

# **2007 NJPA Editorial Contest Results – Daily**

## **Journalist of the Year – Daily**

**Carol Ann Campbell**  
The Star-Ledger, Newark

## **General Excellence**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

**Herald News**  
West Paterson

### **Daily, over 60,000**

**The Record** (Bergen County)  
Hackensack

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

**Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Scandal Threatens Graduation"  
Rose Colon, Eva Loayza, Brian Malone  
The Times, Trenton
- 2nd Place: "Worked over - Savvy Scammers in Win-Win Situation"  
Heather Haddon  
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "Similar Units, Different Rents - Section 8 Program"  
Tom Meagher, Samantha Henry  
Herald News, West Paterson

**Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Deadly Secrets"  
Robin Gaby Fisher, Judith Lucas  
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "Undue Force in Seaside Park"  
Jean Mikle, Lauren O. Kidd  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 3rd Place: "Atlantic City Abortion Clinic"  
Michael Clark  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

## **D-02, Responsible Journalism – Editorial Comment**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

1st Place: Fredda Sacharow  
Burlington County Times, Willingboro

2nd Place: Janice Blake Piccotti  
The Express-Times, Easton

3rd Place: Keith Ryzewicz  
Courier News, Bridgewater

### **Daily, over 60,000**

1st Place: Jim Perskie  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

2nd Place: Josh Gohlke  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

3rd Place: Mike Daniels  
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill

## **D-03, Responsible Journalism – Enterprise**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

1st Place: "Agent Made Us Poorer, a House of Cards Collapses"  
"Cashing in on Needy"  
"Judge Removed Until Case Clarified"  
Alexander MacInnes  
Herald News, West Paterson

2nd Place: "Waiting for Wal-Mart"  
Tim Zatzariny Jr.  
The Daily Journal, Vineland

3rd Place: "In the Wind"  
Jim Six, Jonathan Vit  
Gloucester County Times, Woodbury

### **Daily, over 60,000**

1st Place: "Crossroads: Despair, Riot and Recovery in a Newark Neighborhood"  
Brad Parks  
The Star-Ledger, Newark

2nd Place: "Living with Cancer"  
Lindy Washburn, Leslie Brody  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

3rd Place: "Profiting from Public Service: Four Years Later"  
Paul D'Ambrosio, Jason Method, Alan Guenther, Jonathan Tamari,  
Tom Baldwin, James W. Prado Roberts, Gregory J. Volpe  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

**D-04, Responsible Journalism – First Amendment,  
The Art Weissman Memorial Award**

**Daily, under 60,000**

1st Place: "Council Snubbed on Budget"  
Darryl R. Isherwood  
The Times, Trenton

2nd Place: "Final Chapter on Library?"  
Meredith Mandell  
Herald News, West Paterson

3rd Place: "Parole Center in Vineland"  
Tim Zatzariny Jr.  
The Daily Journal, Vineland

**Daily, over 60,000**

1st Place: "Whistleblowers Hit Turbulence"  
Ron Marsico  
The Star-Ledger, Newark

2nd Place: "Tainted Soil at Paramus School"  
Michael Gartland  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

3rd Place: "Trauma in the Air"  
James W. Prado Roberts  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

## **D-05, Reporting and Writing – Breaking News**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

1st Place: "Thousands Flee Monster Storm"  
Chad Hemenway, Martin C. Bricketto, Kara L. Richardson,  
Pamela Sroka, Brandon Lausch, Michael Deak, Laurie Levoy,  
Bradley W. Wadlow  
Courier News, Bridgewater

2nd Place: "Inmates Stage Protest at Jail"  
Michael Ratcliffe, Lisa Coryell, Robert Stern, Kevin Shea  
The Times, Trenton

3rd Place: "FBI Agent Killed by Friendly Fire"  
Kara L. Richardson, Martin C. Bricketto, Brandon Lausch  
Courier News, Bridgewater

### **Daily, over 60,000**

1st Place: "Local Nor'easter Flooding"  
Staff  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

2nd Place: "Fort Dix Terror Plot"  
Staff  
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill

3rd Place: "Southern Ocean County Wildfires"  
Hartriono B. Sastrowardoyo, Erik Larsen, Matt Pais, Kirk Moore,  
Tristan Schweiger, James W. Prado Roberts, Todd B. Bates, Nick Clunn  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

## **D-06, Reporting and Writing – News Writing Portfolio**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Slain Cop's Friend Hurting"  
"Families Troubled by Jail Cell Killing"  
"Mentally Ill Falling Through Cracks?"  
Ashley Kindergan  
Herald News, West Paterson
- 2nd Place: "Cash & Marry"  
"Psych Rejects Get Do-Overs"  
"Have Office, Will Travel"  
Ken Thorbourne  
The Jersey Journal, Jersey City
- 3rd Place: "Cameras Blink When Capturing City Crimes"  
"Murder Probes Get New Tactics"  
"Serious About Shootings"  
Kevin Shea  
The Times, Trenton

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: "A Young, Lifetime Offender"  
"One Gun's Deadly Journey"  
"The Drug Den That Defied a City"  
Jonathan Schuppe  
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "We're Going to War Against Trop"  
"Area Muslims Pay Price for Working in Casinos"  
"Chickens' Lives End"  
Maya Rao  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville
- 3rd Place: "Ripping Off Dr. America"  
"Pulling Out the Big Guns"  
"The Doctor Will See You, If You Don't Sue"  
Mary Jo Layton  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

## **D-07, Reporting and Writing – Environmental Writing Portfolio**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

1st Place: "Single Stream"  
"What Do We Do?"  
"Gas Prices"  
Jessica Beym  
Gloucester County Times, Woodbury

2nd Place: "Don't Waterdown"  
"Clean vs. Local"  
"Lake Mohawk"  
Michael Daigle  
Daily Record, Parsippany

3rd Place: "River Cleanup"  
"Six Ways"  
"Teachers, Students"  
Jennifer Cunningham  
Herald News, West Paterson

### **Daily, over 60,000**

1st Place: "Deadly Delivery"  
"Poison under Foot"  
"A Windfall from Waste"  
Alex Nussbaum  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

2nd Place: "A River's Revival"; Attack of the Killer Weeds"  
"Time to Bag Plastic"  
Jim Wright  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

3rd Place: "Fishing Far Away"  
"Rebuilding Oyster Beds"  
"Reclaiming the Bay"  
Kirk Moore  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune



## **D-08, Reporting and Writing – Feature, Lifestyle & Entertainment Writing Portfolio**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

1st Place: "Detective Picks Up Scent of Lost Pets"  
"Ice, Ice Baby"  
"Eggcellent Service"  
Andrea Gurwitt  
Herald News, West Paterson

2nd Place: "Cool Character"  
"The Sheriff and Scarface"  
"Uke Tube"  
Ed Beeson  
Herald News, West Paterson

3rd Place: "Sinatra Endures"  
"Marked for Life"  
"Poetry in Emotion"  
Tim Norris  
Herald News, West Paterson

### **Daily, over 60,000**

1st Place: "A Shy Kid Who's Trying"  
"High Frequency Offender"  
"Fugitive's Years on the Lam Finally End"  
Kevin Manahan  
The Star-Ledger, Newark

2nd Place: "Here Comes the Sun"  
"Proof of an Afterlife"  
"A Testament of Tradition"  
Amy S. Rosenberg  
The Philadelphia Inquirer

3rd Place: "Used Bookstore Becoming a Relic"  
"Brothers Tribute"  
"Mehmet Oz"  
Mike Kerwick  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

## **D-09, Reporting and Writing – Sports Writing Portfolio**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Local Baseball Shaped by Hispanics"  
"Going for Gold"  
"Diversity Shortfall"  
Ben Watanabe  
The Daily Journal, Vineland
- 2nd Place: "Pitching with Heart"  
"Aluminum Bats on the Way Out?"  
"Language of Baseball"  
Greg Tufaro  
Home News Tribune, East Brunswick
- 3rd Place: "Atlantic League Benefiting"  
"Major or Minor"  
"Immaculata Grad Named in Mitchell Steroid Report"  
Rya Dunleavy  
Courier News, Bridgewater

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: "He's Playing for Life"  
"The Essence of Essence"  
"I am New Jersey – Nancy Williams"  
Matthew Futterman  
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "The Boss to Torre – Win or Else"  
"Fighting Death, He's Living Large"  
"One Giant Leap for Reese"  
Ian O'Connor  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack
- 3rd Place: "The Loneliest Number"  
"Larger Than Life"  
"Opening Eyes"  
Stephen Edelson  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

## **D-10, Reporting and Writing – Scholastic Sports Portfolio**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

1st Place: "Boonton Girls Got Game"  
"Too Much Football?"  
"ACL Injuries Rising in Girls"  
Jane Havsy  
Daily Record, Parsippany

2nd Place: "One Who Got Away"  
"Recruits Get a Break"  
"Brotherly Love"  
Adam Zagoria  
Herald News, West Paterson

3rd Place: "Soccer under the Lights"  
"Wayne's World for a Night"  
"Earning Their Stripes"  
Sefan Bondy  
Herald News, West Paterson

### **Daily, over 60,000**

1st Place: "They're Dancing, Chanting, Singing and Winning"  
"Wearing a Bull's Eye"  
"Words to Win By"  
Mark Czerwinski  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

2nd Place: "A Humble Hero"  
"Concussions from Soccer Affect Girls at Higher Rate"  
"He's All About Team Spirit"  
Ed Hilt  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

3rd Place: "Varsity: Between the Scenes"  
Andre Watson  
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill

## **D-11, Reporting and Writing – Business and Financial Writing Portfolio**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Changing with the Times"  
"Central Jersey Music Studios"  
"Women in Auto Industry Still Driving"  
Bob Considine  
Courier News, Bridgewater
- 2nd Place: "Who's Afraid of the Big Bad 401(k)"  
"Protection of Rights Widened"  
"I See Your Raise"  
Andrea Gurwitt  
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "After Year of No Puffing"  
"Button-Down Summer"  
"No Diet Heavyweight"  
Ellen Wilkove  
Daily Record, Parsippany

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: "A Tough But Legal Life Lures Foreign Workers"  
"Sign of Changing Times"  
"Vineland's Del Rossi & Son"  
Erik Ortiz  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville
- 2nd Place: "Big Money is on Macao"  
"Trump's A.C. Era Could Be Near End"  
"A.C. Rides Asian Tide"  
Suzette Parmley  
The Philadelphia Inquirer
- 3rd Place: "Fair Trade"  
"Peach Crop Glistens"  
"Commerce Bank Will Retain Identity"  
Eileen Smith  
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill

## **D-12, Reporting and Writing – Columns**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Don't Bank on Honest Credit Card Companies"  
"Pausing to Ponder"  
"Pitching Fitfully"  
Mea Kammerlen  
The Times, Trenton
- 2nd Place: "On the Bus"  
"Reaching Out"  
"Old Friends"  
Ulysses Rivers  
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "What 'State' are We in Now"  
"Join in on the War of Words This Election Day"  
"In Politics, All the Great Wide World's a Stage"  
Jim Six  
Gloucester County Times, Woodbury

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Obscene Fans at Rutgers"  
"Anonymous Posts"  
"In the TV Age"  
Mark DiLonno  
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 2nd Place: "McNabb's Silence"  
"A Reaffirming Night for Parents"  
"Big 5's Best Days"  
Phil Anastasia  
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill
- 3rd Place: "Time is Not on My Side"  
"Father's Birthday"  
"Would You Like Some Cremation"  
Bill Ervolino  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

## **D-13, Reporting and Writing – Critical Writing**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

1st Place: "Seven Brides"  
"Henry VI"  
"My Three Angels"  
William Westhoven  
Daily Record, Parsippany

2nd Place: "Ely's"  
"Under the Moon"  
"Casadeluna"  
Susan Sprague Yeske  
The Times, Trenton

3rd Place: "Labyrinth"  
"Jesse James"  
"No Country"  
Lou Gaul  
Burlington County Times, Willingboro

### **Daily, over 60,000**

1st Place: "Pygmalion"  
"Rock 'N' Roll"  
"Radio Golf"  
Robert Feldberg  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

2nd Place: "Mantra"  
"Wild Ginger"  
"Harvest Bistro"  
Elisa Ung  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

3rd Place: "Bob Saget"  
"Tool"  
"Police"  
Scott Cronick  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

## **D-14, Reporting and Writing – Robert P. Kelly Award**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Head Hurts"  
"Gift of Life"  
"Holocaust Survivor"  
Meghan Van Dyk  
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 2nd Place: "Towns Dodge Compliance"  
"Purple Haze"  
"Checking Out"  
Denisa Superville  
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "Food Guidelines"  
"Hunterdon OT Spending"  
"Township's Co-Pilots"  
Brandon Lausch  
Courier News, Bridgewater

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Schiff Brothers"  
"Cox Carpet Bankruptcy"  
"Drug-Dealing Skills"  
Maya Rao  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville
- 2nd Place: "Jackson Land"  
"Huge Complex"  
"Tots on Fast Track"  
Fraidy Reiss  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 3rd Place: "A 'Cat' Turns 50"  
"Dragons"  
"St. Nick"  
Robert Biesel  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

## **D-15, Reporting and Writing – Best Headlines**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: "A New Taste of Honey"  
"Strip Joint"  
"Love Bites"  
Janine Torsiello  
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 2nd Place: "End of the Line for Factory"  
Mel Hyman  
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: "Here's What's Cookin'"  
"Us"  
Matt Zager  
The Daily Journal, Vineland

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Space: The Final Frontier"  
Joe Turco  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack
- 2nd Place: "Hate Him? That's Fine"  
Linda Voorhis  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack
- 3rd Place: "In Trash-Choked Naples"  
Joe Pisetzner  
The Star-Ledger, Newark



## **D-16, Reporting and Writing – Special Issue**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: "2007 Photo Review"  
David Gard, Martin Griff, Frank Jacobs, Tim Larsen, Michael Macusco,  
Andrew Miller, Michael Ratcliffe, Cie Stroud, Marc Bellagamba  
The Times, Trenton
- 2nd Place: "Living 2007"  
Staff  
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 3rd Place: "Wishbook"  
Staff  
Courier News, Bridgewater

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Good Life"  
Ellen McCarthy  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 2nd Place: "South Jersey 2007-08 Guide"  
Staff  
Courier-Post, Cherry Hill
- 3rd Place: "Best of Fall"  
Emily Gorman, Sports Staff  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

## **D-17, Design and Presentation – News Page Design Portfolio**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

1st Place: Scott Muller  
Herald News, West Paterson

2nd Place: Kevin Davis  
Daily Record, Parsippany

3rd Place: Ted Quann  
The Times, Trenton

### **Daily, over 60,000**

1st Place: Eric Pinckney  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

2nd Place: Robert Townsend  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack

3rd Place: Peter M. Brophy  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

## **D-18, Design and Presentation – Feature Section Page Design Portfolio**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: "The Butterfly Effect"  
"Snow Riders"  
"Body & Sole"  
Jan Housewerth  
Herald News, West Paterson
- 2nd Place: "The Boy King"  
"Making Waves"  
"Swan Song"  
"Fall Arts Preview"  
"More Than a Party"  
Jaret Araujo  
Home News Tribune, East Brunswick
- 3rd Place: "Pulp Fiction Strikes Back!"  
"Locker Room – Player of the Year"  
"Local Room Presents – Title Bout"  
"Locker Room – Justina Kupczuk"  
"Pulse – Surf's Up"  
Anthony Schiavino  
Home News Tribune, East Brunswick

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Doctor"  
"Appetizers"  
"Ballet"  
"Flip-Flops"  
"Osprey"  
Emily Gorman  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville
- 2nd Place: "Better Living"  
"Travel"  
Elaine Isaacson  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack
- 3rd Place:  
Megan Macijauskas  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

## **D-19, Design and Presentation – Sports Page Design Portfolio**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: Rick Burchfield  
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 2nd Place: Steve Feitl  
Home News Tribune, East Brunswick
- 3rd Place: Wayne Richardson  
Burlington County Times, Willingboro

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: Edward W. Nest III  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 2nd Place: Chuck O'Donnell  
The Record (Bergen County), Hackensack
- 3rd Place: Emily Gorman  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

## **D-20, Design and Presentation – Graphics/Illustration Portfolio**

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: Adam Hollanek  
Daily Record, Parsippany
- 2nd Place: Jan Housewerth  
Herald News, West Paterson
- 3rd Place: Joe Moore  
The Daily Journal, Vineland

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: Jeff Colson  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune
- 2nd Place: Laurie Triefeldt  
The Star-Ledger, Newark
- 3rd Place: Krishna Mathias  
The Press of Atlantic City, Pleasantville

## **D-21, Design and Presentation – Innovation Award**

### **Daily, over 60,000**

- 1st Place: "Data Universe"  
Asbury Park Press, Neptune

### **Daily, under 60,000**

- 1st Place: "New Community Weeklies"  
Daily Record, Parsippany