

Summer business meeting minutes

ONPA officers met for their annual summer business meeting, June 2.Board members in attendance were Bob DeMay, Ed Suba Jr., Kim Barth, Vince Shivers and Lindsay Semple.

Kim Barth presented the financial report. The 2001 convention in Mansfield posted a loss of \$4193 with \$4,872 reported

ONPA received an interest payment of \$5,620.90 from the estate of founding member George Smallsreed Jr. in May.

Membership dues for this year totals \$5,800. A total of 88 members still haven't renewed their membership for 2002. Vince Shivers and Lisa Dutton will be personally contacting each of those unpaid members in the near future.

The board decided a membership drive would be in order and voted to offer an incentive to both new members and those

that recruit a new member.

The proposal waves next years contest entry fees for new members who join before September 1, 2002. New members are considered those that have never been a member, not someone who has let their dues lapse in past years.

Any established member who brings a new member into the fold also takes advantage of the free contest entry fee. This applies to both still and TV members. A special membership application can be found on the web site to sign up a new member.

The board also voted that television members would be required to pay an entry fee for the year-end contest beginning next year. In past years only stations entering the Station of the Year category were levied a fee. This past year that fee generated \$70.00 while the cost of awards for the television contest totaled \$1250.

After a lengthy discussion the board set the contest fee for both still and television members at \$25. This is an increase of \$5. The raise well help cover the increasing cost of awards which was over \$5,000 this past year. Let it be known, the contest fee hasn't been raised for nearly twenty years. A motion was made by Suba to raise the contest from \$20 to \$25; The motion passed unanimously.

On the subject of plaques DeMay reported that all plaques for television members were mailed to the stations on May 30th. If anyone has not received his or her

plaque, contact Bob DeMay.

Vince Shivers announced that Jeff Barnhill of WKRC Cincinnati expressed an interest in easing the burden of the TV year-end contest off the shoulders of Tony Giordullo. Tony will still be handling the quarterly clip contest.

The Buckeye seminar needs a location, Shivers is looking into holding the event at either Bowling Green University or Ohio University. The possibility alternating between the two venues was discussed. It was hoped that bringing the seminar to universities would expose the students to the organization and make it convenient for them to attend.

The clip contest report by Bob DeMay centered on language pertaining to web published entries. The board decided "publication" as stated in the rules is defined as printed or electronically reproduced by your publication's official website. All web 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.

Next on the agenda, the board extends it thanks to Ohio University student Apryl Pilolli, for all her hard work in designing the still contest pages on the ONPA website. Pilolli posted all the winning images from the first all digital, year-end still contest.

The new design will be incorporated into the entire web site to give us a new look. Webmaster Mark Duncan will work

with Pilolli to update the site.

Television vice president Vince Shivers is working to see what can be done about posting video from the winners of the quar-

terly television clip contest.

For a variety of reasons the board is looking for a new location to host the judging for the still year-end contest. The change to a digital format brought about a large increase in entries last year. The increase was large enough that judging may need to take place over two days this year. Options are being pursued to find a new venue.

Marshall Gorby raised the subject of splitting the sports action category at the annual business meeting. Discussion was tabled at that time but the board did take it up at this meeting. Most felt that the change was not necessary at this time and that prep sports can compete with professional sports.

It was decided that perhaps further input from the members might be in order. That being the case Suba suggested an online poll be posted on the website to decide if the sports action category should be split into small and large circulation categories. Members will be notified when to

The last order of business for the day was to choose a site for next year's convention. There were proposals on the table from Chillicothe, Cleveland and Columbus to host the event.

The board considered each proposal and appreciated the enthusiasm presented. Ideas from all the proposals will be utilized in the planning of the convention. After discussing the pros and cons of each city a motion was made by Suba to award the event to the group from Columbus. All were in favor.

Chris Parker from ThisWeek Newspapers will chair the event with help from Tim Moushey of WBNS-TV in Columbus.

A good mix of TV and still representation in the major market of Columbus will give the convention a new twist after several years in smaller markets. Columbus last hosted the convention in 1997.

Meeting adjourned.

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Bigger and trying to get better

Bob DeMay Board Chairman

For those of us who have never worked outside the state of Ohio for any length of time it's easy to take for granted ONPA.

We enter our clips, use the web site, read the newsletter and attend the convention without giving much thought to it all. Truth is in many states none of those things can happen because there is no state chapter to support the

programs.

Television members in Ohio can attend the annual Buckeye Television Workshop as well as the educational seminar at the annual convention. Most chapters don't even include televi-

sion members.

We enjoy those benefits today due to the foresight of some individuals over 50 years ago. Over that time we've grown to become the largest NPPA chapter in the country.

Recent figures released NPPA Chapter Representative Bob Gould confirm that. The chapter report shows ONPA with 290 members, 64% of which are NPPA members. Those numbers don't reflect an additional 45 Life Members who are no longer required to pay dues.

The Illinois Press Photographers Association comes in at second with 243 members with only three other chapters having more than one hundred members.

Why the focus on the numbers? Our large membership base pays for the programs we offer through annual dues payments.

It is why we are going to great lengths to reel in members delinquent in their dues and offering incentives for new members to join.

You can help by recruiting a new member and have your own contest fees for next year waived as well as those for the new member.

Is all this being done to save a sinking ship?

Not at all, but the cur-

rent board feels a deep obligation to keeping the ship at full steam ahead. Keeping the membership base strong, keeps our programs strong.

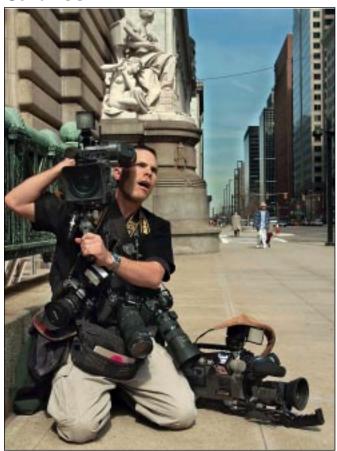
Thanks in large part to founding member George Smallsreed, Jr. who left his estate to ONPA we are financially sound.

We will remain that way by not just relying on that bequest but by working harder at making ourselves better in any way we can. It's been the goal of our officers for over 50 years.

Help keep us keep our great tradition on course.

Go to the web site and download a membership application and bring someone else on board.

Outakes



Mark Duncan/Associated Press

Akron Beacon Journal photographer Ken Love is overwhelmed taking on the role of playtapus outside the federal courthouse in Cleveland while covering the trial of U.S. Rep James A Traficant D-17th.



On the cover

Bob DeMay Akron Beacon Journal 1st Feature January

Guillermo and Santos prepare dinner at their converted-warehouse apartment in Tuscarawas County where living conditions are less than ideal by American standards. The pair from Guatemala, share the living space with three other men, all are undocumented workers.

Odds 'n ends

Tim Revell of The Columbus Dispatch, Michael Blair of The News Herald, Kevin Graff of The Advocate, Tim Reed of The Marietta Times, and Dante Smith of The Coshocton Tribune were all named Best Photographer in their respective divisions in the Associated Press Society of Ohio's annual contest. This is the first year for this category in the contest. Complete results begin on page five.

For the second time in a year Gary Green has left the Akron Beacon Journal. This time the separation was of his own choosing as he joined the staff at The Orlando Sentinel in May. Green lost his position in Akron the previous year when Knight Ridder ordered cutbacks in staffing at it's papers across the country. He was recalled later after elective buyouts opened up a posi-

Several ONPA student members are working as interns this summer. Ohio University student Apryl Pilolli is working at *The Columbus* Dispatch. Kent State University studen't Greg Ruffing is working at the Cincinnati Enquirer. Luis Sanchez is at the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. Sanchez, a Kent State student has had previous internships in Ohio at The Columbus Dispatch, Cincinnati Enquirer, Akron Beacon Journal and the Tribune Chronicle in Warren.

Many of us take our jobs for granted to a certain extent and never give a thought to how others view our occupation. Plain Dealer photographer Chuck Crow found out first hand recently after spending a night with Maple Heights ninth grader Harsimrandeep Randhawa. The youth, who answers to the name Harry, won a day on the job with Crow as a prize recently in an essay contest sponsored by the Cleveland Indians. Crow was a worthy prize giving the youth a full behind the scenes look at Jacobs Field.

The next time you're having a bad day on the job just remember, you too could be a prize in someone else's eyes.

The Associated Press Photo Managers held it's inaugural meeting in Columbus following the 3rd Annual Ohio AP Photo Workshop. Dave Polcyn, photo editor at The News Journal in Mansfield was elected interim president. The group is open to the AP membership and is comprised solely of management-level personnel responsible for overseeing photography within their publications. APPM is dedicated to the professional development of these managers. If you would like to be a member or wish more information contact Garv Gardiner at ggardiner@ap.org.

Mike Cardew

Akron Beacon Journal
Div V - 1st place Spot News



Police arrest a partier along University Ave. in Kent after Mayday festivities got out of hand for the end of the school parties.

Associated Press Society of Ohio

Best of 2001

Matthew Hovis The Medina Gazette Div III - 1st place Sports



Rocker's Ann Wauters attempts to grasp a loose ball after falling to the ground with Miami's Debbie Black. The photo by **Mathew Hovis** of *The Medina Gazette* placed first in sports in Division III.

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) Winners were announced at the annual APSO meeting June 2 in Columbus. Sixty-three daily newspapers submitted 2,883 entries in the contest, which featured news stories, editorials, columns, graphics and photos from 2001.

Entries were judged by editors from The Tampa (Fla.) Tribune, Division V; the Cape Cod (Mass.) Times, Division IV; the Rutland (Vt.) Herald and The Stamford (Conn.) Advocate, Division III; The Journal-Standard, Freeport, Ill., Division II; and the Potomac News, Woodbridge, Va., Division I.

The Associated Press is a non-profit news cooperative representing 1,549 newspapers and 5,000 broadcast stations in the United States. Members of AP include 89 daily newspapers in Ohio.

DIVISION V over 75,000

Spot News Photo

1st - Michael Cardew, Akron Beacon Journal, "Party's over"; 2nd - Michael Keating, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Riot action"; 3rd - David I. Andersen, The Plain Dealer, "Bank robbery shootout"; HM - Lori King, The Blade, "Fire at daycare center."

General News Photo

1st - Gus Chan, The Plain Dealer, "Guilty verdict"; 2nd - Lynn Ischay, The Plain Dealer, "Please help"; 3rd - Patrick Reddy, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Prayer chain"; HM - Steven Herppich, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Prayer of rage."

Feature Photo

1st - Lisa Powell, Dayton Daily News, "Woman draped in American flag"; 2nd - Scott Shaw, The Plain Dealer, "Minor league sunset"; 3rd - Bob DeMay, Akron Beacon Journal, "Chilly cheerleader"; HM - Dave Zapotosky, The Blade, "Turkey talk."

Sports Photo

1st - Ernest Coleman, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Twist and shout"; 2nd - Jeff Swinger, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Bengal ballet"; 3rd - Fred Squillante, The Columbus Dispatch

Photo Essay

1st - Chuck Crow, The Plain Dealer, "Erin's run for life"; 2nd - Lynn Ischay, The Plain Dealer, "Coming to America"; 3rd - Tim Revell, The Columbus Dispatch, "A long haul to homeroom."; HM - Gus Chan, The Plain Dealer, "Vonda Ward: The all-American girl."

Best Photographer

1st - Tim Revell, The Columbus Dispatch; 2nd - Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch; 3rd - Dave Zapotosky, The Blade; HM - Michael Keating, The Cincinnati Enquirer

DIVISION IV 25,000 to 74,999

Spot News Photo

1st - Shannon Szwarc, The Lima News, "Crash injures motorcyclist"; 2nd - Bill Lackey, Springfield News-Sun, "Fatal fire"; 3rd - David H. Polcyn, The News Journal, "Life Flight liftoff"; HM - Shannon Szwarc, The Lima News, "Flaming clothes."

General News Photo

1st - Apryl Pilolli, The Tribune Chronicle, "Trial stabbing"; 2nd - Chuck Humel, The Chronicle Telegram, "All by himself"; 3nd - Paul Walsh, The Morning Journal, "Hands for Taft".

Feature Photo

1st - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "Splash down"; 2nd - Ken Blaze, The News-Herald, "Funny face"; 3rd - Glenn Luther, The Vindicator, "Lord Jesus help me"; HM - Jason J. Molyet, The News Journal, "Keep your eye on the ball."

Sports Photo

1st - Scott Heckel, The Repository, "Quick exit"; 2nd - Rebecca Gratz, The Lima News, "Exultation"; 3nd - David Richard, The Morning Journal, "Comeback"; HM - Rebecca Gratz, The Lima News, "Happy haunts"

Photo Essay

1st - Shannon Szwarc, The Lima News, "A surgeon's work"; 2nd - Michael Blair, The News-Herald, "Hunter Jumper Classic"; 3nd - Josie Leming, The Lima News, "Fighting for respect"; HM - David Richard, The Morning Journal, "A gift of sight."

Best Photographer

1st - Michael Blair, The News-Herald; 2nd - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun;
 3rd - David H. Polcyn, The News Journal.

DIVISION III 13,000 to 24,999

Spot News Photo

1st - Matt Stroshane, Zanesville Times Recorder, "Beer run"; 2nd - Shirley Ware, The Medina Gazette, "Explosion county fair"; 3rd - Gary Stelzer, Middletown Journal, "Mommy!"; HM - Bill West, The Star-Beacon, "Browns fan"; HM - Joel Troyer, The Daily Record, "Fire aftermath."

General News Photo

1st - Patricia Schaeffer, The Morning Journal, "Spelling bee boredom"; 2nd - Kevin Graff, The Advocate, "Player mourned"; 3rd - Ben French, The News-Messenger, "Alzheimer's disease"; HM - Bill Cannon, Lancaster Eagle-Gazette, "Sneaking a peek"; HM - Rose Shriver, Lancaster Eagle-Gazette, "A family affair."

Feature Photo

1st - Jason Werling, Sandusky Register, "The plunge"; 2^{m} - Daniel Miller, Sandusky Register, "Waterball laugh"; 3^{m} - Warren Dillaway, The Star-Beacon, "Leaping high."; HM - Ben French, The News-Messenger, "Hanging art"; HM - Scott MacDonald, Zanesville Times Recorder, "Wall of foot-**Dante Smith**

Coshocton Tribune

Sports Photo

1st - Matthew Hovis, The Medina Gazette, "Grasp"; 2nd - Randy Roberts, The Courier, "Long jump"; 3rd -Randy Roberts, The C o u r i e r "Heartbreaker"; HM -Tim Fleck, Sandusky Register, "Run down"; HM - William West, Star-Beacon, The "Saints John and Paul win."

Photo Essay

1st - Matt Stroshane, Zanesville Times Recorder, "The Hairdresser"; 2nd Matthew Hovis, The Medina Gazette. Matt Zanesville "Prison Recorder, pups"; HM -Gary Stelzer, Middletown Journal, "Lifeguards"; Middletown HM - John Catlett and Scott Osborne, Chillicothe Gazette, "Amazing Crace."

Best Photographer

1st - Kevin Graff, The Advocate; 2nd - Matt Stroshane, Zanesville Times Recorder: 3rd -Auckerman. Pat Middletown Journal.

DIVISION II

8,000 to 12,999

Spot News Photo

1st - Wayne Maris, The Review, "Pulling together"; 2nd - Robert Caplin, The Athens Messenger, "It's just a leak"; 3rd - Mitch Casey, The Marietta Times, "Lost cause"; HM - Daniel Kraus, The Delaware Gazette, "A lesson learned."

General News Photo

1st - Tom E. Puskar, Ashland Times-Gazette, "Roll out the red carpet"; 2nd -Mitch Casey, The Marietta Times, "Memorial salute"; 3rd - Tim Reed, The Marietta Times, "Fire training"; HM - Wavne Maris, The Review, "Remembrance."

Feature Photo

1st - Shelley Bossert, The Advertiser-Tribune, "Look out below"; 2nd - Tim Reed, The Marietta Times, "Hoops solitude"; 3rd - J.D. Pooley, The Sentinel-Tribune, "Light work"; HM - Amy J. Van Horn, Ashland Times-Gazette, "Dad's

- Kyle Lanzer, The Alliance Review, "First day"; HM - J.D. Pooley, The Sentinel-Tribune, "Farewell to our troops."

Best Photographer

 1^{st} - Tim Reed, The Marietta Times; 2^{nd} - Wayne Maris, The Review; 3^{rd} - Mitch Casey, The Marietta Times; HM - Amy J. Van Horn, Ashland

Times-Gazette.

DIVISION I under 7999 **Spot News Photo** 1st - Matt Stroshane, Coshocton Tribune, "Drug bust."; 2st - Dawn Wick, The Salem News, "Hay fire"; 3rd -Stroshane, Matt Coshocton Tribune,

General News Photo

"Browns arrest."

1st - Dante Smith, Coshocton Tribune, "Going once ... going twice"; 2nd - Beth Thompson, Bucyrus Telegraph-Forum, "Student councils have a blast"; 3rd - Dante Smith. Coshocton Tribune, "Healing hands.'

Feature Photo

1st - Dawn Wick, The Salem News, "Trampoline jumper"; - Jim Miller, Wapakoneta Daily News, "Ready for anything"; 3rd - Kevin Dye, The Madison Press, "Without (large enough) net.'

Sports Photo

1st - Dante Smith, Coshocton Tribune, "Rundown"; 2nd - Pat Gaietto, The Review Times, "Girls' softball"; 3rd - Dawn Wick, The Salem News, "Steer wre^sling"; HM - Dante Smith, Coshocton Tribune, "Dawg

pound."

Photo Essay

1st - Kevin Dye, The Madison Press, "Get a Wiffle of this game"; 2nd - Beth Thompson, Bucyrus Telegraph-Forum, "Pets creep ... pets crawl ... we love them all"; 3rd - Dawn Wick, The Salem News, "Task force grabs 106 marijuana plants in county."

Best Photographer

1st - Dante Smith, Coshocton Tribune; 2nd - Dawn Wick, The Salem News; 3rd -Nancy Radcliff, The Circleville Herald.



"Pizza delivery"; 3rd - Coshocton Cherokee Dave Boron unsuccessfully tries to make it back to third after getting Stroshane, hung out to dry by a bloop single to right field and a strong throw to the plate during a game Times against North Canton.



Marshall Gorby Springfield New-Sun

Divz IV - 1st place Feature

Rvan Ritter, didn't need fair rides to have a good time at the Clark County Fairgrounds. While workers braved showers to set up midway rides, Ryan found fun in a mud puddle outside his family's camper. The family made the trip to operate a cotton candy booth.

dance partner"; HM - Kyle Lanzer, The Alliance Review, "Ashley & her doll."

Sports Photo

1st - Wayne Maris, The Review; 2nd - Tim Reed, The Marietta Times, "Twilight hurdler"; 3rd - Mitch Casey, The Marietta Times, "Loose ball grapple"; HM - Ed Hall Jr., The Alliance Review, "Safe!"; HM -Michael Lehmkuhle, The Sentinel-Tribune, "Pop-up."

Best Photo Essay

1st - Kyle Lanzer, The Alliance Review, "Faces of poverty"; 2nd - Kyle Lanzer, The Alliance Review, "Fortune's children"; 3rd

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by Kim Fatica

Bob Begany, a 36-year veteran of television news at WJW in Cleveland, passed away at Fairview Hospital December 22. He was 76.

A Kent State University graduate and a WWII Navy photographer, Begany started his professional career as an industrial photographer for the National Carbon Co., moving on to become a public relations photographer for the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway and personal photographer for industrialist Cyrus Eaton before joining WJW in 1957.

He was a member of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stagehands & Employees Union (IATSE) and won the UPI News Leader Award in 1981 for Top Investigative Story in Ohio broadcast journalism.

Begany's co-workers were endeared with his own brand of humor laced with personal twists and malaprops, his trademark flattop haircut and gear always strapped to his pull cart. Gary Stromberg told the Cleveland Plain Dealer, "Many times, spending the day with Bob Begany was more interesting than the story we were covering."

His wife Mariann, two daughters and seven grandchildren survive him.

Two photojournalists have rejoined the WUAB/WOIO staff in Cleveland. Jeff Platz returned to the station after a two-year stint with Fox Sports Ohio. The four-time Emmy winner had previously began working with

channels 43/19 back in 1996 and had been a production videographer with the Cleveland Browns before that.

Frank Wiewandt was brought back to the fold in mid-April. The Vermillion native had been working as a freelance still photographer the past couple years both commercially and as a photojournalist.



Dave Hatala of WEWS, Vince Shivers of WFMJ, Chris Reymann of WUAB-WOIO and Ted Pikturna of WJW were part of the group of photojournalists waiting in front of Key Tower in downtown Cleveland for negotiators in the LTV saga to emerge from their talks.



WKYC Director of Photography, Kim Fatica, left, took this shot of him with fellow Bowling Green State University alumnus Scott Hamilton and line producer Gary Detman after shooting an interview with Hamilton at the station in Cleveland.

Before joining the WUAB/WOIO staff in the mid-90s he had been a commercial still photographer and employee at Dodd Camera in Cleveland.

Dave Bradford also joins the team at WUAB/WOIO leaving his position at WKRC in Cincinnati.

WUAB/WOIO is currently experiencing, "a total news makeover," says News Operations Manager and former ONPA TV Vice President Ron Strah. The stations will be expanding into a five o'clock news show, debuting a new set complete with a new graphics and music package and the "Action News" moniker.

Chief Photographer Pete Sartschev says the news group has also christened a brand new Bell Jet Ranger helicopter, replacing its older Robinson 044 chopper, which will soon be leased by neighbor WKYC. The new, two-blade chopper is outfitted with a Flir remote camera system.

The stations also made the tape format switch to Panasonic's DVCPro system back in February. The format, Sartschev claims, "has been a great performer."

Steve France, chief photographer/assignment manager at WUPW, Toledo and his wife Diane became parents of triplets on May 25th. Macy Elizabeth was the first one to show her face at 2:31am weighing in at 3 pounds 5 ounces. Macy's sister Melissa Victoria came 2 minutes later at 2:33am, she weighed in at 4 pounds 7 ounces. Finally the girls brother arrived at 2:35am, Michael Steven weighed in at 4 pounds 7 ounces.

The triplets came at 33 weeks and one day into Diane's pregnancy. All the babies are doing fine in the neonatal intensive care unit where they will remain for the next 6 weeks before getting to come home to Bowling Green.

The NPPA Region 4 television web site has a new home. The new address to access the site is www.nppa-region4tv.org.

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 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.

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. 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
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Columbus, Ohio 43085-1781

Clip Standings through February

1	Dale Omori, The Plain Dealer	154
2	Bob DeMay, Akron Beacon Journal	152
2 3 4 5 6	John Kuntz, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	102
4	James Mahan, <i>Urbana Daily Citizen</i>	82
5	Chris Stewart, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	74
6	Jeff Adkins, The Columbus Dispatch	64
_	Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal	
7	Eric Albrecht, The Columbus Dispatch	54
	Doral Chenoweth, The Columbus Dispatch	
	Marvin Fong, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	
	Gary Green, Akron Beacon Journal	
	Joshua Gunter <i>, The Plain Dealer</i>	
	E.L Hubbard, <i>The Journal News</i>	
_	Scott Shaw, The Plain Dealer	
8	Scott Heckel, <i>The Repository</i>	44
	Neal Lauron, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	
	Tim Norman, Suburban News Publications	
	Steve Schenck, The Tribune Chronicle	
9	Monique Ganucheau, <i>The Gazette</i>	42
	Patrick White, <i>ThisWeek Newspapers</i>	
10	Gus Chan, The Plain Dealer	34
	Tom Dodge, The Columbus Dispatch	
	Glenn Hartong, Cincinnati Enquirer	
	Scott MacDonald, The Times-Recorder	
	Jim Witme <i>r, Dayton Daily News</i>	
11	Ron Alvey, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	32
	Michael Blair, The News Herald	
12	David Andersen, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	24
13	Dante Smith, Coshocton Tribune	14
14	Chuck Crow, The Plain Dealer	12
	Bob Rossiter. The Repository	



James Mahan Urbana Daily Citizen

1st Spot News February

Donna Strickland is hugged by her husband Tim after she was involved in a head-on collision at State Routes 29 and 560 in Champaign County.

January winners

SPOT NEWS

1st - Scott Shaw The Plain Dealer 2nd - Dale Omori The Plain Dealer 3rd - Steve Schenck The Tribune Chronicle HM - David Andersen The Plain Dealer

GENERAL NEWS

1st - E.L. Hubbard
The Journal News
2nd - Tim Norman
Suburban News Publications
3rd - Chris Stewart
Dayton Daily News
HM - Dante Smith
Coshocton Tribune
HM - Fred Squillante
The Columbus Dispatch

FEATURE

1st - Bob DeMay Akron Beacon Journal 2nd - Monique Ganucheau The Gazette 3rd - Ron Alvey Dayton Daily News HM - Eric Albrecht The Columbus Dispatch HM - Chuck Crow The Plain Dealer HM - Gary Green Akron Beacon Journal

PORTRAIT

1st - Jeff Adkins The Columbus Dispatch 2nd - Dale Omori The Plain Dealer 3rd - Ken Love Akron Beacon Journal HM - David Andersen The Plain Dealer

SPORTS

1st - Bob DeMay Akron Beacon Journal 2nd - Neal C. Lauron The Columbus Dispatch 3rd - Ken Love Akron Beacon Journal HM - Bob Rossiter The Repository HM - Steve Schenck The Tribune Chronicle

FEATURE STORY

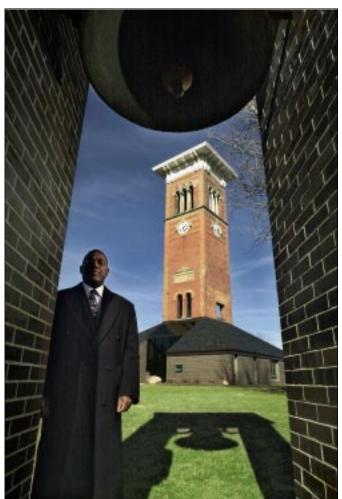
1st - Bob DeMay Akron Beacon Journal 2nd - Doral Chenoweth III The Columbus Dispatch 3rd - Gus Chan The Plain Dealer

E.L. Hubbard The Journal News

1st General News January

Two year-old Draven reaches for his father, James Neil Howard, at Howard's sentencing hearing. Howard was sentenced to seven years in prison for abusing the boy. The mother, Angelique Howard, left, said Draven's injuries are improving.





Jeff Adkins The Columbus Dispatch

1st Portrait January

John Garland, the Central State University president credited with putting the school back on solid ground, stands near the Galloway Tower, a campus landmark partially destroyed by a 1974 tornado.



Bob DeMay Akron Beacon Journal 1st Feature Multiple January

Poverty brought them here. False papers keep them here. They are undocumented Hispanic workers. And there are tens of thousands of them living and working here year round. Reynaldo, two year-old son of Jose and Marie. Born here, he is a legal citizen unlike his parents, and isn't old enough to know his family's fear of deportation.



Bob DeMay Akron Beacon Journal

1st Sports January

Juan makes a save during a soccer match. Migrant workers established a soccer league made up of twelve teams so they could still enjoy the game they played in their homelands. Pick-up games are also common in communities where they live.

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Randy Black, an assistant historic-preservation officer for the city, inspects the three-story brick building at Sherman Avenue and Oak Street. Black says getting owners of such buildings to sell or make improvements can be difficult.



Jim Witmer Dayton Daily News

1st Feature Multiple February

Standing small but proud, Roth Middle School wrestler Bobby Martin is a fierce competitor who overcomes major obstacles. And that's just to get onto the mat. He has no legs.

While most people would think that it would be impossible to compete. Bobby has learned to take advantage of his upper body strength and quickness to become a winner in the 92 pound class.

John Kuntz The Plain Dealer 1st Sports February

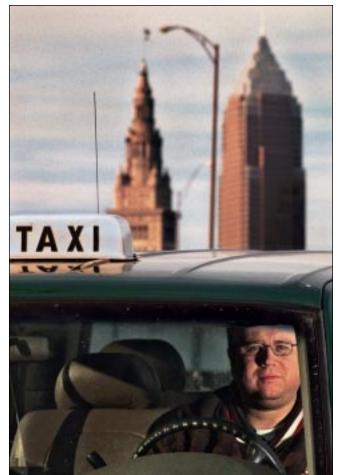


Canadian luger Chris Moffat hurtles feet-first through a small patch of daylight late in his run at Olympic Park. After four runs over two days, Moffat finished 14th.



Marvin Fong The Plain Dealer 1st Feature February

Children climb an exhibit at the Children's Museum of Cleveland. The two-story structure represents giant water droplets to help children learn about the water cycle all part of Children's Museum Week in Cleveland.



Joshua Gunter The Plain Dealer

1st Portrait February

Alexander "Ziggy"
Jagodik has been
driving a cab in
Cleveland for 15
years, but a recent
slump in business is
making him wonder
how much longer
he'll continue.

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Scott Shaw The Plain Dealer 1st Spot News January

Jeremy Mack, 26, finally lets police put handcuffs on him, ending a 28 hour standoff that began when police tried to arrest him in connection with a robbery. His three young children and girlfriend emerged moments before Mack surrendered outside his Lorain home, where police had shut off utilities and broken windows.