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citations, were handed out during the
summer convention at the Drawbridge
Inn in Ft. Mitchell.

## Candidates: Ad dollars and open meetings laws

There were no philosophical surprises, but gubernatorial candidates Larry Hopkins and Brereton Jones both made statements their audience wanted to hear during KPA's annual summer convention June 22 in Ft. Mitchell.

In response to a publisher's concern, Jones said he plans to use newspapers to advertise his fall campaign. "I think we ought to get back to the press," the Democratic nominee said. "... it's a better investment (than TV) and a smart way to run a campaign."

Asked a similar question, Hopkins said he would leave decisions on where to spend advertising money "to those people who best know where to spend it"

Hopkins, however, did say he intends to "reinstitute the custom" of delivering a state of the state address at KPA's winter conventions if he's elected governor in November.

The Republican candidate also said he fully supports open meetings and open records legislation and is in favor of opening parole board hear-

ings.

Taking note of Jones' statements, KPA advertising director Gloria Davis cornered the candidate's campaign advisor, Steve Miller, directly after the Saturday morning session. She made plans to meet with Miller to discuss an advertising package for KPA papers.

Watch for the August edition of The Kentucky Press for more complete coverage of the 1991 summer convention, including tips on improving content and revenue and, perhaps, some rather revealing photos of conventioneers. Scores were close in many instances, but eight papers emerged as number one in their circulation category, based on the individual awards they earned.

### Seeing red

This edition of The Kentucky Press features a 20-page, redletter tabloid on winners of the 1991 Better Newspaper Contest with a sampler of top entries. (Yes, it's really there this time.) Congratulations to the winners.

The Louisville Defender took top honors among Weekly Class I newspapers (3,000 or less circulation). Judges liked its clean look, its use of pictures, its promotions — just about everything about the Louisville paper.

Also in Weekly Class I, second and third place honors in General Excellence resulted in ties. The Times-Argus in Central City and The Fulton Leader shared second place, followed by the Bath County News-Outlook and

### Want to save on postage?

### **Read this**

In a time when newspapers are looking to cut expenses, one suggestion would be to look at the number of statements you're sending to the Kentucky Press Service for advertising placed in your newspaper.

It's not unusual for KPS to get 10,

It's not unusual for KPS to get 10, 15, even 20 envelopes from the same newspaper on the same day. And each envelope contains a separate advertising statement.

advertising statement.

All advertising statements end up at KPS on one desk. So save yourself some money and combline your KPS advertising statements into one envelope.

It may not be the biggest costsaving step you'll make this year, but It helps. And with a lot of little costsaving steps, your newspaper's bottom line can look much better. McLean County News, which tied for third.

Weekly Class II (3,001-4,700 circulation) saw *The Bourbon Times* as winner for first place in General Excellence. Judges were impressed with the paper in every photo category.

Taking second place in the same class was *The Springfield Sun*, and third place went to *The Troublesome Creek Times* in Hindman.

Among Weekly Class II entries (4,701+ circulation), competition was keen, but *The Anderson News* in Lawrenceburg was pick of the crop for General Excellence. Judges particularly liked its agriculture and business pages and special sections.

The Oldham Era in LaGrange earned second place ranking in the same category, followed by The Paintsville Herald, third.

The Sentinel-News in Shelbyville pulled out a first place for General Excellence among Multi-Weeklies. Evaluators had high praise for its courage in promotion of Freedom of Information and its news coverage.

Running a very close second in the Multi-Weekly Class was The Kentucky Standard in Bardstown. The Central Kentucky News-Journal ranked

A tie in individual award points resulted in two first place winners for General Excellence in Daily Class I (10,000 or less circulation): The Middlesboro Daily News and The Winchester Sun.

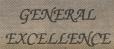
The Richmond Register took second place in that category, followed by the Somerset Commonwealth-Journal, third.

The Gleaner in Henderson was the front runner for General Excellence among Daily Class II entries (10,001-25,000 circulation). It won an award in 14 of 15 entry categories.

Second place was owned by *The News-Enterprise* in Elizabethtown and third by *The Advocate-Messenger* in Danville.

In almost fierce four-way competition among Daily Class III papers (25,000+ circulation), *The Messenger-Inquirer* in Owensboro wrested the first place trophy for General Excelence. Judges liked both the look and the content.

The Lexington Herald-Leader and The Kentucky Post in Covington tied for second place honors, and The Daily See Better, page 8.



1991 Better Newspaper Contest

Weekly I Louisville Defender Central City Times-Argus O Fulton Leader Both County News-Outlook

Weekly II Bourbon Times Springfield Sun Troublesome Creek Times

> Weekly III Anderson News Oldham Era Pointsville Herald

Multi-Weekly Shelbyville Sentinel-News Kentucky Standard Central Kentucky News-Journal

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country have been criticized lately by media experts for not promoting themselves to readers and advertisers. **KPA** and Kentucky newspapers are trying to respond with a blitz of quarter-page house ads that tout the advantages of print over other media. Using the positive results of The Preston Group's 1991 survey of shopping habits, KPA has furnished ad slicks to members. The ads capitalize on the staying power of newspapers and the effectiveness of newspaper ads. "Newspaper advertising - It doesn't stop with a flick of a button" is the theme of the campaign which goes head to head with broadcast media advertising. Each ad emphasizes that newspaper ads are not easily turned off (or tuned out) and that newspapers offer tangible results.





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In this and future issues, The Kentucky Press will run a sampling from the 1991 Better Newspaper Contest's award-winning photo pages. Special thanks to those editors and photographers who submitted their winners.



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## Go ahead, you can do it yourself

By Tim Ballard The Kentucky Standard

How much do school employees and local government workers make?

What companies get paid for doing what kind of work for the local schools and

local governments? What did Nelson Fiscal Court or a local school board vote to do at its last

How much do public officials get paid for attending meetings and taking care of the public's business?

### Kentucky Views

Editorials from across the commonwealth

If you've ever wondered about those things but figured you'd never find out, the Commonwealth of Kentucky has a solution for you.

It's called the open records law. It means public agencies have to let people have access to records.

Lots of people think the law was written for the benefit of newspapers and broadcast media.

Not so. The law was written for the benefit of the general public, so the public can keep track of what its representatives

Of course, the media make use of the law more often than the general public. That makes sense, because the public generally relies on the media to publish such information.

But remember: the open records law was written for YOUR benefit.

If you want to find out the answers to questions like those above — or to similar questions — all you have to do is go to the agency in question and ask.

The agency can't tell you that you can't see the records unless the agency gives you a specific reason. And those reasons are limited to:

• Documents containing personal infor-mation that, if released, would invade another person's privacy. (Asking for the salaries of people on the public payroll does not constitute invasion of privacy.)

· Confidential business information or trade secrets

• Records relating to the proposed location of a business or industry, until some public disclosure or announcement is made. This doesn't apply to documents pertaining to

permits, such as you can find at the Joint City-County Planning Commission offices.

Contents of real estate appraisals or en-gineering studies made by a public agency

prior to the acquisition of property.

• Documents relating to a test or examination that is to be given again

• Records of enforcement investigations if the case is still pending and premature disclosure would interfere with the public agency's

• Preliminary drafts and notes, and preliminary correspondence with private persons, not indicative of final public agency action. • Preliminary recommendations and pre-

liminary memos in which opinions are expressed or policies formulated or recommended

• Any documents required to be kept se-cret by other state or federal law. This would include adoption proceedings, mental health hearings, juvenile court records and the like.

And get this: If part of the document is exempt from inspection and part is not, the agency is required to separate the exempt portion and provide you with the public portion of the document.

The public agency can also deny access to records if your request calls for an unreasonable amount of work to produce lots of records or if the agency believes you're making repeated requests to disrupt the normal business of the agency.

But the agency must be able to show by clear and convincing evidence that ei-ther of those reasons is the grounds for

denying you access.

What if you ask and you don't get

Put it in writing.
Address it to the person who has custody of the records you want.

List clearly exactly what documents or information you want.

Include the following sentences: Un-der the provisions of the Kentucky Open Records Law, KRS 61.870, this request must be answered in writing within three (3) working days. Specific reasons in writing must be given for denying access.

Remember that agencies can charge you a reasonable fee for making copies.

That's why we always add a line asking the agency to contact us if the cost of copies is going to be more than \$25. I'd suggest you do that, too, if you write a letter.

If you still don't get satisfaction and you believe you were denied access without reason, you appeal to the attorney general's office in Frankfort.

To do that, you write that you are appealing a denial of access to public ords. Include a copy of your letter to the agency and a copy of the agency's letter denying you access.

### Access rights unquestionable

The Paducah Sun

McCracken County Sheriff Howard Walker's questioning of the public's right to see public records is thoroughly misguided. One who has worked with such records as long as he has knows better.

The sheriff made his remarks in connection with reports of a 1990 exchange between his chief deputy and a 911 dispatcher. Logs written by the dispatcher and personnel at Kentucky State Police at Mayfield pertaining to the incident were obtained by *The Paducah Sun*.

Sheriff Walker on Thursday night asked, "Who had the right to give those to The Paducah Sun?"

The answer is that the custodian of the records had every right, indeed the obli gation, to give them to the Sun, or for that matter to any member of the public. Open records laws, it must be pointed

out, are not written for the convenience or public, whose interest the sheriff is sworn

Sheriff Walker's desire to support his own personnel during a time of criticism is understandable, but he should not allow his defensiveness to drive him far afield

When the sheriff says his department is trying to figure out who asked the question that got the current controversy started, he sounds as though he is less concerned about the incident than the fact the public found out about it.

Sheriff Walker should redirect the focus of his investigation.

## It's your right

By Susan Allen

Floyd County Times
First Amendment Rights guarantee freedom of speech. Well, they're supposed to. But, it appears some would have you believe that doesn't apply in Floyd County.

Citizens have the right to question any public servant about funds spent, sions made and their reasoning behind making these decisions. Citizens have the right to receive honest, accurate answers to their questions.

Citizens are not expected to be ridiculed, embarrassed and perhaps lied to when asking where and to whom

their money is going.
The right to ask goes hand-in-hand

with the right also to look.
State and federal law provides citizens the right to inspect any public record that a public agency has in its possession, provided that the request is not unreasonable; involves thousands and thousands of documents, or that records are determined not to be public under the law

Some public agencies in Floyd County appear to make it as difficult as humanly possible for people to inspect

Payroll records, reimbursements, bid documents, travel expenses and a host of other documents are considered public records according to the law.

If inspection of public records is

denied, a letter must be submitted to the person making the request and to the state attorney general's office stating why access was denied.

Citizens have the right to appeal the denial through the attorney general.

Inspection of documents can be made during normal business hours of that

It's your right to know, if you're interested. It's the public official's duty to allow you to inspect the public documents. It's your duty to complain to the attorney general if a public agency denies access to records without proper justification in accordance with state

Whose government is it and whose money is being spent?

## A newspaperman will be missed by his community

Whenever a community loses a newspaperman or woman, it loses a piece of its soul. It loses a voice. It loses fierce, but fair, independent thinking. It loses its representative in the fourth branch of government, or the "fourth estate" — Edmund Burke's expression coined a long time ago.

Larry Brannon, the long-time Bourbon County publisher, was always a part of that tradition which had that a free and open society needs more than the executive, the congressional and the judicial branches of government. The system cries out for someone to stand outside and look and listen in, while at the same time, remembering that journalism is also a part of the community it attempts

I went to lunch one day several years ago and asked Larry if he'd consider selling his newspaper. He wasn't interested. I admired him for his determination. After I became publisher of *The Bourbon Times*, I respected Larry even more for his indomitable spirit as a competitor. He He accepted the responsibilities that went with the torch passed to him by his father.

didn't know what the word "quit" meant.

There's no use pretending that Larry and I were buddies when we weren't fighting deadlines. And, I've no right to try to speak for him, but we probably were both believers not only in ourselves, but also in the profession to which we had decided to cast our lot.

Larry was a newspaperman long before I took it up. was a newspaperman long before I'd thought about broadcasting as a legitimate medium for news. I resigned as publisher of *The Bourbon Times* last year in order to devote virtually all of my time as a journalism educator. In fact, Larry studied journalism at the University of Kentucky, and I didn't. When I was a student, I was trying to find myself in the English Department.

Larry Brannon was one of those graduates of the UK School of Journalism who went out into the real world and continued a family tradition of newspapering. He accepted the responsibilities that went with the torch passed to him

Larry saw competitors come and go. As George Wallace used to say, he just kept on keeping on. There are few who would have kept on with as many personal challenges, especially the medical ones in the latter years of his life. Many would have found it too much to bear.

Last week, when Bourbon County witnessed the ssing of Larry Brannon, it lost another friend who cared about his community.

May there be more graduates of the University of Kentucky who care enough about their communities to

spend their lives playing the part of the messenger.

There is much work left to be done. It's important work. Without journalists, there is no fourth estate, there's nobody who will keep an independent eye and ear on the

people's business.

Thank you, Mr. Brannon, for your years of service to

### Items

### Tough times selling

International Newspaper Advertising and Marketing Executives has set its mid-year sales conference and workshops for July 21-24 in Monterey, Cal. The theme is "Selling Newspaper Advertising in Tough Times," featuring speakers from the retail industry, experts on newspaper advertising and alternative distribution. Call INAME at 703/648-1168.

### Recycling tab on tap

Ideas for Issues Inc. in Baltimore is offering the elements for producing local tabloid inserts about paper recy cling. The company provides copy, graphics and national advertising for a 12- to 20-page tab to be printed and inserted locally. Publishers can select from four publication dates, beginning with September 1991. For more information, contact Don Akchin, 301/

### Need a kiddie tab?

McDonald County Newspapers in Missouri publishes — and offers for sale to other papers - a monthly, twocolor, 12-page tabloid for young readers. Pippintoe Press@is sent camera-ready with space left for papers to sell their own advertising. Purchasing papers print and insert the tabloid, which the sponsor says is being used by several teachers as a classroom learning tool. For an information packet, contact Roark Rickett, McDonald County Newspapers, Central Plant, Highway 71 at EE Junction, Pineville, MO 64856; or call 417/223-

### When they don't

### love you anymore

Why do subscribers cancel your paper? A Stauffer Communications survey lists three primary reasons: (1) They move from the area. (2) They dislike something about the paper. (3) They believe the price is too high. Stauffer circulation coordinator Keith Wood advises newspapers to contact every customer who cancels a subscription. "The goal should be a 100 percent contact rate, never assuming a loss, even on moves or seasonal stops, Wood says. Stauffer newspapers use a software program to track subscribers and non-subscribers.
Access to crash sites

### is on SPJ agenda

The Society of Professional Jour-nalists is asking the National Transportation Safety Board to re-examine its policies on media access and the use of press pools. The request comes in the wake of difficulty reporters had in covering the Feb. 1 air crash at Los Angeles International Airport. The organization contends that NTSB too tightly controlled media access to the crash site through "poorly organized and poorly operated" press pools.

### 2 bits, 4 bits.

paper prices rise The prevailing price for a daily paper nationally is now 35 cents; \$1 on Sunday. That's the word from American Newspaper Publishers Association, which recently released results of its annual survey of prices. According to the 1990 figures, three Kentucky dailies still charged 25 cents for a weekday paper; 16 charged 35 cents, and 4 sold for 50 cents. For single copies of the Sunday paper, five Kentucky publishers set the price at 75 cents; four at \$1, and two at \$1.25. (In 1991, there have already been changes.) Predominant prices in the southern region, of which Kentucky is a part, remain at 25 cents for a daily and 75

cents for Sunday, according to SNPA.

### NNA to convene in Little Rock

The annual convention of the National Newspaper Association will be hosted by Arkansas Press Association, Sept. 25-28 in Little Rock. The bottom line will be the focus of this year's sessions. Topics include building a client base, working with contracted personnel, creative selling, competing with mass merchandisers, using computer databases in reporting, and strategic planning. NNA promises its largest trade show ever, dinner in the state capitol and a sidetrip to rice and cotton farms. A post-convention tour of the Ozarks is also on tap. For information, contact NNA, Suite 400, 1627 KSt. NW, Washington, DC 20006; phone 202/466-7200



Poetry in motion -The Fulton Leader won a first place award in the KPA Better Newspaper Contest for capturing the dramatic choreography of these young ball players.

### Criticism, features subject of seminar

The arts will be the focus of a seminar for media critics and feature writers, Aug. 1-4 in Daytona Beach, under aegis of Southern Newspaper Publishers Association Foundation, Daytona Beach News-Journal and Florida International Festival. In addition to sessions on covering the arts and support of the arts, participants will be entertained by the London Symphony Orchestra and other renown groups. Cost is \$200 for SNPA members, \$300 for non-members. To see if there's any space left, call SNPA at 404/256-0444

### Fair exchange

KPA executive director David Thompson has sent invitations for journalism faculty members at the state universities to get some down-anddirty, practical experience this sum-

In a May 24 letter to department chairpersons, Thompson told of the "summer employment" opportunity that would allow faculty to substitute for vacationing community newspaper personnel.

"Community newspaper publishers seldom have the opportunity to take vacations - small staff, lots to do, no time, worried things won't go right," Thompson said.

One of the newer member services of KPA, he said, is trying to find parttime summer replacements for publishers, editors and general managers. Thompson said he would keep a roster of available faculty and make it

known to the papers.
"I can't think of better summer help than those who are teaching our journalists of tomorrow," he said. "It not only gets them away from the classroom and university setting, but it also gives them hands-on experi-

### ANPA stats reflect status of dailies

Washington — More US adults than ever before are reading Sunday newspapers. In 1990, more than 121 million of them, 67 percent of all US adults, read a newspaper on an average weekend.

Sunday newspapers increased to 865 in number and 62.4 million in circulation, an increase of 18 newspapers and more than 400,000 in circulation.

More that 113 million US adults, 62.4 percent of the total, read a daily newspaper on an average weekday.

Daily newspapers remain the nation's largest advertising medium with 25 percent of all 1990 US advertising expenditures.

Advertising expenditures in daily newspapers were more than \$32 billion, \$4 billion more than all television services combined.

These and other statistical highlights of the newspaper business in 1990, compared with previous years, are contained in "Facts About Newspapers '91," an annual statistical summary compiled by the American Newspaper Publishers Association as a service to the newspaper business

and to the public.
Other 1990 highlights include:

· Circulation of the 1,611 US daily

newspapers remained at more than 62 million

• The number of US dailies with circulation more than 50,000 increased by 18 to a total of 282.

· Canadian daily newspapers totaled 108 in number with circulation of 5.8 million.

· About 6 million tons of newspapers were recycled into newsprint and other products in the United States in 1990, almost 500,000 tons more than in 1989. More than 2 million tons of newspapers were recycled into newsprint.

### Legalese

Recent legal issues involving Kentucky newspapers:

The Kentucky Coalition Against Rapeand Sexual Assaultplans to study the prospect of sponsoring legislation that would make it illegal to publish the names of rape victims. At least one state, Florida, bars publication of victims' names, according to a report in The Courier-Journal, the only Kentucky paper that opted to publish the name of alleged victim in the William Kennedy Smith case.

The Kentucky Court of Appeals denied a request by three Kentucky papers to lift a gag order on attorneys and court personnel involved in a Shelbyville case. The Sentinel-News, Lexington Herald-Leader and Courier-Journal brought the petition. The appellate court said discussion could be restrained when there "exists a reasonable likelihood that pre-trial publicity will prejudice a fair trial."

• The Kentucky Standard in Bardstown is challenging the Nelson County School Superintendent for possibly violating the state's open meetings law. The superintendent apparently sought board members' opinions on salary increases during private meetings of less than a quorum. The school executive contended that since a decision on the increases was made in public the private questioning was legal.

• The News-Enterprise in Elizabethtown has sought the attorney general's opinion on whether Hardin County Schools Superintendent has the right to refuse public access to financial documents. The school executive claims the records constitute preliminary, not final, reports.

REMINDER: School site based management committees, part of the Kentucky Education Reform Act, are open meetings under the law. More and more schools are forming these and need to be aware of the open meetings requirement.

### If you think it's bad here ...

<sup>o</sup>The Wall Street Journal lost a \$2.25 million libel suit in Cook County (III.) Circuit Court in May for a 15-year-old story. Former business executive Robert A. Crinkley was awarded \$871,000 for lost earnings, \$1 million for damage to his reputation and \$354,000 for "personal humiliation," according to Editor and Publisher.

<sup>o</sup>The president and general manager of the Tampa Tribune was the subject of a critical editorial in his own paper, following the editors' discovery that the boss had not informed them of a police investigation of an alleged rape at the executive's house. The editorial accused James Urbanski and several top city officials of attempting

to cover up the investigation, which Tribune editors found out about from a television news report.

°Four of California's largest newspaper organizations have banded together to hire a lobbyist to fight proposed state legislation that would impose new taxes on newspapers and a disposal fee on newsprint purchases. The concerted effort is in addition to the general lobbying provided by California Newspaper Publishers Association and is funded by the Los Angeles Times, San Francisco Chronicle, McClatchy Newspapers and Copley Newspapers.

<sup>o</sup>If you're a reporter working on a sensitive investigative piece, don't discuss it with your spouse. That's the crux of a recent Washington, DC, case in which a judge ordered the husband of a reporter to testify about the identity of one of her sources. DC Superior Court Judge Richard A. Levie said reporters who talk about their sources to other people jeopardize source confidentiality. He set aside the ban on one spouse testifying against the other in his ruling involving Washington Post reporter Linda Wheeler.

A majority of the public believes that media who disclosed the name of the alleged victim in the infamous Palm Beach rape case did so for the money.

In a survey by Times Mirror Center for the People & the Press, 80 percent of those surveyed said they thought releasing the woman's name was commercially motivated. About 70 percent disapproved of publishing or airing the alleged victim's name, and 45 percent said the story had been overcovered.

### You're invited . . .

Kentucky Press Association members have been invited to join members of the Kansas Press Association on a fact-finding mission to Eastern Europe, Sept. 10-21.

Purpose of the trip, sponsored by the other KPA, is to look at ways Kansas newspapers can assist in developing the new free press of Eastern Europe. On the itinerary are visits to newspapers in Prague, Czechoslovakia, and Budapest, Hungary.

The organization also plans to tour papers in London (which, while east of here, is not in Eastern Europe).

If interested, contact Vicki Bigham, member services coordinator, Kansas Press Association, 5423 SW 7th St., Topeka, KS 66606; phone 913/271-5304.

Take my ham away, take away my eggs, even my chili, but leave me my newspaper. --Will Rogers

## Complaints won't go away, but they can be handled

(From Oklahoma Press Association)

How do you correct a boo-boo? In the fast-paced life of newspaper journalism, no matter how hard we try, mistakes, errors, faulty facts and even typos get into print.

Chief Oklahoma City Municipal Judge Ed Dycus made this point with humor in the February issue of Briefcase, publication of the Oklahoma Bar Association.

"The rule for printing retractions is that they are not relevant until the injured party has hired an attorney. I learned this in journalism school and working on the Oklahoma City Times."

It doesn't make any difference what judges do about their mistakes. How we handle our amends merits thought in advance of confrontation... before it happens.

Publishers and general managers should sit down with employees handling news. This includes reporters, correspondents, editors, etc. Management should do the same with those who handle advertising. When someone thinks they have been wronged, what do you do? It happens in news and it happens in ads.

(When faced with a complaint) first, you listen. Patiently. Without interruption. Take notes grunt, nod, do something to let them know you are listening.

are listening.
Second, when they've wound down some, ask short questions with sincerity in your voice and on your face. Don't be snotty or defensive. Just get the facts as the unhappy one unloads. That's part of the therapy.

Third, if you don't know the facts from your side, say you'll quickly check into it and call them. Ask when and where to call. Then do it. Don't agree to anything else, yet.

Then, or later, ask what they want done about it. Nearly all aggrieved persons mainly want to be heard, listened to, someone to show concern. Nearly all who sue say they did so because of what they feel was arrogant, brash, even insulting responses to their complaint. Be thankful they did complain.

When it comes to errors in ads, it is much the same. If you find out about it first, then call or go: get there first. Ask how they want the paper to make amends, what kind of an adjustment, a re-run, publicly accept blame, run a correction and, yes, even an apology.

newspaper's integrity.

Humor has no place in "done somebody wrong" situations. Neither

All of this will prove your and your

does casting blame on an employee.

Many newspaper employees have told me the maddest they ever got, the most humiliated they ever were was when management took the complainant's side — both news and

first.

Management that is big enough for the job accepts criticism as "ours" and never as "hers" or "his."

advertising -- without even checking

## The other KPA has tips on carriers

Kansas Press Association attorney Mark Beshears presents some interesting advice for papers that use contract carriers, in a recent edition of that state's bulletin.

To reinforce that the contract carrier is not an employee of the newspaper, Beshears offers the following guidelines.

1. There should be a written contract that should be renegotiated each year.

2. Develop a formula for compensation other than the standard mileage pay. Try something that gives the carrier a profit motive.

 Do not provide rubber bands, bags, vehicles or logos for their vehicles.

4. Don't prevent them from moonlighting.

5. Don't prohibit them from hauling a competitor's newspaper.

6. Don't require them to attend meetings or submit reports.

7. Let the carrier determine the wholesale price of the newspaper.8. You should not require the

carrier to post bond.

9. Contract carriers should collect

and solicit their own customers.

10.Complaints should be ad-

dressed to the carrier, not the newspaper.

11. Contract carriers should be responsible for repair of their vehicles.

12. Contract carriers should never receive free copies of the newspaper they haul.

13. Do not provide a break room for the carriers.

14. Customer payments should be submitted to the carrier.

15. Contract carriers should be allowed to change their routes without interference from the newspaper.

16. Contract carriers should not be eligible for prizes or promos.

17. The less said concerning the carriers' starting time, the better.

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### Namina names

Former news editor FRANK ROBINSON has been promoted to editor of The Ledger-Independent in Maysville. Succeeding BOB HENDRICKSON, who is now publisher, Robinson joined the paper in 1987 as staff writer, became copy editor in 1988 and news editor in 1989. He attended Morehead State University and has also worked at the Mt. Sterling Advocate.

TIM HARMON, editor of The Messenger-Inquirer in Owensboro, "graduated" in May from Leadership Owensboro, a nine-month community study program, sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce.

Former Cincinnati Enquirer account executive SANDRA **DANIEL** is the new marketing director for The Recorder Newspapers of Northern Kentucky. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Morehead State

University.

MARY MCGILL has rejoined the staff of The Richmond Register as Newspapers in Education coordinator. This summer she is lining up sponsors for the NIE program and preparing a workbook.

### Time and money to do the work

What reporter hasn't said, "Boy, vould I like to have the time to research this story and really do it right?"

Well, how about a \$30,000 grant to spend a year researching and reporting on a subject of your choosing?

That's the aim of the Alicia Patterson Foundation's 27th Annual Fellowship Competition for Journalists, which is now taking applications.

Applicants must have at least five years experience as writer, editor or photojournalist at a newspaper or magazine. Work done during the fellowship year is published in the Alicia Patterson Reporter, a quarterly magazine distributed to editors throughout the country for use on op-ed pages, Sunday magazines and other forums. Projects chosen by the more than 125 former fellowship winners have ranged from black political power in the South to violence in Northern Ireland

The fellowships are named for the founder and editor of Newsday.

Application deadline is Oct. 1, with winners notified in December. Fellowships may begin either Jan. 1, Feb.

For applications and information, write to The Alicia Patterson Foundation, Suite 1250,1001 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20004; phone 202/393-5995 or 301/951-8512

DONNA DIETZ, a 1989 graduate of Western Kentucky University, is a new reporter/photographer for The Logan Leader/News-Democrat in Russellville. A former KPA award winner, Dietz has experience at The Oldham Era, The Crittenden Press and Bowling Green Daily News.

Eastern Kentucky University senior TERRY SEBASTIAN is a summer intern with Landmark Community Newspapers Inc., doing news desk stints at The Spencer Magnet, The Trimble Banner, The Henry County Local, The Carrollton News-Democrat, The Anderson News, The Oldham Era, and The Shelbyville Sentinel-News.

Also interning for Landmark apers are LEE MCCLELLAN and JEFF PENDLETON, both based at The Central Kentucky News-Journal. McClellan, who will work also for The Lebanon Enterprise, Springfield Sun and Casey County News, is a senior at EKU. Pendleton, a senior at WKU, will also pull assignments in Lebanon and Springfield.

The News-Democrat in Carrollton

has hired JULIE BALL for the summer. A former University of Louisville student, she plans to transfer to WKU in the fall.

The Clay City Times has lost another staff member to the Lexington Herald-Leader. KENNY FAULKNER, who joined the Times in 1984 and has served as reporter, photographer and typesetter, is now in classified advertising telemarketing for the Herald-Leader.

### WKU photogs focus of contest

Western Kentucky University students were in the spotlight when honors were handed out in the 46th annual College Photographer of the Year competition at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

The Kentuckians won in seven of 14 contest categories.

The WKU winners, by category

and title of entry, are:
•Craig Bell, General News, "Last Parade:

• Andy Lyons, Feature, "Swim-•Tamara Voninski, Portrait and

Picture Story, "One of the Boys;"
• Heather Stone, Food Illustration,

• Rachel Griffith, Fashion Illustration, "Retrograde back to the '50s;"

• Amy Deputy, Documentary, "Julie's Story."

defective, but still a mirror. -- Arthur Brisbane

A newspaper is a mirror reflecting the public, a mirror more or less

The Murray Ledger & Times has added LAURA DOUGHERTY to its advertising staff. A former intern at the paper, Dougherty was named the outstanding senior in journalism

for 1991 at Murray State University.

AMY HOGG of The Advocate Messenger in Danville and KENT **BROWN** and **ROSALIND** TURNER, both of The Harrodsburg Herald, recently joined other media people as "Celebrity Servers" for lunch in the cafeteria at Mercer County Elementary School.

### In memoriam

### Roberta Pitchford

Roberta Pitchford, managing editor of The Citizen-Times in Scottsville, died May 16 in an automobile accident.

Mrs. Pitchford, 59, had run the Allen County paper with her sister-in-law Billie Pitchford Coots, since the death of her husband, Robert B. Pitchford Jr., in 1984. The Pitchfords are among Kentucky's oldest publishing families.

A Tennessee native, she is survived by a son, Robert Burns Pitchford III of Hawaii.

### Pick ups

The Tribune-Courier in Benton was among Kentucky organizations honored this spring by the Environmental Quality Commission for demonstrating commitment to protecting the environment. The newspaper was cited for its efforts to produce an environmentally sound newspaper service. The Tribune-Courier uses 100 percent recycled paper and soybean ink and hosts a community newspaper recycling program.

The Courier-Journal is among Gannett Co. papers that will participate in a 10-point program for improving content. Called NEWS 2000, the program sets "benchmarks for quality ranging from how well each newspaper addresses its First Amendment responsibilities to its ability to anticipate and explain change to readers," according to an article in the Louisville paper. At a company seminar, publishers and editors were reportedly encouraged to adopt "some of the readerfriendly ideas and display techniques" used by USA TODAY.

The twice-weekly Floyd County Times has raised its single copy

### FOI writing can earn cash

A \$3,000 cash award is yours if your article on freedom of information, access to government-held information or the First Amendment is judged tops in the seventh annual Joseph L. Brechner Freedom of Information Award competition.

Entries should be articles about FOI rather than articles that resulted from use of the federal or state act. Entry deadline is February 1992.

For more information, contact the Brechner Center for Freedom of Information, College of Journalism and Communications, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611-2084.

price from 35¢ to 50¢. In an article explaining the increase, publisher Scott Perry told readers the actual cost of producing each copy is about \$1.50.

Ten reporters for the Lexington Herald-Leader have donated \$26,500 in prize money to establish the John S. Carroll Endowment at Alice Lloyd College in Knott County. The money, garnered from the acclaimed series, "Cheating Our Children," will fund scholarships for economically disadvantaged students in Appalachia. Carroll is the paper's former editor who oversaw the development of the series.

The Pineville Sun/Cumberland Courier once again sponsored the Miss Photogenic Award during the Kentucky Mountain Laurel Festival pageant in May.

### Papers win awards

Lexington Herald-Leader tied for first place in its circulation category (100,000-200,000) in the American Newspaper Publishers Association Foundation's Program Excellence Competition. Recognition plaques were handed out at the 1991 Conference on Newspaper in Education and Literacy in New Orleans in May. The Knoxville (Tenn.) News-Sentinel shared the top ranking.

The Herald-Leader also garnered citations in the 56th annual International Newspaper Marketing Association/Editor & Publisher newspaper promotion awards, presented in Orlando in May.

The paper took first place honors initscategory for In-Paper Promotion/ Advertising, In-Paper Promotion/ Public Relations and Outside Publications. It also won a Certificate of Merit for In-Paper Promotion/Circulation

The Courier-Journal in Louisville won a Certificate of Merit in the INMA/E&P competition for its Newspaper in Education efforts.

### By Max Heath

The Postal Service is moving to close off mailing statements as public records, in a continuing movement toward shrinking its public accountability.

What makes the changes especially insidious is that they are occurring by administrative fiat. There is no due process of final rules being issued following comments to Federal Register filings in both 1985 and 1986, and again in 1989.

Instead, changes are being made by oral instruction of USPS lawyers to the Records Office, and in written inquiries and appeals that find their way to the

The latest incredible blow to freedom of information came in early May when it was decided that the Second Class Mailing Statement, Form 3541, should be placed under a predisclosure notification policy applied nearly two years ago to Form 3602, Third Class Mailing Statement.

For decades, mailing statements have been public record. When wrong local record. When wrong local rulings have been pointed out to the right people in postal classification, records, or law, release for only a minor copying fee was forthcoming.

Until two years ago, newspaper and shopper publishers could still readily ob-tain the 3541s and 3602s of paid newspatain the 3541s and 3602s of paid newspa-pers, shoppers and free newspapers. USPS had previously moved quietly to close off 3602s of bulk business mailers, but made an exception for publications that re-sembled newspapers. The apparent thinking was that because newspapers' Form 3541 was available, openness should extend to newspapers' direct provides.

extend to newspapers' direct competitors mailing at third class rates. In May 1989, it was decided that 3602s should come under predisclosure notification procedures.

These procedures for implementing the Freedom of Information Act were contained in President Reagan's Executive Order 12,600 of 1987. Under the procedures, the subject of an FOI request is informed of the request (without identify-

### Official claims he was misquoted on postal rates

Several months ago, The Kentucky Press and press association newsletters across the country ran items on a possible postal increase next year.

Similar to a game of rumor, the articles cited Advertising Age as the source. Now comes Robert Brinkman of the National Newspaper Association, who says the trade paper misreported him.

'Î was misquoted; I do not believe that there will be another rate case next year; nor another rate increase next year, unless, of course, Congress would not fully fund revenue foregone," Brinkman said in a memo to all state press associations. "But that increase would have nothing to do with any rate case

"Any other statements from me are wrong," he added.

## FOI on endangered list at USPS

Officials make mailing statements harder to get

ing the requester) and given an opportunity to state how release might put him at the competitive disadvantage and damage his business

age nis business.

Interestingly, Postal Service lawyer
Charles Hawley admitted in an FOIA
ruling that "this Executive Order does not
apply to the Postal Service" but states that
USPS has proposed similar regulations
(May 17, 1989) that "formalize current
Destal Delica" (Plebit westigned) Postal policy" (albeit unwritten to this day).

Executive Order as an excuse to tighten up release even further, something 1985-86 filings didn't get done due to opposition from publication mailers.



The National Newspapers Association has argued this issue with Hawley and others both in writing and in person over several years. Tom Mayhill, an NNA and Mailers Technical Advisory Committee member with national antique tabs who requests competitior 3541s and 3548s (audit reports), has done likewise. Hawley is a master of dissembly that would make to the Kremlin proud. At a Feb. 27 NNA/postal meeting, he shocked us with the opinion that 3541s might be non-disclosable. About two months later, he made good on his threat

It is preposterous that such a decision could be arrived at.

In the first place, all second class ublications file Form 3526, Statement of Ownership, Management and Circulation, and print it each October for all the world

Second, government appropriations are passed along to mailers of six different types of second class (and other third class) mail.

Third, some of Hawley's own rulings state that publications that "publicize (their) circulation figures for the purpose of soliciting advertisers" should not get protection from FOIA exemption 4 ("trade secrets and commercial or financial information . . . privileged or confidential"). Virtually all publications publicize their circulation figures (honestly or dishon-

estly).

Mr. Hawley has made some sensible rulings using the predisclosure notification procedure. Several final rulings have or-

dered release of 3602s when mailer arguments were clearly specious. (One argued that disclosure would enable a competitor to verify his circulation. Precisely!)

But a Feb. 11 ruling accepted publisher arguments that because a free publication was not entirely mailed, its circulation might be misrepresented. This incredible view reversed Hawley's logic in releasing a 3602 just last November by a competitor whose circulation was not entirely in the mail.

The bottom line on all of this, how-ever, is that USPS is trying to choke off mailer information. The predisclosure notification procedure chills many re-quests, sharply reducing the number. Many mailers are told without being advised of the new procedures.

From a newspaper viewpoint (including those of us who mail third class companion shoppers) the Service should, at a minimum, return to its pre-May 1989 policy of releasing all publication 3602s

and all 3541s automatically. Protection against dishonest second class and third class mailer claims is dwindling and USPS

is a party to that deception.

Clearly, the Service has left NNA no clearly, the Service has left NNA no choice but to seek congressional action, which in the long term will hurt the Bulk Business Mailers USPS is trying to protect. If legislation is passed, it likely will open up all 2012. up all 3602s.

up an 3602s.

If you feel as strongly about this issue as I do, please contact the members of the Senate and House Postal committees and tell them so. Here is a list:

Senate Government Affairs Committee: Phone 202/224-4751; John Glenn, Ohio, chair; William V. Roth Jr., Del., R.Mbr. Subcommittee: Federal Services, Post Office and Civil Service: Phone 202/224-2254; David Pryor, Ark., chair; Jim Sasser, Tenn.; Daniel K. Akaka, Hawati; John Glenn; Ted Stevens, Alaska, R-Mbr; William V. Roth Jr., Del

Del.
House Post Office and Civil Service
Committee: Phone 202/225-4054; William Clay,
Mo., chair; Patricia Schroeder, Colo; Gus Yatron,
Pa.; Mary Rose Oakar, Ohio; Gerry Sikorskd,
Minn.; Frank McCloskey, Ind.; Gary L.
Ackerman, N.Y.; Mervyn M. Dymally, Calif.;
Thomas C. Sawyer, Ohio; Paul E. Kanjorskd, Pa.;
Charles A. Hayes, Ill.; Michael R. McNulty,
N.Y.; James P. Moran, Va.; Eleanor Holmes
Norton, D.C.; Morris K. Udall, Ariz, Benjamin
A. Gilman, N.Y. - R.Mbr.; Frank Horton, N.Y.;
John T. Myers, Ind.; Don Young, Ark.; Dan
Burton, Ind.; Constance A. Morella, Md.; Thomas J. Ridge, Pa.; Rod Chandler, Wash.

Harmony seldom makes a headline.



Winning formula -The Springfield Sun didn't clown around with this entry. It was one of a series of festival pictures that caught the judges' eyes and brought the paper a first place award.

### Better. . . from page 1

Independent in Ashland merited third place.

Other papers winning awards in individual categories were The Times Journal in Russell Springs, Beattyville Enterprise, Cumberland County News in Burkesville, Carlisle Mercury, Hazard Herald-Voice, Crittenden Press in Marion, Citizen Voice & Times in Irvine, Carrollton News-Democrat, Grant County News in Williamstown, Adair Progress in Columbia, Casey County News in Liberty, Cynthiana Democrat, Union County Advocate in Morganfield, Lebanon Enterprise, Pulaski Week in

Also Jackson Times, Jessamine Jour-nal in Nicholasville, Georgetown News & Times, Harlan Daily Enterprise, Murray Ledger & Times, Glasgow Daily Times, Madisonville Messenger, Kentucky New Era in Hopkinsville, The State Journal in Frankfort, Pioneer News in Shepherdsville, Appalachian News-Express in Pikeville and The Sentinel-Echo in London.

Now that the 1991 Better Newspa per Contest is history, it's time to start reviewing back issues for entries in the Fall Newspaper Contest. Infor-mation on the fall contest, which spotlights individual staff efforts, will be mailed by KPA in mid-July.

### On tap . . .

July 11-14: SND Managing Color,

-July 21-24: INAME Selling Newspa-per Advertising in Tough Times. 703/ 648-1168.

-Aug. 1-4: SNPA Seminar on the Arts, 404/256-0444.

Sept. 25-28: NNA convention, Little Rock, 202/466-7200

### Position wanted

Reporter, weekly or semi-weekly newspaper, preferably in northern part of Kentucky. Experienced in reporting and photography. Contact Barbara A. Bishop, 805 B West Main St., Laurens, SC 29360: 8003/984-3390

### Job opening

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## Voices from the past

### 1937 Press highlights anniversary of journalism in Kentucky

Some may say it's just advancing age, but this editor has had a lifelong interest in 'how things were back then.

So, it was a joy to be handed two bound copies of The Kentucky Press, covering volumes 9-14, 1937-43. Few whose names were prominent in those days are now involved in newspapers and several papers are gone, but many names are still recognizable

Eager to share with those of you who have an interest in our journalistic past, The Kentucky Press will run tidbits from these volumes, beginning here with excerpts from the June 1937 edition.

The summer convention, June 24-26 that year, celebrated the 150th anniversary of Kentucky journalism. For the conventioners, the Lexington Public Library brought out of its fireproof vaults relics from the state's first newspaper, Kentucke Gazette, first published in 1787 by John Bradford.

Gov. A.B. "Happy" Chandler told the newspeople, "I want to see the newspapers of the state continue to publish the news as they find it, to support whatever political candidate they wish, and to print what they want about anyone, providing it is not libelous."

Lt. Gov. Keen Johnson was also in attendance, not in his political capacity, but as editor of the Richmond Daily Register. He was formally praised for his work in legislative passage of acts pertaining to the press.

Among speakers for the three-day session were Harry Lee Waterfield of the Hickman County Gazette, University of Kentucky Professor E.F. Farquhar, Lexington Mayor E. Reed Wilson, UK President Frank L. McVey and Col. Samuel M. Wilson, an expert on the life of John Bradford.

UK journalism professor Niel Plummer arranged an unusual awards program. During the annual luncheon, participants learned of contest winners in a special radio broadcast by Plummer from WHAS studios.

The Somerset Commonwealth, edited and published by George Joplin, won the award for best all-around country newspaper. Second place went to the Hardin County Enterprise; third to the Campbellsville News-Journal, and honorable mention to the Springfield Sun, Carlisle Mercury and Carrollton News-Democrat.

Other winners in specific categories were Big Sandy News, Somerset Journal, Shelby News, Kentucky Standard, Lyon County Herald, Owenton News-Herald, Pineville Sun and Shelby Sentinel.

Individual writers cited were Grimes Caywood, Carlisle Mercury; Elizabeth Wathen, Kentucky Standard, and Herndon Evans, Pineville Sun.

Winner of the Saturday afternoon

golf tournament was Herbert Ward of Scottsville. S.V. Stiles of Associated Press was runner up.

The Lexington Herald was thanked for publishing a compilation of press laws. Victor R. Portmann, UK professor and KPA director/editor, did the compiling.

KPA officers in 1937 were Jodie P. Gozder, Campbellsville, president; J.

Kentucky Press Published In the Interest of Community Journalism - - Of, by, and for Kentucky Newspapers JUNE, 1937 Eight Number Thirtee

The front cover of a vintage edition of The Kentucky Press shows Editor Victor Portmann's handwritten change in volume and number. In a typed explanation inside, Portmann wrote, "As the editor was away during the summer of 1937, the issues for the missing months (July and August) were suspended while nsecutive numbers were continued with the next issue (September). In order to start Volume Ten with the Anniversary issue (June) series Number Twelve was suspended." LaMarr Bradley, Providence Enterprise, vice president; J. Curtis Alcock, Danville Messenger, secretary.

On the executive committee were Thomas R. Underwood, Lexington Herald, chairman; Gracean M. Pedley, Eddyville Herald; Vance Armentrout, Courier-Journal; Dolph Creal, Herald-Hodgenville; Vernon Richardson, Danville Advocate; J. Gilmore Nunn, Lexington Herald; Joe Costello, Cynthiana Democrat; Robert L. Kincaid, Middlesboro News; James T. Norris, Ashland Independent; Martin Dyche, London Écho; Joe Richardson, Glasgow Times; Robert L. Elkin, Lancaster, honorary; and Portmann.

Making up the legislative committee were Chairman Underwood; Warren Fisher, Carlisle Mercury; Lawrence W. Hager, Owensboro Messenger; George Joplin Jr., Somerset Commonwealth; Francis M. Burke, Mountain Eagle, Whitesburg.

On the advertising committee were Middlesboro's Kincaid, chairman; Thomas T. Wilson, Cynthiana Log Cabin; Shelton Saufley, Richmond Register; W.L. Dawson, Oldham Era; A.S. Wathen, Kentucky Standard.

The newspaper exhibit commit-was chaired by Portmann, assisted S.B. Goodman, Lancaster Central Record, and Flem Smith, Georgetown

A non-convention item mentioned the addition of a Blue Streak Model 14 Linotype at the Park City News in Bowling Green.

Dip your pen into your arteries and --William Allen White

### Southerners accented in writing contest

Kentucky writers at daily newspapers are eligible to compete in the fourth annual Southern Journalism Awards, sponsored by the Institute for Southern Studies and University of North Carolina School of Journalism.

Cash awards will be given in two writing categories:

•Investigative reporting, including individual articles and series that critically examine policies, practices and accountability of public and private decision makers and institutions.

• Feature reporting on the theme "Southern Cultures in Transition," including well-researched articles or a series of articles on such diverse topics as musical traditions, oral histories, quilting and other crafts, southern humor, folk life, art, theater, regional identity, the new Southerners and their cultures

Articles must have been published between July 1, 1990, and June 30, 1991, in a daily newspaper in a 13-state region, including Kentucky. Entries will be judged in three divisions: dailies with a Sunday circulation over 100,000; dailies between 30,000 and 100,000 circulation; and dailies under 30,000. A prize of \$300 will be awarded the writer of the first place winner in each category in each

Entries must be received by July 10, with a registration fee of \$25 per entry. Three copies of the entry must be submitted, and where appropriate, entries should be accompanied by a letter describing the context and impact of the work. For more information, contact Southern Journalism Awards, PO Box 531, Durham, NC 27702; phone 919/688-8167.

Kentucky Press Association

## 1991 Better Newspaper Contest Award Winners



## Weekly Class I

### 1. TYPOGRAPHY

First Place - LOUISVILLE DEFENDER

Type is easy to read. Good use of pictures in layout. Clean print, good paper quality. Second Place - TIMES ARGUS, Central City

Easily read type, good use of pictures in layout. Print job is muddy.

Third Place - BATH COUNTY NEWS -OUTLOOK, Owingsville

Font is a bit difficult to read. Good quality paper. Layout confusing. Honorable Mention - FULTON LEADER

Font a bit difficult to read. Ad layout crowded. Clean print.

### 2. COMMUNITY SERVICE

Certificate of Merit - LOUISVILLE DEFENDER

### 3. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION -( NO ENTRY)

### 4. FRONT PAGE

First Place - TIMES JOURNAL, Russell Springs

Had best content in the category and also strongest writers. Story placement was also good.

However, variety of headline fonts was distracting.

Second Place-BATH COUNTY NEWS OUTLOOK

Nice layout and good photo placement. Nice balanced pag Third Place -McLEAN COUNTY NEWS, Calhoun

### 5. EDITORIAL

First Place - BEATTYVILLE ENTERPRISE

Clean layout, good columns, local editorials

Second Place - BATH COUNTY NEWS-OUTLOOK

You need a mast (staffbox) each week. Good local editorials.

Third Place - FULTON LEADER

Good, strong local editorials. Need something to break up gray;

if not cartoon, then "People Poll" with photos for example

### 6. NEWSPAPER PROMOTION

First Place - LOUISVILLE DEFENDER

Excellent promotions, great use of pictures, news and ad format. Good job!

Second Place - BATH COUNTY NEWS-OUTLOOK Good ad for classified.

7. SPORTS PAGE First Place - McLEAN COUNTY NEWS

Nice layouts, good balance of coverage, stats, photos ,etc. Best by far of other entries. Needs more feature and Mike Banks column. Play-by-play is a little old for a weekly's

coverage. Give reader something they can't get anywhere else. Second Place - TIMES ARGUS

Mashburn's column makes this sports page special. Nice that they have more

than one page. Need some stats and schedules

Third Place - CUMBERLAND COUNTY NEWS, Burkesville

Photos differentiated this from honorable mention. Need more than rehash of games.

Quote players and coaches. Give stats. Honorable Mention - BATH COUNTY NEWS-OUTLOOK

Too much copy on game and not enough on personalities. Runners photos were nice. Give stats.

### 8. AGRICULTURE PAGE

Certificate of Merit - BATH COUNTY NEWS-OUTLOOK

### 9. BUSINESS PAGE/SECTION - (NO ENTRY)

### 10. LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - FULTON LEADER

Best layout and writing in the category. Liked the feature pictures.

Shows some imaginati

Second Place - TIMES ARGUS Third Place - TIMES JOURNAL

11. LOCAL NEWS PICTURES First Place - CUMBERLAND COUNTY NEWS

INSIDE

This was selected because it had the strongest "News" photos on front page.

Inside photos were weak though.



### A Salute to Sumi A Look at the 1990 **Expo Contest Contestants**

Special Supplements Insid

## **EXPO '90**

### Better than ever with new added attractions

A Proud Display

The S3rd Annual Minarity Cansumer Expo will be held October 12; that combines fank and R & B foundations with jazz overlays. "Head commonwealth Convention Center Highlights will of liver Heels" is an album that Sugean class Bugnon: City This year's expo will be one of Houston will perform a gospel control of public affairs for the cand organis featuring local talent. An all-expense-paid Bahams Vacation for two will be awarded each night.

Najse has been called one of the most exciting new performers to emerge on the music scene in recent contents on the control of the c



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Alex Bugnon



Cissy Houst

open. High School and odents, graduates and prowith have the opportunity with corporations, goagencies and other busin to face. The fair will high eral seminars, includir place Etiquette, Dressin place Etiquette, Dressin and Choosing a Colli-

Burglary, note with racial overtones

### Second Place - LOUISVILLE DEFENDER

Better photos (composition, angle etc.) would probably have made this a first place. It also needed harder news photos. Abundance of faces is certainly reader-oriented but probably overdone.

Third Place - TIMES ARGUS I guess a music concert is news, but a little soft. Fire photos were pretty good. Editor needs to be more selective, but I'm sure readers love lots of photos

### 12. LOCAL FEATURE PICTURES

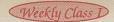
First Place - TIMES ARGUS Great people shots. Captures emotions Photographic quality jumps right out at you. Second Place - LOUISVILLE

DEFENDER Ability shown to capture action. Good volume of pictures. Pictures generally capture moment, but press does not do

### iustice to pictures Third Place -BATH COUNTY **NEWS-OUTLOOK**

Front page picture brings interest to the reader. Evident that time was taken to make the shot say something. Unique shots.

A first place award for Typography helped *The Louisville Defender* garner a General Excellence plaque.



Pumpkin Fest This Safurday, begin-ning at 7;30 a.m., on the Jamestown square

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STUTTE Lakers lose to Corbin and Scott Pierce commentary

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## New airport plans draw mixed reac

14. SPECIAL EDITION/SECTION First Place - LOUISVILLE DEFENDER The content and makeup is well done. Good and different theme for sure. Shows dedication.

Second Place - McLEAN COUNTY NEWS Wonderful section. Advertising though incidental in criteria is good touch.

Third Place - CARLISLE MERCURY Format of booklet size sets this off from other sports specials.

Honorable Mention - TIMES ARGUS Nice large specials.

The front page of the *Times-Journal* in Russell Springs impressed Georgia judges.

Judges liked everything about *The Beattyville Enterprise*'s editorial page.

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## Judge to rule Friday on restaurant fee

Great baseball shot of "High-flying pilot" though not super clear. Good diversity and decent layout of other photos.

Third Place - CUMBERLAND COUNTY NEWS Basketball shots nice, but posed golf shot relegated this to third.

Second Place - LOUISVILLE DEFENDER

Honorable Mention-TIMES ARGUS
"The Thrill of Victory" was a nice double-truck, but where were shots from game itself? Too many photos too.

13. LOCAL SPORTS PICTURES

First Place - FULTON LEADER

 $Full-page\ layouts\ good\ but\ overdid\ it\ with\ quantity.\ At\ least\ two\ photos\ from\ each\ could\ have\ been\ eliminated, for\ use\ of\ white\ space\ or\ larger\ photos.$ 

Russell man finds artifact in cave floor

The Beattyville Enterprise

### Opinion

### Time for the board, teachers to work toward a compromise

Attend those public neetings, open by law

Layout

writing

led

to a

first place

Lifestyle

Fulton

Leader.



15. ORIGINAL AD IDEA

First Place - FULTON LEADER

### Whaa!

### Justin Wilson cooks and performs his way to fame



Use of different picture each week allows you to attract different readers, then bring it all together just before the event. Clever and different!!
Second Place - FULTON LEADER Idea simple, but allows readers to focus on the ad and come away with a simple but strong mess Third Place - McLEAN COUNTY NEWS Taking a bath on prices adapts well to advertiser. Artwork attracts reader.

16. DISPLAY ADVERTISING

First Place - McLEAN COUNTY NEWS Good participation for 4-H.

Second Place - TIMES ARGUS Ad stands out, not cluttered.

Third Place - BEATTYVILLE ENTERPRISE Ads not cluttered.

## Weekly Class II

### 1. TYPOGRAPHY

First Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN

Good layout, especially front page, clean print. Easy to read. Excellent product!! Second Place - TROUBLESOME CREEK TIMES, Hindman Clean, easy to read. Good quality stock. Good layout. I like box use on front page. Some pictures were muddy.

Third Place - BOURBON TIMES, Paris Good layout, font style, also easy to read.

2. COMMUNITY SERVICE
First Place - TROUBLESOME CREEK TIMES Good school/community publication. Good idea! Second Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN Good show of community spirit.

### 3. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

First Place - HAZARD HERALD-VOICE

Congratulations on your success. It takes actions like yours to keep government open and honest.

Second Place - BOURBON TIMES

Good editorial on common problem.

Third Place - TROUBLESOME CREEK TIMES

Good explanation of reasons for publishing court and arrest records. Thought provoking.

### 5. EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - TROUBLESOME CREEK TIMES

Meaty editorials. Love the local cartoons. You are not afraid

to tackle controversial, local issues

Second Place - CRITTENDEN PRESS

Strong local editorials on tough subjects. Third Place - BOURBON TIMES

Photographs illustrating editorials unique idea. Photos illustrating more "hard news" topics would be an improvement.

Honorable Mention - SPRINGFIELD SUN

Creative layout, particularly combination of pictures and column in Dec.12 issue. Almost as good as third place, but do more Dec.12 style work on this page.

6. NEWSPAPER PROMOTION
First Place - TIE - TROUBLESOME CREEK TIMES

Great idea!! Wish I'd thought of it!!

First Place - TIE - BOURBON TIMES

Great community service as well as newspape

Second Place - CITIZEN VOICE & TIMES

### The Bourbon Times' first place for Business Page was one of several that placed the paper at the top of the heap for General Excellence honors.

### Business



Cracken scoops up a sample of Alabama jumpers, stock at Valley Bait Shop, which opens Thursday on in Paris

### New shop offers jumping worms, exo

### Changes at Main Street stores alters face of local business

Opening March VALLEY BAIT



### 7. SPORTS PAGE

First Place - CITIZEN VOICE & TIMES Great leads draw the reader into the story. Good variety of coverage.

Second Place - BOURBON TIMES
Superb pictures and layout. Coverage could be more varied. Good execution of traditional sports pages approach.

Third Place - CRITTENDEN PRESS Different sorts of topics spice up sports pages. Well written. Snappy leads.

8. AGRICULTURE PAGE First Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN Good variety of topics. Nice photos from lamb show. Good newsy approach to these page Second Place - BOURBON TIMES Informative, good variety of topics.
Third Place - CITIZEN VOICE & TIMES Liked gardening and vacationing article. Informative. Tobacco time photos good also.

### 9. BUSINESS PAGE/SECTION

First Place - BOURBON TIMES

Second Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS,

Williamstown

Business features should interest

### 4. FRONT PAGE

First Place - BOURBON TIMES

Suggest switching to new headline style, like Palatino. It's fine to toot your own horn, but not as lead story. Second Place - CRITTENDEN PRESS, Marion

News content strong. Layout weak. Keep up efforts on clean concise writing, but start emphasizing reader friendly layout techniques.

Third Place - CITIZEN VOICE & TIMES, Irvine

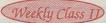
Layout clean but a little flashy, bylines are too domineering. Focus more on enterprising news to balance your package.

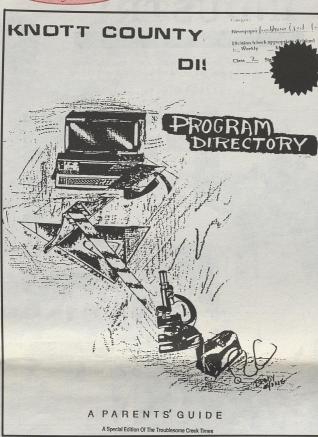
Honorable Mention - NEWS-DEMOCRAT, Carrollton

Clean layout, good color. Balance (anchor) lower portion of page. Try being a little more enterprising.

### 10. LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN Good photo quality and good layout design. Nice photo page on the young woman of the year. Second Place - CRITTENDEN PRESS Good variety of stories and nice page layout. Keep a check on photo quality.
Third Place - ADAIR PROGRESS,





A school guide for parents grabbed a first place award in Community Service for the Troublesome Creek Times.

"Excellent product" is what judges called The Springfield Sun in giving it first prize in Typography.

Persistence in cutting through a mountain of red tape and a sea of 'no comments' led to top honors in Freedom of Information for the Hazard Herald-Voice.

### Commissioner Eyes Napier Athletic Programs



letter Consumers
refused to devulge the content
that letter.

On Friday the Herald-Voice,
citing Kenucky's Open Records
Law, requested a copy of all
documents pertaining to the
Fugate situation.

Turn to Page 3



Battery goes on active duty

### Guard heads for Ft. Campbell

Japanese firm to build plant in Springfield

### 11. LOCAL NEWS PICTURES

First Place - BOURBON TIMES Thoughtful use of black and white that captures humanity. Avoid burning cutlines over image. Puppet shot was startling and interesting.

Second Place - TROUBLESOME CREEK TIMES

ThriLO Good coverage of local festival, but easy does it on crowd shots. Avoid backs of heads. High ground shots are refreshing, but use telephoto and crop to maintain intensity.

Third Place - GRANT COUNTY NEWS
Good attention to local issues, local action. Try to get in front of people to get faces.

### 12. LOCAL FEATURE PICTURES First Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN

Wins hands down. Wonderful use of lighting. Good color and black and white Great angle Second Place - BOURBON TIMES Good local pictures. Interesting angles. Firefighter

day and parade pictures are eye-catching.
Third Place - TIE - CRITTENDEN PRESS Loved bulldozed house picture. Stephen Foster

Third Place - TIE - NEWS-DEMOCRAT Good color on summertime pictures.

Interesting overall. Honorable Mention - TROUBLESOME CREEK TIMES

Superb photos for Verna Mae Sloan feature, deserve recognition. Also loved Knott Nursing Home king and queen.



leave their families behind



### (Weekly Class I)

### 13. LOCAL SPORTS PICTURES

First Place - BOURBON TIMES Charlie Campbell's images are full of action, clear and run large compared to other entries. Good diversity, good play.

Second Place - NEWS-DEMOCRAT

It's nice to run several photos of event, but this paper could have eliminated some and run others larger. Need diversity of action. Some emotional shots. Track shot from side best of lot. Third Place - CITIZEN VOICE & TIMES

Layout of photos helped this entry. Photographer needs to

work on sharpness and exposure.

Honorable Mention - TIE - GRANT COUNTY

Pretty good action but typical shots. Take risks, concentrate on sidelines or other action.

Honorable Mention - TIE - SPRINGFIELD SUN
Photos showed no action but Ninie Glasscock's little league shot was a good feature shot.

### 14. SPECIAL EDITION/SECTION

First Place - NEWS-DEMOCRAT

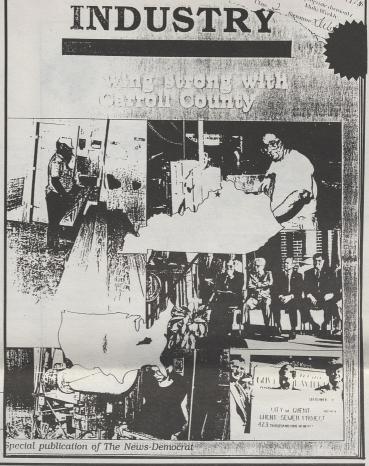
Good mix of news and ads. Good mix of co Second Place - HAZARD HERALD-VOICE

Good topic for section. Good mix of news and ads. Third Place - ADAIR PROGRESS Good topic. Great keeper for parents. Solid mix of editorial and ads.

Honorable Mention - CITIZEN VOICE & TIMES

Good local effort. Section with strong interest for local community. Good mix.

The News-Democrat's Special Section on industry topped all other entries in that category.



### 15. ORIGINAL AD IDEA

First place - SPRINGFIELD SUN Great way to get the community involved and bring advertisers business indirectly. Second Place - ADAIR PROGRESS Unique concept. Third Place - CITIZEN VOICE & TIMES

Good combination of advertising and local involvement.

### 16. DISPLAY ADVERTISING

First Place - NEWS-DEMOCRAT Clean ads. Good local effort.
Second Place - BOURBON TIMES Consistent effort. Third Place - SPRINGFIELD SUN

Honorable Mention - ADAIR **PROGRESS** 

Judges praised the drawing power of good leads and the variety of stories in giving first prize for Sports Page to *The Citizen Voice & Times*.

### Citizen Voice & Times CV&T SPORTS



### ECHS golf team tees off with winning force

### Lady Engineers receive their first loss from Bryan Station

n around the county was, will it take to beat the ingineers softball team?" the answer is a lot of

## Weekly Class III

A first place for Special Section is one of several awards that made

The Anderson News number one in

General Excellence

### 1. TYPOGRAPHY

First Place - CASEY COUNTY NEWS, Liberty

Good use of type and photos. User friendly, Classifieds easy to read. August papers much better than October. Hope October isn't the "New Improved" edition. Fine print quality. Second Place - CYNTHIANA DEMOCRAT

Overall, a good clean paper. Nice standing heads, by-line style. Teaser boxes on page one need Upper case/lower case type and more explanation ("Tobacco" what?). Academic excellence section graphically horrible but probably necessary in your market.

Third Place - OLDHAM ERA, LaGrange

These folks have fine grasp of the concepts and uses of design. Paper is good looking and functional, but, boy, do they need a new press!

### 2. COMMUNITY SERVICE

First Place - UNION COUNTY ADVOCATE, Morganfield Addition of information especially geared to kids greatly enhances this effort. Second Place - ANDERSON NEWS, Lawrenceburg Good way to hone reading and writing skills so often missing in teens.

3. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
First Place - UNION COUNTY ADVOCATE

Good initiative in uncovering relevant information that might otherwise have been undiscovered.

Second Place - ANDERSON NEWS

Good job keeping people informed and trying to keep public officials honest. But as I understand contest rules, criteria requires research and overcoming obstacles in getting information - not documented here.

### 4. FRONT PAGE

First Place - PAINTSVILLE HERALD

Writing and headlines excellent. Coverage of news wins our vote.

Second Place - OLDHAM ERA

Good, thorough coverage of tornado. Other hard news topics handled well. Good photos.

Third Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE

Good layout. Great pictures. Love Tom Donnelly feature. Country ham days. Color excellent. Honorable Mention - PULASKI WEEK, Somerset

So different it deserves recognition. Well executed USA Today approach for those who are non-traditionalists.

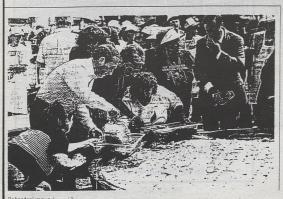
## Newspaper The Elizaerson News Anderso Division (check appropriate Weekly \_\_\_\_Multi-W A nice place to visit Class IA Sign Supplement to The Anderson News, March 14, 1990



## The Casey County News

ol. 82, No. 40

Liberty, Kentucky, Wednesday, October 3, 199



### Court to borrow \$30,000 for Casey hospital

### Allen withdraws council resignation

Liberty City Councilman bad," Allen joked abo

### 5. EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - OLDHAM ERA
This page is chock-full of opinions! Layout fair, but strong opinions and columns make up the difference.

Second Place - PAINTSVILLE HERALD Layout needs attention, but content pretty good.
"View point" has potential. Encourage "experts" besides politicians to contribute. Editorials are hard-hitting. Third Place - PULASKI WEEK A little different, but I like it.

### 6. NEWSPAPER PROMOTIONS

First Place - JACKSON TIMES Excellent open window to role of newspaper and who puts the local paper together: Photos of staff as kids was nice touch. Second Place - ANDERSON NEWS Great idea for promotion. More photo images should have been used in the promotion though. Third Place - OLDHAM ERA Congratulations.

"User friendly" is a term judges used in giving the top grade for typography to The Casey County News.



7. SPORTS PAGE

First Place - OLDHAM ERA Snappy leads, good writing, good variety. Overall great sports coverage. Second Place - JESSAMINE JOURNAL, Nicholasville Good, informative stories. Good variety. Could use some work on photography.

Third Place - ANDERSON **NEWS** 

Great, clear photos. Need shorter leads overall. Nice variety.

8. AGRICULTURE PAGE First Place - ANDERSON NEWS

Wonderful local photos and stories. You cover agriculture news in your market well.

Second Place - UNION **COUNTY ADVOCATE** Mix of news and extension

service items is good.
Third Place - OLDHAM ERA

The county fair pictures are attention-getters.

THE OLDHAM ERA

### ERA EDITORIALS Silence is golden

### Just do it -– vote

### Homeless, pregnant do finds new family to adopt



Quest for troop proves bumpy trip

Class 3 Signature

"Chock-full of opinions." That's The Oldham Era's editorial page - a first place winner.

A full page tribute to the local school system won the top honor in Original Ad for The Paintsville Herald.

### 9. BUSINESS PAGE/SECTION

First Place - ANDERSON NEWS

Winner hands-down in this category. Subdivision, waterbed retailer, Jim's Pool Room features exceptional. Good variety of business news.

Second Place - OLDHAM ERA

Business briefs nicely displayed. Nice variety of stories. Leads could be shorter, more snappy. Third Place - PULASKI WEEK

Could use more feature/news stories from staff.

### 10. LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - OLDHAM ERA

Something for everyone: good features, columns, pictures, community and church news.

Well-written.

Second Place - ANDERSON NEWS

A close second. Liked use of color. I'm sure the whole town loved all those baby photos in the June 27 issue. Good features.

Third Place - PAINTSVILLE HERALD

Good page design. Good graphic on DUI story. Keep a check on photo quality.

11. LOCAL NEWS PICTURES
First Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE

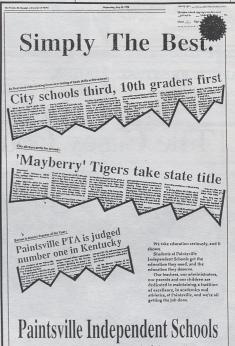
Great pictures that show initiative on part of staff. Front page photo on

January 24 was the clincher

Second Place - ANDERSON NEWS

Good, interesting pictures from everyday stories. Almost as good as first place. "Garbage Detail" on April 25 enables reader to feel as well as see a situation. Third Place - CASEY COUNTY NEWS

Good pictures taken on the scene as the news is happening. Action and emotion captured and well presented.



A Job worth doing is worth doing well . .



He s looking for the finish line



## The Union County Advoc

## Landfill obtains intent acceptance

16. DISPLAY ADVERTISING

First Place - PAINTSVILLE HERALD Excellent! Good use of advertising in sections and good use of full page ads.
Second Place - PULASKI WEEK
Clean ads, good variety, good layout and

special ad usage.

Third Place - CYNTHIANA DEMOCRAT Good idea for Senior section. Good Christmas signature page. Overall ad usage good.
Honorable Mention - GEORGETOWN
NEWS & TIMES

Good use of ads in special sections.

The Union County Advocate found treasure in the landfill, earning a first in Freedom of Information.

### 12. LOCAL FEATURE PICTURES

First Place - LEBANON ENTERPRISE

Great color work - bright with action. Love angles, composition

Second Place -PULASKI WEEK

Good overall pictures. Close-ups and imaginative angles. Third Place - UNION COUNTY ADVOCATE

Great close-ups and action.

### 13. LOCAL SPORTS PICTURES

First Place - ANDERSON NEWS Pictures are sharp; capture the action and emotion of events.

Second Place - OLDHAM ERA

Tee Ball was great subject to cover. Really

captured the game. Third Place - CYNTHIANA DEMOCRAT Unique coverage of young football shot. Captures emotion. Unique angle on wrestlers!

14. SPECIAL EDITION/SECTION

14. SPECIAL EDITION/SECTION
First Place - ANDERSON NEWS
Convenient format (translates to longer shelf life),
well organized, thorough, pleasingly designed.
Second Place - OLDHAM ERA Thorough, well designed, stories interesting

even if you're not a newcomer.
Would benefit from flexible size.
Third Place - UNION COUNTY

ADVOCATE Great idea! Would like to have seen "bad guy" theme carried through entire section.

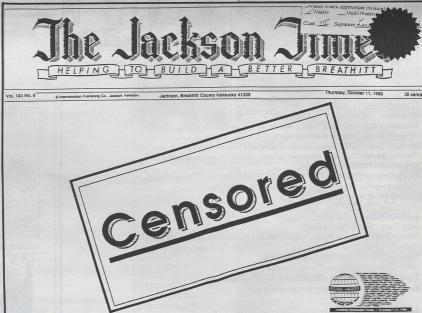
15. ORIGINAL AD IDEA

First Place - PAINTSVILLE HERALD Good idea for new bank ad, also good idea for schools. Second Place - CYNTHIANA DEMOCRAT Excellent idea for Christmas ad. Third Place - GEORGETOWN NEWS & TIMES

Frank Shoop - good holiday tie-in.
Honorable Mention - ANDERSON NEWS

Good idea to include pictures in Santa letters.

A startling approach to the role of newspapers led to a first prize in Newspaper Promotions for The **Tackson Times** 



## Multi-weekly

First Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD, Bardstown

Front page top sharp, clear look. Pictures bordered. Good use of white space on headings.

Articles and ads spaced properly. Pictures fairly sharp.

Second Place - PIONEER NEWS, Shepherdsville

Good use of pictures. Paper fairly clean

Third Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS-EXPRESS, Pikeville

Pictures bordered. Pictures break up copy. Copy generally spaced well.

## The Sentinel-News

### Man saves family, dies in house fire



A large, dramatic photo heightens the impact of The Sentinel-News' front page -- a first place winner.

### 5. EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

Editorials pull no punches, and page layout is pleasing. Only drawback is photos, which are interesting but do not really offer commentary.

Second Place - PIONEER NEWS

Local cartoons are a plus. List of editorial management is needed.
Third Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL

Play of house editorials, with photos, is innovative.

### 6. NEWSPAPER PROMOTION

First Place - SENTINEL-NEWS Management is obviously committed to promoting its product year-round,

not just National Newspaper Week. Excellent job!

Second Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL

Nice series on award-winning staffers. Here's another award to brag about!!

### 7. SPORTS PAGE

First Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

Great local sports coverage. How does Greenwell (Associate Editor)

have time for anything else?

Second Place - SENTINEL-NEWS

Good variety of local sports. Nice allocation of space

Third Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS-EXPRESS

Good coverage. Layout is a little gray.

### 8. AGRICULTURE PAGE

First Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL

Good devotion of space to agriculture. "Strange Vegetables

was great feature!!

Second Place - SENTINEL-NEWS

Third Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

Nice feature on lady vet

A supplement on Campbellsville's sister city merited a first place for Central Kentucky

2. COMMUNITY SERVICE First Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

The power of the press at work. It was certainly used appropriately in helping to improve

the county library. True community service.

Second Place - SENTINEL-NEWS, Shelbyville

"Reading Reindeer" - Today's newspaper has many obligations, and one of them certainly is the promotion of literacy. Good job!

Third Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL, Campbellsville

Sister city program will be most beneficial to your community. This is an admirable job of promoting it.

3. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION First Place - SENTINEL-NEWS

Taking a local government to court is neither pleasant nor easy. But sometimes it's

necessary, and you are to be congratulated for "A Victory for the People's Right to Know."

Second Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

Strong editorial on school board's closed meeting

Third Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL

Burkhead makes strong argument for open government.

### 4. FRONT PAGE

First Place - SENTINEL-NEWS

Excellent coverage of drug sweep. Photos show hustle and are well played. "Shelby in Brief" an asset to the page.

Second Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL

Process color, when used is excellent. Huge "Miss Kentucky" play was most appropriate. Library board retirements perhaps overplayed. Would suggest smaller type for staff titles on by-lines.

Third Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

Nice layouts. Good drug bust photo. Would suggest bolder heads for lead story.





Hands across the water

A close-up look at Les Andelys, France, Campbellsville's prospective sister city



## The Kentucky Standard

DITORIAL/OUR OPINION

Citizens should be embarrassed about librarians' salaries

be. le of Nelson County who should be embe hamed — at how little the library employe Celia Keeling, with 22 years of experience, made 00 last year. She received no benefits. ant director, Sara Cotton, who also has 22 years o made less than \$11,000. She received no benefits, ei mmend the library staff for the dedication and we shown in remaining loyal to the library and t of Nelson County in the face of abysmally low effit.

at Nelson Countians should no longer expect that
from the library staff. Let us all support the effrom the bibrary staff. Let us all support the efffunding for the bibrary so that claim of prosebacked up by action.

blished in The Enricety Standard repretion of the newspaper's editorial board. This
written by Tim Ballard.

General Assembly ducks responsibilities



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But is a blight on the claim to progressiveness that based for this photograph, taken Oct. 27, 1900. The phone is part of a Smith family. The

### Wilkinson pulls off coup



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Editorials that "pull no

The Kentucky Standard.

punches" contributed to a first place in Editorial Page for

9. BUSINESS PAGE

First Place - PIONEER NEWS

Most impressive business coverage for a paper this size. Second Place - SENTINEL NEWS

"Inside Industry" sections outstanding Third Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

Best of remaining entries

### 10. LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - APPALACHIAN NEWS-EXPRESS

Liked the variety - everything from engagements to school news to recipes. Layout

is crisp and photos really show what's going on in the community

Second Place - SENTINEL-ECHO, London

Interesting feature stories and good eye for feature photo set-up Third Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS JOURNAL

Nice use of graphics.

### 11. LOCAL NEWS PICTURES

First Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

Strong news photos, sharp, depicting action or emotional scenes. Great photos, run large really draw readers to page. These were far superior to other competitors.

Second Place - SENTINEL-NEWS

Since "Use of photos" is category, the large size helped considerably, as well as number. Remember though that you can over-do a good thing. Great potential here.

Third Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL

Photos very clear, appropriate sizing, pretty good balance on page. Nothing

extraordinary about photos though, like the first place had. Honorable Mention - SENTINEL-ECHO

Good photos but small size is often overwhelmed by headlines and type. Photographer should try different angles and get closer to action either physically or with longer lens.

### 12. LOCAL FEATURE PICTURES

First Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL

Great sense of color, but don't underestimate your black and white ability. Good cropping for intensity of human faces and hands. Good attention to overlooked or unusual visual opportunities. Good shots of camouflaged figures.

Second Place - PIONEER NEWS

Clean, effective use of color. Active black and white, but need consistent policy on bordering

prints with rule. Great sense of children.

Third Place - SENTINEL-NEWS Good sense of the power of human faces and hands. Good attention to ordinary activities of community. Fog shot; good try at subject really too subtle for newsprint.

Study policy for bordering prints.

### 13. LOCAL SPORTS PICTURES

First Place - SENTINEL-NEWS

A clear winner. All entries were outstanding!!

Second Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

Good photos, well played.

Third Place - PIONEER NEWS

The "crisp" layout aided in The Appalachian News-Express winning a first place for Lifestyle Page.

### 14. SPECIAL EDITION/SECTION

First Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL

This is certainly a "special" not an advertising supplement as so many others

are. Good layout and use of color photos

Second Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

Guide to Bardstown had attractive cover and lots of useful info Third Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL

Good use of photos. Ads stacked by themselves doesn't serve advertiser, reader or

layout that well.

### 15. ORIGINAL AD IDEA

First Place - SENTINEL-NEWS

Family chiropractic care, cute idea for Christmas ad.

Second Place - SENTINEL-NEWS

Halloween theme should have boosted real estate lineage that week.

Third Place - KENTUCKY STANDARD

Best of remaining entries.

### 16. DISPLAY ADVERTISING

First Place - SENTINEL-NEWS

All entries showed lack of much imagination in ad layout. Apparently clients think their money's worth is to fill all ad space with copy and graphics. Bank ads were exception. Sentinel News' Gift Guide gave this First Place.

Second Place - CENTRAL KENTUCKY NEWS-JOURNAL

Not much to separate this from others but is a little less cluttered in some ads.

Third Place - PIONEER NEWS

Should work on ad profiles on page and effective use of white space in ads.

Judges called The Pioneer News' business page "impressive" and gave it a first place.







My budget street.

The cupboard, too, was bare.

Not a shekel could be squeezed.

In the household anywhere.

## Daily Class I

### 1. TYPOGRAPHY

First Place - WINCHESTER SUN

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Crisp type and layout without overuse of color capabitity. Modularity of front is not repeated inside. Good use of photos, but consider edging photos and matching cut line and image widths.

Second Place - RICHMOND REGISTER Well defined front page is easy to navigate. Typography is crisp, but rules on bylines are complex and impede flow. Good use of boxes, but easy does it on spot color.
Third Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS Very crisp, open and inviting typography. Boxes are effective, but avoid adjacent ones. Centennial edition was "cute," but best try this only once each 100 years.

### 2. COMMUNITY SERVICE

First Place - HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE The paper's articles taking a look at the area's major local economic resource should be noted by all its readers. Only the future will tell if the project becomes a death knell or a warning bell. Good job .. but don't stop. Second Place - WINCHESTER SUN Any time a newspaper can contribute advertising space to provide gloves and scarves for young children then they should be commended. Third Place - HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE

## 3. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION First Place - SOMERSET COMMONWEALTH -

The award is for your series of open-records editorials.
The government process in your city can only be helped by your doggedness Second Place - WINCHESTER SUN

Congratulations on forcing the city to disclose its settlement with the injured fireman. Third Place - HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE How quickly the mayor turned to the solution of Executive Session to attempt to convey that cities never quarrel with employees

### 4. FRONT PAGE

First Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS Nice look - why no color? Like the flag. No weather March 14? Knuckles, Short, Brock, Glenar stay busy! Good mix of news - use of photos Second Place - RICHMOND REGISTER Local news and photos - This is it!! "Newsline" a good feature. (Why not May 22?) Need higher story count October 13. Good heads. Third Place - MURRAY LEDGER & TIMES Nice look, light and airy. But I suggest additional, bolder type for hard news. Process color a possibility?

### 5. EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE Your editorials are passionate, your obsession with local issues proven, your refusal to rely on syndicated pundits obvious

Second Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS Rag-right editorials look good. In Rosenthal's italic folo, why not give his current NYT title?

Third Place - WINCHESTER SUN With its head and play, the editorial makes a bold statement. But Kilpatrick and Anderson get vast soap-boxes.

Ninia Turtles - A6 a Cards lose - B1

## The Winches

## Soviet foreign minister resigns pos

Shevardnadze's surprise decision might hurt reforms sought by longtime ally Gorbachev



Clean air

bill could hike rates



### Pentagon: U.S. ready to attack Irag if necessary

General: 'I'm not ready to do the job': says offensive not possible by Jan. 15

A crisp look led judges to give a first place ranking to The Winchester Sun for Typography – points that helped tie the paper for General Excellence honors.





Jeff's Pharmacy opened downtown rmacy; owned and operated by Jeff Moore, has locate in Medical Mail complex, in the former Wakin's Hard



MARKETS

Pictured from left to right are: Ray Sterling, Jim Cass, Steve Oberman, Bill McCharles White, administrator QLC, John Plummmer, Judy Fuson, office mar registered platician, Dr. Steven K. Morgan is not pictured.

### Weight loss clinic opens

Variety and local emphasis gave the edge to The Middlesboro Daily News for a number one grade for Business Page — contributing to the tie for the top spot in General Excellence.



### 6. NEWSPAPER PROMOTION

First Place - COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL

Shows most consistent pro Second Place - WINCHESTER SUN Good combination of editorial and display promotion. Third Place - HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE

### 7. SPORTS PAGE

First Place - MURRAY LEDGER & TIMES

Good job with tight space. Plenty of local. Could shorten column to make room for more results, agate.

Second Place - RICHMOND REGISTER

Good writing, photos, decent layout. Need more space for agate.

Third Place - COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL Good local emphasis. Could use more photos (local) and shorter column to give

more space for results, agate.

Honorable Mention - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS  $Good\ job\ with\ little\ space.\ Breakout\ boxes\ help\ the\ reader.$ 

### 8. AGRICULTURE PAGE

First Place - RICHMOND REGISTER

Attention to layout and design shows. Features appear to have a broad appeal and to make agriculture an approachable subject for general, even urban, audiences. Good to see stock quotes included.

Second Place - MURRAY LEDGER & TIMES

Good use of graphics. Would a local feature occasionally spark more reader interest?

Local photos are valuable; play up the good ones.

Third Place - COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL

County agent is played well. Is there a source of other local ag copy on photos? State extension will have art, graphics to dress up page, including agents' comments.

### 9. BUSINESS PAGE/SECTION

First Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS

 ${\it Good\ variety}.\ Lots\ of\ local.\ Could\ use\ better\ photos\ and\ more\ local\ business\ issue\ articles.$ 

Second Place - WINCHESTER SUN

Third Place - COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL

10. LIFESTYLE PAGE First Place - COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL

Good variety of stories and subject matter. Second Place - RICHMOND REGISTER

Good variety of stories and subjects

Third Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS

Lots of names and pictures. Good.

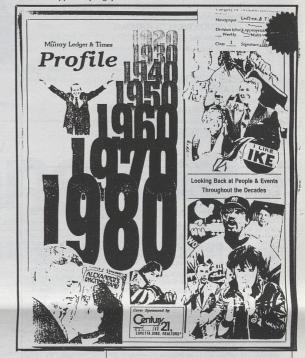
11. LOCAL NEWS PICTURES

First Place - RICHMOND REGISTER

Great play of good spot news shots of storm, fire and wreck. Second Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS

Good coverage of fires and Road Rally.
Third Place - WINCHESTER SUN

Liberal use of photos of large fire.



The Murray Ledger & Times' first place winner for Special Section was "irresistable" to judges.

The Harlan Daily Enterprise's articles on the area economy earned the paper a first place in Community Service

### Conference Deals With Problems Of Diversifying Local Economy

of the Enterprise Staff

The reign of King Coal in Harlan Gounty is nearing an end, active the coal of the coal of

nuture of Harlan Country eco-nomic development were discussed.

According to planners, the con-ference "will hopefully evolve into an annual event."

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It is a subject to the confer-ence, sponsored by The Enter-prise and Southeast Community College, examined the direction the local economy is heading and the quality of life it will provide

Additional reports on The Harlan County Conference can be found on pages 12 and 13.

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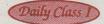
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of sociology, University of New
Hampshire, spoke on the topic of
"Coal: Our Past and Future."

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Gayle Lawson, Harlan, discusses efforts to returbish U.S. 119 over Pine Mountain. (Daily Enter-



### 12. LOCAL FEATURE PICTURES

First Place - GLASGOW DAILY TIMES

No one in category had lots of photos, but Glasgow's features were best. Put more photos inside.

Second Place - WINCHESTER SUN

Layout nice of large photos. Need more inside photos. Silhouette photo in

July 26 paper should have been on front.

Third Place - COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL

Nice cropping. Need better and more photos inside.

### 13. LOCAL SPORTS PICTURES

First Place - GLASGOW DAILY TIMES

Great shots!! Well played. Good variety

Second Place - HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE

Liberal use of photos of various sports Third Place - WINCHESTER SUN

### WHAT WE THINK

### Editors and reporters aren't perfect

Yes, we make mistakes. Some of our goofs are embarrassing.

A reminder of our journalistic fraitiles came in a recent telephone call from a teacher who was shocked by a grammatlical flub.

A lead paragraph in a recent front-page stry declared that Someraet Independent School District "has broke" with its longitume architectural firm.

The verb should have been "has broken." The writer of the article knows that.

I'us nonetheless embarrassing. No one hates to make errors more than we do, but ithappens everyday.

De spite the fact that the Commonwealth Journal is a small newspaper, our editors and reporters deal with thousands of words in every edition. Reporters constantly write under deadline pressure and editors and reporters deal with thousands of words in every edition. Reporters constantly write under deadline pressure and editors and composers put piages together and rush the material to the pressroom.

ressroom. Telephones in a newsroom ring in-essantly. Reporters often type a story

while talking with a caller about another subject. Ditto editors.

Both editors and reporters read "proof" on written material, but the reading is done in such a hurry that it's little more than a scan. Seldom do we have time to carefully read a story, word for word, as it should be.

be.

A hurried writer may use a singular vertwhen it should be plural because he or she is fooled by a collective noun subject or a prepositional phrase following the subject We may even use the wrong tense of a verb.

We try hard but we aren't perfect; far from it. Most writers and editors have a good working knowledge of the Englist language, but we often fall short. If you look carefully, you probably can find a flaw or two in this opinion article.

or two in this opinion article.

However, we are not offended when our readers point out an error. We totally agree that newspapers should set a pristine example in our writings.

We don't promise perfection, but we depledge to do our best.



IT'S THE WAY YOU HOLD YOUR MOUTH -- Leah Ritter, a Little League softballer in Monroe County, holds her mouth just right

as she strokes the ball in a recent game. A third grader. she the daughter of Jeff and Angela Ritter.

Capturing the intensity of a tiny athlete on film brought a first place in Local Sports Pictures to The Glasgow Daily Times.

### 16. DISPLAY ADVERTISING

First Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS

Good variety of ad themes and layout. Second Place - WINCHESTER SUN

Good use of full page local ads. Good variety of advertising.

An editorial on fallibility merited a top award in Newspaper Promotion for Somerset's Commonwealth-Journal.

The Richmond Register took the number one ranking in Local News Pictures for its shots of a tornado's topsy-turvy trail.

### 14. SPECIAL EDITION/SECTION

First Place - MURRAY LEDGER & TIMES

Each section on a decade is appealing, irresistible to those with a few years on us, and a growing interest in the nostalgic.

Second Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS July 19, Centennial Edition "Timepieces" oral history of a family is a good idea!!

Third Place - WINCHESTER SUN

Progress edition reflects a lot of hard work. Put people in those shots of buildings under construction!

Honorable Mention - RICHMOND REGISTER

Vary page designs, instead of photo, head, desk and copy.

### 15. ORIGINAL AD IDEA

First Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS Good unique layout for this ad. Good use of color and cut style.

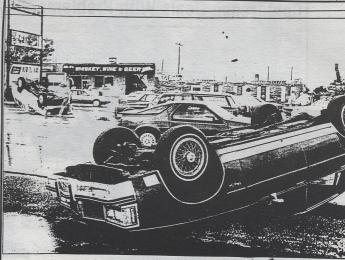
Second Place - WINCHESTER SUN

Clever theme

Third Place - MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS

Innovative way to get important 1

Honorable Mention - HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE Good layout for notice.



hich touched down in Bananas Tavern (background) and overt sing ripped the roof off cars in the parking lot. The car in the

## Daily Class II

### 1. TYPOGRAPHY

First Place - HENDERSON GLEANER

Clean, well-designed, nice use of art, quality print job, easy to read type. Second Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE, Elizabethtown Attractive design, liberal use of art and graphics, good use of color

Body type could be larger.

Third Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER

Nice headline face, easy to read body type, good layout. Could improve photo reproduction and color.

### 4. FRONT PAGE

First Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE
Very creative! Light and airy. Lots of local news. Good use of color. Well written,

Second Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA, Hopkinsville

Good use of color (needs bolder color). Imaginative graphics. Pretty good effort. Third Place - ADVOCATE-MESSENGER, Danville

Heavy emphasis on features. Where's major local hard news? Is "Off the Record"

worth page one display daily - - if so, great! (Generate feedback?)



## **Bush seeks new budget sol**

## to increase taxes for 'rich' Washington (AP) — President House Ways and Means Committee sale and the Ways and Means Committee sale the said through a per middle-norm to trace the threat through a divided may be updet that would not only raise that butle and come up with a tasks on rich Americans for a deep cut in capital gains said hecan accept. The committee's chairman, Dan trace that that the administration's version. Washington (AP) — President House Ways and Means Committee said through a could trade a through a divided through a divided through a divided congress. Instead, Bush called on lawmakers of large would "restore fairness to or put asside that battle and come up with a system." He said that butle and come up with a system. "He said the Democratic George Mitchell said after a meeting gress," Senate Democratic Leader gress," Senate Democratic Leader gress, "Senate Democratic Leader gress," Senate Democratic Leader gress," Senate Democratic Leader gress, "Senate Democratic Leader gress," Senate Democratic Leader gress," Senate Democratic Proposals by the part of the pract from 25 percent to 31 percent do 15 percent of 15 percent for 5 me 45 million slightly less that the proposal by the plan to did for on the Rouse of the pract from 25 percent to 31 percent of the pract from 25 percent to 31 percent of the pract from 25 percent to 31 percent of the pract from 25 percent to 31 percent of the pract from 25 percent to 31 percent of the Standard point of the Standard practical percent percent of the Standard practical practical percent per Democrats working on plan

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Involvement Inc. alternative to jail for troubled juveniles

A top rating in Typography was just one of seven first place plaques won by The Henderson Gleaner – the General Excellence winner among Daily Class II entries.

### 2. COMMUNITY SERVICE

First Place - GLEANER

Progress Editions often times lack real community involvement. This one doesn't.

The diversity of involvement is to be commended. Second Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE

Third Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER

3. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
First Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER

Very good effort informing public of news /actions important to them. Well written. Good editorial support.

Second Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE
Vigilance pays off. Very close to winning entry. But what came of PSC investigation? What did fired workers have to say - their suspicions?

Third Place - GLEANER

Frank Boyett is a Bulldog, sinks teeth into story and shakes it to death! But - this could be community service. Something accomplished here. Good job. But on impediments ... had access to what needed. No FOI hindrances as he developed story. Probably a winner in Community Service. Frank if you come to Georgia, look me up.

### 5. EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE

Nothing in the contest approaches your Editor's hot line for achieving a local focus.

It's excellent! Is the sig a tad large?

Second Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER

You have exquisite layout and type. Tom Clinton's column is twice too long.

Third Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA

Joe Dorris is no Walter Lippmann, but gives you a local view point keeping you from having to turn over most of page to syndicated pundits.

Honorable Mention - GLEANER

You're newsy, opinionated and attractive. Your July 1 strip-mining editorial ambivalently tries to please all.



### 6. NEWSPAPER PROMOTION First Place - GLEANER

36-page "A Kids View" marvelous, ads, art, poetry. It's got it all. Send me a copy.

Steve Austin, Ron Jenkins, give everybody a pat on the back.

Second Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA

Your 5X10 series is excellent. Not too wordy, good art, great composition.

Full page also well-done. Other two not as good.

Third Place - ADVOCATE-MESSENGER

Narrowly missed second. An impressive well-done idea.

### Why remove Dr. Gover?

House Bill 90 is designed to have a profound effect on Kentucky's schoolchildren. How profound remains to be seen, as educators and administrators continue to sort out details of this bread ranging niece of legislation ceeding some profound changes as a result of the legislation, some of which are not to their liking. The perception is that they have lost much of their power to deal with undividual schools and to keep a is the way the local board interprets these new rules.

tight rein on the superintendent... at least, that is the way the local board interprets these new rules.

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out no evidence has been offered to prove that note. The board also received some heat Monday sight from the Madisonville-Hopkins County hardward of Commerce education committee. The Madisonville-Hopkins County ward with vigor and erilhusiasm on school facilities. The committee is concerned about possible negative effects the board's reprioritization of the state's facilities plan will have on economic development and growth in the county. Integrating for the board, Chairman Shilled Performance of the County in the County of the County in the County of the County in the County of the

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7. SPORTS PAGE First Place - ADVOCATE-MESSENGER Narrow edge over second place. Good volume, variety. Good photo feature April 22, page one. I like tennis feature. Larry Vaught is a hardworker. June 10 issue, two good photo features. Vaught's writing, Morris' photos made you number One. Second Place - STATE JOURNAL, Frankfort

Your "the high price of battle" photo feature is a real award winning idea that will be stolen and used all over. Good tight writing. Photos fair. Stephen Vest's writing not bad at all. Sept. 16, page five photo your best. Why not number one on page one?

Third Place -TIE -GLEANER

Excellent front page.
Third Place - TIE - MADISONVILLE

MESSENGER

An editorial on education gave a

first place for

the Madisonville Messenger.

Freedom of Information to

Excellent front page

Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY NEW ERA

Almost took third. Your Nov.21 issue the best. You've got potential. Little more emphasis and you can challenge the first and second place winners.

### 8. AGRICULTURE PAGE

First Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA

This was very difficult to judge, no clear cut choices. Lamar Bryan's writing tipped the scales. Intensify local content.

Second Place - ADVOCATE-MESSENGER

Almost number one. Good use of photos. Bigger variety and you would be in first. Keep growing.

Third Place - GLEANER

Good variety of columnists, but need more staff coverage. Expected more,

given your newspaper's name.

Homorable Mention - NEWS ENTERPRISE

You're not far from third place.

### 9. BUSINESS PAGE/SECTION

First Place - GLEANER

By far the best overall. Why best page on back page? At least you're committed in an important but often over-looked area.

Second Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE

Second by volume, not quality. Good use of photos. Good gas station feature, do more like it.

Third Place - ADVOCATE-MESSENGER

Good feature writing. Need more quantity

Good writing "tipped the scales" with the judges, who voted The Kentucky New Era tops for Agriculture Page.

Crossword/7D

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Horoscope/7D

### FARM SCENE

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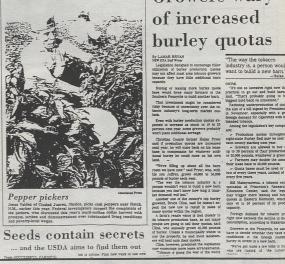
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### KENTUCKY

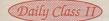
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### Growers wary of increased burley quotas



### 10. LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - GLEANER

Others are better on page one, but you have the best idea of lifestyle carried out inside. Your photography on features is played well. Your readers know you care about them.

Second Place - ADVOCATE-MESSENGER

Good feature, excellent on April 8, lead photo. With more emphasis, you would be a clean number one.

Third Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE

Superb fronts, color, writing, composition. Add four or five pages inside. Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY NEW ERA

Oct.4 front page excellent. Great top photo. Intensify effort and you'll challenge for number one.

### 11. LOCAL NEWS PICTURES

First Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE

Great composition, cropping, compelling photos.

Second Place - GLEANER

Good sizing, great action. Third Place - ADVOCATE-MESSENGER

Nice people photos, good action

### 12. LOCAL FEATURE PICTURES

First Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE

A clean number one. Good use - cropping, sizing appeal. You folks have a commitment to excellence. Give Terry Boyd a raise. Inside photos as good as front page. Heartland, Lincoln issues excellent. Your readers are blessed.

Second Place - GLEANER

Good photographer (Mike Lawrence), but use of his photos should be reviewed. Use color on 1A not back page. Tease your 1C photos, they're the best you have. 1A photo on June 24 tells the story well.

Third Place - ADVOCATE-MESSENGER

Good use of color. October 8 issue better than June 17 Brass Band, but not as extensive. Good use of sizing, variety, but sometimes unimaginative composition. July 20, 2A photo very good.

Honorable Mention - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER

July 10, 1A photo good idea, maybe could have been a series of photos. 2A good charm, depth. August 21 edition the two chug-a-lug photos could have been bigger.

### 13. LOCAL SPORTS PICTURES First Place - GLEANER

Strong, bold use of black and white that captures emotion of subjects. Puts viewer in the action and often eye-to-eye with players. Would bordering photos help? Cropping enhanced intensity. Second Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE

Good color on golf, but active, emotional black and white assured a win. Four-column,

color mug of joggers was crisp, arresting and effective, but blue background competes. Third Place - MADISONVILLE MESSENGER

Variety of active black and white. Good sense of overall architecture of photos

Tighter cropping on West Hopkins pitcher might have added intensity

### 14. SPECIAL EDITION/SECTION

First Place - ADVOCATE-MESSENGER

This does great job! Informative, easily read. Good ad mix. Well illustrated. Not overwhelming.

Second Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE

You want to know about Hardin County, this is it. No focus on public officials, plus or minus?

Third Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA

Overwhelms the reader. Lots of info. Question organization, sports in Section F? Why not G? But impressive effort.

### 15. ORIGINAL AD IDEA

First Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE

Can't help but grab the reader. Simple, but powerful. Good color. Second Place - GLEANER

Good use of black and white. Nice illustration. Clever text.

Third Place - GLEANER

Nice color, good art, catchy text

### 16. DISPLAY ADVERTISING

First Place - GLEANER

Best overall content, ad composition. Several ads especially well done: "For 90 Years"; "Wake up to the Gleaner" house advertising; ads in TV & owcase.

Second Place - KENTUCKY NEW ERA

Your "White Lace and Promises" section gave you second. It was well done.

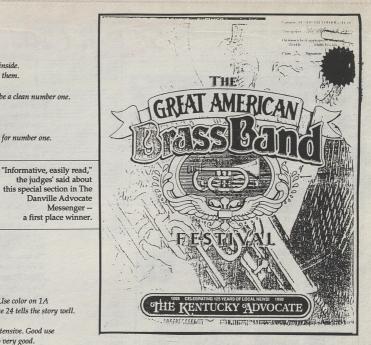
Third Place - NEWS-ENTERPRISE

Your political ads are well done. They boosted you out of honorable mention.

Work on your creativity; otherwise good ad count.

Honorable Mention - ADVOCATE-MESSENGER

Good ad count.



The Elizabethtown News-Enterprise pleased critical eyes with this top-rated Original Ad.



## Daily Class III

### 1. TYPOGRAPHY

First Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER, Owensboro

Tough choice for first and second, but Owensboro has the edge in print quality, typeface, photocropping, use of art and graphics. A real eye-appealing product.

Second Place - HERALD-LEADER, Lexington A very close second. Great layout, design. Section fronts especially well-designed.

Third Place - KENTUCKY POST, Covington

### 2. COMMUNITY SERVICE

First Place - HERALD-LEADER

Excellent presentation. This is what newspapers should be doing. Good job!!

Second Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER Third Place - DAILY INDEPENDENT, Ashland Honorable Mention - KENTUCKY POST

### 3. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

First Place - KENTUCKY POST

Extensive coverage of press freedom issues. Good explanation on editorial page, and no hesitation to go to court. Second Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER Alert reporter foils a secret meeting

### 4. FRONT PAGE

First Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER

Light, airy front. Reader friendly, good index. Nice use of color photos. Liked Sunday "sky boxes" why not try daily? Good mix of stories.

Second Place - HERALD-LEADER

Good headlines and display. Do you vary look at bottom of page? Color at top nice.
Perhaps a few more Lexington stories? Excellent use of art.

Third Place - KENTUCKY POST

Pleasing look when it has color. Somewhat gray otherwise. But look at all those Kentucky stories/art! This was it for local news on the front.

Honorable Mention - DAILY INDEPENDENT

Look was consistent, perhaps too much so. How about bolder type for hard news? Good mix of news. Chance of "richer" color for key ins?

### 5. EDITORIAL PAGE

First Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER

Your September 23 merger endorsement page is impassioned and compelling, and elsewhere you tried to defuse bitter sky-is-falling rhetoric on the issue. You could have given us a cover letter on whether the referendum passed.

Second Place - KENTUCKY POST

A good Earth Day editorial: "Eyesore of the Week" is a nice idea

Third Place - DAILY INDEPENDENT

I enjoyed the editorial about the school official's lame threat of legal action if you didn't send him all your clips.

### **6. NEWSPAPER PROMOTION**

First Place - KENTUCKY POST

You're to be congratulated for spending the time and money to reprint and distribute the Clabes and Reis columns and stories.

Second Place - HERALD-LEADER

The house ads, institutional, subtle, walk a fine line between communicating in a sophisticated way and being so slick as to put off middle-class readers.

Third Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER

You committed color to skillfully convey in an ongoing campaign that you have a world outlook, yet local focus.

Honorable Mention - DAILY INDEPENDENT

I hope you continue your "Meet the Independent" program of openness to readers.

### 7. SPORTS PAGE

First Place - HERALD-LEADER

Exhaustive, skillfully organized, the sections reflect quality in every way.

Second Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER

The layout and fonts are extra-ordinary. It is lovingly laid out and pasted up.

Third Place - KENTUCKY POST

Your preview editions were must-read keepsakes, I'm sure.

You have gorgeous color reproduction

Honorable Mention - DAILY INDEPENDENT
The entry shows a tremendous amount of hard work. One day
the time will come to modernize sigs and type.



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Campbellsville 35 KWC 20



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**ON MERGER**: Rod Kuegel and John Marksberry make BEST argument for current system/1G

COMICS, TELEVISION

Warm and wet

Today will be warm with a 60 percent chance of show-ers and thundershowers. The high will be around 60 with wind from the southwest at 10-15 mon. Page 2A.

Messenger-Inquirer

## Spending

House fails by 6 votes to overturn Bush veto

### HOW THEY VOTED

### SPECIAL REPORT: THE PAPER TRAIL

### Pollution controls not cheap

Scott to spend millions for latest devices

Scott Paper Company

### 8. AGRICULTURE PAGE DAILY INDEPENDENT

### 9. BUSINESS PAGE/SECTION

First Place - KENTUCKY POST Good use of local reporting staff. Good everyday business news that's easy to find. Good graphics

Second Place - HERALD-LEADER Good centerpiece article with informative

graphics and illustrations Third Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER

### 10. LIFESTYLE PAGE

First Place - KENTUCKY POST Photos, graphics, use of color all are outstanding. The photo on "That's my Daddy" says it all. Second Place - HERALD-LEADER The stories on the violinist and Asbury revival were especially interesting. This was a close second. Third Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER

Well planned and polished. This was a close third.

"Light, airy . . . reader friendly" – that's why judges gave first place for Front Page to General Excellence winner, The Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer.



### 11. LOCAL NEWS PICTURES

First Place - HERALD-LEADER

The "drug scene" package was very impressive. That effort gave this paper the edge in what otherwise was a very close race. Major photo elements above the fold; cropped tightly. In each edition submitted, the photos really dominated the news story and added greatly to getting readers into the stories. Second Place - KENTUCKY POST

The homeless man photo is really powerful and the courtroom photo captured the emotion. But "homeless" competed on page with Governor signing and grand lady. Courtroom shot played well (though over the fold). The July edition was in all respects the best local news page in the category.

Third Place - DAILY INDEPENDENT The "Judds" photos really made the package, though the main photo of Naomi and Wynona should have been cropped much tighter. But the photos get played well.

### 12. LOCAL FEATURE PICTURES

First Place - HERALD-LEADER

Clearly the best of the bunch. Photos dominate the pages and don't compete with other elements. Cropping is consistently good, subjects and presentation appealing. The page layout really shows off the photography in the best possible way.

Second Place - KENTUCKY POST

This paper makes good use of some very good interesting feature pictures. They're always played large enough to show off the photographer's talent, as well as to clearly depict the subject. There's some real talent on this photo staff.

Third Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER "Otis" is very nice work, very nicely presented.

### 13. LOCAL SPORTS PICTURES

First Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER

While the photos on these pages might not win individual awards, the way this paper displays its photos is terrific. The photos have reader appeal, are displayed well and are cropped well. The "Toughman" contest was very photogenic, although the package had perhaps one too many pictures. The horse racing display was superb and the photographer captured the best moment from his vantage point.

Second Place - KENTUCKY POST

Second Flace - KENTUCKY POS1
The golf picture is a classic and the swimming photo angle really made a routine assignment into an eye-grabbing photo. Both photos really made the page. Both represent a photographer's attempt to create interest in photos from both "minor" sports and routine assignments.

Third Place - HERALD-LEADER

Horse photo very good. The Pitino photo certainly an eye-grabber. Displayed very well. Football photos rather routine. Photos get good play here, but other two winners displayed more creativity in way photos are used and made.

Honorable Mention - DAILY INDEPENDENT This paper treats its photographs nicely, using multiple photo packages often, or uses them big.

### 14. SPECIAL EDITION/SECTION

First Place - DAILY INDEPENDENT

Great idea at a time when great ideas are hard to come by!! Interesting stories. Well conceived graphics

Second Place - HERALD-LEADER

You expect this paper's section on this classic topic to be spectacular and it is. Wonderful photos.

Third Place - KENTUCKY POST

Lovely topic lovingly done. Refreshing to see a newspaper product that doesn't scream about the bottom line.

### 15. ORIGINAL AD IDEA

First Place - DAILY INDEPENDENT

Calendar has great appeal to readers. Pull out page unique for calendar. Second Place - MESSENGER-INQUIRER

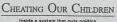
Advertising idea shows community support of Scott Paper Company

### 16. DISPLAY ADVERTISING

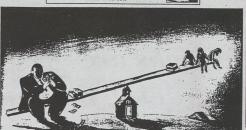
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Judges were taken by the use of graphics and the caliber of writing in awarding first place for Business Page to the Kentucky Post.

### The series



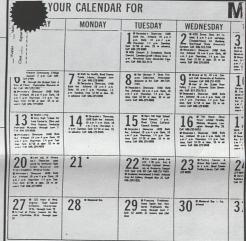
Inside a system that puts politics ahead of schools



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No surprise — The Lexington Herald-Leader's much lauded series took first place for Community Service.

A useful community calendar was a top award winn for Original Ad for The Ashland Daily Independent.



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