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# Photographer

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# Former ONPA POY Andy Cifranic dies at 71

Andy Cifranic began his career as a Plain Dealer photographer in the 1950s, using a camera that was bigger than a bowling ball to capture images on 4-by-5-inch sheet film.

Cifranic, a past Ohio News Photographers Association Photographer of the Year, chuckled when his younger peers, fresh from their college training in photojournalism, complained about what they considered an antiquated photo lab. After all, he had used water from a mountain stream to rinse film while honing his craft with the Air Force during the Korean War.

"He took great pride in being this tough guy who could get things done under primitive conditions," said a former colleague, Curt Chandler. "He had a sense of craftsmanship, the technical part of photography. He wasn't concerned with a photo being beautiful. He was interested in whether it was done well. I learned a lot from him."

The 71-year-old Middleburg Heights resident died of complications from throat cancer at the Cleveland Clinic two days before his 72nd birthday.

Cifranic, known for his welcoming smile and unflinching amiability, won numerous awards over the years and took pictures of the latest fashions, newsmaking events and celebrities such as Katharine Hepburn. Yet the story most often told by his co-workers involves an automobile accident and a two-way radio.

He was on his way back to the newsroom from an assignment in East Cleveland when his car was hit from behind and flipped over. As luck would have it, the two-way radio, which kept him in communication with the newspaper, landed in his hand. He called the photo desk and in a faint voice said, "I'm hanging upside down in my car by my seat belt somewhere near Aviation High School."

Staffers called police, who arrived at the scene and had rescue workers take Cifranic to a hospital.

Cifranic, a North Olmsted native and Lakewood High School graduate, started



**Andy Cifranic**

working for The Plain Dealer as an office boy in the display advertising department in 1948. From 1951 to 1955, he served in the Air Force.

Upon his discharge, he returned to the newspaper, working as a clerk in the dispatch room until an opening for a photographer became available. He took photos for the advertising and editorial departments before retiring in 1998.

He was a woodworker and a model railroad enthusiast. Some of his miniature railroad layouts were featured on the cover of Model Railroader magazine.

Cifranic also was an actor. He portrayed the father of the lead character in a rock-band movie that was filmed last year by the daughter of Sen. George Voinovich.

Cifranic is survived by his wife of 48 years, Anne, five sons, a daughter and eight grandchildren.

*courtesy The Plain Dealer*

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## date & deadlines

<p><b>January 17</b></p> <p>ONPA Television Contest Entry Deadline</p>	<p><b>January 25</b></p> <p>ONPA Still Contest Entry Deadline 7 pm</p>	<p><b>January 31</b></p> <p>ONPA Annual Membership Dues Renewal</p>	<p><b>January 31</b></p> <p>NPPA Best of Television Photography &amp; Editing Contest Deadline</p>
<p><b>February 14</b></p> <p>NPPA Best of Photojournalism 2003 Contest Entry Deadline</p>	<p><b>February 15</b></p> <p>ONPA Still Contest Judging Kent State University</p>	<p><b>April 4 - 5</b></p> <p>ONPA Annual Convention Holiday Inn Worthington</p>	<p><b>June 19 - 21</b></p> <p>NPPA Annual Convention &amp; Educational Seminar NW Chicago</p>

# Lackey wins HM in Editor & Publisher Photo of the Year Contest



Bill Lackey/Springfield News-Sun

Bill Lackey of the Springfield News-Sun won an honorable mention in the breaking news category of the Editor & Publisher Photo of the Year Contest.

Lackey's photo showed firefighters hopelessly battling a farm house ablaze in Plattsburg.

The fire broke out as a front of bad storms swept through the area on June 5, 2002. According to Lackey, "The photo staff was out chasing reports of funnel clouds and tornados when I got a call from the city desk about a possible house fire in Plattsburg, a small crossroads town on the border between Clark and Madison Counties."

"The photo was the first one I took as I got out of my car. The farm house was standing in the middle of a field and was fully engulfed and the scene almost looked unreal as the firefighters, who seemed dwarfed by the size of the fire, stood by helplessly."

## Odds 'n ends

NPPA Secretary **Timothy C. "T.C." Baker** has finalized the NPPA even region election results. As stated in the NPPA bylaws, ballots were mailed directly to the the last known physical address of its even region voting members on November 1, 2002. Members were given a deadline of November 30 postmark date. **Chris Reece** of WJW-TV in Cleveland has been elected as NPPA Region 4 associate director. Reece will serve with **Scott Utterback** of WAVE-TV, Louisville, KY who has been elected as director replacing **Tom Price** of Ball State University.z

**Lindsay Semple** has left her position as staff photographer at The *Vindicator* to join the staff at the *Akron Beacon Journal* as a picture editor.

**Daniel Kraus** joins the staff at *The Star Beacon* in Ashtabula after leaving *This Week Newspapers* in Columbus.

Also at *This Week*, **Jonathan Quilter** takes over as chief photographer. Quilter had been working part time for several years while operating a winery owned by his grandfather.

**Gary Harwood**, **Jeff Glidden** and **Bob Christy** of Kent State University's Communications and Marketing team were winners at the University Photographers Association of America's 41st Annual Technical Symposium.

Chief Photographer, Gary Harwood placed third in campus environment and photo feature. Glidden placed first in feature and second in news & feature. Christy, placed second in feature and won an honorable mention in portraits & people.

The event was held at Kent State University.

## Perkins steps down as chief at WFMJ-TV

Hank Perkins, chief photographer at WFMJ-TV since shortly after the station went on the air in 1953 retired from the Youngstown television station November 2.

Back then his job was to convert photos taken by *Vindicator* photographers and convert them to slides to air in newscasts.

He guided the news product from the still era through film, through videotape and into the early days of digital.

Perkins has hired every videographer the station has ever had.

In a career spanning nearly 50 years in the Mahoning Valley, Perkins covered the demise of the steel industry, the mobs early years, labor unrest and political corruption

According to news director Mona Alexander, "We all know Hank's a great photographer and leader. We Also know him as a friend. What we might forget from time to time is Hank is also a tribute to our profession."



Hank Perkins hired every photographer WFMJ-TV has ever had including Jo Lynn Mulally who gives her former boss a hug during a gathering to celebrate his nearly fifty year career at the station in Youngstown.

## On the cover



**Bob Rossiter**  
*The Repository*  
1st Picture Story  
August

JuWanna Taylor hugs a Massillon Police Officer following graveside services for her deceased husband officer Eric Taylor at Mount Peace Cemetery in Akron. Taylor was shot and killed after he and other police joined the State Highway Patrol in a 12-mile chase of Donald Matthews that ended in a shoot out leaving Taylor and Matthews dead.

# Digital editions debut Extreme pictures basis for traffic conviction

Several Ohio papers have rolled out digital editions of their publications as publishers continue to look for ways to raise revenue from web site ventures. The trend is growing nationwide.

The latest newspapers to announce plans for electronic replicas of their print editions are *The Columbus Dispatch*, *The Virginian-Pilot* and the *American Press* of Lake Charles, La. All are using technology from Olive Software Inc. of Denver.

The Columbus edition will be available free to print Dispatch subscribers or to Web-only subscribers at \$4.95 per month.

Since October 1 non subscribers of The Columbus Dispatch now must pay a monthly fee of \$4.95 to access the paper's web site.

The Dispatch joins a handful of papers across the country who have begun to charge for web access. The *Wall Street Journal* charges \$39 a year to print subscribers who want to access its web site and \$79 a year to nonsubscribers.

The Blade has launched an e-edition using NewsStand Inc.'s proprietary software, which lets subscribers download exact replicas of the print newspaper to their personal computers.

Director of Circulation Michael Gaither said the e-edition will allow the Blade to reach "snowbirds," retirees who migrate south annually for the winter.

Single copies may be purchased for 50 cents or \$1.50 on Sunday. Weekly subscriptions run at \$2.75 or \$1.75 for Saturday and Sunday only.

In September the Akron Beacon Journal launched its electronic edition. It's priced at \$8.95 a month, though a bundled online-and-print fee is in the works.

The digital edition uses the nearly ubiquitous Adobe Acrobat for file conversion, as well as BJT's proprietary software.

Among the bells and whistles are extra photos that don't appear in the print edition, simplified searching for classified ads, and e-mail links to reporters accessible by clicking on their bylines.

The Akron Beacon Journal had earlier tried CD-ROM edition which caught people's attention, but turned out to be financially impractical on a daily basis.

A Tallmadge man was convicted of 10 traffic citations in Akron Municipal Court based strictly on a story and accompanying photographs published in the *Akron Beacon Journal* for a story on so-called extreme motorcyclist.

Motorcyclist Sean Cripple Cripple, 28, was fined \$1,000 and lost his motorcycle endorsement and driver's license for 18 months. He was convicted of three counts each of reckless operation, failure to maintain reasonable control and improper riding and one count of failure to display a license plate.

*Akron Beacon Journal* photographer Ken Love and reporter Andrea Misko were forced to testify against Cripple, despite attempts by newspaper attorneys to seek journalistic privilege protection from Akron Municipal Court Judge Lynne Callahan.

Akron police began investigating Cripple after photos of him performing stunts appeared in the July 14 *Beacon Journal*.

Cripple had been contacted by a reporter about stunt motorcycling. He told a reporter he and his friends cycled often. He agreed to call the newspaper when he and his friends were going riding. A reporter and photographer then met the cyclists and followed them.

Love subsequently shot Cripple lying backward on his motorcycle, arms and legs extended, while his bike traveled along a crowded state Route 8.

The accompanying story gave details about extreme motorcyclist and complaints from other drivers about the group's sometimes unsafe driving tendencies.

The story also quoted police officers from around the area saying they couldn't catch the extreme cyclists. Akron Prosecutor Doug Powley said the news story left the city with no choice but to prosecute Cripple.



Ken Love/Akron Beacon Journal  
Shawn Cripple of Tallmadge performs stunts on his motorcycle while riding down State Route 8 in Akron. Cripple is facing backwards while riding and is now facing a fine and the loss of his license.

"The state simply could not explain to the public why a prosecution would not occur given the obvious violations that were committed by Mr. Cripple and so well publicized in the newspaper," Powley said.

"Mr. Cripple wanted to be front page news. Now, he has to face the consequences for his arrogance and flaunting of the law."

Callahan did allow the sentence to be postponed, pending Cripple's appeal.

If or when the sentence is imposed, Cripple will not have work driving privileges. Callahan reminded Cripple and his attorney that she warned them she would not grant the privileges after he rejected a plea offer prior to trial.

Prosecutors said Cripple, who works as a telephone and computer installer, was offered a plea bargain in which he would have been fined \$400 and retained his driver's license.

Under the plea, he would not have been allowed to drive a motorcycle for a year. Instead, Cripple took his case to trial.

## 3rd qtr television clip contest results

### Spot News

- 1st - Eric Peterson, WBNS  
The Mill Is Closed
- 2nd - Ron Martin, WFMJ  
Saving Man's Best Friend

### Feature

- 1st - Jeff Barnhill, WKRC  
AmphiCar
- 2nd - Chris Reece, WJW  
The Wheelchair Games

### General News

- 1st - Mike Loomis, WLWT  
Last Blast
- 2nd - Loomis, WLWT, Heat Blues
- 3rd Jeff Barnhill, WKRC  
Remembering Family
- HM - Mike Smith, WBNS  
Shadow Of the Plant

### In-Depth

- 1st - Kendall Griggs, WCPO  
Meet San Joe Freckles

### Point Standings

1st - Jeff Barnhill, WKRC	60
2nd - Eric Peterson, WBNS	38
3rd - Mike Loomis, WLWT	35
4th - Mike Smith, WBNS	34
5th - Doug Hermann, WJW	23
6th - Steve Wainfor, WCMH	22
7th - Kendall Griggs, WCPO	19
8th - Bill Price, WNWO	13
9th - Ron Martin, WFMJ	9
Chris Reece, WJW	

## 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 website.

All web published entries must be in the form of a hard copy no larger than 8x10, 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 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 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.

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:

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

## clip standings through August

1	Dale Omori, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	616
2	Bob DeMay, <i>Akron Beacon Journal</i>	394
3	Chris Russell, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	346
4	Fred Squillante, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	326
5	Scott Shaw, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	286
6	Ken Love, <i>Akron Beacon Journal</i>	284
7	Bob Rossiter, <i>The Repository</i>	244
8	Eric Albrecht, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	226
9	Marshall Gorby, <i>Springfield News-Sun</i>	216
10	Joshua Gunter, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	212
11	Neal Lauron, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	206
12	Jeff Adkins, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	204
	Lisa Powell, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	
14	John Kuntz, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	196
15	Bill Kennedy, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	170
16	Tom Dodge, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	166
17	Scott Heckel, <i>The Repository</i>	136
18	Chuck Crow, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	134
	Tim Revell, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	
20	Steve Schenck, <i>The Tribune Chronicle</i>	116
	Dante Smith, <i>Coshocton Tribune</i>	
22	Marvin Fong, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	114
23	Eustacio Humphrey, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	110
24	Krisanne Johnson, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	106
25	Michael Blair, <i>The News-Herald</i>	104
	Tim Norman, <i>Suburban News Publications</i>	
27	Patrick White, <i>ThisWeek Newspapers</i>	98
28	James Laskay, <i>Springfield News-Sun</i>	96
29	Ron Alvey, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	94
30	Apryl Pilolli, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	88
31	David Richard, <i>The Morning Journal</i>	86
	Jeff Swinger, <i>Cincinnati Enquirer</i>	
33	James Mahan, <i>Urbana Daily Citizen</i>	84
34	Glenn Hartong, <i>Cincinnati Enquirer</i>	68
35	Ernest Coleman, <i>Cincinnati Enquirer</i>	66
	Bill West, <i>The Star Beacon</i>	
37	E.L Hubbard, <i>The Journal News</i>	64
38	Monique Ganucheau, <i>The Gazette</i>	60
39	David Distelhorst, <i>ThisWeek Newspapers</i>	56
	Tom Puskar, <i>Ashland Times-Gazette</i>	
41	Doral Chenoweth III, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	54
	Gary Green, <i>Akron Beacon Journal</i>	
43	Scott MacDonald, <i>The Times-Recorder</i>	52
44	Chris Stewart, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	50
45	Mark Duncan, <i>Associated Press</i>	48
	Jason Molyet, <i>The News Journal</i>	
47	Roadell Hickman, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	46
48	Lorrie Cecil, <i>ThisWeek Newspapers</i>	44
	Greg Lynch, <i>The Journal News</i>	
	Craig Ruttle, <i>Cincinnati Enquirer</i>	
51	Matt Emmons, <i>Delaware Gazette</i>	42
52	Jim Witmer, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	40
53	Haraz Ghanbari, <i>The Chronicle Telegram</i>	38
	James Zemko, <i>The Massillon Independent</i>	
55	Gus Chan, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	34
	Dipti Vaidya, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	
57	Jen Norris, <i>The Sentinel-Tribune</i>	32
58	David Anderson, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	30
59	Joy Parker, <i>ThisWeek Newspapers</i>	26
60	Chris Crook, <i>Zanesville Time-Recorder</i>	20
61	Gregory Drezdzon, <i>Drezdzon Photography</i>	18
62	Warren Dillaway, <i>The Star Beacon</i>	12

# June winners

## SPOT NEWS

1st - Marshall Gorby  
Springfield News-Sun  
2nd - Roadell Hickman  
The Plain Dealer  
3rd - Marshall Gorby  
Springfield News-Sun  
HM - Scott Heckel  
The Repository  
HM - Ken Love  
Akron Beacon Journal

## GENERAL NEWS

1st - Eric Albrecht  
The Columbus Dispatch  
2nd - Scott Shaw  
The Plain Dealer  
3rd - Tim Revell  
The Columbus Dispatch  
HM - Chris Russell  
The Columbus Dispatch  
HM - Scott Shaw  
The Plain Dealer

## FEATURE

1st - Ken Love  
Akron Beacon Journal  
2nd - Joshua Gunter  
The Plain Dealer  
3rd - Dale Omori  
The Plain Dealer  
HM - Eric Albrecht  
The Columbus Dispatch  
HM - Joshua Gunter  
The Plain Dealer  
HM - Dale Omori  
The Plain Dealer

## PORTRAIT

1st - Chris Russell  
The Columbus Dispatch  
2nd - Chris Russell  
The Columbus Dispatch  
3rd - Jeff Adkins  
The Columbus Dispatch  
HM - Chris Crook  
Zanesville Times-Recorder

## SPORTS

1st - David Richard  
Lorain Morning Journal  
2nd - Jeff Adkins  
The Columbus Dispatch  
3rd - Jeff Adkins  
The Columbus Dispatch  
HM - Chuck Crow  
The Plain Dealer  
HM - Ernest Coleman  
Cincinnati Enquirer  
HM - Ken Love  
Akron Beacon Journal

## FEATURE STORY

1st - Dale Omori  
The Plain Dealer  
2nd - Ernest Coleman  
Cincinnati Enquirer  
3rd - Bill Kennedy  
The Plain Dealer  
HM - Bob DeMay  
Akron Beacon Journal

## ILLUSTRATION

1st - Fred Squillante  
The Columbus Dispatch  
2nd - Lisa Powell  
Dayton Daily News  
3rd - Marshall Gorby  
Springfield News-Sun

**Eric Albrecht**  
*The Columbus Dispatch*

1st General News  
June

Herculaneum's Grayson Rasnic, out for an evening stroll, keeps 2 year-old son Ethan on his shoulders to avoid contact with lead dust on town streets.



**Marshall Gorby**  
*Springfield News-Sun*

1st Spot News  
June

Smoke billows from a second-story window as Mechanicsburg firefighters help Kevin Hornbeck to safety.



**Chris Russell**  
*The Columbus Dispatch*

1st Portrait  
June

Bernie Jackson and his dog, Bear, live in a tense South Side neighborhood troubled by drug dealers and crack houses.

**Fred Squillante**  
*The Columbus Dispatch*

1st Illustration  
Second Quarter

Utter clutter. It is a national disease more widespread than obesity. Clutter doesn't care what size you are. It doesn't care how old you are. It doesn't care how much money you have. Big or small, young or old, rich or poor, clutter's gonna getcha.



**Dale Omori**  
*The Plain Dealer*

1st Feature Multiple  
June

It rains birds during spring migration season in northwest Ohio, one of the most important spring birding sites in the country. This handful taken from nests will be documented and set free.



**David Richard**  
*The Morning Journal*

1st Sports  
June

Elyria Catholic catcher Jake Hummel blocks the plate and tags out baserunner Miles Johnson of Heath in the Division III baseball state championship game at Cooper Stadium in Columbus.

# July winners

## SPOT NEWS

- 1st - Ken Love  
Akron Beacon Journal
- 2nd - Tim Norman  
Suburban News Publications
- 3rd - Glenn Hartong  
Cincinnati Enquirer
- HM - Jim Laskay  
Springfield News-Sun

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The Repository
- 2nd - Marshall Gorby  
Springfield News-Sun
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Akron Beacon Journal
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Akron Beacon Journal
- HM - Neal Lauron  
The Columbus Dispatch

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Dayton Daily News
- 2nd - Eric Albrecht  
The Columbus Dispatch
- 3rd - Apryl Pilolli  
The Columbus Dispatch

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Akron Beacon Journal
- 2nd - Craig Ruttie  
Cincinnati Enquirer
- 3rd - Chuck Crow  
The Plain Dealer

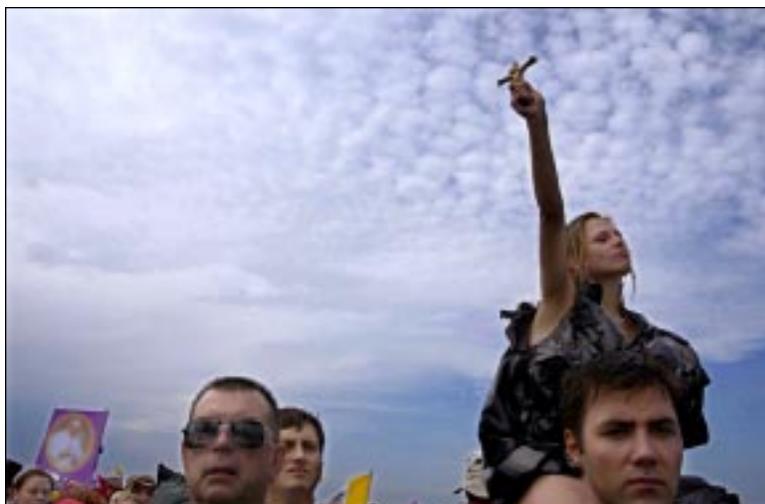
## FEATURE STORY

- 1st - Dale Omori  
The Plain Dealer
- 2nd - Dale Omori  
The Plain Dealer
- 3rd - Michael Blair  
The News Herald



**Bob DeMay**  
*Akron Beacon Journal*  
1st Sports - July

Anthony Hanshaw connects with a punch on E.T. Whitaker in the third round at ESPN's Tuesday Night Fights at the Canton Civic Center.



**Dale Omori**  
*The Plain Dealer*

1st Feature Story  
July

A woman holds up a crucifix during the culminating papal Mass for World Youth Day in Toronto, which drew about 800,000 faithful.

**Lisa Powell**  
*Dayton Daily News*

1st Portrait  
July

Roberta Ray of Kettering, 63, was diagnosed with polio when she was seven. She was initially paralyzed from the waist down but regained her ability to walk. She became a physical education teacher, an accomplished equestrian and an animal lover.





**Scott Heckel**  
*The Repository*

1st General News  
July

Friends mourn the loss of Ohio National Guardsman Christopher Goshorn who died after his Humvee crashed after a training session in Michigan.



**Ken Love**  
*Akron BeaconJournal*

1st Spot News  
July

Akron firefighters try to put out a blaze consuming an empty Carroll Street home.



**Scott Shaw**  
*The Plain Dealer*

1st Feature  
July

Splash Zone in Oberlin is one of several public pools open to nonresidents looking for relief from the heat.

## August winners

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The Columbus Dispatch  
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The Plain Dealer  
HM - Chris Russell  
The Columbus Dispatch

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The Sentinel-Tribune

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Dayton Daily News  
3rd - Lorrie Cecil  
This Week Newspapers

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The News-Herald

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The Columbus Dispatch  
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The Columbus Dispatch



**John Kuntz**  
*The Plain Dealer*  
1st Sports - August

Doug Parsons wows a packed crowd on the final day of the Gravity Games at North Cost Harbor. Fans were treated to such tricks as the "Hart Attack" and "Kiss of Death."



**Marshall Gorby**  
*Springfield News-Sun*

1st Feature - August

Haley Meyer, 3, cleans the windshield on her mother's car at the Marathon gas station in New Carlisle.



**Fred Squillante**  
*The Columbus Dispatch*

1st General News - August

High rise window washer Wayne Morris is reflected in a window at the US Bank building. Although the heights initially are shocking, he said he views it as just another job.

**Bob DeMay**  
*Akron Beacon Journal*

1st Portrait - August

Karen McDonald's son Mark never overcame the death of his father and eventually committed suicide at age 21. Karen participated in "Out of the Darkness", a 26 mile walk to raise money and awareness of suicide. She is reflected in his portrait as she talks about her experience.



**Bob Rossiter**  
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1st Spot News - August

A Massillon police officer sits in stunned silence after a shootout that left Police Officer Eric Taylor and an unidentified suspect (on ground at left) dead from gunshot wounds.

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1st Feature Single -- June

Lifeguards Jessica Dorsey and Megan McKinley take cover from the sun on the pier at Crystal Lake off Graham Road in Silver Lake.