Catholic Review receives multiple journalism awards

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■ "Then and Now," the October 2014 special edition of the Catholic Review commemorating the 225th anniversary of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, enjoyed a sweep of top honors in three media competitions, two at the international level.

The 80-page issue was most recently acknowledged June 19 in Buffalo, by the Catholic Press Association (CPA) of the United States and Canada, with first place for Best One-Time Special Issue.

It had previously been honored in May, in Toronto, by the Associated Church Press (ACP), with its Award of Excellence (first place) for Reporting and Writing in a Theme Issue, Section or Series, and by the Maryland-Delaware-DC Press Association (MDDC), with Best of Show in the Special Section category. The special edition also won in MDDC's Division D, non-dailies with a circulation more than 20,000.

The special edition earned five other honors. "Two Days in the Archdiocese of Baltimore," a slideshow and video by former staff photographer Tom McCarthy Jr., took first place in Photo Series from the MDDC; first place for Online Video and second place for Art/Design/Graphics in a Photo Spread with Article or Cutline from the ACP; and second place from the CPA for Best Online Presentation of Multi-media Visuals.

The special section also earned notice for McCarthy and former art director April Hornbeck from the ACP, first place for Art/Design/Graphics in an Entire Issue.

Other awards, by competition, follow.

MDDC

First Place

Editorial: "It's time to be courageous" by Christopher Gunty; Feature Story:

"Creativity and caring defined NDP senior, not the cancer that took her life" by Maria Wiering; Religion Reporting: "Secret Service: All in the name of Jesus" by Paul McMullen, McCarthy and Hornbeck; Multimedia Storytelling (Sports): "Team Effort" by McMullen and McCarthy.

Second Place

Local Column: "Reach out and touch a real someone" by McMullen; Continuing Coverage: "Drugs and Crime" by Elizabeth Lowe, McCarthy and Wiering; Feature Story (Non-Profile): "Out of the depths" by George Matysek Jr. and Olivia Obineme; Medical/Science Reporting: "Reclaiming perspective" by Wiering and McCarthy; Special Section: "Serve with Gladness" by CR Staff; Page 1 Design: "Toot your own horn" by McCarthy; Feature Page Design: "Running Start" by Lowe, Wiering and Hornbeck; Online Commentary or Blog: "Open Window" by Rita Buettner and "God is in the Clouds" by Patti Murphy Dohn; Best Photo Gallery: "A photo foray into Baltimore's Star-Spangled Spectacular" by McCarthy; News Page Design: "Preparing for the Primary" by Wiering, McCarthy and Hornbeck.

Associated Church Press

First Place

Best in Class/Print - Regional Newspaper: "The Catholic Review" by CR Staff; E-Newsletter: "CR News" by Jennifer Williams.

Second Place

Art/Design/Graphics in a Single Photo with Article or Cutline: "Reclaiming Perspective" by McCarthy.

Honorable Mention

Best in Class/Online-Blog: "Open Window" by Buettner and "God is in the Clouds" by Murphy Dohn; Reporting and Writing in a Personal Experience: "Rediscovering yourself when you are single again" by Gunty; Art/Design/Graphics in a Spread or Story: "Running Start" by Hornbeck.

Catholic Press Association

First Place

Supplement on Local Ordinary's Transition: "Serve with Gladness" featuring Bishop Mitchell T. Rozanski, by CR Staff; Special Issue with Advertising Emphasis: "Schools Open House 2014," by CR Staff; Photography – Best Portrait: "Reclaiming Perspective" by McCarthy.

Second Place

News Writing on a Local or Regional Event: "Part of the Solution" by Lowe; Newspaper Website: The Catholic Review Website by Williams and CR Staff.

Third Place

Best Scenic, Still-life or Weather Photo: "Sign of the Season" by McCarthy.

Honorable Mention

Best Coverage of Local Politics: Wiering and McCarthy. ?