

ShopTalk

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Big Night at The Post

Hundreds of Post employees spent Monday evening, Dec. 6 enjoying a festive winter wonderland and honoring four of their colleagues during the newspaper's biggest employee event of the year – the 21st annual Eugene Meyer Awards.

Chairman **Don Graham** and Publisher **Bo Jones** presented The Post's highest employee honor to **Dan Balz**, News; **Walter Fletcher**, Building Services; **Phil Hottle**, Circulation and **Lee McAdory**, Circulation, during the event held in the Northwest Building's auditorium and multi-purpose room.

During his comments at the beginning of the awards ceremony, Graham asked past winners of the Eugene Meyer Award to stand and be recognized. "This is an astonishing group of people that Dan, Walter, Phil and Lee are joining."

"It's hard putting out a daily newspaper," he continued. "No one outside this process understands it. You

stick your 35 cents in the rack, pick out a copy of The Washington Post and it looks so simple. It takes people who are great at what they do and tonight we honor four of our very best."

Bo Jones provided insight into the work and accomplishments of each of the four men which earned them the prestigious award. They in turn thanked their co-workers and families for their successful careers at The Post.

"The universal respect for Dan has enabled him to develop a broad range of sources from both [political] parties and all ideologies," explained Jones in his remarks honoring national reporter Dan Balz. Jones also included comments from Executive Editor **Len Downie** who said of Balz, "In an ocean of chaos on primary and election nights, Dan is the island of reason and calm on which the rest of us rely."



Publisher **Bo Jones** (far left) and Chairman **Don Graham** (far right) with the 2004 Eugene Meyer Award winners **Phil Hottle**, **Lee McAdory**, **Dan Balz** and **Walter Fletcher**.

Jones lauded 31-year Post veteran Walter Fletcher for his behind-the-scenes hard work in Building Services at the Northwest Building. He noted that during the 1991 United Way campaign, Fletcher retrieved an estimated \$30,000 in United Way checks and cash that were in two boxes that were inadvertently thrown away. He followed The Post's ink-covered trash to a landfill in Virginia and sifted through it to find the lost donations.

During his comments about home delivery managers Phil Hottle and Lee McAdory, Jones noted, "It's hard to appreciate home

delivery unless you are involved in it. The rest of us see the hysteria caused on the rare occasion when delivery fails. We notice when it is accomplished in even the most foul weather when even the Postal Service gives up. But

day in and day out, it doesn't matter what great journalism we produce or advertising we sell or color we print, if the paper doesn't get delivered in time, it doesn't matter."

Both of the circulation award winners praised the hard work of The Post's independent distributors and zone managers in their speeches. They were also effusive in their thanks to the newspaper's leadership and the Graham family.

"I never had the opportunity to meet Eugene Meyer," remarked Hottle, "but he must have been a heck of a guy." ■

2004 Eugene Meyer Awards



Damien Brouillard, Accounting; **Sarah-Jane O'Connell**, IT; **Chris Branin**, Human Resources, **Stacey Pastor**, Marketing, and **Ben Bayder**, Advertising, enjoy the awards evening festivities.



Accounting staff at the awards reception included **Betty Holman**, **Marie Milligan**, **Michele Wade**, **Deborah Wiggins** and **Grace Carter**.



Lee McAdory and wife, **Marie Savoy-McAdory**, (center) with members of their family.



Financial Desk staffers **Karen Yourish** and **Mike Shepard** at the event.

Award Winner **Dan Balz** (fourth from left) surrounded by family and friends including his son **John**, (far left) and wife, **Nancy**, (second from left), as well as 2003 Eugene Meyer Award winner **Marcia Kramer** (second from right).





Distributor John Walker was on hand to honor award-winner **Phil Hottle**.



A proud **Walter Fletcher** (center) with wife, Shirley, (second from left) and members of their family.



Phil Hottle and his wife, Sharon, with their children, grandchild and family members.



Rich Handloff, **Jeff Guiffrida** and **Todd Berman** were among the crowd gathered in the multipurpose room.



Past Recipients of the Eugene Meyer Award

1983	Frank Manzon <i>Circulation</i>	Murrey Marder <i>News</i>	Neal Shelby <i>Advertising</i>	Pat Taylor <i>Production</i>
1984	Joe Arcaro <i>Advertising</i>	Herblock <i>Editorial</i>		Jerre Lowe <i>Production</i>
1985	Elsie Carper <i>News</i>	Sue Oremland <i>Advertising</i>		Penny Pendergast <i>Production</i>
1986	John Anderson <i>Editorial</i>	Al Olshine <i>Advertising</i>		Earnie Smith <i>Production</i>
1987	Helen Dewar <i>News</i>	Lou Limber <i>Advertising</i>		L.C. Turner <i>Production</i>
1988	Ed Alexander <i>Springfield Pressroom</i>	Bill Raspberry <i>News</i>		Jake Terrell <i>Circulation</i>
1989	Tim Land <i>Circulation</i>	Matthew Lewis <i>News</i>		Scottie Manns <i>Advertising</i>
1990	David Broder <i>News</i>	Bob Moe <i>Advertising</i>		Paul Poff <i>Circulation</i>
1991	Bob Asher <i>Editorial</i>	Allan Kohan <i>Production</i>		Joyce Richardson <i>Advertising</i>
1992	Joseph DeBrew <i>Production</i>	Michael Getler <i>News</i>		Terry Wiseman <i>Administration</i>
1993	Luba Forbes <i>Advertising</i>	Peter Milius <i>Editorial</i>		Ben Whittemore <i>Circulation</i>
1994	Olga Chavez <i>Classified</i>	Jim Hoagland <i>News</i>	Curtis Kennedy <i>Make-Up</i>	Jack Watson <i>Make-Up</i>
1995	Diane Dubois <i>Advertising</i>	Lou Fabian <i>Circulation</i>	Doug Feaver <i>News</i>	Carolyn Monroe <i>Advertising</i>
1996	Chuck Miller <i>Systems & Engineering</i>	Mike Randolph <i>Composing</i>		Bob Woodward <i>News</i>
1997	Leon Dash <i>News</i>	Ron Stone <i>Production</i>		George Wathen <i>Operating Services</i>
1998	Scott Custin <i>Systems & Engineering</i>	Tom Shales <i>News</i>		Virginia Rodriguez <i>Public Relations</i>
1999	Joe Rinaldi <i>Production</i>	George Solomon <i>News</i>		Mary C. Williams <i>Classified</i>
2000	Vic Capece <i>Circulation</i>	Mary Hadar <i>News</i>	Steve Reed <i>Circulation</i>	Phil Richardson <i>Make-Up</i>
2001	Martin Kady <i>Advertising</i>	Mary McGrory <i>News</i>		Stan Utterback <i>Accounting</i>
2002	Royston De Souza <i>Advertising</i>	Diane Patterson <i>Production</i>		Martin Weil <i>News</i>
2003	Tien Dinh Hoang <i>Production</i>	Howard Humphries <i>Advertising</i>		Marcia Kramer <i>News</i>

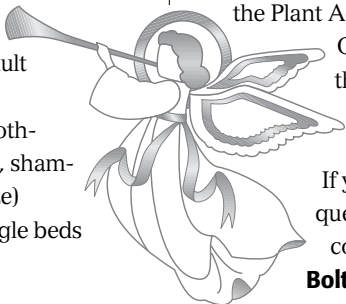
Be An Angel!

This holiday season, The Post is supporting My Sister's Place in the District as part of the Be An Angel campaign. My Sister's Place is exclusively devoted to providing comprehensive services for survivors of domestic violence and their children. There are three ways you can help:

Make a Contribution... to support the vital work of My Sister's Place. Donations payable to My Sister's Place will help the shelter continue their commitment in assisting battered women and their children.

Donate Essential Items:

- Clothing and coats for children from six months to age eight
- Pajamas (child and adult sizes)
- Toiletries (toothbrush, lotion, shampoo-large size)
- Linen for single beds
- Towels



- Diapers
- Metro Bus tokens (for the women to bring their children to My Sister's Place)
- Strollers

Donate a Gift Certificate... from Giant or Safeway. Gift certificates from these stores will help the clients of My Sister's Place purchase necessary items for their children.

Bring your much-needed unwrapped gifts to the main lobby anytime through December 30. At the Northwest Building items can be placed in the large "gift box" in the lobby. Checks, cash or gift certificates can be placed in the donation box on the security desk. Springfield and College Park employees should drop off donations at the Plant Administration

Office during the day or Plant Security in the evenings. If you have any questions, please contact **Lisa Bolton** at x4-7970.



Gift Ideas From the Rec Association

Give the gift of a movie ticket this year. Rec Association members can purchase these discounted movie tickets that make great stocking stuffers:

Loews: Any movie out more than 10 days - \$5.50

Regal Blue: No restrictions, no expiration date - \$6.50

AMC Silver: Any movie out more than 10 days - \$5.50

AMC Gold: No restrictions - \$7

Contact one of the Rec Reps below for tickets or information on becoming a member:

Michael Goodman, x4-7048

LaRongenette Snead, x4-8306

Pam Mitchell-Scott, x4-5882

Adrienne Taylor, x4-7101

Les Martin, x6-1107

Successful Start to Holiday Challenge

The three Health Centers reported a total of 310 weigh-ins for Lean Plate Club Holiday Challenge participants – an increase of 20 employees from 2003! For helpful information and support, look for Sally Squires' Lean Plate Club column in Tuesday's Health Section or go online to www.washingtonpost.com/leanplateclub.

Special Holiday Event

The Post's annual holiday concert featuring the renowned Eastern High School Choir is next Friday, Dec. 17 on the front steps of the Northwest Building from noon to 2 p.m. Stop by for a warm hug from Ned the Newshound and enjoy some hot chocolate and cookies.

Marketplace

FOR SALE: Two Z and M's battery-operated riding cars for kids, a 4-wheeler (original cost \$250) and a pick-up truck (original cost \$350). In great condition. Each for \$100. Please call Raymond at (202) 270-0602 if interested or Judi Johnson at x4-5949.

FOR SALE: Broyhill entertainment unit - two corner/end units 20"x18"x76", One 36"x20"x76", accommodates up to a 30" TV, \$400. Two oval beveled cut glass-top tables with burnished bronze-\$100 for both. Size 12 evening dress, size 14 evening skirt Set, size 10 dress \$25-\$50. Call Angela at x4-4848 or preferably (410) 998-9840; e-mail Astamay@aol.com.

ISO: Looking to buy or take off your hands a weight bench and weights. If you have an old weight bench that you are no longer in need of, please call Daryl at x6-1963.

FOR SALE: Home theater speaker package from high-end KEF containing flooring stand Q70, Q10c center channel, Q30 for surrounds. Includes AudioQuest 8 ft. slate speaker cable. Go to www.kef.com/allhistory.htm to see pics. Retail for \$2,500, selling for \$1,000. Call Steve at x4-6445.

FOR RENT: Baltimore City, large, 3 BR townhouse (end unit), 1 BA, and unfinished basement. Separate living, dining, and den, and a huge kitchen. \$800+ utilities and alarm activation optional. Avail. 1/3/05. All credit considered. No pets. Please call Mrs. Johnson at (301) 793-8282 or Ms. Marshall at (202) 247-8457 for open house date and time.

FOR SALE: Friendly one-year-old blue and gold Macaw bird. Starting to talk, good temperament. Must sell, asking \$650. Call Kareem at (240) 462-4653.

SHORT-TERM ROOM RENTAL: 4-6 mos. Starting: March '05. Nice area. Apt. dntn Silver Spring. Near Metrorail/bus. Your own BR w/Qn-sized bed and BA, very reasonable monthly rate. sm. deposit to hold. Female preferred. Call Carol (301) 565-2599 eves., leave voicemail.

FOR SALE: One BR, one BA in the Richmond condominium. 1401 17th St (17th between P & O), Apt. 908. List price is \$339,000, condo fees are \$223 monthly. For more info. contact Cindy at x4-6911 or (202) 256-8260.

FOR SALE: 2002 Buell X1 Lightning - 1203cc, 101hp. Sonic blue frame and wheels, black body, excellent shape, only 3k miles. Comes with 3-rail motorcycle trailer and rear wheel stand, \$7,000. Also - California SideCar Friendship II, \$750/OBO. Call JoAnn at x4-7715 or Chris or JoAnn at (540) 286-1080.

COOL HOLIDAY GIFTS: Vintage and designer jewelry (lots of rhinestones, sterling, cufflinks, some gold), clothing (Armani, etc.) tabletop stuff, political memorabilia, art, & tons more @ Annie Groer's fab downsizing sale: Saturday, Dec. 11 and 18, Sunday, Dec. 19, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., 2500 Q St. NW #640. Call Annie at (202) 338-8581 or x4-7553 for details or special appointment. Ten-minute walk to Dupont Metro.

MARKETPLACE DEADLINE: Noon Fridays. Please include your name, extension and home phone number. Ads are for Post Employees only. Send ads to Shop Talk, 7th floor, or call x4-6803. To send ads via fax dial x4-4963; via e-mail send to shoptalk. Ads run two issues unless otherwise requested. One ad per employee, please.