpublished pixels

Photo District News is planning to kick off a new monthly photo feature that showcases pictures by newspaper and magazine photographers that were deemed unpublishable for whatever reason. To kick off the column, they're seeking eligible pictures as well as anecdotes about any unusual standards that your publication applies to the pictures it publishes.

So if you know of a newspaper editor that has any hard and fast rules about what pictures cannot, under any circumstances, be published, then they'd like to hear from you. Contact David Walker, senior editor, Photo District News (610) 378-1020 or dwalker@epix.net. Ohio was the home to several winners in the 47th Annual NPPA

NPPA television editing winners

TV News Photography and Editing Competition.

Matthew Rafferty of WJW-TV in Cleveland had three winning entries in the contest. He placed 2nd in the Under Deadline category for "Ice Removal." He also placed 3rd in Editor's Feature with his entry "Ghetto Memorial" and won an honorable mention in the category with his entry "Haiti."

Tim Roskey also of WJW won an honorable mention in the category with his entry "Dahmer."

Matthew R. Shedenhelm of WBNS-TV in Columbus placed second in the Sports Editing category for "99 Memorial"

Ohio Associated Press Broadcasters 1999 contest winners

COLUMBUS - Television stations from Columbus, Dayton and Youngstown have won Outstanding News Operation awards in the annual Ohio Associated Press Broadcasters contest.

Photographers, Ali Ghanbari, WJW-TV, Cleveland, Eric Anderson, WNWO-TV, Toledo, and Jim Bowser, WYTV-TV, Youngstown were recognized as Best Photographers in their market class

The awards covering news reporting in 1999 were handed out at the annual O-A-P-B convention.

LARGE TV

Extraordinary Coverage of a Scheduled Event

1st: WBNS-TV, Columbus, Eve Mueller and Aysu Basaran, "Wilfred Berry"

Best Spot News

1st: WCMH-TV, Columbus, "Teays Valley Bus Accident", 2nd: Dave Grendzynski, WBNS-TV, Columbus, "Seminary Fire". HM: WCPO-TV Cincinnati, "Tornado".

Best Regularly Scheduled News

1st: WBNS-TV, Columbus

Best Continuing Coverage

1st: Scott Diener, WCPO-TV Cincinnati, "Twister of 99", HM: WKYC-TV, Cleveland, "A Community Torn".

Best Investigative Reporting

1st: Laure Quinlivan Mark Shafer, WCPO-TV, Cincinnati, "Stadium Investigation" 2nd: Tom Meyer & Barry Nestor, WOIO-TV, Cleveland, "Flood Tampering", HM: Jeff Hirsh & Jeff Barnhill, WKRC-TV, Cincinnati, "Dead Man Driving".

Best Documentary

1st: Andrea Cambern & Tama Davis, WBNS-TV, Columbus, "Sydney's Story".

Best Feature Story or Series

1st: Bob Holtsman & Rod Griola, WCPO-TV, Cincinnati, "The Meeting", 2nd: Greg Groogan & Kim Fatica, WKYC-TV, Cleveland, "Lan Party", HM: Monica Robbins & Peter Miller, WKYC-TV, Cleveland, "Kevin Reed - A Survivor's Story".

Outstanding Sports Operation

1st: WBNS-TV, Columbus, 2nd: John Popovich & Dennis Janson, WCPO-TV, Cincinnati.

Best Regularly Scheduled Sports

1st: Anthony Rothman, WSYX-TV, Columbus, 2nd: Dave Maetzold & Scott Duff, WCMH-TV, Columbus.

Best Photography or Sound

1st: Ali Ghanbari, WJW-TV, Cleveland, 2nd: Michael Leftwich, WXIX-TV, Cincinnati, HM: Matt Shedenheim, WBNS-TV, Columbus.

Best Photographer

1st: Ali Ghanbari, WJW-TV, Cleveland, 2nd: Kim Fatica, WKYC-TV, Cleveland.

Outstanding News Operation

1st (tie): WBNS-TV, Columbus, WCMH-TV, Columbus 2nd: WCPO-TV Cincinnati

Outstanding Weather Operation

1st: WCPO-TV, Cincinnati, 2nd: WBNS-TV, Columbus.

Best Regularly Scheduled Weather

1st: Pete Delkus, WCPO-TV, Cincinnati, 2nd: Tim Hedrick, WKRC-TV, Cincinnati.

Best Enterprise Reporting

1st: Stacy Case & Michael Benedic, WCPO-TV, Cincinnati, "Who Killed Patty?", 2nd: Stephen Hill & Mark Shafer, WCPO-TV, Cincinnati, "Officer Investigation", HM: Tom Meyer & Barry Nestor, WOIO-TV, Cleveland, "Cease fire".

Best Reporter

1st: Lorne Wagner, WSYX-TV, Columbus, 2nd: Dave Summers, WJW-TV, Cleveland, HM: Paul Adler, WKRC-TV, Cincinnati.

Best Producer

1st: Aysu Basaran, WBNS-TV, Columbus.

MEDIUM TV

Extraordinary Coverage of a Scheduled Event

1st: WDTN-TV, Dayton, "Second and Main Implosion"

Best Spot News

1st: Alva Taylor and Eric Hoffman, WTOL-TV, Toledo, "Helicopter", 2nd (tie): Rebecca Regnier and Charlie Soto, WTVG-TV, Toledo, "Armed Chase", C.J. Butein and Eric Olsen, WTOL-TV, Toledo, "Life Flight Crash".

Best Regularly Scheduled News

1st: WTVG-TV Toledo, 2nd: WDTB-TV Dayton, HM: WHIO-TV Dayton.

Best Continuing Coverage

1st: WDTN-TV Dayton, "Search For Erica", 2nd: Jason Knowles & Stacy Cobb, WTVG-TV, Toledo, "Tiffin Landfill", HM: WHIO-TV Dayton, "Search For Erica".

Best Investigative Reporting

1st: Jason Knowles & Stacy Cobb, WTVG-TV, Toledo, "Tire Fire", 2nd: Jim Baldrige & Don Mills, WHIO-TV, Dayton, "Jobs Gone South", HM: Kevin Milliken & Mike Loomis, WTOL-TV, Toledo, "Goodwill or Bad Intent".

Best Documentary

1st: Julie Weindel & Brian Orzel, WHIO-TV, Dayton, "Last Sky in the Millenium", 2nd: Rebecca Fondessy & Phil Dreschler, WTOL-TV, Toledo, "Journey of Hope".

Best Feature Story or Series

1st: Joe Rychnovsky, WTOL-TV, Toledo, "Wednesday at the Track", 2nd: Paul Moses, WDTN-TV, Dayton, "Gator Found", HM: Jeff Smith & Brain Jagodzinski, WTVG-TV, Toledo, "Does it Work?"

Outstanding Sports Operation

1st: WOWK, Huntington, W.Va.

Best Regularly Scheduled Sports

1st: WOWK, Huntington, W.Va.

Best Photography or Sound

1st: Greg Miner, WDTN-TV, Dayton, "Light of Hope", 2nd: Kendall Griggs, WNWO-TV, Toledo, HM: Darin Pope, WDTN-TV, Dayton.

Best Photographer

1st: Eric Anderson, WNWO-TV, Toledo, 2nd: Kendall Griggs, WNWO-TV, Toledo.

Outstanding News Operation

1st: WDTN-TV Dayton, 2nd: WNWO-TV, Toledo, HM: WTVG-TV, Toledo

Outstanding Weather Operation

1st: WHIO-TV, Dayton, 2nd: WOWK-TV Huntington, W.Va.

Best Enterprise Reporting

1st: Jala Anderson & Marlon Falconer, WTVG-TV, Toledo, "Black and White Test", 2nd: Tom Bosco & Eric Anderson, WNWO-TV,

Toledo, "Internet Hoaxes".

Best Reporter

1st: Paul Moses, WDTN-TV, Dayton, 2nd: Caryn Golden, WHIO-TV, Dayton, HM: Jason Knowles, WTVG-TV, Toledo.

Best Producer

1st: Brian Halberstadt, WDTN-TV, Dayton.

SMALL TV

Extraordinary Coverage of a Scheduled Event

1st: WTOV-TV, Steubenville, "New Years Eve"

Best Spot News

1st: Stan Boney, WYTV-TV, Youngstown, "Thunderstorm", 2nd: Angela Massie and Bob Yodice, WOUB-TV, Athens, "Train Wreck", HM: Matt Stone and Mike Petrucci, WFMJ-TV, Youngstown.

Best Regularly Scheduled News

1st: WTOV-TV Steubenville, 2nd: WFMJ-TV Youngstown.

Best Continuing Coverage

1st: Michelle Nicks & Mike Gauntner, WFMJ-TV, Youngstown, "FBI's War on Corruption".

Best Investigative Reporting

1st: Joe Bell & Amy Gustavson, WKBN-TV, Youngstown, "Adoption Agency".

Best Documentary

No awards, Special Judge's Award: Pam Surano, WYTV-TV, Youngstown, "Telling a Friend".

Best Feature Story or Series

1st: Jim Forbes & Theo Burskey, WTOV-TV, Steubenville, "Marshall University - Tragedy to Triumph", 2nd: Bill Castrovince & Tom Russo, WYTV-TV, Youngstown, "Bog Board's Best", HM: Tricia Perry & Tom Pelagalli, WKBN-TV, Youngstown, "Moving Day".

Outstanding Sports Operation

1st: WYTV-TV, Youngstown, 2nd: WFMJ-TV, Youngstown.

Best Regularly Scheduled Sports

1st: Bob Hannon and Bill Castrovince, WYTV-TV, Youngstown, 2nd: Bill Phillips, WTOV-TV, Steubenville.

Best Photography or Sound

1st: Tim Dale, WFMJ-TV Youngstown, "Bingo", 2nd: Tom Russo, WYTV-TV, Youngstown, "Water Skier".

Best Photographer

1st: Jim Bowser, WYTV-TV, Youngstown, 2nd: Nick Rich, WYTV-TV, Youngstown.

Outstanding News Operation

1st: WYTV-TV, Youngstown, 2nd: WFMJ-TV, Youngstown, HM: WTOV-TV, Steubenville.

Outstanding Weather Operation

1st: WTOV-TV, Steubenville.

Best Regularly Scheduled Weather

1st: Stan Boney, WYTV-TV, Youngstown.

Best Enterprise Reporting

1st: Connie Colella, WYTV-TV, Youngstown, "Deadly Peanuts", 2nd: Patrick Center & Mike Brown, WYTV-TV, "Convoy of Hope", HM: WKBN-TV, Youngstown, "Winter Park".

Best Reporter

1st: Matt Stone, WFMJ-TV, Youngstown, 2nd: Patrick Center, WYTV-TV, Youngstown, HM: Gordon Loesch, WKBN-TV Youngstown.

Best Producer

1st: Marty Oravec, WYTV-TV Youngstown, 2nd: Joanne Cimino, WYTV-TV, Youngstown.



Haraz Ghanbari

Chris Reece of WJW-TV in Cleveland captured the television clip contest and annual newstape Photographer of the Year titles in 1999.

**BY JENNIFER LAPINA
FORMER PRODUCER, WJW-TV**

On a Friday evening in May, photojournalist Chris Reece decided to take a short ride to the University of Akron. He loaded up his gear after working the nightside shift in search of a post final exam celebration. Actually, Chris was banking on finding a college party that sometimes gets out of control. There were no guarantees. But this time, his hunch paid off. The "May Day" partying turned ugly. Soon police were everywhere.

"Eventually the whole street was full of tear gas," says Reece, photojournalist with FOX, O&O and WJW-TV8, Cleveland. "The first time I got the tear gas in my eyes, I worked through it. But the second round of it really hurt. I set my camera down for a second and realized I'd had enough. I had my story and I was done."

Fortunately, not all compelling stories happen at the expense of personal harm. Last Spring, Chris did a piece on a local Easter egg display called "Eggshell and." The annual event is a local family's labor of love. Imagine an entire lawn full of carefully colored eggshells (34,000 of them to be exact). They're shaped in figures like Chief Wahoo and Mickey Mouse. "Even though a lot of the family's children are grown now, they come back home to do this," Chris says. The pictures were visual and beautiful. But the family bonding is what tugged at the heartstrings.

While Chris will be the first to tell you he likes having quality time to do a story, he knows it usually doesn't happen that way. Thinking on your feet is key. When he and anchor/reporter Mark Spain were quickly assigned a story in a Cleveland neighborhood one day, time was limited. The story called "Grease Pole" involved a contest in which men climb a pole slathered in grease, each vowing that their team will be the dirty, yet exuberant winner. "We only had 40 minutes to shoot that package, so team work was key. Mark would keep his eye on the action on the pole and gather details while I combed the crowd for good reaction shots," says Chris. "We know how to work together and that makes all the difference." The winners, by the way, were exuberant - and filthy.

Chris admits his desire and ability to tell a good story didn't happen overnight. When he began his career at WTHI-TV

Terre Haute, Indiana a decade ago, there were few photographers who could teach him how to be a strong storyteller. But by the time he left the station two years later, he thought he had gotten pretty good. Until he met Ali Ghanbari at WKEF-TV in Dayton. "I remember when I got to Dayton, Ali had a natural sound piece on drive-in movie theaters," Chris says. "As I sat in an edit bay watching the piece, I couldn't believe how good it was. I felt deflated for a moment. The bar had just been raised. Now I knew I still had a long way to go." Ali took Chris under his wing and showed him what it meant to live up to NPPA standards. Chris won his first award several months later.

After Dayton, Chris moved on to WXIX-TV in Cincinnati. That's where he learned the importance of being a solid editor. "A lot of photographers can shoot well, but their editing suffers. Your skills as a photographer improve when you see what you actually need to put together a good piece," he says. "If you're a mediocre photographer, but a great editor, you can make yourself look a whole lot better."

Chris continued to polish those skills when he went to WPGH-TV in Pittsburgh. Then after spending nearly two years in Steeler's country, WJW-TV called. As with most stations, there can be challenges. Time limits can make it difficult to spend enough time on a particular piece. But Chris takes advantage of his personal gear and take-home vehicle. "It makes it easier to do a story on my own time when I already have all the tools I need," Chris says. He also credits some talented photographers and editors at FOX8 for keeping his interest fresh. "Matt Rafferty and Tim Roskey are both very talented editors at the station who have won national awards," Chris says. And the photographer who taught Chris so much about his craft years ago at the NBC affiliate in Dayton continues to challenge him. Yes, Ali (a 5 time POY himself) is also at FOX8.

Apart from work, Chris emphasizes the importance of watching NPPA winners tapes and attending seminars and conventions. "I spent my vacation last year in Denver at the NPPA convention. Networking is key," he says.

Advice from the pros may not keep you from getting sprayed with tear gas at a college party. But it can help you come home with one hell of a story.

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Back to the Future

Gazette photographer steps back in time



A conversation with her teenage daughter planted the seed for an idea that blossomed far beyond the expectations of *Gazette* photo editor Shirley Ware.

Her daughter Rachel was on the roller coaster of life that in the teen years can offer a very bumpy ride. In trying to ease her mind Ware told her daughter that if she could just skip junior high right now, go straight to high school, then come back and do the middle school years in her 30s or 40s it would be much easier on all concerned.

Wise advice but that wasn't possible. Or was it? Well it might not work for her daughter, but what about another candidate.

With that thought in mind Ware found she had the perfect person for the job right under her nose. Atoyia Deans, a youthful looking 24 year-old graduate student who was an intern in the photo department was about to get her next assignment. To go back to eighth grade.

Ware's next mission was to find a school district that would go along for the ride. She approached several with the plan but the only bite came from the Black River School District in rural Medina County.

The superintendent of schools and building principal were the only two people in the district to know Atoyia's true identity.

On Friday morning the teachers were told her true identity and a select group of students which she had quickly made friends with were told the news face to face at the end of the day. As one would expect all were surprised.

The following week *The Gazette* ran a day by day diary kept by Deans during her trip back in time. The stories were accompanied by photos taken by her editor Shirley Ware who went to the school on the premise of photographing the eighth graders before their field trip to Washington D.C.

The experiment was well received in the community and received national attention as well. The story was featured on Disney Radio Network as well as NBC's Today Show. Both Ware and Deans were flown to New York and appeared with host Katie Couric.

Those wishing see the photographs and read the full story as it appeared in *The Gazette* can point their browsers to: <http://www.medina-gazette.com/photo/atoyia.html>.

Atoyia Deans is a graduate student at Ohio University and spent the past summer as a intern at The Washington Post.



The *Gazette* / Shirley Ware
New found friend Reanna watches an exhausted Atoyia Deans in gym class at Black River Education Center.



The *Gazette* / Shirley Ware
Atoyia Deans, center on bench, clowns it up with her classmates in the cafeteria at Black River Education Center for the "photographer lady" from *The Gazette*.

The state of ONPA

Bob DeMay

Board Chairman

After watching the political parties slug it out on the television for the past month it seemed like a perfect time to sit down and write the ONPA version of a State of the Union address.

I do so after spending most of the spring, house shopping, followed up by packing and finally moving.

For most in the news business moving is no big deal. It's like a fifth season that comes along every three or four years. I was not one who fell into that category.

I had reached the age of forty something and was still living seven doors away from the house I grew up in. The old neighborhood was great but it proved to be a few too many miles away from my new employer the *Akron Beacon Journal*.

Well it took a few months and we've closed the gap between work and home and I write to you now snug and safe in my new home typing away on my laptop sitting in my baracalounger with an Elvis movie on the tube.

In the time it took to move sixty miles the ONPA membership held a convention, missed a newsletter and held a television workshop in Columbus.

The missed newsletter was turned into this double issue to get us caught up. Honest I wasn't trying to follow the lead of NPPA's 4SIGHT Magazine. I'd have to move around the world to duplicate that feat.

The annual convention in April was a success on all fronts. Chairmen, David Andersen, Kim Fatica and their committee pulled off their jobs flawlessly.

Still and television speakers were very well received but as sometimes is the case someone steals the show. The day clearly belonged to Life Member, Herral Long from *The Blade*. Don't let the title of life member let you believe that Herral is ready for the rocking chair.

Herral was ONPA's first still Photographer of the Year in 1967 and he's still making great pictures today. He has a deep passion for his work and he knows how to make a picture work.

Unlike some of his younger brethren who have been drug from the darkroom kicking and screaming as digital cameras are put in their hands, (sound familiar), Herral has embraced the technology.

Of course after working for fifty years this isn't the first change in cameras for Long. For someone who has gone from a 4 by 5 to a D-1 the secret according to Long is a positive attitude. It was stressed time and again to those who listened to him speak in Cleveland. It's his number one suggestion.

Herral's day wasn't over after speaking though. At Saturday night's awards dinner he was presented the Robert S. Carson Award, ONPA's highest honor. The award is presented for outstanding contribution to photojournalism.

Long's contributions this day weren't quite over though. If he stole the show on the speaking platform, he brought down the house in the hospitality suite. Backed up by Bill Kennedy and Doug Oster on guitar,



Bob DeMay

Accompanied by Bill Kennedy of *The Plain Dealer*, left and former ONPA member Douglass Oster, right, life member Herral Long takes center stage in the hospitality room at the annual convention singing, "Satisfaction."

Long put the Rolling Stones to shame with his own rendition of Satisfaction.

Truly a man of many talents, among them, being a great human being.

The board has met to continue planning for next years meeting which will mark the organization's 50th anniversary.

As part of next years program a session will look back on the past fifty years of covering news in Ohio.

Both still and television members are urged to contribute material in advance of the event. It is hoped that most of the material would be near at hand since most news organizations looked back at the last century at the close of 1999.

Newspapers should each contribute one or two photos of what they believe document the biggest news story in the past 50 years in their area. Photos can be features or sports events as well as news.

Please don't delay in submitting. The earlier we receive them the better idea we will have in formulating plans.

Photos can be prints or electronic files. Mail them to: Bob DeMay, 8300 Sapphire Ave NE, North Canton, OH 44721 or by e-mail to bdemay@nowonline.net.

Television members should contact vice president Vince Shivers to make arrangements for their submissions. Shivers can be contacted via e-mail at vshivers@aol.com or by phone at work at (330) 744-8821.

Life members and freelancers are also encouraged to reply.

On the financial front the estate of George Smallsreed Jr has been settled and placed in a trust. The sum of \$178,412.55 will remain in trust for 20 years at which time the sum will be turned over to ONPA. In the time between now and then the organization will receive annual interest payments. The first such installment for a portion of 1999 was paid to ONPA in April in the amount of \$5,145.05.

Smallsreed's bequest to the organization will keep ONPA financially sound for many years to come with prudent management,

We will be able to continue to offer programs like the Buckeye Television Seminar held recently in Columbus.

Hats of to Tim Moushey, Vince Shivers and Ali Ghanbari for coordinating this years program. Over fifty photographers attended this years event in Columbus.

Programs like this are only offered due to the George Smallsreeds and Herral Longs of the world. It's people like them and the many other life members, that we have an organization as successful and and long lasting as we do in Ohio.

Do your part to keep the tradition going strong for the next fifty years. You are the life members of tomorrow. Get involved, if only by pointing a young photographer towards joining.

Membership has its privileges. It might be the only way to meet people like Bob "Scoop" Phillips and Ron Kuntz or Paul Schell. There's a chapter missing in your life if you haven't. We've learned so much from them over the years.

I couldn't leave you without tipping my hat to Scott Heckel at *The Repository* in Canton who helped to ease the transition for me and my family after our move.

He played the welcome wagon host by sending an e-mail complete with area doctor listings along with hair stylist, plumber, painter, masusse. He even included information on how to get the local newspaper.

I wonder if they know at *The Repository* just how dedicated an employee they have there.

Well now you've been updated so I guess it's time to get up from this comfortable chair and go to bed.

In case you were wondering about that movie, Elvis got the girl in the end.

still clip standings through April

1. Ken Love, <i>Akron Beacon Journal</i>	318	22. Joy Parker, <i>This Week Newspapers</i>	58
2. Chris Russell, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	258	23. Jeff Adkins, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	56
3. Gary Green, <i>Akron Beacon Journal</i>	228	Alysia Peyton, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	
4. Dave Polcyn, <i>The News Journal</i>	158	25. Darin Byan, <i>Suburban News Publications</i>	54
Fred Squillante, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>		Bill Kennedy, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	
6. Tom Dodge, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	118	Julie Vennitti, <i>The Repository</i>	
7. Bill Lackey, <i>The Springfield News-Sun</i>	108	28. Maribeth Joeright, <i>The News Herald</i>	48
8. Tim Revell, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	98	29. Eric Albrecht, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	46
9. Glen Hartong, <i>Cincinnati Enquirer</i>	96	Crip Gamersfelder, <i>Suburban Newspapers</i>	
Brynne Shaw, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>		31. Kimberly Barth, <i>Akron Beacon Journal</i>	44
11. Michael Blair, <i>The News Herald</i>	88	Mame Burns, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	
Steve Herppich, <i>Cincinnati Enquirer</i>		33. Mike Munden, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	36
Matthew Hovis, <i>The Gazette</i>		Tim Norman, <i>Suburban News Publications</i>	
Steve Schenck, <i>The Morning Journal</i>		35. Marshal Gotby, <i>The Springfield News-Sun</i>	28
Will Shilling, <i>The Tribune Chronicle</i>		Joe Maiorana, <i>This Week Newspapers</i>	
16. Neal Lauron, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	86	37. Ernest Coleman, <i>Cincinnati Enquirer</i>	18
Lisa Powell, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>		38. Stephen Counsel, <i>This Week Newspapers</i>	16
18. Malinda Rackley, <i>Freelance</i>	84	Daniel Melograna, <i>The News Journal</i>	
19. Ty Greenlees, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	64	Patti Schaeffer, <i>The Morning Journal</i>	
Duncan Scott, <i>The News Herald</i>		Lindsay Semple, <i>The Vindicator</i>	
21. Scott Shaw, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	62	Jim Witmer, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	

still clip rules

Photos must be entered in the month published. A photo can be entered only after its initial publication. 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 subjects 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 picture:** 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 pre-conceived 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.

Remove your name and affiliation from the front of the clip. Affix a label with your name, publication, address, category and date of publication 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.

Wire service photographers and stringers may enter prints but they must be signed on the back by a supervisor noting they had been transmitted.

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. Mail clips by the 7th of the month following publication to:

Chris Parker
ThisWeek Newspapers
670 Lakeview Plaza Blvd.
Suite F
Columbus, Ohio 43085-1781

1st qtr television clip results

GENERAL NEWS

- 1st - Full house - Chris Reece - WJW
- 2nd - Clearing the way - Jeff Barnhill - WKRC
- 3rd - Paintball Robbery - Bob Wilkinson - WJW
- HM - Still Cutting - Vince Shivers - WJM

FEATURE

- 1st - Penciling the Pastime - Kim Fatica -WKYC
- 2nd - Best of the Best - Ali Ghanbari - WJW
- 3rd - Circle of Faith -Kim Fatica - WKYC
- HM - Shoe Shineman - Eric Anderson - WTOL

IN-DEPTH

- 1st - Till death do us part - Ali Ghanbari -WJW
- 2nd - Cancer Kid-Dave Hollis - WJW
- 3rd - Tale of Two Stadiums - Jeff Barnhill-WKRC
- HM - It's a National Epidemic - Ron Mounts - WJW

SPOT NEWS

- 1st - Flooding the store - Dave Colabine - WKRC
- 2nd - Beat the River - Tony Giordullo - WLWT
- 3rd - The Chase - Thomas Fisher - WDTN
- HM - Lisbon Student Gun - Jim Bowser - WYTV

2nd qtr television clip results

GENERAL NEWS

- 1st - Super kids - Chris Reece - WJW
- 2nd - Adopt a highway - Chris Hedrick - WNBS
- 3rd - Warrior for education - Vince Shivers - WJM

FEATURE

- 1st - Music for healing - Ali Ghanbari - WJW
- 2nd - Spring run - Doug Herrman - WJW
- 3rd - Framing history - Madeline Fuerste - WDTN
- HM - Census taker - Chris Hursh - WKRC
- HM- Pay at the pump - Dave Colabine -WKRC

IN-DEPTH

- 1st - Undesirable return - Ali Ghanbari -WJW
- 2nd - Class of 2000 - Tony Giordullo - WLWT
- 3rd - Blind radio - Jeff Barnhill-WKRC
- HM - Dream works - Doug Herrman - WJW

SPOT NEWS

- 1st - Crisco spill - Jeff Barnhill - WKRC
- 2nd - Little girl found - Dave Colabine - WKRC
- 3rd - Saving Freddy - Scott Doelling - WBNS
- HM - Bank fire - Mike Smith - WBNS

television point standings

1	Ali Ghanbari	WJW-TV Cleveland	43
2	Jeff Barnhill	WKRC-TV, Cincinnati	31
3	Chris Reece	WJW-TV Cleveland	24
4	Dave Colabine	WKRC-TV Cincinnati	22
5	Kim Fatica	WKYC-TV Cleveland	18
	Tony Giordullo	WLWT-TV Cincinnati	
7	Doug Herrman	WJW-TV Cleveland	11
8	Chris Hedrick	WBNS-TV Columbus	10
9	Vince Shivers	WFMJ-TV Youngstown	8
10	Scott Doelling	WBNS-TV Columbus	7
	Madeline Fuerste	WDTN-TV Dayton	

January winners

SPOT NEWS

1st - Malinda Rackley
Freelance
2nd - Glenn Hartong
Cincinnati Enquirer
3rd - Gary Green
Akron Beacon Journal
HM - Marshall Gorby
Springfield News-Sun

GENERAL NEWS

1st - Steve Schenck
The Morning Journal
2nd - Will Shilling
The Tribune-Chronicle
3rd - Matthew Hovis
The Gazette
HM - Ernest Coleman
Cincinnati Enquirer

FEATURE

1st - Joy Parker
This Week Newspapers
2nd - Fred Squillante
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - Tim Revell
The Columbus Dispatch
HM - Fred Squillante
The Columbus Dispatch

PORTRAIT

1st - Julie Vennitti
The Repository
2nd - Chris Russell
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - Lisa Powell
Dayton Daily News
HM - Mame Burns
Dayton Daily News
HM - Stephen Counsel
This Week Newspapers

SPORTS

1st - Darrin Bryan
Suburban News Publications
2nd - Marbeth Joeright
The News-Herald
3rd - Chip Gametsfelder
Suburban Newspapers
HM - Will Shilling
The Tribune Chronicle

FEATURE STORY

1st - Karen Schiely
Akron Beacon Journal
2nd - Aimee Obidzinski
Dayton Daily News
3rd - Steven Herppich
Cincinnati Enquirer



h A disabled woman is carried away from her burning apartment building. The photo by freelance photographer **Malinda Rackley** was published by the *Cincinnati Enquirer*. It placed first in news in January.

j **Julie Vennitti** of *The Repository* placed first in portrait in January with her photo of "The Violator" who screams his loyalty to the Oakland Raiders at the Pro Football Hall of Fame. The subject was dressed in his battle gear as one of 31 fans selected for the Visa Hall of Fans.

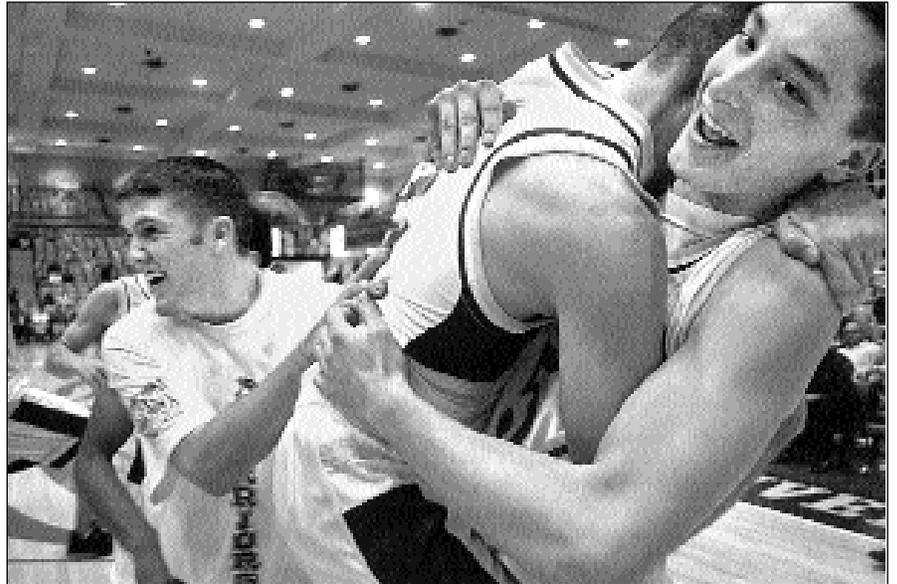


j A speller's reaction to misspelling a word was captured by **Joy Parker** of *This Week Newspapers* on Columbus. The photo placed first in feature in January.



h Third grade students at Southern Local Middle School wave to seven of their classmates who were leaving school in a limousine. The seven, who sold the most items for a PTO fund-raiser were treated to a limo ride and lunch. The photo by **Steve Schenck** of *The Morning Journal* in Lisbon placed first in general news in January.

k **Darrin Bryan** of *Suburban News Publications* in Columbus placed first in sports in January Westerville North players celebrating a come-from-behind win.



j Rock Off, a high school band competition, was the focus of a story by **Karen Schiely** of *The Beacon Journal*. The entry placed first in picture story in January.

February winners

SPOT NEWS

1st - Glenn Hartong
Cincinnati Enquirer
2nd - Dave Polcyn
The News Journal
3rd - Dave Polcyn
The News Journal
HM - Patti Schaeffer
The Morning Journal
HM - Duncan Scott
The News Herald

GENERAL NEWS

1st - Scott Shaw
The Plain Dealer
2nd - Gary Green
Akron Beacon Journal
3rd - Gary Green
Akron Beacon Journal

FEATURE

1st - Fred Squillante
The Columbus Dispatch
2nd - Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal
3rd - Steve Schenck
The Morning Journal
HM - Scott Shaw
The Plain Dealer

PORTRAIT

1st - Lisa Powell
Dayton Daily News
2nd - Eric Albrecht
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal

SPORTS

1st - Michael Blair
The News Journal
2nd - Gary Green
Akron Beacon Journal
3rd - Mike Munden
The Columbus Dispatch

FEATURE STORY

1st - Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal
2nd - Kim Barth
Akron Beacon Journal
3rd - Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal



h A four year-old sitting in he big chair at Dan's Barber Shop in Barberton was part of a photographic tour of the Akron's old-timey barbershops by **Ken Love** of *The Beacon Journal*. The eight page story ran in the paper's Sunday Magazine and placed first in February.



h A Wizard of Oz dining vignette being prepared at the Columbus Museum of Art was captured by **Fred Squillante** of *The Columbus Dispatch*. The photo placed first in feature in February.

j **Glenn Hartong** of *The Cincinnati Enquirer* placed first in spot news in February with his photo of a firefighter holding onto his ladder as an avalanche of debris falls on him, knocking off his hel-



h A portrait of a mother sitting in her daughter's empty bedroom by **Lisa Powell** of the *Dayton Daily News* placed first in February. The woman's daughter had been missing for one year at the time the photo was taken.



k **Scott Shaw** of *The Plain Dealer* placed first in general news in February with his photo of a Continental Airline ticket agent juggling two phones as she deals with a delayed flight to Tampa, Florida.



j **Michael Blair** of *The News-Herald* placed first in sports in February with his photo of skater Sarah Hughes as she performs at the 2000 Chevrolet Skating Spectacular at Gund Arena in Cleveland.

March winners

SPOT NEWS

1st - Bill Lackey
Springfield News-Sun
2nd - Duncan Scott
The News Herald
3rd - Malinda Rackley
Freelance

GENERAL NEWS

1st - Brynne Shaw
The Plain Dealer
2nd - Tom Dodge
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - Michael Blair
The News Herald
HM - Bob Christy
The Times-Reporter
HM - Tom Dodge
The Columbus Dispatch

FEATURE

1st - Matthew Hovis
The Gazette
2nd - Brynne Shaw
The Plain Dealer
3rd - Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal
HM - Chip Gamertsfelder
Suburban Newspapers
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The Columbus Dispatch
HM - Joe Mariorana
This Week Newspapers
HM - Tom Dodge
The Columbus Dispatch

SPORTS

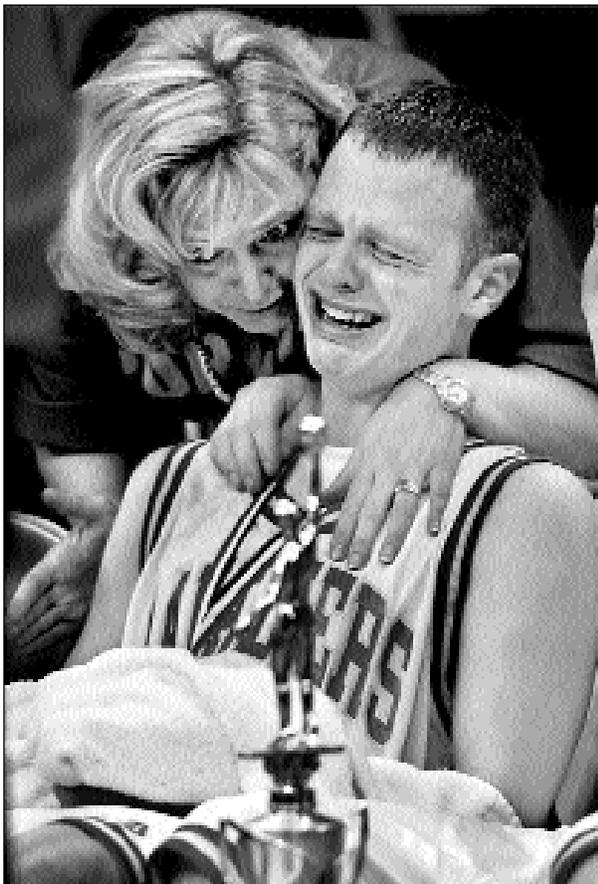
1st - Stephen Herppich
Cincinnati Enquirer
2nd - Jeff Adkins
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - Gary Green
Akron Beacon Journal
HM - Jeff Adkins
The Columbus Dispatch
HM - Joe Mariorana
This Week Newspapers
HM - Daniel Melograna
The News Journal

FEATURE STORY

1st - Gary Green
Akron Beacon Journal
2nd - Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal
3rd - Tim Revel
The Columbus Dispatch



Matthew Hovis of the *Medina County Gazette* placed first in feature in March with his photo of a man painting his apartment.



h An inmate in the Medina County jail awaiting a hearing before the Immigration and Naturalization Service, hugs his mother for the first time in more than a year. The photo by **Brynne Shaw** of *The Plain Dealer* placed first in general news in March.

j **Stephen Herppich** of *The Cincinnati Enquirer* placed first in sports in March with his photo of a player being consoled by his mother after an overtime loss in the tournament.



h **Chris Russell** of *The Columbus Dispatch* placed first in portrait in March with his photo of an antique shop proprietor.
j Phillip Ashley is consoled by his wife in front of the smoldering remains of his parents home and van. The photo by **Bill Lackey** of *The Springfield News-Sun* placed first in spot news in March.



A few hours before the Winter Fantasy formal, Rachel Parker admires her gown and rhinestone tiara in her bedroom mirror. Rachel was a member of the Sweetheart Court a special night for the 19 year-old who has Down syndrome. Rachel's story by **Gary Green** of the *Akron Beacon Journal* placed first in March.

April winners

SPOT NEWS

1st - Ty Greenless
Dayton Daily News
2nd - James DeCamp
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - James DeCamp
The Columbus Dispatch
HM - Ty Greenless
Dayton Daily News

GENERAL NEWS

1st - James Laskay
Springfield News-Sun
2nd - Dave Polcyn
The News Journal
3rd - Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal

FEATURE

1st - Tom Dodge
The Columbus Dispatch
2nd - Bill Kennedy
The Plain Dealer
3rd - Mame Burns
Dayton Daily News
HM - Bill Kennedy
The Plain Dealer

PORTRAIT

1st - Alysia Peyton
The Columbus Dispatch
2nd - Chris Russell
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - Chris Russell
The Columbus Dispatch
HM - Chris Russell
The Columbus Dispatch

SPORTS

1st - Bill Lackey
Springfield News-Sun
2nd - Chris Russell
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - Will Shilling
The Tribune-Chronicle
HM - Lindsay Semple
The Vindicator

FEATURE STORY

1st - Neal Lauron
The Columbus Dispatch
2nd - Chris Russell
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - Tim Revell
The Columbus Dispatch

ILLUSTRATION

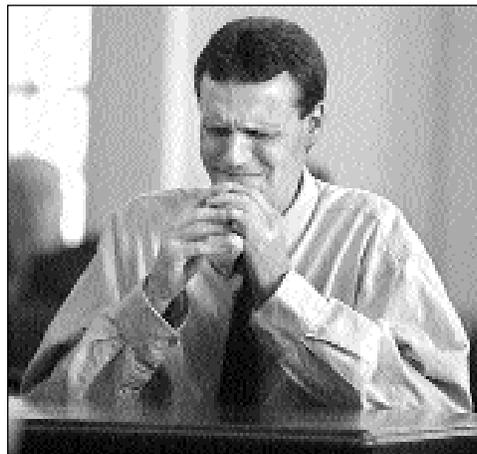
1st - Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal
2nd - Fred Squillante
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - Tim Norman
The Other Paper
HM - Jim Witmer
Dayton Daily News
HM - Ken Love
Akron Beacon Journal



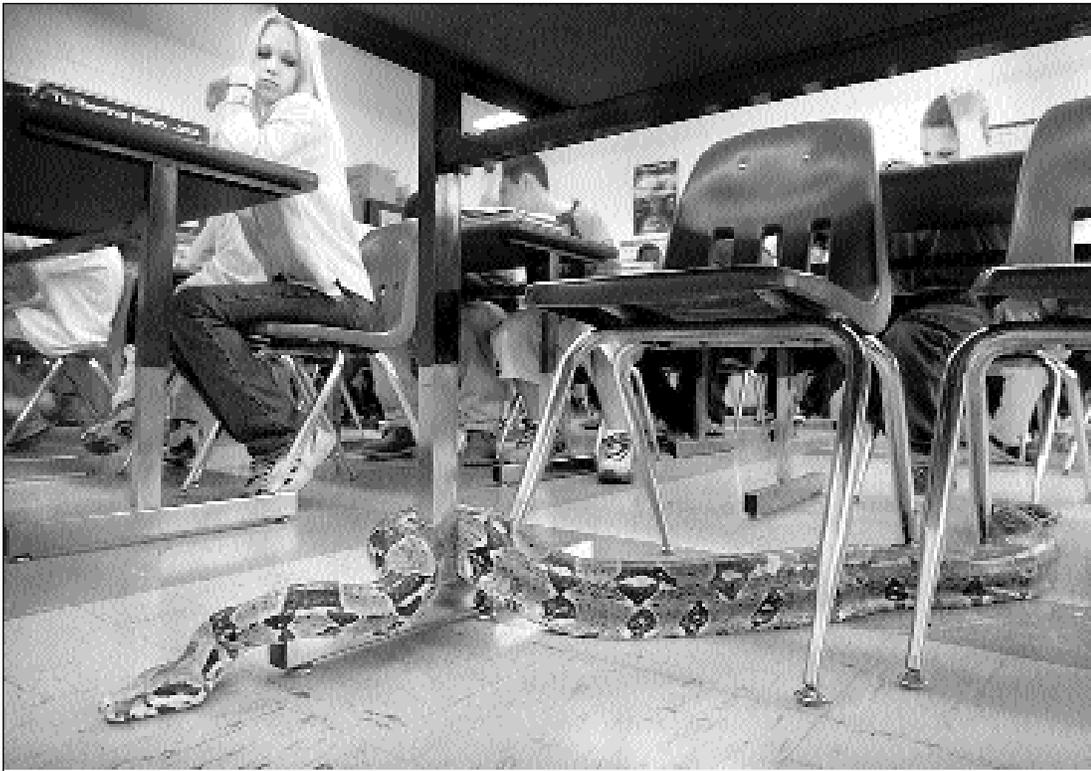
¡Alysia Peyton of *The Columbus Dispatch* placed first in portrait in April with her photo of American Indian Wendell A. Humphrey standing inside his sweat lodge, a sacred prayer site.



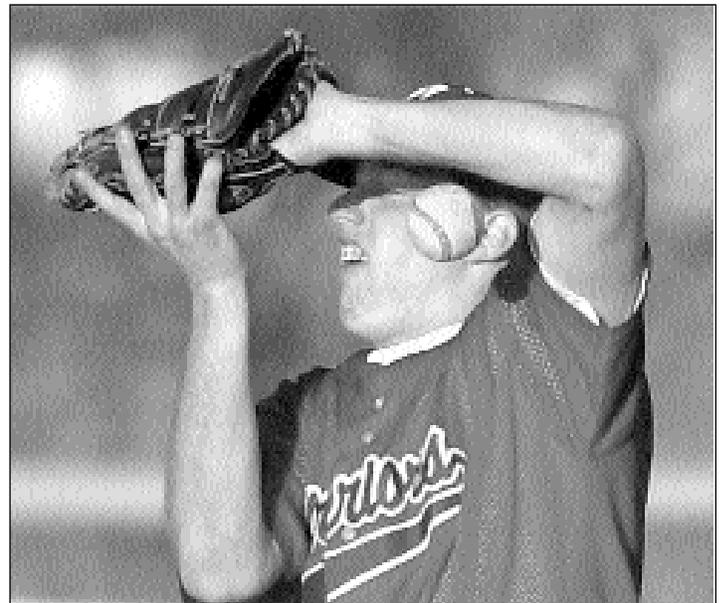
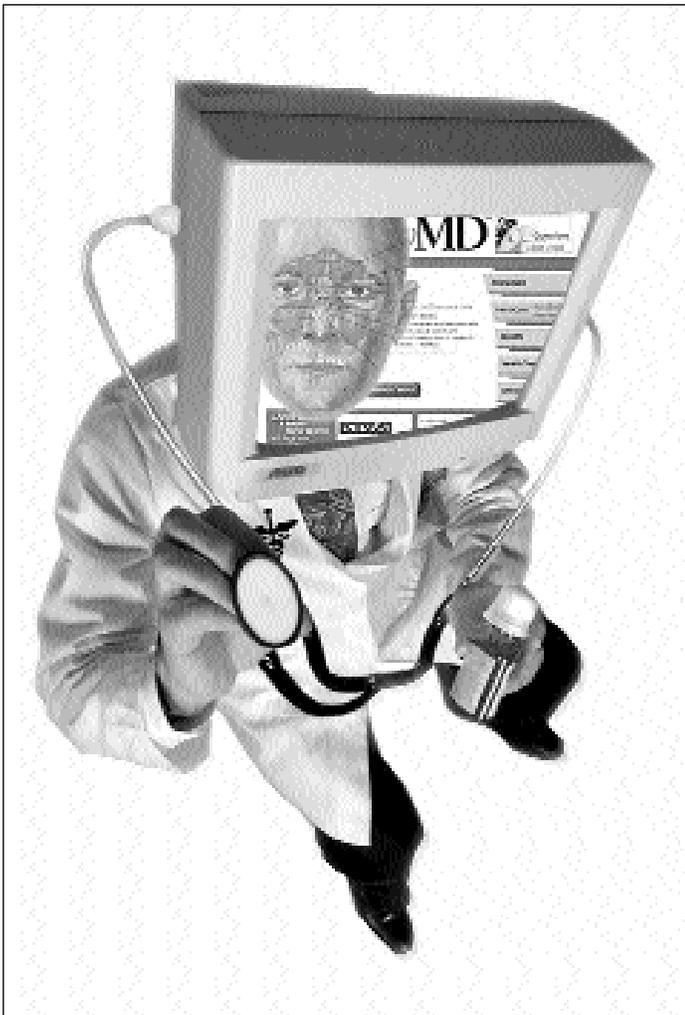
Neal Lauron of *The Columbus Dispatch* followed the dream of a would be college football player who was trying to earn a berth at Ohio State University as a walk on. The story placed first in April.



¡Jim Laskay of *The Springfield News-Sun* placed first in general news in April with his photos of a defendant's reaction to being found guilty of manslaughter.



jA snake slithers through a classroom under the watchful eye of a student at Beery Middle School in Columbus. The phot by **Tom Dodge** of *The Columbus Dispatch* placed first in feature in April. The local school board was going to review it's policy on animals in the classroom after a principal's dog was banned from school.



h **Bill Lackey** of *The Springfield News-Sun* placed first in sports in April with his photo of Northwestern shortstop Danny Colella making an error in a game against Indian Lake.

j Virtual doctor, a story about online medical services illustrated by **Ken Love** of the *Akron Beacon Journal* was the winner for the first quarter illustration category.