

FOR PUBLICATION FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2006 AFTER 2 P.M.:

Contact: Julie Schmidt
(503) 624-6397 ext 38

ONPA awards 2006 Collegiate Newspaper Contest honors

Corvallis, Ore. – The Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association (ONPA) presented its 2006 Collegiate Newspaper Contest awards to member Oregon college and university newspapers during the Oregon Newspapers Foundation's annual Collegiate Day conference, held at Oregon State University in Corvallis, Oregon on Friday, May 5.

Thirteen of ONPA's 21 Collegiate Member newspapers competed in this year's contest. Together, these newspapers submitted a total of 457 entries in 20 categories that cover the spectrum of newspaper arts. Those entries were judged in April by a group of individuals in the editorial and advertising departments at Oregon newspapers.

The judges awarded a total of 136 awards, including 54 first-place, 56 second-place, and 26 honorable mention awards. A complete list of these awards, including images of the winning entries, can be found on the ONPA web site at www.orenews.com.

In addition to the awards presentation, conference attendees chose to attend two of the six educational sessions offered during the conference. The session topics included Legal and Ethics (Duane Bosworth, Attorney, Davis Wright Tremaine), Internships (Steve Bagwell, Managing Editor, McMinnville News-Register), Reporting/Interviewing (John Schrag, Editor and Publisher, Forest Grove News-Times), Photography (Chris Pietsch, Photographer, Eugene Register Guard), Open Records and Meetings (Judson Randall, Student Publications Adviser, Portland State University), and Writing Reviews (Jeff Baker and Bob Hicks, reviewers, Portland Oregonian).

ONPA, founded in 1887, is a professional association of the state's newspapers. Oregon Newspapers Foundation was incorporated in 1978 as the educational and development arm of ONPA.