Better Newspaper Contest
2010 Editorial Contest
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Editorial Awards

Daily Newspapers
D1: Responsible Journalism – Public Service

Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award
City lied about fence that electrocuted Bubba Green’s daughter

‘70s Bolt football star still battling Baltimore tragedy

In 2008, Chief Solicitor for the City of Baltimore Linda C. Brandon, the day before she retired, provided the family with public documents that said the city contracted Douglas Electric and Lighting to “install all labor and materials to replace the underground electrical distribution 3000 volt cables and fixtures,” in the field in 2003. The company provided work orders and bills to the family stating that the city contracted the company to work on the Druid Hill Rail electrical system not only in 2003, but also in 2004, 2005, and April 2006, a month prior to Dennis’s death.

Baltimore Rampant with Stray Electricity

Bubba Happy with Md. Governor

Jim Cook Jr.
D1: Responsible Journalism –
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

Third Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Record
(Bergen County)

Toxic Landscape

Staff
New Jersey Herald

SCCC Looks to County
SCCC President Fired
College Finances Delay
County Budget
SCCC to revamp Finance
College Trustees Pick New Pres

Bruce A. Scruton
D1: Responsible Journalism –
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

Second Place, Daily Over 45,000

Asbury Park Press

Barnegat Bay Under Stress

Kirk Moore
Todd B. Bates
Jeff Colson
D1: Responsible Journalism – Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

First Place, Daily Under 45,000

Press for the Cure

Daily Record
D1: Responsible Journalism – Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

First Place, Daily Over 45,000

Asbury Park Press

Breaking Point: Personal Tales of New Jersey’s Tax Crush

Staff
D2: Responsible Journalism – Editorial Comment
Don’t Leave Slag Pile in Newfield

Mary Lee Donahue
EDITORIALS

Meadowlands mess

Fans, alcohol and highway equal tragedy

The last thing anyone expected in the Meadowlands was a baseball field. The last thing anyone expected was public alcohol sales. The last thing anyone expected was a 75,000-seat stadium.

On the other hand, the Meadowlands is a place where the unexpected happens. The first thing that comes to mind is the Super Bowl. The Super Bowl is always a spectacle. And the Meadowlands is no exception.

This is a page from The Record, a newspaper in Bergen County, New Jersey. The article is about the Meadowlands and its history. It talks about the unexpected things that have happened there, such as the baseball field and public alcohol sales. It also mentions the Super Bowl and how it is always a spectacle.

The article is written by Kathleen Carroll, who is an editorial writer for The Record. She has been writing for the newspaper for many years and is known for her opinionated and witty columns.

The Record is a daily newspaper that covers news in Bergen County. It is part of the New Jersey Press Association, which is a group of newspapers that work together to provide news and information to the people of New Jersey.
End the delay

The former governor signed mental health legislation into law. Implement it already.

A new study finds that high school hate of the elderly is a greater problem than previously thought. This is not due to any lack of attention from educators or lack of awareness of their students, but rather due to the increasing number of incidents reported by students and teachers alike. Students are being taught to recognize the warning signs of depression, anxiety, and self-harm, but many are still struggling to overcome these disorders. One way to help is through early intervention programs that provide support and resources to those in need.

The Vent

If you're interested in learning more about the importance of mental health awareness, please visit our website.

Gretchen Barrett-Hanafy

Burlington County Times

End the Delay
Paradise Lost
Decal Detour
D2: Responsible Journalism – Editorial Comment

Second Place, Daily Over 45,000

Asbury Park Press

Noose Tightens
An Affront to History
Blue’s Bonuses

Michael Riley
Change Aid Plan to Treat Schools More Equally
Plainfield School Board
Has One Job: Fire Gallon
Church-Sale Dispute in Raritan
Has an Ugly Side

Keith Ryzewicz
D2: Responsible Journalism – Editorial Comment

First Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Press of Atlantic City

Health Benefits for Part-Timers
Trust Us – It’s Over
One Brave Woman in A.C.
but One Isn’t Enough
The Group-Home Fight
One More Time

Jim Perskie
D3: Responsible Journalism – Enterprise
D3: Responsible Journalism – Enterprise

Third Place, Daily Under 45,000

Daily Record

What We Believe

Lorraine Ash
On V-J Day, Everywhere Was Paradise

Those on the Homefront Remember Joy

Staff
Gangs: Inside the Growing Business of Murder, Crime and Fear in Central Jersey

Mark Spivey
Endless seasons

Youth baseball is fast becoming a high-stakes race

Colleen Diskin
Leslie Barbaro
New Tech Helps Police Catch, Convict Criminals

Computer Era Brings Age-Old Sins into New Arena

It’s Tough to Pull a Houdini in Cyberspace

Tom Howell Jr.
D3: Responsible Journalism – Enterprise

First Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Star-Ledger

The Wreck of the Lady Mary

Amy Ellis Nutt

BY AMY ELLIS NUTT

PHOTOS AND GRAPHICS
BY ANDRE MALOK
D4: Responsible Journalism – First Amendment
Art Weissman Memorial Award
D4: Responsible Journalism – First Amendment, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Third Place, Daily Under 45,000

Daily Record

School Districts in Morris Skirt Caps

Rob Jennings
Abbott Koloff
Laura Bruno
D4: Responsible Journalism – First Amendment, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Third Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Press of Atlantic City

Watchdog Report: Galloway Township Separation Contracts

Galloway Paid Cops Not to Sue or Criticize

Emily Previti
Mayor Has New Car for Out-of-Town-Trips

Mayor’s Sporty Car Draws Unwanted Attention

Kristi Funderburk

John Garrahan

Tim Zatzariny Jr.
D4: Responsible Journalism – First Amendment, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Second Place, Daily Over 45,000

Courier-Post

Steak Whiz’s Gift: Wit or Witout Strings?

Medford Residents Vent on Special Patrols

Medford’s Top Cop Moonlights

Chief Steps Down

Jeremy Rosen
Where is SCCC finance report?
Freeholders want audit that led to college president’s firing

Animal skeletons go on display

Specter loses in Pa.; tea party helps Paul

Sparta handed another petition
Signers want to save Rec. Department by state reimbursement

College’s January Hiring of Auditor Questioned

SCCC Slow to Release Documents
The Star-Ledger

The Forbidden E-mails

What They Didn’t Want
You to See

Josh Margolin
Better Newspaper Contest 2010

D5: Reporting and Writing – Breaking News
SHOT IN PLAYGROUND

Girl awaits surgery for bullet lodged in spine

Amy Sara Clark
Michaelangelo Conte
Charles Hack

A single 9mm-caliber bullet reportedly hit a 5-year-old girl as she played in a playground, but doctors believed she was lucky to survive the incident. The shooting occurred in a playground located in the local community, and the girl was later taken to the hospital for treatment.

The event shocked the community, and many parents were deeply concerned about the safety of their children in public spaces. The city was quick to respond, increasing security measures and implementing stricter regulations for playgrounds.

Statements from the girl’s parents expressed their gratitude for the survival of their child, while the community came together to offer support and condolences. Local authorities are now investigating the incident to ensure the safety of all children in similar situations.

Amy Sara Clark
Michaelangelo Conte
Charles Hack
D5: Reporting and Writing –
Breaking News

Third Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Press of Atlantic City

Blizzard of 2010
Atlantic, Cape Declare Emergency
Thousands Lose Power

Staff
Young couple is killed after engagement party

By CARRIE RENZI

The Jersey Journal

Murdered Over Car

Many Mourn: Their Lives Touched Many Lives

Charles Hack

Tom Shortell

Michaelangelo Conte

NJPA

NEW JERSEY PRESS ASSOCIATION
D5: Reporting and Writing –
Breaking News

Second Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Times

Shooter Kills Correction Officer, Wounds Ex-Wife, Takes Own Life

Alex Zdan
Lisa Coryell
Carmen Cusido
Matt Fair
D5: Reporting and Writing –
Breaking News

First Place, Daily Under 45,000

The Trentonian

Deadly Dad
Answering the Morning Call of Death
Kill Thy Neighbor
Final Moments: Peaceful Reflection and Violent Death

Staff
Little Egg Harbor man kills 2, self, cops say

Assault rifle used
Shooter's brother: good Samaritan dead
Residents displaced
Neighborhood closed during investigation

Bill is in works to save NJSIAA

Asbury Park Press

Little Egg Harbor Man Kills 2, Self, Cops Say

Staff
D6: Reporting and Writing – News Writing Portfolio
Vineland City Council Sold Land to Political Pal

Mixed Reviews at Midpoint: Vineland Residents Rate Romano’s Performance

Kristi Funderburk
Local Justice Not Swift as Court Cases Pile Up

Cigarette Butt, Shell Casing Spoil ‘Perfect Murder’ in EHT

Lynda Cohen
D6: Reporting and Writing – News Writing Portfolio

Second Place, Daily Under 45,000

Burlington County Times

Reinhart: Freeholders’ Selection Process Flawed

Dead Tot’s Family Had History with DYFS

Danielle Camilli
D6: Reporting and Writing – News Writing Portfolio

Second Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Philadelphia Inquirer

Starved as Adopted Boy, Secluded Now as Adult

Oldest N.J. Brother Still Cut Off from Kin

Jan Hefler
D6: Reporting and Writing – News Writing Portfolio

First Place, Daily Under 45,000

The Express-Times

A Second Chance for Teen Mothers

Teen Faces Challenge of Cystic Fibrosis

Bangor Grad Injured at War

Sarah Wojcik
D6: Reporting and Writing – News Writing Portfolio

First Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Star-Ledger

The Wreck of the Lady Mary

The Last Steps in a Promising Life

With One Unforgettable Swing, He Found Baseball Immortality

Amy Ellis Nutt
D7: Reporting and Writing – Environmental Writing Portfolio
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Third Place, Daily Under 45,000

The Daily Journal

City Probes Nightmare Flooding

Vineland to Probe for Chemicals in Cemetery

Kristi Funderburk
Creeping, Crawling and Slithering into the Garden State

To Baldly Go Where Few Eagles Once Did

Little Insect A Big Threat

Brian T. Murray
D7: Reporting and Writing – Environmental Writing Portfolio

Second Place, Daily Under 45,000

Parents Seeing Change in Kids

Carly Romalino
Stuck for years on Superfund list

Scott Fallon

Fouled Forever

Fight for Revival in Wetlands

Scott Fallon
Day of remembrance

The annual service to remember Captain Emil M.
Caramazza drew more than 100 people in Ewing Park.

Aviator honored

Oil unleashed temporarily

The plan called for removing the cap from the leaking well
and refilling the well with a new lighter cap.

Man, 20, accused of starting fire

Police believe J eremy D. Dick could be charged with arson
and theft.

The mystery of the Mount Laurel lizards solved

A group of reptile enthusiasts has broken the
mystery of the hermit lizards found in Mount Laurel.

For the Birds

Peg Quann

The Burlington County Times

First Place, Daily Under 45,000

D7: Reporting and Writing –
Environmental Writing Portfolio

The Mystery of Mount Laurel
Lizards Solved

Something in the Air

Peg Quann

Burlington County
Times
D7: Reporting and Writing – Environmental Writing Portfolio

First Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Press of Atlantic City

DEP Hopes Outsourcing Will Speed Cleanups

No ‘Plan B’ for Storage of U.S. Nuclear Waste

Michael Miller
D8: Reporting and Writing – Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio
Stanhope Artist Looks to Nature for Inspiration

New to Classroom: Happy to Be Hired, New Teachers Plunge into Job

Lyndsay Bouchal
D8: Reporting and Writing – Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

Third Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Philadelphia Inquirer

Footloose on the Boardwalk

Touched by Nucky

N.J. Gets Real as the Darling of Reality TV

Amy S. Rosenberg
D8: Reporting and Writing – Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

Second Place, Daily Under 45,000

Daily Record

Back to the Land

Lorraine Ash
D8: Reporting and Writing – Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

Second Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Star-Ledger

My Dear, Daily Valentine

Stewards of the Shad

A Chicken on Every Plot

Vicki Hyman
D8: Reporting and Writing – Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

First Place, Daily Under 45,000

Crimson Harvest
A Cool Method for Saving Lives
Back on Track

Peg Quann
D8: Reporting and Writing – Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

First Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Philadelphia Inquirer

Pennsauken Trailer Community Offers Refuge
At Camden’s Sole Rink, the Good Times Roll

Mike Newall
D9: Reporting and Writing – Sports Writing Portfolio
D9: Reporting and Writing – Sports Writing Portfolio

Third Place, Daily Under 45,000

The Daily Journal

A Hit Off the Old Block
Rebel with a Lure
Vineland Native Scores with Shot in Majors

Anthony Coppola
D9: Reporting and Writing –
Sports Writing Portfolio

Third Place, Daily Over 45,000

Home News Tribune
Caring for Brayden
Part Coach, Part CEO
Heads Up

Keith Sargeant
Cancer survivor, 72, ready for Runyon Run

By Jean-Pierre Mestanza

Seventy-two-year-old Leslie Mestanza is a cancer survivor. The former native New Yorker, now living in Los Angeles, decided to run in this year's Runyon Run to raise awareness and support for cancer survivors.

The Runyon Run is an annual event held in New York City. It is named after the late Runyon Cancer Research Institute, which is dedicated to finding a cure for cancer. The event requires participants to run or walk the 5K course, with the goal of raising money for cancer research.

Mestanza has been a cancer survivor for over 20 years. He was diagnosed with cancer in his early 50s and underwent successful surgery and chemotherapy. He credits his survival to the support of his family and friends, as well as his own determination.

Raceland for the cure: Bringing awareness to the importance of early detection and treatment.

He plans to use his participation in the Runyon Run to raise awareness about the importance of early detection and treatment, as well as to encourage others to get involved in cancer research.

Mestanza is excited about the event and hopes to raise as much money as possible. He plans to use the funds to support the Runyon Cancer Research Institute and other organizations that are working towards finding a cure for cancer.

The Runyon Run is not just about raising money, it's about bringing people together to support a common cause. And Mestanza is looking forward to being a part of this powerful movement.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, October 15th, at 8 AM. Participants can register online or at the event. For more information, visit the Runyon Cancer Research Institute website.

As a cancer survivor, I will do anything for others who are in that situation.

Mestanza shared his story with The Jersey Journal, hoping to inspire others to join him in the Runyon Run and support cancer research.

The Jersey Journal

Cancer Survivor, 72, Ready for Runyon Run

50 Years of N. Bergen Kids Playing Football

Jean-Pierre Mestanza

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Cancer Survivor, 72, Ready for Runyon Run

50 Years of N. Bergen Kids Playing Football

Jean-Pierre Mestanza
The Press of Atlantic City

Giving On and Off the Field

Living Off Poker More Than Knowing When to Hold, Fold

Susan Lulgjuraj
With roots in Vernon, he’s an Olympian now

U.S. stuns Canada in ice hockey

Nolan Kasper grew up on Hidden Valley’s hills

With Roots in Vernon, He’s an Olympian Now

New Challenges Ahead:
Sparta Legend Jent Faces
Life After LeBron in Cleveland

Skylanders turn around season for a reason
The Star-Ledger

The Drive Remains

On Hot, Grim Gridiron of Iraq
Sand, Jersey Guy Lifts Spirits
with Football

Dave D’Alessandro
For the Love of the Game

Woodstown athlete overcame hardships to play again

Lebron wins it for Cavs

Snyder takes over Twp. team

Harvick nips McMurray, takes Talladega victory

Gloucester County Times

For the Love of the Game

Footloose

Love Connection

Scott Chappelear

D10: Reporting and Writing – Scholastic Sports Portfolio

Third Place, Daily Under 45,000

Gloucester County Times

For the Love of the Game

Footloose

Love Connection

Scott Chappelear
The Press of Atlantic City

War Over Prices for High School Games Escalates
Deaf Rower Helps Team Connect

Michael McGarry
The Mom Game

Morris coach-mothers juggle roles

Patterson seen as strong court pick

Gov to unveil 33-bill raft of reforms

Property tax, limit, benefit changes included

Second Place, Daily Under 45,000

Daily Record

Jane Havsy
For this successful coach, biggest win was off the field

The Star-Ledger

For This Successful Coach, Biggest Win Was Off the Field

Jersey Basketball Factories Churn Out College Scholarship Material

Matthew Stanmyre
D10: Reporting and Writing – Scholastic Sports Portfolio

First Place, Daily Under 45,000

Courier News

An Enabler, Despite Stroke

Washed Away

Pioneers Sent Out Bottone

Only Appropriate Way

Jerry Carino
Lasting Impressions

After father’s death, Fort Lee star finds peace on the court

by JEFF ROBERTS

South Bergen emerged the question to Fort Lee, and the questioner knows how to tell a story. “Mommy, he asked me in a whisper.”

The ninth grader wanted recognition, still chatting, about how he had become the Fort Lee basketball team’s highest scorer ever. Mama needed to hear.

“I didn’t ask you,” Mommy replied.

The ninth grader wanted recognition, still chatting, about how he had become the Fort Lee basketball team’s highest scorer ever.

He was the highest scorer ever, but there was a twist to the tale. Fort Lee won only one game, but he scored 30 points in a victory over Hackensack.

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After father’s death, Fort Lee star finds peace on the court

Sanchez eyeing surgery

Left knee injury from USC days

by JEFF ROBERTS

Mark Sanchez had his right knee replaced in 2009. He now has an MRI next week. He has never been the same since. The Giants are going to find out if he has ever been the same.

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Lasting Impressions

Football Star’s Gruesome Legacy

New Concussion Fears Emerge

Jeff Roberts

D10: Reporting and Writing – Scholastic Sports Portfolio

First Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Record
(Bergen County)
D11: Reporting and Writing – Business & Financial Writing Portfolio
Winter storm socks region

Tom Ring’s calling

Over-the-top car sales pitchman has a decidedly softer side

New Life for Lipkin’s

Tony Rhodin
Real Estate
When home renovations stall

Eyesores can drag down neighborhood

By KATHY LYNN

When Home Renovations Stall
Stuck with No Exit
Remodeling Nightmare

Kathy Lynn
Vineland Dance Center Gets in Step for 50th Anniversary

Competition Grows as Vineland Gains Hotels

Kristi Funderburk
Sports betting: Coming up through the pack

Despite opposition, legislators in Pa., N.J. and Del. are pushing it as a new revenue source.

Suzette Parmley
D11: Reporting and Writing –
Business and Financial Writing Portfolio

First Place, Daily Under 45,000

Daily Record

Starting Over

Ellen Wilkowe
Vendors caught in A.C. casino downturn

By DONALD WITTKOWSKI

Atlantic City — Some 1,600 vendors have seen their annual contracts expire, or are about to, as the region’s casino industry struggles to adapt to a downturn in visitors. The vendors are affected by the current economic conditions in the area, which have led to a decrease in the number of visitors to the casinos. The vendors have been left with no source of income, and some are struggling to make ends meet.

Resurrecting Resorts; Property Will Adopt Roaring ’20s Theme

By DONALD WITTKOWSKI

Atlantic City, NJ — The Resorts Casino Hotel is undergoing a major renovation, and will adopt a Roaring ’20s theme in its new design. The hotel is expected to reopen in the spring, with a variety of new amenities and features. The renovation is part of a larger effort to revitalize the casino industry in the area.

Spirit strike strands travelers

By DONALD WITTKOWSKI

Atlantic City — A strike by Spirit Airlines pilots has stranded travelers at the Atlantic City International Airport. The pilots’ union is demanding a new contract that would improve working conditions and pay. The strike has caused significant delays for passengers, and some flights have been canceled.

The Press of Atlantic City

Vendors Caught in A.C. Casino Downturn

Resurrecting Resorts; Property Will Adopt Roaring ’20s Theme

Donald Wittkowski
D12: Reporting and Writing – News/Business Column
Woods Takes First Step on Recovery Road

Vick Shouldn’t Serve Life Sentence

Under the Umbrella of Neighborly Love

L.A. Parker
N.J.’s Cowardly Adieu to Bill on Same-Sex ‘I Do’

Deadbeat Reality, Garden-Variety Desperation

Monica Yant Kinney
Terminally Ill Get Some Help from the State

For Grandma Allen, Words Won’t Fail Her

Phil Gianficaro
D12: Reporting and Writing – News/Business Column

Second Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Record
(Bergen County)

God’s Person in a Wheelchair

If He Can Build Bridges, Why Can’t He Get Rid of the Rats?

Mike Kelly
Federal park threatened

The real stars came out for Christmas

NJ and Kids: Perfect Together, with Some Exceptions

The Real Stars Came Out for Christmas

It Was a Dark and Stormy ...

State

James Flachsenhaar
Married in a Newark church, couple’s vast promise feeds the soul

Amid Acts of Kindness and Heroism, Prowling Predators Strike
Better Newspaper Contest 2010

D13: Reporting and Writing – Op-Ed Column
Primary day arrives

Many candidates, many signs, but how about voices?

In a city too busy to appreciate its true value, we often look to the politicians for leadership. However, too often, they are unable to respond to the needs of the community. Instead, they focus on their own interests and personal agendas. This is unacceptable.

Why the delay on medical weed?

The issue of medical marijuana has been a long time coming. It is time for the state to act. The delay is unacceptable. The public needs access to medical marijuana.

No ‘green card,’ no hot dogs?

This is not a time for humor. Hot dogs are not the issue. The issue is access to medical marijuana.

Denville Mayor Inks Contract in Error

Fred Snowflack
Democrats made their bed, Sweeney hid under it

Alfred P. Doblin
It’s Time to Stop Minding Someone Else’s Business

This Fallen Hero Made a Lasting Impression

Taxpayer Has Bureaucrats on the Ropes

Joseph P. Owens
When Will the Church Come Clean on Abuse?

Secret Donors, Big Checks and a Broken Promise

Christie Nipping Marijuana Law in the Bud

The Star-Ledger

Obama squeezed but deals with it

Tom Moran
Tiger Woods can find help in Buddhism

Practice emphasizes self discipline, restraint

Tiger Woods, shown here in a 2004 photo, has struggled with distractions and his diet in recent years. Buddhism offers a way to find peace and inner strength.

**FVI**

Costa Rica: Costa Rica is糯 in the heat and humidity, but the country has a rich culture and beautiful landscapes to explore.

**VF**

Vietnam: Vietnam is a land of contrast, with ancient temples and modern cities.

**TF**

Thailand: Thailand is known for its warm hospitality and delicious cuisine.

**JET**

Japan: Japan is a country of tradition and modernity, with ancient shrines and cutting-edge technology.

**FV**

Fiji: Fiji is a paradise in the South Pacific, known for its clear waters and beautiful beaches.

**FV**

French Polynesia: French Polynesia is a collection of islands in the South Pacific, known for its picturesque landscapes.
Auspicious time for Fortune Cookies

Peter Genovese

Auspicious Time for Fortune Cookies

The Star-Ledger

The Road Less Traveled Has Nothing on Our Parkway Mall Rat

Peter Genovese
D14: Reporting and Writing – Feature/Entertainment Column

Second Place, Daily Under 45,000

Daily Record

One Prayer Changes Man’s Life Forever

Mike Daigle
A Diverse Wave of Kosher in Teaneck
Mourning a Chef of Great Gusto
A Guide for Creating Culinary Knockoffs

Elisa Ung
The Express-Times

Betty White, a Pickle and Nickelback

Weird, Yes, but Al Likes It, Too

My Angel Is a 3-D Centerfold

Dustin Schoof
Goodbye to My Beloved Daughter

Suffering a Crisis of Faith

Our Legacy Is a Life Well Lived

Bobbi Seidel
D15: Reporting and Writing – Sports Column
Suddenly Sunny in Philly for Free Agents

Lights, Camera, Action
Beyond the Gridiron
Hedgeman Teaches Leadership Off the Field, Too

Tom McGurk
There’s No Comprehending the Risks of This Game

Jet Success Isn’t Sweet for a Bitter Matt Snell

Thanks, Boss.

Steve Politi
D15: Reporting and Writing – Sports Column

Second Place, Daily Under 45,000

The Express-Times

Stevely a Picture of Perseverance

Entire P’burg ‘D’ Deserved MVP

Violent Hits Could Prove Deadly

Brad Wilson

Sports Flash

Get ready for Backyard Brawl III

Lafayette HS, Lehigh HS, St. Joseph’s Regional HS will face off Sunday.

McCallum lays out plan for life

The Exclusive: Lafayette’s Flower Court flowers Wednesday.
D15: Reporting and Writing – Sports Column

Second Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Record
(Bergen County)

Question? – Straw Has the Answer

Pirates Can Testify
This Kid Is for Real

The Sultan of Syllables
Bob Klapisch
Drive for ages keys Mustangs’ victory

Focused and ready

Scott spoils Pettitte’s return

Sanchez sizzles as Jets top Pats

Pope John cruises past Morris Hills

Joe Hofmann
D15: Reporting and Writing – Sports Column

First Place, Daily Over 45,000

Asbury Park Press

Columns

Stephen Edelson
D16: Reporting and Writing – Critical Writing
A DRAMA-FILLED TRIP TO THE GROCERY STORE

Despite some structural difficulties, 'Whole Foods' is worth checking out.
THEATER REVIEW

By William Westhoven

Mark Rutkowsky's 'The Whole Village' is playing in the Cherry Hill Playhouse, the actors are untrained, the scenery is simple, and the budget is modest. But through the use of improvised music and spontaneous dialogue, the show manages to entertain and engage the audience.

The plot follows a group of friends who gather at a local grocery store to share stories and experiences. As they talk, they realize that the store is under threat from a proposed development project.

Despite the challenges, the friends come together to fight for their community and ultimately save the store. The show is a touching reminder of the power of unity and the importance of local businesses.

William Westhoven
The food speaks eloquently at Lambertville’s Manon

by Susan Sprague Yeske

The Times

The Food Speaks Eloquently at Lambertville’s Manon

Hamilton Manor’s Porter House Maintains Peasants’ Tradition

Italian Culinary Dynasty Lives On – in Robbinsville at Santino’s

Susan Sprague Yeske
Cash’s farewell album fitting goodbye

Cash’s Farewell Album Fitting Goodbye

‘Invented’ Offers Nothing New

Weezer’s Music Whets Fans’ Appetite

Adam Richter
D16: Reporting and Writing – Critical Writing

Second Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Philadelphia Inquirer

A Peerless Plan for a Philly Pier
Singular Shore House
A Clean-Break Bath House

Inga Saffron
"HAIRSPRAY" SHAKES UP PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE

SEASON OPENER EXPLODES WITH ENERGY

By William Westhoven

The season opener at the Paper Mill Playhouse is a review of the musical "HAIRSPRAY," which features a cast of talented actors and actresses. The show is a must-see for anyone who loves theater and music. The audience is treated to a wonderful performance that is sure to leave a lasting impression.

D16: Reporting and Writing – Critical Writing

First Place, Daily Under 45,000

Daily Record

Take a Trip to 'No Man's Land'

William Westhoven
The Record
(Bergen County)
Passionately Greek
Non-Snob Appeal
Catch of the Day
Elisa Ung
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D17: Reporting and Writing – Robert P. Kelly Award
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Third Place, Daily Under 45,000

The News of Cumberland County

Evicted Cancer Victim Now at Cohанsey Hotel

No Harmony Among 3 City Taxi Companies

Greg Adomaitis
D17: Reporting and Writing – Robert P. Kelly Award

Third Place, Daily Over 45,000

The Star-Ledger

Getting Kids to Dig Classical Music

A Long-Awaited Debut

Dudamel Brings Packed NJPAC House to Its Feet

Ronni Reich
Haitian master’s works accent Ramapo collection

ROCK GARDENS
Schools focused on ‘classical’ acts give North Jersey youths a chance to bloom musically

Students at Rock Gardens can get individual sessions on guitar or other instruments, receive a four-week group of private lessons and attend weekly concerts as part of a music program.

Alfa Garcia

The Record
(Bergen County)

Rock Gardens

Hip-Hop & Soul & Inspiration

A Glorious Mess

Alfa Garcia
D17: Reporting and Writing – Robert P. Kelly Award

First Place, Daily Under 45,000

New Jersey Herald

Little Known Panel Holds Purse Strings

Heroes of Comic Book Art: Kuberts Teach Next Generation

Phillip Molnar
Open space tax buys $300,000 snack bar in Northfield

Christie to apply for jobs funding

Ramadan fast begins

Fewer boaters arrested drunk in New Jersey

Summer 2010 one of hottest on record
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D18: Reporting and Writing – Best Headlines
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Ruff-ined Dining

Hunter’s Record Kill Turns into Bad Bear Day

Area Christmas Tree Purveyors Earn Chops

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These Toll Collectors Need to Make Change – in Their Rude Behavior
For Plow Crews, a Long Day’s Journey into White
All These Acorns Are Driving Me Nuts

Marianne Tamburro
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Restaurant Row
Has French Connection
Vineland Derby Gets Push
to Finish Line
Lunch on Landis Back
for Seconds

Jason Alt
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The Press of Atlantic City

Venus Has Hot Date with Twins

Today’s Fishing Report: No Walleye, One Wallet

Teach Class, Get Tan, Repeat

Dan Grote
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Strike a Paws

It’s Not Easy Being Grain Absinthe-minded

Adam Richter
Home's buyers can't live with the meth left behind

Christie: Plan for N.Y. tunnel is dead

The Philadelphia Inquirer

Home’s Buyers Can’t Live with the Meth Left Behind
Sun Day Worship
Brings Out Masses
Roots, Roots, Roots
from a Home Team

Dave Schmidt
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The Daily Journal

Grand Opening

Staff
DeMarco and Sarnese led teams to historic seasons

St. Joe senior brought field hockey team to new heights

Spirit football star overcame obstacles to win N.J. title

The Press of Atlantic City

Best of Fall
High School Sports

Michael McGarry
Mark Melhorn
Michael Ein
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New Jersey Herald

Sussex County Answer Book II

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Summer Guide 2010

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Living 2010 - A Guide to the Morris County Area

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The Wreck of the Lady Mary

Amy Ellis Nutt

Andre Malok
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Gary Stelzer
Heartbreak in Haiti
100,000 NOW FEARED DEAD
Relief efforts under way for nation devastated by earthquake

In crumbling capital, dazed disbelief
Waiting for news, and praying, in N.J.

Heartbreak in Haiti
Is This Really the Way to Fix Newark Schools?
The Last Steps in a Promising Life
Global Bomb Plot Foiled

Joe Lee
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Burlington County Times

News Portfolio

Morgaine Ford-Workman
Deb Ungerman
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John Scianna
Pounded!
Heavy snow closes highways, bringing area to a standstill

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Eat Globally
After the Raids
Call to Duty
Solar Derby

Johnathan Hardick
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News Portfolio

Andrew Prendimano
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Feature Portfolio 2
Jeff Colson
The “Wright” Stuff

Queen Latifah’s latest flick offers a romantic take on the NBA

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Feature Portfolio
Jeff Colson
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Harry Potter
Gay at 14
Dill
Dinner for One
Lifeguard

Tom Raski
Courier-Post

Sweets That Fill a Need
Choose Your Portal
Stick with It
Back to School Fashion
Explore the Past/
History Time Line

Tara Askin
Daily Record

Body Language
Tattoo fest comes to Shore

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Feature Portfolio 1

Jeff Colson
One-of-a-kind gifts at North Jersey's holiday boutiques

Build a gluten-free, vegan Thanksgiving with all the traditional flavors

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A Re: Designed Holiday Classical Reunion Lost & More Often Found Max and Selina – A Love Story The Next Dimension

Lisa Mansolillo Dalie
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Design Portfolio
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Sports Portfolio (March, etc)

Josh Friedman
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Josh Friedman
Memories of ’09
Rising Star
Peyton’s Place in History
Caution Ahead
John Connolly
D22: Design and Presentation – Sports Page Design Portfolio

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Sports Portfolio

Morgaine Ford-Workman
Deb Ungerman
600...Finally
It All Adds Up
2010 Draft Preview
How the Devils Lost Their Way
Texas Hold ’Em

Dan Worthington
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Secrets to a Stress-Free Thanksgiving
Running Out of Time
Mike Trout’s Year One
Veggie Surprise
Get in Gear

Joe Moore
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Sinatra, Her Way
Reinventing the Addamses
Alienated Nation
The First Fab Four
The First 100 Days

Billy Becerra
D23: Design and Presentation – Graphics/Illustration Portfolio

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Burlington County Times

Lifeguard
Gone Loko
Search for Happiness
Gay at 14
Thrill of Theft

Tom Raski
D23: Design and Presentation – Graphics/Illustration Portfolio

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Access to Records
Still a Runaround
Smooth Santana
When Nucky Ran Atlantic City
Experience Hendrix
Giving Thanks

Krishna Mathias
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Affordable Summer Fun
Last-Minute Spring Cleaning
Energy in a Bottle
Super Six
Friday Night Headlines

Joe Moore
Open for business
Supreme Court ruling, Christie order will alter rules of campaign finance game

By FRANK ASCRAN

T he most obvious lesson of the 2013 gubernatorial election will be the importance of grass-roots organizing. Former Senate Majority Leader Tom Kean Jr. and Sen. Steve Roth have already laid the groundwork for a strong campaign. The race is still very much in the hands of the Christie Administration, which has a proven track record of making budgetary cuts, but the Christie order will alter the rules of the game.

Why the hysteria?

By FRANK ARMATO

The Christie Administration has been quick to point out that the ruling will not apply to the 2013 gubernatorial election. However, the Christie order will alter the rules of the game. The Christie Administration has a proven track record of making budgetary cuts, but the Christie order will alter the rules of the game.

Are casinos the best bet for the Meadowlands?

By LANCE THEROUX

Casinos are not a viable option for the Meadowlands. Despite the claims of the Meadowlands Development Authority (MDA), the casinos would not bring in the revenue that is needed to keep the facility operational.

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Open for Business
The First Cut
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Big Fish Story
Ironman Two
It’s Time to Tackle Big Blue
Park and Ride
Ready, Set, Take-Off!

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