

SPJ— New Jersey Chapter  
Journalism Awards for 1998

**DAILY NEWSPAPERS**

**Deadline Reporting**

1st Place	Newsroom Staff	Combing the Atlantic for Clues	The Record
2nd Place	Miri Ascarelli	Ronald Leir, Kirsten Danis, Sharon Otterman, John Petrick	Jersey Journal
3rd Place	Newsroom Staff	2 Killed in Small-Plane Crash	The Courier-News

**Feature Writing**

1st Place	Doug Most	Life after Lauren	The Record
2nd Place	Margaret Dudas	Cool Idea Provides Relief for Hot Summer in the City	Dorf Feature Service for The Star-Ledger
3rd Place	Ron Southwick	Half the Man He Used to Be	Trenton Times

**Profile Writing**

1st Place	Amy Westfeldt	Holocaust Memories	Associated Press
2nd Place	Angela Couloumbis	In Prison, She's Still "Prom Mom"	The Philadelphia Inquirer
3rd Place	Thomas Peele	Mayor James Whelan	Atlantic City Press

**Business Reporting**

1st Place	John T. Ward, David Schwab, Mary Jo Patterson	How an Arranged Marriage in Health Care Hit the Skids	The Star-Ledger
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2nd Place	Jacqueline Sergeant	Who's Taking Care of the Kids	Asbury Park Press
3rd Place	Tony Hagen	Blacks Seek Business Clout	Trenton Times

### **Sports Reporting**

1st Place	Bill Handleman	All the Way Back	Asbury Park Press
2nd Place	Bill Handleman	Triumph of the Human Spirit	Asbury Park Press
3rd Place	Steve Politi, Brad Parks	A Lost Season	The Star-Ledger

### **Health, Science, Technology & Environment Reporting**

1st Place	Anthony R. Wood	Nor' easter	The Philadelphia Inquirer
2nd Place	Lindy Washburn	Coping with Managed Care	The Record
3rd Place	Joseph Dee	Getting It	Trenton Times

### **Series Writing & Reporting**

1st Place	Christine Bahls, Maureen Graham, Rita Giordano	Young and Violent	The Philadelphia Inquirer
2nd Place	Mike Kelly, Carmine Galasso	Northern Ireland Journal	The Record
3rd Place	Tracey L. Regan	Recycling in New Jersey	Trenton Times

### **Investigative Reporting**

1st Place	Rick Linsk	Nurture or Neglect?	Asbury Park Press
2nd Place	Maureen Graham,	What's In Your Drinking Water?	The Philadelphia

	Frederick Cusick, Candace Heckman		Inquirer
3rd Place	Paul D'Ambrosio	Close Calls in the Sky	Asbury Park Press

### **Enterprise Reporting**

1st Place	Joe Tyrrell, Bev McCarron, Mary Jo Patterson	Developers Profiting from Farm-Tax Law	The Star- Ledger
2nd Place	Dunstan McNichol	Disintegratng Schools Hold Kids Hostage	The Star- Ledger
3rd Place	Kathleen Hopkins	Flier's Remains May Return Home	Home News Tribune

### **Editorial Writing**

1st Place	Phil Showell	Pkg of 3 editorials on open-space matters	The Courier- News
2nd Place	Henry Bryan	Deal Them Out	The The Philadelphia Inquirer
3rd Place	Barbara Frankel	Pkg of 11 editorials advocating needle exchanges as anti- AIDS measure	Home News Tribune

### **Column Writing**

1st Place	Rose Simmons	Police Shooting of Black Youth Deserves Probe	Asbury Park Press
2nd Place	Kathleen O'Brien	Thanks, I Needed That	The Star- Ledger
3rd Place	Sally Deering	Express Yourself?	Jersey Journal

### **Review Writing**

1st Place	Willa Conrad	A Concerted Effort to Re(Define) "Serious" Music	The Star-Ledger
2nd Place	Eleanor O'Sullivan	From Honor to Humanity	Asbury Park Press

### **Headline Writing**

1st Place	Joel Pisetzner	All Dressed Up with No Place to Row	The Star-Ledger
2nd Place	Joel Pisetzner	Men Shop till They Drop - a Few Minutes Later	The Star-Ledger
3rd Place	Joel Pisetzner	Jersey's Great, Great Ants	The Star-Ledger

### **Editorial Cartooning**

1st Place	Steve Breen	New Crayon Colors	Asbury Park Press
2nd Place	Jimmy Margulies	"Pull Over"	The Record
3rd Place	Drew Sheneman	New Jersey's Open Spaces	The Star-Ledger

### **Informational Graphic**

1st Place	Matthew Ericson	Drive Time	The Philadelphia Inquirer
2nd Place	Jeff Cohen	Medical Miracle Baby	Jersey Journal
3rd Place	Jerry Luciani, Liz Roberts	Fire Services in North Jersey	The Record

### **Front Page Layout**

1st Place	Robert Townsend	A Legend Back on Top of World	The Record
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2nd Place	Newsroom Staff	Sept. 11, 1998 front page	The Philadelphia Inquirer
3rd Place	Robert Townsend	The Greatest	The Record

### Feature Page Design

1st Place	Vivien Benvenuto	The Show about Nothing	The Record
2nd Place	Reiko Matsuo	Fall Avalanche	Jersey Journal
3rd Place	Robyn Trimboli	Stalking the Wild Asparagus	Home News Tribune

## WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS

### Deadline Reporting

1st Place	Rebecca Kaplan Borosan, Lil Rubin	Congregation Mourning Loss of Torahs	Jewish Standard
2nd Place	David Polakiewicz, Sandy Stuart	Cause Sought for Fifth-Grader's Death	Bernardsville News
3rd Place	Henry Gottlieb	Why Mommy Wasn't Found Guilty	New Jersey Law Journal

### Feature Writing

1st Place	Chris Antar	Montgomery Burn Victim, Family, Cope with Recovery	Princeton Packet
2nd Place	Henry Gottlieb	Why Rich Old People Need the Courts	New Jersey Law Journal
3rd Place	Dana Coleman	New Family Law Course	New Jersey Lawyer

### **Profile Writing**

1st Place	John Kearney	Disney: One Man's Way of Life	Warren Reporter
2nd Place	Larry Savadove	Hands of the Master	The Sandpaper
3rd Place	Tim O'Brien	For Bottitta, Time to Rise and Shine	New Jersey Law Journal

### **Business Reporting**

1st Place	Larry Savadove	Saving Beaches Is More than Engineering	The Sandpaper
2nd Place	Rod Grodt	Local Pharmacist Wants Fair Shake from HMOs	Chatham Courier
3rd Place	Scott Goldstein	Gifts to Corp Counsels	New Jersey Lawyer

### **Sports Reporting**

1st Place	Rick Mellerup	Pigeons Fly the Coop	The Sandpaper
2nd Place	Pat Johnson	Hyper for Strippers	The Sandpaper

### **Health, Science, Technology & Environment Reporting**

1st Place	Elizabeth Keill	Birthmarks Could Be a Sign of Genetic Disorder	New Providence Independent Press
2nd Place	Rocco Cammarere	Color It Divorce	New Jersey Lawyer
3rd Place	Evelyn F. Apgar	Youthful Panic Molds Legal Advocate for Deaf	New Jersey Lawyer

### **Series Writing & Reporting**

1st Place	Sherrie Felton	Paraguayan Community Thriving	Bernardsville News
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### **Investigative Reporting**

1st Place	Al Sullivan	Documents Question School Superintendent's Record	Glen Ridge Paper
2nd Place	Tim O'Brien	State Bar Bleeding Red Ink	New Jersey Law Journal
3rd Place	Evelyn F. Apgar	Three Strikes	New Jersey Lawyer

### **Enterprise Reporting**

1st Place	David Polakiewicz	Despite Law, Barriers, Misunderstandings Still Exist	Bernardsville News
2nd Place	Tim O'Brien	Spotlight on Prosecutor's Driver	New Jersey Law Journal
3rd Place	Maria Scandale	Exercise that Delivers	The Sandpaper

### **Editorial Writing**

1st Place	Editorial Board	Virtual Unreality	New Jersey Lawyer
2nd Place	Rebecca Kaplan Boroson	"Shylock or Sambo?"	Jewish Standard
3rd Place	Rebecca Kaplan Boroson	A Time to Die	Jewish Standard

### **Column Writing**

1st Place	John Kearney	Raymond Uhlig's Declining Days	Warren Reporter
2nd Place	Nancy Ritter	Brennan Stories	New Jersey Lawyer
3rd Place	Rick Mellerup	Wrestling with Religion in Atlantic	The Sandpaper

## City

### Review Writing

1st	Rick Place Mellerup	Southern Cooking Arrives	The Sandpaper
2nd	Patricia Place Johnson	Joyce Lawrence Paints the Town	The Sandpaper
3rd	Joseph P. Place Depa III	Watch Out Girls, It's Stinky Spice	Bound Brook Chronicle

### Headline Writing

1st	Harvey C. Place Fisher	Hello Lover, Goodbye Alimony	New Jersey Lawyer
2nd	Maria Place Scandale	Exercise that Delivers	The Sandpaper
3rd	Karyn Place Colombo	Pottersville Woman Fights Stroke Step by Step	Hunterdon Review

### Editorial Cartooning

1st	William J. Place Valladares	Sensitivity Training at Work	Montclair Times
2nd	George Place Koukas	Two Lawyers on a Deserted Island	New Jersey Lawyer
3rd	William J. Place Valladares	The Board of Ed Prepares to Trim the Budget	Montclair Times

### Front Page Layout

1st	Jon B. Place Bradie	Dec. 7 front page	New Jersey Law Journal
2nd	Lou Chimenti Place	July 24 front page	Berlin Journal
3rd	Harvey C. Place Fisher	Feb. 16 front page	New Jersey Lawyer

### Feature Page Design



1st Place	Jon B. Bradie	Nov. 30 Business & Law page	New Jersey Law Journal
2nd Place	Lou Chimenti	Holiday Fashion	Berlin Journal
3rd Place	Mario Rossi	Wall Pop Warner	Farmingdale Shore Herald

## PHOTOGRAPHY

### DAILY NEWSPAPERS

#### Spot News Photography

1st Place	James Anness	Meadowlands Ablaze	The Record
2nd Place	Kathy Johnson	Bus Crash	The Courier-News
3rd Place	Ed Pagliarini	Overtaken by Grief	The Courier-News

#### Feature Photography

1st Place	John T. Greilick	Living with Vitiligo: A Story of Courage	The Courier-News
2nd Place	Jiro Ose	Coming to America	The Record
3rd Place	Gerald S. Williams	To Russia for Love	The Philadelphia Inquirer

#### Sports Photography

1st Place	Melvin C. Evans Jr.	Flying	The Record
2nd Place	Mark R. Sullivan	Getting His Hits	Home News Tribune
3rd Place	James Anness	World's Greatest!	The Record

### WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS

#### Feature Photography

1st	Demitrius	No Peanuts, No	North Jersey
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Place	Balevski	Crackerjack, No Game	Newspapers
2nd Place	Melinda L. Blaho	Shave and a Haircut	North Jersey Newspapers
		Sports Photography	
1st Place	Joyce Bambach	Up and Over	Roxbury Register

## BROADCASTING AND CABLE

### RADIO

#### Deadline Reporting

1st Place

Andrew Meyer

Swiss Air Crash

WBGO

2nd Place

Doug Doyle

Riots Revisited

WBGO

#### Enterprise Reporting

1st Place

Kimberly Brown, Andrew Meyer

Last Synagogue

WBGO

2nd Place

Marisa Pierson, Michelle Massie, Tom Sanitate

Legacy of the Pullman

Rutgers Office of TV and Radio

3rd Place

David Weisenfeld, Jason B. Meyer

Employment Backlash

Employment & Labor LAWCAST

### **Feature Reporting**

1st Place

Frank J. Hogan, Dean Auer, Jabari Higgs, Anchor Babcock, Brian McCallion, Dan Savaria, , Randy Morton, Charles Wojcik, Eric Cardinali, Chris Coyne, Don Steever, Steve Kandik, Janene Ehman

One Nation Understanding

WGLS

2nd Place

Kim Childs

Portuguese Pop Star

WBGO

3rd Place

Andrew Meyer

Macy's Magic

WBGO

### **Public Service**

1st Place

Marisa Pierson, Neal Rauch, Clement Alexander Price, Tom Sanitate, Peter Troost, Steve Barcy, Michael Pinnix, Andrew Bellware, John Scott

Remembering Paul Robeson

Rutgers Office of TV and Radio

2nd Place

Doug Doyle

Organ Donation

WBGO

3rd Place

Bob Wanner

Accurate Reporting

WSNJ

### **Investigative Reporting**

1st Place

Doug Doyle, Andrew Meyer

Racial Profiling

WBGO

2nd Place

Jo Astrid Gladding, Jason B. Meyer

In the post-Brooks World, Proving Lawsuits against Public Entities Gets Much Harder

LAWCAST

### **TELEVISION**

#### **Feature Reporting**

1st Place

Joseph R. Perone

Sound Inventions

The Star-Ledger

### **Public Service**

2nd Place

John Rokeach, Lauren Collier

Handicapped Kids Working with Horses

WHSE-TV

### **Investigative Reporting**

2nd Place

Barbara Nevins Taylor, Emily Backus, J. L. Mitchell, Howard Williams

Homes of Horror

WWOR-TV

3rd Place

Matthew Schwartz, Allison Gilbert, Dean DeGennaro, Howard Williams, Paisano Villanueva, Scott Salem

Dying to Fly

WWOR-TV

## **MAGAZINES, NEWSLETTERS & INTERNET PUBLICATIONS**

### **Reporting**

1st Place	Christopher Hann	Guilt by Perception	New Jersey Monthly
2nd Place	Bill Glovin	The Stage Is Set	Rutgers Magazine
3rd Place	Robert Hennelly	The Real Cost of Home Rule	New Jersey Monthly

### **Feature Writing**

1st Place	Ruth Padawer	Born Again	New Jersey Monthly
2nd Place	Bill Glovin	A Whole New World	Rutgers Magazine
3rd Place	Kevin Coyne	The Road that Ruined East Orange	New Jersey Monthly

### **Profile Writing**

1st Place	Bill Glovin	Big Man on Campus	Rutgers Magazine
2nd Place	David Gibson	Archbishop CEO	New Jersey Monthly
3rd Place	Colleen Mancino	The Advocate	New Jersey Monthly

### **Opinion Writing**

1st Place	Jeff Edelstein	Up in Smoke	New Jersey Monthly
2nd Place	Steve Aduvato Jr.	A Matter of Trust	New Jersey Monthly
3rd Place	Walter Fields	Race and the Race in Essex	New Jersey Reporter

### **Business Reporting**

1st Place	Richard Degener	Fish Stories	New Jersey Reporter
2nd Place	Lauren Otis	The Big Schmooze	New Jersey Monthly

### **Health, Science, Technology and Environmental Reporting**

1st Place	Bill Glovin	Can You Help My Child?	Rutgers Magazine
2nd Place	Mark J. Magyar	The Politics of Preservation	New Jersey Reporter
3rd	Bruno	A Million Acres	New Jersey

Place Tedeschi

Reporter

## SPECIAL AWARD

Rutgers Office of TV and  
Radio

New Jersey Times  
radio