Maryland, Delaware, D.C. Press Association

2005 Editorial Contest Winners

Division C: Dailies under 30,000

1C **Editorial**	
1st	**Susan Parker** – The Daily Times "Freedom vs. Responsibility" *Comments: An excellent summary and assessment of a new media technology in a well-written piece.*
2nd	**Denise Riley** – The Star Democrat "Will Talbot Lead the Way, or Miss the Boat?"
2C **Local Column**	
1st	**Barbara Sauers** – The Star Democrat "But They Will Survive" *Comments: Barbara does a wonderful job relating her own Johnstown flood experience to the current situation. Compelling piece.*
2nd	**Greg Bassett** – The Daily Times "Close-up View of Justice System"
3C **Spot News**	
1st	**Ben Penserga** – The Daily Times "6 Shot in Bi-State Rampage" *Comments: Big news covered in a big way. Nice, solid work.*
2nd	**Cheryl Mattix, Ari Natter** – Cecil Whig "Just Can't Wait - Gamers Line up for Xbox 360"
4C **General News Story**	
1st	**Staff** – Cecil Whig "Maryland Horse Park/Fair Hill Proposal Splits County" *Comments: An example of what newspapers can offer that television and radio cannot – presentation of a subject of widespread public interest clearly and detailed.*
2nd	**Chris Amos** – Carroll County Times "You Can Run, But You Can't Hide"
5C **Enterprise News Story**	
1st	**Chris Amos** – Carroll County Times "ATVs: Hobby or Nuisance" *Comments: A balanced look at the dilemmas ATV riders present.*
2nd	**John Westerman** – Carroll County Times "Complexity of Healthcare Options"
6C **Continuing Coverage**	
1st	**Carl Hamilton, Mike Spector, Turner Brinton** – Cecil Whig "Woman Dies in Homemade Prison" *Comments: Writers followed the twists and turns of a tragic story with tenacity and clarity, being fair while satisfying the need to keep the public informed.*
2nd	**Joe Rogalsky, Drew Volturo** – Delaware State News "Department of Transportation Pornography"

7C **Series**	
1st	**Kim Mitchell** – The Daily Times "With Dead, Lesioned Fish, a Mystery Began" *Comments: Thorough, layered report looking back and ahead at a key environmental issue. Well-told through experts and real people.*
2nd	**News Staff** – Cecil Whig "Special Report: Courthouse Security, A Collective Anxiety"
8C **Investigative Reporting**	
1st	**Robert Brodsky** – Carroll County Times "Fighting Online Sex Predators" *Comments: The reporting and writing are excellent.*
9C **Feature Story**	
1st	**Jordan Bartel** – Carroll County Times "Everyone Needs Christmas" *Comments: The writer places the reader right in jail. It's easy to feel the sadness and hopelessness of the inmates. Very colorful.*
2nd	**Brice Stump** – The Daily Times "So Long, Oxfords"
10C **Local Government**	
1st	**Ann W. Parks** – The Daily Record "Close to Home - And Out of Court" *Comments: Detailed, thorough read about what seems like an all-too-common problem and attempts to solve the disputes.*
2nd	**Monique Lewis** – The Daily Times "Who's Behind the Candidates?"
11C **State Government**	
1st	**Ann W. Parks** – The Daily Record "One Dad's Dilemma" *Comments: A good look at whose interests are really being served by the child support system.*
2nd	**Jen DeGregorio** – The Daily Record "Hands Off"
12C **Public Service**	
1st	**Kathleen Jarboe** – The Daily Record "Scammed Out of House and Home" *Comments: Strong, persistant reporting showed readers a growing scam involving the so-called mortgage foreclosure rescue business in Maryland.*
2nd	**Jenny Maher** – Delaware State News "Fight of Her Life"
13C **General News Photo**	
1st	**Dylan Slagle** – Carroll County Times "Take Your Medicine" *Comments: Quickly tells the story.*
2nd	**Todd Dudek** – The Daily Times "More Than a Youth Director"

14C **Spot News Photo**	
1st	**Todd Dudek** – The Daily Times "3 Firefighters Injured in Blaze" *Comments: A strong image. Good timing.*
2nd	**Erin Fluharty** – The Star Democrat "McDaniel House Burns"
15C **Feature Photo**	
1st	**Chris Polk** – The Star Democrat "By the Light of the Silvery Moon" *Comments: Nice timing on a tough shot.*
2nd	**Ken Koons** – Carroll County Times "Looking for Ladybugs"
16C **Photo Series**	
1st	**Maximilian K. Franz** – The Daily Record "Changing Season on the Bay" *Comments: Nice grouping of photos. Good use of angles and light.*
2nd	**Chris Ammann** – Carroll County Times "Battle of the Beast"
17C **Sports Photo**	
1st	**Chris Ammann** – Carroll County Times "Oh so Close. . ." *Comments: Good emotion. A nice moment.*
2nd	**Joey Gardner** – The Daily Times "The Long Walk"
18C **Sports Story**	
1st	**Chris Gasiewski** – Delaware State News "DSU Going to Big Dance" *Comments: Writer deftly turns a game story into a compelling account about the team.*
2nd	**Bob Blubaugh** – Carroll County Times "Ripken Speaks of Black Cloud Over Baseball"
19C **Sports Feature Story**	
1st	**Bob Blubaugh** – Carroll County Times "Challenge Accepted" *Comments: Good descriptive words. Made the reader feel the pain of the athlete.*
2nd	**William Haufe** – The Star Democrat "Hurley, A Giant in so Many Ways"
20C **Sports Column**	
1st	**Bob Blubaugh** – Carroll County Times "It's Not About the $$$" *Comments: It made me laugh and made its point clearly.*
2nd	**Patrick Stoetzer** – Carroll County Times "One Great Face for Radio"

21C **Editorial Cartoon**	
1st	**Erick Sahler** – The Daily Times "Purple States" *Comments: Well-conceived cartoon on a topical issue. Does what a cartoon should do – let's us look at the absurdity of labeling with humor.*
2nd	**Chris Saghy** – Carroll County Times "Bingo Bust"
22C **Business/Economic**	
1st	**Scott Goss, Carl Hamilton** – Cecil Whig "Elkton's Blight" *Comments: Congratulations for highlighting and encouraging the often-frsutrating work of local activists trying to improve their community.*
2nd	**Mark Costello, Gwenn Garland** – The Daily Times "What About Bob - and his Job?"
23C **Medical/Science**	
1st	**Daniel Ostrovsky** – The Daily Record "Outing Hospital-Borne Outbreaks" *Comments: Solid reporting on an important topic.*
2nd	**Jenny Maher** – Delaware State News "Transplant Patients Get Scare"
24C **Religion**	
1st	**Diane Reynolds** – Carroll County Times "Forging New Paths to Follow Christ" *Comments: Ms. Reynolds looks at just about every angle to the search by some Christians for a faith community that's meaningful to them.*
2nd	**Mary Bargion** – The Daily Times "Just a Regular Guy"
25C **Education**	
1st	**Elizabeth Redden** – Delaware State News "Mother Bids to Keep Son's Nurse" *Comments: Excellent job of getting through the emotions by presenting the facts.*
2nd	**Anna L. Mallory** – Carroll County Times "Overcoming the Language Barrier"
26C **Environment**	
1st	**Carrie Ann Knauer** – Carroll County Times "Saving the Bay Starts Here" *Comments: A thorough look at a major environmental (and economical) issue for this paper and its readers.*
2nd	**Cheryl Mattix** – Cecil Whig "Demeaning, Degrading and Dismissive"
27C **Arts/Entertainment**	
1st	**Vicki Fisher, Sarah Ensor Pearce** – The Star Democrat "Arts Thrive on Mid-Shore" *Comments: Goes further than spotlighting the variety of arts thriving in the newspaper's coverage area by reporting on the impact of the arts on the region.*
2nd	**Katy Ciamaricone** – Cecil Whig "Elk Auction/10 Things to do with Your Elk"

28C **Growth & Development**	
1st	**Staff** – Carroll County Times "Calling Carroll Home" *Comments: Extremely well-organized by subject matter for each day of series. Wide readership appeal from first-time homeowners to long-time residents.*
2nd	**Tristan Schweiger, Erick Sahler** – The Daily Times "Route 13 Development Presses Farther North"
29C **Special Section**	
1st	**Staff** – The Daily Times "Frank Perdue Remembered" *Comments: What a wonderful presentation. Just a complete and enjoyable publication.*
2nd	**Staff** – The Daily Record "Be What I Want to Be"
30C **Headline**	
1st	**Laura Benedict** – The Daily Times "Making a Foal Recovery" *Comments: Clever word play sets this headline apart. Plus, it still makes perfect sense even it you don't get the pun.*
2nd	**Laura Randisi** – Carroll County Times "Egg-Cellent Fund-raiser"
31C **Page 1 Design**	
1st	**Jennifer Rickard** – The Daily Times "6 Shot in Bi-State Rampage" *Comments: A well-designed, info-packed page which was obviously produced on a tight deadline.*
2nd	**Laura Benedict, Erick Sahler** – The Daily Times "Bombs Away"
32C **Feature/News Page Design**	
1st	**Dawn Robson** – The Daily Times "Gone Fishing" *Comments: Lots of information, yet still enough room for an extra-large image that sets the scene.*
2nd	**Laura Benedict** – The Daily Times "Shark Tale"
33C **Sports Page Design**	
1st	**Brent Addleman** – Carroll County Times "Oh So Close. . ." *Comments: Uses a dramatic photo to its full potential.*
2nd	**Bob Blubaugh** – Carroll County Times "Championship Saturday"
34C **Informational Graphics**	
1st	**Robin Allen** – The Daily Record "More Money, Fewer Targets" *Comments: Loved the dartboard concept and attention to detail. Eye-catching red/blue colors pop off the page.*
2nd	**Art Department** – The Daily Record "What Does it Cost to Live?"

35C **Art or Illustration**	
1st	**David S. Miller, Maximilian K. Franz** – The Daily Record "Taking Control of TV" *Comments: A simple idea with super execution.*
2nd	**Robin Allen** – The Daily Record "Streaming Audio, Spreading 'The Word'"