



Better Newspaper Contest 2008 Awards

Awards Banquet



NJ High School Journalist of the Year 2008

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**Bernard Kilgore
Memorial Scholarship
Award Presentation**

Kilgore Award



Bernard Kilgore Memorial Scholarship for 2009



Stefanie Dazio

Communications High School

Wall Township, Monmouth County

Stefanie also was named

2009 New Jersey

High School Journalist of the Year

by Garden State Scholastic Press Association



Kilgore Award



Better Newspaper Contest 2008 Online & Editorial Awards

Awards Banquet



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

Online Awards

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NJPA Awards



Better Newspaper Online Contest 2008

A: Online Excellence

Asbury Park Press

“APP.com”

**Hollis Towns, Gary Schoening,
Judith Feeney, Sally Pakutka,
Regina Longo, David Guest,
Dan Sinni, Jason Horvath,
Jae Pathak**

Online Winner



Better Newspaper Online Contest 2008

B: Best Web Project

The Record (Bergen County)

“Jersey at War”

**Tim Nostrand, Tom Troncone,
Thomas E. Franklin, Mike Kelly,
Trish Tyson, Justo Bautista,
Kim Mineo, Mariel Hart**

Online Winner



Better Newspaper Online Contest 2008

C: Best Multimedia Element

The Star-Ledger

"A Very Special Boy"

John Munson

Online Winner



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

Editorial Awards

Weekly Newspapers

NJPA Awards



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

**W1: Responsible Journalism –
Public Service
Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award**

NJPA Awards



W1 Responsible Journalism
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Bedroc Safety”

Michael Lamendola

Third Place



W1 Responsible Journalism
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“EnCap ‘Divided & Conquered’”

Corey Klein

Second Place



W1 Responsible Journalism
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

First Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Hitting Home: From Wall Street
to Our Streets”

**Tanya Drobness, Dan Prochilo,
Mark S. Porter**

First Place



W1 Responsible Journalism
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Bloomfield Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“From Red to Red-Faced”

Terrence T. McDonald

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W2: Responsible Journalism – Editorial Comment

NJPA Awards



W2 Responsible Journalism
Editorial Comment

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Ocean City Sentinel

Sample Media

“Transparency”

“Administration’s Credibility”

David Nahan

Third Place



W2 Responsible Journalism
Editorial Comment

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Citizen of Morris County

Recorder Community Newspapers

“Hussa Owns This One”

Audrey Davie

Third Place



W2 Responsible Journalism
Editorial Comment

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Pascack Valley Community Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Council Protects ????? Freedom”

“Milone... Milone...”

Kevin Glynn

Second Place



W2 Responsible Journalism Editorial Comment

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Mt. Olive Chronicle

Recorder Community Newspapers

“Grieve for the Universal Soldier”

“Help is Right Here”

Phil Garber

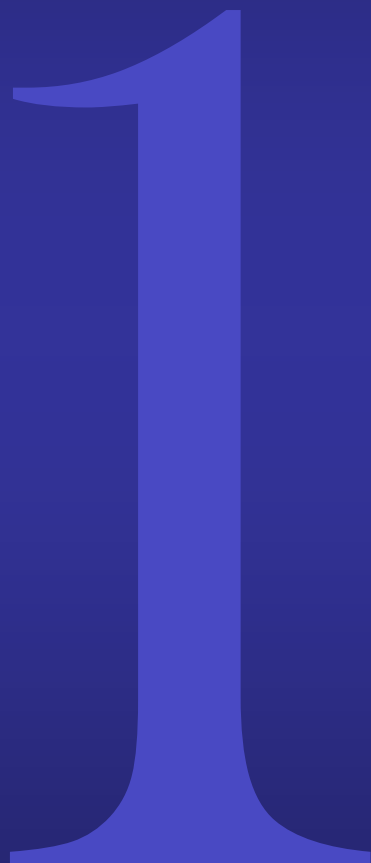
Second Place



W2 Responsible Journalism Editorial Comment

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Phone Chain for the Privileged Fees”

“How to Waste Taxpayers Money”

Jaimie Winters

First Place



W2 Responsible Journalism
Editorial Comment

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Windsor-Hights Herald

Packet Publications

“Time to End Fowl Talk in Hightstown”

Vic Monaco

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W3: Responsible Journalism – Enterprise



NJPA Awards



W3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Town News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Residents Want Regulated Rent Increases”

Katie O’Connell

Third Place



W3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Waldwick Suburban News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Walk of the Town – Self Guided Tours
That Hit Home”

**Philip DeVencentis,
Christina Hernandez,
Marsha Stoltz, Rebecca Kaufman**

Third Place



W3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Some Loony Laws Remain on Books”

Corey Klein
Daniel O’Keefe

Second Place



W3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Ridgewood News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Lawsuit Claims Village Broke
Secret Promise”

Kipp Clark

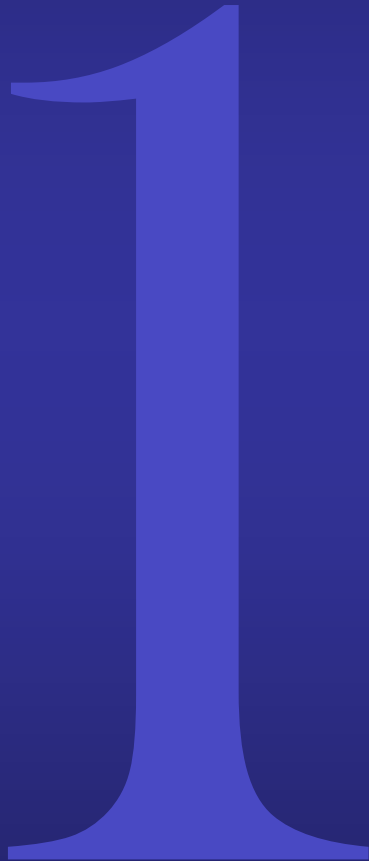
Second Place



W3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Dirty Jobs of South Bergen”

**Corey Klein, Michael Lamendola,
Ryan Levinsohn, Daniel O’Keefe,
Jaimie Winters**

First Place



W3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Tuckerton Beacon

Times Beacon Newspapers

“Painting Still Slow for Little Boro Hall”
“Real Men Step In To Paint Little Boro”

Paula Scully

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W4: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – News Writing

NJPA Awards



W4 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
News Writing

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Clifton Journal

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Toddler Left in Hot Car is OK”

Albina Sportelli

Third Place



W4 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
News Writing

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Ridgewood News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Tragedy at Graydon Pool”

Kipp Clark

Joyce Venezia Suss

Third Place



W4 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
News Writing

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Hackensack Chronicle

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“1 Reval, 2 Truths”

Mark J. Bonamo

Second Place



W4 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
News Writing

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Windsor-Hights Herald

Packet Publications

“Samaritans Save Officer From Crash”

Matt Chiappardi

Second Place



W4 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
News Writing

First Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Bad Times Not Felt on the County Level”

Michael Lamendola

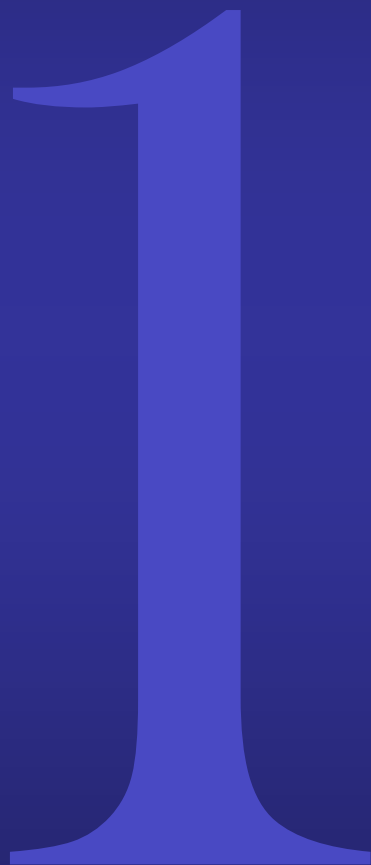
First Place



W4 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
News Writing

First Place

Weekly under 6,500



The Messenger-Press

Packet Publications

“Book Details Ex-Teacher’s
Sex Encounters”

Jessica Ercolino

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

**W5: Reporting, Writing
& Illustration –
Coverage of Government
Art Weissman Memorial Award**

NJPA Awards



W5 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Coverage of Government, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Kearny Journal

The Evening Journal Association

“Harrison Meeting Ends in Pandemonium”

“Villalta and Rodgers”

“Harrison Resident Launches Site”

Rose Duger

Third Place



W5 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Coverage of Government, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Hillsborough Beacon

Packet Publications

“Elections 2008”

Audrey Levine

Third Place



W5 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Coverage of Government, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Hackensack Chronicle

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Fired Up”

“City Politics 101”

“Take It Inside”

Mark J. Bonamo

Second Place



W5 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Coverage of Government, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Observer Tribune

Recorder Community Newspapers

“More Vaccinations”

“Municipal Legal Bill”

“Powerful Concerns”

Phil Garber

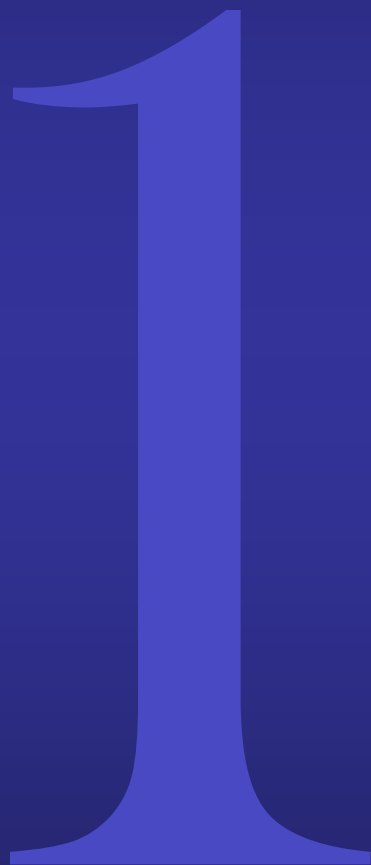
Second Place



W5 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Coverage of Government, Art Weissman Memorial Award

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



Pascack Valley Community Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“A Second Look at Rec Safety”

“Greasing the Wheels of Progress”

“Exploring Energy Alternatives”

Megan Burrow

First Place



W5 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Coverage of Government, Art Weissman Memorial Award

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Bloomfield Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Dog Park”

“Better Climate”

“Face Lift for BPO”

Terrence T. McDonald

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W6: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – Interpretive Writing

NJPA Awards



W6 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Interpretive Writing

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“It’s Easy to Get, Legal and Potent”

Corey Klein

Third Place



W6 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Interpretive Writing

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Ridgewood News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Village Moves to Condemn Properties”

Kipp Clark

Third Place



W6 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Interpretive Writing

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Home to Heroin”

D.R. Foster

Second Place



W6 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Interpretive Writing

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Madison Eagle

Recorder Community Newspapers

“Garden State Feels the Food Price Pinch”

Sally Capone

Second Place



W6 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Interpretive Writing

First Place

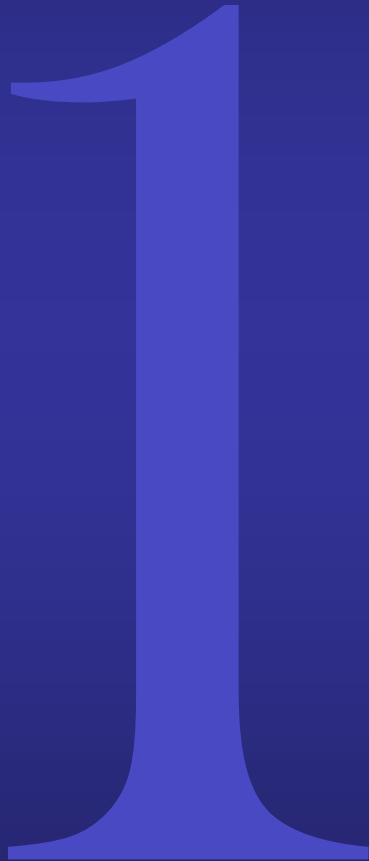
Weekly over 6,500

Franklin Lakes Suburban News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Hitting the Roof”

Marsha Stoltz



First Place



W6 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Interpretive Writing

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Verona-Cedar Grove Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Laws Trickle Down to Schools”

Joe Olivieri

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W7: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – Feature Writing

NJPA Awards



W7 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Feature Writing

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Ocean City Sentinel

Sample Media

“What Are You Wearing, Miss Fish?”

Kristen Riley

Third Place



W7 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Feature Writing

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Randolph Reporter

Recorder Community Newspapers

“The Most Horrible Thing”

P.C. Robinson

Third Place



W7 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Feature Writing

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Pascack Valley Community Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Davey Family is Running for Kaylee”

Erin Patricia Griffiths

Second Place



W7 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Feature Writing

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

West Orange Chronicle

Worrall Community Newspapers

“A Mother’s Day Story:
Back from the Abyss”

Debbie L. Hochberg

Second Place



W7 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Feature Writing

First Place

Weekly over 6,500

Fort Lee Suburbanite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Athlete’s Story Brings Students to Tears”

Maxim Almenas

First Place



W7 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Feature Writing

First Place

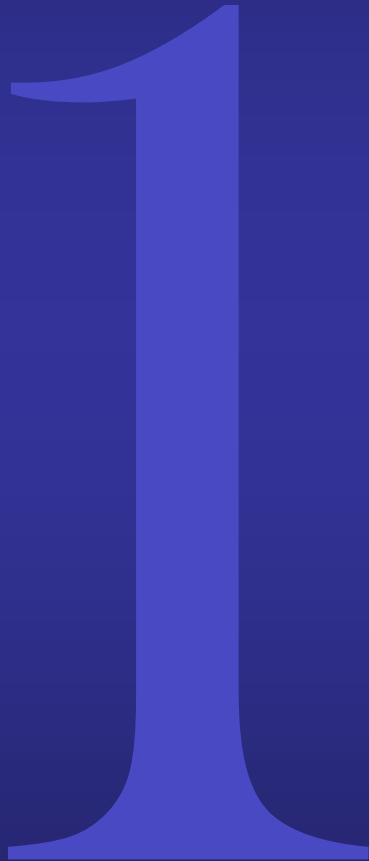
Weekly under 6,500

Florham Park Eagle

Recorder Community Newspapers

“Not a Dry Eye in School”

Lisa Martone



First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W8: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – Opinion Column

NJPA Awards



W8 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Opinion Column

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Cape May County Herald Times

“Times are Tough, Fireworks are Frivolous”

“Our Motto: If It Makes Sense,
Don’t Allow It”

Al Campbell

Third Place



W8 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Opinion Column

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Glen Ridge Voice

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Thou Shall Not Miss the Deadline”

“Expectation for Station Still Realistic”

Jonathan Sachs

Third Place



W8 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Opinion Column

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Here’s the Village. Where’s Your Son?”

“In Living Color: Barack to the Future?”

TaRessa Stovall

Second Place



W8 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Opinion Column

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Bloomfield Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Just When You Thought It Was Over”

“Infighting, Government Go Hand in Hand”

Jonathan Sachs

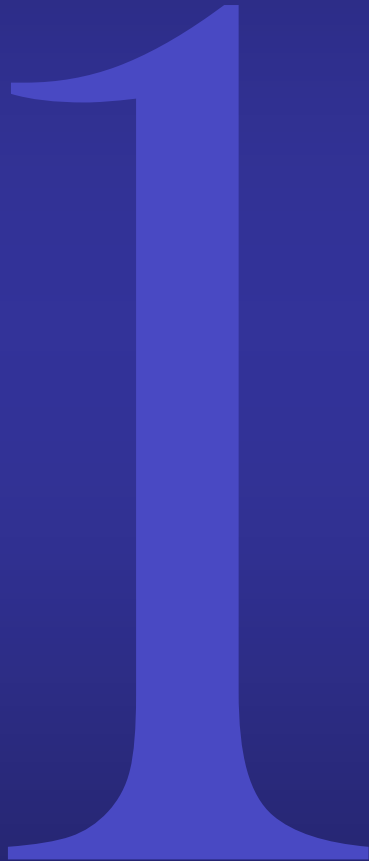
Second Place



W8 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Opinion Column

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



The SandPaper

“So Long Beach Island”
“More Now Than Ever”

Larry Savadove

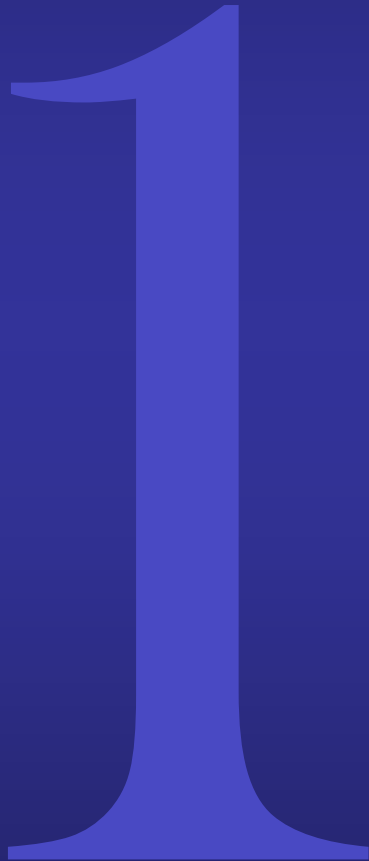
First Place



W8 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Opinion Column

First Place

Weekly under 6,500



The Madison Eagle

Recorder Community Newspapers

“The Only Thing Missing”

“For the Land of the Free”

Sally Capone

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W9: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – Column Writing

NJPA Awards



W9 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Column Writing

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

The SandPaper

“Fads of 2008”

“Calculating the Value of Experience”

Rick Mellerup

Third Place



W9 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Column Writing

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Roxbury Register

Recorder Community Newspapers

“Waiting (and Waiting) to Hear Hillary”

Mike Condon

Third Place



W9 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Column Writing

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Cape May County Herald Times

“Lack of Cursive Ability”

Jim Vanore

Second Place



W9 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Column Writing

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Ridgewood News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“A Time to Celebrate How Far We’ve Come”

“My First Sense of What the
Pilgrims Meant”

Mike Daly

Second Place



W9 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Column Writing

First Place

Weekly over 6,500

Hunterdon County Democrat

NJN Publishing

“Attack of the Vampire Children”
“Feng Shui and the Teenager”

Rick Epstein

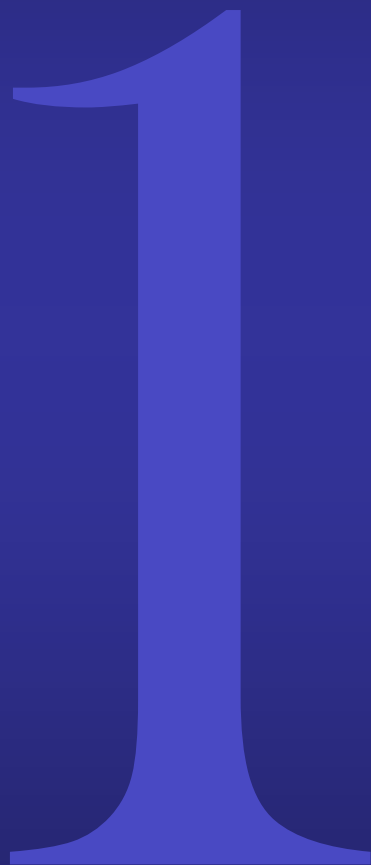
First Place



W9 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Column Writing

First Place

Weekly under 6,500



Glen Rock Gazette

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“A Memorable Walk in the Woods”

“The Hay Fields, the Jug Milk and
the Big Kids”

Mike Daly

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W10: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – Sports Writing Portfolio

NJPA Awards



W10 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Sports Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Hackensack Chronicle

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“By George, They’ve Got It”

Darius Amos

Third Place



W10 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Sports Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Verona-Cedar Grove Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Paying For Playing”

Jose Ortiz

Third Place



W10 Reporting, Writing & Illustration Sports Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Northern Valley Suburbanite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“OT was Destined to be a Champion”

J.C. Baumuller

Second Place



W10 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Sports Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Hillsborough Beacon

Packet Publications

Rudy Brandl

Second Place



W10 Reporting, Writing & Illustration Sports Writing Portfolio

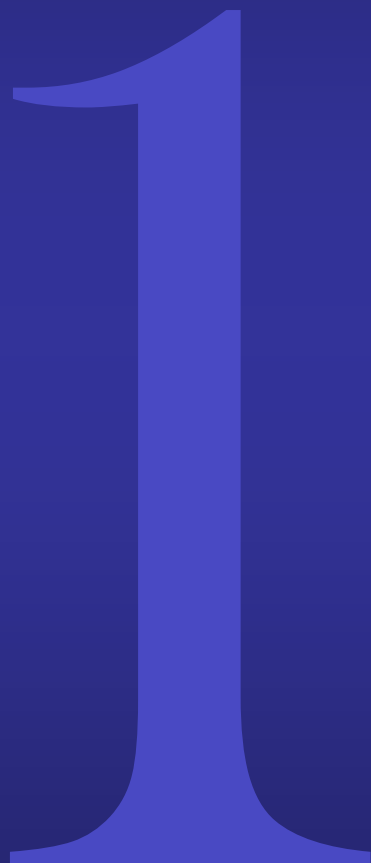
First Place

Weekly over 6,500

Wayne Today

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Nick Gantaifis



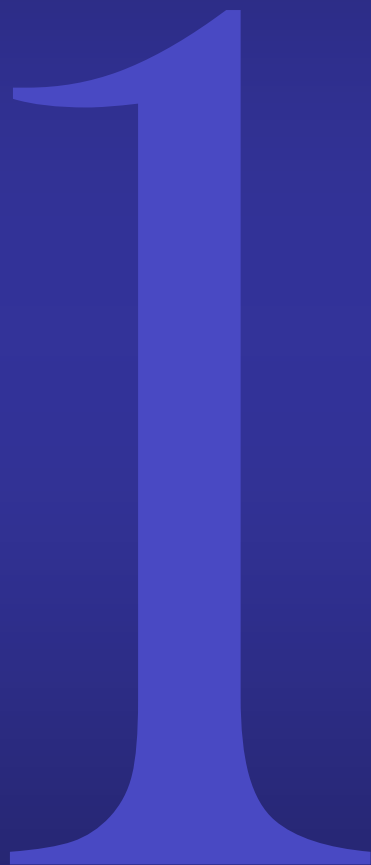
First Place



W10 Reporting, Writing & Illustration Sports Writing Portfolio

First Place

Weekly under 6,500



The Beacon

Times-Beacon Newspapers

“Summer Sports Fun”

David P. Biggy

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

**W11: Reporting, Writing
& Illustration –
Robert P. Kelly Award**

NJPA Awards



W11 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Robert P. Kelly Award

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Suburban Trends

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Maynard Proves There are
No Good Excuses”

“Renaissance Sough for Main Street”

Steve Janoski

Third Place



W11 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Robert P. Kelly Award

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Beacon

Times-Beacon Newspapers

“Welcome Site: Sea-faring Ducks
Annual Attraction at Lighthouse”
“Chief Says ‘Basic Tools’ Necessary”

Jessica Infante

Third Place



W11 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Robert P. Kelly Award

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Parsippany Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Langan Can Laugh at ‘A World of Empty Promises’”

“Lucas Has Courage to Pursue Disney Dream”

Second Place

Elizabeth Martin



W11 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Robert P. Kelly Award

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Messenger-Press

Packet Publications

“Gaum Family Shares Memories of Briana”

“Expert: Housing Woes May Last
Until Late 2009”

Geoffrey Wertime

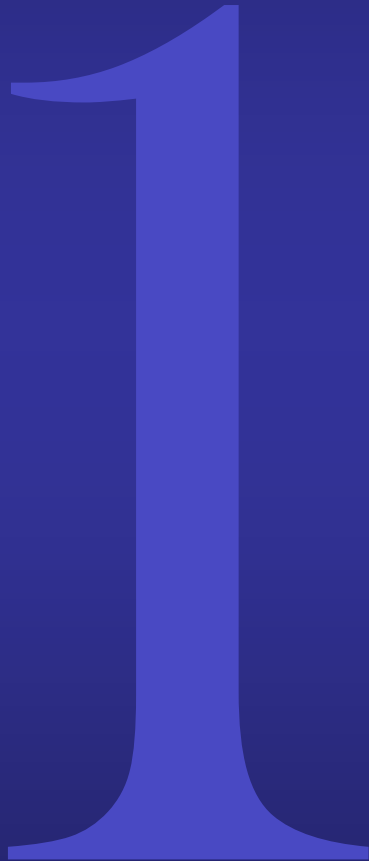
Second Place



W11 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Robert P. Kelly Award

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



The SandPaper

“Appetite for Breakfast”
“Irish Harp Competition”

Laura Gooley

First Place



W11 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Robert P. Kelly Award

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Cranbury Press

Packet Publications

“Horses Aid in Therapy”

“Local Chiropractor Offers Alternative
Allergy Treatment”

Maria Prato-Gaines

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

**W12: Reporting, Writing
& Illustration –
Arts & Entertainment
Writing**

NJPA Awards



W12 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Arts & Entertainment Writing

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“From Nothing to Enough”

TaRessa Stovall

Third Place



W12 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Arts & Entertainment Writing

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Windsor-Hights Herald

Packet Publications

“Hey Beer Man!”

Megan Sullivan

Third Place



W12 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Arts & Entertainment Writing

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Teaneck Suburbanite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“61 Years of Film, Candy and Memories”

Jaime Cannici

Second Place



W12 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Arts & Entertainment Writing

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

West Orange Chronicle

Worrall Community Newspapers

“Reminiscing with a
‘Legendary’ Entertainer”

Bea Smith

Second Place



W12 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Arts & Entertainment Writing

First Place

Weekly over 6,500

Suburban Trends

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Dramarama to Play Dexters”

Gene Myers

First Place



W12 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Arts & Entertainment Writing

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Secaucus Journal

The Evening Journal Association

“Secaucus Restaurant and Lounge
Laughs Out Loud”

Jennifer Kim

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W13: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – Special Subject Writing

NJPA Awards



W13 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Special Subject Writing

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Teaneck Suburbanite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Neighbors Claim House”

Howard Prosnitz

Third Place



W13 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Special Subject Writing

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Hillsborough Beacon

Packet Publications

“Local Flavor”

Eileen Oldfield

Third Place



W13 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Special Subject Writing

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Courier

“New Police Vehicles Have
Lapsed Temporary Plates”

Melissa Gaffney

Second Place



W13 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Special Subject Writing

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Glen Ridge Voice

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Reading, Writing and Racism”

Terrence T. McDonald

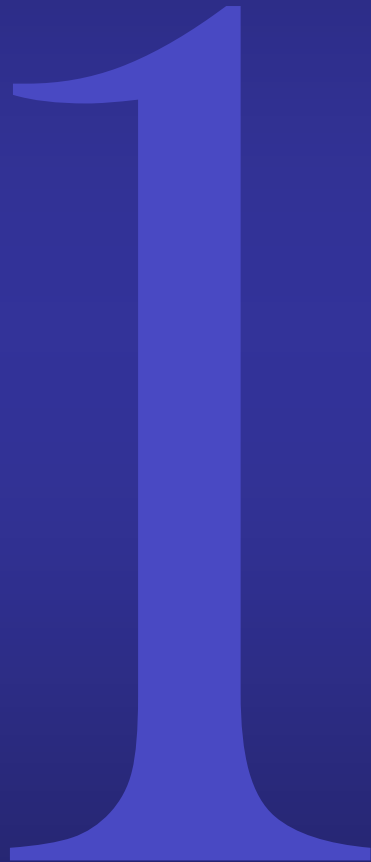
Second Place



W13 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Special Subject Writing

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



The Coast Star

Star News Group

“The Sweet Smell of Sewage”

**Dan Zomack, Kelly Skellinger,
Brian O’Keefe, Tom Dunphy,
Daniel Nee**

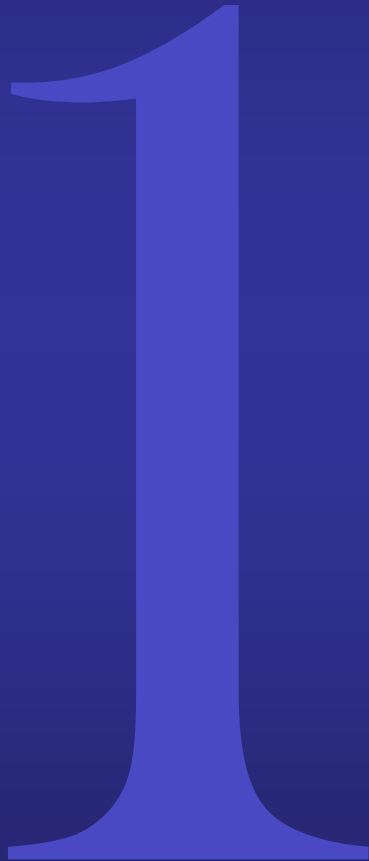
First Place



W13 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Special Subject Writing

First Place

Weekly under 6,500



The Retrospect

“Westmont Theatre Redevelopment”

Brett Ainsworth

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

**W14: Reporting, Writing
& Illustration –
Environmental, Health
& Science Writing**

NJPA Awards



W14 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Environmental, Health & Science Writing

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Pascack Valley Community Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Town Turns Teal for Cancer”

Erin Patricia Griffiths

Third Place



W14 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Environmental, Health & Science Writing

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Midland Park Suburban News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Exit Strategy”

Philip DeVencentis

Third Place



W14 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Environmental, Health & Science Writing

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Taking the Guesswork Out of
Mammary Makeovers”

TaRessa Stovall

Second Place



W14 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Environmental, Health & Science Writing

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Verona-Cedar Grove Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Volunteers, Government
Restoring Meadow”

Joe Olivieri

Second Place



W14 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Environmental, Health & Science Writing

First Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Former Resident Pushes
Cancer Cluster Study”

Michael Lamendola

First Place



W14 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Environmental, Health & Science Writing

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Cranbury Press

Packet Publications

“Helping During Disasters”

Maria Prato-Gaines

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W15: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – Business & Economic Writing

NJPA Awards



W15 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Business & Economic Writing

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Fighting Foreclosure”

Michael Lamendola

Third Place



W15 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Business & Economic Writing

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Verona-Cedar Grove Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Business is Hopping
for Cedar Grove Service”

Eric Kiefer

Third Place



W15 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Business & Economic Writing

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Current of Egg Harbor Township

Catamaran Media Company

“Out of Gas”

Jackie Hanusey

Second Place



W15 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Business & Economic Writing

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Hillsborough Beacon

Packet Publications

“Bus Companies Find Few Options”

Eileen Oldfield

Second Place



W15 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Business & Economic Writing

First Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Taking a 9-Month Vacation – Unwillingly”

Dan Prochilo

First Place



W15 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Business & Economic Writing

First Place

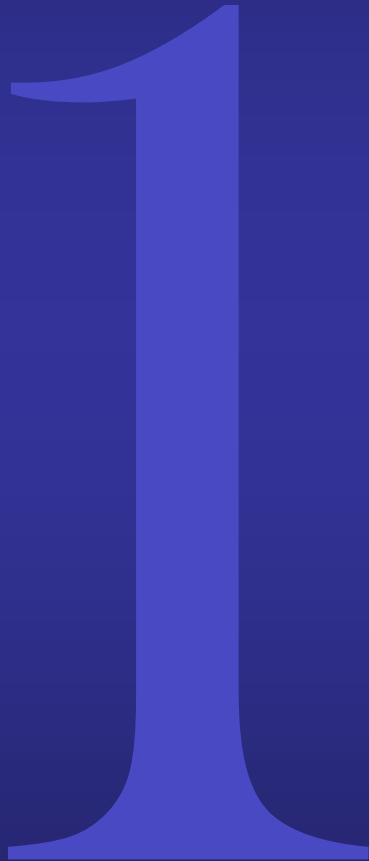
Weekly under 6,500

Hillsborough Beacon

Packet Publications

“Corn Conundrum”

Audrey Levine



First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W16: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – Education Writing

NJPA Awards



W16 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Education Writing

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Franklin Lakes/Oakland Suburban News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Education Building Blocks:
School Foundations Go the Extra Mile”

Marsha Stoltz

Third Place



W16 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Education Writing

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Manville News

Packet Publications

“Grieving Mom Wants Son’s Diploma”

Eileen Oldfield

Third Place



W16 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Education Writing

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Hard Times Fall on Catholic Schools”

Michael Lamendola

Second Place



W16 Reporting, Writing & Illustration Education Writing

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

News-Record of Maplewood & South Orange

Worrall Community Newspapers

“Study Looks at Inequities
in School District Leveling”

Katherine Paste

Second Place



W16 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Education Writing

First Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Montclair Schools Target Cyberbullying”

George Wirt

First Place



W16 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Education Writing

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Verona-Cedar Grove Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Parents Debate Public Schools
Paying for Private Busing”

Eric Kiefer

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W17: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – Graphics & Illustration

NJPA Awards



W17 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Graphics & Illustration

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Atlantic City Weekly

“2008 Summer Guide”

Kevin McCarty

Third Place



W17 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Graphics & Illustration

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Verona-Cedar Grove Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Paying for Playing”

Edward Ruggieri

Third Place



W17 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Graphics & Illustration

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Hunterdon County Democrat

NJN Publishing

“One Pitch at a Time”

Jon Marsh
Shirley J. Sasor

Second Place



W17 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Graphics & Illustration

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Retrospect

“State Aid Chopped”

Mark Swanson
Mark Zeigler

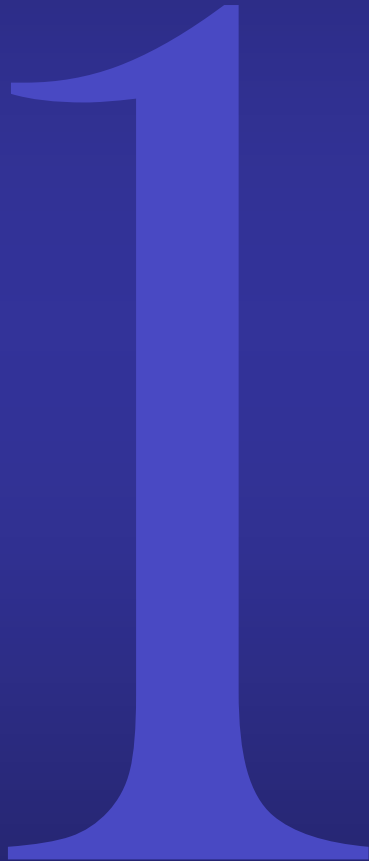
Second Place



W17 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Graphics & Illustration

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



Hunterdon County Democrat

NJN Publishing

“Ready, Aim, Splat”

Jon Marsh

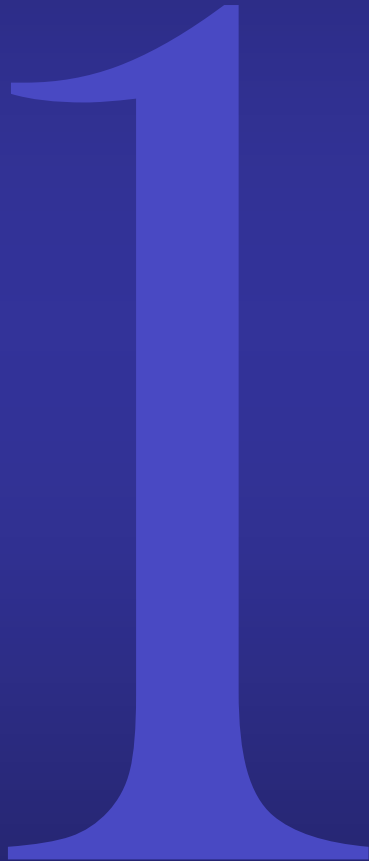
First Place



W17 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Graphics & Illustration

First Place

Weekly under 6,500



The Retrospect

“Yes Virginia”

Mark Zeigler

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

**W18: Reporting, Writing
& Illustration –
Fresh Approach
to Routine Reporting**

NJPA Awards



W18 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Fresh Approach to Routine Reporting

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Suburban Trends

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Local Bottle Pranksters Tied
to Tunnel Shutdown”

Bryan La Placa
Rebecca Scanlon

Third Place



W18 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Fresh Approach to Routine Reporting

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Glen Rock Gazette

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“First Lady, Daughter Visit Borough”

Alexander Hotz

Third Place



W18 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Fresh Approach to Routine Reporting

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Cape May County Herald Times

“The Jersey Shore’s
International Connection”

Lauren Suit

Second Place



W18 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Fresh Approach to Routine Reporting

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Hillsborough Beacon

Packet Publications

“Graduates’ Advice”

Eileen Oldfield

Second Place



W18 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Fresh Approach to Routine Reporting

First Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Why They Bare It All”

Michael Lamendola

First Place



W18 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Fresh Approach to Routine Reporting

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Verona-Cedar Grove Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“The Merge Easy Does It on the Avenue”

Eric Kiefer

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

**W19: Reporting, Writing
& Illustration –
First Amendment Award**

NJPA Awards



W19 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
First Amendment Award

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Hunterdon County Democrat

NJN Publishing

“School Board Pressed on Openness”

Curtis Leeds

Third Place



W19 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
First Amendment Award

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

The SandPaper

“Coverage of Garbage Transfer Station”

Pat Johnson

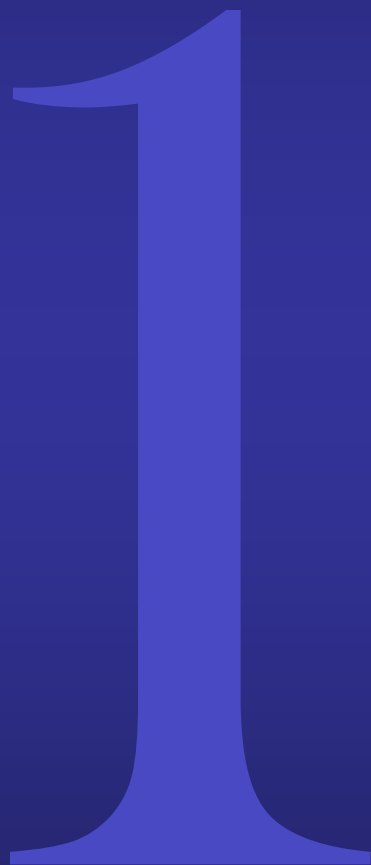
Second Place



W19 Reporting, Writing & Illustration First Amendment Award

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Teen Drinking in Montclair”

**Maggie Astor
Genevieve Ilg
Erica Zarra**

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W20: Reporting, Writing & Illustration – Headlines



NJPA Awards



W20 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Headlines

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Pascack Valley Community Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Business Owners in Hot Dog Purgatory”

Karen F. Mrnarevic

Third Place



W20 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Headlines

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Bloomfield Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“A Golden Retrieval”

Jonathan Sachs

Third Place



W20 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Headlines

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Suburban Trends

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Dr Horton Hears a ‘Boo’”

Matt Fagan

Second Place



W20 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Headlines

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Hillsborough Beacon

Packet Publications

“The Price Really was Right
for Former Resident”

John Patten

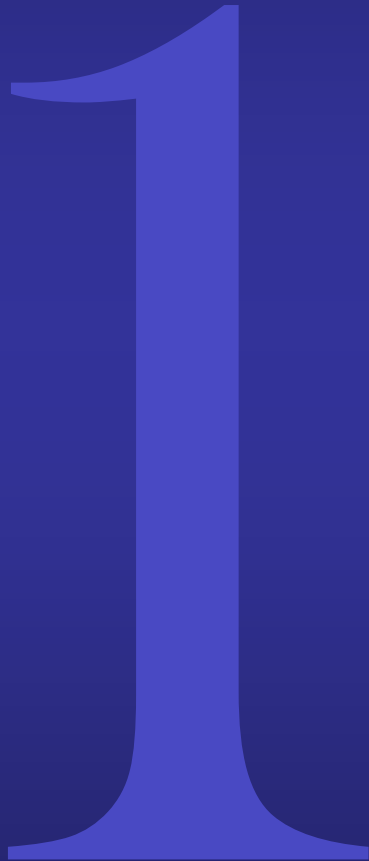
Second Place



W20 Reporting, Writing & Illustration
Headlines

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



**The Current
of Absecon and Pleasantville**

Catamaran Media Company

“Our Father, Whose Art is Heaven”

Joan Kostiuik

First Place



W20 Reporting, Writing & Illustration Headlines

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Glen Ridge Voice

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Cable Opts to Pull the Plug”

Jonathan Sachs

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

21: Packaging the News Product – General Typography & Layout of Entire Paper

NJPA Awards



W21 Packaging the News Product
General Typography & Layout of Entire Paper

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

Bloomfield Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Jonathan Sachs

Third Place



W21 Packaging the News Product
General Typography & Layout of Entire Paper

Third Place

Weekly, over, 4 500

The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Lillian M. Aleman

Third Place



W21 Packaging the News Product
General Typography & Layout of Entire Paper

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Clifton Journal

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Albina Sportelli

Fran Sameth

Chris Woolis

Second Place



W21 Packaging the News Product
General Typography & Layout of Entire Paper

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Beach Haven Times

Times-Beacon Newspapers

Second Place



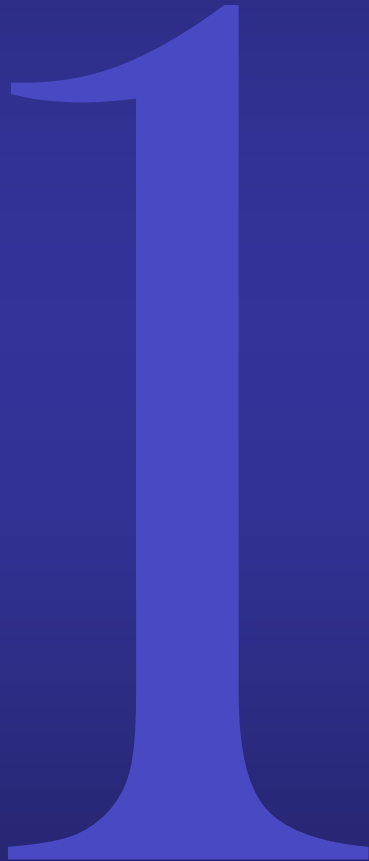
W21 Packaging the News Product
General Typography & Layout of Entire Paper

First Place

Weekly over 6,500

Suburban Trends

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group



First Place



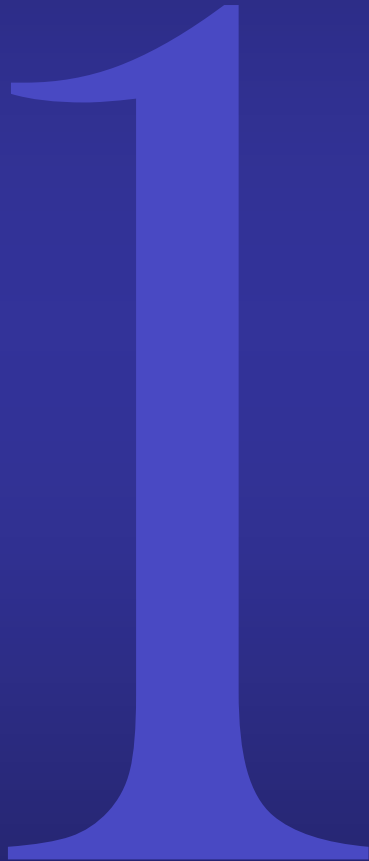
W21 Packaging the News Product
General Typography & Layout of Entire Paper

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Ridgewood News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group



First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W22: Packaging the News Product – Front Page Layout



NJPA Awards



W22 Packaging the News Product Front Page Layout

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Suburban Trends

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Third Place



W22 Packaging the News Product Front Page Layout

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Ocean Star

Star News Group

Third Place



W22 Packaging the News Product Front Page Layout

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Jaimie Winters

Second Place



W22 Packaging the News Product Front Page Layout

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Ridgewood News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Susan Leigh Sherrill

Second Place



W22 Packaging the News Product Front Page Layout

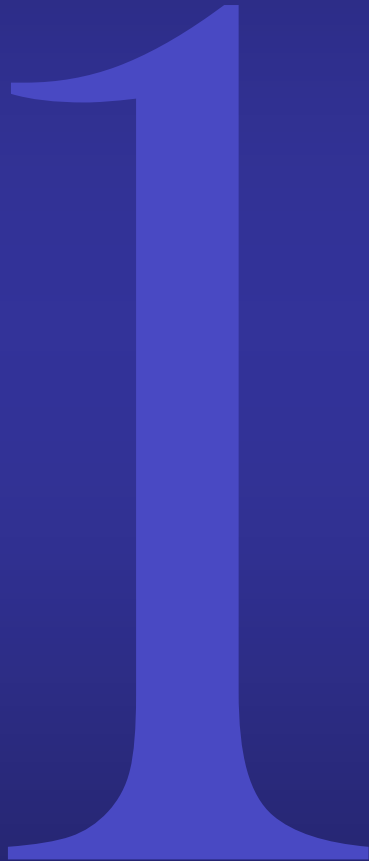
First Place

Weekly over 6,500

Clifton Journal

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Albina Sportelli



First Place



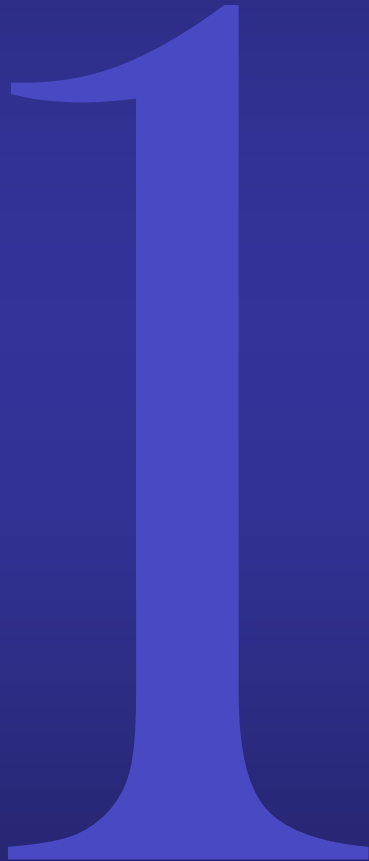
W22 Packaging the News Product Front Page Layout

First Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Beacon

Times-Beacon Newspapers



First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W23: Packaging the News Product – Editorial Section Layout & Content

NJPA Awards



W23 Packaging the News Product Editorial Section Layout & Content

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

Pascack Valley Community Life

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Kevin Glynn

Third Place



W23 Packaging the News Product Editorial Section Layout & Content

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Mark S. Porter

Lillian M. Aleman

Dave Astor

M. E. Cohen

Second Place



W23 Packaging the News Product Editorial Section Layout & Content

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Ridgewood News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Susan Leigh Sherrill

Second Place



W23 Packaging the News Product Editorial Section Layout & Content

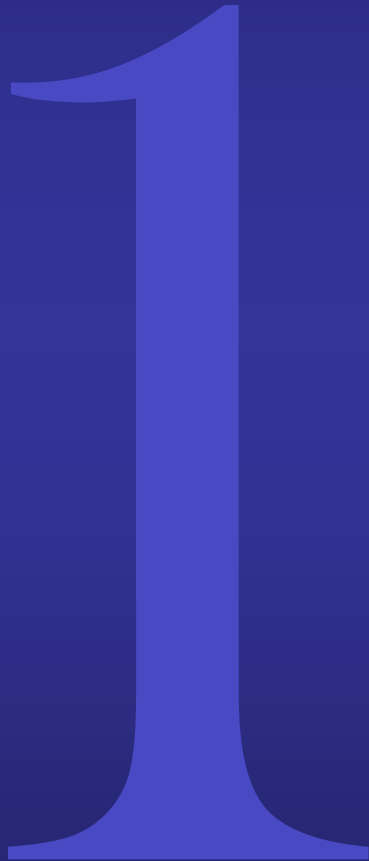
First Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Jaimie Winters



First Place



W23 Packaging the News Product Editorial Section Layout & Content

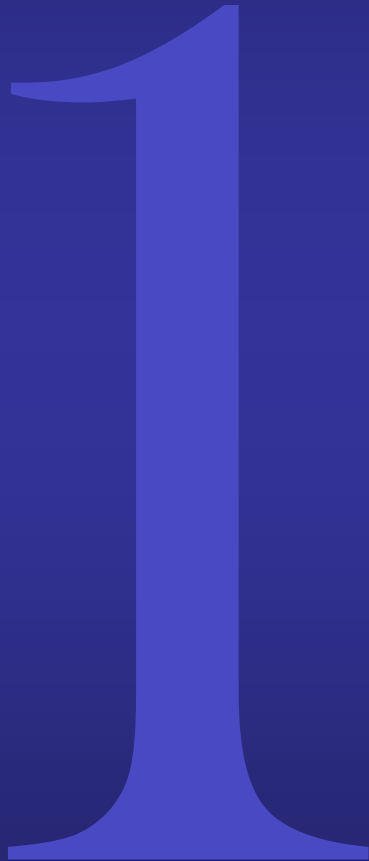
First Place

Weekly under 6,500

Midland Park Suburban News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Marsha Stoltz



First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W24: Packaging the News Product – Feature Section Layout & Content

NJPA Awards



W24 Packaging the News Product Feature Section Layout & Content

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Arts”

Joan Finn

Third Place



W24 Packaging the News Product Feature Section Layout & Content

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Beach Haven Times

Times-Beacon Newspapers

“Young at Art”

“Surrounds of Silence”

Linda Reddington

Third Place



W24 Packaging the News Product Feature Section Layout & Content

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

South Bergenite

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Neighbors”

Jaimie Winters

Second Place



W24 Packaging the News Product Feature Section Layout & Content

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Ocean Star

Star News Group

“3-14-08” & “7-11-08”

Andrea Agardy

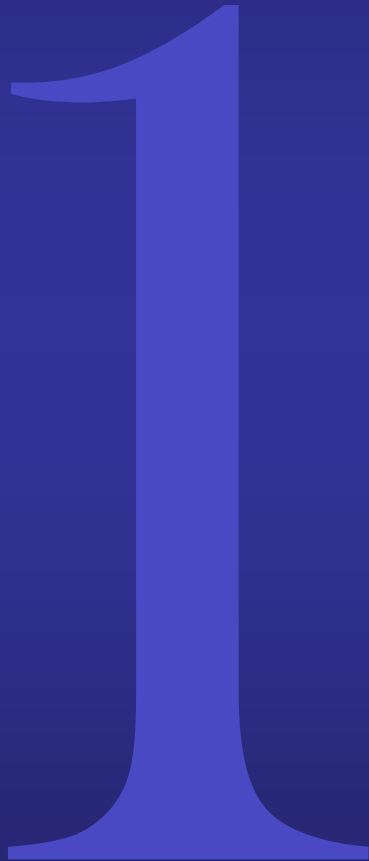
Second Place



W24 Packaging the News Product Feature Section Layout & Content

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



The Princeton Packet

Packet Publications

“Timeoff”

Ilene Dube

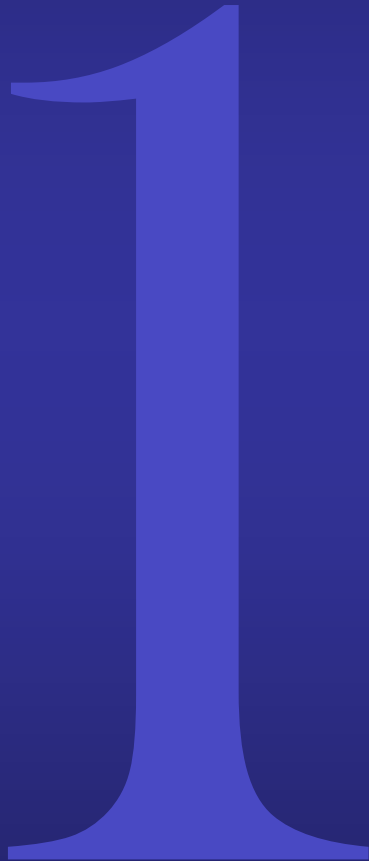
First Place



W24 Packaging the News Product Feature Section Layout & Content

First Place

Weekly under 6,500



The Beacon

Times-Beacon Newspapers

“A Boy and His Dog”

“Identified Frying Objects”

Linda Reddington

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W25: Packaging the News Product – Sports Section Layout & Content

NJPA Awards



W25 Packaging the News Product Sports Section Layout & Content

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Montclair Times

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Brian Smith

Third Place



W25 Packaging the News Product Sports Section Layout & Content

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Beacon

Times-Beacon Newspapers

David P. Biggy

Third Place



W25 Packaging the News Product Sports Section Layout & Content

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

Ocean City Sentinel

Sample Media

David Nahan
Charlie Wood

Second Place



W25 Packaging the News Product Sports Section Layout & Content

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Ridgewood News

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

Brian Farrell

Greg Tartaglia

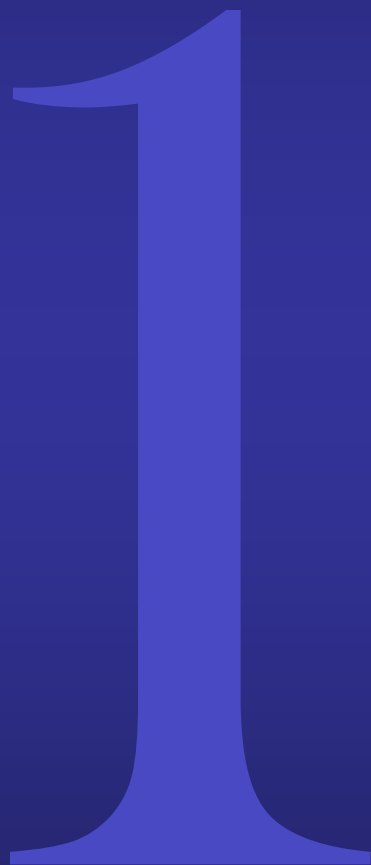
Second Place



W25 Packaging the News Product Sports Section Layout & Content

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



The Coast Star

Star News Group

Len Bardsley

Michael Tiedemann

Todd Bivona

First Place



W25 Packaging the News Product Sports Section Layout & Content

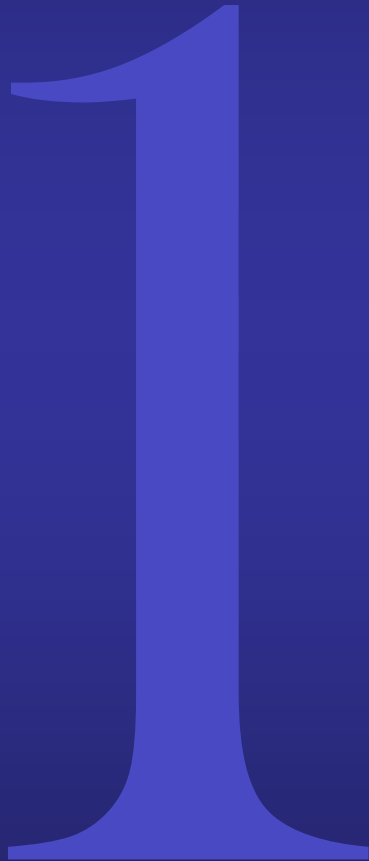
First Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Madison Eagle

Recorder Community Newspapers

Garry Herzog



First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

W26: Packaging the News Product – Special Issue



NJPA Awards



W26 Packaging the News Product Special Issue

Third Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Leader

Leader Newspapers

“Meet the Candidates”

**John Soltes, Susan C. Moeller,
Alexis Tarrazi, Chris Neidenberg,
Bernadette Marciniak,
Winie Varillas**

Third Place



W26 Packaging the News Product Special Issue

Third Place

Weekly under 6,500

The Beacon

Times-Beacon Newspapers

“Tribute 2008”

David P. Biggy

Third Place



W26 Packaging the News Product Special Issue

Second Place

Weekly over 6,500

The Jersey City Reporter

Hudson Reporter Associates

“Jersey City Magazine”

**Kate Rounds, Jennifer Martiak,
George Fedor**

Second Place



W26 Packaging the News Product Special Issue

Second Place

Weekly under 6,500

Glen Ridge Voice

Community Newspapers of North Jersey Media Group

“Graduation Issue”

Jonathan Sachs

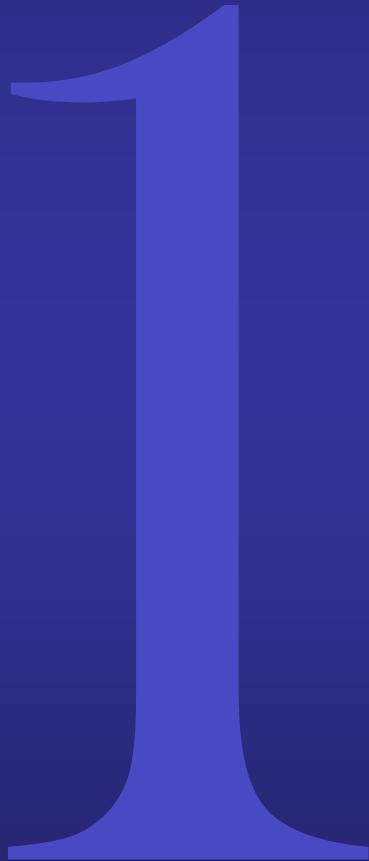
Second Place



W26 Packaging the News Product Special Issue

First Place

Weekly over 6,500



The Princeton Packet

Packet Publications

“Fine Living in Central New Jersey”

Megan Sullivan

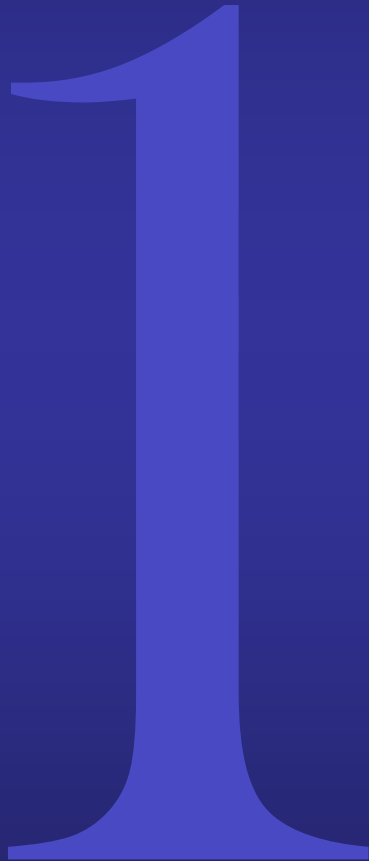
First Place



W26 Packaging the News Product Special Issue

First Place

Weekly under 6,500



The Ocean Star

Star News Group

“Election Results”

Andrea Agardy

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

Editorial Awards

Daily Newspapers

NJPA Awards



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

**D1: Responsible Journalism
Public Service –
Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award**

NJPA Awards



D1 Responsible Journalism
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

Third Place
Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

“A Troubled Diagnosis”

Alan Guenther

Third Place



D1 Responsible Journalism
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

“Super Perks: Superintendents’
Big Benefits”

**Colleen O’Dea, Laura Bruno,
Joe Ungaro, Matt Manochio**

Third Place



D1 Responsible Journalism
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Philadelphia Inquirer

“Smoke and Mirrors:
The Subversion of the EPA”

**John Shiffman, John Sullivan,
Tom Avril**

Second Place



D1 Responsible Journalism
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

The Jersey Journal

“Hoboken Police Scandal”

**Charles Hack, Amy Sara Clark,
Carly Baldwin, Agustin C. Torres,
Ron Zeitlinger,
Michaelangelo Conte**

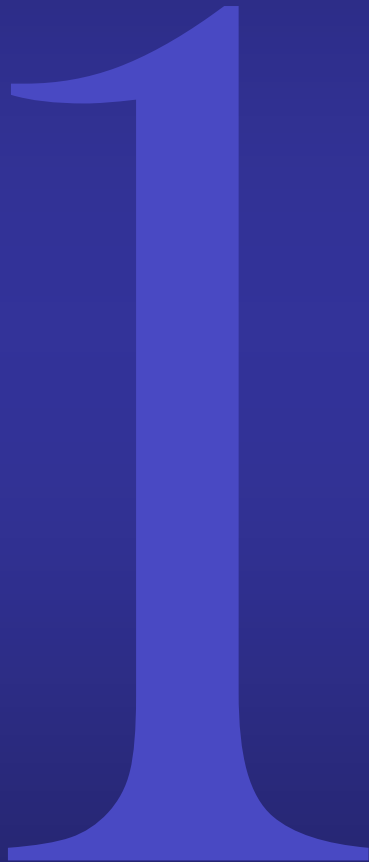
Second Place



D1 Responsible Journalism
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Star-Ledger

“Big Time, Big Costs:
The High Price of Rutgers Sports”

Ted Sherman
Josh Margolin

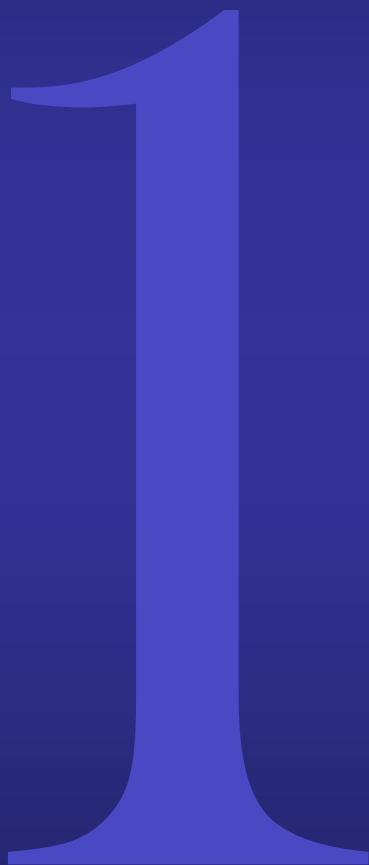
First Place



D1 Responsible Journalism
Public Service, Lloyd P. Burns Memorial Award

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Herald News

“District Ripped on Consultant Hire”

Ed Beeson

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D2: Responsible Journalism – Editorial Comment

NJPA Awards



D2 Responsible Journalism
Editorial Comment

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

“Poor Excuse for Diploma”

“Lame Duck”

“Don’t Drop Ball”

Clare McDowell

Third Place



D2 Responsible Journalism
Editorial Comment

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

Fred Snowflack

Third Place



D2 Responsible Journalism
Editorial Comment

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

“We Got to Have FAITH”

“Sponge Bob’s Large Pants”

“Corzine’s Education”

Mary Ellen Shoonmaker

Second Place



D2 Responsible Journalism
Editorial Comment

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

The Times

Nora O'Dowd

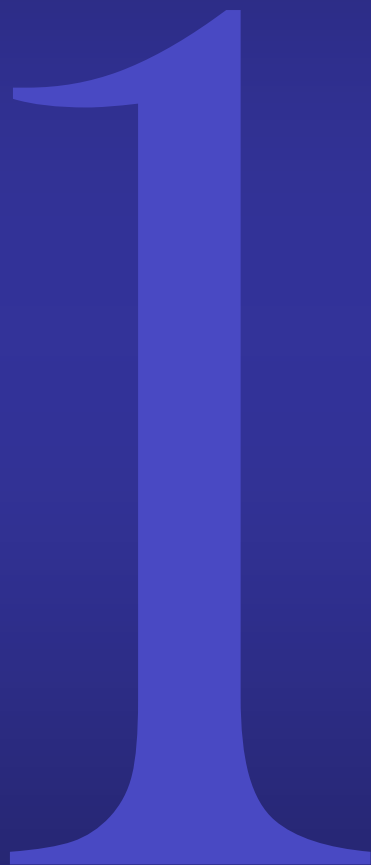
Second Place



D2 Responsible Journalism
Editorial Comment

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Press of Atlantic City

“Some Perspective Please”

“Attorney General Should Get Involved”

“Check the Lottery”

Carla Linz Callaway

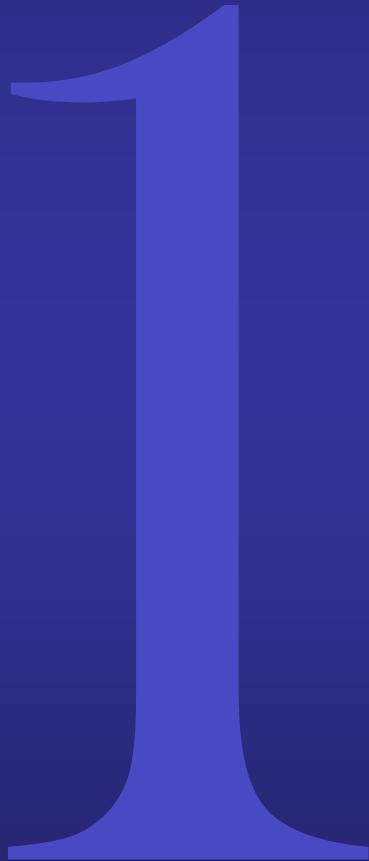
First Place



D2 Responsible Journalism
Editorial Comment

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Courier News

Keith Ryzewicz

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D3: Responsible Journalism – Enterprise



NJPA Awards



D3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

The Philadelphia Inquirer

“Falling Through: Casualties of the
Health Insurance Crisis”

Michael Vitez

Third Place



D3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

The Express-Times

“A Boy Named Hitler”

Douglas Brill

Third Place



D3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Star-Ledger

“A Mystery in the Desert”

Kathleen O’Brien

Second Place



D3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

“Somebody’s Watching You”

Abbott Koloff

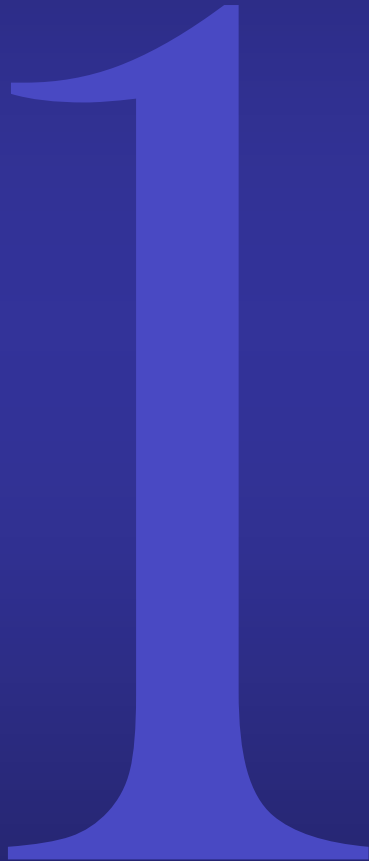
Second Place



D3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Star-Ledger

“The Accidental Artist”

Amy Nutt

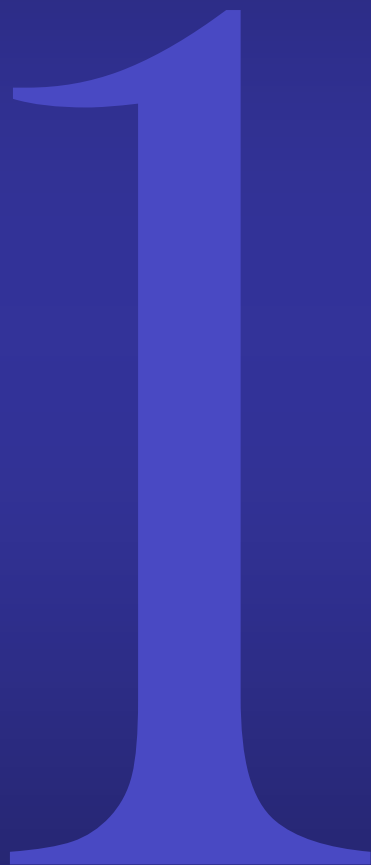
First Place



D3 Responsible Journalism
Enterprise

First Place

Daily under 60,000



The Times

“Family Kept in Dark About Death”

Lisa Rich
Lisa Coryell

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

**D4: Responsible Journalism –
First Amendment
Art Weissman Memorial Award**

NJPA Awards



D4 Responsible Journalism
First Amendment, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

The Star-Ledger

“Waiting in Pain”

Dunstan McNichol
John P. Martin

Third Place



D4 Responsible Journalism
First Amendment, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

The Daily Journal

“Vineland Mayoral Election”

**Tim Zatzariny Jr., Joel Landau,
Kristi Funderburk, Joe Smith,
Jennifer Hague**

Third Place



D4 Responsible Journalism
First Amendment, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

Courier-Post

“Senators Bring Home Millions
for New Jersey”

Lisa Grzybowski

Second Place



D4 Responsible Journalism
First Amendment, Art Weissman Memorial Award

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Herald News

“Fire Captain Taking Heat”

“Another Fireman on the Hot Seat”

“Investigator Suspended, Faces Charges”

Alex MacInnes

Second Place



D4 Responsible Journalism
First Amendment, Art Weissman Memorial Award

First Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

“Minimal Regulation of Child Care
in New Jersey”

James W. Prado Roberts

Jean Mikle

Paul D’Ambrosio

First Place



D4 Responsible Journalism
First Amendment, Art Weissman Memorial Award

First Place

Daily under 60,000

The Daily Journal

“LoBiondo: Earmarks Aid District”

“Transparency Sought in Earmark Process”

Joseph P. Smith

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D5: Reporting & Writing – Breaking News

NJPA Awards



D5 Reporting & Writing
Breaking News

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

The Press of Atlantic City

“Boat Captain Missing Off Atlantic City”

Richard Degener

Third Place



D5 Reporting & Writing
Breaking News

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

“The Death of Ruben Martinez”

**Meghan Van Dyk, Rob Jennings,
Matt Manochio,
Tehani Schneider, Peggy Wright**

Third Place



D5 Reporting & Writing
Breaking News

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

“Trapped in Haiti”

Lindy Washburn

Second Place



D5 Reporting & Writing
Breaking News

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Herald News

“Woman Shot Dead, 2 Wounded at Church”

**Karen Keller, Jennifer Cunningham,
Meredith Mandell,
Barbara Williams, Paul Brubaker,
Heather Haddon**

Second Place



D5 Reporting & Writing
Breaking News

First Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

“Teaneck Blast Kills 1”

Staff

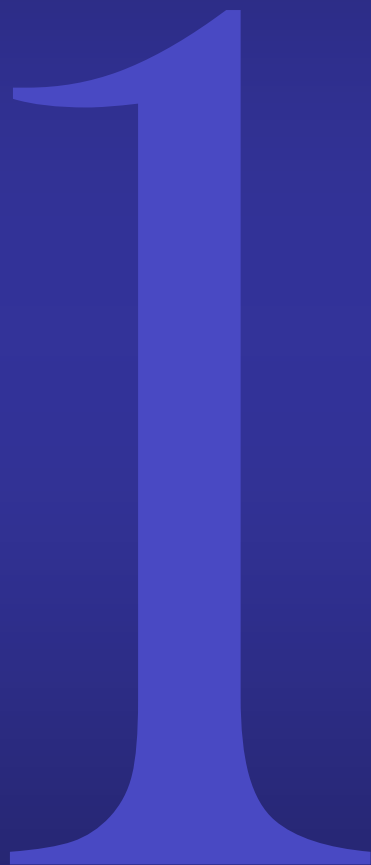
First Place



D5 Reporting & Writing
Breaking News

First Place

Daily under 60,000



The Express-Times

“Fatal Crash on Route 22”

“I Just Assumed I was Going to Die”

**Sara K. Satullo, Douglas Brill,
Michael Buck, Nick Falsone**

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D6: Reporting & Writing – News Writing Portfolio

NJPA Awards



D6 Reporting & Writing
News Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

The Star-Ledger

“What Happened to this ‘All-American Boy’”

Mark Mueller

Third Place



D6 Reporting & Writing News Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Courier News

“Recalling the Horrors of War”

“Superintendent Accused of Plagiarism”

“Green Movement Seeks to Generate
Bright Future”

Martin C. Bricketto

Third Place



D6 Reporting & Writing
News Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Philadelphia Inquirer

“Drug Kingpins In ON Suburbs Spoils”

George Anastasia

Second Place



D6 Reporting & Writing News Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

“Saved from the Battlefield”

“Veteran Returns to the Skies”

“Monster Bloom”

Tehani Schneider

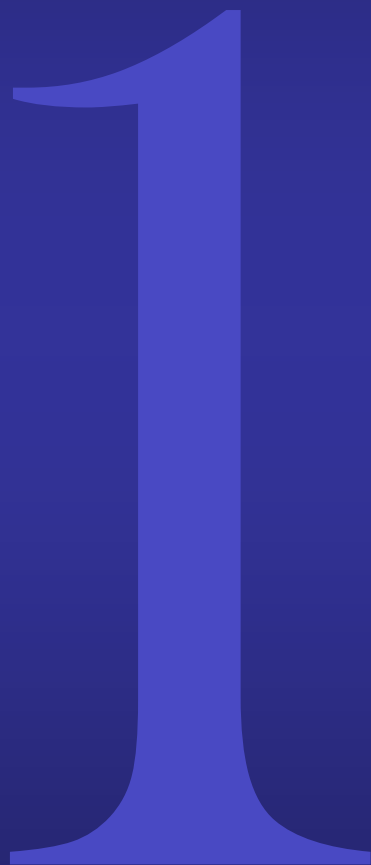
Second Place



D6 Reporting & Writing News Writing Portfolio

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Record (Bergen County)

“Restoring ‘Pleasure Palace’”

“New Battle Lines”

“Riot Ready”

Mike Kelly

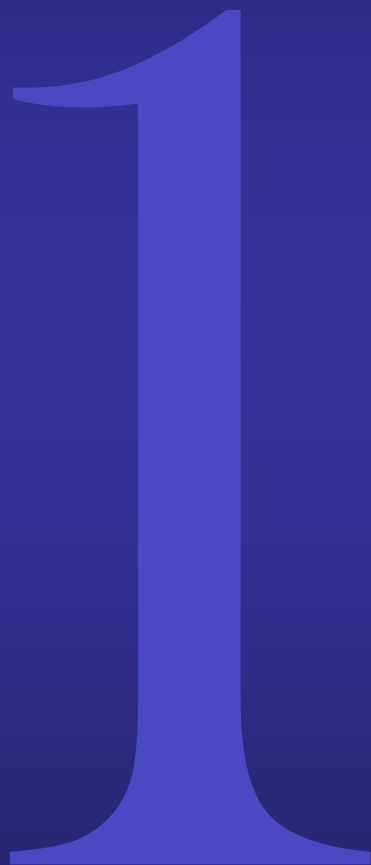
First Place



D6 Reporting & Writing News Writing Portfolio

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Courier News

“Unsolved Tragedy”

“Working Under the Radar”

“Plainfield Stabbing Victim”

“20 Laid to Rest”

Mark Spivey

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D7: Reporting & Writing – Environmental Writing Portfolio

NJPA Awards



D7 Reporting & Writing
Environmental Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

The Philadelphia Inquirer

“Going Green, Even to the Grave”

“Getting Sick from Flame Retardants”

“Wind Sails into Pennsylvania
Power Scene”

Sandy Bauers

Third Place



D7 Reporting & Writing
Environmental Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

The Times

“How Will the Wind... Wells of Hope
Add Life and Genuine Horsepower”

Jeff Trently

Third Place



D7 Reporting & Writing
Environmental Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Associated Press

“Welcome to the Jersey Shore.
Now Go Home”

Wayne Parry

Second Place



D7 Reporting & Writing
Environmental Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

The Express-Times

“Business End of Cows
Could Cost Farmers”

Bill Wichert

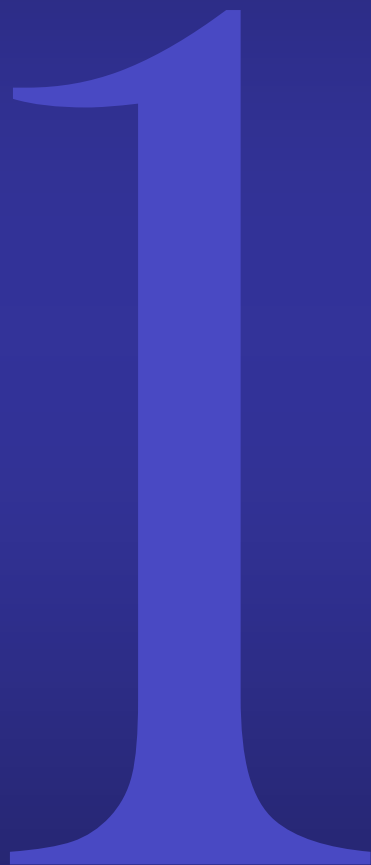
Second Place



D7 Reporting & Writing
Environmental Writing Portfolio

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Record (Bergen County)

“Too Many Questions Not Even Asked”

“Safety Testing Lax on New School Sites”

“The Mob’s Playground?”

Jeff Pillets

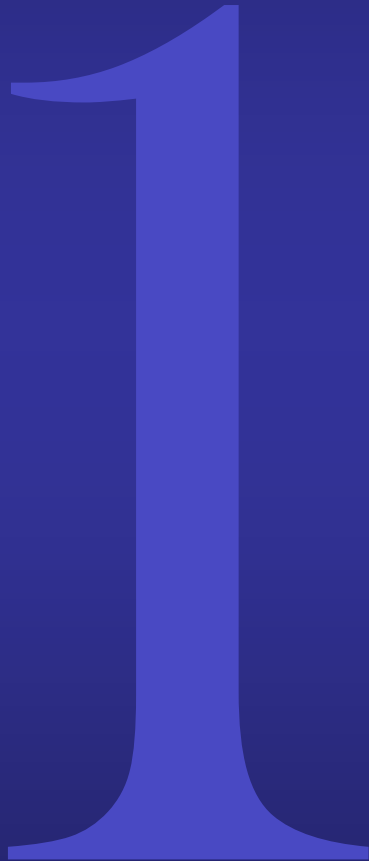
First Place



D7 Reporting & Writing
Environmental Writing Portfolio

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Courier-News

“Wetlands at a Crossroads”

Jared Kaltwasser

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

**D8: Reporting & Writing –
Feature, Lifestyle
& Entertainment
Writing Portfolio**

NJPA Awards



D8 Reporting & Writing
Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

The Press of Atlantic City

“Finding His Place”

“For These Guys, Sneakers are the
Heart & Soul of Their Obsession”

“Outfits Worthy of Praise”

Vincent Jackson

Third Place



D8 Reporting & Writing
Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Herald News

“Headscarf Ban Wears on Turks”

“Empty Hearts”

“Hard Lesson Learned”

Heather Haddon

Third Place



D8 Reporting & Writing
Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

“Expressing Vows”

“True Weekend Warriors”

“Slapping and Tapping to Her Own Beat”

Robert Biesel

Second Place



D8 Reporting & Writing
Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

The Express-Times

“Back Off Wackos”

“Run, Run, Run”

“12 Angry Men”

Tony Nauroth

Second Place



D8 Reporting & Writing
Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

First Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

“Love That’s Outlasted the Mementos”

**Bob Peckar,
Maria Mazziotti Gillan
Mike Kerwick**

First Place



D8 Reporting & Writing
Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio

First Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

“Fallen Hero’s Footsteps”

“Little Golf Course on a Big Lake”

“More Employers Will Google You”

Abbott Koloff

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D9: Reporting & Writing – Sports Writing Portfolio

NJPA Awards



D9 Reporting & Writing
Sports Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

“One Fish”

“Best Laid Plans”

“Call Off the Dogs”

Kirk Moore

Third Place



D9 Reporting & Writing Sports Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Herald News

“Faithful Hope”

“New Track”

“Gravitating Toward”

Stefan Bondy

Third Place



D9 Reporting & Writing
Sports Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

“Son’s Big Heart Lightens Load
Caused by Dad’s Painful Past”

“Life of Pain for Walker”

“I Don’t Know How I Did It”

Ian O’Connor

Second Place



D9 Reporting & Writing Sports Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

“Parros”

“Final Step”

“Morris Cheers”

Jane Havsy

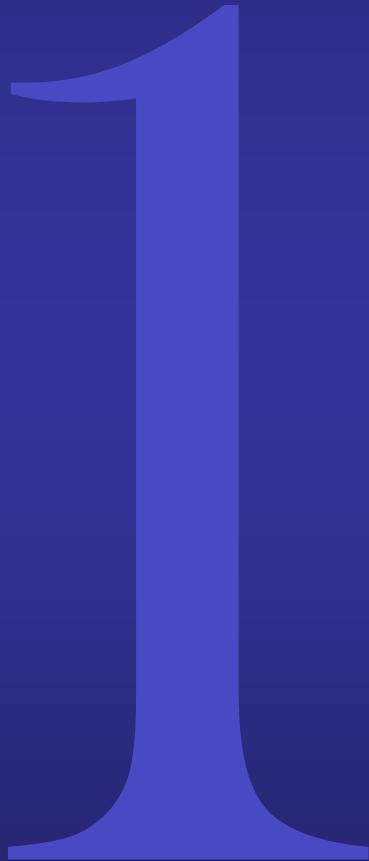
Second Place



D9 Reporting & Writing Sports Writing Portfolio

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Press of Atlantic City

“Cathy Rush”

“Next Stop”

“Yank’s Home”

Susan Lulgjuraj

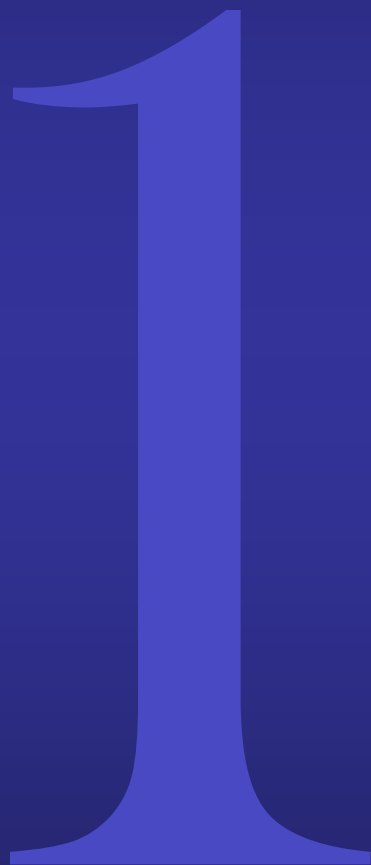
First Place



D9 Reporting & Writing Sports Writing Portfolio

First Place

Daily under 60,000



The Times

“Princeton Futility”

“Colleges Don’t”

“At Mercer”

Craig Haley

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D10: Reporting & Writing – Scholastic Sports Portfolio

NJPA Awards



D10 Reporting & Writing
Scholastic Sports Portfolio

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

The Press of Atlantic City

“Dave Lewis”

Michael McGarry

Third Place



D10 Reporting & Writing Scholastic Sports Portfolio

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

The Jersey Journal

“Prep Stuns No. 1 Bees”

“CREATE’s Harrison:

I Feel Like I Hurt the Team”

“Union Hill Junior Matta has Coaches,
Opponents Impressed”

Ned Winner

Third Place



D10 Reporting & Writing
Scholastic Sports Portfolio

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Philadelphia Inquirer

“New Home for Old Passion”

Phil Anatasia

Second Place



D10 Reporting & Writing Scholastic Sports Portfolio

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Courier News

“Players, Coaches, Strategies”

Jerry Carino

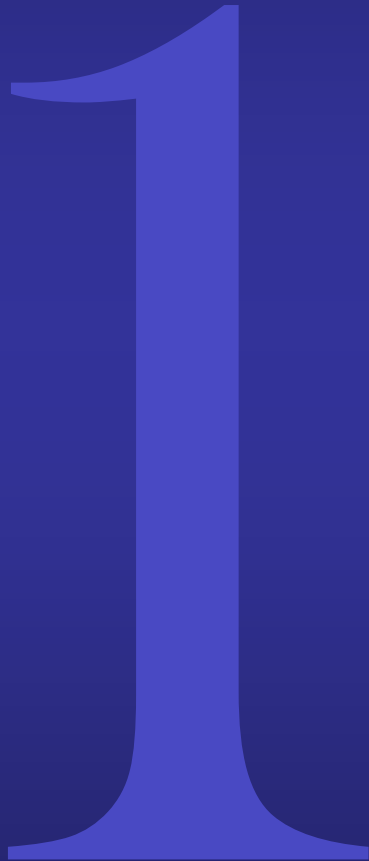
Second Place



D10 Reporting & Writing Scholastic Sports Portfolio

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Record (Bergen County)

“Remembering Ryne”

“The Survivor”

“His Darkest Hour”

Jeff Roberts

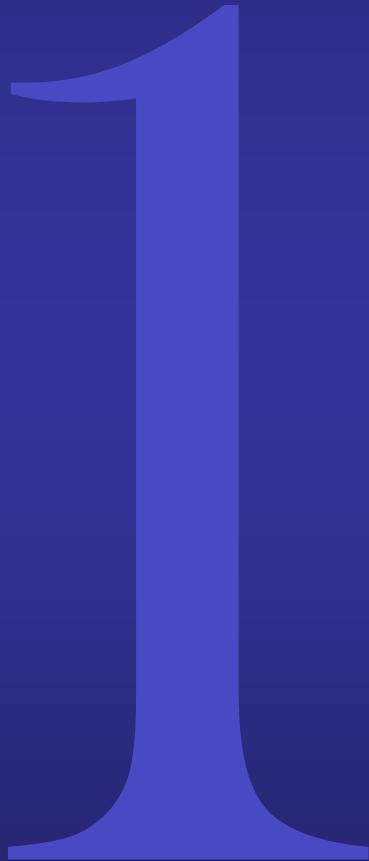
First Place



D10 Reporting & Writing
Scholastic Sports Portfolio

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Herald News

“No Mercy”

Stefan Bondy

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D11: Reporting & Writing – Business & Financial Writing Portfolio

NJPA Awards



D11 Reporting & Writing
Business & Financial Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

“Giving You a Reason to Leave”

“Running on Empty”

“Specializing in Deep Discounts”

David P. Willis

Third Place



D11 Reporting & Writing
Business & Financial Writing Portfolio

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Gloucester County Times

“Philling the Bank”

“Discomforts of Home”

“Arena Coming to Landfill Location?”

Lucas K. Murray

Third Place



D11 Reporting & Writing
Business & Financial Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

“Betting the House”

“Why Hasn’t Your House Sold Yet”

“Homeowner’s Life Spins into Desperation”

Kathy Lynn

Second Place



D11 Reporting & Writing Business & Financial Writing Portfolio

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

“Big Growth”

“Food-Preneur”

“Totally Tea”

Lorraine Ash

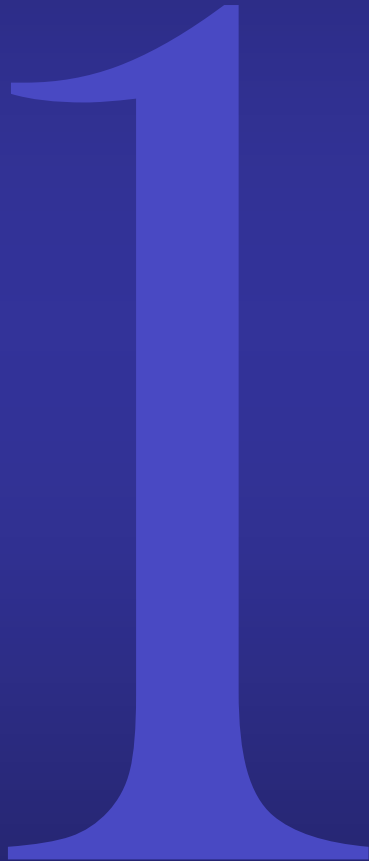
Second Place



D11 Reporting & Writing
Business & Financial Writing Portfolio

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Press of Atlantic City

“It’s Still a Big Deal”

“Casino Dealers Rage Against Machines”

“A Little Bit of Old Hollywood in the
Middle of Nowhere”

Donald Wittkowski

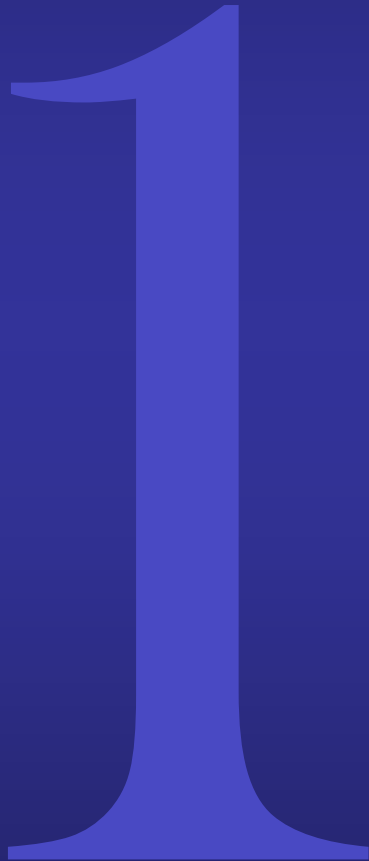
First Place



D11 Reporting & Writing
Business & Financial Writing Portfolio

First Place

Daily under 60,000



The Daily Journal

“A Cut Above”

“Landis Facelift: 71 Businesses”

“Boat Industry Suffers”

Kristi Funderburk

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D12: Reporting & Writing – Columns

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NJPA Awards



D12 Reporting & Writing Columns

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

“Money Worries:

Going Through the Change”

“Mother Nature Puts Wet Blanket
on ‘Be Prepared’”

“Love for Pet Ever Endures”

Diana Fasanella

Third Place



D12 Reporting & Writing Columns

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

The Express-Times

“It’s Not Possible to Protect People
from Themselves”

“Feeling Sick? Check Out This Payday”

“Exasperated Dad Sees Little Satisfaction”

Joseph P. Owens

Third Place



D12 Reporting & Writing Columns

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

“American Dream, American Nightmare”

“Interview with Inmate in Pod B”

“Wound Unhealed”

Bill Handleman

Second Place



D12 Reporting & Writing Columns

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Courier News

Jay Jefferson Cooke

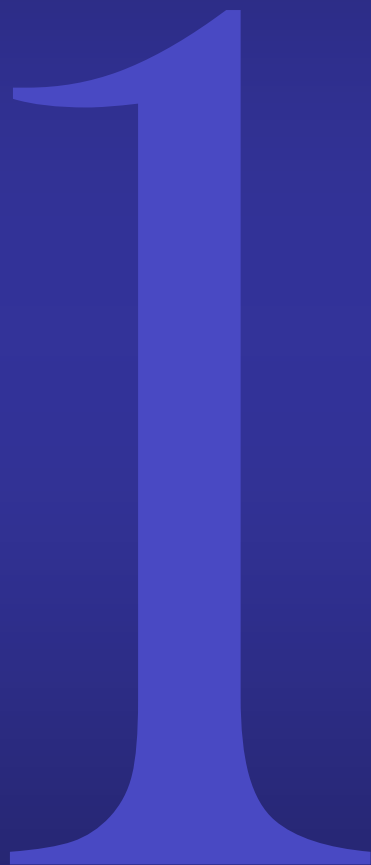
Second Place



D12 Reporting & Writing Columns

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Star-Ledger

“Tossed into the Jobless Ranks at Age 84”

“Ah, for the Innocent Snows of Yesteryear”

“Rutgers Football”

Mark Dilonno

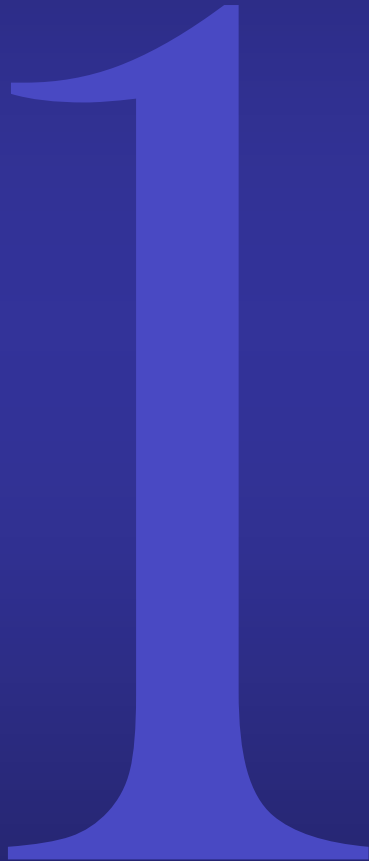
First Place



D12 Reporting & Writing Columns

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Gloucester County Times

“A Special Gift for Little Erin”

“Fretting Remains, the Pace is Slower”

“Here it is: My Own Bucket List”

Bob Shryock

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D13: Reporting & Writing – Critical Writing



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D13 Reporting & Writing
Critical Writing

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

“9 North in Wayne”

“Korean Fare with Old World Flair”

“An Epicurean Jewel, Beautifully Wrapped”

Elisa Ung

Third Place



D13 Reporting & Writing
Critical Writing

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Herald News

“Fading Away”

“Red Cat Owner Just Jumped into the Job”

“Cool, Cool Family Affair”

Jean Stevens

Third Place



D13 Reporting & Writing
Critical Writing

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Press of Atlantic City

“Weiland’s Solo Show
Proves Disappointing”

“Cheech & Chong Bring Pot-laced
Comedy Routine to Borgata”

“They Lack the Magic of their Prime”

Scott Cronick

Second Place



D13 Reporting & Writing
Critical Writing

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Herald News

“Teller of Trusts”

“A Transported Tale”

“Of Magic and Reality”

Tim Morris

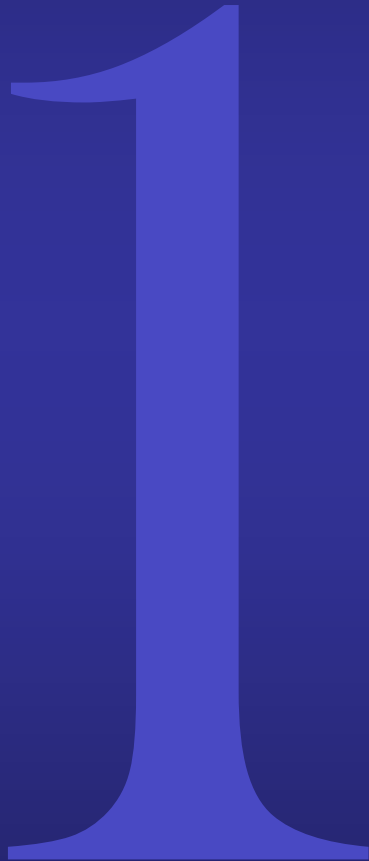
Second Place



D13 Reporting & Writing
Critical Writing

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Philadelphia Inquirer

“Dream Cuisine”

“Ted’s on Main”

“Pasta Shells and More and Shore”

Craig LaBan

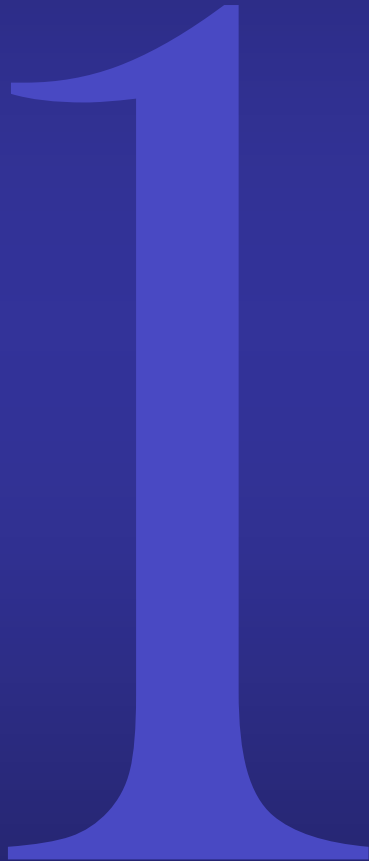
First Place



D13 Reporting & Writing Critical Writing

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Daily Record

“Alda Brings the Truth”

“Jerry Stiller”

“Bacon Brothers”

Ellen Wilkove

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D14: Reporting & Writing – Robert P. Kelly Award



NJPA Awards



D14 Reporting & Writing
Robert P. Kelly Award

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

The Times

“Honoring an Irish Patriot”

“Senior Complex Up for Auction”

“Residents: Safety Takes Priority”

Alex Zdan

Third Place



D14 Reporting & Writing
Robert P. Kelly Award

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Press of Atlantic City

“Tickets Anyone?”

“Borgata Photo Shoot for the 14
Who Made the Cut”

“Go to the Wedding? Or Go to the Series?”

Dan Good

Second Place



D14 Reporting & Writing
Robert P. Kelly Award

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

The Express-Times

“Climbing the Ladder”

“Fake Shooting Real Terror”

“Pilgrimage Crosses Cultural Divide”

Sarah Wojcik

Second Place



D14 Reporting & Writing
Robert P. Kelly Award

First Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

“Experts Dismiss Doctorate Dissertation”
“School’s Chief’s Doctorate Reviewed”
“State Tells School Chief He’s No Dr.”

Joshua Riley

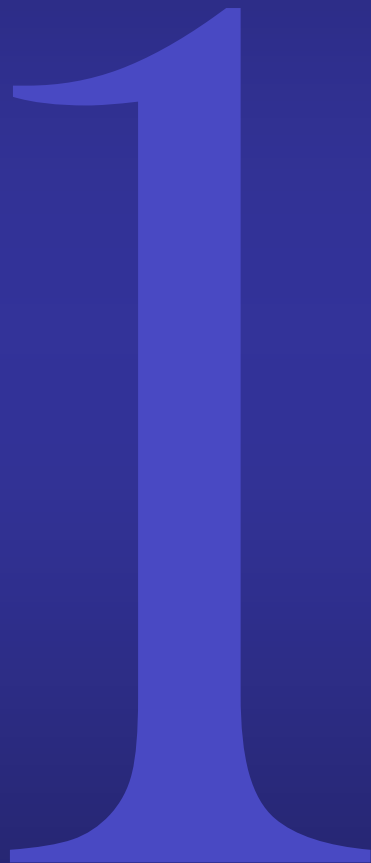
First Place



D14 Reporting & Writing
Robert P. Kelly Award

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Herald News

“Waiting to Get a Green Card”

“Reining in Jersey’s Drug Reps”

“Without Tickets, They Relied on Faith”

Heather Appel

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D15: Reporting & Writing – Best Headlines



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D15 Reporting & Writing Best Headlines

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

3 **The Record (Bergen County)**

“Strahan Can Smile, But He Leaves a Gap”

“Devil’s Face Road Trip from Hell”

“Yanks Throw Salary-Cut Fastball to Vet”

Joe Farrell

Third Place



D15 Reporting & Writing Best Headlines

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

“Brotherly Shove”

“Third Tynes the Charm”

“Colts Come Clean...Shaven”

Rick Burchfield

Third Place



D15 Reporting & Writing
Best Headlines

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Press of Atlantic City

“Snap, Crackle, Drop”

“Soup of the Day”

“Independent’s Day”

Edwin Faust

Second Place



D15 Reporting & Writing Best Headlines

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Courier News

“Economy Leaves Pets in the Doghouse”

Ilana Keller

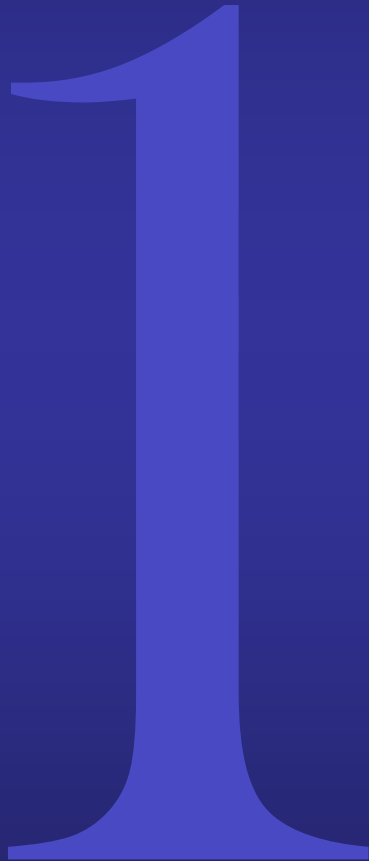
Second Place



D15 Reporting & Writing Best Headlines

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Press of Atlantic City

“Reign Delayed”

“Mud, Sweat, Cheers”

“Masters of Technology”

Charles Schroeder

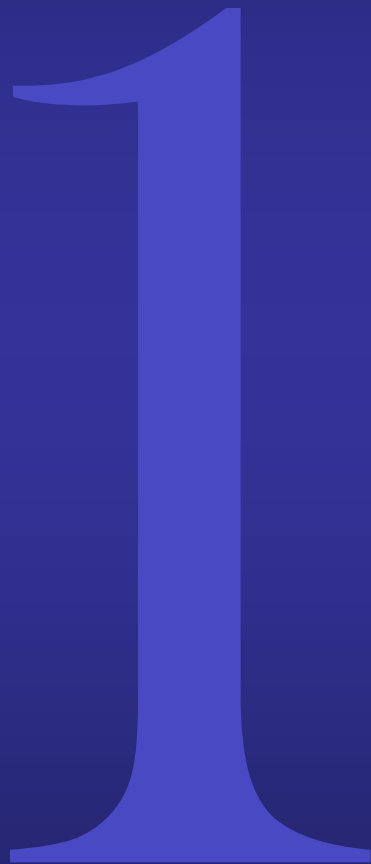
First Place



D15 Reporting & Writing
Best Headlines

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Gloucester County Times

“Duck, Goose!”

Glenn Koppelman

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D16: Reporting & Writing – Special Issue



NJPA Awards



D16 Reporting & Writing
Special Issue

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

Courier-Post

“South Jersey Guide”

Third Place



D16 Reporting & Writing
Special Issue

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Gloucester County Times

“High School Football Preview”

Shawn Lear, Staff

Third Place



D16 Reporting & Writing
Special Issue

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

“Giant Heros”

Second Place



D16 Reporting & Writing
Special Issue

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Home News Tribune

“Super Bowl XLII”

Steve Feitl, Staff

Second Place



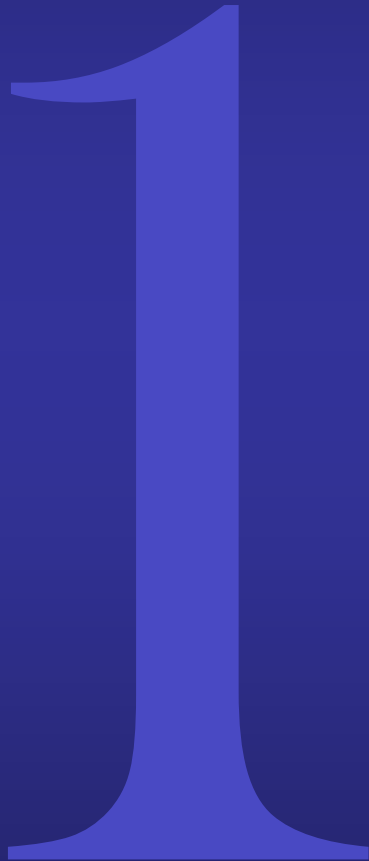
D16 Reporting & Writing
Special Issue

First Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

“Summer Guide”



First Place



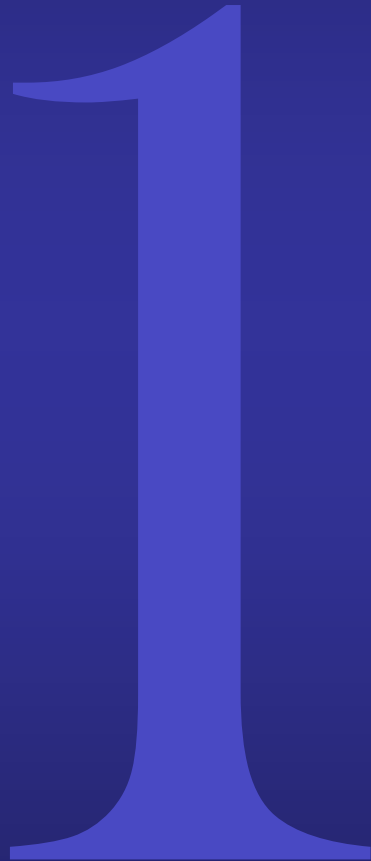
D16 Reporting & Writing Special Issue

First Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

“Living/2008 Guide to Morris County”



First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D17: Design & Presentation – News Page Design Portfolio

NJPA Awards



D17 Design & Presentation
News Page Design Portfolio

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

Robert Townsend

Third Place



D17 Design & Presentation
News Page Design Portfolio

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

Kevin Davis

Third Place



D17 Design & Presentation
News Page Design Portfolio

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

Ed Nest

Second Place



D17 Design & Presentation
News Page Design Portfolio

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

Lou Hochman

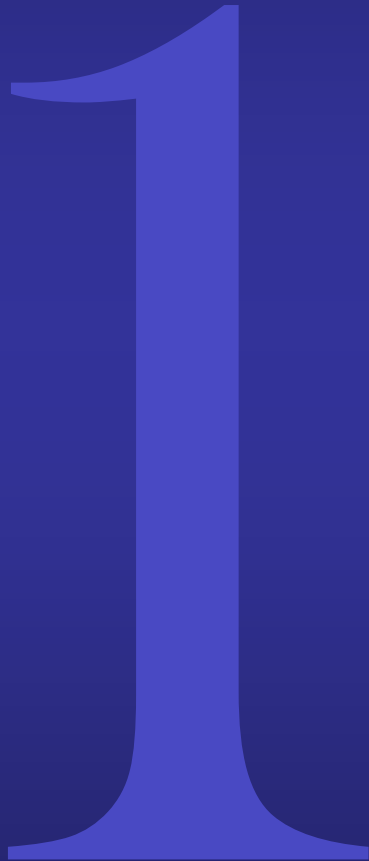
Second Place



D17 Design & Presentation
News Page Design Portfolio

First Place

Daily over 60,000



The Press of Atlantic City

“All Eyes on Economy”

Peter M. Brophy

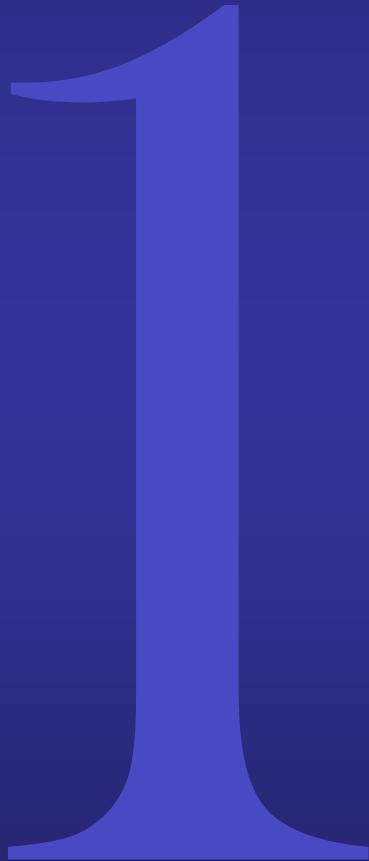
First Place



D17 Design & Presentation
News Page Design Portfolio

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Herald News

Scott Muller

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D18: Design & Presentation – Feature Section Page Design Portfolio

NJPA Awards



D18 Design & Presentation
Feature Section Page Design Portfolio

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

Courier-Post

Tara Fraser

Third Place



D18 Design & Presentation
Feature Section Page Design Portfolio

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

Lou Hochman

Third Place



D18 Design & Presentation
Feature Section Page Design Portfolio

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

Lisa Mansolillo Dalie

Second Place



D18 Design & Presentation
Feature Section Page Design Portfolio

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

The Daily Journal

Lorinda Jarvis

Second Place



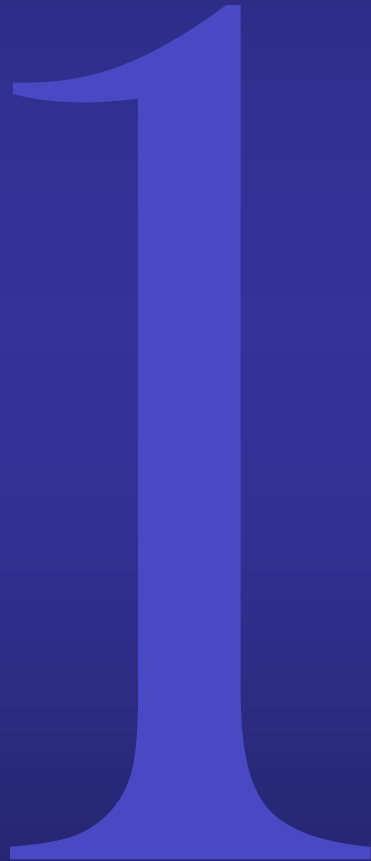
D18 Design & Presentation
Feature Section Page Design Portfolio

First Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

Elaine Isaacson



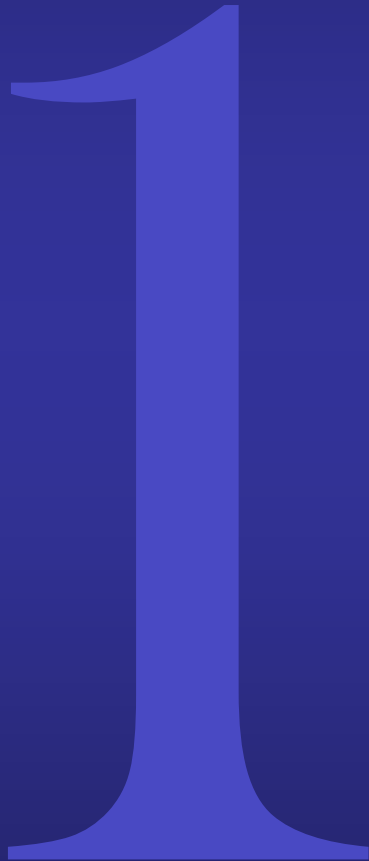
First Place



D18 Design & Presentation
Feature Section Page Design Portfolio

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Home News Tribune

Anthony Schiavino

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D19: Design & Presentation – Sports Page Design Portfolio

NJPA Awards



D19 Design & Presentation
Sports Page Design Portfolio

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

Ed Nest

Third Place



D19 Design & Presentation Sports Page Design Portfolio

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

The Daily Journal

“Driving Force”

“Jackpot!”

“Numbers Game”

“Terminator!”

“The Great Debate”

Dave O’Sullivan

Third Place



D19 Design & Presentation
Sports Page Design Portfolio

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

John Connolly

Second Place



D19 Design & Presentation Sports Page Design Portfolio

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

Herald News

Harry Aharon

Second Place



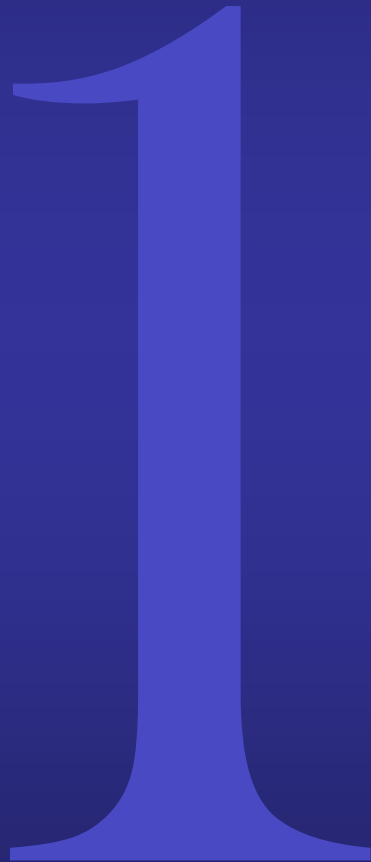
D19 Design & Presentation
Sports Page Design Portfolio

First Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

Chuck O'Donnell



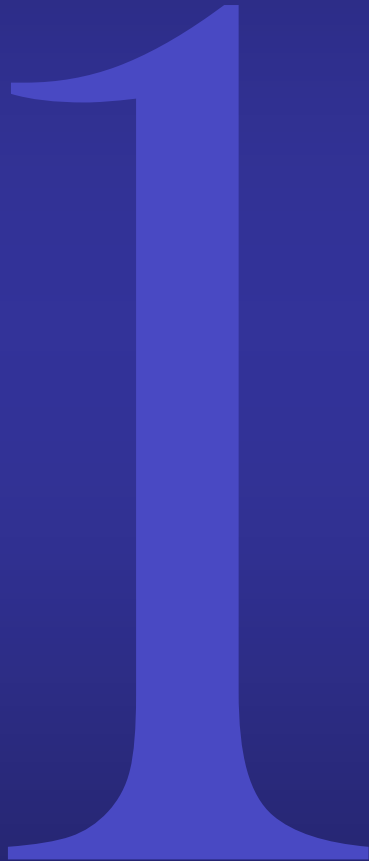
First Place



D19 Design & Presentation
Sports Page Design Portfolio

First Place

Daily under 60,000



Herald News

Mindy Drexel

First Place



Better Newspaper Contest 2008

D20: Design & Presentation – Graphics/Illustration Portfolio

NJPA Awards



D20 Design & Presentation
Graphics/Illustration Portfolio

Third Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

Billy Becerra

Third Place



D20 Design & Presentation
Graphics/Illustration Portfolio

Third Place

Daily under 60,000

Daily Record

Adam Hollanek

Third Place



D20 Design & Presentation
Graphics/Illustration Portfolio

Second Place

Daily over 60,000

The Record (Bergen County)

Lance Theroux

Second Place



D20 Design & Presentation Graphics/Illustration Portfolio

Second Place

Daily under 60,000

The Daily Journal

“Terminator”

“A Summer Shocker!”

“World Series Showdown”

“Men at Work”

“Wet and Wild Water Parks”

Joe Moore

Second Place



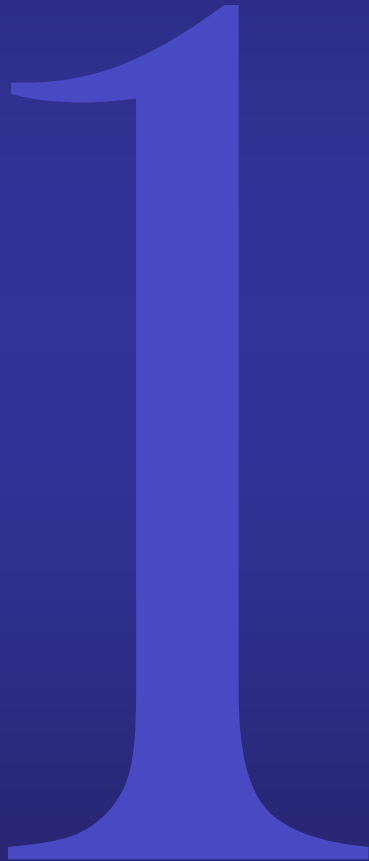
D20 Design & Presentation
Graphics/Illustration Portfolio

First Place

Daily over 60,000

Asbury Park Press

Jeff Colson



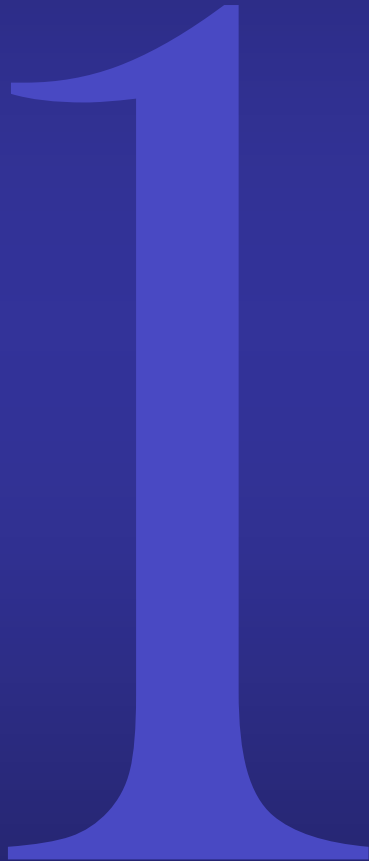
First Place



D20 Design & Presentation Graphics/Illustration Portfolio

First Place

Daily under 60,000



First Place

The Daily Journal

“Home Safe Home”

“Inside the VMEU”

“Splat-afore”

“Deep Thoughts”

“What \$600 Can Buy”

Joe Moore



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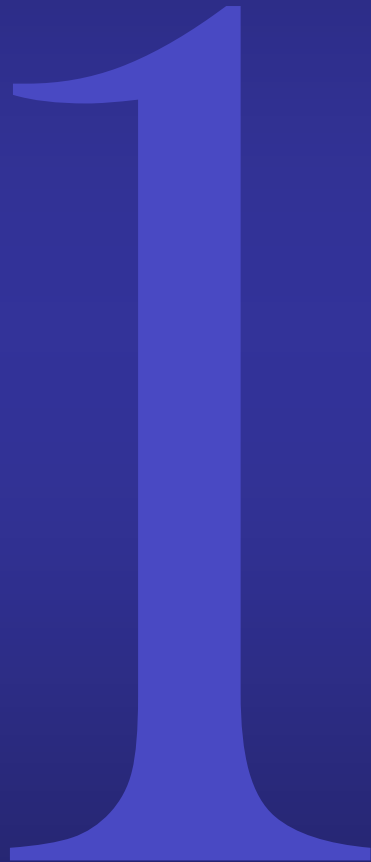
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