

# TV Clip Results

4th Quarter

#### **General News**

1st - Brian Wicker, WBNS-TV, "All for a Deal" 2nd - Rich Yedlicka, WBNS-TV, "Aftermath"

3rd - Rich Yedlicka, WBNS-TV, "Cyber Hackers"

#### **News Feature**

1st - David Bradford, WJW-TV, "The Little Red Seed" 2nd - Brian Wicker, WBNS-TV, "Leaders of the Crowd" 3rd - Billy Muhammed, WJW-TV, "Note to Santa"

#### In-Depth

1st - David Bradford, WJW-TV, "Talking Dirty" 2nd - Kendall Griggs, WJW-TV, "Perchlorate" 3rd - Jeff Ritter, WBNS-TV, "A Boy and His Bike" HM - Chris Kettler, WBNS-TV, "Sex Offenders on Myspace"

#### **Spot News**

1st - Nate Zinnel, WBNS-TV, "Fayette County Weather" 2nd - No Award

Judges WGCL-TV Atlanta, GA

## **Final Standings**

1st	David Bradford, WJW-TV	60
2nd	Brian Wicker, WBNS-TV	55
3rd	Jeff Ritter, WBNS-TV	50
4th	Rich Yedlicka, WBNS-TV	46
5th	Billy Muhammed, WJW-TV	23
6th	Steve Maguire, WBNS-TV	21
	Chris Kettler, WBNS-TV	
8th	Kendall Griggs, WJW-TV	18
9th	Dan Pasciak, WUPW-TV	16
10th	Nate Zinnel, WBNS-TV	12
11th	Scott Doelling, WBNS-TV	10
	Tim Flaherty, WBNS-TV	
	Jeff Sheerer, WBNS-TV	

# Braford repeats sweep

EARNING YEAR-END, QUARTERLY CLIP POY TITLES

David Bradford of WJW-TV Fox 8 in Cleveland went two for two again this year, winning the year end and quarterly clip ONPA Photographer of the Year

Bradford won both titles in 2005 as well after finishing second in both contests in 2004 and earning the clip title in 2003.

Jeff Ritter and Scott Doelling both from WBNS-TV in Columbus tied for second place in the year end contest with Ritter winning Best of Show for his first place personality profile, "One Postman's New Route".

Bradford had first place wins in Spot News, General News, News Feature, Deadline Photography,

and Editing in the year end contest.

Bradford had two first place wins in the 4th quarter to edge Brian Wicker from WBNS-TV in Columbus by five points to win the clip title. Ritter placed third, just ten points back.

After graduating from Kent State University in 1997, Bradford has worked at six stations in five cities making stops in Steubenville, Chattanooga (TN), Dayton, and Cincinnati before settling in Cleveland at WOIO 19/43 then finally WJW Fox-8 where he has

spent that past 3 years.
"I still get a kick out of putting a story on tv....even if it's an average everyday piece," said Bradford. If somebody were to ask me "what has been your secret of success on winning POY?" I would say "Somebody once told me a great story either has to make you laugh or cry. That's some-



David Bradford, WJW Fox 8

thing I've tried to keep in mind when tackling stories. It's rewarding to have an impact on people lives through the stories I've shot.

Tve been happily married to my wife April for nine years and currently live in Norton with two children, Ariel 5, and Matthew, 3.

Judges from WBFF-TV in Baltimore chose WBNS as the ONPA Station of the Year.

#### **Photographer of the Year**

1st - Dave Bradford, WJW-TV, Cleveland - 33 pts 2nd - Jeff Ritter, WBNS-TV, Columbus - 27 pts 2nd - Scott Doelling, WBNS-TV, Columbus - 27 pts

#### Station of the Year

WBNS-TV Columbus

#### Best of Show

Jeff Ritter, WBNS-TV, Columbus, "Postman's New Route"

#### **Deadline Photography**

1st - David Bradford, WJW, "Last Goodbye's" 2nd - Chris Reece, WJW, "Lost & Found" 3rd - Richard J. Yedlick, WBNS, "Family Arrested"

1st - David Bradford, WJW, "A Mother's Love" 2nd - Scott Doelling, WBNS, "Cold Case Series" 3rd – Kendal Griggs, WJW, "Animal Shelter Protest"

1st - Jeff Ritter, WBNS, "Redneck Wishing Well" 2nd - Nate Zinnel, WBNS, "Sex Addiction Boot Camp" 3rd – Bill Reagan, WBNS, "Last Ride"

#### In Depth/Series

1st - Scott Doelling, WBNS, "Cold Case Series" 2nd - Steve Maguire, WBNS, "People Up North" 3rd - Jeff Ritter, WBNS, "Street Smart"

#### General News

1st - David Bradford, WJW, "Gender A,B,C's" 2nd - Steve Maguire, WBNS, "Ohio Election Focus" 3rd – Brian Wicker, WBNS, "All for a Deal" HM - Richard J. Yedlick, WBNS, "Aftermath"

#### **Spot News**

1st – David Bradford, WJW, "House Explosion" 2nd - Scott Doelling, WBNS, "Home to Get Shot" 3rd – Eric Higgenbotham, WHIO, "Warehouse Fire" HM - Nate Zinnel, WBNS, "Fayette Co. Storms"

#### **News Feature**

1st - David Bradford, WJW, "The Little Red Seed" 2nd - Steve Maguire, WBNS, "Training a Dive Team" 3rd - Nate Zinnel, WBNS, "Child's Christmas Wish" HM - Brian Wicker, WBNS, "Love of the Team"

#### **Personality Profile**

1st - Jeff Ritter, WBNS, "One Postman's New Route" 2nd - Scott Doelling, WBNS, "Chasing a Dream" 3rd - Bill Reagan, WBNS, "Tyson's Card"

1st – Kendall Griggs, WJW, "Aurora vs Lake Catholic" 2nd - Richard J. Yedlick, WBNS, "Golf Through a Kid's Eyes" 3rd - Nate Zinnel, WBNS, "Perfect Bowler"

Judges WAVE-TV Louisville, KY

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# Odds n' ends

**Lisa DeJong** of the Flint Journal is leaving Michigan's best visual paper to come to Ohio's as she joins the photography staff at The Plain Dealer.

Teesha McClam has changed jobs but stayed in the Cox Ohio family moving from the Springfield New-Sun to the Dayton Daily News.

Laurels to ONPA Webmaster Apryl Pilolli for her efforts in posting the winning photos online from the annual picture contest. Not one to leave anything to chance she came from Atlanta to join us for the judging

for the judging.
Laurels also to the staff and students at Kent State University for hosting ONPA for the annual still contest judging. It will be the last contest judging at Taylor Hall as the school of journalism and mass communication moves to a new home later this year.

Darts go to the students at Kent for not entering the Larry Fullerton Photojournalism Scholarship. Must be a rare breed of wealthy students at Taylor Hall these days. Somebody better let them know the wealth of today will be gone tomorrow as they begin to work as journalists.

The Columbus Dispatch is next in line for staff reductions as the Dispatch Printing Company offers voluntary buyouts for up to 25 employees in its newsroom to reduce costs. As the old saying goes the reductions will help bring expenses from the newsgathering process in line with revenues. The company expects the buyouts to be completed by May. There are said to be several staffers in the photo department willing to help the company meet their goal.

NPPA Region 4 director

Denny Simmons was reelected and
Rodney Curtis elected as associate
director. NPPA secretary Sean D.
Elliot said that 637 eligible voters
in December's election cast 82 ballots, a 13 percent voter turnout.

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Former ONPA member Matt

Detrich of the Indianapolis Star
placed second in the portfolio
competition of the Indiana News
Photographers annual contest.
Detrich placed first in the sports
portfolio competition and also captured the clip contest title for the
second year in a row.

All three judges for the contest had Ohio ties. Heather Stone of The Chicago Tribune, Rick Wilson of The Florida Times-Union and Dale Omori of The Plain Dealer selected the winners. Stone is a former Plain Dealer staffer and Wilson was ONPA Clip Photographer of the Year in 1993, while working at the Troy Daily News.

## Times they are a changing



MARK DUNCAN

When The Plain Dealer staff switched to Canon gear a few years ago who could have predicted it would've come to this. Certainly not staffer David Andersen who finds himself shooting video these days.

# Columbus convention a multimedia event

Taking our lead from car manufacturers, ONPA will highlight the new crossovers, in presenting our educational seminar at the annual convention to be held Saturday, April 14 at the Columbus Airport Marriott.

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Our version isn't part car, part SUV, but rather part still, part video as the Web redefines our roll in the newsroom. With the changes happening faster than training can be provided, this year's lineup of speakers should be well received.

The program will also showcase our still and television photographers of the year as John Kuntz of The Plain Dealer and David Bradford from WJW-TV in Cleveland have been added to the roster of speakers. Between them they have won six POY titles in the past three years.

Also speaking will be Colin Mulvaney of The Spokesman-Review who spent his first 17 years at the paper documenting his community in still photographs. With the blessing of his editors, Mulvaney has been freed up to pursue his new passion of telling stories with a video camera.

One of the pioneers of multimedia, Brian Storm will share his expertise on gathering and presenting

stories for the Web.

Dave Wertheimer will do double duty making a presentation for television members as well as a course in video 101 for still shooters. Wertheimer is the new director of photography and editing for Wall to Wall Media in Edina, Minnesota. He was previously chief photographer at WGCL-TV Atlanta, GA.

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As we have found in recent years the Columbus Airport Marriott is a great facility for a family weekend getaway with its pool and proximity to Easton Town Center for shopping. The convention rate for rooms is \$105 for reservations made by March 23.

As always the hospitality suite will be the gathering place both Friday and Saturday night. Bring your laptop and share your pictures and multimedia projects with others.

The annual business meeting will be held Saturday. Nominations will be open for all offices with voting taking place this fall. The traditional awards dinner will follow the program on Saturday.

Get your registration form in the mail to Skip Peterson today.

## On the cover

# Best of Show 56th Annual Picture Contest Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer "Save the Last Dance"

Bernie Reeves, of Euclid, and Carolyn Wills, of Bainbridge, didn't bother to stop dancing as the floor was being cleaned during the Gentlemen of Ballroom dance. The dance partners moved enough to be mopped around. The Gentlemen of Ballroom is a group of black men who wanted to show their appreciation for the women who taught them ballroom dancing.



# **56TH ANNUAL ONPA CONVENTION**

APRIL 14, 2007 COLUMBUS AIRPORT MARRIOTT

#### **SPEAKERS** - Saturday April 14

**Colin Mulvaney** spent his first 17 years at The Spokesman-Review documenting his community in still photographs. With the blessing of his editors, Mulvany has been freed up to pursue his new passion of telling stories with a video camera. In his spare time, he teaches photojournalism at Spokane Falls Community College. When seeing people panning and zooming too much with their video cameras, Mulvany has been known to hold onthe-spot mini workshops stressing the importance of steady video.

**Brian Storm** is president of MediaStorm, a multimedia production studio whose principal aim is to usher in the next generation of multimedia storytelling by publishing social documentary projects incorporating photojournalism and audio reporting across multiple media. Storm's professional experience includes two years as vice president of News, Multimedia and Assignment Services for Corbis, where he developed a global strategy for production, packaging and distribution as well as assignment services emphasizing indepth multimedia reporting.

**John Kuntz** staff photographer at The Plain Dealer has been ONPA Photographer of the Year two out of the past three years. The Ohio University graduate worked for Agence France-Presse and Reuters News Service before joining the staff at The Plain Dealer in 1998.

**Dave Wertheimer** is the new Director of Photography and Editing for Wall to Wall Media in Edina, Minnesota where he oversees high definition productions. Since 1993 Dave has been on the faculty of the NPPA News Video Workshop, and Co-Director since 1995 and has been writing the column "Gain Is Good" for the NPPA's News Photographer magazine. He is the recipient of two NPPA citations for his dedication to the craft of Photojournalism and for teaching. Werthheimer will present Video 101 to still photographers as well as his presentation to television members.

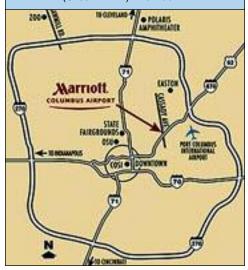
**David Bradford** from WJW-TV in Cleveland has a firm hold on the ONPA Television Photographer of the Year titles winning both the year-end and clip contest titles for the past two years. He placed second in both contests in 2004. The Kent State graduate will share his approach to producing award-winning stories.

#### **Hotel Information**

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# JOHN KUNTZ BACK ON TOP

DISPATCH'S CHRIS RUSSELL WINS CLIP TITLE

THE PLAIN DEALER'S JOSHUA GUNTER, LYNN ISCHAY, DALE OMORI AND THOMAS ONDREY TEAM TO WIN James R. Gordon Ohio Understanding Award - Kent State's David Foster is student POY

#### Ed Suba Jr.

ONPA President

"If a man has talent and can't use it, he's failed. If he uses only half of it, he has partly failed. If he uses the whole of it, he has succeeded, and won a satisfaction and triumph few men ever know.'

Thomas Wolfe may not have been talking about Plain Dealer staff photographer John Kuntz when he said this, but he could have. Kuntz added his second George Smallsreed Jr. Photographer of the Year title to his resume after being named the state's top shooter at the 56th Ohio News Photographers Association Pictures of the Year competition.

The photo staff at the Cleveland newspaper continued it dominance of photojournalism in the state as it not only captured the Photographer of the Year, Best of Show, the James R. Gordon Ohio Understanding and picture usage awards, they were named the best photography staff in the over 100,000 circulation category for the seventh consecutive year.

Chris Russell of the Columbus Dispatch, who was the runner-up to Kuntz, collected his third Clip Photographer of the Year award, edging out fellow staffer and last year's clip POY, Neal Lauron, by 10 points, after the two were

clip PO1, Neal Lauron, by 10 points, after the two were tied going into December.

Freelance photographer and Kent State University graduate Greg Ruffing finished third in the POY category.

Ruffing is a two-time POY runner-up.

97 photographers from across the state submitted

1,503 entries in this year's competition. The contest, which rewards the best in news photography from around the state, was held at Taylor Hall on the campus of Kent State University. Judges for the contest were Lara Solt, staff photographer at the Dallas Morning News, Denny

Simmons, staff photographer at the Evansville (Ind.) Courier & Press, and Gerry Melendez, staff photographer at The State in Columbia, SC.

"Once again I'm very proud of our staff," explained Plain Dealer Director of Photography Bill Gugliotta. "To win staff of the year seven years in a row and to have the photographer of the year six our of the past seven years is an incredible accomplishment, especially considering the talent at so many newspapers in Ohio. We're lucky to have a staff with so many terrific photographers.

Plain Dealer staff photographers Lynn Ischay, Dale Omori, Thomas Ondrey and Joshua Gunter took home the James R. Gordon Ohio Understanding Award for their entry "The Daily Life." The photo columns were started about a year and half ago to offer readers a glimpse of the community through the visual reporting of photographers.

"We think the photo column offers insights into the real life of ordinary citizens," explained Gugliotta. "It has built a group portrait of the community that is textured, engaging and entertaining. It's very gratifying and motivating for us that the judges recognized the column's body of

Joshua Gunter's first place Assigned Feature Picture winner "Save the Last Dance" was named Best of Show. Gunter and Greg Ruffing took home seven individual awards, the most by any photographers in the competition.

The judges were impressed the quality of the work entered. "We are so screwed," exclaimed Simmons, as the of the work was quite strong," continued Melendez. "Many of the photographers see with a great visual variety."

It was difficult trying to decide between the very high

caliber of the entries in several categories, especially in the general news, assigned feature ("kick-ass category," said

Melendez), and the sports action and feature categories. ("There are lots of great photos in these categories," said Solt). All three were impressed with the quality of the entries in the general news category. 'The first place image is a striking photo," Simmons.

Thirty photographers entered the POY competition. Kuntz, who previously won POY in 2004 and finished second in 2003, graduated from Ohio University in 1992. He worked for Agence France-Presse and Reuters News Service before joining the staff at the Plain Dealer in 1998.

Kuntz, who has followed in the footsteps of his father, Ron, has covered a wide range of assignments for the paper, such as the World Series,

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John Kuntz The Plain Dealer



Columbus Dispatch



1st Feature Picture Story - John Kuntz, The Plain Dealer - "Dakota Bihn": Julie Bihn rubs her face from fatigue as she updates her Carring Bridge website on the state of her daughter Dakota who was diagnosed with Taysachs Disease at Duke Medical Center. The Bihn family is undergoing a controversial cord blood transfusion to try and stop the progression of the dibilatating and deadly brain disease. The medicine pump's green neon lights cast an eery glow in their room.

#### George S. Smallsreed Photographer of Year

1st - John Kuntz, The Plain Dealer 2nd, Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch 3rd, Greg Ruffing, Freelance

#### Award of Excellence

Dale Omori, The Plain Dealer

#### James R. Gordon **Ohio Understanding Award**

Lynn Ischay, Dale Omori, Thomas Ondrey, Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "The Daily

#### **Robert Coon Student Photographer of the Year**

1st, David Foster, Kent State University 2nd, Michael P. King, Ohio University

#### **Larry Fullerton Photojournalism Scholarship**

1st, Mykal McEldowney, Ohio University 2nd, Noah Rabinowitz, Ohio University

#### Picture Usage Under 100,000 1st - The News Herald

2nd - The Gazette

#### Picture Usage Over 100,000

1st - The Plain Dealer

2nd - The Columbus Dispatch

3rd - Akron Beacon Journal

#### Photography Staff of Year Under 100,000

1st - Springfield News-Sun

2nd - The News Herald 3rd - The Repository

Photography Staff of Year Over 100,000

1st - The Plain Dealer

2nd - The Columbus Dispatch

3rd - Akron Beacon Journal

#### **Best of Show**

Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "Save the Last Dance"

#### **Assigned Feature Picture**

1st - Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "Save the Last Dance'

2nd, Michael E. Keating, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Hugs for Dad" 3rd, Michael P. King, Ohio University,

`Friends'

#### Awards of Excellence

Chris Stephens, The Plain Dealer, "Dance to the Music"; Greg Ruffing, Freelance, "Miss Rodeo Texas''; Glenn Hartong, The Cincinnati Enquirer, "Poisoned by Lead"; Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "Box Lunch"

#### **Feature Picture Story**

1st - John Kuntz, The Plain Dealer, "Dakota

2nd, Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, `Cancer Warriors

3rd, Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, ``Children of War'

#### **Award of Excellence**

Greg Ruffing, Freelance, "Miss Texas Rodeo"

### **Enterprise Feature Picture**

1st - Stephanie Smith, Kent State University, `Dress-Up'

2nd, Lynn Ischay, The Plain Dealer, "Last Day" 3rd, Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, `Ballet''

#### **Awards of Excellence**

Scott Shaw, The Plain Dealer, "Candy"; Greg Ruffing, Freelance, "End of Semester"; John Kuntz, The Plain Dealer, "Out of the Depths"; Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "Browns Wedding''; Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal, ``Patriotís Healing Field''

#### **General News**

1st - Eric Albrecht, The Columbus Dispatch, "Welcome Home"

2nd, Chuck Crow, The Plain Dealer, "M.I.A. Farewell<sup>1</sup>

3rd, Tom Dodge, The Columbus Dispatch, "28 Years To Life'

#### **Awards of Excellence**

Chris Stephens, The Plain Dealer, ``Mother's Plea"; Ron Alvey, Dayton Daily News, "Slaveship"; Ron Alvey, Dayton Daily News, "Time is Precious"; Thomas Ondrey, The Plain Dealer, "Convicted Killer Offers Apology"

#### **Issue Illustration**

1st - Michael Weiss, The Repository, "Memory of Rape"

2nd, Andrea Levy, The Plain Dealer, "Ohio Football Machine'

3rd, Michael Weiss, The Repository, "Debating Prisoner Rights"

#### Awards of Excellence

Andrea Levy, The Plain Dealer, "Nasty Habit"; Andrea Levy, The Plain Dealer, ``Searching For a Mother's Love



1st Spot News - Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer - "Reunion With Mom": Four children that were taken in a van during a high-speed police chase run to be reunited with their mother after the chase ended in Cleveland.

#### **Product Illustration**

1st, Chris Stephens, The Plain Dealer, `Walleye'

2nd, Jim Witmer, Dayton Daily News, "Pub Glasses'

3rd, Scott Shaw, The Plain Dealer, ``Traveling By Air"News Picture Story

#### **News Picture Story**

1st, Andy Morrison, The Blade, ``Our Father'' 2nd, Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun,

``Lost & Found'' 3rd, Thomas Ondrey, The Plain Dealer, ``Flood Aftermath''

**Award of Excellence** Tim Revell, The Columbus Dispatch,

``Lt. Charles "Buddy Feucht"

#### **Pictorial**

1st, John Kuntz, The Plain Dealer, ``Alone'' 2nd, Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal, ``Frosted Leaves'' 3rd, Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal, ``Barn''

#### **Awards of Excellence**

Greg Ruffing, Freelance, Miss Rodeo Texas''; Glenn Hartong, The Cincinnati Enquirer, ``Curves''; Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "Rolling Thunder"; Rami Daud, Kent State University, "Trucks"

### **Portrait Personality**

1st, Rami Daud, Kent State University, "Jeff Deluca"

2nd, Greg Ruffing, Freelance, "Polka" 3rd, Tom Dodge, The Columbus Dispatch, `Colo"

#### **Awards of Excellence**

David Foster, Kent State University, "Walter Carkauff"; Dale Omori, The Plain Dealer, `King''; Eric Albrecht, The Columbus Dispatch, "Sheep Wrangler"; Lynn Ischay, The Plain Dealer, "Dontez"; Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal, "World War I Veteran"

#### **Sports Feature**

1st, Ed Suba Jr., Akron Beacon Journal, `Solace'

2nd, Tony Dejak, Associated Press, "Happy Fan''

3rd, Jeff Hinckley, Columbus Dispatch, "Early Training"

### Awards of Excellence

Greg Ruffing, Freelance, "Figure Competition"; Joy Parker, ThisWeek Newspaper, "Muddy Victory Celebration"; Jeff Haller, Ohio University, "Camp Out"; Rami Daud, Kent State University, "Victory"; Thomas Ondrey, The Plain Dealer, "Floating

Cheerleader"; Andrew Dolph, The (Medina) Gazette, ``Foul Call''; Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal, "Track"

#### **Sports Action**

1st, Amy E. Voigt, The Blade, "Biting 2nd, John Kuntz, The Plain Dealer, "Flight" 3rd, Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, `Big Hit'

#### Awards of Excellence

Aaron Rudolph, The (Lisbon) Morning Journal,

News Herald, ``Fatal Crash''; Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, ``Hero''; Michael Balash, The Repository, ``PCS Metals Fire''

#### Spot News Over 100,000

1st, Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "Reunion With Mom'

2nd, Glenn Hartong, Cincinnati Enquirer, `Holding On'

3rd, James D. DeCamp, The Columbus Dispatch, ``Homicide<sup>i</sup>

> Awards of **Excellence**

Chuck Crow, The Plain Dealer, ``Daughter's Grief''; David I. Andersen, The Plain Dealer, `Rainbow''; David I. Andersen, The Plain Dealer, `Rescued''; Patrick Reddy, Cincinnati Enquirer, ``Bad Day''; Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal, ``Fatal Éire□

#### **Team Picture** Story

1st, The Plain Dealer, Summer of Floods 2nd, The Plain Dealer, ``Saying Goodbye"



Stephanie Smith, Kent State University - 1st Enterprise Feature - "Dress Up": Cousins Bella Frye (left), and Gabrielle Poling play dress-up as they walk down the sidewalk outside their aunt's home in Lima. The girls said they found the matching gowns in a store and that they were originally from a wedding.

"Hurdling"; Chuck Crow, The Plain Dealer, "The Eyes Have It"; Ed Suba Jr, Akron Beacon Journal, "Face"; Lindsay Semple, Akron Beacon Journal, "Dent"; Mark Duncan, Associated Press, "Dive

#### **Sports Picture Story**

1st, Jeff Swinger, Cincinnati Enquirer,

``A Fighting Spirit''
2nd, Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, ``Torino'

3rd, Ed Suba Jr, Akron Beacon Journal, `Playoffs"

# Spot News Under 100,000

1st, Michael Blair, The News Herald, `Flood Victims' 2nd, Marshall Gorby, Springfield

News-Sun, ``Gas Leak i 3rd, Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "Raw Emotion" Awards of Excellence

Aaron Rudolph, The (Lisbon) Morning Journal, ``Solace''; Duncan Scott, The



Ed Suba Jr, Akron Beacon Journal - 1st Sports Feature -"Solace": Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy wrestler, Justin Tripp, is comforted by his father, Christopher, after Tripp lost his 171 lb. Division II semi-final match against Todd Neptune of New Concord John Glenn, 7-6, as time ran out, at the 2006 Ohio State Wrestling Championships.

#### **OBITUARY**

# Steve Deslich

WASHINGTON - Steve Deslich, whose passion for photography took him from Ohio to Washington, D.C., to various spots around the globe, died March 6 of brain cancer. He was 35, one day short of his birthday.

Deslich, of Silver Spring, Md., was managing editor of the McClatchy-Tribune Photo Service.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy; son Benjamin; mother; father, two brothers and a sister.

In his MCT job, Deslich was well-known in Washington photography circles for his work at news and major sports events. He oversaw MCT's photo operations at the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City (2002) and Turin, Italy (2006).



"Steve really liked his job," says MCT Photo Steve Deslich Service Director Harry Walker. "He was more

than dedicated. It was part of him. Steve enjoyed his profession like no one else I have come across. He worked long, hard days in his administrative role and would take time from his personal schedule to shoot photos to help improve the photo service."

His interest in photography was nurtured early. "He got his first camera about age 6 or 7 years old," said his mother, Sheila Deslich, of Charleston, W.Va. He was inspired to pursue photography by an uncle, and in high school a teacher fostered Steve's interest in art and photography, his mother said.

From there he was off to the Ohio Institute of Photography in Dayton. With degree in hand, he landed a photography job at his hometown Piqua Daily Call. After three years there, he headed to the Tribune Chronicle in Warren, Ohio, where he met his future wife.

"We met through friends," Kathy Deslich said. "But Steve got tired of waiting for our friends to get us up, so he did it himself." That

friends to set us up, so he did it himself." That taking-care-of-business attitude led him to propose to her on the day he moved from Warren to Washington to take a job as photographer for Thomson Newspapers, the publisher of the Tribune Chronicle.

After two years working for Thomson, Deslich was hired as a photo editor for Knight Ridder/Tribune Photo Service, McClatchy-Tribune.

Though he lived inside the Capital Beltway, Deslich's roots were firmly planted in the Midwest. As MCT Entertainment Editor John Price recalls, "His career may have taken Steve out of the Midwest, but it never took the Midwest out of Steve. I always got the impression that, under the right circumstances, he would have been happy to chuck it all and move back to Ohio.'

A memorial service was held March 17 at Hines-Rinaldi Funeral Home in Silver Springs,

MCT has set up a fund to help the family. Checks should be made payable to Mary Brenner. Be sure to note "Deslich Memorial Fund" in the memo field of your contribution to: Mary Brenner, Business Manager, McClatchy-Tribune and send Operations Manager, McClatchy-Tribune Information Services, 700 12st St NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20005

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the Oklahoma City bombing, the Super Bowl and the Olympics.

His portfolio, which contained 12 singles and two stories, was selected because it was the most complete, was content-driven and went where most photographers wouldn't go. "It felt like a celebration of life," as Solt described it.

Individually, Kuntz collected first place awards in the feature picture story and pictorial categories, second place in sports action, and an award of excellence in the enterprise feature category.

Russell's victory in the clip contest was a repeat of his second win in 2004 (his first title came in 1997) when he out-pointed another fellow

staff member, Eric Albrecht. Iraq. However, his 310-point margin of victory that year was considerably less dramatic. Russell joined the staff of the Dispatch in 1988 after spending four years at the News Herald in Willoughby and has established himself as one of the most consistent performers in the monthly clip contest.

Michael Weiss from the Repository in Canton ended Plain Dealer illustrator Andrea Levy's individual domination of the Issue Illustration category when he captured the first and third place awards in the category. The judges singled out Weiss' illustration titled "Memory of Rape" for the "haunting subtley of the image" and well-placed use of spot color. It is the first time since 1999 that Levy hadn't placed first in the category. Her second place and two awards of excellence in the category, though, gave her a total of 25 wins out of a possible 28



Chris Russell, Columbus Dispatch - 1st Feature Picture Story -"Children of War": After begging his mother to show off his uniform, Harrison Ivy, 5, checks himself out in his replica "Marine Dress Blues" that Lee Ann bought before her husband was killed in

places since 2001.

Kent State University's David Foster was named the Robert Coon Student Photographer of the Year. Ohio University student Michael P. King was the runner-up.

The Springfield News-Sun was named Staff

of the Year for newspapers in the under 100,000 circulation division, with The News Herald finishing second while The Repository placed third. The News-Herald took top honors in the Picture Usage under 100,000 category followed by The (Medina) Gazette.

The Columbus Dispatch and the Akron Beacon Journal placed second and third to round out the Staff of the Year (over 100,000) category. In the Picture Usage (over 100,000) category, The Columbus Dispatch placed second, the Akron Beacon Journal finished third.



Thomas Ondrey, The Plain Dealer - James R. Gordon Ohio Understanding Award - "The Daily Life": The first thing to know about dog yoga is that dogs don't really do yoga. They have their own agenda. Besides, "the dogs don't really need yoga," instructor Colette Barry tells a group of four women and their canines who have come to her Saturday class at Barry's Health and Wellness Center in Westlake. So what are the dogs doing there? "Dog yoga is to help the owner experience their yoga session in a deeper spiritual way," says Barry.

## STILL CLIP RULES

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

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

If a clip of a wire service submission is not available, a print no larger than 8 by 10 inches may be entered. Attached must be a proof from your AP server or other Web site of the photo or the routing code and date of transmission.

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

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

Sort clips by category:

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

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

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

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

**Feature single:** A general human-interest photo.

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

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

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

# SUBMITTING WINNING CLIPS

All winners in the monthly clip contest must submit a copy of the winning entry for the ONPA newsletter and/or web site. Winners will be notified via e-mail, so remember to include your e-mail address on the back of each clip.

If you do not respond to the first notification in seven days a second notice will be sent. Failure to respond to the second notice in ten days will result in a loss of points for that clip win. If in subsequent months the same photographer fails to reply he or she will be disqualified from entering the contest for the remainder of the year.

First place winners should be 10 inches @ 200 dpi. 2nd, 3rd, HM: winners should be 7 inches widest measure @ 72 dpi. Files should be slugged accordingly: month\_category\_place.jpg Example: May\_genews\_1st.jpg.

All photos must be captioned.

Send all winning entries to clips@onpa.org

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**Scott Shaw**, *The Plain Dealer* - 1st Illustration 4th Qtr What to wear when traveling by air.

# October winners

Spot News 1st -Ron Alvey, Dayton Daily News, "Slaying" 2nd - Aaron Rudolph, The Morning Journal, "Prison Riot" 3rd - Chuck Humel, Elyria Chronicle, "Rescue" HM - Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal, "Fire Survivors"

#### **General News**

1st - Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal, "Hope Lights" 2nd - Kyle Lanzer, Sun Newspapers, "Seance" 3rd - Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "Veterans"

**Feature Single** 

1st - Karen Schiely, Akron Beacon Journal, "Baton"
2nd - Michael Blair, The News
Herald, "Dance Art"
3rd - Eric Albrecht, The Columbus
Dispatch, "Sunrise Search"
HM - Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal, "Kaleidoscope"

#### **Portrait**

1st - Abigail Bobrow, Sandusky Register, "Shooting Witness" 2nd - Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, "Athletic Order Shari Lewis, The Columbus Dispatch, "Child Reading" HM - Abigail Bobrow, Sandusky Register, "Triplets"

## Sports

1st - 1st - Karen Schiely, Akron Beacon Journal, "Mud" 2nd - Ron Alvey, Dayton Daily News, "Dodging Shadows" 3rd - Molly Corfman, Toledo Blade, "Hockey Battle" HM - Lew Stamp, Akron Beacon Journal, "Incomplete Pass"

#### **Feature Picture Story**

1st - Lew Stamp, Akron Beacon Journal, "Soap Box Derby" 2nd - Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Old and New Buildings" 3rd - Jeff Hinckley, The Columbus Dispatch, "Fish"

Judges: Bangor Daily News Photo Department: Scott Haskell, Photo Editor; John Clark Russ, Assistant Photo Editor; Kevin Bennet, Staff Photographer; Gabor Degre, Staff Photographer; Kate Collins, Staff Photographer; Bridget Brown, Staff Photographer



**Abigail Bobrow** Sandusky Register

1st Portrait

Teshay Irby, 18, sits on her porch, where she witnessed the drive-by shooting at Flash Drive Thru, in the background of the photo.



**Karen Schiely** Akron Beacon Journal

1st Feature

Robert McVay, practices a baton toss on the University of Akron campus. The Streetsboro resident plays the mellophone in the UA marching band, but hopes one day to be a drum major for the Zips.

Ken Love Akron Beacon Journal

1st General News

Luminaires burn at the Akron Children's Hospital event Hope Lights the Way. The event honors cancer victims and surivivors.





**Fred Squillante** The Columbus Dispatch

1st Story

Music director Carol Agler holds sheet music close to Jonathan Simmons during one-on-one time at summer band camp at the Ohio State School for the Blind. Jonathan has limited sight due to under development of the optic nerve.





**Ron Alvey**, *Dayton Daily News* - 1st Spot News Mikiera Gray comforts her mother, Shuan Gray, after Shaun's son D'Iaquan Gray-Phillips, 17, was shot and killed in the 2700 blcok of West Third Street in Dayton.

**Karen Schiely**, *Akron Beacon Journal* - 1st Sports Nordonia's Bill Smith goes down in a sea of mud on a tackle by Hudson's Dan Verhotz. Wmith finished with a game-high 147 yards rushing.

# November winners

**Spot News** 1st - Molly Corfman, The Blade, "Mom and Son" 2nd - William A. West, The Star Beacon, "Trooper and dog" 3rd - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "House Fire"

#### **General News**

1st Eric Albrecht, The Columbus Dispatch, "Vet and his father" 2nd - Shari Lewis, The Columbus Dispatch, "Funeral mourning" 3rd - Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, "School Protest" HM - Fred Squillante, The Columbus Dispatch, "Soldier and

father" HM - Marvin Fong, The Plain Dealer, "Court reaction"

**Feature Single** 

1st -Ken Love, Akron Beacon Journal, "Footloose and carefree" 2nd - Chuck Crow, The Plain Dealer, "City in the Clouds" Jeaner, City in the Clouds 3rd - Fred Squillante, The Columbus Dispatch, "Farm life" HM - Ed Suba Jr., Akron Beacon Journal, "Mall Reflections" HM - Bill Lackey, Springfield News Sun, "Thanksgiving Pies"

#### **Portrait**

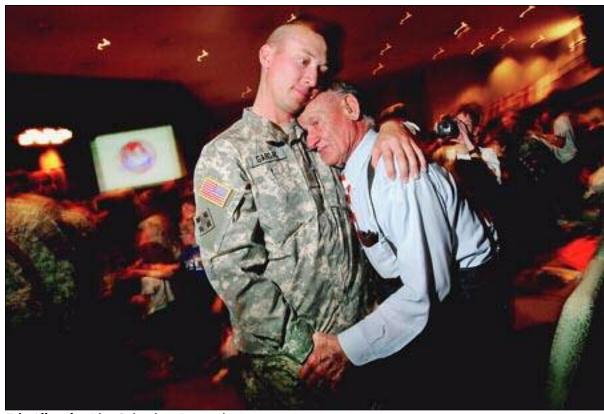
1st - Eric Albrecht, The Columbus Dispatch, "Vet at Parade" 2nd - Karen Schiely, Akron Beacon Journal, "USS Indy Vet" 3rd - Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "M. Brown portrait"

#### Sports

1st - Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, "Flying foot-2nd - Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal, "Helmet reversal" 3rd - Thomas Ondrey, The Plain Dealer, "Football Jube"
HM - Michael Blair, The News
Herald, "Jump Ball"
HM - Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "Soccer KO"

Feature Picture Story 1st - Jeff Hinckley, The Columbus Dispatch, "OSU Band" 2nd - Tim Revell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Gorillas in her Mist" 3rd - Paul Tople, Akron Beacon Journal, "Horseshoes"

Judges: Chief Photographer Michael Smart and Staff Photographers Scott M. Bort and Marina Makropoulos from The Courier News (Elgin, IL)



Eric Albrecht, The Columbus Dispatch - 1st General News Mitch Gargac gives his father, Ray Gargac, of Toledo, a hug in the sanctuary of the Vineyard Community Church in Westerville. The younger Gargac, just back from Iraq, was marching out after a ceremony when he noticed his dad.

#### **Eric Albrecht** The Columbus Dispatch

1st Portrait

M.J. Pohorilla, 82, sells poppies to help veterans and the annual Veterans Day parade in Columbus. Pohorilla was a navigator aboard a B-17 in WWII.

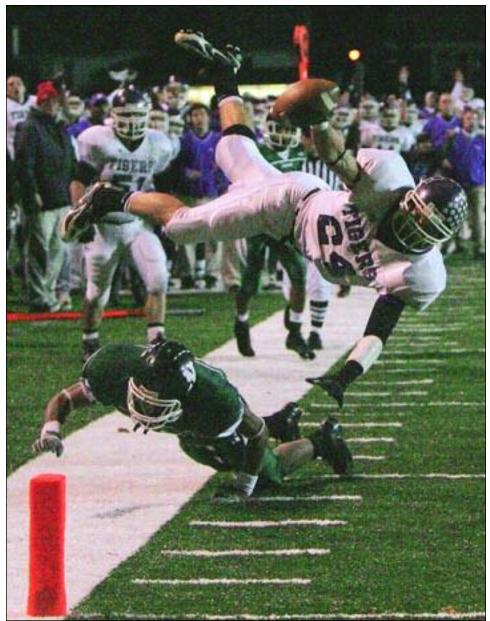




**Ken Love** Akron Beacon Journal

1st Feature

Eight-year-old Zelana Jones enjoys the view and a warm Thanksgiving Day at her home in Cuyahoga Falls.





**Jeff Hinckley**, *Columbus Dispatch* - 1st Story How many sousaphone players can fit in an Ohio Stadium elevator? At least five, as these OSU marching band members demonstrate.

**Neal C. Lauron**, *Columbus Dispatch* - 1st Sports Pickerington Central's Brian Peters reaches the 1-yard line on a 32-yard screen pass that set up a Tigers' touchdown.

**Molly Corfman** *The Blade* 

1st Spot News

Janisha Sisson and her son, Jayquan watch their apartment burn.z



# December winners

Spot News 1st - Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon-Journal, "Fire reaction" 2nd - Scott Heckel, The Repository, "Dogs saved from fire" 3rd - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "Wind damage"

#### **General News**

1st - Chuck Crow, The Plain Dealer, "Military funeral" 2nd - Neal C. Lauron, The Columbus Dispatch, "Prison church" 3rd - Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "Windy salute" HM - Tim Revell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Court reaction" HM - Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal, "Military funeral"

#### **Feature Single**

1st - Tim Revell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Blind haircut" 2rd - Peggy Turbett, The Plain Dealer, "Kids singing" 3rd - Ed Suba Jr., Akron Beacon Journal, "Graphic ice skater"

#### **Portrait**

1st - Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch, "Night watchman" 2nd - Ken Love, Akron Beacon-Journal, "Weightlifter" 3rd - Molly Corfman, Toldeo Blade, "Santa wish list"

#### **Sports**

1st - Phil Masturzo, Akron Beacon Journal, "Browns fumble" 2nd - Thomas Ondrey, The Plain Dealer, "Softball smiles" 3rd - Mike Cardew, Akron Beacon-Journal, "Quarterback hurt"

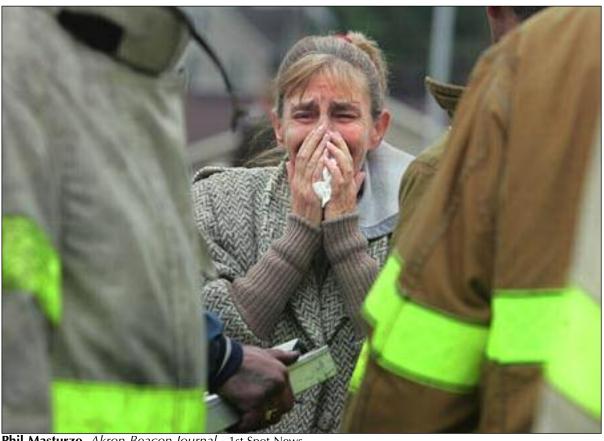
## **Feature Picture Story**

1st - Eric Albrecht, The Columbus Dispatch, "Wounded lives" 2nd - Lew Stamp, Akron Beacon Journal, "Retirement home cat"3rd - Joshua Gunter, The Plain Dealer, "Smoking"

**3rd Qtr Illustration**1st - Scott Shaw, The Plain Dealer, "Fashion" 2nd - Karen Schiely, Akron Beacon

Journal, "Halloween costumes 3rd - Marshall Gorby, Springfield News-Sun, "Adoption"

Judges: Naples Daily News photography staff: Director of photography, Judy Lutz; staff photogra-phers David Ahntholz, Tracy Boulian, Lexey Swall, David Albers, Garrett Hubbard; and photo intern Jimmie Presley.



**Phil Masturzo**, Akron Beacon Journal - 1st Spot News

Diane Messenger says she believes a relative died in the Second Street Southwest fire in Canton. Stark County Coroner P.S. Murthy says it could take several week to make positive identification of the three adults and two adolescents who died in the fire.



Cleveland Browns receiver Joe Jurevicius is separated from the ball by Baltimore Ravens defender Chris McAlister.





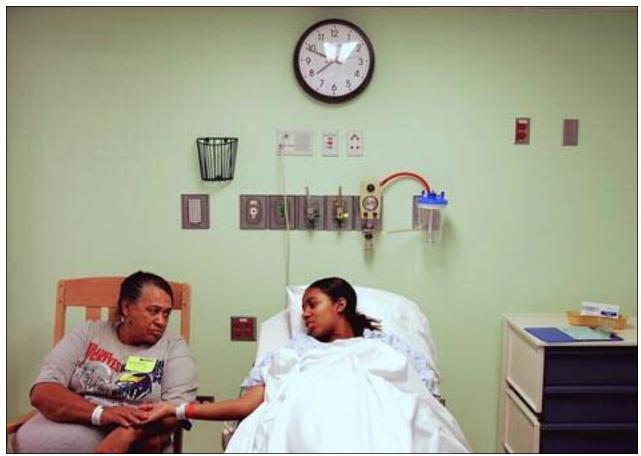
1st General News

Bobbie Payne, the wife of Army Master Sgt. Norman Payne, holds the flag that draped her husband's casket as her son, Victor, wipes a tear from her cheek.





**Tim Revell,** Columbus Dispatch - 1st Feature Louis Mazzoli, superintendent of the Ohio School for the Blind, put his locks in the hands of blind student Corey Grandstaff. Mazzoli lost a bet with the school's students, who collected 4,320 cans and boxes for the Mid-Ohio Food Bank.



Eric Albrecht The Columbus Dispatch

1st Story

At Children's Hospital, Mary Town talks with her grand-daughter, Taylor Miller, before surgery to remove a bullet from Taylor's back.

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Chris Russell, The Columbus Dispatch - 1st Portrait - December
Thieves had stolen tires, radios, and transmissions from Mark Paquette's automotive garage, so now he spends his nights there with his German shepherd, Torque.