

# Spot News

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## Volunteer TV's Merrit wins Golden Press Card

Lee Merrit of WVLT, Volunteer TV, is this year's winner of the Golden Press Card award for his story, "Together Again," which also won the Award of Excellence in the television news reporting category. Merrit, who came to WVLT from Binghamton, N.Y., in 2002, is an honors graduate of the Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University.

Winners of the Horace V. Wells Jr. Community Service Award are Tom Humphrey and Jack Lail of the Knoxville News Sentinel for the Web site, Campaign.knoxnews.com.

The Press Club of New Orleans judged the entries. Awards were presented Friday, May 21, at the University Club.

Categories designated with "A" are daily newspapers with a circulation greater than 25,000; "B" category papers have a circulation less than 25,000; and Category "C" designates non-daily newspapers or organizational communications (depending on the category).

Other winners were as follows:

Award of Excellence, Deadline/Spot News Reporting, Category 1A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Amy Nolan.

Award of Excellence, Deadline/Spot News Reporting, Category 1B, Daily Times, Lance Coleman.

Award of Merit, Deadline/Spot News Reporting, Category 1B, Daily Times, Staff.

Award of Excellence, Deadline/Spot News Reporting, Category 1C, Volunteer Times, Beverly Wooden.

Award of Excellence, General Reporting, Category 2A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Jamie Satterfield, Don Jacobs.

Award of Merit, General Reporting, Category 2A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Frank Munger.

Third, General Reporting, Category 2A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Kristi Nelson.

Fourth, General Reporting, Category 2A, Ashley Heher, Chattanooga Times Free Press.

Honorable Mention, General Reporting, Category 2B, Michael Moser, Crossville Chronicle.

Award of Excellence, General Reporting, Category 2C, LaFollette Press, Linda Thurston.

Award of Excellence, Feature Writing, Category 3A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Ina Hughs.

Award of Merit, Feature Writing, Category 3A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Karen Hill.

Third, Feature Writing, Category 3A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Kristi Nelson.

Award of Excellence, Feature Writing, Category 3B, Daily Times, Darren Dunlap.

Award of Merit, Feature Writing, Category 3B, Crossville Chronicle, Michael R. Moser.

Third, Feature Writing, Category 3B, Daily Times, Steve Wildsmith.

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## GPC winners

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Fourth, Feature Writing, Category 3B, Daily Times, Lance Coleman.

Award of Excellence, Feature Writing, Category 3C, LaFollette Press, Linda Thurston.

Award of Excellence, Series/Package/Project Writing, Category 4A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Scott Barker.

Award of Merit, Series/Package/Project Writing, Category 4A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Laura Ayo.

Award of Excellence, Series/Package/Project Writing, Category 4B, Daily Times, Thomas Fraser.

Award of Merit, Series/Package/Project Writing, Category 4B, Daily Times, Jennifer Hodson.

Award of Excellence, Investigative Reporting, Category 5A, Knoxville News Sentinel, J.J. Stambaugh, Tom Humphrey, and Laura Ayo.

Award of Merit, Investigative Reporting, Category 5A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Tory Newmyer and Chris Joyner.

Award of Excellence, Sports Reporting, Category 6A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Gary Lundy.

Award of Merit, Sports Reporting, Category 6A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Jay Greeson, Mark Weidmer, Allan Taylor, and Brad Sheperd.

Award of Excellence, Editorial Writing, Category 7A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Harry Austin.

Award of Excellence, Editorial Writing, Category 7C, LaFollette Press, Linda Thurston.

Award of Merit, Editorial Writing, Category 7C, LaFollette Press, Dwane Wilder.

Third, Editorial Writing, Category 7C, LaFollette Press, Linda Thurston.

Fourth, Editorial Writing, Category 7C, Volunteer Times, Charles Winfrey.

Award of Excellence, Personal Columns, Category 8A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Sam Venable.

Award of Merit, Personal Columns, Category 8A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Ina Hughs.

Award of Excellence, Personal Columns, Category 8B, Crossville Chronicle, Michael Moser.

Award of Merit, Personal Columns, Category 8B, Daily Times, Steve Wildsmith.

Award of Excellence, Personal Columns, Category 8C, LaFollette Press, Jim Dossett.

Award of Merit, Personal Columns, Category 8C, Volunteer Times, Gregg MacDonald.

Award of Excellence, News Reporting, Category 10B, WVLT, Lee Merrit.

Award of Merit, News Reporting, Category 10B, WVLT, Chloe Morrioni.

Award of Excellence, News Reporting, Category 10C, U. of Tenn. Institute of Agriculture, Chuck Denney and Doug Edlund.

Award of Excellence, Feature Reporting, Category 11B, WATE-TV, Don Dare, George Mitchell and Aaron Ramey.

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## GPC winners

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Award of Merit, Category 11B, WVLT, Lee Merrit.

Award of Excellence, Investigative Reporting, Category 12B, WVLT, Lee Merrit.

Award of Excellence, Sports Reporting, Category 13B, WTVC, Dave Staley.

Award of Excellence, Documentary/Public Affairs, Category 14B, WATE-TV.

Award of Excellence, Headlines, Newspapers, Category 15A, LaFollette Press, Jim Dossett.

Award of Merit, Headlines, Newspapers, Category 15A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Donna Cruze.

Third Place, Headlines, Newspapers, Category 15A, LaFollette Press, Dwane Wilder.

Fourth Place, Headlines, Newspapers, Category 15A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Suzanne Foree Neal.

Award of Excellence, Page One Design, Newspapers, Category 16A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Jeff Schnick.

Award of Merit, Page One Design, Newspapers, Category 16A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Jennifer Dedman.

Third Place, Page One Design, Newspapers, Category 16A, Chattanooga Times Free Press.

Award of Merit, Page One Design, Newspapers, Category 16C, LaFollette Press, Linn Hudson.

Award of Excellence, Inside Page Design, Category 17A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Lin Parker.

Award of Merit, Inside Page Design, Category 17A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Christina Bordeman.

Third Place, Inside Page Design, Category 17A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Karen Henry.

Fourth Place, Inside Page Design, Category 17A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Ruth Dickson.

Award of Merit, Inside Page Design, Category 17B, LaFollette Press, Dwane Wilder.

Award of Excellence, Informational Graphic, Category 18A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Rey Pineda.

Award of Merit, Informational Graphic, Category 18A, Knoxville News Sentinel, R. Daniel Proctor.

Third Place, Informational Graphic, Category 18A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Beck Towery and Juliette Coughlin.

Award of Excellence, Art Illustration, Category 19A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Lin Parker.

Award of Merit (TIE), Art Illustration, Category 19A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Beck Towery.

Award of Merit (TIE), Art Illustration, Category 19A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Don Wood.

Third Place, Art Illustration, Category 19A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Don Wood.

Award of Excellence, Photo Illustration, Category 20A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Beck Towery and Sean McRae Loftin.

Award of Merit, Photo Illustration, Category 20A, Chattanooga Times Free Press Juliette Coughlin.

Award of Excellence, Deadline Photography, Category 21A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Angela Lewis.

Award of Merit, Deadline Photography, Category 21A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Michael Patrick.

Award of Excellence, Deadline Photography, Category 21C, LaFollette Press, Dwane Wilder.

Award of Excellence, Feature Photography, Category 22A, Daily Times, Wes Hope.

Award of Merit, Feature Photography, Category 22A, LaFollette Press, Linn Hudson.

Third Place, Feature Photography, Category 22A, Knoxville News Sentinel, Jeff Adkins.

Award of Excellence, Feature Photography, Category 22C, LaFollette Press, Susan Sharp.

Award of Merit, Feature Photography, Category 22C, Volunteer Times, Gregg MacDonald.

Award of Excellence, Editorial Cartoons, Category 23A, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Bruce Plante.

Award of Merit, Editorial Cartoons, Category 23A, Knoxville News Sentinel, R. Daniel Proctor.

Award of Excellence, Work for Other Media, Category 24B, Knoxville News Sentinel, Scott LaPierre and Laura Ayo.

Award of Merit, Work for Other Media, Category 24B, Scott LaPierre and Jeff Adkins, Knoxville News Sentinel.

Award of Excellence, World Wide Web, Category 25, Knoxville.com.

Award of Merit, World Wide Web, Category 25, govols.com

## Mark Your Calendar

June 19, Front Page Follies, Knoxville Convention Center  
Cocktails, 6 p.m., Dinner, 7 p.m., Show, 8 p.m.

Come help us roast area newsmakers and raise money to fund college scholarships at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and Pellissippi State Technical Community College.

Tickets: \$75 per person (Pre-seated table for ten, \$750)  
RSVP to Sally Guthrie, 5316 Riverbriar Road, Knoxville, TN 37919

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LIKE HALOS.

THEY ARE  
HONORING  
JACKIE  
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