

Maryland, Delaware, D.C. Press Association

2002 Editorial Contest Winners

Division B: Dailies from 30,000 – 75,000

Category	1 st Place	Judges Comments on 1 st Place	2 nd Place
1 B Editorial	Lee Permenter The Frederick News-Post “Breakfast with the Boys”	This editorial pounds on a closed door at the General Assembly, behind which powerful leaders conduct the public's business in private. It conveys a sense of outrage and tells readers why they should be upset, too. It's a fearless call to open up.	Gerald J. Fischman The Capital “Millions Ripped Off While State Pension Watchdogs Napped”
2 B Local Column	Lisa Tedrick Prejean The Herald-Mail “Mothers Add Peace, Order, Kindness to the World”	This is lovely writing. It is tender and humorous at the same time.	Deborah Martin Times-News “We Get Some Totally Awesome Junk E-mail!”
3 B Spot News	Susan C. Nicol, Nancy Luse, Sonia Boin, Eric Slagle, Katie Dunn The Frederick News-Post “Sniper Suspects Caught”	Gripping details and strong overall coverage. Covers a variety of angles on a national story.	Eric Collins The Capital “Boy Dies in Stunt”
4 B General News Story	E.B. Furgurson, III The Capital “Different Kind of Game Night”	Fun read with colorful details. It puts the reader at the table.	Kate Leckie The Frederick News-Post “Detective Works to Keep Sex Offenders Within Law”
5 B Continuing Coverage	Frank Giovinazzi, Steve Miller, Katie Dunn, Laurie Savage, Tom LoBianco, Jessica Valdez, Pamela Rigaux, Andrew Symonds, Eric Slagle, Kate Leckie, Julia Robb The Frederick News-Post “Drought Coverage 2002”	Reporters explored several angles on this topic. Thoroughly covered and well-written.	Candice Bosely, Julie Greene, Andrew Schotz, Kevin Clapp, Kate Coleman, Liz Thompson, Dick Fleming, Lisa Prejean The Herald-Mail “140th Commemoration of the Battle of Antietam”
6 B Series	Ron Snyder, Mike Unger The Capital “Slots: Worth a Gamble?”	Good research and well-detailed stories.	Kevin Clapp The Herald-Mail “Diagnostic Equipment Series”
7 B Investigative Reporting	Andrew Schotz The Herald-Mail “No-fly Zones”	This story is well-written and reported.	Scott Butki The Herald-Mail “Tip Jars Still a Big Business”

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8 B Feature Story	Kate Coleman The Herald-Mail “Family Matters”	Wonderful story about a wonderful family. When you make Santa cry - wow. Nice details throughout show that the reporter got to know the family & spent time with them. And a happy ending too.	Theresa Winslow The Capital “Banded Together”
9 B Local Government	Andrew Schotz The Herald-Mail “Pauper Burials”	Interesting topic told in story fashion sprinkled with interesting details.	Brian Haynes The Capital “City Police, Fire Retirees Struggle to Pay Health Costs”
10 B State Government	Andrew Schotz The Herald-Mail “Group Homes or Institutions?”	Well-written. Attempt to present both sides tells the reader something about the lives of people affected by state regulations.	Tara Reilly The Herald-Mail “Trooper Tally has Dropped in County”
11 B Public Service	Andrew Schotz, Laura Ernde, Scott Butki, Dan Kulin, Tara Reilly, Bob Maginnis The Herald-Mail “Trauma Center”	The paper’s comprehensive coverage kept readers well informed and probably contributed to a resolution.	Kimberly Marselas The Capital “Tracking of Infections Lacking”
12 B General News Photo	Marny Malin The Frederick News-Post “Water Problems”	The photo of Rose Nagle sells this. Very strong!	Mark M. Odell The Capital “Help with a Weighty Matter”
13 B Spot News Photo	Richard T. Meagher The Herald-Mail “Cattle Corralled”	A spot photo captures the right instant, and this one does. The lasso in the air, the man’s tongue sticking out and the steer on the run.	Bill Green The Frederick News-Post “Fire Destroys Home”
14 B Feature Photo	Ric Dugan The Herald-Mail “Window on Patriotism”	Terrific picture. It takes a photographer with a keen eye and good skills to capture this optical illusion.	G. Nick Lundskow The Capital “Sunset on Spa Creek”
15 B Photo Series	Kevin Gilbert, Rick Meagher, Ric Dugan, Joe Crocetta, Yvette May The Herald-Mail “Antietam 140th Commemoration”	Great team work.	Marny Malin The Frederick News-Post “Water Lily Wonderland”
16 B Sports Photo	Marny Malin The Frederick News-Post “Bull Riding/Rodeo”	This is a scary photo capturing a bull rider about to be thrown. The technicals are all there. Every clod of dirt, the bull’s saliva and the expression on man and beast are perfectly in focus.	Richard T. Meagher The Herald-Mail “Keeper Hits the Ground”
17 B Sports Story	Theresa Winslow The Capital “The Winter What?”	Funny and interesting story. Interesting twist to a story about the Winter Olympics.	Stan Goldberg The Frederick News-Post “Fifty-mile Warrior”
18 B Sports Feature Story	Susan Guynn The Frederick News-Post “Cowboy Action Shooting: It’s the Most Fun a Cowboy Can Have, Pardner!”	This writer did a tremendous job in bringing the reader into the story and capturing the complete flavor of the subject. Great writing and great reporting.	Theresa Winslow The Capital “Kendo”

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19 B Sports Column	Andrew Mason The Herald-Mail “What Makes a Legend?”	Sometimes it’s a columnist’s job to tell stories no one wants to be told for any number of reasons. That’s the case here. Telling us about a guy who just wanted to coach but was so much more.	Joshua R. Smith The Frederick News-Post “My Skills are Going, Going…”
20 B Editorial Cartoon	Rob Rock The Herald-Mail “The Lord of the Raise”	Very good parody of the Lord of the Rings.	Eric Smith The Capital “Is That the Governor?”
21 B Business/Economic	Ron Snyder, Elizabeth Leight The Capital “Worth the Gamble”	Examines some of the big issues surrounding the \$117 million purchase of two Maryland racetracks and the deal’s potential economic impact.	Andrew Schotz, Andrea Brown-Hurley The Herald-Mail “The Business of Sex”
22 B Medical/Science	Kevin Clapp, Chris Copley The Herald-Mail “A Matter of Life”	This is an excellent, well researched overview of the potential and the politics associated with stem cell research.	Theresa Winslow The Capital “Truthful & Tasteful”
23 B Religion	Karen Gardner The Frederick News-Post “Meeting God Behind Bars”	Effective, consistent description brings reader inside prison. Reporter does not shy away from the spiritual.	James Rada Times-News “Changing Lives”
24 B Education	Pepper Ballard The Herald-Mail “Latin: The Dead Language Hangs on in Tri-State Classes”	Students have a story to tell and this well-researched story tells all this in a different language. One that just might make kids want to try something different.	James Rada Times-News “Read All About it: County Students Need Textbooks”
25 B Special Sections	Staff Times-News “Remembering 9/11 One Year Later”	Excellent section packed with good stories, and good, if not great, photo editing. Elegant design. Comprehensive packaging.	The Herald-Mail Staff The Herald-Mail “Welcome to Washington County”
26 B Headlines	Joel Huffer The Herald-Mail “Fuel from the Fryer”	Good play on words that doesn’t strain to make the point and fits the story well.	Bob Fleenor The Herald-Mail “Steer Elegance”
27 B Page 1 Design	Lisa Tedrick Prejean The Herald-Mail “May 26, 2002”	Well balanced, good control of headlines. My eye knew exactly where to go.	Barbara Rasmussen The Capital “May 25, 2002”
28 B Feature/News Page Design	Sandy Ward The Capital “September 27, 2002”	Elegant, clear.	Lisa Tedrick Prejean The Herald-Mail “September 15, 2002”
29 B Sports Page Design	Gerry Jackson The Capital “May 19, 2002”	Great use of photos. Clean layout that draws the reader to the headlines.	Ryan Harpster The Herald-Mail “August 29, 2002”

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30 B Informational Graphics/General	Ryan Harpster The Herald-Mail “Re-enactment Map”	Good font choice. Nice color pallet.	
31 B Informational Graphics/Sports	No Contest		
32 B Art or Illustration	Kim Bain The Herald-Mail “Berkeley Springs International Water Tasting”	Simple, effective and well-executed design sets this entry apart.	William P. Sears, II Times-News “2002 College & Pro Football Preview”