

## 2000-01 BTVV AWARDS

### NSPA

Broadcast Pacemaker award – considered the Pulitzer Prize of High School Journalism

#### Stories on this edition

“Bridging Generations” – Grandfriends program at Blue River Elementary

**Casey Heit**, BVHS '01; **Brandon Blank**, NW '01

“True Survivor” – BVHS teacher’s cancer survival story

**Georgia Chandler**, BVHS '01; **Beau Davidson**, BVHS '01

“Olga’s Story” - Belarusian child with birth defects adopted by BV family

**Lisa Boschert**, BVN '01; **Brandon Blank**, NW '01

### 2000 FALL NATIONAL JEA/NSPA CONVENTION

#### WRITE-OFF CONTESTS

On-Air Reporter: Excellent rating **Lisa Boschert**, BVN '01

In-Camera Feature: Excellent rating **Kathleen O'Brien**, BVN '01; **Jenny Jones**, BVN '01

#### CARRY-IN CATEGORIES

Video Feature story Excellent rating  
“BVNW Drumline”  
**Megan Connor**, NW '02; **Jacob Staggenborg**, NW '01

Video Sports story Excellent rating  
“Scott Schnabel” – BVHS soccer player  
**Georgia Chandler**, BVHS '01; **Beau Davidson**, BVHS '01

Video News story Superior rating  
“Evan Dease” – musician on the rise  
**Caroline Brady**, NW '01; **Nick Pearson**, NW '01

#### NSPA BEST OF SHOW

News story Third place  
“Nott Your Average Olympian” – Tara Nott’s homecoming  
**D. J. Whetter**, BVHS '01; **Jenny Jones**, BVN '01

Feature story First place  
“Olga’s Story”  
**Lisa Boschert**, BVN '01; **Brandon Blank**, NW '01

#### NSPA BROADCAST STORY OF THE YEAR

Sports story Honorable Mention  
“Blue Valley District Gymnastics Team”  
**Margo Miller**, BVN '00; **Brandon Blank**, NW '01

Feature story Third place  
“Wilderness Science Center”  
**Paige Heyward**, BVN '00

### SCHOOL-TO-CAREER PARTNERSHIP / WDAF-TV Fox 4

Feature story on BVN job shadowing program  
First place **Kathleen O'Brien & Jenny Jones**, BVN '01

### 2001 KAB STUDENT BROADCAST AWARDS

Station promo: First place **Nick Pearson**, NW '01

Complete newscasts: First place  
30-minute *Blueprints* news show  
**Student News Team**

Hard News package: First place  
“Nott Your Average Olympian”  
**D. J. Whetter**, BVHS '01; **Jenny Jones**, BVN '01

Complete News Feature: First place  
“Against All Odds” - BVNW teacher’s dyslexia  
**Megan Connor**, NW '02

2001 STN NATIONAL COMPETITION

News Story:	First place	“Against All Odds” <b>Megan Connor</b> , NW ‘02
News Story:	Second place	“The Gift of Life” – BVN’s annual blood drive <b>Adrianna Hopkins</b> , BVN ‘01
News Feature:	Third place	“Breakin’ New Ground” – breakdancing at BVHS <b>Beau Davidson</b> , BVHS ‘01
Sports Story:	First place	“State Champions” – BVN boys swimming team <b>Anna Elliot</b> , BVN ‘01; <b>Nithin Coca</b> , NW ‘01
Sports story:	Second place	“One Step at a Time” – X-C runner Elle Pishny <b>Katie Pass</b> , BVHS ‘01; <b>Beau Davidson</b> , BVHS ‘01
Show open:	Second place	2000-01 <i>Blueprints</i> show opening <b>Brandon Blank</b> , NW ‘01