

Did you hear the news?



Virginia Daily recognized!



Ian Baker holds a plaque given to the Daily for winning the VPA Sweepstakes award.

Employees garner a variety of awards



Keister, Pat Keister, Elizabeth Smoot, Carolyn Baker, Kelly Phillips and Tammy Burdick with the Award for Best Large Business in Strasburg

6 years in a row!



Bob Woolen with the 2004 VPA Sweepstakes Award

The Northern Virginia Daily has been a trusted part of the Shenandoah Valley community since 1932, providing you with exceptional coverage of local news and sports. Take a look at how Daily employees are being recognized for their efforts.

THE 2005 VPA NEWS CONTEST

The Daily's news staff members won 45 awards in the 2005 Virginia Press Association News, Editorial & Photo Contest, one of the nation's largest editorial contests. The Daily received the most individual awards in its circulation class, including 21 first-place awards, 12 second-place awards and 11 third-place awards. Daily staff members swept all available awards in three categories. The Daily also won the association's prestigious Sweepstakes award for accumulating the most points in competition with other Virginia newspapers with daily circulation up to 20,000. The Daily, which accumulated 98 points, has won the Sweepstakes six years in a row and in 15 of the last 18 years. In a separate competition sponsored by the Virginia Council on Economic Education, Stacey Rice won a first-place award for economic education reporting for a story on living wills.

THE 2005 VPA ADVERTISING CONTEST

The Virginia Press Associations's advertising contest recognizes efforts by advertising professionals, awards creativity, and celebrates excellence in newspaper advertising, marketing, and other print products. Members of the Daily's advertising and design staff received 22 awards from this contest, in competition with other papers of comparable circulation. Congratulations to the staff members who made this possible.

AP SPORTS EDITORS

Congratulations to Tommy Keeler, Ryan Sonner, Mike Petre and Matt Stanmyre in sports. Their 2005 series of stories on steroids in prep sports was a top 10 finalist in the annual Associated Press Sports Editors competition. The entry competed in APSE's projects category for newspapers up to 40,000 circulation in size. It was the third year in a row the Daily's sports staff has placed in the national competition.

KOHL'S VENDOR EXCELLENCE

Hats off to Beverly George and the mailroom crew for again receiving Kohl's Vendor Excellence Award. The award represents error-free preprint distribution in 2005. "Accurate and timely distribution of preprints is key to our success. We appreciate your diligent efforts toward helping us achieve our distribution goals," the letter of commendation read.

GOLDEN 50 AWARD

Patsy Allamong has been selected as a recipient of the VPA Golden 50 Award. This is a new award being presented by the Virginia Press Association annually. This award honors men and women who have displayed exemplary service and selfless contributions to newspapering for at least 50 years. Patsy will be honored at the 125th celebration at The Homestead during Saturday morning's breakfast on June 10. Patsy has worked at the Daily for 53 years as the secretary for the Winchester bureau.

DAILY NAMED BEST LARGE BUSINESS IN STRASBURG

The Strasburg Chamber of Commerce has chosen the Daily as its Large Business of the Year for 2005. The award was presented at the chamber's 55th annual awards banquet held on March 4. Daily staffers in attendance included Carolyn Baker, Pam Bell, Tammy Burdick, Dee and Pat Keister, Ben Orcutt and Elizabeth Smoot. In accepting the plaque which hangs in the Strasburg front office, Pat Keister said the company is successful because it has a mission, it has a team of exceptional employees and it contributes to the public dialogue. The Daily was founded by Pat's father, E.E. Keister, 74 years ago.

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High in the mid-50s. Tonight, low in the 20s.
Weather, A6

Regions: B1 Sports, C1 Valley Scene, D1 Arts, D2 Bridge, C5 Classics, E1 Comics, C6
Comment, A4 Crossword, C5 Crossword, D2 Markets, B8 Markets, B9 Markets, D4 TV/Movies, D5

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