

2003 DPA Communicator of Achievement
Lise Monty Receives DPA's Highest Honor

External Affairs Manager for the Delaware Art Museum, former editor of Delaware Today magazine and one-time Tokyo correspondent for Women's Wear Daily, Lise Monty received DPA's highest honor when named Delaware Press Association 2003 Communicator of Achievement at the annual Holiday Luncheon on December 7, 2002.

Lise has worked at the Delaware Art Museum since 1994 and, as external affairs manager, is in charge of marketing-communications, tourism, community outreach, and visitor services.

While at the helm of *Delaware Today* from 1987 to 1994, Lise won three prestigious national awards for the magazine's "general excellence" from the William Allen White School of Journalism, University of Kansas, and the City and Regional Magazine Association. She worked for several years as a freelance writer for The News Journal before joining *Delaware Today*, and is the author of Images of Delaware, a coffee-table book featuring photographs by Mike Biggs. Lise was the first woman Bureau Chief for Fairchild Publications in its Boston Bureau and worked as Tokyo correspondent for Women's Wear Daily.

A long-standing member of Delaware Press Association, Lise serves on the board of The Wellness Community-Delaware and is a member of Wilmington Rotary.

As Delaware's 2003 COA, Lise will compete for the National Communicator of Achievement Award at the NFPW Communications Conference in Wilmington in September. Lise is head of the conference tours committee and has organized pre-conference tours of Wilmington and the Brandywine Valley and a post-conference tour of historic Philadelphia.