



'Most Of the Time, I See Photographs' presents recent photos by David J. Marcou, author-editor of 15 personal books and 13 anthologies, including the Spirit series. He graduated from the Universities of Wisconsin,

Iowa, and Missouri, and reported from London and Seoul in the 1980s. His works are in leading archives, and he's worked for Smithsonian Magazine, La Crosse Tribune, British Journal of Photography, Korean Culture, etc. On leave from UM-Minneapolis, David's son, Matthew, serves in the US Army. David lives in Wisconsin.

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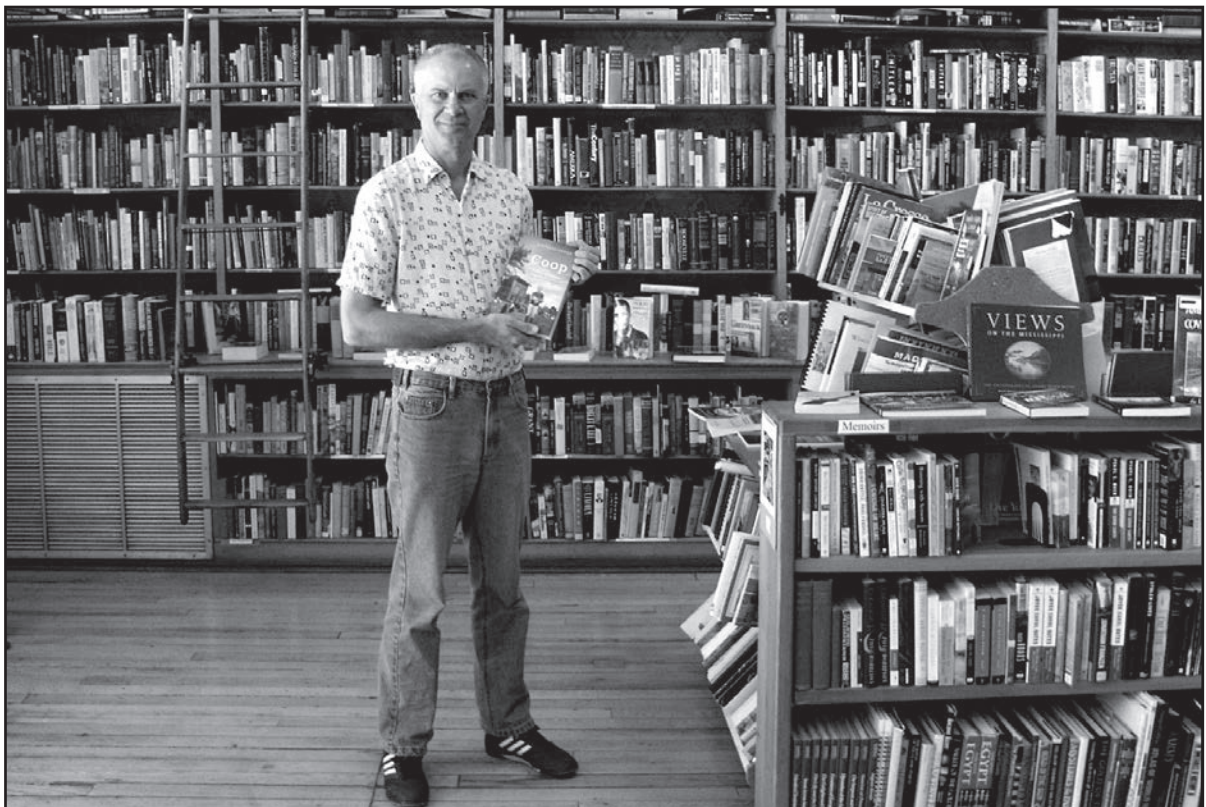
New American Views in the Public Arena



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Lexi, the dog, and girlfriends, 7th & Cameron Streets, (La Crosse), Sept. 2009



Jim Auler, owner, Pearl Street Books, (La Crosse), ca. 2009.

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Dedicated to my very vital parents and son, and to the memory of my deceased family members and friends, including my grandparents and my son's maternal grandfather, Tony Skifton, Bert Hardy, and two James Camerons.

Editorial Note

When photos have been taken in Washington, D.C., the locale-designation in captions will be (DC). When they've been taken in La Crosse, WI it will be (La Crosse). Other locales for photos will be spelled out in parentheses. Also, all this book's photos have been taken by David J. Marcou, unless indicated otherwise at end of relevant captions.

Cover Photos

Front:

Main Photo – ‘Perfectly photographed’ night view of WWII Memorial Fountain, said Life picture editor George Pitts, (DC), 2006 (Matthew A. Marcou).

Small Photo – Eyes in self-portrait of photographer-author David J. Marcou (La Crosse), ca. 2006.

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Five friends running together, La Crosse Marathon (La Crosse), May 2, 2010.

PFC Matthew A. Marcou, Basic Training Graduation Day, (Ft. Benning, GA), Nov. 2009
(Tom and Joy Marcou)

Rose and DaveA. Marcou celebrate their 60th Valentine Anniversary, (La Crosse), 2010.

A New American Prayer for Peace and Prosperity, (DC), April 7, 2010.

Author David J. Marcou, (Onalaska, WI), May 2010 (Bob Mulock).

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*“Many times other aspects of life affect your day,
but a dedicated person keeps an intense eye on the game.”*

Ryan McGuire, Mineral Point (WI) H.S. Scholar-Athlete
(Life, Football, Wrestling, and Baseball).

*“To possess a virtue is to see possibilities for goodness in ordinary
circumstances, in the same way that a musician can “see” music on a
sheet of paper or a sculptor can “see” an emerging form in a lump of clay.”*

Viterbo University Ethics Prof. Richard Kyte,
‘What Goes Around Really Does Come Around’.

“Everywhere I look, and most of the time I look, I see photographs.”

Picture Post Great, Bert Hardy.

– Author’s Preface –

In April 2000, my son and I visited my brother, Tom, and his wife, Joy, in Washington, D.C. We took many photos then, and published a book, ‘Vital Washington.’ Two early D.C. views, though not published in the present book, inspired us later – Matt’s view of the Lincoln Memorial by day, and my view of ‘Spirit of St. Louis.’ Both views have been published in the ‘Spirit of America’ books I direct/edit.

The present book reveals new D.C. photos, and other recent photos, of mine; Matt was not travelling with me this time; he’s in the Army now, serving our country well. I’m inspired by his 2006 photo: his night-view of the WWII Memorial (see cover). Life picture editor George Pitts said it’s ‘perfectly photographed.’ Unlike the Lincoln Memorial, which I’d wanted to photograph by night from the spot Matt photographed it by day, I wasn’t able to find the spot Matt took his WWII Memorial photo from – there were so many people around me then; I hope to do so, in future. One of my day-views of another part of that Memorial is published here.

The people who let me photograph them in April 2010, from Tom and Joy, to Smithsonian National Museum of American History Archivist David Haberstick, who deals with my Campaign 2008 works, etc., to top journalist/author (‘Eyes on the Prize’) Juan Williams, were very helpful. The capital is diverse — from Eastern Market to Memorials to Japan Festival, Government buildings, Smithsonian museums, US Holocaust Memorial Museum, Newseum, and National Public Radio, for starters.

There are many other sights I wish I could have seen in my nine-day, 2010 tour, like the National Museum of the American Indian, where some of my works are housed. Other sights, my son and I have photographed previously. I did photograph the National Portrait Gallery this time, where I hope some of my best photo-portraits are included, soon. I’d hoped to visit the Indian Museum my last full day in town this April, but it grew damp and chill, and I’d caught a bad cold.

But it was a Capital Tour. Since 1979, when I took up photography, most of the time, I see photographs. I hope my selected new photos from D.C., plus other recent photos in this book, suggest my new work well. Thank you all for assisting – Matt, our extended family, photo-subjects (including those not pictured here, due mainly to my technical poverty in photographing you), production team, reviewers (including my former teacher Roger Grant), archivists, sellers, and reader-viewers. And thank God, too.

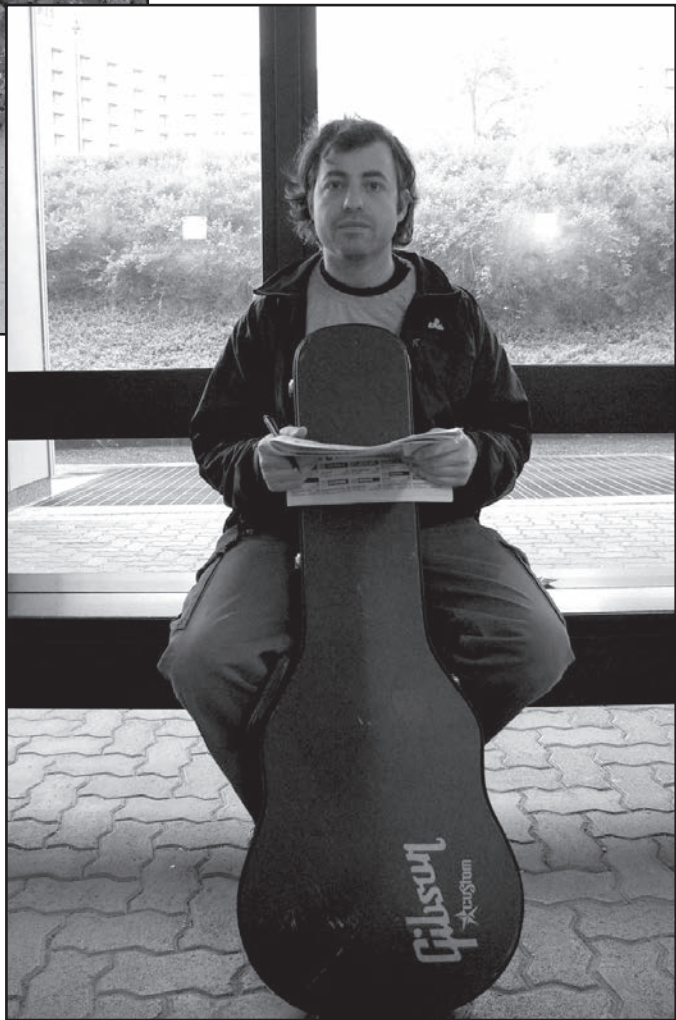
Finally, every publication is an author’s venture into the public arena, and public service is something a writer-photographer can do, as crucially as a soldier and/or other public employee can do it. Let’s hope this book is significant-enough to make a positive addition to many people’s lives, on behalf of peace and prosperity. Please enjoy this book, then, created for you, dear reader, and for all who read it, in the public arena.–djm.



Mike McArdle holding his granddaughter, Mariann, Old Country Buffet, (La Crosse), 2009.



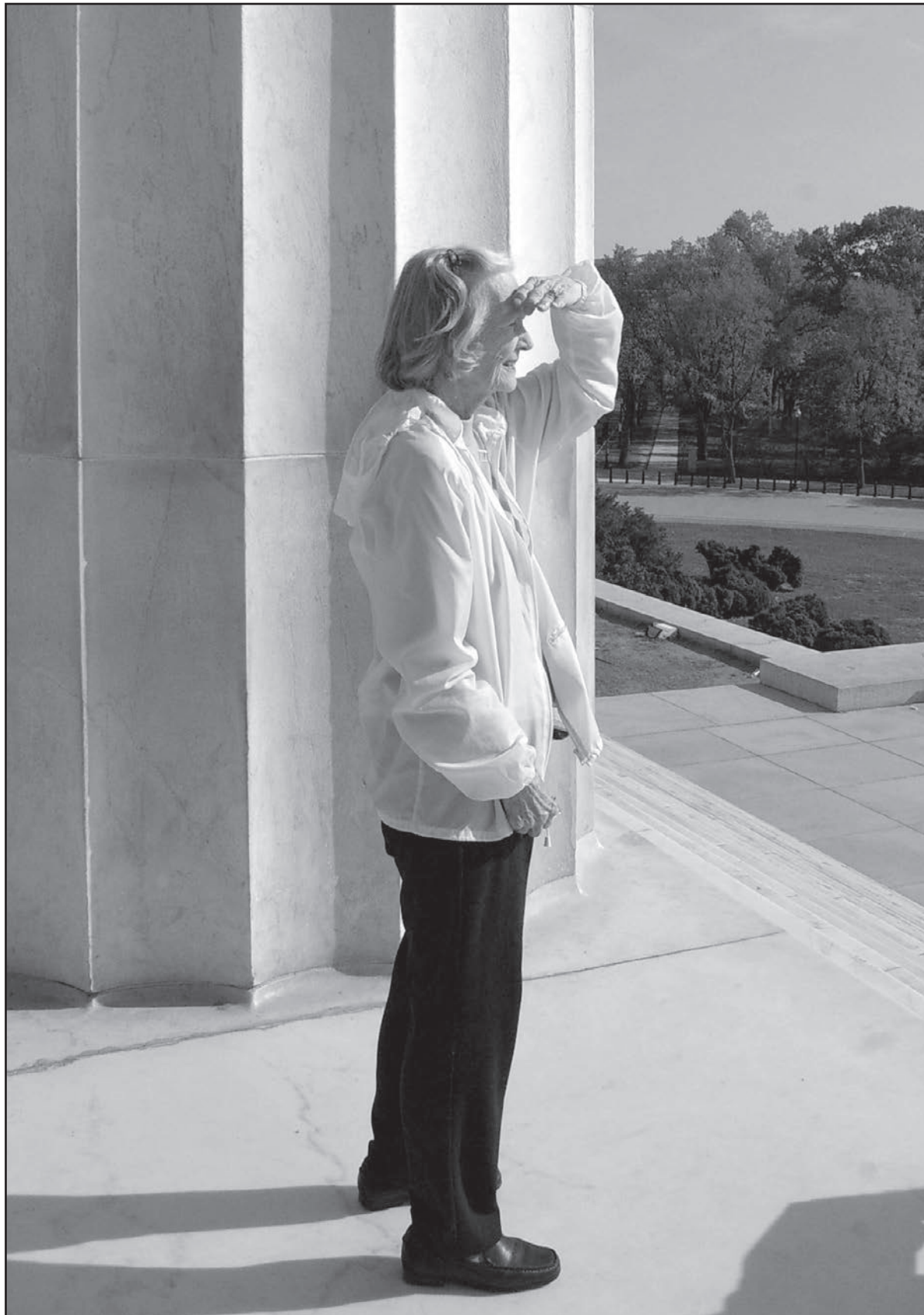
Kelsey, near Cass Street, (La Crosse), 2009.



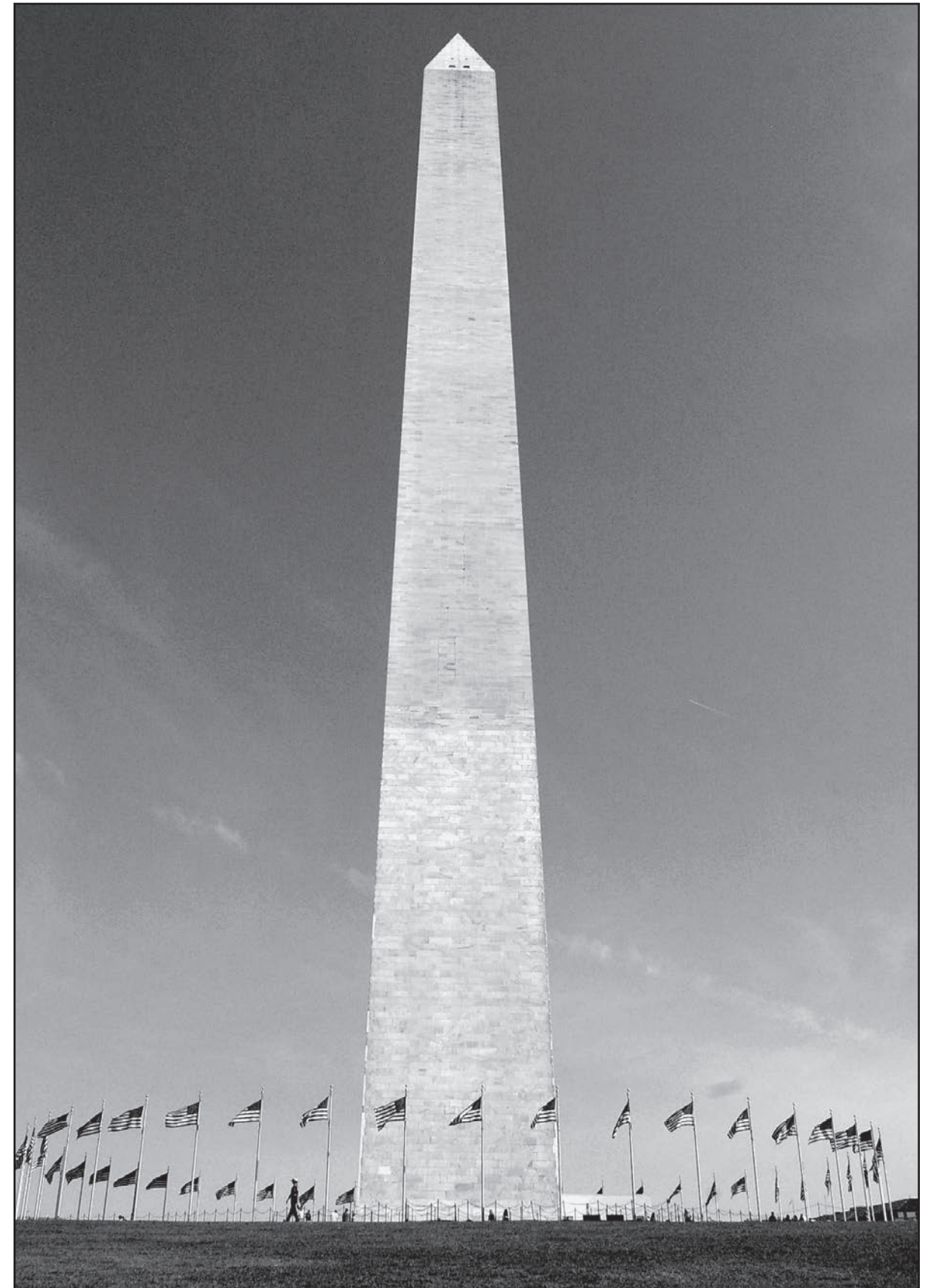
Jeremy Weinhaus, New York musician,
(DC), April 13, 2010.



Four young people under a tree, (DC), April 12, 2010.



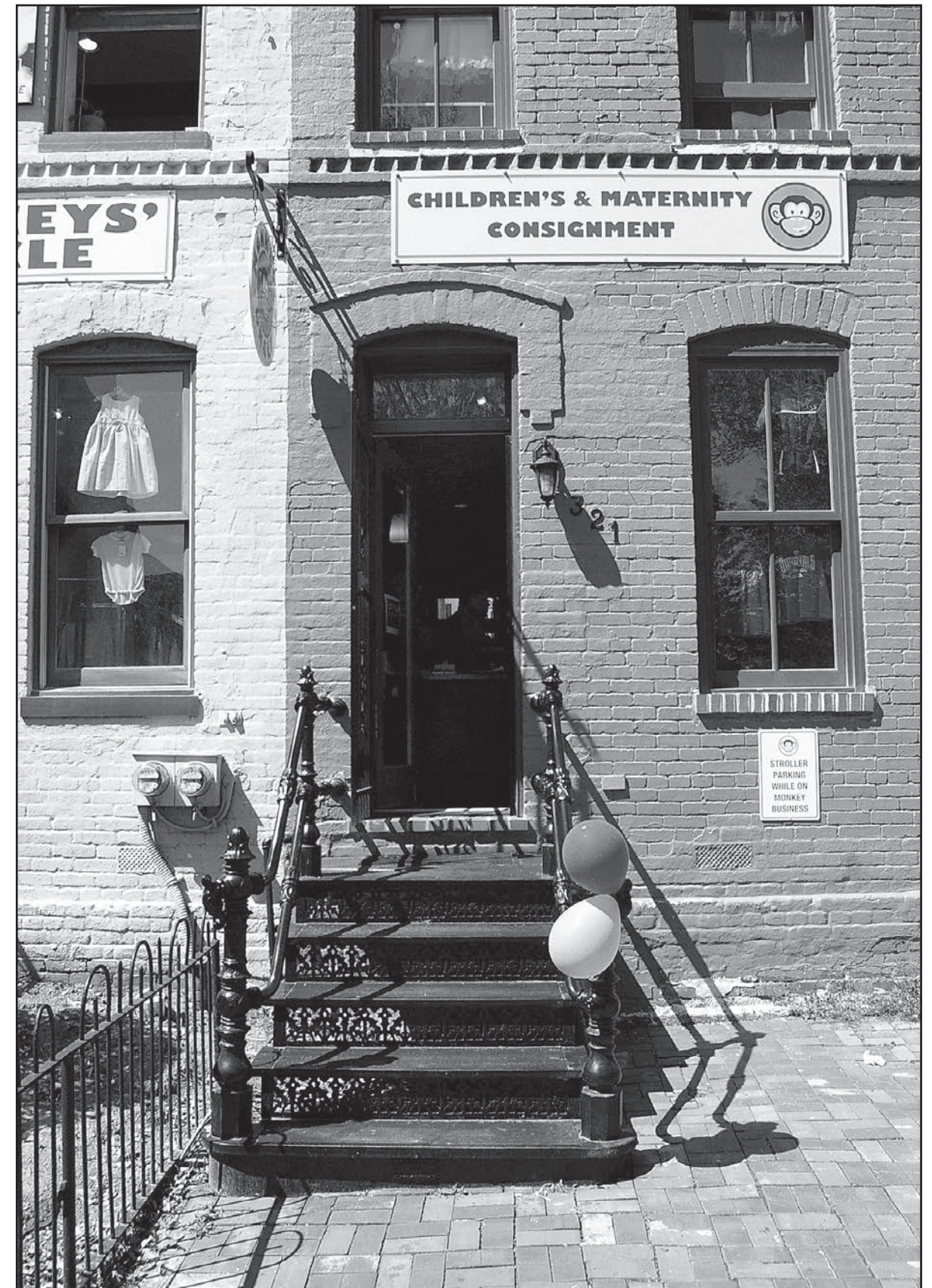
Lady-hawkeye viewing Washington Monument from Lincoln Memorial, (DC), April 12, 2010.



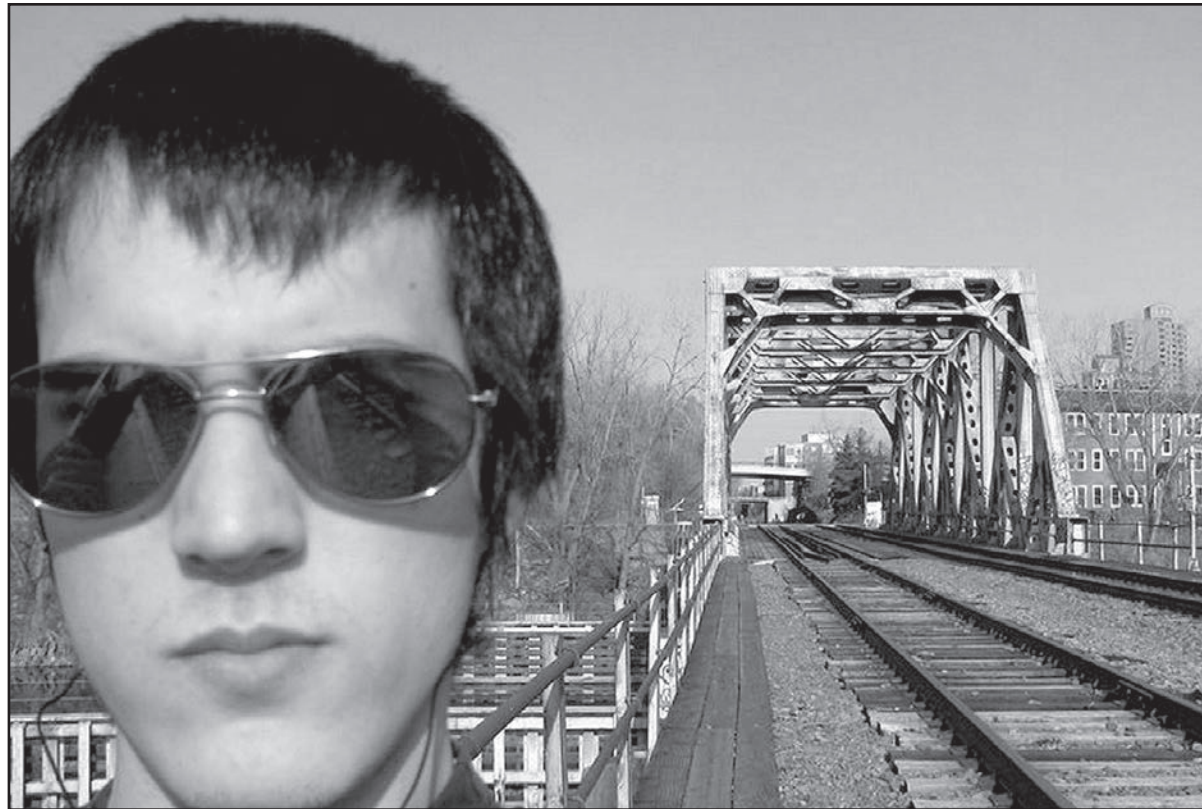
Washington Monument, flags, and ranger, (DC), April 12, 2010.



Mother with sleeping tyke, Eastern Market, (DC), April 10, 2010.



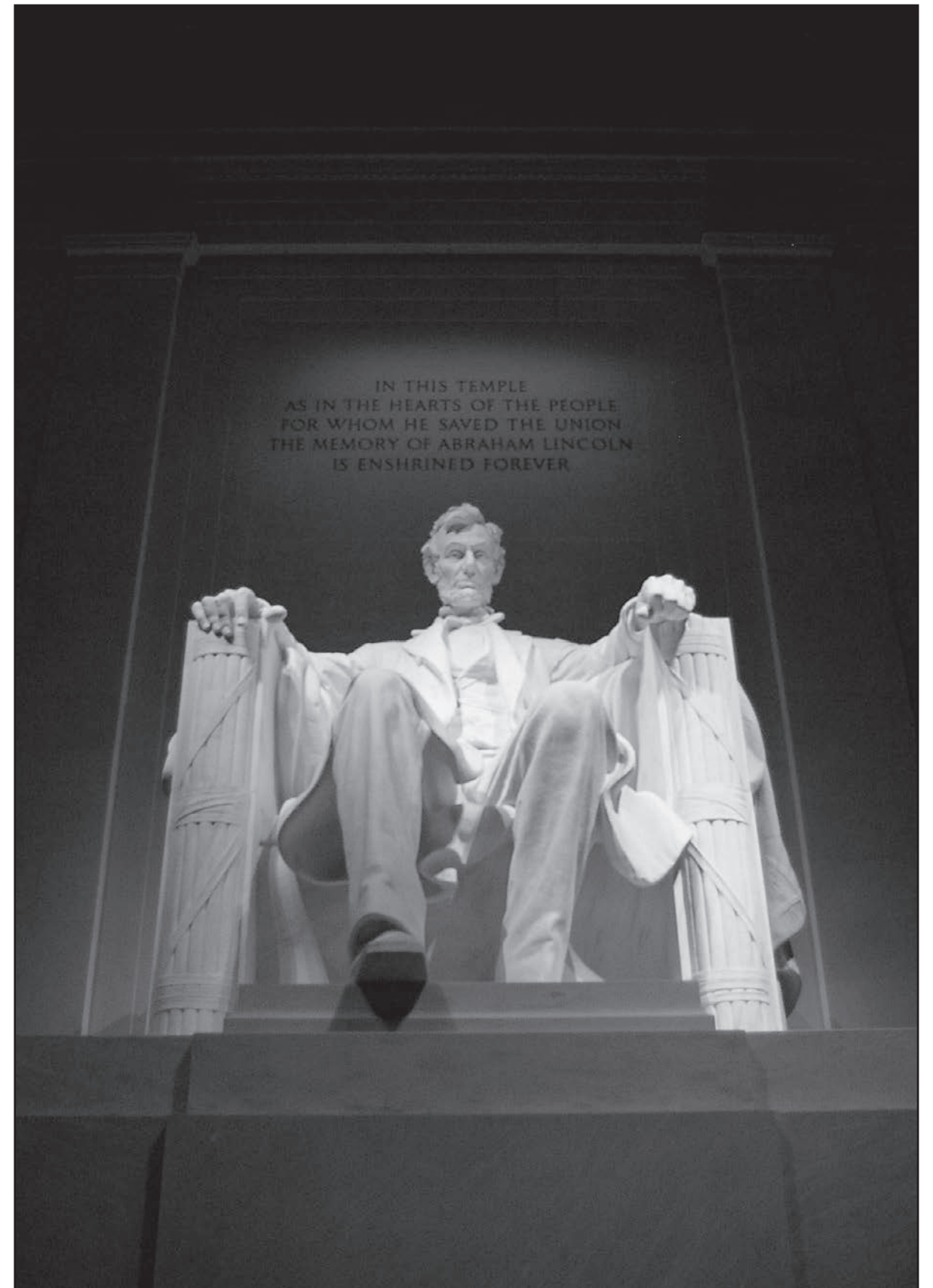
Children's and Maternity Consignment shop, Eastern Market, (DC), April 10, 2010.



Self-portrait, (Minneapolis), ca. 2009 (Matthew A. Marcou).



WWII Memorial (Missouri, Wisconsin, and Minnesota, among columns showing), (DC), April 12, 2010.



Lincoln Memorial at night, (DC), April 10, 2010.



Young woman at John McCain rally, (La Crosse Center), Oct. 10, 2008.



Judith Cohen, US Holocaust Memorial Museum Photo Archivist, holds agreement for DJM's donation of some of his Elie Wiesel photos to USHMM, (DC), April 12, 2010.



Matt Marcou's handiwork, a trellis he assembled for Tom and Joy Marcou, (Arlington, VA), 2010.



Two young ladies on wait-staff, Dick Bennett/LASC Awards Banquet, (La Crosse Center), 2010.



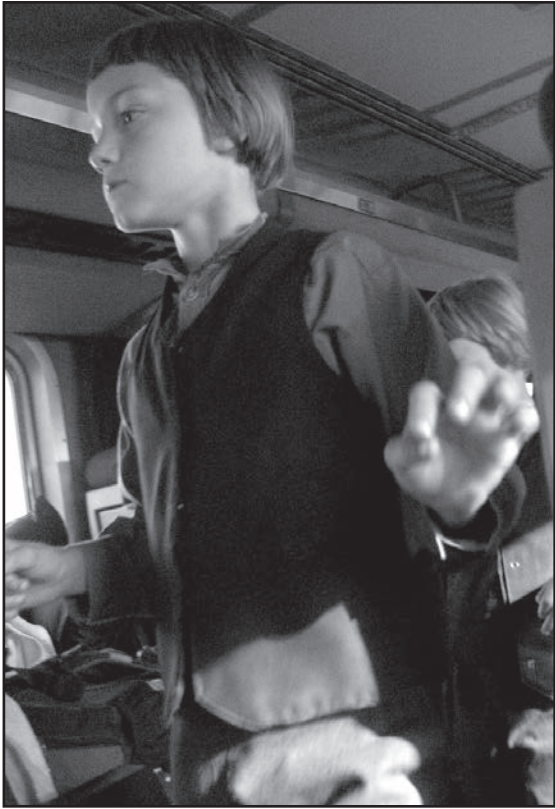
Former UW Men's Basketball Coach Dick Bennett and
La Crosse Mover-Shaker Patrick Stephens, (La Crosse Center), 2010.



Woman viewing Capitol Building from bus,
(DC), April 10, 2010.



Arab-American family at fountain blessing,
US Navy Building, (DC), April 10, 2010.



Amish youth, (Amtrak from Washington, D.C.
to Chicago), April 15, 2010.



Ranger Matt McNamer, Vietnam Memorial, (DC), April 7, 2010.



Three young ladies, (DC), April 8, 2010.

RANT • EDWARD P MOORE
STEIMEL • LUIS A ALTAMIRA
HOOPER • RALPH W HUNT
CHELL • JON H NORDQUIST
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D SPENCER • FRED D STORY
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The names of La Crosse native Terry Payne and Trempealeau County native Robert Arnold on two segments of the Vietnam Memorial, (DC), April 7, 2010.



Love and Photography, Metro System, (DC), April 8, 2010.



Mother and child, Woodman's Grocery, (Onalaska, WI), 2009.



La Vonne Zietlow, owner with husband, Don, of Kwik Trip Stores, (La Crosse), ca. 2005.



Four smiling young ladies, Newseum, (DC), April 8, 2010.



Dee and Marv, law office colleagues, (La Crosse), 2010.



Erin in wheelchair, (Arlington, VA), April 8, 2010.



Guy (his real name) wearing alligator jacket, Eastern Market, (DC), April 10, 2010.



Elias Patros, (DC), April 8, 2010.



The wind has the woman's hair, (DC), April 8, 2010.



Larry Edwards, a federal employee with great hair, (DC), April 8, 2010.



Hispanics enjoy bus ride, (DC), April 8-9, 2010.



Rogue's galley or fellow travellers? (L-R) Bill Kells, Esperanza, and unidentified man, Union Station, (Chicago), April 15, 2010.



Horses kept in city, (Milwaukee, WI), April 2010.



Horse ranch, (just west of Milwaukee), April 15, 2010.



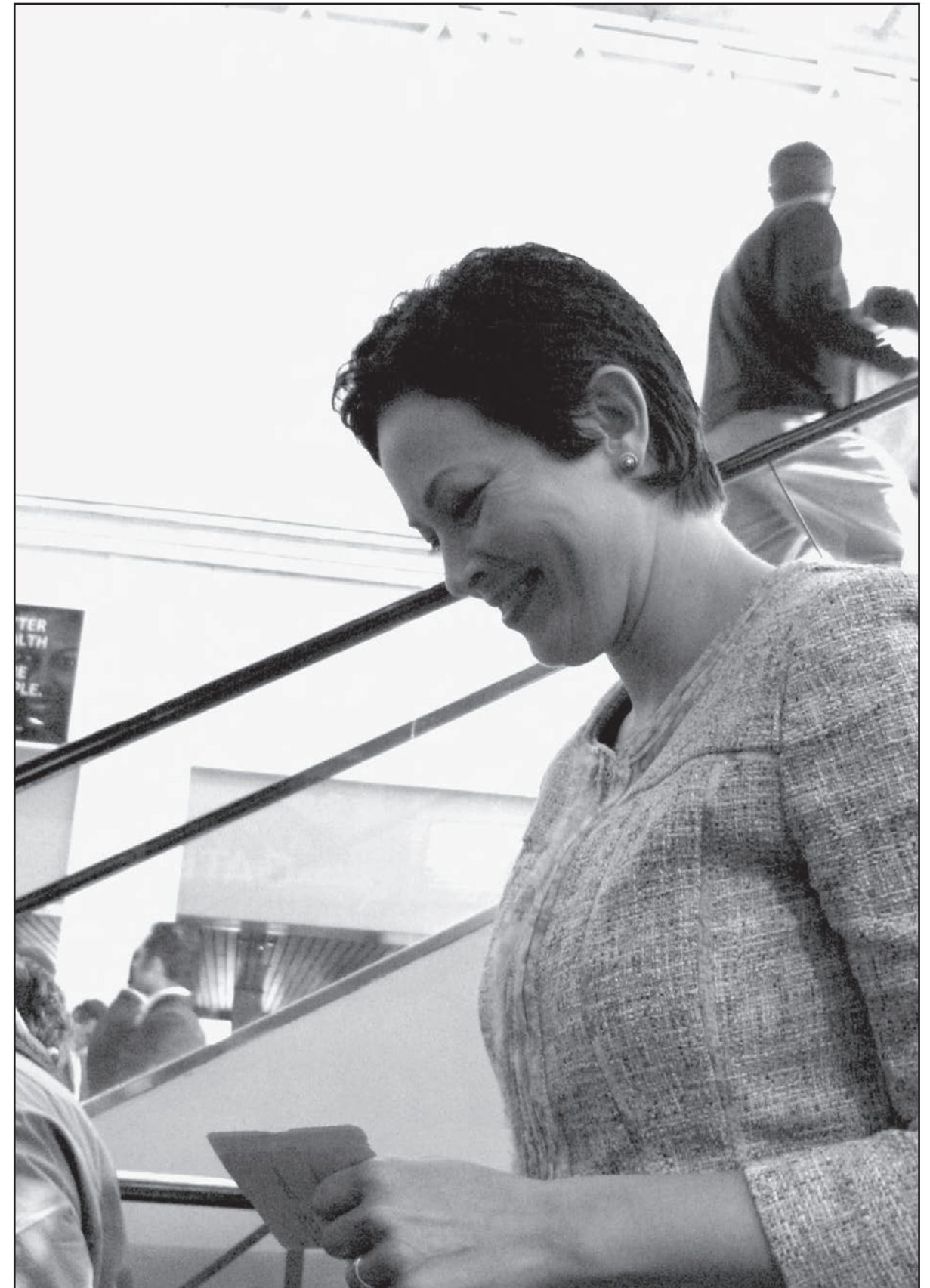
Talented photographer selling his work, Eastern Market, (DC), April 10, 2010.



Mother and young son, (Amtrak from Chicago to Washington, D.C.), April 6, 2010.



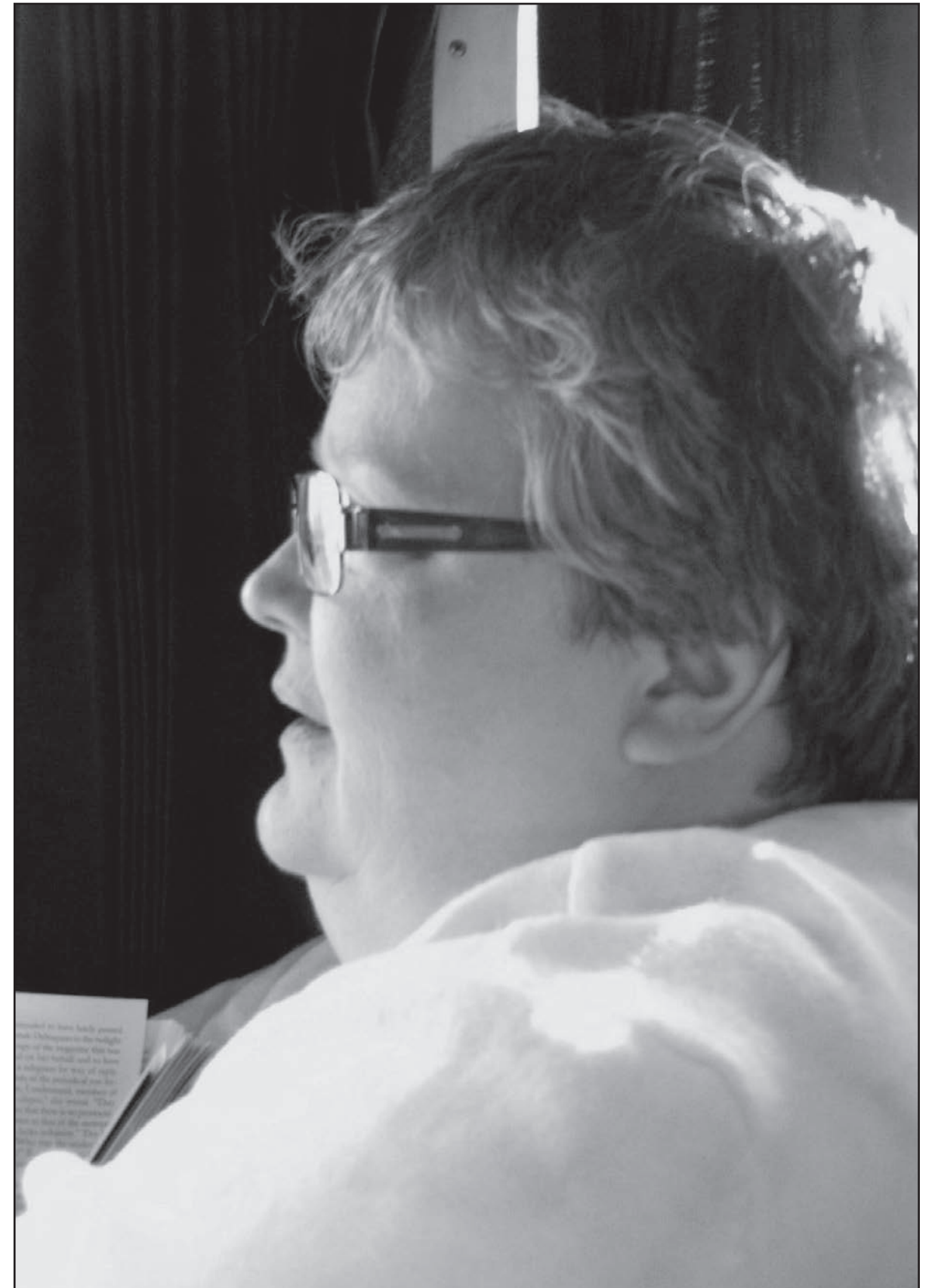
Gloria, a nice lady, Union Station, (DC), April 14, 2010.



This lady was nice, too, on way to New York, Union Station, (DC), April 14, 2010.



Little girl with cotton candy, Japan Festival, (DC), April 10, 2010.



Charlene, Chicago resident in profile, (Amtrak from Washington, D.C. to Chicago), April 15, 2010.



Mrs. Derrick (Debra Anne) Kroll and son Dammon, honoring Derrick's memory, Dick Bennett/LASC Awards Banquet, (La Crosse Center), 2010.



UW Football Coach Bret Bielema poses with Boy Scout, Stoney Creek Inn, (Onalaska, WI), 2010.



Claire Lo, Japan Festival, (DC), April 10, 2010.