

2005 NJPA Editorial Contest Results – Daily Newspapers

Journalist of the Year – Daily:

Lindy Washburn

“Crushed By Medical Bills”
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)

General Excellence:

Daily, under 60,000

Herald News, West Paterson

Daily, over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County, NJ)

D-01 - Responsible Journalism, Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: “Toxic Legacy”
Staff
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 2nd Place: “Death, Fear in the Air”
Tracey L. Regan, Darryl R. Isherwood, George Amick
The Times, Trenton
- 3rd Place: “Heart Gallery of New Jersey”
Robin Gaby Fisher, Katie Wang, Matthew Reilly
The Star-Ledger, Newark

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: “Land Grab”
Asjylyn Loder, Tom Meagher
Herald News, West Paterson
- 2nd Place: “Fixing N.J.’s Tax Mess”
Colleen O’Dea, Laura Bruno, Abbott Koloff, Rob Seman
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 3rd Place: “Well-armed for a Rent Fight”
Jarrett Renshaw
The Jersey Journal, Jersey City

D-02, Responsible Journalism, Editorial Comment

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Bullying Series"
Mark Correa
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill
- 2nd Place: "Palmyra Tapes"
Mark Correa
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill
- 3rd Place: "Looking Far, Wide and Pricey"
Joan Whitlow
The Star-Ledger, Newark

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Adoptees Have Right to Know"
Keith Ryzewicz
Courier News, Bridgewater
- 2nd Place: "West's Plea Deal an Outrage"
Agustin Torres
The Jersey Journal, Jersey City
- 3rd Place: "Sex Offender Ordinance Has To Be Tougher"
John Garrahan
The Daily Journal, Vineland

D-03, Responsible Journalism, Enterprise

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Scandal in the Schools Construction Corp."
Dunston McNichol, Steve Chambers
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "Making Play Pay"
Jean Rimbach, Gregory Schutta
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 3rd Place: "Club Monmouth"
Bob Cullinane, Nina Rizzo
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Living on the Brink"
Lorraine Ash, Bob Karp
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 2nd Place: "Low Wages, Strong Backs"
Tom Meagher, Suzanne Travers
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "Working in the Shadows"
Maria Armental
Daily Record, Parsippany

D-04, Responsible Journalism, First Amendment (The Art Weissman Memorial Award)

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Right To Know"
Staff
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill
- 2nd Place: "9/11 Funds Go Begging"
Amy Klein,
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 3rd Place: "One Judge & 8 Towns = Justice Inc."
Michael Diamond
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Waivers Gone Away"
Martin C. Bricketto, Anne B. Jolis
Gloucester County Times, Woodbury
- 2nd Place: "Anguish & Anger"
Samantha Henry
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "NJ Pumps Regular into Fuel-Alternative Cars"
Sarah N. Lynch
Daily Record, Parsippany

D-05, Reporting and Writing, Breaking News

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Operation Bid Rig: Rooting Out Corruption in, Monmouth County"
Kathy Matheson, James Prado Roberts, Jason Method, Staff
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 2nd Place: "Floods Hammer Area"
Kirk Moore, Erik Larsen, Andrea Alexnader, Joseph Picard, Staff
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 3rd Place: "Rival to Buy AT&T for \$16 Billion"
Jeff May, Staff
The Star-Ledger, Newark

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Drug, Gambling Ring Busted"
Giovanna Fabiano, Peter N. Spencer, Chad Weihrauch
Courier News, Bridgewater
- 2nd Place: "Blackout Paralyzes Downtown Morristown"
Rob Seman, Abbott Koloff, Meg Huelsman
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 3rd Place: "2 Cops Shot in Precinct",
Molly Bloom, Michaelangelo Conte, Staff
The Jersey Journal, Jersey City

D-06, Reporting and Writing, News Writing Portfolio

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Medical School Giving Fat Raises"
"Big Winners in No Bid Bonanza"
"Billing Scam Could Cost Us 40M"
Patricia Alex
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 2nd Place: "Political Bosses Escape Reform"
"\$800,000 Pay & Side Income, Too"
"Trantino's Public Profile Irks Victims' Kin"
Jeff Pillets
The Record (Bergen County, NJ),
- 3rd Place: "Spalliero's Empire"
James W. Prado Roberts
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Where's Danielle"
"Hurricane Katrina Interrupted Their Reunion After Iraq"
"Learning the Many Faces of Muslim Women"
Danielle Camilli
Burlington County Times, Willingboro
- 2nd Place: "Cop Held Dying Son"
"Religious Experience"
"Reduced To Ashes"
Samantha Henry,
Herald News, West Paterson,
- 3rd Place: "Teacher Loses Figh With Rare Disease"
"Raking in Cash on Contraband"
"Check This Out!"
Jaci Smith,
Herald News, West Paterson

D-07, Reporting and Writing, Feature, Lifestyle and Entertainment Writing Portfolio

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "A Dramatic Gamble";
"A Dramatic Gamble Act II"
"A Dramatic Gamble Act III"
Peggy McGlone
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "Final Exposure";
"Unless They Talk, History is Lost"
"All About Lenny Welch"
Shannon Mullen
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 3rd Place: "Girl's Cancer Battle Unites Community";
"No Cure In Atlanta For Absecon Girl"
"Spirited Absecon Girl Dies After Battle"
Lynda Cohen
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Altered Boys"
"Nobody's Home"
"Battle-scarred"
Maya Kremen
Herald News, West Paterson
- 2nd Place: "What The Best-Dressed Dogs are Wearing"
"Love Songs"
"Feeling Like a Stuffed Turkey?"
Marcia White
The Express-Times, Easton
- 3rd Place: "Postcards From Band Camp"
"A Cut Above the Rest"
"What's Bugging You?"
Lorinda Jarvis
The Daily Journal, Vineland

D-08, Reporting and Writing, Sports Writing Portfolio

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Tiger's Morning"
"Wright and Wrong"
"A Taste of Home"
Kevin Monahan
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "NHL Needs To Get Over Itself"
"Mourning a Hero"
"Cruel Lesson in Law"
Bill Handleman
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 3rd Place: "New Day Dawns"
"Owen's Love"
"Empty Feelings"
Phil Anastasia
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Dangerous Game"
"Miracle Man"
"Happy Days"
Stefan Bondy
New Jersey Herald, Newton
- 2nd Place: "Falato's Dramatic Recovery"
"Under Pressure"
"Washington Still Challenging Call"
Jerry Carino
Courier News, Bridgewater
- 3rd Place: "Johnny Baseball"
"Agoos' Experience"
"Separating Coach from Parent"
Jane Allison Havsy
Daily Record, Parsippany

D-09, Reporting and Writing, Scholastic Sports Portfolio

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Why Coaches Are Hard To Find"
"It Always Hurts"
"Parents A Big Part Of Steroid Problem"
Steve Politi
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "Karcick More Than Another Coach"
"A Sense of Loss, But The Spirit To Win"
"School vs. Club"
Jeff Roberts
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 3rd Place: "Champions of Breakfast Hour"
"Star Plays Through The Pain"
"Wickham Remains Very Much in Hearts"
Sean McCann
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Honduran Brothers"
'Kenyan Teen's Playing Fields"
"Gibson's Memory"
Jane Allison Havsy
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 2nd Place: "Touche"
"Sounds of Silence"
"In or Out?"
Jeff Offord
Burlington County Times, Willingboro
- 3rd Place: "3 Brothers, 2 Sports"
"A Fabulous Four"
"He's One Special Player"
Ives Galarcep
Herald News, West Paterson

D-10, Reporting and Writing, Business and Financial Writing Portfolio

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Bells..."
"Whistles"
George Jordan
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "Leave..."
"NJ..."
Michael Diamond,
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 3rd Place: "Borgata is Waging..."
Donald Wittkowski
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Shipment..."
"River..."
"Highway"
Anne Jolis
Gloucester County Times, Woodbury
- 2nd Place: "Day..."
"Ways to Improve"
"Self Esteem"
Andrea Gurwitt
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "New Mail"
"Convenience"
"Entrepreneurs"
Jessica Adler
Herald News, West Paterson

D-11, Reporting and Writing, Columns

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Coming Home"
Laurie Granieri
Home News Tribune, Woodbridge
- 2nd Place: "Greasing the Electorate"
Mike Kelly
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 3rd Place: "Christmas Comes to the State House"
Tom Hester Jr.
The Times, Trenton

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Dear Kelly, Part II"
Joseph P. Owens
The Express-Times, Easton
- 2nd Place: "Smoke Detectors"
L.A. Parker
The Trentonian, Trenton
- 3rd Place: "State's Man In Our Schools"
Earl Morgan
The Jersey Journal, Jersey City

D-12, Reporting and Writing, Critical Writing

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Face of Evil"
"Six Feet"
"Flight 93"
Virginia Rohan
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 2nd Place: "Springsteen"
"Motley Crue"
"George Carlin"
Scott Cronick
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville
- 3rd Place: "Kevin Smith"
"Bank Channels"
"British Invasion"
Mark Voger
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Midsummer Night's Dream"
"Monticello"
"Dangerous Liaisons"
William Westhoven
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 2nd Place: "Voices"
"Latinologues"
"Family Drama Observed"
Ed Beeson
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "Super Sushi"
"Italian Delight"; "Steak and Sushi"
Hilary Harding
Courier News, Bridgewater

D-13, Reporting and Writing, Robert P. Kelly Award

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Have Canoe, Will Stay"
"A Beloved Spruce is Going to Town"
"Pilot, Passenger Safe After Small Plane Crash"
Margaret K. Collins
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 2nd Place: "Teachers Left Waiting"
"Special Kids: Being Aidan"
"Perth Amboy School Adds Success to Math"
Arielle Levin Becker
Home News Tribune, East Brunswick
- 3rd Place: no winner

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Seeing Eye Unveiling Sculpture in Mo'town"
"Fire! Denville Tower a Means of Defense"
"More Women Opt to Have Caesarean Childbirths"
Sarah N. Lynch
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 2nd Place: "Out on a Limb"
"A Man's World"
"Women Warriors"
Sheila Miller
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: no winner

D-14, Reporting and Writing, Best Headlines

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "As Atkins Fades, Bread Rises Again"
Blake Johnson
The Times, Trenton
- 2nd Place: "In Fourth Gear"
Devin McLaughlin
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville
- 3rd Place: "This Year, Everything Is Relativity"
Jay Levin
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Good Humor Guys in a Grumpy Mood"
Melvin Hyman
Herald News, West Paterson
- 2nd Place: "Turning Over a New Leaf"
Damian Fanelli
Courier News, Bridgewater
- 3rd Place: "Not Caught, But He's Red-Handed"
Ron Zeitlinger
The Jersey Journal, Jersey City

D-15, Reporting and Writing, Special Issue

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Major Quest"
Chris D'Amico
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "In Service of Freedom"
Ron Panarotti, Andrew Premdimano
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 3rd Place: "The Hole Story"
Chris D'Amico
The Star-Ledger, Newark

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Medicare Part D"
Jessica Adler, Suzanne Travers
Herald News, West Paterson
- 2nd Place: "Day in the Life of Randolph High School"
Staff
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 3rd Place: "Grid Guide"
Staff
Ocean County Observer, Toms River

D-16, Design and Presentation, News Page Design Portfolio

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Jan. 12, Feb. 23, April 3, April 20, Oct. 15, 2005"
Jim Delcioppo
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 2nd Place: "April 9, July 8, Sept. 2, Oct. 2, Dec. 14, 2005"
Robert Townsend
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 3rd Place: "June 24, June 25, Sept. 30, Oct. 1, Oct. 14, 2005"
Tara Fraser
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Our Team"
"World Bids Farewell"
"The Great 8"
"Terrorists Blast London"
"NJ's Hottest Summer on Record"
Walt King
Burlington County Times, Willingboro
- 2nd Place: "Terror on NJ Transit"
Matt Pabreza
The Trentonian, Trenton
- 3rd Place: "John Paul II"
"Terror Comes to London"
"Liftoff"
"Overwhelming"
"2,000 Dead"
Scott Muller
Herald News, West Paterson

D-17, Design and Presentation, Feature Section Page Design Portfolio

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Morrisey Portfolio"
Mark Morrissey
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "Weston Portfolio"
Shawn Weston
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 3rd Place: "The Mix & Food Sections"
Lisa Mansolillo-Dalie
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Henry Portfolio"
Melanie Henry
The Express-Times, Easton
- 2nd Place: "Fanelli Portfolio"
Damian Fanelli
Courier News, Bridgewater
- 3rd Place: "Portfolio"
Chris Sharkey
Daily Record, Parsippany

D-18, Design and Presentation, Sports Page Design Portfolio

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: Lucy Quintanilla
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 2nd Place: Michelle Malouf-Steimle
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 3rd Place: Annette Vazquez
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 3rd Place: Tara Fraser
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Five Pages"
Rick Burchfield
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 2nd Place: "Money Met Paterson's Final 4"
Brett Anderson
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "Swing Away"
Ron D'Orazio
The Trentonian, Trenton

D-19, Design and Presentation, Business Page Design Portfolio

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Business Page Portfolio"
Liz Roberts
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 2nd Place: "Business Page Portfolio"
Diane Tinsley
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)
- 3rd Place: no winner

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Business Page Portfolio"
Adam Hollanek
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 2nd Place: "Business Page Portfolio"
Ashley Nester
The Express-Times, Easton
- 3rd Place: "Business Page Portfolio"
Johnathan Hardick
The Express-Times, Easton

D-20, Design and Presentation, Graphics/Illustration Portfolio

Daily, over 60,000

- 1st Place: "Jeff Colson Portfolio B"
Jeff Colson
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 2nd Place: "Jeff Colson Portfolio A"
Jeff Colson
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 3rd Place: "R.L. Rebach Portfolio"
R.L. Rebach
The Record (Bergen County, NJ)

Daily, under 60,000

- 1st Place: "Leeza Hernandez Portfolio"
Leeza Hernandez
Courier News, Bridgewater
- 2nd Place: "Jan Housewerth Portfolio"
Jan Housewerth
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "Sean Everwine Portfolio"
Sean Everwine
Gloucester County Times, Woodbury

D-21, Overall Award, Innovation Award

Daily, over 60,000

1st Place: "RallyCast"
Tony Graham, Thomas P. Costello
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

Daily, under 60,000

1st Place: "Young Poets of Central Jersey"
Staff
Courier News, Bridgewater