

SPJ— New Jersey Chapter
Journalism Awards for 2000

DAILY NEWSPAPERS

Deadline Reporting

- 1st Place New Jersey news staff, The Philadelphia Inquirer, mid-air crash in Burlington County
- 2nd Place Mark Mueller and William T. Quinn, The Star-Ledger, The fall of John DeLorean
Frank Kummer, Kathy Hennessy, Jennifer Wahl, Angela Rucker, Kim Maialetti and
- 3rd Place Richard Pearsall, Courier-Post, plane crash in Burlington County

Feature Writing

- 1st Place Mike Kelly, The Record, "Shore Stories: Atlantic City, Faded Resort"
- 2nd Place Peter Genovese, The Star-Ledger, "A View from the Bridge"
- 3rd Place John Curran, The Associated Press, "Shore Churches"

Business Writing

- 1st Place Kevin DeMarais, The Record, "Taking Stock: North Jersey's Supermarket Industry Changes"
- 2nd Place John T. Ward, The Star-Ledger, "Tone Deaf"
- 3rd Place James W. Prado Roberts, Asbury Park Press, "Teetering on the Hedge"

Sports Reporting

- 1st Place Patrick C. Borzi, The Star-Ledger, "The Forgotten Champions"
- 2nd Place Steve Adamek, The Record, "Life Sweet Again"
- 3rd Place Brad Parks, The Star-Ledger, "Jack's Roughest Tournament"

Health, Science, Technology, and Environmental Reporting

- 1st Place Lindy Washburn, The Record, "Did She Have to Die? Fragile, Handle with Care"
- 2nd Place Tony Hagen and Mary Sisson, The Times of Trenton, "Drug Costs Hit the Middle Class"
- 3rd Place Todd B. Bates, Asbury Park Press, "Superfund at 20"

Series Writing & Reporting

- 1st Place Robert Cullinane, Kelly-Jane Cotter, Michael Riley, Lois M. Rogers, Shannon Mullen, Amy Zurzola, Kirk Moore, Asbury Park Press, "Seven Deadly Sins"
- 2nd Place Candy J. Cooper, The Record, "The Tear-Down Wars: Giant New Houses Have Fans and Foes"
- 3rd Place Douglas A. Campbell, The Philadelphia Inquirer, "Lost at Sea: The Atlantic claims 10 men"

Investigative Reporting

- 1st Place Nancy Phillips, The Philadelphia Inquirer, "Carol Neulander Murder"
- 2nd Place Jason Method and Paul D'Ambrosio, Asbury Park Press, "Childhood Lost: Problems at DYFS"
- 3rd Place Bill Hughes, Herald News, "One Cop, Two Jobs, Same Shift"

Enterprise Reporting

- 1st Place Melanie Burney, The Philadelphia Inquirer, "Camden Schools, Traveling Board Runs Up the Bill"
- 2nd Place Kristen Ostendorf, Asbury Park Press, "Missing Persons, Anguished Families"
- 3rd Place Andrea Gurwitt, Herald News, "German Woman Reunited With Daughters: A Mother's Secret Agony"

Editorial Writing

- 1st Place Jim Wright, The Record, ``West Nile Hysteria"
- 2nd Place Andrew Sharp, Asbury Park Press, ``The Fight to Find Out"
- 3rd Place Alfred Doblin, Herald News, ``Racial Profiling or Political Profiling?"

Column Writing

- 1st Place Mike Kelly, The Record, ``Election Nightmare"
- 2nd Place Mark Simon, The Times of Trenton, ``Brophy: Love Him or Hate Him"
- 3rd Place Rick Malwitz, Home News Tribune, ``Young Mourners Shed Tears."

Review Writing

- 1st Place Bob Ivrey, The Record, ``Dante's Rings of Hell Come to Disturbing Life"
- 2nd Place Eleanor O'Sullivan, Asbury Park Press, ``A Miraculous Movie"
- 3rd Place Bob Ivrey, The Record, ``Grandma, What Big Hands You Have?"

Headline Writing

- 1st Place William C. Hacker, Asbury Park Press, ``God Fella: Armed with Gospel Ex-Mobster Spreads Good Word"
- 2nd Place Jeff Cohen, The Jersey Journal, ``Modern-Day Prophet or Loose Canon? Controversial Bishop Looks Forward to New Challenges"
- 3rd Place Joel Pisetzner, The Star-Ledger, ``Parasites Lost: Some Hygienists Say We're Too Clean for Comfort"

Editorial Cartooning

- 1st Place Jimmy Margulies, The Record, ``Gov. Whitman's Baggage"

- 2nd Place Jimmy Margulies, The Record, ``Wealthy Newcomer Jon Corzine"
3rd Place Steve Breen, Asbury Park Press, ``Supreme Court"

Informational Graphic

- 1st Place Laurie Trifeldt, The Star-Ledger, ``Ancient Egypt"
2nd Place Jerry Luciani, The Record, ``How Firefighters Battled the Edgewater Blaze"
3rd Place Laurie Trifeldt, The Star-Ledger, ``Rainforest Part 1"

Front Page Layout

- 1st Place Robert Townsend, The Record, "2000!"
2nd Place Harris Siegel, Asbury Park Press, ``Bush"
3rd Place Jeff Cohen, The Jersey Journal, ``Seven Firefighters Injured: July 19, 2000"

Feature Page Design

- 1st Place Lisa Mahsolillo-Palie, The Record, ``Celebrating Steinbeck"
2nd Place Lisa Mahsolillo-Palie, The Record, ``Shopping Survivor"
3rd Place Toni Mithos, Asbury Park Press, ``Good on Paper"

WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS

Stuart Awbrey Award for community impact

Hoboken Reporter for stories on high cost of housing

Deadline Reporting

- 1st Place Steven DeVries and Mark S. Porter, The Montclair Times, ``DeCamp Bus Lines Ban Cell Phone Calls;"
- 2nd Place Mary P. Gallagher, New Jersey Law Journal, ``In Cybersmear or CyberSLAPP Suits, Discovery Means Finding a Defendant"
- 3rd Place Harvey C. Fisher, New Jersey Lawyer, ``Consent Searches Broadly Bridled"

Feature Writing

- 1st Place Dana L. Dunlevy, The Madison Eagle, ``The Singing Gun"
- 2nd Place Sandy Stuart, Bernardsville News, ``Chasing Hounds Over Countryside Keeps Joseph Wiley Young at 80"
- 3rd Place Kenneth Thorbourne, Montclair Times, ``Grandparents Raising Grandkids with Help of BOE"

Profile Writing

- 1st Place Nancy Ritter, New Jersey Lawyer, ``The O'Hern Years: Milestones Galore"
- 2nd Place Al Sullivan, Secaucus Reporter, ``Uncovering the Jewish Past"
- 3rd Place Gloria Geannetta, Ridgewood News, ``His Vision Is Light to the Eyes"

Business News

- 1st Place Joao-Pierre S. Ruth, Business News New Jersey, ``War of the Roses"
- 2nd Place Larry Moniz, Business News New Jersey, ``Rain, Rain, Go Away"
- 3rd Place Mary P. Gallagher and Tim O'Brien, New Jersey Law Journal, ``Lawyers Without Borders"

Sports Reporting

- 1st Place Ira P. Thor, Nutley Journal, ``Radio Announcer Returns to His Roots"
- 2nd Place Ira P. Thor, Maplewood-South Orange News Record, ``Auth Returns to the Olympics"

3rd Place Bob Decker, The Citizen, ``Wilkins Nears Victory Record"

Health Science, Technology, and Environmental Reporting

1st Place Nancy Ritter, New Jersey Lawyer, ``Polygraphs: The Behind-the-Scenes Cops"

2nd Place Maria Scandale, The Sand Paper, ``An Idea Takes Flight"

3rd Place David Gary, Ridgewood News, ``Combating Teen Smoking's Complexity"

Series Reporting

1st Place Nancy Ritter, New Jersey Lawyer, ``DNA and Innocent Convicts"

2nd Place Darren Cooper, Montclair Times, ``Are Youth Sports Fun Any More?"

3rd Place Paul Milo, Verona-Cedar Grove Times, ``School Construction Debt"

Investigative Reporting

1st Place W. Jacob Perry, Bernardsville News, ``Bernards to Hire GOP Insider for TV Programs"

2nd Place Tim O'Brien, New Jersey Law Journal, ``Son of Democratic Power Broker Admits Theft in Judge's Chambers"

3rd Place Scott Goldstein, New Jersey Lawyer, ``Financial Disclosure: Not New Jersey Judges"

Enterprise Reporting

1st Place Scott Goldstein, New Jersey Lawyer, ``Police Guns For Sale"

2nd Place Jennifer Potash, Princeton Packet, ``Smoking Ban Impact Found Short-Lived"

3rd Place Cort Parker Jr., Hunterdon Review, ``Clinton's 'High-Hazard' Dam Prompts Safety Concerns"

Editorial Writing

- 1st Place Frederic K. Becker, New Jersey Lawyer, ``New Scout Oath and Law''
- 2nd Place Phil Garber, Mount Olive Chronicle, ``Rock Concerts Are Spelled M-O-N-E-Y''
- 3rd Place Nancy Rubenstein, Today, ``Odds Stacked; We All Lose''

Column Writing

- 1st Place Bob Decker, The Citizen, ``Let Coaches Do Their Job''
- 2nd Place Minx McCloud, Hillsborough Beacon, ``Hatred Should Not Be A Veteran's Legacy''

Review Writing

- 1st Place Larry Savadove, The Sand Paper, ``By Any Other Name Please''
- 2nd Place Michael S. Goldberger, Bernardsville News, ``Angela's Ashes Offers a Find Look at Sadness.''

Headline Writing

- 1st Place Nancy S. Mandell, Jewish Standard, ``Peace: A Stone's Throw Away''
- 2nd Place Nancy Rubenstein, Today, ``Beauty IS The Beast''
- 3rd Place Richard Sokerka, The Beacon, ``Blanket Coverage''

Editorial Cartooning

- 1st Place Bill Valladares, Montclair Times, ``Another Gas For Gun Control''
- 2nd Place George Koukos, New Jersey Lawyer, ``Of Course I'm Twisting Your Words. That's What I Do''
- 3rd Place Bill Valladares, Montclair Times, ``E-Z Crash''

Informational Graphic

1st Place Rosemary Lata, New Jersey Lawyer, ``Enrollments at New Jersey Law Schools"

Front Page Layout

1st Place Harvey Fisher, New Jersey Lawyer, July 3, 2000

2nd Place Staff, Ridgewood News, July 13, 2000

3rd Place Harvey Fisher, New Jersey Lawyer, April 3, 2000

Feature Page Design

1st Place Sandy Mailman, New Jersey Lawyer, ``The T-Word: Trials"

2nd Place Staff, Ridgewood News, ``Hunt For Antiques This Weekend"

3rd Place Staff, Ridgewood News, ``A Blast From The Past."

RADIO and TELEVISION

Radio Deadline Reporting

1st Place Doug Doyle and Andrew Meyer, WBGO-FM, Newark, coverage of the Seton Hall dorm fire

Radio Enterprise Reporting

1st Place Eugene Sonn, WBGO-FM, ``Megan's Law On-Line;"

2nd Place Doug Doyle, WBGO-FM, ``Newark Do Something"

Radio Public Service

1st Place Lehne Anderson and Doug Doyle, WBGO-FM, ``Breast Reconstruction"

Television Enterprise Reporting

1st Place Anisa Mehdi, New Jersey Network, "The Future of Symphony Hall"

Television Public Service

1st Place Carolyn Scharf, Rasheed Daniel, Matt Hundzynski, Teresa Swartwood, Leigh Anne Keys and Heather Wills, Rowan Cable Television, "Wasted Youth"

2nd Place Gina Maldrand, Ravin Patterson, Rob Lightfoot, Jeremy Wilson, Jasin Oswald and Jose Alvarez, Rowan Cable Television, "Not Without a Past"

MAGAZINES

Reporting

1st Place Jessica Siegel, New Jersey Monthly, "Whose School District Is It Anyway?"

2nd Place Robert Hennelly, New Jersey Monthly, "Beyond Black and White"

3rd Place Bill Kent, New Jersey Monthly, "The Real Deal"

Feature writing

1st Place Bill Kent, New Jersey Monthly, "What Goes Around Goes Around"

2nd Place Samuel G. Freedman, New Jersey Monthly, "A Requiem for Anarchy"

3rd Place Bill Glovin, Rutgers Magazine, "Pen Pals"

Opinion Reporting

1st Place Agnes Rossi, New Jersey Monthly, "A Matter of Taste"

Profile writing

1st Place Michael P. Geffner, New Jersey Monthly, "The Hustler"

- 2nd Place Jay Levin, New Jersey Monthly, "In the Eye of the Storm"
- 3rd Place Gigi Marino, Rutgers Magazine, "Shaking Up The System"

BUSINESS WRITING

- 1st Place Erik Schatzker, Bloomberg Markets, "Lucent's Fall From Grace"
- 2nd Place Jim Greiff, Bloomberg Markets, "Has Government Shrunk Too Much?"
- 3rd Place Diane Herbst, New Jersey Monthly, "E-Commerce Millionaires."

Health, Science, Technology and Environmental Reporting

- 1st Place Lauren Otis, New Jersey Monthly, "The Malling of the Meadow;"
- 2nd Place Valerie Jablow, New Jersey Monthly, "Reaching for the Stars"
- 3rd Place Kirk Moore, "The Greening of the Garden State"

Review writing

- 1st Place Anthony Giglio, New Jersey Monthly, "Ryland Inn;"
- 2nd Place Valerie Sinclair, New Jersey Monthly, "Hilton Dining Room"

ONLINE PUBLICATIONS

Feature writing

- 1st Place Robert Anthony Phillips, lexisOne, "A Father Loves His Son So Much That He's Going To Watch Him Die"
- 2nd Place Joann Butler, lexisOne, "Pondering Pens"
- 3rd Place Ted Kavanau, lexisOne, "Haunted Property"

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DAILY NEWSPAPER PHOTOGRAPHY

Spot news

- 1st Place Ellie Markovitch, The Jersey Journal, ``Anguished Cry"
2nd Place M. Kathleen Kelly, The Jersey Journal, ``Rally for Michael Anglin"
3rd Place M. Kathleen Kelly, The Jersey Journal, ``Shattered Dreams"

Feature photography

- 1st Place Danielle Richards, The Record, ``Living in the Shadows"
2nd Place Carmine Galasso, The Record, ``Down and Out In Casino Town"
3rd Place Daniel Hulshizer, The Associated Press, ``Hear No Gunshots"

Sports photography

- 1st Place Melvin C. Evans Jr., The Record, ``The Win"
2nd Place Peter Monsees, The Record, ``The Dream Season Ends"
3rd Place M. Kathleen Kelly, The Jersey Journal, ``Stick Up!"

Illustrative and portrait photography

- 1st Place Carmine Galasso, The Record, ``It's Not Just About the Fish"
2nd Place Danielle Richards, The Record, ``Freedom's Footsteps"

WEEKLY NEWSPAPER PHOTOGRAPHY

Spot news

- 1st Place Demetrius Balevski, Today, ``Rescue in Progress"
2nd Place Susan Zeilnhofer, Dateline Journal, ``End The Occupation Now"

Feature photography

- 1st Place Demetrius Balevski, Dateline Journal, ``Taking It Slow"
2nd Place Susan Zeilnhofer, Suburban Trends, ``Gone To The Dogs"

Sports photography

- 1st Place Frank Wojciechowski, Princeton Packet, ``Jumping for Joy"
2nd Place Frank Wojciechowski, Princeton Packet, ``Gotcha"
3rd Place Susan Zeilnhofer, Suburban Trends, ``That's My Ball"

Illustrative and portrait photography

- 1st Place Dimitri Balevski, Suburban Trends, ``Patriotic Voice of America"
2nd Place Frank Wojciechowski, Princeton Packet, ``Through Sean's Eyes"
3rd Place Frank Wojciechowski, Princeton Packet, ``Through the Grace of God"