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AUSCHWITZ

Barnhill & Hirsch make a journey they will never forget

State of ONPA and other odds 'n ends

Bob DeMay
Board Chairman

Any discussion about ONPA at this time of the year should begin with reminding one and all to plan on attending the organization's annual convention.

This year's event in Columbus promises to be a great educational opportunity, and a chance to lend your voice as to the future of ONPA.

Whether it's the speakers, vendors, hospitality or portfolio reviews there is something for everyone at this annual event. Details and a registration form are on the next page. Additional forms can also be found on the web site at onpa.org.

Members are reminded that this year is an election year and nominations will be taken from the floor to fill two-year terms for all offices. If you want, or know someone who wishes to help direct ONPA this is the time to step forward.

Television

The past year turned out to be an up and down year for our organization. Television membership plummeted in 2002 leaving us with just 37 members in the television ranks among working photographers.

The reasons for the decline are varied but a very blunt e-mail last fall from myself to television vice president Vince Shivers has brought about a rapid recovery plan.

Shivers forwarded the message to several others across the state and the revival plan spread like a grass fire.

This is the up part of the year for us. The involvement of so many to heed the call and get involved is proof that despite the electronic obituary notice, television is not dead in Ohio. Perhaps we just needed some CPR.

The revival involves a group of photographers that have pledged to work with Shivers to get television membership back on track. Among the group are, Tim Moushey, WBNS, Columbus, Kim Fatica, WKYC, Cleveland, Jeff Barnhill and Chris Hursh, WKRC, Cincinnati, Tony Giordullo, WLWT, Cincinnati, and Doug Herrmann, WJW, Cleveland.

This group can't do it alone. You can help too. If you have a co-worker who isn't a member, make it your job to make sure he or she joins.

It's easy to complain about how your employer is to blame for everything. A little education and motivation go along way in making the work place better. If nothing else you'll be more marketable to get out of the hell hole you think you're in.

We can't all win a Pulitzer, but we

should care enough about our craft to improve our skills and attitude. Thirty-five dollars seems a small price to pay to do that.

Tempe or Bust

Most of the travel and space budgets for Ohio media outlets were put to the test covering Ohio State's run for the national championship.

While the entire state was well represented in Tempe, Columbus sent a small army to cover the event.

The story and manpower translated into a profitable return on their investment for *The Columbus Dispatch*.

An eight-page stand-alone section on the Fiesta Bowl following the game sold over 100,000 extra copies Jan 4. The section has been reprinted twice since adding greatly to that number.

A 24-page special section commemorating the season was printed on Jan. 18 when the school held a celebration at the Horseshoe. The section broke all circulation records in *Dispatch* history.

The paper also published a 160-page book, "A Season to Remember: Ohio State's 2002 National Championship." The book follows the Buckeyes from April's Scarlet and Gray game through their Fiesta Bowl matchup against Miami.

They were not alone in cashing in on the Buckeyes as WBNS-TV in Columbus is offering a 2002 OSU Highlight video available in DVD or video format.

The News Journal got in on the act moments after the Buckeye won the title. Mansfield's circulation department printed 500 special one-page mock newspapers prior to the game.

When the double-overtime win was complete, *News Journal* sports editor Larry Phillips was on the field, making sure the papers got distributed.

One of the first to snag a copy was OSU cheerleader Amy Hawkins, who held up the page from the sidelines for ABC's television cameras. The main headline read, "VICTORY," announcing OSU's win over the Miami Hurricanes, 31-24.

Also on the Mansfield front, the Newspaper Network of Central Ohio is putting the finishing touches on the book: "Mission Accomplished: A Perfect Season," the story of the 2002 national champion Ohio State football team.

The book is a collection of the best stories, commentary, analysis and photos from the season, produced by the 10 newspapers in the group.

See you in Columbus.

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On the cover

WKRC's Hirsh and Barnhill follow Holocaust survivor to retrace history at Auschwitz

Inset: Jeff Hirsh and Jeff Barnhill pose for a picture taken by Dr. Racelle Weiman in front of the main gate at Auschwitz in Poland. **Background:** Photograph at the Birkenau death camp by Jeff Barnhill. Digital Manipulation by Bob DeMay

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ONPA CONVENTION 2003

APRIL 4 & 5, 2003 HOLIDAY INN, COLUMBUS/WORTHINGTON I-270 & US23

Kathy Plonka, a staff photographer at The Spokesman-Review, Spokane, WA. Plonka placed third in the Photographer of the Year category of the 2001 Pictures of the Year competition sponsored by NPPA and the Missouri School of Journalism. She will tell her secrets for balancing life and work.

Brian Storm, is vice president of news & editorial photography for Corbis. A former photojournalist, Storm comes directly from award-winning MSNBC.com where he served as director of multimedia.

James Gordon, professor emeritus Bowling Green State University School of Journalism. Gordon is the editor of NPPA's News Photographer Magazine and is a former ONPA Photographer of the Year.

Dirck Halstead, is the Editor and Publisher of The Digital Journalist, the monthly online magazine for photojournalism. Dirck is the Director of the Platypus Workshops which has trained more than 250 photojournalists in the language of tel-

evision news in order become more competitive in today's rich multimedia environment.

Jason Hanson, is a three time NPPA regional runner up as Photographer of the Year. Hanson is presently a photojournalist at KSTP-TV in Minneapolis. He contributed two pieces the station's NPPA Station of the Year award in 1998. His focus will be on teamwork as it applies to "day of" general news stories.

David Sussman, is director of photography at WGNO-TV in New Orleans. Sussman has won 11 regional Emmy awards and was the NPPA Region 8 Photographer of the Year in 1999.

Doug Oster, Photo Editor at the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, will be the guest editor to coordinate portfolio reviews. He'll join forces with The Plain Dealer's **Bill Kennedy** to form ONPA's house band now known as The Pixels in the hospitality suite both Friday and Saturday evening. Guests musicians and vocalists welcome.



Kathy Plonka



Brian Storm



James Gordon



Dirck Halstead



Jason Hanson



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Finding Family: a story and a place we will never forget

Jeff Barnhill

WKRC-TV Cincinnati

Someone once said that when you are in this place everything looks black and white. He was right. The bitter cold air and the early morning sun filtering through the dome of coal haze make it appear to be true...coupled with the knowledge of the atrocities that occurred in this place, you understand why it's true. This is Poland. This is history. This is Auschwitz.

December 2002 saw WKRC Reporter Jeff Hirsh and I embark on our largest project to date. We spent nine days in Europe documenting the explorations of local Holocaust survivor, Henry Blumenstein. He traveled to Holland and Poland to re-trace his history; searching for answers, acceptance, and inner peace. Hirsh and I have been following Henry's story since April 2002 when we covered a portion of Henry's speaking tour of Cincinnati. It was a tour in which Henry spoke to thousands of school-aged children about his experiences during WWII.



Jeff Barnhill/WKRC-TV
WKRC reporter Jeff Hirsh talks with Henry Blumenstein while he was visiting Birkenau.

The Dijkstra family, members of the Dutch underground, hid Blumenstein during the war in rural Northern Holland. Henry's father was deported to Latin America, while his mother and grandmother were captured by the Nazi's and sent to their deaths. His mother was murdered at Auschwitz. Blumenstein's father survived the war and later re-united with Henry in the United States.

For Henry, it has been a life-long struggle to come to terms with his feelings about the Holocaust and his family's role in it. It was not until the last few years that Henry was able to begin seeking answers and with the help of Sjoukje Dijkstra, discover his mission. Sjoukje Dijkstra is the granddaughter of Henry's saviors and his speaking partner on his mission. Henry and Sjoukje want the young people of the world to learn about Henry's story and never forget the Holocaust.

WKRC and The Center for Holocaust and Humanity Education at ebrew Union College in Cincinnati partnered to make this documentary project happen. Along with Dr. Racelle Weiman (Holocaust Center Director), Jeff Hirsh and I accompanied Henry and Sjoukje to a speaking engagement at a high school in Holland and to the Dijkstra family reunion. The sixty-seven year old survivor told his story of hiding and heroism to many who have never heard the tale. This included most of the Dijkstra family, some of whom were completely unaware of Henry's existence and their ancestral legacy. Along the way, Henry took Jeff and I to numerous locations that have played key roles in his history, ultimately ending up at Auschwitz-Birkenau in the Southern Polish countryside. Auschwitz and Birkenau (Auschwitz II) were separate camps divided by the small Polish town of Oswiecim. Auschwitz was primarily a concentration camp, while Birkenau was the death camp. Much of the camps still exist today and are maintained as a museum.

For the most part, the shooting conditions in both Holland and Poland were brutal. Holland was home to a fierce wind that howled across the unbroken flat terrain, cutting us to the bone. A steady shot was a difficult prospect. Auschwitz was beastly cold (-2 degrees), but

perfectly still and deafeningly quiet. The shooting schedule was long and the available sunlight was brief. Sunrise was after nine in the morning and sunset was around 3:30 in the afternoon. We had to work fast and partition our shooting schedule; shooting all of our outdoor shots first and whenever possible working indoors after dark. I used my BVP-50/CVR-5 Betacam to shoot this project. "The Old Tank" held up to the rough conditions and performed admirably. Forty half-hour Beta tapes later we had captured Henry's story. I also shot ten reels of Super 8MM film for texture. All of this was the easy part though.



Jeff Barnhill/WKRC-TV
A frame grab from the documentary shows the only crematorium left standing at Auschwitz.

The biggest struggle was dealing with the magnitude of where we were shooting. There were many times when Auschwitz did not seem real and we felt as if we were on a movie set. There were other times when we were so focused on what Henry was experiencing that we failed to experience the environment around us for ourselves. We were simply capturing the moment. But eventually the impact set in on both of us...this was Auschwitz after all. It's impossible to go there and not be personally affected. For both Jeff and I, our feelings began to reveal themselves as we broke away from Henry to shoot b-roll video. We finally had a chance to step back and absorb what happened there...to realize the true magnitude. The desire to put down the camera and experience Auschwitz for myself became overwhelming. For Jeff Hirsh...even worse. He is Jewish. But beyond all of the images we recorded at Auschwitz during those two days, we still felt we needed more. We each decided to pick up a single stone from the railroad tracks that run through the gate at Birkenau. Appropriately, these stones are our only personal reminders of the experience...we will never forget.



Jeff Barnhill/WKRC-TV
This is the main gate of the Birkenau death camp as seen from inside the camp. Both Hirsh and Barnhill left with a single stone from the tracks as a reminder of their experience.

WKRC will air "Finding Family" during the spring. Jeff Hirsh is a 22-year veteran Cincinnati reporter with numerous awards to his credit, including 23 Regional Emmy awards. Photojournalist Jeff Barnhill has been with WKRC for five years and was awarded the National Edward R. Murrow Award in 2002.

Photos must be entered in the month published. A photo can be entered only after its initial publication. Publication is defined as printed or electronically reproduced by your publication's official website.

All web published entries must be in the form of a hard copy no larger than 8x10, with a screen shoot of the picture's online publication on the back.

Submissions of wire photos will be handled similarly. If a clip of your AP submission is not available a print no larger than 8 by 10 may be entered. Attached must be a proof from your AP server of the photo or the routing code and date of transmission.

Remove your name and affiliation from the front of the clip. Affix a completed official entry label on the back. Include a separate sheet of paper with your name, address and total number of clips entered.

Layouts are judged as a single entry but single pictures from a layout can be entered also. You must submit another clip of the single image from the layout in this case.

Sort clips by category:

Spot news: A picture of an unscheduled event for which no advanced planning was possible. Examples: fires, accidents and natural disasters.

General news: A picture of a scheduled political, social or cultural event for which advance planning was possible. An assigned and/or scheduled news event. Example: Demonstrations, funerals, trials and promotional events.

Portrait: A picture of a person that reveals the essence of the subjects character.

Sports: An unposed sports related picture, either feature or action. Sports related portraits should be entered in the portrait category.

Feature single: A general human interest photo.

Multiple picture: A photo story, sequence or series of any subject matter.

Illustration: A created picture, not a found situation or portrait. Intended to clarify or dramatize a pre-conceived idea. This would include illustrations depicting food, fashion, industrial or editorial topics. This category will be judged quarterly but clips must be entered in the month published.

Each entrant is limited to a total of nine clips per month. The clip contest is open to all ONPA members in good standing who live or work in Ohio during the month entered. The ONPA clip contest is not affiliated with the NPPA Region 4 clip contest. Clips must be in the hand of the clip chairman by the 7th of the month following publication. Clips should be sent to:

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This Week Newspapers
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3	Chris Russell, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	422
4	Eric Albrecht, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	412
5	Fred Squillante, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	370
6	Scott Shaw, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	352
7	Ken Love, <i>Akron Beacon Journal</i>	340
8	Marshall Gorby, <i>Springfield News-Sun</i>	328
9	Bob Rossiter, <i>The Repository</i>	300
10	Neal Lauron, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	282
11	Jeff Adkins, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	260
	Tim Revell, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	
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14	Scott Heckel, <i>The Repository</i>	232
15	Joshua Gunter, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	228
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42	Michael King, <i>This Week Newspapers</i>	74
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45	E.L Hubbard, <i>The Journal News</i>	70
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47	David Anderson, <i>The Plain Dealer</i>	64
48	Chris Stewart, <i>Dayton Daily News</i>	56
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50	Doral Chenoweth III, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i>	54
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54	Mark Duncan, <i>Associated Press</i>	48
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	Ed Hall, <i>The Alliance Review</i>	
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65	Dan Kraus, <i>This Week Newspapers</i>	36
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3rd - Marshall Gorby
Springfield News Sun
HM - Tom Puskar
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HM - Patti Schaeffer
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The Repository
2nd - Eric Albrecht
The Columbus Dispatch
3rd - Bill Kennedy
The Plain Dealer
HM - Bob DeMay
Akron Beacon Journal
HM - Dale Omori
The Plain Dealer

FEATURE

1st - Dante SMith
Zanesville Times Recorder
2nd - Lorrie Cecil
This Week Newspapers
3rd - Marvin Fong
The Plain Dealer
HM - Marshall Gorby
Springfield News Sun
HM - Scott Shaw
The Plain Dealer
HM - Lynn Ischay
The Plain Dealer

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The Columbus Dispatch
2nd - Fred Squillante
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The Gazette
HM - Chuck Crow
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2nd - Scott Shaw
The Plain Dealer
3rd - David Distelhorst
The Advocate
HM - Joshua Gunter
The Plain Dealer

ILLUSTRATION

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2nd - James Laskay
Springfield News Sun
3rd - Mary Circelli
The Columbus Dispatch
HM - Marshall Gorby
Springfield News Sun
HM - Alysia Peyton
The Columbus Dispatch

Marshall Gorby *Springfield News Sun*

1st Illustration
2nd qtr

With today's harried lifestyles, lunch is sometimes squeezed in between meetings and errands.



Dante Smith
Zanesville Times Recorder

1st Portrait - September

Brandon Burke of Zanesville checks out Yonder the horse he had been riding at the Muskingum County Fairgrounds as part of a program for special needs riders. Burke has Down Syndrome Riders Program.



Bob Rossiter
The Repository

1st General News - September

Joe Cancelliere holds a candle as two beams of light shine during a September 11 remembrance service in Plain Township. The light beams came from units that lighted the sky at Ground Zero in New York City on March 11.



Eric Albrecht

The Columbus Dispatch
1st Picture Story - September

Mike Brooks practices bicycle stunts on Main Street in Gratiot. Photo from a three-page layout on the exits less traveled, a look at small towns along I-70 and 71 in central Ohio.

Patti Schaeffer
The Morning Journal

1st Spot News
September

Andy Sweeteye of Perry Township is escorted by members of the Columbiana County S.W.A.T. team after a four-hour stand-off. Sweeteye barricaded himself inside his home, and at several times fired upon officers he had asked come to the scene.



Jeff Adkins
The Columbus Dispatch
1st Portrait September

Gary St. Amant is going for his third American Speed Association championship.

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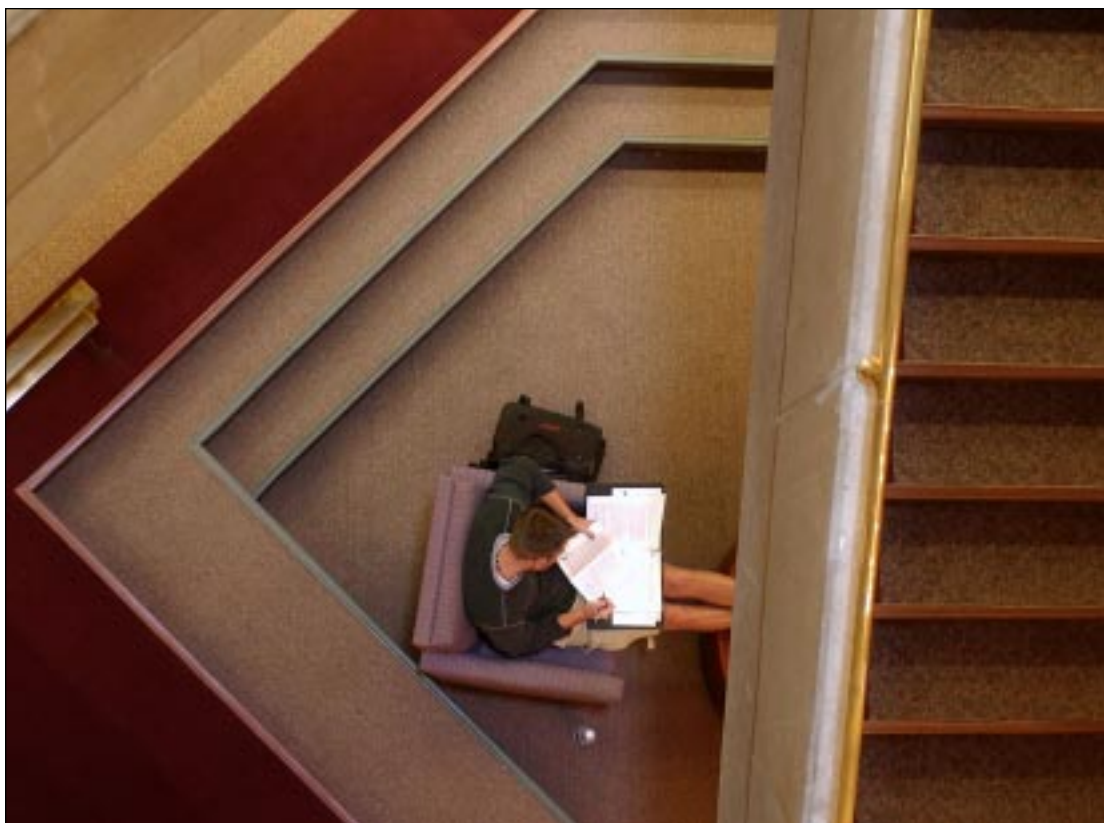
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Tim Revell
The Columbus Dispatch
1st General News - October

Donald M. Wirth Sr., president of Steelworkers Local 2342, talks to workers about the uncertain future of Buckeye Steel Castings.



Bob DeMay
Akron Beacon Journal
1st Feature - October

University of Akron student Aaron Stamper, a senior education major, studies in Bierce Library on campus. A national think tank gave Ohio an F for how affordable state residents find college. The state slipped from a D grade in 2002.



Eustacio Humphrey
The Plain Dealer

1st Feature Story
October

On October 9, 2001, Anthony Michael Green was released after serving 13 years in prison for a rape crime he didn't commit. But how does an innocent man free himself from his own anger and bitterness? "From the minute they threw me in jail, I knew I was going down," he said. "The evidence didn't matter." Now, back in Cleveland he is "starting to get his life back" by going out to look for employment and apply for proper identification. Here, at the home of his parents, his stepfather Robert Mandell and his sister, Sharon, both in the background, talk about Michael's success in passing his driving test. Michael is now a legitimate citizen.

Ron Alvey
Dayton Daily News

1st Spot News
October

A Montgomery County sheriff's deputy is loaded into an ambulance after a shooting at the Dayton-Montgomery County Courts Building. Deputy Matthew Wright, was treated at an area hospital and released.



Tim Revell
The Columbus Dispatch

1st Portrait
October

Chief Justice Thomas J. Moyer stands in the new Ohio Supreme Court courtroom in the court's future home on S. Front St. The high court will move from the Rhodes Tower in January 2004 after restoration on the Front Street building is complete.



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Robert Caplin
The Columbus Dispatch

1st Spot News
Above:A man kicks in the glass doors at Long's Bookstore during the unrest that followed the OSU-Michigan game.



1st Feature Story
Right: Silhouetted against the glow from burning cars, Columbus police prepare to confront partyers rampaging through streets near Ohio State University.



Dante Smith
Zanesville Times - Recorder

1st Portrait
November

Ray Galia of Zanesville has been playing polka music for 50 years. Galia joined the Polka Gems, a local band in 1952 which went on to record a 45 and three popular LPs.

Eric Albrecht
The Columbus Dispatch

1st General News
November

Police Officer Dave Foster aims his pistol at a Rottweiler next door while Lisa Manley, Columbus code-enforcement liaison, closes a South Side home that's been cited for code violations. Finding the owner took six weeks, Manley said.



Tom E Puskar
Ashland Times Gazette

1st Sports
November

Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Kordell Stewart scrambles for yardage as Cincinnati Bengals Justin Smith loses his helmet while hauling him down from behind.



Steve Schenck
The Tribune Chronicle

1st Feature
November

Dennis Vernon and his brother Dylan make silly faces at each other in the mirror of their mom's mini-van at Roosevelt Elementary School in Warren. Their mother Christine is a crossing guard and the boys were waiting for her to finish her shift.

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1st Sports
September

Pittsburgh Steeler receiver Plaxico Burress reacts after catching a 10-yard touchdown pass from Tommy Maddox late in the fourth quarter. The touchdown forced overtime and enabled the Steelers to beat the Browns 16 - 13 for their first win of the season.