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## Weekly Class 1

### Category 1 - BEST EDITORIAL

First Place - MCLEAN COUNTY NEWS, Clint Hadden  
Interesting twist on the "Mayberry Myth" line of thinking. This is just a really great editorial.  
Second Place - HICKMAN COURIER, John O'Neal Jones  
This is a really great local commentary and one that gets right to the point.

### Category 2 - BEST SPOT NEWS COVERAGE

First Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Charles Mattox  
Beautifully reported and written. Impressive interviewing. A riveting story. I literally felt the hair rise on the back of my neck.  
Second Place - GALLATIN COUNTY NEWS, Kelley Warnick  
Thoroughly reported. Nice judgment in calling attention to daughter's quick thinking.  
Third Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Richard L. Deavers  
Good descriptive detail of fire scene. Good sense of history, comparing to previous fires.  
Honorable Mention - HICKMAN COURIER, John O'Neal Jones  
Nice handling of the sort of small calamity that bedevils every community.

### Category 3 - BEST GENERAL NEWS STORY

First Place - HICKMAN COURIER, John O'Neal Jones  
Great story enhanced by a great photograph.  
Second Place - LAKE NEWS, Neeta Keeling Hale  
Lots of informative details, great article.  
Third Place - GALLATIN COUNTY NEWS, Kelley Warnick  
Good article.

### Category 4 - BEST FEATURE STORY

First Place - MCLEAN COUNTY NEWS, Clint Hadden  
Good storytelling. Good sense of narrative. Suspense. In a novel, this is called a page-turner.  
Second Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Brent Risner  
Lead arouses reader's curiosity. Taps into the seriousness of the subject matter. Makes clear these youngsters are not frivolous. Does not condescend to the students.  
Third Place - BEATTYVILLE ENTER-

NEWS, Kelley Warnick  
The "conversation with" profile is a terrific idea. Lead is buried in third graf, but otherwise well done.

### Category 5 - BEST COLUMN

First Place - FULTON LEADER, Eunice Clark  
Interesting columns, great flow with the words.  
Second Place - BEATTYVILLE ENTERPRISE, Anne Shelby  
Interesting columns.  
Third Place - LAKE NEWS, Neeta Keeling Hale  
Great work. The letter to your granddaughter was especially moving and thoughtful.

### Category 6 - BEST SPORTS COLUMNS

Certificate of Merit - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Richard L. Deavers

### Category 7 - BEST SPORTS STORY

First Place - MCLEAN COUNTY NEWS, Jonna Spelbring  
Fantastic lead. Really captured the emotion of a high school football game. Three stories rose to the top of this category, but the lead on this story clearly set it apart.  
Second Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Brent Risner  
Track is a hard sport to write/read about, but this story flows really well. Really enjoyed seeing comments from the athletes.  
Third Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Richard L. Deavers  
Sometimes the history leading up to a game is just as newsworthy as the game itself. This story reflects that.

### Category 8 - BEST SPORTS FEATURE STORY

First Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Brent Risner  
Well written story, very thorough coverage. A good interest story.  
Second Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Richard L. Deavers  
A good beginning, good content throughout the story.  
Third Place - OLIVE HILL TIMES, Denver Brown  
Good interest story, easy to read and follow.  
Honorable Mention - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Carolyn C. Schwartz  
Good story, shows the dedication required to be a cheerleader.

### Category 9 - BEST ENTERPRISE OR ANALYTICAL STORY

First Place - FULTON LEADER, Glen Ivey  
Great article with both sides of issue expressed well.  
Second Place - GALLATIN COUNTY

NEWS, Kelley Warnick  
Good article.  
Third Place - BEATTYVILLE ENTERPRISE, Edmund Shelby  
Needed comments from some other related professionals to go with the statistics presented to "break up" the statistical monotony.

### Category 10 - BEST INVESTIGATIVE STORY OR SERIES

Certificate of Merit - FULTON LEADER, Joe Dacus/Glen Ivey

### Category 11 - BEST ONGOING/EXTENDED COVERAGE STORY

First Place - GALLATIN COUNTY NEWS, Kelley Warnick  
Great coverage from beginning to end.  
Second Place - LAKE NEWS, Loyd Ford/Neeta Keeling Hale  
Good articles.  
Third Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Charles Mattox  
Good articles.

### Category 12 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS STORY

First Place - GALLATIN COUNTY NEWS, Kelley Warnick  
The story takes a long, complex environmental case in court and presents it in a clean, organized fashion.  
Second Place - FULTON LEADER, Glen Ivey  
While the story could have used more reaction from the other side, the effect of how cuts in Amtrak could have an impact on one small town. Well presented.  
Third Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Carolyn Schwartz  
I was particularly intrigued by how something as cosmetic as color, black, in this case makes a difference in a business as scientific as cattle.

### Category 13 - BEST HEADLINE

First Place - BEATTYVILLE ENTERPRISE, Edmund Shelby  
Unique way to present a "Back to School" issue. Highlighted by a great type font.  
Second Place - LAKE NEWS, Loyd Ford  
Good headline.  
Third Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Charles Mattox  
Good headline, could have been condensed with fewer words to make it more prominent.  
Honorable Mention - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Richard L. Deavers  
The "Civil War" headline was great. If other two entries had been stronger, would have placed higher.

### Category 14 - BEST SPOT NEWS PICTURE

First Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES

ARGUS, Henry Anderson  
I liked the size of the picture. Some papers seem afraid to use big pictures. Having a person in it is a plus.  
Second Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Charles Mattox  
Interesting picture. The second picture below helps. I like the people in it.  
Third Place - FULTON LEADER, Glen Ivey  
I like showing people doing something. Nice shot.  
Honorable Mention - LAKE NEWS, Neeta Keeling Hale  
Good color in picture.

### Category 15 - BEST GENERAL NEWS PICTURE

First Place - GALLATIN COUNTY NEWS, Kelley Warnick  
Second Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Mark Stone  
Third Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Charles Mattox

### Category 16 - BEST FEATURE PICTURE

First Place - GALLATIN COUNTY NEWS, Kelley Warnick  
Very well done. Captures a moment, tells a story, nicely composed. The trick to getting good photos of children is to shoot on their level. You've done well with this technique.  
Congratulations!! Easily best feature photo among entries.  
Second Place - HICKMAN COUNTY GAZETTE, Jerrald Chandler  
This is one of those candid moments, captured well. Hint to design person: This is really a two column shot. Crop tighter.  
Third Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Charles Mattox  
Nice and varied levels add depth and sense of realism to the photo. Good job of getting a nice moment onto the page.

### Category 17 - BEST PICTURE ESSAY (SPOT, GENERAL OR FEATURE)

First Place - MCLEAN COUNTY NEWS, Gary Emord-Netzley  
You can get a real feel of what is going on.  
Second Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Mark Stone  
Third Place - GALLATIN COUNTY NEWS, Kelley Warnick  
Honorable Mention - TIE - HICKMAN COURIER, John O'Neal Jones  
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### Category 18 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE

First Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Paul G. Moore

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Left: In Weekly Class 1, Paul C. Moore, of the Central City Times-Argus, took top honors in the Best Sports Picture category with this shot. Bottom left: Charles Mattox of the Flemingsburg Gazette captured first place in the Best Spot News category with this story on a high speed chase. The Flemingsburg Gazette was the first place General Excellence recipient. Bottom right: The judges selected this picture essay entry from the McLean County News by photographer Gary Emord-Netzley as the first place winner.

## Road block by local officers ends high speed car chase

By Charles Mattox  
Staff Writer

On April 17, a warm spring morning, seven men deliberately placed themselves between imminent danger and the city of Flemingsburg. For six of the men, it was their sworn duty as officers of the law. For the other, it was an act of graceful civility, a classic example of being a "Good Samaritan."

The six law officers were Flemingsburg Chief of Police Danny Carpenter, Fleming County Sheriff Jerry Wagner, Fleming County Deputy Sheriffs Kirby Roberts and Scotty Royse, Fleming County Deputy Sheriff and E-911 coordinator Mike Marshall and Flemingsburg Police Officer James Tabor. The good Samaritan was a civilian trucker named Shawn Cartee who lives in Sciotoville, Ohio and works for Conley Trucking of Wheelersburg, Ohio.

Armed bank robbers Jeffrey Craig White, 45 and Lorri Anne Fischer, 40, entered the Security Bank and Trust on U.S. 68 in Maysville shortly after 9 a.m. and exited moments later with more than \$100,000 in cash, according to sources in the Kentucky State Police.

"I was looking at flowers near the rear of the Best Western Hotel. I saw a man and a woman clutching bags close to their body as they walked to a car. The car was running with a driver inside. I looked straight at the woman and she looked straight at me," said a witness who asked not to be identified.

who provided Maysville police with the license number of the getaway vehicle.

"The lady wore a hat and sunglasses and I thought she was wearing a wig. I noticed the license plate number because it started 'CUZ' and I thought of my cousin who used to refer to me as 'tuz.' The lady appeared very frail," the witness said. "Normally I am a very outgoing person and I'm just so glad I didn't approach the driver of the vehicle and say hello when I saw him sitting there alone. I think my guardian angel was watching over me."

The couple fled in a white 1993 Chevy Lumina driven by Roger White, 40. Using information from the witness, officers from the Maysville Police Department located the vehicle and followed it. The following pursuit by Maysville police and Mason County sheriff's department officers led through southern Mason County. Shots were fired by Jeff White at the officers near Lewisburg.

"I thought bullets were going to strike my windshield at any time," Maysville Chief of Police Van Ingram said later.

Stopping the armed robbers and preventing them from entering the normally peaceful and sleepy town of Flemingsburg was a task the seven men mentioned above took on with almost no time to prepare. They knew multiple shots had been fired at Mason County law enforcement officers and more violence was imminent.

This is the story of how those

seven men happened to come together that day. It is a story about what they saw, what they felt, and what actions they took.

It is a story about defending Flemingsburg.

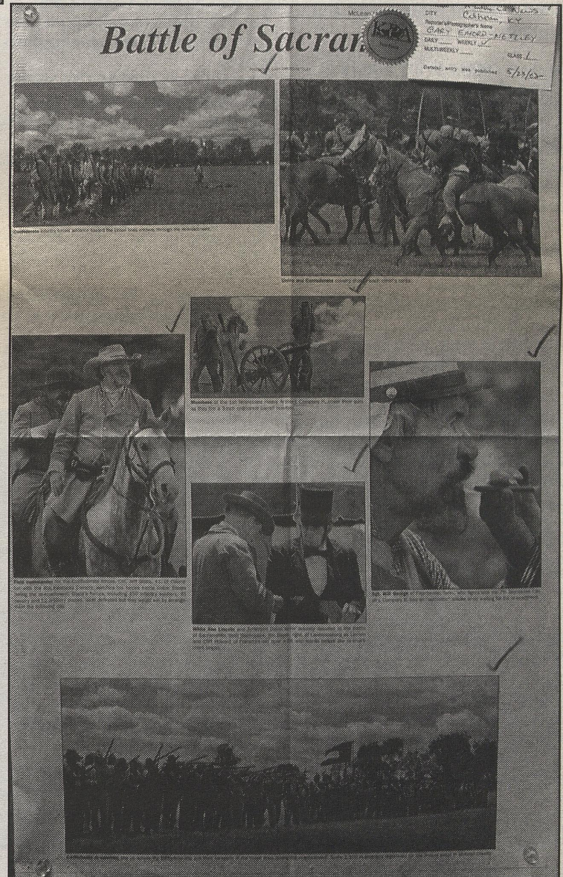
The time was 9:13 on Wednesday morning, April 17.

Mike Marshall was in the dispatch office talking to dispatcher Connie Farris about the recent assassination of Pulaski County Sheriff Sam Catron. Marshall is a veteran deputy sheriff and the new E-911 coordinator. His days are spent installing and testing the new equipment the county will soon implement. He heard the news of possible trouble from Fleming County Deputy Sheriff Frannie Vice. Vice received a phone call from Mason County dispatch, reporting that at least two armed bank robbery suspects were in a white Chevrolet heading toward Flemingsburg. Marshall stepped into a nearby room to tell deputies Scotty Royse and Kirby Roberts.

"Is Frannie serious?" Marshall asked Royse and Roberts. Neither were aware of the situation and Marshall quickly briefed them. Royse was scheduled to transport an individual to Frankfort for a lie detector test and was preparing to leave, going over notes as he walked towards the door.

9:14  
Fleming County Sheriff Jerry Wagner was smiling as he pulled his vehicle in front of the sheriff's office. He had spent

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## Weekly Class 2

### Category 1 - BEST EDITORIAL

First Place - HENRY COUNTY LOCAL, Brooke Melville  
Great look at the problems and also the good works of Governor Paul Patton... plus a plea for voters to be held accountable too.  
Second Place - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Linda Parker  
Fine look at the way newspapers work and how they respond to reader complaints. The last three paragraphs were hilarious!  
Third Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, John Shindlebower  
Wonderful look at voter apathy, and what brings it on.

### Category 2 - BEST SPOT NEWS COVERAGE

First Place - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Linda Parker  
Good work. Use of multiple interviews exceptional. Well written, terse and to the point. You tell the story well.  
Second Place - PROVIDENCE JOURNAL ENTERPRISE, Gwen Bolin  
Good use of detail. Good lead. Basically answers all the questions. Good quote selection.  
Third Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, John Shindlebower  
Good detail in story. Nice job of quote selection and tracking down various aspects from multiple sources. You need to shorten paragraphs, get quotes higher in story. Nice job overall.

### Category 3 - BEST GENERAL NEWS STORY

First Place - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Patti M. Clark  
Well written, great detail.  
Second Place - PROVIDENCE JOURNAL ENTERPRISE, Gwen Bolin  
Great lead. White-washed ties in well with hot pink.  
Third Place - CARROLLTON NEWS DEMOCRAT, Carrie Bryan  
Good details and history.  
Honorable Mention - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Jessica Griffin  
This was a hard category to judge, many quality entries.

### Category 4 - BEST FEATURE STORY

First Place - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Linda Parker  
This was a honey of a tale. Linda Parker managed to sustain an extended pun without overdoing it, and to tell a colorful, interesting story in the process.

Second Place - CARROLLTON NEWS DEMOCRAT, Carrie Bryan  
Carrie Bryan's fine prose style, sharp eye for detail and strong sense of history and context make this feature a pleasure to read.

Third Place - BEREAL CITIZEN, Connie Esh

What could have been a fairly common story of a new patriot turns out to be unique, thanks to Connie Esh's interview skills, which are evident with every detail of this profile.  
Honorable Mention - TOMPKINSVILLE NEWS, Ronda Jordan-Elam

Lead delivers on its promise: This is a colorful story with plenty of quotes providing vividness and texture.

### Category 5 - BEST COLUMN

First Place - HARDIN COUNTY INDEPENDENT, Gerald Lush  
I like the different subjects you use in your columns. Good opening paragraph.  
Second Place - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Carrie Bennett  
Good, thought provoking. I enjoyed all your columns.  
Third Place - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Linda Parker  
Interesting columns. I especially enjoyed the one about your mom.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - PROVIDENCE JOURNAL ENTERPRISE, Gwen Bolin  
Very interesting, this category had a large number of entries and was hard to judge.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Robin Terry  
Good columns, it was a tough category, lots of entries.

### Category 6 - BEST SPORTS COLUMN

First Place - HARDIN COUNTY INDEPENDENT, Martin Hepner  
Second Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN, Tom Bystrek  
Very well written, good coverage.  
Third Place - CADIZ RECORD, Scott Brown  
Great stuff.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - SPRINGFIELD SUN, Tom Bystrek  
Honorable Mention - TIE - BEREAL CITIZEN, Keith Taylor  
Good observations.

### Category 7 - BEST SPORTS STORY

First Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN, Tom Bystrek  
A well written story.  
Second Place - CADIZ RECORD, Scott Brown  
Very good first paragraph, well written and interesting.  
Third Place - HARDIN COUNTY INDEPENDENT, Martin Hepner

A good story about a tough subject. Sheds some light into a coaches problems when coaching their children. This was a tough category with lots of entries.

Honorable Mention - TIE - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Linda Parker

A good story about a controversial issue.

Honorable Mention - TIE - CADIZ RECORD, Scott Brown  
Good opening paragraph, good in depth story.

### Category 8 - BEST SPORTS FEATURE STORY

First Place - HARDIN COUNTY INDEPENDENT, Martin Hepner  
This story comes out on top in an extremely competitive field. Well written, very interesting.  
Second Place - HARDIN COUNTY INDEPENDENT, Martin Hepner  
Very good human interest story. Especially liked the first couple of paragraphs.  
Third Place - HARDIN COUNTY INDEPENDENT, Martin Hepner  
Excellent story, good in depth look at both the individual and sickle cell anemia.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - JACKSON COUNTY SUN, Connie Esh  
Very good story, opening paragraph was excellent! Pictures added a plus.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - SPRINGFIELD SUN, Tom Bystrek  
Very good beginning paragraph, very strong competition in this category.

### Category 9 - BEST ENTERPRISE OR ANALYTICAL STORY

First Place - CRITTENDEN PRESS, Daryl K. Tabor  
Excellent! Very detailed information about major legislative issues.  
Second Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, John Shindlebower  
Well written story about job losses.  
Third Place - BEREAL CITIZEN, Scott Powell  
Good story on the exploding math problem.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, John Shindlebower  
As a city reporter, I enjoy reading about how other municipalities are dealing with zoning, etc.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Patti M. Clark  
The piece on how high school students reacted to the first anniversary of the 9-11 attacks was very well written. The perspective of young people on foreign policy matters was particularly interesting.

### Category 10 - BEST INVESTIGATIVE STORY OR SERIES

First Place - LAUREL NEWS JOUR-

NAL, John Shindlebower

Excellent, extended coverage of public funds being spent to build roads on private property. The series certainly had to increase circulation. Good job!!  
Second Place - SPENCER MAGNET, Kara Kuczun

Detailed information on a topic which affects many families. Perhaps some graphics could have dressed up this series. Also, the "three-part series" info should not have been included in body copy.

Third Place - HENRY COUNTY LOCAL, Melissa Blankenship  
Good background information on an interesting case. Good quotes from various spokesmen.  
Honorable Mention - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Molly O'Connor  
Covering young and older drivers and their unique situations is intriguing. Having both perspectives in one issue ties it together.

### Category 11 - BEST ON-GOING/ EXTENDED COVERAGE STORY

First Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, John Shindlebower  
Good coverage of an ongoing political squabble.  
Second Place - CRITTENDEN PRESS, Daryl K. Tabor  
Tax matters are difficult. Tabor presents the issues clearly. The paper is to be commended for devoting energy and space to an important problem.  
Third Place - HENRY COUNTY LOCAL, Melissa Blankenship  
Good presentation of an issue confronting many communities.  
Honorable Mention - TOMPKINSVILLE NEWS, Ronda Jordan-Elam  
Candidate spotlight is an important community service. I'd like to see more papers do this.

### Category 12 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS STORY

First Place - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Erica Osborne  
Kentucky should probably have a separate contest category for "What are tobacco farmers doing now?" Erica Osborne's story on a farm family that contracts out fresh produce is a gem in a very crowded category.  
Second Place - HENRY COUNTY LOCAL, Melissa Blankenship  
A newspaper should always tell its reader where the public's money goes, and what it was spent for. This story meets that responsibility.  
Third Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN, Jason Simpson  
Unlike emus and other exotic animal experiences that led to disappointment for many farmers, the Chesser family

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# Former EMT indicted for theft of drugs

By PATTI M. CLARK  
N.H. Editor

A former Owen County emergency medical technician was indicted last week on charges she took medication from patients she had transported in the county's ambulance and, on at least two occasions, replaced those drugs with others.

Glady's K. Garnett, 43, of East Seminary Street, was indicted on four counts of theft of a controlled substance and two counts of wanton endangerment for her reported actions.

An indictment is not an indication of an individual's guilt but an indication the grand jury felt there was enough evidence to take the case

"We can't comment. I represent her and I've advised her not to talk about it. I just want to point out that an indictment is only one side of the story."

— Ed James, Garnett's attorney

to trial.

Garnett's attorney, Ed James, said he advised Garnett not to discuss the case.

"We can't comment," he said Friday. "I represent her and I've advised her not to talk about it. I just want to point out that an indictment is only one side of the story."

According to the indictment, on at least four occasions this spring, Garnett, who reportedly suffers from a pancreas injury, took drugs from patients who had utilized the ambulance service for transport.

She reportedly took Oxycontin, Percocet and Loritab from Charlotte Estep, Becky Mason

Cecil Ellis and Justin Neal. Three of the charges specify exact dates, March 15, May 8 and June 8. A fourth charge states the theft of the drugs occurred on "a day in spring 2002."

On two of those instances, March 15 and June 8, she reportedly replaced the pain medication with other drugs — one of which was Aricept, a medication to treat Alzheimer's — and the patients later became ill as a result. She was charged with two counts of wanton endangerment for those actions.

She reportedly took the drugs by returning to the residence after the transport, telling the

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# Chad Sims' heart bleeds blue

## Trojan manager overcomes physical handicaps to support his team

By MARTIN HEPNER

Hardin County Independent Sports Editor

Chad Sims knew all about brainiacs — figuratively and literally.

When Joe Jagers retired as North Hardin's football coach in 1996, Chad, the Trojan's team manager and the headliners coach's biggest fan, was brainiac.

"I just didn't want to be a manager anymore," Chad said. "I wanted to retire with him. My heart wasn't in it."

But in his heart — one that struggled desperately to beat during his young life — Chad knew he would retire.

The reason was simple. It all came down to his great brainiac boy.

The North Hardin football manager's best friend, Troya Sims, had done just a more detailed fan of University of Kentucky football and basketball.

But Chad's heart didn't have had a chance to fall in love with North Hardin and Kentucky.

A heart defect, spinal meningitis and hydrocephalus almost snuffed out Chad's life before it had a chance to begin.

Chad, who lives with his parents, Tracy and Roma Sims in Vine Grove, entered the world with his twin brother, Travis, in February of 1975. But Chad had a heart defect called a transposition of the great vessels.

He had three chambers instead of four and bypass surgery was performed to correct the problem. A scar running the length of his abdomen and deep under the skin in his neck and chest illustrate the scars from the surgery.

Chad also contracted spinal meningitis after his surgery, which led to hydrocephalus, or fluid on the brain.

The fluid on his brain body and his skull — his family was miserable.

"To see your child, to see any child, fighting to hang on to life is probably the worst thing anybody can go through," Tony Sims said. "You're helpless, because you don't have the power to do anything. We didn't know if Chad would live and we prayed a lot and put Chad's life in the hands of the doctors."

There was also the worry of Chad's life to live.

TO KNOW CHAD Sims is to know this vigorous man was going to stand death's door in the face of the Owen County Trojans.

If the game of Chad, a family's marriage and a team of dedicated specialists, Chad's story reads a cautionary tale.

He survived and is a productive 26-year-old young man today, enjoying his life in his eighth year at North Hardin's football manager and as a Wendy's restaurant employee.

In one year, Chad returned last week at a North Hardin practice. And the life Chad lives is an inspiration to the Trojan players.

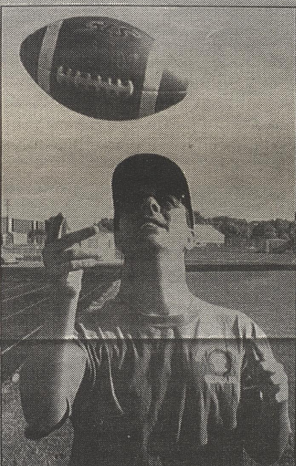
"Chad's a fighter," said Kevin Wash, Trojan's junior quarterback and receiver, and one of four starters on the team. "They're guys that show you that if you're tough, you can do anything."

"I'm really not enough to overcome. I don't know what it is," Washington added. "The thing is I've got to be a tough player, so you can see."

Chad's childhood battles with meningitis and hydrocephalus should not be learning lessons for the Trojan players.

"I know I have a brainiac that I can't be a brainiac," Chad said. "I just want to be a brainiac. I just want to be a brainiac. I just want to be a brainiac."

CHAD DESIRES to let his brainiac nature be a public friend, his wishes



CHAD SIMS

never met anyone personally add something to a life that could easily be lived in the shadows.

"He loves sports and he loves talking to people," Tony Sims said. "He doesn't read or do math as well, but the way he can motivate his own team."

North Hardin football coach Joe Washington agrees, saying Chad's energetic nature makes him a person everyone naturally respects.

The word handicaps with Chad is absolute, Joe Washington said. "He doesn't have anything to say. He's a great person for the success of this program. He's an asset for our team."

Chad, who graduated from North Hardin in 1995, is a special part of the Trojan football program.

Joe Jagers later said he had a unique moment when he took Chad on board in 1993. Jagers said Chad's spirit is the heart of North Hardin football, a spirit of belief and motivation.

"Being our manager gives him something to do and for personal happiness and shared his love with the program. It's like he's not just a player, but he's a person."

His great spirit, attitude and outlook on life, Jagers said, is a great asset for more than just some people. I know who you're handicapped.

Jagers was more than a coach to Chad. He was a person who made quality time for Chad despite a busy schedule.

That time wasn't lost on the young man and his family.

"Had it not been for Coach Jagers, I don't know," Tony said. "Nobody ever gave Chad a chance because of his handicaps, but he's a person."

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administrators if Chad could come back to campus.

"Coach Jagers would not be back," Chad said. "I'd love to see him, but I can't come back. I'll come back."

Jagers retired, but Chad's love of North Hardin and encouragement from the coaching staff and players kept him the sideline at his customary rate.

"I don't think football ever would be the same without Chad," Kevin Washington said. "He can joke with you and he can take a joke. He never wants to be treated special. He just wants to be one of the guys."

Chad is still considered the head manager, but he's not the head manager. He's the head manager because he's the head manager.

Chad's duties include making sure of equipment and water is maintained and ready. If something needs replacing, he's the man to get it straightened out. What he does best is to get it straightened out.

Occasionally, Chad Washington has seen in Chad, who will often get caught in being a socialite.

"Chad is a people person," Joe Washington said. "He loves to be where the action is and has to be in the know. So, I know, I have to remind him that we're not field general. We need somebody to get the job done."

"I'll do it. Then he'll give me his name. I'll do it. Then he'll give me his name. I'll do it. Then he'll give me his name."

"That's not just a personality," Washington added. "It's a personality. It's a personality. It's a personality. It's a personality."

Chad, who with Chad runs up Washington's words, took up a conversation about North Hardin and Kentucky football and he can go home on and sharing his insight and thoughts. And to Chad, the Trojan and Wildcat will never leave.

But he never forgets the importance of the job of the field.

"I have been a manager," Chad said. "If I was a coach, I would have been a coach. I would have been a coach. I would have been a coach."

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Top: Patti Clark of The News Herald in Owenton won first place in the General News Story category. Left: Martin Hepner's sports feature story in the Hardin County Independent captured the first place award in the Weekly Class 2 Best Sports Feature Story category. Bottom: The Springfield Sun's Janie Bowen was in the right place at the right time to snap this winning photo in the Spot News Picture category.





## Weekly Class 3

### Category 1 - BEST EDITORIAL

First Place - MOUNTAIN CITIZEN, Gary Ball

This editorial highlights community newspapering at its best. Public Service. All three pieces on the subject were strong, but this was more resources, less emotional.

Second Place - ANDERSON NEWS, John Herndon

A sports writer brings a fresh and fitting voice to a sported-related community problem.

Third Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS, Jamie Baker-Nantz

This type of piece should help strengthen Kentucky's Open Meetings Law.

Honorable Mention - TIE - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Mark White  
White should continue questioning Kentucky's outdated county government laws.

Honorable Mention - TIE - BUTLER COUNTY BANNER, Jeff Jobe

Way to nail the mayor on his arrogant attitude!

### Category 2 - BEST SPOT NEWS COVERAGE

First Place - MCCREARY COUNTY RECORD, Ken Shmidheiser

Shmidheiser put himself at risk to get the story, wrote it with compassionate insight, and published it with clarity. Good news in a bad situation.

Second Place - MT. STERLING ADVOCATE, Tina Pendleton

Written with sensitivity and good research.

Third Place - ANDERSON NEWS, Missy Rogers

Good research, good quotes, sympathy with family is apparent. Much research is obvious.

Honorable Mention - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Randy Patrick

Good, clear reporting.

### Category 3 - BEST GENERAL NEWS STORY

First Place - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Eddie Arnold

Strong lead. Lots of specific details, supported with quotes and interpretation. Nice presentation of numerous facts, statistics, plans.

Second Place - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Mark White

Strong lead. Nice job of combining sources and details to tell the story in an objective manner.

Third Place - GRANT COUNTY

NEWS, Wayne Yeager

Nice combination of quotes and details.

Honorable Mention - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Stevie Lowery

Nice job of personalizing the issue.

### Category 4 - BEST FEATURE STORY

First Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Chris Hamilton

Well written, appealing and heart wrenching.

Second Place - HARRODSBURG HERALD, Debbie Jenkins Cook

Third Place - CASEY COUNTY NEWS, Linda Carmicle

Talented artist's story is alive and well done.

Honorable Mention - TIE - BARBOURVILLE MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE, Marilynn Brittain

Honorable Mention - TIE - OHIO COUNTY TIMES NEWS, Don Wilkins

To any reader of love stories, this is a winner.

### Category 5 - BEST COLUMN

First Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS, Ken Stone

Funny, self-deprecating, fresh.

Second Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS, Ken Stone

Funny.

Third Place - MT. STERLING ADVOCATE, Tom Marshall

Original!

### Category 6 - BEST SPORTS COLUMN

First Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Doug Thomas

Best job of stating opinion, making his case. Most original. Flows well, keeps interest.

Second Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Nathan Hutchinson

Good job of working with human side, but still stating an opinion and not featuring.

Third Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS, Wayne Yeager

Makes convincing arguments. Well written.

Honorable Mention - MT. STERLING ADVOCATE, Don Manley

Diversity deserves recognition.

### Category 7 - BEST SPORTS STORY

First Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS, Wayne Yeager

In a time when writers are focused only on jotting down scores and busting their humps to make deadline, you showed that by hanging around the gym a bit longer, your story gets stronger. Nice job.

Second Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Nathan Hutchinson

A heartfelt, deep piece with plenty of input from those close to the deceased.

Third Place - CASEY COUNTY NEWS,

Donna Carman

Perhaps the most in-depth fishing story I've read in some time, good usage of breaking the story into chapters.

Honorable Mention - TIE - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Trent Knuckles

A fascinating piece, but I was hoping for more thoughts by players, fans, etc. More length would have made this a contender for the top spot.

Honorable Mention - TIE - UNION COUNTY ADVOCATE, Paul Monsour

A good historical piece on a great coach, more information on the man who played Rupp would have earned a higher finish.

### Category 8 - BEST SPORTS FEATURE STORY

First Place - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Trent Knuckles

Relationship between local area man and a legend in sports.

Second Place - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Trent Knuckles

Nice individual spotlight on how play returns to team after accident.

Third Place - CASEY COUNTY NEWS, Donna Carman

Nice feature on how school is building the future of football program by starting youngsters with flag football.

Honorable Mention - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Doug Thomas

### Category 9 - BEST ENTERPRISE OR ANALYTICAL STORY

First Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Randy Patrick

Exhaustive but comprehensive and readable examination of growth issues. quality of writing, depth of sources make this far and away best entry in category. This quality not seen in much larger papers.

Second Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Zoya Tereshkova

Great use of quotes to explain the history of school overcrowding. This would have been an awful boring story in the hands of less capable reporter.

Third Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Randy Patrick

I felt like I got to know Nicholasville through this article. Nice sidebar. A little heavy on organization background.

### Category 10 - BEST INVESTIGATIVE STORY OR SERIES

First Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Chris Hamilton

A very good job of presenting the need of the E-911 system in Marion County.

Second Place - MOUNTAIN CITIZEN, Gary Ball

A tough issue to write about, but one that must be addressed as a community newspaper. Plenty of supporting comments. Only disappointment was

the lack of response from the company that is involved with the problem.

Third Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Randy Patrick

A conflict-of-interest situation that is well explained.

Honorable Mention - TIE HAZARD HERALD, Leach Jett

A series of stories that needed to be written to inform the community of a major problem.

Honorable Mention - TIE - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Nathan Hutchinson

An issue in the Parks and Recreation Department that the public needed to know.

### Category 11 - BEST ON-GOING/ EXTENDED COVERAGE STORY

First Place - MOUNTAIN CITIZEN, Gary Ball

Amazing series about the financial, operational and political problems of a water district. An interesting examination of the arrogance of power.

Wonderful example of public service reporting under duress.

Second Place - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Mark White

Compelling trial coverage about a man sentenced to die, retried and acquitted. Best written of the entries, but not the impact of winner.

Third Place - BENTON TRIBUNE COURIER, Bobbie Faust/Martha Driver

A judge's fall from grace, what's not to love?

### Category 12 - BEST BUSINESS/ AGRIBUSINESS STORY

First Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Chris Hamilton

Missy's sounds like a place anyone can enjoy, and Hamilton does a good job with color and detail to make that understood. A solid story about a small business.

Second Place - GREENVILLE LEADER NEWS, Rita Dukes

Dukes saw the real story when she went to the public hearing: the issue was jobs vs. the environment. She details local needs as residents respond to a large project.

Third Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Zoya Tereshkova

A fun story about the birth of a sheep farm. Good color and detail.

Honorable Mention - TIE - ANDERSON NEWS, Missy Rogers

Another fun story that provides good context.

Honorable Mention - TIE - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Chris Hamilton

Good interviews with developers for their views on rebirth.



"Chuck was always there, and he never turned his back. He never ran from anything or anyone."

—The Rev. Dallas Murphy



## Father's undying love saves son

Greenwood man hospitalized after 40 terror-filled minutes

**BY KEN SHMIDHEISER**  
 WHITLEY CITY — Jason Greenwood, 32, was hospitalized after a 40-minute ordeal in which he was held captive by a gunman in a car. The father of three had his son, John, 17, in the car with him when the gunman entered. The father of three had his son, John, 17, in the car with him when the gunman entered. The father of three had his son, John, 17, in the car with him when the gunman entered.



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## Dr. Pepper goes flat in finals



Top Right: The top photo and story by Ken Schmidheiser each won first place honors taking home the Best Spot News Picture and Best Spot News Coverage awards for the McCreary County Record. Bottom Right: Trent Knuckles' headline about the Dr. Pepper Little League team was the first place winner for Best Headline. Top Left: The Jessamine Journal's Zoya Tereshkova snapped this first place photo in the Best General News Picture category. Bottom Left: Photographer Shane Morgan's photos in the Somerset-Pulaski News Journal of a controlled fire fighting exercise won the top honors in the Best Picture Essay category for Weekly Class 3 newspapers.



## Multi-Weekly

### Category 1 - BEST EDITORIAL

First Place - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Dale G. Morton  
Kudos to an unabashed pro-life editorial! It's long overdue. There is something refreshing about it!  
Second Place - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Willie Sawyers  
Nailed issues associated with horrific political situation.  
Third Place - GEORGETOWN NEWS GRAPHIC, Kevin Hall  
Honorable Mention - TIE - RUSSELLVILLE NEWS DEMOCRAT & LEADER, Jim Turner  
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### Category 2 - BEST SPOT NEWS COVERAGE

First Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Michael Cornett  
Gut-wrenching!  
Second Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Shawn Hopkins/Michael Cornett  
Bizarre, but very gripping story.  
Third Place - RUSSELLVILLE NEWS DEMOCRAT & LEADER, Chris Cooper  
Fantastic first-person story.

### Category 3 - BEST GENERAL NEWS STORY

First Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Michael Cornett  
Clearly the best story. Excellent quotes. Gave all sides and an excellent piece.  
Second Place - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Carol Mills  
Good description of the event.  
Third Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Lisa Tolliver  
Hard subject. Adequate job and timely quotes.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, Walt Reichert  
Honorable Mention - TIE - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Jim Brooks

### Category 4 - BEST FEATURE STORY

First Place - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, Walt Reichert  
Great lead that pulled you into a story told with the help of eye-catching

design and creative photos.

Second Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, David Gross  
A touching tale that made the tragedy of robbery gone amuck, come alive. The writing carried the reader to the end.

Third Place - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, John Friedlein  
Loved the lead, the visual imagery was very well written throughout. The layout and photos were a plus to an interesting package.  
Honorable Mention - PRINCETON TIMES LEADER, Christie Freeman  
Nicely written with vivid details.

### Category 5 - BEST COLUMN

First Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Holly Cecil  
Cecil skillfully uses detailed description of real-life experiences to draw the reader in, and then she expands her focus from the intimate, everyday imagery to take the reader to a more universal viewpoint.  
Second Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Lisa Tolliver  
A talented writer whose work is poignant and thoughtful, and very moving.  
Third Place - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, John Friedlein  
Hilarious! Similar to Dave Barry, but with a unique voice, both entertaining and pointed.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Stacey S. Manning  
Shows great promise. Her writing is clear, accessible and touching.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Paul South  
Very moving written "snapshots" of personal experiences with themes many will relate to.

### Category 6 - BEST SPORTS COLUMN

First Place - BIG SANDY NEWS, James Ellis  
Leads are very well done. Nice easy to read, conversational writing style.  
Second Place - GEORGETOWN NEWS GRAPHIC, Kevin Hall  
A column is a conversation with readers and you carry it off well.  
Suggestion: experiment with tighter writing and cut length of columns by one-third. Good job of using language and style to create visuals in minds of readers.  
Third Place - PAINTSVILLE HERALD, Chris Pierce  
Good job of stating your opinion.  
Suggestion: try having more of a conversation with your readers. Shorten the length of your paragraphs. Good job.

### Category 7 - BEST SPORTS STORY

First Place - MOREHEAD NEWS, Denver Brown  
Loved the opening paragraph. Good writing style. Story was long enough to be thorough, but not too long to lose interest.  
Second Place - PRINCETON TIMES LEADER, Todd Griffin  
Your story started well and was easily read throughout. This was a tough category with lots of entries.  
Third Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Tom Kopacz  
Very well written, good story about something that usually doesn't get a lot of coverage.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Tom Kopacz  
Interesting story in a tough category.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Bobby Maggard  
Good opening paragraph. Again a tough category to judge with lots of entries.

### Category 8 - BEST SPORTS FEATURE STORY

First Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Tom Kopacz  
Second Place - GEORGETOWN NEWS GRAPHIC, Josh Underwood  
Third Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS JOURNAL, Bobby Brockman

### Category 9 - BEST ENTERPRISE OR ANALYTICAL STORY

First Place - BIG SANDY NEWS, Scott Perry  
The presentation of the wet-dry issues is thoroughly presented with more than enough facts for the reader to understand the issues at hand. It is a well-presented newspaper series.  
Second Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD, Stacey S. Manning  
A well-prepared duo of stories with a local connection. The stories make the reader aware of a serious problem and the complications that go with it. The only problem I had with these stories was the layout . . . the two jumps should have been on the same page. I am afraid you may have lost readers when you separated the jumps.  
Third Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Shawn Hopkins  
The writer did a good job of presenting a very readable story, covering two tragic events in one family.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY STANDARD, Jim Brooks  
A nice follow up five years later to an event that had played a major impact on the community.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS JOURNAL,

Rebecca Dial

The writer gave the reader an inside look at a community's emergency services . . . subjects that most readers recognize but have no understanding of what their roles are in the community.

### Category 10 - BEST INVESTIGATIVE STORY OR SERIES

First Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS JOURNAL, Tammy Pierce  
An obvious situation of conflict of interest that needed to be factually exposed.  
Second Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD, Stacey S. Manning/Lisa Tolliver  
A well done series on a war that so many Americans have wanted to forget.  
Third Place - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Lorie Love  
Public abuse of office is a very difficult story to cover, but this one is done nicely.  
Honorable Mention - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Michael Cornett  
The issues needed to be made public and this story and sidebar presented quite well.

### Category 11 - BEST ON-GOING/ EXTENDED COVERAGE STORY

First Place - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, Monica Tate  
These articles were very well-written and interesting. They were given good coverage and well-deserved front page space. Coverage was thorough, packaged well and followed through to the end. Good topic.  
Second Place - GEORGETOWN NEWS GRAPHIC, Chas J. Hartman  
Very well-packaged and interesting. Good leads, excellent graphics. Stories were detailed, and the case was well covered from beginning to end. Though there were many related stories, each brought new information before the public.  
Third Place - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, Staff  
Interesting topic, well-written; good leads grab attention. Stories are thorough. Coverage from beginning to end was outstanding. Tough category. Good entry, good quotes.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Michael Cornett  
Thorough, interesting stories. Well-written.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - FLOYD COUNTY TIMES, Loretta Blackburn

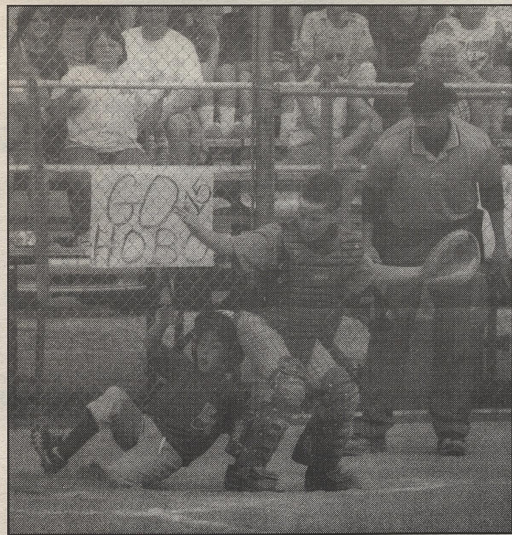
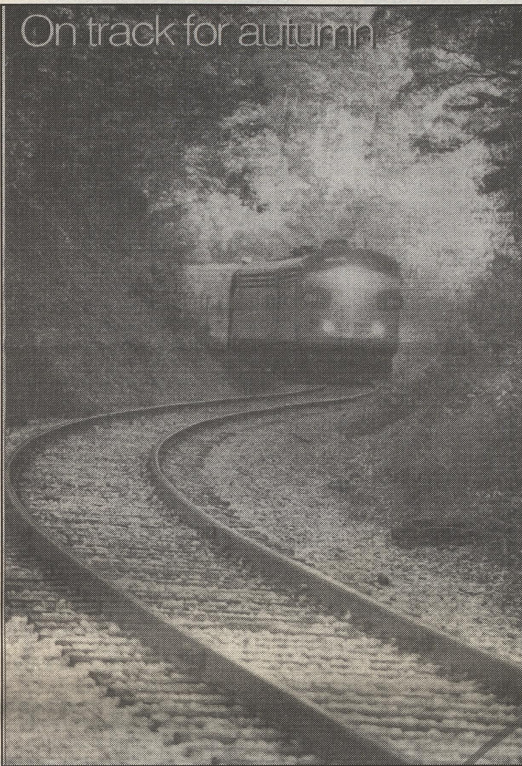
### Category 12 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRI-BUSINESS STORY

First Place - GEORGETOWN NEWS GRAPHIC, Ashley York

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## On track for autumn



# An affair with a Pink Lady

By WALT REICHERT

Her body parts are being everywhere. Some are hanging on hooks from the ceiling. Start while they look like so many bones left lying for years in the sun. No resemblance to the lady she once was — and never will be again.

That's the Pink Lady. A 1966 Ford Mustang.

If the real history that came with her is correct, she was a gift from Playboy founder Hugh Hefner to Karin Conway, "Miss April 1966."

She is now the playboy girl of Mike Bazen, Mustang lover.

Bazen, the owner of Bluegrass Forging Tool & Die, is in the process of restoring her to mint condition, a task that has involved a substantial paint-restoration that has had Bazen spending hours adding reds and purples by the eyedropper-fall in a sea of paint and revealing the color achieved. The goal is a return to the exact shade of Playboy pink.

Bazen said he is on the verge of just the right time, a pink with a touch of red, similar to the shade of pink Callie Lee made famous by Mary Kay, the founder of Mary Kay Cosmetics.

### Playboy connections?

Bazen bought the Pink Lady from a Rabe Olsen of Pacific Palisades, Calif., in 1992. He paid \$13,000 for the car, eight months after having the one appraised by a Huntington Beach company called The Car Appraisers. A new Mustang would have cost about \$2,000 in 1966.

The Pink Lady is a convertible, with a black top and black vinyl seats.

According to Bazen, Olsen said she got the car from a woman who had bought it after "Miss April" had returned the car to Hugh Hefner. Bazen said Hefner gave one of the Mustangs to each playmate of the month to use for a year and then return. The cars were then sold.

Bazen said as far as he knows, his Pink Lady is the only one remaining.

A spokeswoman for the Playboy organization in Chicago at first said the car could be a Playboy who were playmate of the year. But then she corrected that Hefner may have given cars to women "unofficially" to ask Hefner, and I doubt he would remember, she said.

The Mysias, who oversee the car's appraisal, said there would be no way to positively trace the car, but he said Bazen got a good deal regardless of the car's history.

"I don't know what '66 Mustangs go for in Kentucky," but in California \$11,000 is not a bad price. At worst, it's a great replica of a Playboy car," Myers said.

### Center of attention

While the Pink Lady has Playboy connections, it's not the centerpiece of Bazen's love affair with Mustangs even though he has another red 1966 Mustang which he restored several years ago.

The real story is the vintage question Mike has given this car. "The real story is the vintage question Mike has given this car," said Glenn Moore, co-owner of Moore's Automotive Service Center and, along with his brother Dennis, fellow Mustang fanatic.

Moore is serving as the midway partner for the Pink Lady while she is undergoing her restoration. This will be her second makeover. A special room separated by plastic sheets to keep down the dust has been set aside for the Pink Lady. Her shell is on a specially-made "rotisserie" that allows her to be turned every which direction so that not a millimeter of metal is left un-painted when it comes time for painting. More body parts are upstairs in the attic.

Her restoration, most include not only the exact shade of original pink, but also her parts have to be Ford originals.

"I guess I have about \$50,000 in that car so far," Bazen said.

### Star of the show

When she is done, she will hit the show circuit again, where she has been a star attraction in the past. The will at Moore's is packed high with trophies she and her red cousin have won. Bazen has many such in a room at home.

He has won four nationals and two grand nationals in with the car at shows in nine states. Some of the shows attract as many as 500 Mustang fanatics.

While the Pink Lady is a show-stopper, she is not just a show-stopper. She is also a show-stopper.

While many Mustang restorers had their time on trailers, Bazen drives to all of the shows. On his third cruise, the Pink Lady has logged more than 250,000 miles.

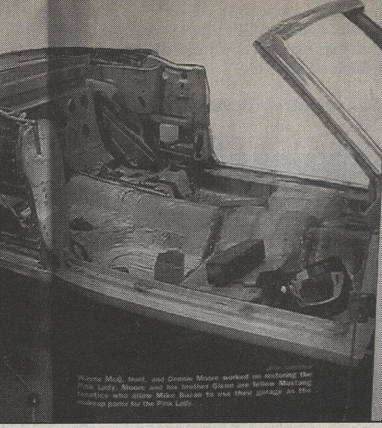
"I get a kick out of driving her. When we stop, everybody asks, 'but what's her history? I enjoy talking about her,'" Bazen said.



Bazen turned the Pink Lady on a specially-made "rotisserie" that allows every square inch of her body to be painted pink.



The Pink Lady strutted her stuff at a Mustang show. Her owner Mike Bazen is working to restore her to her original shade of Playboy pink.



Wynne Mead, Mead, and Glenn Moore worked on restoring the Pink Lady. Bazen and his brother Glenn own Moore's Automotive Service Center, who allow Mike Bazen to use their garage as the midway partner for the Pink Lady.

Top Left: This photo won a first place award for the Kentucky Standard's photographer Jim Brooks in the Best Feature Picture category of the Multi-Weekly Class. Top Right: Best Feature Story honors went to Walt Reichert of the Sentinel-News. Bottom Left: The Appalachian News-Express picked up first place for Best Sports Picture with this entry by photographer Bobby Maggard.



## Daily Class 1

**Category 1 - BEST EDITORIAL**  
First Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Todd Duvall  
Strong local stand and opinion. What an editorial should be!  
Second Place - MAYSVILLE LEDGER INDEPENDENT, Mary Ann Kearns  
Raises controversial issue and offers suggestion to correct the problem that is certainly not popular with school officials. Good editorial.  
Third Place - MAYSVILLE LEDGER INDEPENDENT, Mary Ann Kearns  
Good community support. Takes a position.

**Category 2 - BEST SPOT NEWS COVERAGE**  
First Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Fred Lucas/Beth Crace/Gayle Coulter  
Courageous and comprehensive use of a chance encounter. Well-written with plenty of follow-through reporting.  
Second Place - MAYSVILLE LEDGER INDEPENDENT, Carla Redden/Kelly Sudzina  
A well narrated account of an old-fashioned news story, with plenty of detail.  
Third Place - HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE, Debbie Caldwell  
A very thorough report gathered amid challenging circumstances.  
Honorable Mention - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Rita Dukes  
Solid reporting with appropriately personalized touches.

**Category 3 - BEST GENERAL NEWS STORY**  
First Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Fred Lucas  
Reporter wrote a comprehensive article about the ousting of Frankfort City Manager. He covered in readable fashion all the important elements, especially the question of whether City Commissioners violated the Open Meetings Law.  
Second Place - HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE, Daniel Bruce  
Reporter captured the exciting events that occurred at a branch bank where Jerry Gibson stuck his finger between the trigger and trigger guard of a gun to protect it from going off a second time. Bruce's account reads like an article from Newsweek magazine.  
Third Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Vince T. Weddell  
Weddell covered a coroner's inquest about a woman's death and left it to the readers to decide from reading the story whether it was a suicide or foul play. The readers surely agreed with

the jury that it was a suicide. An impartial story.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Janie Taylor  
Taylor did an excellent job describing the work of Deputy Coroner Andy Crowley at Ground Zero in New York, where he was part a United States Public Health Service Disaster Mortuary Operation Response Team.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - WINCHESTER SUN, Bill Blakeman  
The effect of funding cutbacks on the Clark County Public Educational System is described in detail by Blakeman. Patrons and employees were fully warned in this comprehensive article.

**Category 4 - BEST FEATURE STORY**  
First Place - MURRAY LEDGER & TIMES, Eric Walker  
Writer chose a lead that could have gone the boring route, but didn't. Story gives a feel of the fun and excitement these drummers have for what they do.  
Second Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Garth Gamblin  
"Bob the Wonder Dog," what a story. Good use of quotes to break up the facts. Excellent job of story telling. I hate to say the extra comma kept it from winning, but it did.  
Third Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Gayle Coulter  
Good first person storytelling, but the length bogged down the message.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Garth Gamblin  
Nice job of storytelling about storytelling. I'd of liked to have gotten other voices of people sitting in the chair.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Gayle Coulter  
Writer had a good story but it didn't tell it the best. You don't learn the nut of the story, they died, until the 20th paragraph.

**Category 5 - BEST COLUMN**  
First Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Josh Givens  
A relevant column, something that isn't easy to pull off. Givens' columns flow from point to point, are easy to understand but also take on topics/issues the average person thinks about.  
Second Place - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Jacinda Griffiths Powers  
These columns were a pleasure to read. Well constructed and thought out. Again, very relevant.  
Third Place - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Janie Taylor  
The Cosmic Cafe offers a unique perspective, food/recipes as they relate to a topic of the day. People often associate food with an event, and Taylor

takes advantage of that with her approach. The Martha Stewart column was a treat.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - RICHMOND REGISTER, Lisa Hornung  
Hornung does well with more serious topics, her views/emotions are easily understood.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Patricia Wiles  
Plain speaking, that's what readers like!!

**Category 6 - BEST SPORTS COLUMN**  
First Place - GLASGOW DAILY TIMES, Daniel Pike  
Good variety and strong "statement column" on taking No. 1 out of circulation. Maybe the story is a "gimme" award winner, but writer does an excellent job with background to make his case. Jim Moody column was first thing read in this category and caught me off guard. Proves that there is a need for first-person writing once in a while. Exhibits writer's good range and perspective.  
Second Place - MURRAY LEDGER & TIMES, Scott Nanney  
Sound, solid pieces that give you some of the flavor and perspective of this region. Better Bobby Knight columns have been written, but again, this writer does a good job of relaying and conveying the story, which was hot at the time.  
Third Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS, Jerry Boggs  
"Good riddance to bad rubbish" makes its point, repeatedly, and its inclusion probably cost the writer a spot. Gotta admire the stance though, and the "Bud" column really demonstrates writer's ability. "The Franchise" held the most promise, yet left me flat. My problem with it is why jest about something and then take it back in the next paragraph. Writer is clearly capable of winning this category.  
Honorable Mention - MAYSVILLE LEDGER INDEPENDENT, Jason R. Crisler  
Easily the best of several entries from same publication. Good use of quotes in Conley column and the interesting umpire column. Very nice opinion piece on Morris' turnaround. Stay away from unnecessary use of "I," we know it's you. Your picture is right there.

**Category 7 - BEST SPORTS STORY**  
First Place - GLASGOW DAILY TIMES, Daniel Pike  
Clearly the best. Great job of weaving a courageous recovery from an illness into the fabric of a game story. Readable story with good use of quotes. Excellent job of not getting bogged down in play by play.

Second Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS, Jerry Boggs  
Nice job of using the effect of the weather on the outcome. Sometimes that is easy to overlook.  
Third Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Susan Riddell  
Nice, readable story. Fine job of using quotes to back up play by play and hole by hole.

**Category 8 - BEST SPORTS FEATURE STORY**  
First Place - WINCHESTER SUN, Jeff Kerr  
The best of both worlds. Smart, entertaining writing and strong effective layout. This story has everything necessary to win at a higher level. What's most impressive is the all-around effort in the story. Yes, it's long, but it has depth. Most of all, it deals with a subject who isn't even from this area. That, to a judge, is impressive in the search for good, quality stories.  
Second Place - GLASGOW DAILY TIMES, Daniel Pike  
Excellent effort and very good presentation. The fault in this story is also the strength of the writer as a columnist, he is understandably having a hard keeping from putting in his two-cents worth. The fix for that: more quotable sources. Still, this writer stands out in a field full of strong entries.  
Third Place - MAYSVILLE LEDGER INDEPENDENT, Jayme Price  
Good story all around. Interesting subject and very informative on his ailment. All that's lacking is out of writer's control: Better presentation on the page. This was a feature and should be "featured" with more than "here's the guy standing around" art. Honorable Mention - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Gayle Coulter  
Very hard to keep out of top three. Layout and presentation is excellent with old picture; writing is clean, concise with few errors, but use of quotes made it choppy and matter-of-fact. Parrot quotes diminish final product. Better transitions from things like Coach Furr dying to the "fast break" paragraph also hurt. More polish would have made this one, the one.

**Category 9 - BEST ENTERPRISE OR ANALYTICAL STORY**  
First Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS, Jay Compton  
In these days, a good look at the economy and better jobs seems to be a very high priority. Very well written!  
Second Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Gayle Coulter  
Special emphasis today should go to police and firefighters, and especially the women in both services. Original idea and good story!  
Third Place - MADISONVILLE MES-

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## The search for better jobs and a brighter future continues

*Editor's note: Each year we produce a special edition to highlight progress in the community and to showcase the people, businesses, and organizations — the "Building Blocks" — that make this progress possible. We have done it again. Today's paper has five sections (including this one) of local stories for the information and enjoyment of our readers.*

By Jay Compton  
News Editor

**MIDDLESBORO** — Several area businesses either closed or were forced to lay people off during the past year, but officials are making progress in their efforts to lure new businesses and indus-

tries to Bell County.

M. Fine and Sons and Moore-Blue Diamond closed plants in Middlesboro. DuraLine, Kentucky Utilities and the Convenience Care Clinic went through lay-offs and several retail outlets closed with downtown fixtures Helieg-Myers and Millers Furniture heading the list.

"The job market in Bell County is bad right now for everyone other than experienced coal miners," said Cathy Mills, of the department for employment services' Middlesboro office.

November's figures (the most recent available) show Bell County with 7.2 percent unemployment rate. As recently as 2000, the rate stayed in the low 5 percent range.

Mills said that the outlook is probably not good for the early part of this year.

"Since the day after Christmas, it's been busier here than it's been in years," she said. "We haven't had time to look up at this office."

While some of the traffic at the employment office is due to seasonal lay-offs, Mills said the county is still in need of new manufacturing jobs.

"With Moore-Blue Diamond and M. Fines closed, we just don't have a lot of big industrial employers left, outside of Cumberland Gap Provision and Dura-Line," she said. "There's a lot of retail and fast food restaurants, but not factories where people can earn a living."

"I think Bell County is on the cusp of a breakthrough when it comes to industrial development. Sometimes it feels like we're hanging on by our fingernails, but things are slowly coming together."

—Karla Bowling, Bell County Chamber of Commerce

Bell County Chamber of Commerce Director Karla Bowling said the loss of industries is frustrating, but work is being done to lure new businesses to the county.

"I think Bell County is on the cusp of a breakthrough when it comes to industrial development," she said. "Sometimes it feels like we're hanging on by our fingernails, but things are slowly coming together."

In the last year, the deed has

been signed for the Mountain Drive industrial property and the Industrial Foundation recently bought 22.9 acres of property behind the old Epps location for a small industrial park.

"It's like in Afghanistan, there are things that we are doing to try and bring businesses and jobs here that we can't talk about or they won't work out," she said. "I see the potential for things to develop and sometimes it's

depressing that it takes so long for them to be realized."

Bowling said she is contacted often by businesses and other entities that want to build or move into the county.

"We need to get businesses in here and I tell them that when I talk to them," she said. "I don't paint a glorious picture at all. I'm honest with them about our needs and what we expect from them."

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Top: The Middlesboro Daily News Editor Jay Compton was the first place winner in the Best Enterprise/Analytical Story Category in Daily Class 1. Left: The Richmond Register picked up first place honors with Best Lifestyle Page designed by Erin Parsons. Below: This feature photo from the Winchester Sun captured first place honors for photographer James Mann in the Best Feature Picture category.





## Daily Class 2

### Category 1 - BEST EDITORIAL

First Place - ELIZABETHTOWN NEWS ENTERPRISE, Steve Arel  
Good editorials don't have to run on. This concise editorial gets right to the point and makes the case without the overly sentimental flourishes that distract and detract from the message.  
Second Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, David Riley  
Eloquent prose mixed effectively with thoughtful deliberation in a persuasive argument on behalf of open government makes this editorial a pleasure to read.

Third Place - ELIZABETHTOWN NEWS ENTERPRISE, Warren Wheat  
A fine political eulogy that exercises restraint in tackling a controversial topic. Strong beginning, good summation of the problem, effective conclusion. Who could ask for more in an editorial?

Honorable Mention - TIE - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, John Davis

All the elements of a well-rounded news story take flight in editorial format. Solid writing.

Honorable Mention - TIE - HENDERSON GLEANER, Ron Jenkins  
Editorial that packs not one punch but several, and does so with alacrity. The writer knows his subject and tackles it with authority.

### Category 2 - BEST SPOT NEWS COVERAGE

First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Jamie Neal/Beth Smith  
This story was superbly reported, offering readers insight in to an important story and providing the viewpoints of all involved. Well done!  
Second Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Taylor Loyal  
Good reporting and nice detail.  
Third Place - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENCE, Allen Blair

### Category 3 - BEST GENERAL NEWS STORY

First Place - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Beth Goins  
Took a mundane subject, meter reading, and made it into a fun, quirky story. It was a completely different kind of news story.  
Second Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Jamie Neal  
Compelling and well-written. It was a good example of taking a tragic event and following it through to an upbeat

ending.

Third Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Jennifer P. Brown  
Off-beat story showing the contrast between old world ways and modernization.

### Category 4 - BEST FEATURE STORY

First Place - ELIZABETHTOWN NEWS ENTERPRISE, Jacob Bennett  
Extra powerful lead grabs the reader by the throat and refuses to let go. Layout did not help presentation, but the writing sang its song loudly and on key. I loved Mayme Best and wanted her to care about ME!

Second Place - SOMERSET COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL, Elizabeth Dick

Originality is key to feature writing. Ms. Dick not only told a story to readers, but introduced a unique method of presentation, poetry. You tried something and it worked. Thanks, Ms. Dick for making a judge smile.

Third Place - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Kevin Eigelbach  
Read every word. Excellent lead. Excellent writing and layout. You made the reader care!

Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Michele Carlton  
So hard not to pick this for one of top awards. It is just an excellent feature.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Cathie Shaffer

The lead is sooooo powerful. You have to read this story. That is key to good writing.

### Category 5 - BEST COLUMN

First Place - SOMERSET COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL, Jeff Neal  
Jeff Neal gets your attention, holds it with good writing and excellent choice of subject matter. He writes with passion and conviction. Just plain good reading that's hard to put down until you read the last word.

Second Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Ryan Craig  
Easy reading in a conversational tone. Ryan Craig has a clever engrossing style while telling a good story or making a strong statement. Good work!

Third Place - ELIZABETHTOWN NEWS ENTERPRISE, Jerianne Strange  
Sharing her hopes, fears, prayers with readers during her young son's battle with bone cancer, Jerianne Strange wins readers with simple sincerity of her writing. What may be lacking in style is more than made up as readers identify with her and rejoice in a little boy's victory.

### Category 6 - BEST SPORTS COLUMN

First Place - ELIZABETHTOWN

NEWS ENTERPRISE, Jeff D'Alessio  
I liked the variety you presented! The interesting way to analyze a district controversy; the description of fans lining a cemetery with cars and blinking lights when a team scores; another aspect to Jared Lorenzen besides his weight. These are three good reads and they make a difference.

Second Place - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Larry Vaught  
Nice work with three entirely different columns. I enjoyed reading the story behind the story of a doctored resume.

Third Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Joe Wilson  
You do a nice job of storytelling, particularly about the former rival battling cancer.

Honorable Mention - TIE - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Rob Herbst  
Good job of analysis although some of it could have been tightened to a shorter read.

Honorable Mention - TIE - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Mark Maynard  
Touching piece about your dad and family.

### Category 7 - BEST SPORTS STORY

First Place - ELIZABETHTOWN NEWS ENTERPRISE, Nathaniel Bryan  
You had an interesting story about two brothers wrestling each other for the title and you told it well. I really liked the part where the match started with a game of "rock, paper, scissors."  
Second Place - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Larry Vaught  
Nicely woven Mother's Day story. You used quotes to tell the story well.

Third Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Mitch Stinson  
Your first two paragraphs really drew me into the story.  
Honorable Mention - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Mark Maynard  
Interesting perspective story on Tyson bout.

### Category 8 - BEST SPORTS FEATURE STORY

First Place - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Herb Brock  
This is a fascinating, grassroots story about what is a universal American tradition in March - the NCAA basketball pool. It begins with a great deathbed tale and I found things so interesting I couldn't put it down. From hundreds of miles away, you struck a common chord.

Second Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Alicia Carmichael  
Good scene setter for lead. You tied things together nicely at the end. Good job on an offbeat story.

Third Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Kevin Patton

Fascinating look at the real daily life of a golfer on the BUY.com tour. Well told.

Honorable Mention - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Steve Jones

How could I resist a story dealing with a sports writer and everyday family life?

### Category 9 - BEST ENTERPRISE OR ANALYTICAL STORY

First Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Melony Leazer

Great job at writing to the reader. Clear and concise. This is the news that doesn't always get out and may not seem like "crisis news," but as it affects your future community leaders it certainly is.

Second Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Jim Waters  
Good research, nice personalizing of the effects of labor laws community wide. Lots of good foot-work, this story didn't come to you. Good initiative.

Third Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Jennifer P. Brown

It's nice to see the flip side of the news. I could almost sense the excitement from the youth and the officers. I hope you plan to follow up on the progress of "community policing."

Honorable Mention - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Allen Blair

### Category 10 - BEST INVESTIGATIVE STORY OR SERIES

First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Frank Boyett/Judy Jenkins  
A near exhaustive study of troubled families who go to court and the effects on the children. Good division of installments and effective selection of sidebar material. Good mix of anecdotes, interviews and statistics. These reporters are good writers.

Second Place - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Kevin Eigelbach  
Chock-full of information about Ashland's use and misuse of HUD money in a very readable format. Pros and cons were balanced. A commendable examination of a sometimes overwhelming topic - the bureaucracy. Solid stuff!

Third Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Frank Boyett

This is basic enterprise reporting that also performed a vital public service, informing voters how involved political candidates are in the voting process. Good work with both databases, cross-referencing and interviewing.

Honorable Mention - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Rocky Stanley/Rick Greene

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Above: Joe Imel, of the Bowling Green Daily News, snapped this feature photo to capture the first place prize in Daily Class 2. Right: The Advocate-Messenger's Clay Jackson won first place for this picture essay. Bottom: Herb Brock's story in the Advocate-Messenger on NCAA pools was the winner of the Best Sports Feature story in Daily Class 2.



The 12th Annual Kentucky High School Invitational Rodeo took place May 24-26 at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington. Sixty-eight Kentucky high school students, including several from Boyle and Carroll counties, competed in events such as bull riding, team roping and calf roping. The state finals will continue through Oct. 10 in Glasgow.

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Photos clock-wise from top: Clay Jackson's photo essay; James Moore's photo of a bull rider; Andy Lester's photo of a rodeo crowd; and a photo of a rodeo arena. Photos by Joe Imel, Clay Jackson, James Moore, Andy Lester and Herb Brock.

## 'Granddaddy of 'em all'

Local NCAA pool attracts entries from across the country

By **HERB BROCK**  
Staff Writer

Dr. Elmer Jackson recalls the night his mother, Gladys, died back in March 1988 as a "very sad time" for him and his family. But, like a little ray of sunshine piercing a dark cloud, a grin crosses his grimly reflective face when he remembers what turned out to be one of the last things his mom said to the loved ones gathered at her

hospital bedside.

"Mom was trying to say something to us, but her voice was so weak we couldn't make out what it was," said Jackson. "We thought she was asking for water or something else, but we weren't sure."

Jackson cupped his ear and leaned as close as he could to his dying mother and finally heard what she was asking.

"She told me to change Tennessee to Missouri in one of the

regionals on her NCAA bracket sheet," said Jackson with a chuckle.

That bittersweet memory comes to Jackson's mind as he reflects on some of the early memories of what started out as a relatively small NCAA college basketball tournament pool involving a few dozen family members and friends and a few dollars in winnings for a single winner but has grown into a sea of 10,000 entries from around the country with prize money totaling \$20,000 for a dozen or so winners.

Since its modest beginnings in the 1970s, the family pool

that has turned into a famous enterprise has awarded a total of nearly \$150,000 in prize money. No wonder Jackson has dubbed the pool the "granddaddy of 'em all." No wonder people from Danville to Dunnville, from Cincinnati to San Francisco, want to hop onto grandpa's lap.

The pool, which is based on the remaining 16 teams of the NCAA tournament rather than the full field of 65 like most office pools, is now in its 27th year. Forms and entry fees are collected at Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center's radiology department, which Jack-

son heads, or by mail at his Chrisman Lane home. Entry forms are limited to one per person and to people 6 years of age and older.

### Pool begins as family affair

The in-house pool-turned-cottage industry started out humbly enough when it was founded by Jackson and his family in 1975. That year, a total of 54 family members and friends paid \$1 apiece to enter the pool. The entry fee today of \$2 is not much bigger than the original charge but the number

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## Daily Class 3

### Category 1 - BEST EDITORIAL

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Larry Dale Keeling  
Well-stated opinion that gives readers a checklist to consider as the issue develops.

Second Place - KENTUCKY POST, Kerry Duke

Compassionate argument for people who have no voice of their own.

Third Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Audrey Lee

Nice use of language, especially in lede.

Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY POST, Dan Hassert

Honorable Mention - TIE - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Jamie Lucke

### Category 2 - BEST SPOT NEWS PACKAGE

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Art Jester/Frank E.

Lockwood/Mary Meehan  
The newspaper obviously prepared well for this development, and hustled on the day the story broke. The story is especially praiseworthy for its balance, comprehensiveness and fairness.

Second place - KENTUCKY POST, Peggy Kreimer

Even when it come as no surprise, tragedy comes as a shock. This detailed well-written account finds that difficult balance in these types of stories to describe what happened before the tragedy, and after the tragedy. the photography and display were also excellent.

Third Place - KENTUCKY ENQUIRER, Jim Hannah/Cindy Schroeder/Tom O'Neill

The Enquirer had tough competition on this story from the Post, but answered more questions and gave more content.

### Category 3 - BEST GENERAL NEWS STORY

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Nicole Morgan

Shows reporter's initiative and why politicians' campaign statements should not be accepted at face value.  
Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Bill Estep

Descriptive, attention grabbing story full of conflict.

Third Place - KENTUCKY ENQUIRER, Jim Hannah

Straight-forward story showing

reporter did some legwork by looking at the federal indictment.

### Category 4 - BEST FEATURE STORY

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Nicole Morgan

This entry had all the pieces of a good story: good writing, interesting characters, bits of humor and nice pacing, all wrapped into a unique structure. This writer takes her readers on a journey with the main character. A treat to read!

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Mary Meehan

This was a good yarn filled with tension, solid writing and compelling characters. The writers did an excellent job wrapping the two girls' experiences into one story. Sprinkled with nice scenes, dialogue and tough coach, this piece entertained from beginning to end.

Third Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Barbara Isaacs

A great read with nice moments. Fluid writing.

Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY ENQUIRER, Karen Samples

### Category 5 - BEST COLUMN

First Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Keith Lawrence

Great insight and perspective directly from Lawrence's experiences. Emotion and issues are explored with depth.  
Second Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER Bob Ashley

Displays terrific knowledge of local issues and is clear, concise about the message he wants to convey.

Third Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Steve Vied

Vied shows a real talent for digging out interesting columns from regular folks. Readers can no doubt relate to these intriguing tales about their neighbors.

Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY ENQUIRER, Karen Samples

Uplifting. Gives the reader a tingle down the spine.

### Category 6 - BEST SPORTS COLUMN

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, John Clay

Distinctive style and diverse subject matter stands out in Clay's entries; however, the righteous indignity expressed satirically in his Feb. 4 column put him over the top in the category.

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Mark Story

All three of Story's entries are well written and interesting. He has a knack for storytelling. However, each one would have worked as well as feature stores.

Third Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Scott Hagerman

Hagerman's witty and sarcastic style shines in all three of his entries.

"Showboats" was one of the strongest entries in the competition, mixing a news approach with what would seem to be his trademark humor.

### Category 7 - BEST SPORTS STORY

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Janet Patton

It's all about the lead, man! Excellent story, excellent writing and wonderful perspective and use of quotes from those who dearly loved Seattle Slew. Far and away the best of this class.

Second Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Scott Hagerman

Excellent story that was simply bettered by an awesome story of an awesome event. This event pales in comparison, but the story is still strong and memorable. Views from coach's wife give insight to Coach Turley and a quick examination of his old-school philosophy helps to understand him. Quality stuff!

Third Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Mark Story

Very well put-together piece on Opening Day at the ballpark. Behind-the-scenes "stuff" isn't as interesting as some of the non-winners, but power of good writing vaults this into the mix.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Jennifer Smith

Easily the most informative story in the group. It's such a huge chunk, though, that it probably works better for writing awards if we limit the topic somewhat.

Honorable Mention - TIE - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Rich Suwanski

Very good story and couldn't be left out despite strong competition. Writer does admirable job presenting both sides in dispute. An easy, quote-driven story, maybe, but one that is often bungled by less-experienced reporters.

### Category 8 - BEST SPORTS FEATURE STORY

First Place - KENTUCKY ENQUIRER, Neil Schmidt

Schmidt's article on Jimmy Winkfield, the last black jockey to win the Derby, was incredibly well researched and constructed. This was a standout story in a category with quality entries.

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Linda B. Blackford

After reading a half dozen or more horse racing stories Blackford's feature "Shooting for the Moon" draws the reader in and never lets go.

Exceptionally well-written full of hope and anticipation surround the foal Lunar Perigee.

Third Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Jim Pickens

"Fighting Spirit" is a touching and poignant feature. Pickens gives the reader a clear view of who John "Hop" Brown was and his impact on his community.

### Category 9 - BEST ENTERPRISE OR ANALYTICAL STORY

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Mary Jean Wall

Extraordinary example of journalistic skill. The tapestry of the jockey's world, her family, friends, laughter, tears, pain, her life and track life, are all expertly woven and create a most compelling series. Easily number one in this contest, or any other we've seen in a long, long while!

Second Place - KENTUCKY POST, Jeanne Houck

Excellent hard-nosed journalism. It's a story that is difficult to write because the judges have a hard time saying what they want to say. But the reporter pieces it all together and gives readers what they need to know. Very nice job!  
Third Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Monica Richardson  
Not the first time this story has been attempted, but perhaps one of the best efforts. Beautifully written and tells the story of those left behind in society's attempt to get people off welfare. Exquisite detail! This was a very difficult category to judge. I was extremely impressed with the overall quality of the entries. Kentucky newspapers do themselves proud!!

### Category 10 - BEST INVESTIGATIVE STORY OR SERIES

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, John Stamper/Andy Mead

Excellent! Informational and an example of long, hard work. Well done.

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, John Cheves

The most interesting of all entries. I wish our paper had thought of it.  
Third Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Tom Lasseter/Linda Blackford

Good coverage, many sources and I suspect, a classic example of newspaper bringing change.

### Category 11 - BEST ONGOING/EXTENDED COVERAGE STORY

First Place - KENTUCKY POST, Staff

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Valarie Honeycutt

Third Place - KENTUCKY POST, Staff

### Category 12 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS STORY

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Janet Patton/Bill Estep

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## Black jockey's journey spanned different worlds



Liliane Casey will attend Saturday's Kentucky Derby, 100 years after her father was the last black jockey to win the race. She holds a portrait of her father, Jimmy Winkfield.

## Prejudice forced Cincinnati rider out of country

By Neil Schmidt  
The Cincinnati Enquirer

From her seat Saturday in Section 312, Row A of Churchill Downs, 77-year-old Walnut Hills resident Liliane Casey will witness the Kentucky Derby. She'll see an event quite different from the one her father, Jimmy Winkfield, won 100 years ago this week.

The race and racetrack shared their darkest hour in 1902, Churchill facing a financial crisis and its signature event surviving as just a local race. But while the track and Derby have since ascended to icon status, Mr. Winkfield became a historical footnote: the last African-American jockey to win the race.

A bit of dust has collected on Mr. Winkfield's tale, possibly the sport's greatest saga. The story of a self-taught jockey who won back-to-back Derbies. One who escaped the Bolshe-



vics during World War I and the Nazis during World War II. One who rode in Russia, Poland, France, Austria, Hungary, England, Spain and Italy, ultimately winning every race of consequence on the continent. One who trained in France for 35 years, finding his legend at home all but forgotten.

Mr. Winkfield was the last of the

great African-American jockeys. A century of change has buried the story of him and his forefathers: the first professional athletes in American history. "They were ridden out of the sport, and they've been sort of written out of the sport, too," said Edward Hinnall, author of *The Great Black Jockeys*. "Their disappearance, I see really as a civil rights story."

At the first Kentucky Derby, in 1875, 13 of the 15 jockeys were African-Americans. Blacks would ride 15 of the first 28 Derby winners, including Mr. Winkfield's victories in 1901 and 1902.

But a number of changes in the sport's climate, coming in the days of segregation and Jim Crow laws, spelled an exodus of African-American jockeys from the racing scene. The last

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**WIRE-TO-WIRE** wins are rare; War Emblem's was the first since Winking Colours did it in 1988

**BUYING** in last month, Saudi Prince Ahmed bin Salman paid about \$1 million for the winner

**DETERRED** by tighter security, 145,035 attended, the fifth-largest crowd ever

## WAR & PACE

**INSIDE**  
Clothes-hornes  
Cupid's frick  
appreciate art of  
jockey's art  
AAE  
Playing it safe  
from horse  
to jockey  
Puffy power  
Kupper's  
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**Long shot pulls off first wire-to-wire win since '88**

By Margaret M...  
It's the first wire-to-wire win since Winking Colours did it in 1988. War Emblem, the 100th Kentucky Derby winner, pulled off the feat Saturday at Churchill Downs. The 11th-ranked colt, owned by Zayat Stables, won the race in 1:59.4, beating out the favorite, American Pharoah, by a nose.

**PAYOUTS**  
Win: \$1,000,000  
Place: \$100,000  
Show: \$50,000  
Exact: \$10,000  
Trifecta: \$1,000,000  
Superfecta: \$1,000,000

**Security was the difference this Derby**

By Andy Mack  
The 100th Kentucky Derby was held in a security-conscious atmosphere. The race was held in a secure area, and the crowd was limited to 145,035. The security was the difference between a successful race and a disaster.

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100th Kentucky Derby  
War Emblem wins the 100th Kentucky Derby  
Security at the Derby  
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Top Left: Mark Cornelison, of the Lexington Herald Leader, picked up a first place win in the Daily Class 3 Best Photo Illustration category with this photo. The Lexington Herald Leader also won first place General Excellence in Daily Class 3. Bottom Left: Picking up first place honors in the Best Sports Feature Story category in Daily Class 3 was The Kentucky Enquirer's Neil Schmidt for his story about an African-American jockey. Above: Lexington Herald-Leader page designer Kim Coleman won first place honors for Best Front Page.



## Associate Newspapers

### Category 1 - BEST EDITORIAL

First Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Caroline Lynch  
Strong writing, well reasoned. Lynch explains why Western should continue fund drive. Humor, alliteration keeps readers' attention.

Second Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, John Sullivan

Writer demonstrates good understanding of freedom of speech. Caution: name calling risks inspiring sympathy for KKK.

Third Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Caroline Lynch  
Lynch points out a double standard without overstating to demonstrate need for new policy.

Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY KERNEL, John Wampler  
Honorable Mention - TIE - MURRAY STATE NEWS, Erin Richards

### Category 2 - BEST SPOT NEWS COVERAGE

First Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Brett Corbin  
Good job getting a variety of angles and reaction to an obvious sensational story. This had a lot of twists and you stayed with things well to give the reader what he needed to know.

Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Michael Compton  
Fine job of chasing a breaking story and furnishing background why coach was forced to resign.

Third Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Joseph Lord  
Readable story of what might just have been an incidental situation a couple of years ago.

### Category 3 - BEST GENERAL NEWS STORY

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Steve Ivey  
It takes good writing to make general news great and a step apart from ordinary. Steve Ivey did that with his well-crafted explanation of fraternity black-balling.

Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Staff  
Nine student journalists combined information and talents to craft a readable and meaningful report on the first anniversary of 9-11 at Western Kentucky University.

Third Place - KENTUCKY MONTHLY, Jackie Hollenkamp  
Insightful look at physicians who placed mechanical heart in chest of dying man.

### Category 4 - BEST FEATURE STORY

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Tracy Kershaw  
Great writing. All of Tracy Kershaw's entries were strong. This one exceptional. Beat many fine entries.

Second Place - MURRAY STATE NEWS, Tim Siniard  
Sensitive, original.

Third Place - KENTUCKY MONTHLY, Linda Morton  
Inspiring story.

Honorable Mention - TIE - CHEVY CHASER MAGAZINE, Jody Greenlee

This is almost a personal column. Strong because it breaks the feature story formula.

Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Tracy Kershaw

More great work from Tracy.

### Category 5 - BEST COLUMN

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Jason Miller  
Well-written, relevant to a broad audience (not just college students). Gives readers useful information and opinion that they may not have even known they needed.

Second Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Samieh Shalash  
A mixture of viewpoints in each of the column entries, presented in a clear and interesting manner. Relevant to the audience.

Third Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Jimmy Nesbit  
Human interest, relevant to a broader audience than just college students. Thoughtful and insightful about human nature.

Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Josh Sullivan  
Commentary on current events, informational and insightful. Definite opinions not confrontational or edgy.

Honorable Mention - TIE - CHEVY CHASER MAGAZINE, Harriett Rose  
Like listening to a wise and witty grandmother talking about every day things in a universal context.

### Category 6 - BEST SPORTS COLUMN

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Travis Hubbard  
Great mix of stats and humor that reflect a fan's laundry list of reasons to be happy for a big victory.

Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Kyle Hightower

Looks at an athlete that found success on another level. Paints a picture about how tough life choices can turn out.

Third Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Ryan Clark  
Objective look at how hometown fans may be at the game for all the wrong reasons. Helps to explain how fan involvement can be reflective of school's wins or losses.

### Category 7 - BEST SPORTS STORY

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Will Messer  
Nice job of relating the practicality of a post season ban, and the issues of it on a 2-9 team.

Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Camron Bastani  
Good reporting and examination of a side of sports few want to talk about, the lack of funding for certain sports.

Third Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Melanie Curtsinger  
Good lead. Well put together story, with reaction on contract renewal.

Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Donnie Meihaus

Good description, supported by quotes of soccer match.

### Category 8 - BEST SPORTS FEATURE STORY

First Place - CHEVY CHASER MAGAZINE, Terra Ramsdale  
Nice history of a sport's arena and its impact on a city and sport's program.

Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Lyndsay Sutton  
Good history of basketball program as well as the coaches responsible for team's success and even some failures.

Third Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Will Messer  
Good overall look at how a tradition is started almost by accident at one school and turned out to be an annual rite.

Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Travis Hubbard  
Well thought feature on a family's involvement in a sport that is not one of the major four.

### Category 9 - BEST ENTERPRISE OR ANALYTICAL STORY

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Jimmy Nesbitt  
Talks to people from all sides of scalping issue - scalpers, fans and police. Gives good account of state law on subject.

Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Taylor Loyall  
Looks at sensitive issue dealing with race relations from different angles and presents pros and cons associated

with issue from all sides. Well thought out.

Third Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Emily Hagedorn  
Has nice use of facts and figures dealing with campus housing shortage. Gives forecasts for future space needs.

### Category 10 - BEST INVESTIGATIVE STORY OR SERIES

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Andrea Uhde  
Interesting look at marijuana use of campus. IT covers all the bases.

Second Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Andrea Uhde

### Category 11 - BEST ON-GOING/ EXTENDED COVERAGE STORY

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Staff  
Aggressive, lively, thorough coverage of campus politics and elections.

Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Staff  
Strong reporting. Clear writing. Persistent questioning.

Third Place - MURRAY STATE NEWS, Jason Billingsley / Loree Stark

Category 12 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS STORY  
First Place - KENTUCKY MONTHLY, Gary P. West  
Informative look into the film industry, Perdot Pictures Corporation and its owners. The relocation of their business to Bowling Green, their community spirit. Beautifully written.

Second Place - CHEVY CHASER MAGAZINE, Amber Scott  
Excellent article of the changes in the meat farming industry. Indepth look into a seventh generation cattle farmer and her success in creating healthier products.

Third Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Mai Hoang  
Great overview on the problems involved with keeping the college grads in the state. Good use of statistics and quotes. Informative and entertaining.

Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Curtis Tate  
Pointed article dealing with foal losses of last year. Good reporting on possible culprits, causes, suspects.

Honorable Mention - TIE - FARMER'S PRIDE, Sharon Burton  
Interesting article involving the growth of the "meat goat" production in Kentucky.

### Category 13 - BEST HEADLINE

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GREEK

# Blackballing can breed resentment

*A jury convicted Shane Ragland Wednesday for the 1994 murder of Trent DiGiuro, a UK football player. Prosecutors said Ragland held DiGiuro responsible for getting him blackballed from Sigma Alpha Epsilon. UK's Greek community talks about blackballing.*

By Steve Ivey  
STAFF WRITER

The members of Phi Kappa Psi are gathered, seated casually as always.

But this is not just another meeting. One item on the docket concerns a pledge — whether members will allow him to initiate.

The pledge's fate relies entirely on a deck of playing cards.

The voting procedure, chosen by the president, is simple. Hold up a red card to vote for initiation, a black card to vote against.

It's a tradition called blackballing.

"There is a ritual element involved, but it's not like we meet in a basement, circled around a fire," said Clay Cecil, a biology and an agricultural biotechnology senior and Phi Psi president.

"It's a very serious vote," he said. "The vote to allow initiation is supposed to be unanimous, so technically one vote is all it takes to keep a pledge from joining."

Cecil said he has never been involved in the blackballing of a member.

Since the trial of former UK student Shane Ragland began, the practice of blackballing has gained attention. Ragland was convicted of shooting Trent DiGiuro, a UK football player, in 1994.

Prosecutors say Ragland believed DiGiuro was responsible for

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Some fraternities use playing cards in their blackball process. Red cards support initiation, black cards vote against.

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# Uncertain times

*Contract buying, struggling auction warehouses, talk of buyouts, new sale dates - what does it all mean?*

*For tobacco growers, it means uncertain times, critical decisions, and more of the same, because tobacco growers know that change and uncertainty are as much a part of the burley industry as burley itself.*



Top Left: Steve Ivey, of the Kentucky Kernel, was the top winner of the Best General News Story category. Top Right: The staff of The Farmer's Pride won first place for this entry in the Best Business/Agribusiness Page category. Bottom Right: Sang-Hyuck Park from the College Heights Herald was the winner in the Associate Class Best Sports Picture category for this photo of an Intramural football game.





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has found an unusual alternative that appears to have potential. This was an interesting story. Well-illustrated.

### Category 13 - BEST HEADLINE

First Place - PROVIDENCE JOURNAL ENTERPRISE, Gwen Bolin  
Very Good!

Second Place - PROVIDENCE JOURNAL ENTERPRISE, Charlie Hust  
Good play on words.

Third Place - CITIZEN VOICE & TIMES, Jeff Moreland  
Sad, but funny.

Honorable Mention - TIE - RUSSELL SPRINGS TIMES JOURNAL, Terry Barger  
Catchy.

Honorable Mention - TIE - SALYERSVILLE INDEPENDENT, D.L. Davis  
Hilarious!

### Category 14 - BEST SPOT NEWS PICTURE

First Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN, Janie Bowen

This picture was well composed and the color helped it jump off the page. It told the story well. However, when you have good art, I run it bigger!! Make the good pic bigger, and reduce the size of the "smoke" picture. Nice job!

Second Place - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Natasha Allen  
Good picture series, good job choosing a dominant photo. The photo could

benefit from being run larger, and the color correction needs work, especially in the contrast. All photos are good.  
Third Place - PROVIDENCE JOURNAL ENTERPRISE, Debbie Throgmorton  
Well-taken photo, good picture quality. The rescue-in-progress draws the reader in.

Honorable Mention - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Linda Parker  
The dog/fireman photo is the best photo, and would have benefited from more dominant placement. A tight crop in the dog and fireman's head and arms would have heightened the emotion, then run at three or four columns would have won an award.  
Nice photo.

### Category 15 - BEST GENERAL NEWS PICTURE

First Place - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Linda Parker  
Good clear photo, shows emotions and caring. Good cropping.

Second Place - CARROLLTON NEWS DEMOCRAT, Phyllis Codling  
Picture makes you feel good just to look at it. Clear, good color.

Third Place - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Linda Parker  
Interesting subjects. Good color.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - PROVIDENCE JOURNAL ENTERPRISE, Debbie Throgmorton  
Interesting photo, this category was tough.

Honorable Mention - TIE - RUSSELL SPRINGS TIMES JOURNAL, Staff  
Interesting subject. This category had lots of outstanding entries.

John O'Neal Jones  
Creative concept to present candidates, but you really needed your main header to be much bigger and bolder. It's lost among the subheads.

### Category 22 - BEST SPORTS PAGE

First Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Mark Stone/Richard L. Deavers

Good clean photos. I liked the mixture of sports. The large picture of girls Sun Run was very good.

Second Place - FULTON LEADER, Kevin Pritchett

Interesting pages, neatly laid out.  
Third Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Sarah Heaney

Interesting use of color, nice pictures.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - OLIVE HILL TIMES, Denver Brown  
Neat looking, clear pictures.

Honorable Mention - TIE - GRAYSON JOURNAL ENQUIRER, Denver Brown  
I like the big pictures showing interesting expressions.

### Category 23 - BEST

### Category 16 - BEST FEATURE PICTURE

First Place - CARROLLTON NEWS DEMOCRAT, Mark McKee  
Great shot, great cropping, good angles. Poor lighting and clipping in the face works for the picture. Nice effect.

Second Place - HENRY COUNTY LOCAL, Melissa Blankenship  
Typical fair photo, but well done. Cropping could have been tweaked a bit. Good color.

Third Place - HENRY COUNTY LOCAL, Melissa Blankenship  
Good photo, nice job of taking a mundane photo and making it interesting. Good contrast and lighting. Good picture.

Honorable Mention - TIE - RUSSELL SPRINGS TIMES JOURNAL, Terry Barger  
Good crisp photo. Good detail. Crop in on flower and butterfly and run bigger.

Honorable Mention - TIE - HENRY COUNTY LOCAL, Melissa Blankenship  
Good, interesting photo. Nice color.

### Category 17 - BEST PICTURE ESSAY (SPOT, GENERAL OR FEATURE)

First Place - JACKSON COUNTY SUN, Connie Esh/George Ferrell  
Excellent photos!!! The soft-focus pix added character to the page.

Second Place - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Natasha Allen  
The photos truly captured the emotion.

Third Place - LAUREL NEWS JOUR-

NAL, John Shindlebower

Spot news photos tell the tale. Good use of color and black and white.  
Honorable Mention - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Natasha Allen  
Good use of photos, mixture of close-ups and groups.

### Category 18 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE

First Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Les Dixon

Great action shot! Great capture, great emotion, good picture quality, good color correction, draws the reader in. Less depth of field would have made it even stronger. Nice job!!

Second Place - CADIZ RECORD, Scott Brown

The emotion is what sells this picture. Good job capturing that, the color correction needs work.

Third Place - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Natasha Allen  
Good, fun picture. It captures anticipation, as well as enjoyment. Cropped well, color corrected well.

Honorable Mention - SPENCER MAGNET, Tracy Faye Harris  
The strength of this photo is that it tells a story. The anticipation from the girls to the apparent decisiveness of the umpire. The quality of the photo and cropping could be improved.

### Category 19 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE ESSAY

First Place - PROVIDENCE JOURNAL ENTERPRISE, Debbie Throgmorton  
Faces make it work.

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Pix has everyone looking, including readers to see if runner is safe.

Second Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Mark Stone

Third Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Mark Stone

Honorable Mention - OLIVE HILL TIMES, Denver Brown

### Category 19 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE ESSAY

First Place - GAL-LATIN COUNTY NEWS, Kelley Warnick

Good essay flows in photos.  
Second Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS, Mark Stone

### Category 20 - BEST PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

NO ENTRIES

### Category 21 - BEST GRAPHIC

First Place - HICKMAN COURIER,

### BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS PAGE

First Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Sarah Heaney

I love the way the oval balances your entire page. The headline kicker and other photos all come together well.  
Second Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Tisha Thomas

This is a great ag page, but headline needs to be bigger and photos could be cropped more to enlarge the subject more while staying within the columns.

Third Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Tisha Thomas

The white space at the bottom is too much. The photos should be cropped closer to alleviate the odd overlap.

Also a different outline layout could have solved the white space problem. Layout on top half is great.

### Category 24 - BEST LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Sarah Heaney  
Well laid out, interesting.

### Category 25 - BEST EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - GALLATIN COUNTY NEWS, Denny Warnick

The photo really enhances the page. Layout is great, but the small editorial in upper left should be a couple of point sizes bigger. The eye is drawn to the "Letters to the Editor," and the editorial almost gets "lost."

Second Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE, Tisha Thomas/Staff  
"Fleming Faces" is great. The rest of the layout is lackluster. Maybe shorter columns, redesign the columnist header boxes and have something be a focal point to balance the page around it.

### Category 26 - BEST FRONT PAGE

First Place - MENIFEE COUNTY NEWS, Ron Middleton

Clean, squared-off paper, tight stories with some color would clearly be best.  
Second Place - BEATTYVILLE ENTERPRISE, Edmund Shelby  
Third Place - HICKMAN COURIER, John O'Neal Jones



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### Category 13 - BEST HEADLINE

First Place - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Trent Knuckles  
Says it all!  
Second Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Doug Thomas  
Extra effort sells the story.  
Third Place - ANDERSON NEWS, Don White  
Makes you look twice at ordinary photo.  
Honorable Mention - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Eddie Arnold  
Clever!

### Category 14 - BEST SPOT NEWS PICTURE

First Place - MCCREARY COUNTY RECORD, Ken Shmidheiser  
Great spot news shot.  
Second Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Zoya Tereshkova  
Third Place - CYNTHIANA DEMOCRAT, Becky Barnes  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Eddie Arnold  
Honorable Mention - TIE - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Chris Hamilton

### Category 15 - BEST GENERAL NEWS PICTURE

First Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Zoya Tereshkova  
Strong photo, good composure.  
Second Place - MCCREARY COUNTY RECORD, Trevor Frey  
Great photo! But if there was a person in the shot it would be much better.  
Third Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Chris Hamilton

### Category 16 - BEST FEATURE PICTURE

First Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Zoya Tereshkova  
Second Place - CASEY COUNTY NEWS, Donna Carman  
Third Place - ANDERSON NEWS, Jesse Lebus  
Honorable Mention - ANDERSON NEWS, Don White

### Category 17 - BEST PICTURE ESSAY (SPOT, GENERAL OR FEATURE)

First Place - PULASKI NEWS JOURNAL, Shane Morgan  
Turns photography into an art form. The pictures can tell the story all by themselves.  
Second Place - ANDERSON NEWS, Jesse Lebus  
Photos combine to tell the real story of today's farm life. Even with modern equipment it's still long, hard, lonely work.  
Third Place - TIE - ANDERSON NEWS, Don White

Successful using a wide variety of pictures to illustrate the diversity of education available.

Third Place - TIE - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Zoya Tereshkova  
Good sequence photography of mayor. Photographic proof that politicians will do anything to make the front page. Really nice work.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CASEY COUNTY NEWS, Donna Carman  
Great facial expressions. You did a good job of showing your readers what the Horse Show is all about.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Mark White/Eddie Arnold  
Touching, memorable and professional. Best entry of many attempts on this subject.

### Category 18 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE

First Place - MT. STERLING ADVOCATE, Kevin Martin  
Strong magic. Good exposure and cropping.  
Second Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Nathan Hutchinson  
Third Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS, Wayne Yeager  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Trent Knuckles  
Honorable Mention - TIE - ANDERSON NEWS, John Herndon

### Category 19 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE ESSAY

First Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS, Wayne Yeager  
Great series of shots.  
Second Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Doug Thomas  
Third Place - ANDERSON NEWS, Don White/John Herndon

### Category 20 - BEST PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

First Place - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Heather Randolph/Eddie Arnold  
This knocked our socks off! We kept looking for another entry to compare with "Picking up the pieces" and nothing even came close. Super job!!  
Second Place - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Heather Randolph  
Fresh look at patriotism. Photos really enhance important story with unique, local subjects.  
Third Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Randy Patrick/Julie Satterly  
Great story. Photos compliment story with the candor and importance the story deserves. Inspiring, professional, tasteful.  
Honorable Mention - PULASKI NEWS JOURNAL, David Rogers/Lisa Rowell/Doug Eads  
Creative, clever. A fun, non-traditional approach to an annual sports ritual.

### Category 21 - BEST GRAPHIC

First Place - PULASKI NEWS JOURNAL, David Rogers/Lisa Rowell/Doug Eads  
Nice blend of coaches and players in an appealing page that reflects thought, effort and excellent results.  
Second Place - MCCREARY COUNTY RECORD, Ken Shmidheiser  
Different way of reporting political campaign. Takes up a lot of space but better than a story.  
Third Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Julie Nelson Satterly  
Good idea but difficult to read road names on graphic map.

### Category 22 - BEST SPORTS PAGE

First Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Nathan Hutchinson  
No weaknesses on these pages. Strong writing, dramatic photos, attention getting page design. Hutchinson is a real talent.  
Second Place - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Trent Knuckles  
Football preview is outstanding throughout. Regular sports page strong as well.  
Third Place - ANDERSON NEWS, Mary Madden  
Strong in every aspect. Dirt track racer feature, photo of winning softball players especially good.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Sue Brown/Doug Thomas  
Honorable Mention - TIE - BARBOURVILLE MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE, Greg Foley

### Category 23 - BEST BUSINESS /AGRI-BUSINESS PAGE

First Place - CASEY COUNTY NEWS, Randall Vaught/Donna Carman  
Not flashy, but packed with hometown business events and people.  
Second Place - ANDERSON NEWS, Missy Rogers/Mary Madden  
Best packaging and an extremely close contender for top slot. Good work!!  
Third Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS, Jamie Baker-Nantz  
Attractive separate section. Again very close to being the very best in category.

### Category 24 - BEST LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - HAZARD HERALD, Amy Johnson  
Good layouts and good choice of pictures and subject matter. Excellent selection of pictures.  
Second Place - PULASKI NEWS JOURNAL, Lisa Rowell  
Enjoyed Sievens columns, plus variety of photos and subject matter on the page.  
Third Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL,

Staff  
Very good layouts and photos, but might have been better if there had been a variety of stories and photos instead of only a single topic.

### Category 25 - BEST EDITORIAL-PAGE

First Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS, Jamie Baker-Nantz  
Writing good for the most part; subjects were of local importance and there seemed to be no hesitation to express an opinion that might have readers to disagree.  
Second Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE, Stevie Lowery/Chris Hamilton  
Good local focus, good writing, columns were a little weak.  
Third Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Staff  
Good local focus, layout not unpleasant just odd.

### Category 26 - BEST FRONT PAGE

First Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Julie Nelson Satterly  
Effective mix of news and features, great photography with good display. Very clean.  
Second Place - ANDERSON NEWS, Mary Madden  
Third Place - PULASKI NEWS JOURNAL, Staff  
Honorable Mention - TIE - GRANT COUNTY NEWS, Jamie Baker-Nantz  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL, Staff

**Don't  
forget to  
pick up  
extra  
copies of  
the contest  
tab for the  
rest of  
your staff!**



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Great piece!  
Second Place - FLOYD COUNTY TIMES, Loretta Blackburn  
Interesting story. Loved the picture!  
Third Place - PRINCETON TIMES LEADER, Nancy Taylor  
Great story about the vineyard.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS JOURNAL, Rebecca Dial  
Honorable Mention - TIE - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Michael Cornett  
Heart-warming piece.

**Category 13 - BEST HEADLINE**  
First Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Jimmy Raines  
Second Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, David Gross  
Third Place - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Denis House  
Honorable Mention - TIE - PRINCETON TIMES LEADER, Clyde Pack  
Honorable Mention - TIE - PAINTSVILLE HERALD, Anita Baker

**Category 14 - BEST SPOT NEWS PICTURE**  
First Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS JOURNAL, Richard RoBards  
Interesting perspective. Not a typical wreck scene photo.  
Second Place - PRINCETON TIMES LEADER, Jared Nelson  
Good spot news photo.  
Third Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Michael Cornett  
Good composition.  
Honorable Mention - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Stacey S. Manning  
Not many photos will work in six column, this one does.

**Category 15 - BEST GENERAL NEWS PICTURE**  
First Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Stacey S. Manning  
This photo required timing, proper exposure and nice composition, and the photographer found the way to pull it all together. Nicely done!  
Second Place - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, John Friedlein  
Great perspective and an eye-grabbing shot. Stylish but not at the expense of delivering relevance.  
Third Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Jesse Lebus  
Nice use of graphic elements of construction. Would have been better if it was timed to capture sparks from welder, if possible.

**Category 16 - BEST FEATURE PICTURE**

First Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Jim Brooks  
Beautiful colors, nostalgic mood matches fall theme and subject matter. Train track line sets the tone of photo plus is the perfect line to the tree surrounded locomotive. The type inset almost ruins this photo, but photo's strength saves it.  
Second Place - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, John Friedlein  
Captured moment tells the story with good composition. Lighting could be better, but it's an action shot.  
Third Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Jesse Lebus  
Striking image grabs readers' attention when they pick up paper. A good representative shot for the festival with loads of reader appeal.

Honorable Mention - TIE - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Lorie Love  
Drops of water and man's expression say it all.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, Monica Tate  
A beautiful photo with excellent composition.

**Category 17 - BEST PICTURE ESSAY (SPOT, GENERAL OR FEATURE)**  
First Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Stacey S. Manning  
Nice use of available light, and good variety of shots to tell the story.  
Second Place - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, Walt Reichert  
Nice story-telling sequence, good photos.  
Third Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Michael Cornett  
Nice variety of photos show impact of flood.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, James Mulcahy  
Good photos and nice view of what's happening "off stage." Could have been a little more selective and reduced number of photos. Nice lead photo.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - GEORGETOWN NEWS GRAPHIC, Steve Traynor  
Nice variety of photos capture sights and action of the weekend. How fair photo story should be done.

**Category 18 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE**  
First Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Bobby Maggard  
Nice shot with a lot of humor.  
Second Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS JOURNAL, Richard RoBards  
Nice, clear action, technically good.  
Third Place - PRINCETON TIMES LEADER, Todd Griffin  
Nice "decisive moment" shot of the action.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - SHEL-

BYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, Todd Martin  
Nice angle on the action.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - PAINTSVILLE HERALD, Chris Pierce  
Nice action and angle.

**Category 19 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE ESSAY**  
First Place - GEORGETOWN NEWS GRAPHIC, Steve Traynor  
The lead photo sold me on this one.  
Second Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Josh Givens  
Nice departure from standard sports photos, with a refreshing touch of humor.  
Third Place - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Denis House  
Nice coverage with good action. Could have been more selective, reduced number of photos might have made a stronger package.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Josh Givens  
Nice photo, though fewer might have made stronger package.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Denis House  
Nice photos with good lead photo, but might have been pared down a little.

**Category 20 - BEST PHOTO ILLUSTRATION**  
First Place - GEORGETOWN NEWS GRAPHIC, Steve Traynor  
Great idea to print "Blue" in blue and to single out the two blue guys in color!  
Second Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Holly Cecil  
Great use of photo illustration, photos bring the deceased to life. Good use of color.  
Third Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Shawn Hopkins/David Gross  
Great photo on neutral background, size of illustration is a plus.  
Honorable Mention - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Nancy Goss/David Gross  
Detailing parts of costume adds to feature.

**Category 21 - BEST GRAPHIC**  
First Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, David Gross  
The graphic does the job, helps the reader better understand the story. The mugs of the singers also helps readers who may recognize, but not connect with the singers' name.  
Second Place - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, James Mulcahy  
Creative way to produce a bar graph with this education story. Excellent reproduction, registration too.  
Third Place - GEORGETOWN NEWS GRAPHIC, Emily Hendren  
Nice graphic to emphasize the infor-

mation in the story.

**Category 22 - BEST SPORTS PAGE**  
First Place - FLOYD COUNTY TIMES, Heath Wiley  
Attractive design, smart lead followed by good stories.  
Second Place - PRINCETON TIMES LEADER, Todd Griffin  
Third Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Tom Kopacz

**Category 23 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS PAGE**  
First Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Staff  
Wins hands down.  
Second Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, Staff  
Third Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS JOURNAL, Staff

**Category 24 - BEST LIFESTYLE PAGE**  
First Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, David Gross  
Great photos and placement of art among copy. Good division of elements.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Staff  
Ron Middleton  
Ron Middleton's personal perspective is a refreshing touch. The copy is easy to read and paints a picture with words.  
Third Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Staff  
Great "Red, White & Blue" page. Excellent layout by Debbie Hutchins.  
Honorable Mention - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Staff

**Category 25 - BEST EDITORIAL PAGE**  
First Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS, David Gross  
Good local editorials with meat. Clean layouts. Letter policy good.  
Second Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Staff  
Interesting commentaries. Nice layout.  
Third Place - MOREHEAD NEWS, Staff  
Somewhat busy.  
Honorable Mention - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS JOURNAL, Staff

**Category 26 - BEST FRONT PAGE**  
First Place - MOREHEAD NEWS, Stephanie Davis  
Clean design with nicely cropped photos. Well-written stories with good leads.  
Second Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS JOURNAL, Beth Foster  
Third Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD, Staff  
Honorable Mention - TIE - LONDON SENTINEL ECHO, Dale G. Morton  
Honorable Mention - TIE - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS, James Mulcahy/Staff



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SENGER, Lori Harrison  
Good look at the way students, our hopes for the future, regard the political scene and the two parties and the candidates.

### Category 10 - BEST INVESTIGATIVE STORY OR SERIES

First Place - WINCHESTER SUN, Jeff Kerr  
First, what do you want to know about tobacco? Second, how does the specter of tobacco farming affect Sun readers? Everything you want, need or ever will need to know about tobacco in the Winchester area is right there in eight-part series!!  
Second Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Fred Lucas  
I enjoy the skewering of officials when they deserve it. KSU President George Reid deserves it and Fred Lucas gave it to him good, and in a professional manner. Good job, Fred!!  
Third Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Rita Duker  
Stories on rapist, the crime and sex offenses in general were, overall excellent. Rita Duker gets kudos from this judge.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Fred Lucas  
Story about state drug control manager with unethical ties to pharmaceutical firm resulted in changes. That was what this type of revelation is supposed to do!  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Janie Taylor/Fred Petke/Jacinda Griffiths Powers  
More news story than investigative pieces, these stories were riveting and informative. Good writing.

### Category 11 - BEST ON-GOING/EXTENDED COVERAGE STORY

First Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Beth Crace/Fred Lucas  
The amount of work and investigation that went into this series is staggering, even for two people. Exhaustive detail.  
Second Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Charles Pearl  
It takes good writing to make 150-year-old bones interesting.  
Third Place - RICHMOND REGISTER, Erin Parsons  
Writer did very good job on what turned out to be a roller coaster of a story. She made a convoluted mess understandable to average reader. In another year, writing of this caliber could easily win.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Janie Taylor  
Good solid work.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - HARLAN

DAILY ENTERPRISE, Mark Fasano  
Good solid work. It deserves recognition. In another year, it might have ranked higher, but competition was very strong.

### Category 12 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS STORY

First Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Garth Gamblin  
Shrimping, a well-written story well-supported by appropriate informative photographs.  
Second Place - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Janie Taylor  
Mom and Pop success stories can easily slip into cliches. This one did not, and was well-written and interesting.  
Third Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Beth Crace  
Plant closing stories can be extremely difficult to report well. Emotions especially frustrations can run high. Beth Crace and photographer Suzanne Feliciano did an excellent job of reporting something that is a death in the family, of sorts.  
Honorable Mention - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Fred Lucas  
The story on the suggestive website deserves mention for boldness. The story treats readers like adults... no pun intended... by presenting the facts and allowing people to make up their own minds. Avoids the tendency of these types of stories to go "wink-wink" and giggle.

### Category 13 - BEST HEADLINE

First Place - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, John Whitlock  
In composing an eye-catching headline, John Whitlock sacrificed nothing in conveying exactly what the story is about.  
Second Place - WINCHESTER SUN, Keith Taylor  
For a story on a board of education decision to rule out a smoking area and turn a high school into a smoke-free zone for students, Keith Taylor's headline struck just the right note: "No ifs, and, or butts."  
Third Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Ron Herron  
When a dredging operation left a "trash island" behind a navigation dam in the Kentucky River, ruining a scenic view, Ron Herron's headline nicely summed up the situation: "A dam mess"  
Category 14 - BEST SPOT NEWS PICTURE  
First Place - MAYSVILLE LEDGER INDEPENDENT, Bob Warner  
This is an excellent example of spot news. Great hustle and composure in a breaking situation.  
Second Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Jim Pearson  
Great shot with a lot of flames.

Third Place - WINCHESTER SUN, James Mann  
Nice shot while maintaining the victim's dignity.  
Honorable Mention - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Suzanne Feliciano  
Excellent light. We would like to have seen a face, but the amazing light is compelling.

### Category 15 - BEST GENERAL NEWS PICTURE

First Place - RICHMOND REGISTER, Nancy Taggart  
Second Place - RICHMOND REGISTER, Nancy Taggart  
Third Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Susan Riddell  
Honorable Mention - TIE - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Suzanne Feliciano  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Fred Petke

### Category 16 - BEST FEATURE PICTURE

First Place - WINCHESTER SUN, James Mann  
Nice moment. We liked the runner up in the air. This was a hard shot to catch. Nicely done.  
Second Place - RICHMOND REGISTER, Jeff Moreland  
Nicely composed. This shot makes me wonder about this subject.  
Third Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Suzanne Feliciano  
Nice moment between a boy and his horse. Great storytelling.

### Category 17 - BEST PICTURE ESSAY (SPOT, GENERAL OR FEATURE)

First Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Suzanne Feliciano  
Great feeling for what is going on.  
Second Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Jim Pearson  
Catchy shot.  
Third Place - RICHMOND REGISTER, Nancy Taggart  
Honorable Mention - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS, C.J. Hart

### Category 18 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE

First Place - MAYSVILLE LEDGER INDEPENDENT, Brian Hitch  
Great action in spite of poor cutline. A shot anyone would be proud of.  
Second Place - HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE, Chris Jones  
Good moment.  
Third Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Lowell Mendyk  
Thoughtful approach to dry subject.

### Category 19 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE ESSAY

First Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL, Suzanne Feliciano  
Second Place - WINCHESTER SUN, James Mann

Third Place - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Mike Moore

### Category 20 - BEST PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

First Place - RICHMOND REGISTER, Angie Mullikin/Nancy Taggart  
Nice job, the illustration tells the story.  
Second Place - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Kellee Edwards  
All of the art elements enhance the story. I especially like the timeline since we're talking about an anniversary.  
Third Place - WINCHESTER SUN, David Stone  
Creative way to illustrate a story about a golfer.

### Category 21 - BEST GRAPHIC

First Place - MAYSVILLE LEDGER INDEPENDENT, Chuck Truesdell  
Excellent use of graphics to attract attention and to help explain, too bad the print job is so bad.  
Second Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, LeMar Bryan  
Trite approach, but effective use.  
Third Place - RICHMOND REGISTER, Lance Easter  
Attracts the reader. Makes the point, a little too cute however.

### Category 22 - BEST SPORTS PAGE

First Place - WINCHESTER SUN, Matt Coy  
Clean layout, excellent use of art and graphics and good variety of sports. This should appeal to all sports readers' interest.  
Second Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Jeff Anderson  
Nice photography and good variety of sports. Lots of mug shots and names of locals should be something that your readers love.  
Third Place - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Mike Moore  
Good design and variety with lots of local copy. Good variety in photo sizes, but some are run larger than quality allows.

### Category 23 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS PAGE

First Place - WINCHESTER SUN, Jeff Kerr  
Lots of good local agriculture news. Layouts urge readers to dig into them. Color on the pages would probably attract even more readers.  
Second Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS, Donna Greene  
Lots of local business news, and the color really livened up the page. Can't it be used, where possible on each of your business pages?  
Third Place - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Kellee Edwards  
The color on one of the tearsheets

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Solid news leads atop an inverted pyramid recounting of the facts would have boosted the effectiveness of these stories tremendously. The "feature" treatments were the main weakness of the package. That aside, this was a good effort.

### Category 11 - BEST ON-GOING/EXTENDED COVERAGE STORY

First Place - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Staff  
You did what far too few newspapers do anymore, went beyond "the line" handed out by local authorities, especially involving those in society's underbelly. Then you pursued with diligence and balance, the latter including health factors contributing to the death. Let's hope the FBI performed as well as you did.  
Second Place - ELIZABETHTOWN NEWS ENTERPRISE, Forrest Berkshire/Laurie L. Ogle/Greg Bartlett

Crisp, clear writing. Unflinching dispassionate reporting. Good job.  
Third Place - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Herb Brock  
What a nice overall newspaper! A really good, imaginative job of localizing an international tragedy on a continuing basis. The cleverness in the writing did not go unnoticed or unappreciated.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Melony Leazer  
Well-handled without patronizing.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Annabel Girard

### Category 12 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS STORY

First Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Jennifer P. Brown  
Excellent use of detail and description, fine choice of quotes.  
Second Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Jim Waters  
Third Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Chuck Stinnett  
Honorable Mention - TIE - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Kirsten Stanley  
Honorable Mention - TIE - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Beth Goins

### Category 13 - BEST HEADLINE

First Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Miranda Pederson  
"One" is a headline that says it all. Excellent concept. Excellent execution and presentation. She "sees" the end result as she designs and writes, that is obvious.

Second Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Kathy Meadows  
From Dust to Prawn - from tobacco farming to shrimp - as puns go, this is a classic.

Third Place - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Pam Holbrook  
Red, white and whew! Thank you, Pam, you made me smile. And I'm sure your readers did also.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Miranda Pederson  
Good job.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Mark Maynard

### Category 14 - BEST SPOT NEWS PICTURE

First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Darrin Phegley  
Great shot.  
Second Place - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Clay Jackson  
Third Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Joe Imel  
Honorable Mention - HENDERSON GLEANER, Ron Jenkins

### Category 15 - BEST GENERAL NEWS PICTURE

First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Darrin Phegley  
Second Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Joe Imel  
Third Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Joe Imel  
Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Dana Long  
Honorable mention - TIE - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Miranda Pederson

### Category 16 - BEST FEATURE PICTURE

First Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Joe Imel  
Second Place - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Clay Jackson  
Third Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Clinton Lewis  
Honorable Mention - TIE - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Miranda Pederson  
Honorable Mention - TIE - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, John Flavell

### Category 17 - BEST PICTURE ESSAY (SPOT, GENERAL OR FEATURE)

First Place - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Clay Jackson  
Second Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Mike Lawrence  
Third Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Danny Vowell  
Honorable Mention - TIE - HENDERSON GLEANER, Mike Lawrence  
Honorable Mention - TIE - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Miranda Pederson

### Category 18 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE

First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Amber Douthit  
Greats sports shot and cropping.  
Second Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Darrin Phegley  
Third Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Darrin Phegley  
Honorable Mention - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, Kevin Goldy

### Category 19 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE ESSAY

First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Amber Douthit  
Second Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Darrin Phegley  
Third Place - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Clay Jackson  
Honorable Mention - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Clay Jackson

### Category 20 - BEST PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Donna Stinnett/Darrin Phegley/Doug White

Look at the entry! You can't take your eyes off of it. Judging the entry, I found myself reading the names of people I didn't know. Ultra-powerful! The best by far.

Second Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Miranda Pederson  
The photo illustration speaks volumes. Every paper does sports sections, none does it better than this 2002 football section. Kudos to Miranda Pederson!  
Third Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Darrin Phegley  
It's hard for black and white illustrations to compete with full-color, full page entries. This simple, yet powerful illustration did the job!  
Honorable mention - TIE - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Clinton Lewis  
Simplistic, yet gets the job done!  
Honorable Mention - TIE - HENDERSON GLEANER, Darrin Phegley  
Sports cover is expressive and shows skill of designing. Little too busy for top three, but it is going to be noticed by readers. And that's the point!

### Category 21 - BEST GRAPHIC

First Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Ryan Craig  
Best line-by timeline illustration of Sept. 11. Great revisit piece and layout.  
Second Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Chuck Stinnett  
Combine lots of figures and explanations in a graphic and you usually come up with a mess, not this school performance graphic. A primer for other graphic artists.  
Third Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Shea Stanley

Nightmare in vacation land. Been there, done that. Illustration captured the mood and experience.

Honorable Mention - SOMERSET COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL, Trevor Frey  
A TV illustration was right-on and great intro to story.

### Category 22 - BEST SPORTS PAGE

First Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, George Robinson  
Exceptionally strong layout, use of graphics, diversity and organization of information. The clear winner.  
Second Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Jim Kurk/ Kevin Patton  
Strong compelling layout, good blend of content elements for diverse audience.  
Third Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Ryan Craig  
Well designed, good use of art, a host of information on a single page.  
Honorable Mention - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, Larry Vaught  
Wonderful local content. Entry handicapped by poor press work. Terrific photo at bottom of page one.

### Category 23 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS PAGE

First Place - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, John Davis  
Consisting of good local reporting and information, not depending on services and AP. Good pages.  
Second Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Kathy Meadows/ Chuck Stinnett  
Good locally oriented column and at least one local business feature.  
Third Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Justin Shepherd  
Good local column and features. Could expand story content.

### Category 24 - BEST LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Brad Schneider/ Kathy Meadows  
Great family appeal, artistic layout, good selection of photos. Multiple areas of interest put this entry over the top.  
Second Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Clinton Lewis  
Beautiful combination of story and art.  
Third Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Laura Field  
Very nice combination of elements, but slightly weaker than other entries in this category.  
Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Michele Carlton  
Great story.

### Category 25 - BEST EDITORIAL PAGE

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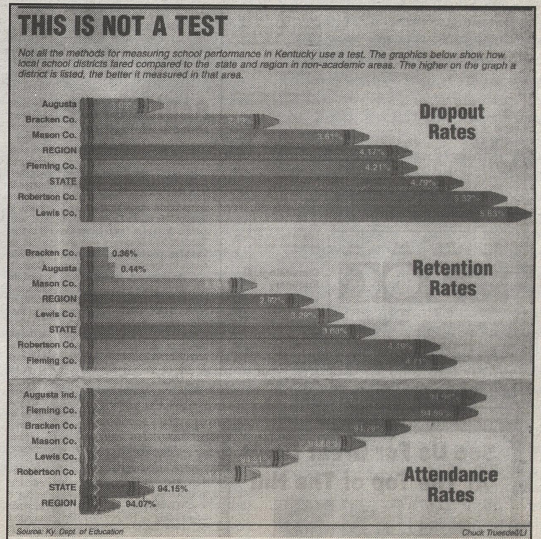
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## U.S. 23

the COUNTRY MUSIC HIGHWAY



**BELLY BRY CYRUS**



**THE JUDDS (NAOMI AND WYNNONA)**



**RICKY SKAGGS**



**HYLO BROWN**



**CRYSTAL GAYLE**



**DWIGHT YOAKAM**



**LORETTA LYNN**



**GARY STEWART (LEITCHER COUNTY)**



**PATTY LOVELESS**

Above: Drew Purcell won a first place award in the Best Graphics category among Associate Newspapers for his graphic of a UK and Arkansas basketball game. Top Right: Chuck Truesdell created this graphic for The Ledger Independent in Maysville. It took first place honors. Bottom Right: The Appalachian News-Express took first place in the Multi-Weekly Best Graphics category for this graphic created by David Gross.



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Lots of money and little oversights always a recipe for disaster. This story is an excellent example of how a newspaper can keep track when no one else will.

Second Place - KENTUCKY POST, Paul A. Young

This story is an excellent example of taking dry census numbers and showing that those numbers account for people who are trying to get on with their lives in a changing world.

Third Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, James Mayse

Other stories in this category were more exhaustively researched or involved more money. Mr. Mayse's work however, takes an issue that should be obvious, but instead needed someone to point it out. The issue was simply and fully explained and the pull-out quote was outstanding.

Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY ENQUIRER, James McNair / Patrick Crowley

Tales of corporate excess reach a lot further down than Enron. This story is a down-home example of how corporate expense accounts can become non-taxable slush funds for lavish personal lifestyles.

### Category 13 - BEST HEADLINE

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Todd Van Campen

A great attention play on the ordinary. It would have been easy to write a boring bottom of page headline, but the writer obviously got inspired.

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Will Scott

Good job of catching the word association, it was attention getting.

Third Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Amy Savona

Nice play on words.

### Category 14 - BEST SPOT NEWS PICTURE

First Place - KENTUCKY ENQUIRER, Patrick Reddy

Excellent "Decisive Moment" photo that nicely captures the emotional response to a house fire. Nice use of available light.

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, David Stephenson

Straightforward aerial shot graphically tells the story. Well done!

Third Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Robert Bruck

Clean composition and low-angle view combine to show the drama of a dangerous predicament.

Honorable Mention - TIE - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Janet Worne

Nicely captures grief without being intrusive. Fine effort in a very competitive contest category.

Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY POST, Joe Munson

Nicely shows grief, and the diagonal composition since, but would have been stronger with a distinct local point, a place that draws the eye first, then directs it into the rest of the photo.

### Category 15 - BEST GENERAL NEWS PICTURE

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Pablo Alcala

Perfect composition, puts a very human face on a natural disaster. It's obvious from this and other entries that the Herald Leader puts a premium on quality photography and talented photographers.

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Charles Bertram

A good example of how the photographer's angle of view can make or break a photo. This one is right on! I could barely make a choice between this photo and the one that took first. This was a very strong category with very competitive entries all around.

Third Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Bryan Leazenby

This photo is pure chaos caught at just the right moment. I like it very much. Wish it could have been bigger.

Honorable Mention - TIE - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Janet Worne

There weren't enough places to give this photo what it deserves. Well done. Honorable Mention - TIE - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, David Stephenson

Silhouettes can be cliches (I've taken enough of them to know) but look good when done as well as this one. I like the contrasting angles and colors.

### Category 16 - BEST FEATURE PICTURE

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Janet Worne

Perfectly framed and captured at just the right moment to show good action and a sense of anticipation. Well done.

Second Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, John Dunham

Nice use of shadow and light, disorder into order, and the green shirt adds a nice touch of color in an otherwise monochromatic image.

Third Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Charles Bertram

Nice angle, color and action. Might have rated higher if it had not been what you'd expect from this kind of assignment.

Honorable Mention - TIE - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Gary Emord-Netzley

Very nice artistic approach to a farm

photo, competed in a tough category. Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY POST, Bruce Crippen

Nice use of light and good detail in foreground. Action in the background is a little distracting and doesn't seem to add much to the fairground story.

### Category 17 - BEST PICTURE ESSAY (SPOT, GENERAL OR FEATURE)

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Pablo Alcala

Excellent job of capturing the light, action and life of Latin music and dance. As with all these winners, I like a photo story that shows enterprise in planning and execution.

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, David Stephenson

Strong lead photo drew me into story. Good eye for detail and storytelling.

Third Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, David Stephenson

Good graphic story about people making a difference in the lives of others. Lead photos could be stronger, but it tells the story clearly.

Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY ENQUIRER, Patrick Reddy

No surprises in the art, but well done for this story.

Honorable Mention - TIE - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Bryan Leazenby

Overall art could be stronger, but I like the lead photo and the story is clearly told, the people's relationships can be seen.

Category 18 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE

First Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Bryan Leazenby

Heads above the rest. Where were you?

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Janet Worne

What a shot! You've got the call.

Third Place - TIE - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, John Dunham

Expressions on their faces are the best.

Third Place - TIE - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Charles Bertram

This category is tough. Pinner cleared a path and you captured it.

Honorable Mention - TIE - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Gary Emord-Netzley

Honorable Mention - TIE - KENTUCKY POST, Bruce Crippen

### Category 19 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE ESSAY

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, David Stephenson

Strong photos that helped trace the development of a promising thoroughbred.

Second Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Pablo Alcala

Nice variety of strong photos that convey a sense of "being there." A lot of photos that somehow manage to not be redundant.

Third Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Frank Anderson

Massive project expertly executed. I especially like the lead photo on Sunday's Chapter One and the Chapter Three, page A7 riding photo.

### Category 20 - BEST PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Mark Cornelison

Good drama and action. Well composed, eye-catching.

Second Place - KENTUCKY ENQUIRER, Patrick Reddy

Difficult shot to compose and execute well, but everything lined up right for this photographer. Time exposure gave added sense of energy to what otherwise would have been a dull photo.

Third Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Mark Cornelison

Nice composition of photo and smart idea for subject matter that gets shot too often without thoughtfulness and creativity evident in this photo.

Honorable Mention - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Bryan Leazenby

Nice cover, sharp production. Busyness of photo detracts a little from its central message, but otherwise very good.

Category 21 - BEST GRAPHIC

First Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Robert Bruck

Second Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Robert Bruck

Category 22 - BEST SPORTS PAGE

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Staff

Nice clean layout and design. I like the graphics and pull-out boxes that lead readers to other items inside.

Second Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Jim Pickens

Regularly strong layout and design. Very consistent.

Category 23 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS PAGE

First Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Staff

Layout effectively presents stories with nice use of multiple photos, eye-grabbers. Nice job linking local stories to Wall Street Journal and Knight-Ridder stories. Local photos with Bluegrass Furniture story were nicely composed and shot. Would have been nice to broaden the story with more sources. Overall, an inviting package.

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First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Rebecca Neal/Curtis Tate  
The headline writer dunked it, and it will catch readers attention. Its a winner!!  
Second Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Steve Jones  
Great headline over a happy story. Writer and readers had a lot of fun.  
Third Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Ryan Clark  
Making a point! Headline matches with photo. Very nice.  
Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Travis Hubbard  
This headline made me read the story. Isn't that what headlines are supposed to do?

### Category 14 - BEST SPOT NEWS PICTURE

First Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Thomas Cordy  
Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Thomas Cordy  
Third Place - MURRAY STATE NEWS, Ryan Brooks  
Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Chris Rosenthal

### Category 15 - BEST GENERAL NEWS PICTURE

First Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, James Branaman  
Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Ed Linsmeier  
Third Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Henrik Edsenius

### Category 16 - BEST FEATURE PICTURE

First Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Jeremy Lyverse  
Second Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Jesse Lebus  
Third Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, James Branaman

### Category 17 - BEST PICTURE ESSAY (SPOT, GENERAL OR FEATURE)

First Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Staff  
Great story told by photos.  
Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Ed Linsmeier  
Third Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Jesse Lebus  
Honorable Mention - MURRAY STATE NEWS, Ryan Brooks

### Category 18 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE

First Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS

HERALD, Sang-hyuck Park  
Great shot!  
Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, John Lok  
Third Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Robyn Larsen

### Category 19 - BEST SPORTS PICTURE ESSAY

First Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Robyn Larsen  
Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Thomas Cordy/Robyn Larsen/Josh McCoy  
Third Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Jeremy Lyverse/Robyn Larsen

### Category 20 - BEST PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

First Place - MURRAY STATE NEWS, Ryan Brooks  
Great work! Photo, art, fonts all combine to tell the story.  
Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Thomas Cordy  
Exactly the right art work to illustrate and enhance the story.  
Third Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Patricia Hess  
Really creative photo. A lot of thought put into depicting students' struggle on career path. Photo made me want to read the story.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - MCCREARY COUNTY VOICE, Suzanna Martinez/Andrew Powell  
This is a keepsake all of these girls will treasure forever. A good idea every newspaper should copy, but most wouldn't do as good a job as you did.  
Honorable Mention - TIE - CHEVY CHASER MAGAZINE, Joseph Thompson  
Good artwork.

### Category 21 - BEST GRAPHIC

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Drew Purcell  
Creativity was topnotch and execution was right on target.  
Second Place - CHEVY CHASER MAGAZINE, Chris Eddie  
Numbers in a graphic, boring? But not if they make sense and are important to readers like the Chevy Chaser Magazine presented them.  
Third Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Drew Purcell  
Good detailed and easy to follow charting of upcoming football game.

### Category 22 - BEST SPORTS PAGE

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Travis Hubbard/Drew Purcell  
Nice packaging of information, good graphics and readable stories. Deep

blue or black background interesting touch but makes type hard to read.  
Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Ryan Clark  
Good presentation and good variation of cropping on photos. Type over speckled hall a little hard to read.  
Third Place - MCCREARY COUNTY VOICE, Andrew Powell  
Vivid color reproduction. You do a fine job of letting pictures tell the stories. Color logo over type makes some stories hard to read.

### Category 23 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRIBUSINESS PAGE

First Place - FARMER'S PRIDE, Staff  
Thoroughly informative report on an important Kentucky industry. Easy to read tabloid style.  
Second Place - FARMER'S PRIDE, Susan Tucker  
Third Place - FARMER'S PRIDE, Sharon Burton

### Category 24 - BEST LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Joe Anderson/Drew Purcell/Patrick Avery  
Use of color with teaser color copy blocks draws readers inside for the stories. Well done!  
Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Erica Walsh/Estelle Williams  
The color on one of the tearsheets was very effective in attracting readers. Could it be used on each issue?

### Category 25 - BEST EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Caroline Lynch  
Compelling, unconventional drawings and design gives the Opinion Page of the College Heights Herald the edge. Even without the art the editorials are stout enough to draw interest and spark debate.  
Second Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Will Messer/Drew Purcell  
Page is a well written and well designed forum page with a nice balance of opinion that should engage many readers.

### Category 26 - BEST FRONT PAGE

First Place - MCCREARY COUNTY VOICE, Staff  
Great pictures, used well. Good story count. Layout is good too.  
Second Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD, Ryan Clark  
Impressive.  
Third Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL, Tracy Kershaw/Drew Purcell  
Well done!!

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### Category 24 - BEST LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Kim Coleman  
Excellent use of typography. Excellent use of color. The pages are well balanced, the art is good, and it is used well. Nice job. (All Herald Leader entries were designed well.)  
Second Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Staff  
Good use of dominant art. Nice job fitting all the info on the "kids summer" page and still keep it attractive. Good eye for detail.

### Category 25 - BEST EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - KENTUCKY POST, Kerry Duke  
The element that sets your editorial page off from the other competition is the effort to include readers. I suspect the hotline is well read, I did think the candidate Q&A could have gone elsewhere in your paper.  
Second Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Staff  
Solid editorial pages. Major problem is with length of editorials, columns. I do like the outreach to younger readers through younger columnists.

### Category 26 - BEST FRONT PAGE

First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER, Kim Coleman  
Excellent use of white space, package and package fonts. Strong use of flag promotions. Great photography, art and graphics. Local focus mixed with important national news. Overall clean, inviting look.  
Second Place - KENTUCKY POST, Mark Neikirk  
Strengths include strong local content and eye-pleasing packages. Impressive techniques for breaking up text including graphics, quotes and info boxes. Granting sports a front-page presence when necessary also a plus. Creativity with package headlines also merits applause.  
Third Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER, Staff  
Excellent photography and use of art with packages. Creativity with headline designs, use of color to draw attention both impressive. Busyness of page/graphics, lack of white space occasionally present distractions.



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looks very good. Also a good variety of local business news in Corbin.

### Category 24 - BEST LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - RICHMOND REGISTER, Erin Parsons  
This newspaper stood out from the rest because its pages were colorful and well balanced. The pages were not overly gray with text and utilized solid photography and graphics along with clean well-designed layouts. The stories were interesting to readers as well. It was an easy choice for first place! These entries far and away had the best use of white space.  
Second Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Tom Clinton  
Solid photography and simple, but clean layout earns this newspaper second place. The designer's use of type was fair. Some of the entries were overly gray and could have used more graphic elements or pho-

tos to enhance the design.  
Third Place - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, Kellee Edwards  
Clean design and good photography set this newspaper apart from the non-winners. The use of type was fair, but did not show much creativity. The "Life Today" page header gets lost in the story's headline because it is the same typeface. The text of the stories is also too gray, needing more graphic elements to break it up.

### Category 25 - BEST EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, Tom Clinton  
Well written, not very aggressive however, nice looking page.  
Second Place - WINCHESTER SUN, Staff  
Attractive layout, weak editorials, certain not to offend anyone, but supportive enough to be considered effective.  
Third Place - MAYSVILLE LEDGER INDEPENDENT, Chuck Truesdell  
Nice layout. Weak, non-offensive editorials, no position taken.

### Category 26 - BEST FRONT PAGE

First Place - RICHMOND REGISTER, Staff  
Clean, fresh look of newspaper sets it apart, and local content. Clean and well written. Use of white space is marvelous. There were no incidences where it appears designer was "trying too hard." Local focus, Taggart's photography also a plus.  
Second Place - CORBIN TIMES TRIBUNE, John Whitlock/Kellee Edwards  
Local content, including hard news stories a plus. Package, creativity a plus, although designer occasionally tries too hard. Fantastic job of localizing national stories.  
Third Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER, LaMar Bryan  
Graphics, color boxes, creative and colorful headline fonts all impressive. Local focus comes through strong with stories, hard news.  
Honorable Mention - GLASGOW DAILY TIMES, Staff  
Excellent local content. Readers' voice highly valued. Design sometimes too busy.

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Second Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Les Dixon  
Black and white is nice.  
Third Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Les Dixon  
Honorable Mention - TIE - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Patti M. Clark  
Honorable Mention - TIE - PROVIDENCE JOURNAL ENTERPRISE, Debbie Throgmorton/Charlie Hust

### Category 20 - BEST PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

First Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Les Dixon  
Tough decision.  
Second Place - BEREAL CITIZEN, Scott Powell  
Third Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Les Dixon  
Honorable Mention - TIE - BEREAL CITIZEN, Scott Powell  
Honorable Mention - TIE - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Les Dixon

### Category 21 - BEST GRAPHIC

First Place - BEREAL CITIZEN, Shane Seals/Scott Powell  
Colorful graphic is easy to read and comprehend and supports the information in the story.  
Second Place - BEREAL CITIZEN, Shane Seals/Scott Powell  
Creative way to report election results. I'm not sure they should be this big, but...  
Third Place - JACKSON COUNTY

SUN, Chuck Pearson  
Nice original drawing and appropriate for this publication.

### Category 22 - BEST SPORTS PAGE

First Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Les Dixon  
Easily the best in class. Outstanding design concepts displayed. Excellent photography and uniformly good photos and reproduction qualities. You obviously know your business.  
Second Place - CADIZ RECORD, Scott Brown  
Eye-catching. Good photography. Suggestion: shorten length of stories on page allowing for one and possibly two more.  
Third Place - HENRY COUNTY LOCAL, Melissa Blankenship  
In the line up is a good idea. Nice use of color.

### Category 23 - BEST BUSINESS/AGRI-BUSINESS PAGE

First Place - JACKSON COUNTY SUN, Connie Esh/John Butwell  
Second Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Staff  
Third Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN, Kim Hupman  
Honorable Mention - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS, Melissa Nalley

### Category 24 - BEST LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Jessica Griffin  
Very nice lifestyles pages! Good variety of topics and lots of good photography combined with creative design. This is no doubt many of your readers'

"favorite" page.  
Second Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN, Kim Hupman  
Lots of great community information including staff produced writing and photography combined with reader submitted items.  
Third Place - JACKSON COUNTY SUN, Connie Esh/John Butwell/George Ferrell  
I like all of the photos and I'm sure your readers do too.

### Category 25 - BEST EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Patti M. Clark  
Solid editorial page. I appreciate effort to have editorials and not rely solely on columnists.  
Second Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN, Staff  
Third Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Staff

### Category 26 - BEST FRONT PAGE

First Place - OWENTON NEWS HERALD, Patti M. Clark  
Best of tough category. Lots of competition. Well-written stories, nice layout, strong art.  
Second Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL, Staff  
Strong art, eye catching.  
Third Place - SPENCER MAGNET, Tracy Kitten/Mallory Bowman  
Honorable Mention - TIE - PROVIDENCE JOURNAL ENTERPRISE, Gwen Bolin/Charlie Hust  
Honorable Mention - TIE - HENRY COUNTY LOCAL, Staff

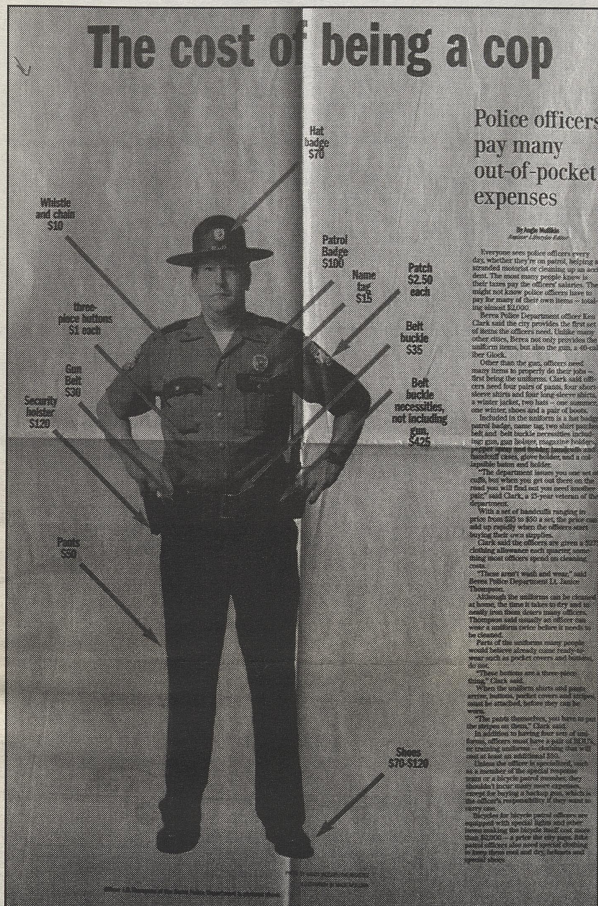
## Daily 2 Continued from page 22

First Place - ASHLAND DAILY INDEPENDENT, John Cannon  
All local editorial pages. Refreshing! Incisive comments. Great array of letters to the editor in all issues. Local column that has spunk. This paper does not have a dull editorial page.  
Second Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Steve Thomas/David Dixon  
Great selection of letters to the editor. "Citizen" column used well and prominently. Jenkins column on writing editorials is very good, informative, insightful and humorous. Changes in layout confusing, I kept searching for local editorial. Overall, a good read.  
Third Place - SOMERSET COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL Jeff Neal  
Layout needs reconstructive surgery, but key elements of this page are strong. Firm, stance-taking editorials, good local columns; letters to editor plentiful. Page on Sam Catron is a classic!  
Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Joe Wilson  
Love the layout use of art and quotes. But "different view" was overdone and layout changes caused judge to hunt to find key editorial page elements.

Category 26 - BEST FRONT PAGE  
First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER, Steve Thomas  
Editor lets pictures design pages for optimum effect. Path of destruction is "best of the best," "down and dirty" is right behind. Excellent local coverage and presentation.  
Second Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS, Ande Dennis  
Stormy Sunday and school's first day were grabbers. Bets overall selection of type styles, headline types of entry. Daily News keep it simple and it works.  
Third Place - SOMERSET COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL, Jeff Neal  
Page one on sheriff's funeral is great treatment/layout of tough local subject. Other entries not as crisp.  
Honorable Mention - DANVILLE ADVOCATE MESSENGER, John Nelson  
Flag is way too big and dominating, but use of pictures and local display create overall pleasing effect.



## The cost of being a cop



### Police officers pay many out-of-pocket expenses

By Angie Mullikin  
Reporter, Louisville Courier-Journal

They're not police officers every day, whether they're in patrol, holding a ceremonial position or cleaning up an accident. The more money people know they have, the more they want. But for many police officers, the money they have is not theirs. It's the money of their own items — including a hat badge, a name tag, a patch, a belt buckle and a gun.

Kevin Fisher, Department Chief of the Clarksville Police Department, said the first set of items that officers must purchase are their uniforms. But also the gun, a 40-caliber Glock.

Other than the gun, officers need many items to properly do their jobs — first before the uniform. Clark said officers need four pairs of pants, four shirts, a winter jacket, two hats — one summer, one winter, shoes and a pair of boots.

Included in the uniform is a hat badge, name tag, name tag, name tag, name tag and belt buckle. In addition, officers need a security holder, a gun, a gun holster, a gun holster, a gun holster and a gun holster.

"The department leaves you out of pocket when you get out there on the street," said Clark, a 25-year veteran of the department.

With a set of handcuffs ranging in price from \$20 to \$50, a set of handcuffs sold up rapidly when the officers were buying their own.

Clark said the officers buy shoes in \$200. Clark said the officers buy shoes in \$200. Clark said the officers buy shoes in \$200.

"The more you get, the more you want," said Kevin Fisher, Department Chief of the Clarksville Police Department. "It's just the way it is."

Although the uniform can be cleaned at home, the items in the uniform are not so easily cleaned. Officers need to wash their uniforms before they wear them to work.

Parts of the uniform may be replaced before they are even worn. For example, a pair of pants may be replaced before they are even worn.

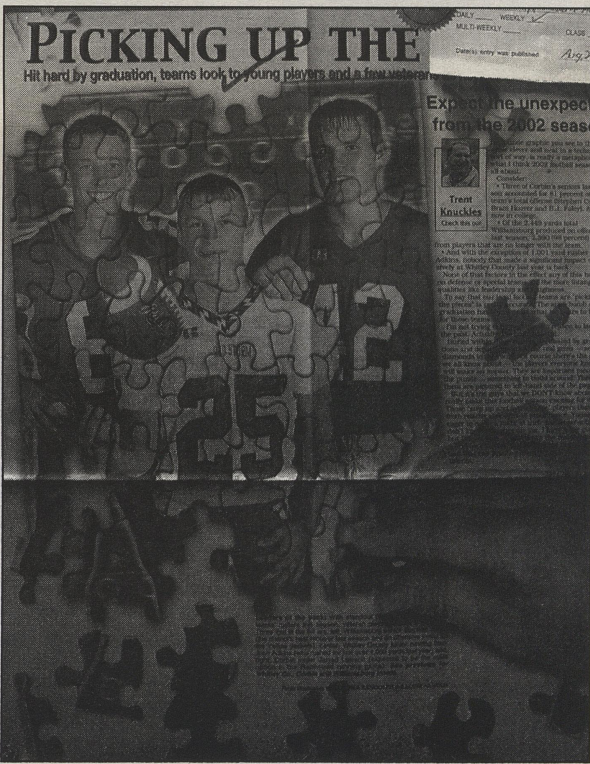
"These uniforms are a three-piece suit," Clark said.

When the uniforms are worn, the pants, shirts, belt, jacket, shoes and boots must be replaced before they can be worn.

"The pants department, you have to put the pants in the dryer," Clark said. "If you don't, they'll shrink and you'll have to buy a new pair of pants."

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Top Left: Nancy Taggart and Angie Mullikin teamed to create this first place photo illustration in the Richmond Register. Top Right: Les Dixon took home first place honors for London-Laurel News Journal with this photo illustration. Bottom Right: Heather Randolph and Eddie Arnold teamed together to create this first place award winning photo illustration for the Corbin News-Journal.



## **General Excellence Winners**

### **Weekly Class 1**

**First Place - FLEMINGSBURG GAZETTE**  
**Second Place - GALLATIN COUNTY NEWS**  
**Third Place - CENTRAL CITY TIMES ARGUS**

### **Weekly Class 2**

**First Place - LAUREL NEWS JOURNAL**  
**Second Place - TIE - LARUE COUNTY HERALD NEWS**  
**Second Place - TIE - OWENTON NEWS HERALD**  
**Third Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN**

### **Weekly Class 3**

**First Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL**  
**Second Place - CORBIN NEWS JOURNAL**  
**Third Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS**

### **Multi-Weekly**

**First Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS EXPRESS**  
**Second Place - BARDSTOWN KENTUCKY STANDARD**  
**Third Place - TIE - GEORGETOWN NEWS GRAPHIC**  
**Third Place - TIE - SHELBYVILLE SENTINEL NEWS**

### **Daily Class 1**

**First Place - FRANKFORT STATE JOURNAL**  
**Second Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER**  
**Third Place - WINCHESTER SUN**

### **Daily Class 2**

**First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER**  
**Second Place - BOWLING GREEN DAILY NEWS**  
**Third Place - ELIZABETHTOWN NEWS ENTERPRISE**

### **Daily Class 3**

**First Place - LEXINGTON HERALD LEADER**  
**Second Place - OWENSBORO MESSENGER INQUIRER**  
**Third Place - KENTUCKY POST**

### **Associate Member Newspapers**

**First Place - COLLEGE HEIGHTS HERALD**  
**Second Place - KENTUCKY KERNEL**  
**Third Place - TIE - MURRAY STATE NEWS**  
**Third Place - TIE - CHEVY CHASER MAGAZINE**