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Photo Editor Brian O’Shaughnessy explains his favorites

Baseball is a more patient sport to shoot because the most interesting photos are collisions and you can go a few games without ever catching sight of one, much less photographing it. But as this runner was running for home, the ball came in from center field and the catcher got the guy in the face inches before he hit the bag. This is definitely my favorite baseball photo to date.

Softball is nice because the dugout is 15 feet away from the plate and you can get in close on some shots.

The ball, the look of concentration and anticipation — it’s easy to imagine what happened after this photo.

With basketball it’s hard to shoot through the players. This was taken at a pretty far distance and usually those don’t turn out, right in the middle of the fray. But this photo, luckily, did.

The lighting in Pershing is dark, but every once in awhile I am able to get a good close-up shot like this.

The best basketball shots are the scrambles. I’m working on getting someone inverted but this is probably the best scramble I got this year.