

Community Calendar

CLOWN SHOW

Saturday, Oct. 6, Ricky the Clown will entertain at the Farmington Community Center with comedy, magic, upside down pictures, cowboy roping and other tricks. Admission is \$1 for two performances, at 1 p.m. and

2:30 p.m. Reserved tickets are available at the center.

SKI CLUB

Monday, Oct. 8, at 8 p.m., there will be an organizational meeting for an adult ski club at the Farmington Community Center. E. Marshall Greene will teach the course.

STORY HOUR

Tuesday, Oct. 9, at 10 a.m., the fall story series for pre-schoolers at the Farmington Road library begins. Registrations are now being accepted by phone or in person for four or five-year-olds. The programs consist of stories, finger-plays and singing.

Paper Wins Press Awards

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servers total about 112,000 on each semi-weekly publication date), and these were the awards of excellence which the Observer received:

FIRST PLACE, NEWS REPORTING - Livonia Observer; Wylie Gerdes, editor.

FIRST PLACE, ORIGINAL PERSONAL COLUMN - Publisher Philip H. Power for his weekly "Observation Point."

FIRST PLACE, SPORTS COVERAGE - Observer Newspapers; Tom Donoghue, sports editor.

SECOND PLACE, FEATURE STORY OF THE YEAR - W. Edward Wendover, now editor of the Plymouth Mail & Observer after serving as Redford editor and, before that, general assignment reporter.

THIRD PLACE, FEATURE STORY OF THE YEAR - Corinne Abatt, general assignment reporter.

HONORABLE MENTION, FEATURE STORY OF THE YEAR - Steve Barnaby, recently promoted from the post of amusements editor to editorship of the Garden City Observer after previous duty as a general assignment reporter.

THIRD PLACE, GENERAL EXCELLENCE - Southfield News & Observer; Emory Daniels, editor.

HONORABLE MENTION, ADVERTISING IDEA OF THE YEAR - ONI advertising staff; Keith E. Ellibee, director.

"Announcement of winners is being made in conjunction with National Newspaper Week (Oct. 9-15), a time when a concentrated effort is made to stress the community service role of a newspaper, along with the relationship between personal freedom and a free press," said MPA Executive Secretary Elmer E. White.

In his personal congratulatory message to Power for ONI achievements, White called attention to expressions of respect for the "high quality" of Michigan newspapers made by the Iowa Press Association judges.

In past years, awards have been limited to the first three places in each category. However, said White, this time the judges found it so difficult to select only the top three that they went on to give honorable mention awards as well.

Winning entries will be displayed at the MPA winter convention in January.

For Publisher Power, this was the second time in four years that his writings have been judged No. 1 by the MPA in the category of personal columns.

"As highly flattered as I may feel personally, the real importance of these highly coveted MPA awards lies in the broad scope of recognition accorded overall ONI excellence," said Power.

"Not only do I share with all others of the staff the warmth of recognition in what is truly a team publication, but I also take this opportunity to salute them collectively and individually as the finest editorial staff of any Michigan newspaper of our nature."

"It is only just that staffers such as Wylie Gerdes, Tom Donoghue and the others who won 1973 awards should bask in the glow of accomplishment. But ONI excellence didn't start in 1972-73, and it won't end there."

"The state and national awards our people have won in the last few years are too numerous to recount. Virtually all of our writers and photographers have been accorded such honors, and I take great pride in saying this merely bespeaks the day-in and day-out job we are trying to do for Observer readers."

Points considered in general excellence of the total paper were general and departmental news, mechanical excellence, advertising enterprise, editorial page, general appearance, makeup, style, and use of pictures.

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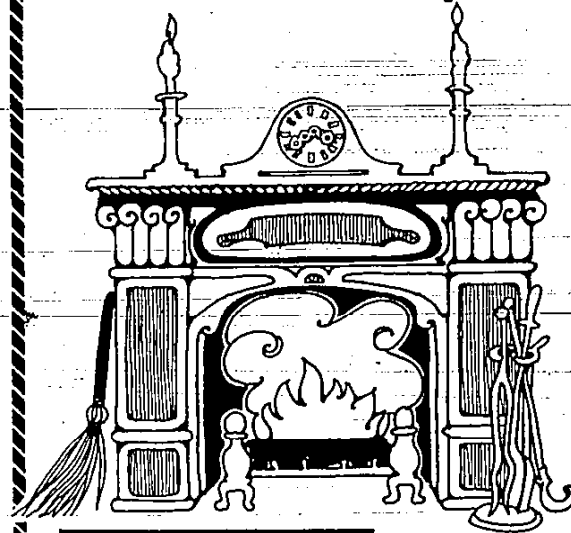
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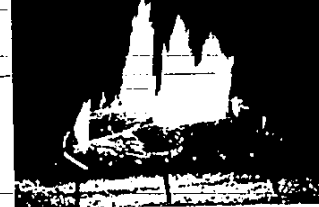
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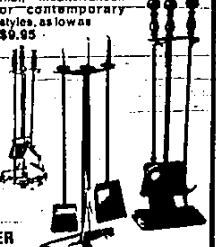


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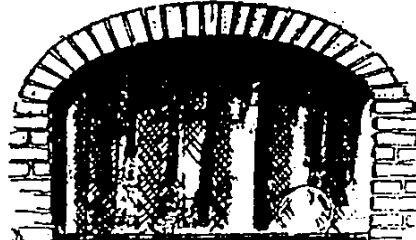
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AWARDS from the Michigan Press Assn. went to eight staff members of Observer Newspapers Inc. Here sports editor Tom Donoghue (right) looks over an award for "best sports pages" with Publisher Philip Power, who received recognition for "best columnist."