

Local News

# Courier-Journal wins six awards in annual Catholic press competition

Boston (NC) — The Courier-Journal received six awards — including two first-place honors — in the Catholic Press Association's 1988 competition.

The awards were announced May 27 at the association's 77th annual convention in Boston.

Associate editor Teresa A. Parsons was recognized with a first-place award in the category of Best News Report Originating with the Newspaper on a National or International Event. The award-winning entry consisted of a three-part series — published in March and April of 1987 — on the 1987 Vatican document on bioethics and in-vitro fertilization.

Judges said Parsons "did an outstanding job of interpreting the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith's 'Instruction on Respect for Human Life in Its Origins and on the Dignity of Procreation.'" Calling the series "carefully written and very readable," the judges said she "produced an informative and attractive series on the medical, moral and scientific aspects of in-vitro fertilization."

Parsons also received an honorable mention in the category of Best Analy-

sis/Background/Round-up Reporting for her "informative" and "searching" article entitled, "Changing ethical climate challenges Church-sponsored gambling, games of chance," which appeared in the November 26, 1987.

Former C-J photographer Jeff Goulding took first place in the Best Photo Story category with his photo essay on the monks at Mt. Saviour Monastery. In explaining their selection, judges stated, "a simple story produced a group of touching photographs, well-printed and cropped, and displayed in a well-designed layout. Lead-in picture of generous size and capturing an obvious mood pulls the reader into the inside."

The lead-in photo from that story, which appeared on page one of the April 16, 1987, issue, also won a second-place award in the Best Feature Photograph category for its good use of lighting.

Current Courier-Journal photographer Bonnie Trafelet received a third-place award in the Best Color Photo category for her portrait of the children's Christmas pageant in Aurora. Judges cited the photo, which ran on page 1 of the December 25, 1987, issue as "well-orchestrated ... well-organized and

lighted, and aesthetically pleasing." The same photograph also received an honorable mention for Best Use of Color on a Front Page or Special Section for its "warm and pleasant" tone.

The annual competition's highest honor — general excellence — went to the National Catholic Register among national newspapers and the diocesan newspapers of Baltimore, Lafayette, La., and Springfield, Mass., which competed in three circulation brackets.

The Catholic Review, newspaper of the Baltimore Archdiocese, won top prize for general excellence among diocesan newspapers with circulations greater than 40,000. Catholic New York, newspaper of the Archdiocese of New York, finished second, and The Voice, newspaper of the Archdio-

cese of Miami, finished third. The Courier-Journal won first place in this category in 1986.

The general excellence winner for diocesan newspapers with circulations between 17,001 and 40,000 was the Acadiana Catholic, newspaper of the Diocese of Lafayette, La. Tied for second place were the Orlando and St. Petersburg editions of The Florida Catholic, while third place went to The Catholic Post, Peoria, Ill.

The Catholic Observer, newspaper of the Diocese of Springfield, Mass., won first place in the general excellence category for diocesan newspapers with a circulation of up to 17,000. Finishing second was The Catholic Herald, Colorado Springs, Colo., and third was The Montana Catholic, Helena, Mont.

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