

# CHARLES DURRENBERGER

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## WRITING / EDITING

### HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Over 20 years experience in journalism, including writing, editing and design
- Recognized by Texas Press Association as Best Weekly Newspaper, 1988
- Experienced in organizing, marketing and operating a non-profit golf tournament
- Self-starter with excellent organizational skills and attention to detail
- Extensive experience in reporting news, sports, and community activities.

### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

- Extensive Editing Skills
- Knowledge of Journalistic Style
- Daily Newspaper Experience
- Public Relations
- Work Independently
- Written & Verbal Communication Skills
- Multi-Task Oriented
- Highly Organized
- Able to Meet Tight Deadlines
- Newsletter/Brochure Publishing

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

FREELANCE SPORTSWRITER, McKinney, TX 2006 – Present  
Independent contractor writing deadline and non-deadline material for media outlets, including The Dallas Morning News, The Associated Press, Tucson Lifestyle magazine, Lindy's College Football magazine, and USAHockey.com.

ARIZONA DAILY STAR, Tucson, AZ 2001 – 2006  
**Senior Reporter/Copy Editor**

- Served as beat reporter for University of Arizona football and baseball as well as amateur and professional golf at a daily newspaper with circulation over 100,000.
- Produced as many as 7-10 articles per week on sports topics.
- Edited copy for factual and grammatical errors, wrote headlines, photo captions, and designed pages electronically by editing photos and graphics. Integrated tables and graphics on news pages to meet formatting requirements.
- Assisted in planning daily coverage and conceptualizing news package.
- Recognized by Arizona Press Club and Associated Press Managing Editors Association.
- Served as AP Football Poll voter.
- Work under the pressures of deadlines and unanticipated problems. Logged long work hours, including evenings, weekends and/or holidays.

TUCSON CITIZEN, Tucson, AZ 1996 – 2001  
**Senior Reporter/Prep Sports Coordinator**

- Served as beat reporter for University of Arizona football and baseball as well as amateur and professional golf at a daily newspaper with circulation over 50,000
- Produced as many as 7-10 articles per week on sports topics
- Coordinated sports coverage of 25 high schools via staff of 10 part-time reporters
- Recognized by Arizona Press Club and Associated Press Managing Editors Association
- Served as AP Football Poll voter

SULPHUR SPRINGS NEWS-TELEGRAM, Sulphur Springs, TX 1991 – 1996  
**Editor**

- Produced sports section at daily newspaper with circulation of 10,000.
- Reported on sports at town's main high school, and coordinated coverage of area schools.
- Edited copy for factual and grammatical errors, wrote headlines, photo captions, and designed pages electronically by editing photos and graphics. Integrated tables and graphics for news pages to comply with standard formatting

and page requirements. Supported aspects of document production, and assisted in determining appropriate software tools to meet delivery requirements.

- Worked directly with reporters, authors and other contributors to ensure compliance with production requirements. Coordinated with photographers and other contributors to meet tight deadlines. Worked with print shop and composing to ensure prompt and accurate delivery of printed products associated with sports desk.
- Recognized by Associated Press Managing Editors Association.
- All-State Football Chair for Texas Sportswriters Association.

TAYLOR DAILY PRESS, Taylor, TX

1988 – 1991

**Sports Editor**

- Produced sports section at daily newspaper with circulation of 7,000
- Reported on sports at town's main high school, and coordinated coverage of area schools
- Edited copy for factual and grammatical errors, wrote headlines, photo captions, took photos, and designed pages
- Recognized by Associated Press Managing Editors Association

LEE COUNTY WEEKLY, Giddings, TX

1985 – 1988

**Editor/Publisher**

- Wrote copy, edited copy and designed pages
- Prepared budgets and monitored financial aspects of a weekly newspaper
- Managed a staff of 3 writers, 1 copy editor, 1 photographer, 3 advertising sales people and 1 office manager
- Proficient in the daily operations of a start-up newspaper.
- Recognized by Texas Press Association as best weekly newspaper in the state in 1988.

## **EDUCATION**

Texas State University; San Marcos, TX

**Bachelor of Science Degree in Education**

## **COMPUTER SKILLS**

Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Acrobat, Adobe Illustrator, Microsoft Publisher, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Outlook, Quark Xpress, Quark CopyDesk, InDesign.

## **PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS**

Member, Football Writers Association of America, 1998 – Present

Past Director, Football Writers Association of America, 2004 – 2005

Member, Golf Writers Association of America, 1996 – Present

Director, Gary P. Durrenberger Memorial Scholarship, Inc., 2004 – Present