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Chattanooga, Maryville take top awards

The Chattanooga Times Free Press won top honors in the East Tennessee Pro Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists' Golden Press Card awards program. Its report, "Nightmare in Noble," detailed the discovery of bodies on the grounds of the Tri-State Crematory in Noble, Ga. The Horace V. Wells Jr. Community Service Award was won by Anna C. Irwin and Linda Albert of The Maryville Daily Times for "Suicide," a series about suicides in Blount County.

Lisa Hood Skinner, Golden Press Card chair, presented the awards on May 16 at the University Club. Keynote speaker, Fred Graham of Court TV, talked about journalism and coverage of the war in Iraq.

Entries, which were broadcast or published in 2002, were judged by the William O. Douglas Chapter in Washington state.

Categories and winners are as follows:

Deadline/Spot News Reporting, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Newsroom Staff, "Foggy Morning Crash"

Award of Merit: Knoxville News-Sentinel, J. J. Stambaugh, Don Jacobs, and Jamie Satterfield, "Toxic Fumes Force Thousands To Flee"

Third Place: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Dick Cook, Chris Joyner, and Mike O'Neal, "Death of an Officer"

Fourth Place: The Daily Times, Anna C. Irwin, "Bite of the 'White Spider'"

Deadline/Spot News Reporting, Non-Daily Newspapers

Third Place: LaFollette Press, Linda Thurston, "Twin Engine Plane Crashes into Norris Lake"

General Reporting, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Newsroom Staff, "Nightmare in Noble"

Award of Merit: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Tom Humphrey, "Taxing Tennessee"

General Reporting, Organizational Communications

Award of Merit: UT Institute of Agriculture, Patricia Clark McDaniels, "UT Announces Ag Successes"

Feature Writing, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: (Tie) Knoxville News-Sentinel, Kristi Nelson, "Scarred Dreams"

Award of Excellence: (Tie) Knoxville News-Sentinel, David Keim, "Making a Miracle"

Third Place: Darren Dunlap, The Daily Times, "Closing Time"

Feature Writing, Non-daily Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Tennessee Star Journal, Ed Hooper, "Against All Enemies Foreign and Domestic"

Award of Merit: The Courier News, Anita Feliciano, "Therapist, Coach, Juggler, Dispatcher"

Series/Package/Project Writing, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Frank Munger, "ORNL Renaissance"

Award of Merit: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Angie Herrington and John Rawlston, "Trail of Tears"

Third Place: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Bill Brewer, Gary Lundy, Dan Fleser, Cynthia Yeldell, Mike Griffith, "Big Orange: The Color of Money"

Fourth Place: The Daily Times, John Brice and Leonard Butts, "A Call to Arms"

Series/Package/Project Writing, Non-daily Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Tennessee Star Journal, Ed Hooper, "Tennessee's Old West Legends"

Award of Merit: The Courier News, Ken Leinart, Leean Tupper, and Anita Feliciano, "Tennessee Volunteers"

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Awards

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Series/Package/Project Writing, Organizational Communications

Award of Excellence: UT Institute of Agriculture, Dr. Susan Hamilton and Patricia McDaniels, "Monthly Gardening Tips"

Investigative Reporting, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, J. J. Stambaugh, "Deathly Silence"

Award of Merit: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Scott Barker, "Coster Shop: Toxic Earth, Tainted Lives"

Third Place: The Daily Times, Anna C. Irwin, "Bite of the 'White Spider'"

Fourth Place: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Jan Galletta and Juliette Coughlin, "Vanishing Children"

Investigative Reporting, Non-daily Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Tennessee Star Journal, Ed Hooper, "Against All Enemies Foreign and Domestic"

Sports Writing, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Darren Epps, "Sacrifices for Success"

Award of Merit: The Daily Times, Leonard Butts, "The Other Half"

Third Place: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Gary Lundy, "Cuba's Field of Dreams"

Editorial Writing, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Hoyt Canady, "The Thought That We Hate" and others

Editorial Writing, Non-daily Newspapers

Award of Excellence: The Courier News, Ron Bridgeman, "We're Having an Election" and others

Personal Columns, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Mark Kennedy, "Taught by Example" and others

Award of Merit: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Sam Venable, "An Old Sleigh Still Delivers" and others

Personal Columns, Non-daily Newspapers

Award of Excellence: LaFollette Press, Jim Dossett, "Mother's Day" and others

Award of Merit: The Courier News, Ron Bridgeman, "It's Official, We're Now Residents of Clinton"

Reviews/Criticism, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: The Daily Times, Steve Wildsmith, "Black Hawk Down"

News Reporting, Radio

Award of Excellence: WNOX AM-FM, Dave Foulk, "Morgan County Tornado Coverage"

News Reporting, Television

Award of Excellence: WTVC-TV, Staff, "I-75 Fog Crash"

News Reporting, Organizational Communications

Award of Excellence: UT Institute of Agriculture, Chuck Denney and Doug Edlund, "Fountain City Lake Clean-up"

Feature Reporting, Radio

Award of Excellence: WNOX AM-FM, Sam Brown, "Cynthia Barker Story"

Feature Reporting, Television

Award of Excellence: WATE-TV, Don Dare and George Mitchell, "The Waiting List"

Award of Merit: WBIR-TV, Nicole Henrich, "Chantek: Remarkable Student"

Third Place: WBIR-TV, Teresa Woodard, "Tornado Wedding"

Fourth Place: WBIR-TV, Teresa Woodard, "Nikki's Butterfly Garden"

Feature Reporting, Organizational Communications

Award of Excellence: UT Institute of Agriculture, Chuck Denney and Doug Edlund, "Cantilever Barn"

Investigative Reporting, Television

Award of Excellence: WATE-TV, Don Dare and George Mitchell, "Trashed Transactions"

Investigative Reporting, Radio

Award of Merit: WNOX-AM-FM, Sam Brown, "Day Job Stealing Cars: Night Job Work Release in Jail"

Sports Reporting, Television

Award of Excellence: WTVC-TV, Dave Staley, "Dave's Diamond Darlings"

Documentary/Public Affairs, Television

Award of Excellence: WTVC-TV, Gina Bennett, Producer, "9/11—A Tennessee Valley Perspective"

Headline, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Donna A. Cruze, "Age Before Beauty" and others

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Awards

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Award of Merit: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Suzanne Foree Neal, "An Affair with Flair" and others

Page One Design, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Jennifer Dedman, "A Love Story"

Award of Merit: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Rey Pineda, "Unwavering Spirit"

Inside Page Design, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Karen Henry, "Short Cuts" and others

Award of Merit: (Tie) Knoxville News-Sentinel, Jennifer Dedman and Michael Apuan, "3 Men and a Draft"

Award of Merit: (Tie) Knoxville News-Sentinel, Don Wood, "Gardening for the Birds"

Third Place: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Lin C. Parker, "On the Homefront" and others

Inside Page Design, Non-daily Newspapers

Award of Merit: LaFollette Press, Dwane Wilder, 4/25/02, 5/2/02 and 10/10/02

Informational Graphic, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Don Wood, "ORNL Renaissance"

Award of Merit: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Don Wood, "Project Forecasts Forest's Future"

Third Place: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Beck Towery, "Ten Years of Growth"

Fourth Place: Knoxville News-Sentinel, R. Daniel Proctor and Rey Pineda, "Killer Tornadoes"

Art Illustration, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Don Wood, "Deterrence or Danger"

Award of Merit: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Rey Pineda, "Predictable Patterns"

Third Place: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Rey Pineda, "Bureaucratic Beast"

Photo Illustration, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Beck Towery, "Freecell"

Award of Merit: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Jeff Guenther, "Napttime"

Deadline Photography, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Stephen Jones, "Manchester Tornado Mourners"

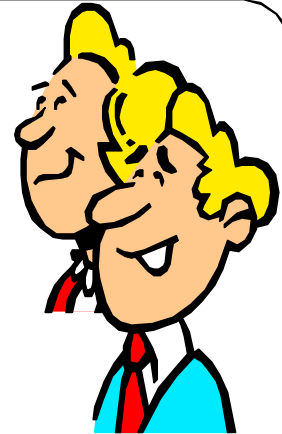
Award of Merit: Knoxville News-Sentinel, J. Miles Cary, "Storm Shattered Lives"

Deadline Photography, Television

Award of Merit: WBIR-TV, Mark Carlson, "S.U.V. Flood"

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A few good members



If you would like to serve on the ETSPJ board during the coming year, please contact Adina Chumley (995-2914), chair of the nominating committee.

Board meetings are lively and fun, and you can help our organization continue its great tradition of holding informative meetings, providing scholarships, and supporting the interests of journalists in the region.

Feature Photography, Newspapers

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Joe Howell, "Scarred Dreams"

Award of Merit: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Kathleen Cole, "Thunderbird"

Feature Photography, Non-daily Newspapers

Award of Merit: LaFollette Press, Susan Sharp, "Pumpkin Meeter"

Feature Photography, Television

Award of Excellence: WBIR-TV, Mark Carlson, "Order of Protection Day"

Award of Merit: WBIR-TV, Timothy Dale, "Roadside Memorials"

Editorial Cartoon, Newspapers

Award of Merit: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Charlie Daniel, "Homeland Security"

Work for Other Media, Writing

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Bryan Mitchell, Jack Lail, and Allison Shelton Miller, "Afghan Journal"

Award of Merit: UT Institute of Agriculture, Patricia Clark McDaniels, "Saving the Soil"

Work for Other Media, Visuals

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Cathy Clarke, Jack Lail, and Allison Shelton Miller, "Afghan Journal"

World Wide Web

Award of Excellence: Knoxville News-Sentinel, Jack Lail, Allison Shelton Miller, Carly Harrington, and Jigsha Desai, "Go Vols.com"

Award of Merit: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Jeff Guenther, "Free to Play"



Nicole Henrich introduces panelists at the April meeting



Panel members, Alan Carmichael, Foster Arnett, and Adina Chumley enjoy a laugh before April ETSPJ meeting on public relations and the media.

Mark Your Calendar for the Front Page Follies

June 14, Knoxville Marriott
Cocktails: 6 p.m.
Dinner: 7 p.m.
Show: 8:20 p.m.

Pre-seated Table of ten: \$600
Individual tickets \$60

Reservations to
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