

Division I Sportswriter of the Year
Felix Chavez – El Paso Times

I have been a sports reporter since December of 1996 when I began as a stringer for my hometown paper, the Albuquerque Journal where I covered high school sports and some college athletics.

My first full-time sports reporting job was in Hobbs, New Mexico, located in Southeastern, New Mexico. There I covered high school sports and college sports and was fortunate enough to meet the legendary boys basketball coach Ralph Tasker.

After about 18 months in Hobbs, I moved to Las Cruces, New Mexico, where I spent time from early 2000 to mid-May of 2009. I had the opportunity to expand my horizons, covering Division I college athletics, boxing, horse racing and of course high school sports. I covered many a high school state tournament in various sports, NCAA Tournaments, NIT Tournaments and plenty of big boxing matches and horse races.

Since mid-May of 2009 I have been in El Paso and my fortunes have continued. I have covered so many great people in El Paso and around Texas in various sports. The people I have met, the relationships I have developed mean so much to me. I hope to continue to be blessed by working in El Paso and Texas.