

The **PRESS** Club of Western Pennsylvania

2024 GOLDEN QUILL FINALISTS

Winners will be announced at the Golden Quills dinner,
Tuesday, May 28, at Rivers Casino.

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EXCELLENCE IN WRITTEN JOURNALISM DIVISION 1

Enterprise/Investigative

“The Fall of the Century”

Neena Hagen

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“With Every Breath”

Michael Sallah, Michael Korsh and Evan Robinson-Johnson, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Debbie Cenziper, ProPublica

“Waiting Game”

Charlotte Keith

Spotlight PA

“Staffing Shortages Leave Nursing Homes Overwhelmed, Patients Vulnerable, Experts Say”

Julia Maruca and Brian C. Rittmeyer

Tribune-Review

Spot/Breaking News

“Brackenridge Police Chief Fatally Shot, Tarentum Officer Injured After Pursuit”

Brian C. Rittmeyer and Maddie Aiken

Tribune-Review

“‘I Shot Him’: Police Say Gunman Confessed to Killing Popular Mogie’s Irish Pub Owner in Lower Burrell”

Kellen Stepler and Joyce Hanz

Tribune-Review

News Feature

“Lives Derailed: Six Months Later, an Unending Nightmare Continues in East Palestine”

Jordan Anderson

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Richest Little City”

Angela Couloumbis, Min Xian and Sarah Rafacz

Spotlight PA

“Hatfield’s Ferry Power Plant Demolition Embodies End of a Bygone Era”

Julia Maruca

Tribune-Review

Traditional Feature

“From Surgery ... to Soaring: Defying the Odds, a Top Pittsburgh Ballerina Leaps Back Onstage With a New Hip”

Jeremy Reynolds

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Tim Benz: From a ‘Dead Body’ to a ‘Lion,’ Duquesne's Chabi Barre Describes His Return After Frightening Collapse”

Tim Benz

Tribune-Review

“‘What We’ve Been Waiting for:’ Recalling Andrew McCutchen’s Pirates Debut

14 Years Ago Today”

Justin Guerriero

Tribune-Review

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“How the Oath Keepers Turned Pennsylvania Into a Far-right Militia Recruiting Hotbed”

Michael Korsh and Mike Wereschagin

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Shapiro Secrecy”

Angela Couloumbis, Stephen Caruso, Katie Meyer and Kate Huangpu

Spotlight PA

“Rustic Ridge Home Explosion”
Rob Amen, Brian C. Rittmeyer and Michael Divittorio
Tribune-Review

“Unsustainable Funding Model, Shrinking Workforce Leave Ambulance Services in Critical Condition”
Tawnya Panizzi
Tribune-Review

Business/Technology/Consumer

“Several Pa. Pension Systems Kept Working With Financial Adviser After SEC Settlement”
Ed Mahon
Spotlight PA

Medical/Health

“Black, Gold and Blue”
Abby Mackey
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Opioid Settlement Money”
Ed Mahon of Spotlight PA, Kate Giammarise of WESA and Sarah Boden of WESA
Spotlight PA

“Pittsburgh-Based Stroke Study Brings Improvements for Hempfield Man and Hope for a Better Future”
Julia Maruca
Tribune-Review

History/Culture

“Understanding Gangs: Finding a Way Forward”
Laura Malt Schneiderman
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“New Kensington’s Willie Thrower Cast the Mold for the Modern NFL Quarterback 70 Years Ago”
Chuck Curti
Tribune-Review

“‘Oppenheimer’ Hype Brings Lesser-Known Aspects of Atomic Age in Pittsburgh to Fore”
Jonathan D. Silver
Tribune-Review

Criticism

Scott Mervis | Reviews: “Taylor Swift Delivers,” “P!nk, Brandi Carlile Make it a Summer,”
“Brando, Dean, Mellencamp: It's a Legendary Night”

Scott Mervis

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Joshua Axelrod | Review: “FX’s ‘Justified: City Primeval,’” Review: “Pittsburgh-filmed ‘Rustin’
a Standard Biopic,” Review: “‘The Holdovers’ a Pleasant Enough Tale”

Joshua Axelrod

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“TV Talk”

Rob Owen

Tribune-Review

Lifestyle

“How D&D Helped a Dragonborn Sailor Escape a Real-Life Dungeon of Despair”

Josh Ewers

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Brides Travel From Near and Far to Say ‘Yes’ to a Dress at NYC’s World-Famous
Kleinfeld Bridal”

Gretchen McKay

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“80-year-old Equestrian and Her 20-year-old Horse Ride Into the Century Club”

Mary Ann Thomas

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“A’s Vision Is to Help Young People Get a Driver’s License”

Mary Ann Thomas

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Education

“Books Targeted for Banning By Western Pa. School Board Members Are Almost Never
Checked Out, Analysis Shows”

Megan Tomasic

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Millions in Pa. Funding Meant for Pitt and Temple Isn’t Going Directly There.
Even Lawmakers Don’t Know About It ...”

Ford Turner

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Missed Conduct”

Wyatt Massey of Spotlight PA and Josh Moyer of the Centre Daily Times
Spotlight PA

“Higher Education Beat”

Bill Schackner
Tribune-Review

Sports

“Turner Ward Promised He'd Run Through a Wall to Make a Catch for Pirates —
and Then Actually Did”

Jason Mackey
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“I Joined Kris Letang's Legendary Workout and Learned What It Takes to Be the NHL's
Most Relentless Player”

Matt Vensel
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“The PA Women Who Broke Hockey's Glass Ceiling”

Tanisha Thomas
Spotlight PA

“‘No One Has a Better Answer’: PIAA Relying On Principals to Identify Transgender Athletes”

Chris Harlan
Tribune-Review

Profile

“For North Hills Alum Margo Malone, Personal Loss Inspired ‘An Easy 26 Miles’ En Route
to Pittsburgh Marathon Win”

Tim Benz
Tribune-Review

“‘Near-death’ Experience as a Child Motivates Pitt Long Snapper Byron Floyd to Give Back”

Jerry DiPaola
Tribune-Review

“5th-generation Brewer Gets 'Memory for a Lifetime' Making Iron City in East Deer”

Kellen Stepler
Tribune-Review

Columns/Blogs

“Violence”

Lori Falce
Tribune-Review

“Penguins Perspectives”
Patrick Damp
KDKA.COM

Mark Madden Columns
Mark Madden
Tribune-Review

Editorials

Brandon McGinley: “Gainey Administration Mised Council About Police Study”;
“Police Staffing Study Lacks Credibility and Should Be Tossed”;
“Newly Revealed Matrix Proposal Raises Further Questions About Police Study”
Brandon McGinley
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

David Mills: “Congress Shamefully Failed Our Afghan Allies”;
“McCarthy Must Share Jan. 6 Tapes With All Media Equally”;
“The Supreme Court Would Help Itself By Creating a Code of Ethics”
David Mills
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Adriana E. Ramirez: “Lacking Imagination: Dropping Dolly Parton Literacy Program”;
“Allegheny County Needs to Pay Its Court-Appointed Attorneys Better”;
“Let Libraries Be Libraries, Without Political Meddling”
Adriana E. Ramirez
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Death Penalty”
Lori Falce
Tribune-Review

EXCELLENCE IN WRITTEN JOURNALISM DIVISION 2

Enterprise/Investigative

“Judge’s Endorsement Raises Eyebrows”
Kay Stephens
Altoona Mirror

“Danger Zones: Asbestos, Toxic Chemicals Among Hazards Left at Erie's Quin-T, EMI Sites”
Kevin Flowers
Erie Times-News

“As Superintendent Exited, Millcreek Schools Paid \$250,000 Settlement to Ex-personnel Chief”
Ed Palattella
Erie Times-News

Allegheny County's Pick to Run Shuman Hit With Negligence Lawsuits"
Venuri Siriwardane and Tanya Babbar
PublicSource

Spot/Breaking News

"'Never Been So Afraid': Hoax Shooter Calls Alarm Students, Parents"
Garret Roberts and Chrissy Suttles
Beaver County Times

"Train Derailment in Mahoningtown"
Debbie Wachter, Pete Sirianni, Gwen Albers and Cody Pattison
New Castle News

"'We Were All Blindsided': Chatham University Faces Multimillion-Dollar Budget Hole,
Lays Off Staff, Cuts Benefits"
Emma Folts
PublicSource

"Lakeview Community Reeling From Loss ..."
Ty Kohler
Sharon Herald

News Feature

"Industry Residents 'Exhausted' By Months of Dirty Drinking Water"
Chrissy Suttles
Beaver County Times

"Long Shot"
Marcie Schellhammer
The Bradford Era

"Family Calls for Safety Measures After Fatal Crash"
Irina Bucur
Butler Eagle

"Death of Caesar Montevecchio, 89, Marks End of Erie's 'Gangster' Era, but a Probe Lingers"
Ed Palattella
Erie Times-News

Traditional Feature

"Opposing Fans Unite for Kidney Transplant"
Rachel Foor
Altoona Mirror

“Christmas House”

Patt Keith
Altoona Mirror

“Family Ties: Brother Finds Long-Lost Sibling While Visiting Horseshoe Curve”

Nate Powles
Altoona Mirror

“Ellwood City Woman Journeys to Mount Everest Base Camp; 17,000-Foot Elevation”

Scott Tady
Beaver County Times

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“Blight Program Launches Rehabilitation Initiative”

Bill Kibler
Altoona Mirror

“Holland Towers Public Housing Complex: Strained Relations Amid Fight Against Bedbugs”

Mike Crowley
Meadville Tribune

“Why State College’s Anti-gambling Movement Failed to Stop the Nittany Mall Casino”

Lilly Riddle
News Lab at Penn State in partnership with Spotlight PA

“Suburban Ticket Splitting Spelled Defeat for Dugan, Nearly Derailed Innamorato”

Charlie Wolfson
PublicSource

Medical/Health

“Mental Health Mondays”

Staff
Observer-Reporter

“911 Becomes the Go-to Help Line for ‘High Utilizers.’ Who’s Reaching Out to Help Them?
Pittsburgh Firefighters”

Elizabeth Szeto
PublicSource

“Dealing With Dementia”

Randy Griffith, Eric Scicchitano and CNHI News
The Tribune-Democrat

“Science vs. Cancer”

Randy Griffith and Staff
The Tribune-Democrat

Science/Environment

“Inside Pennsylvania’s Monitoring of the Shell Petrochemical Complex”

Quinn Glabicki

PublicSource

History/Culture

“Uncovering Pittsburgh’s Long-hidden Asian American History Made Me Feel at Home
— and I Learned I Wasn’t Alone”

Lena Chen

PublicSource

Lifestyle

“Let’s Talk: Homan, Haigh Start Podcast to Empower Female Athletes”

Michael Boytim

Altoona Mirror

“Celiac Disease and Gluten Sensitivities: What Does It Mean To Be ‘Gluten-Free?’”

Garret Roberts

Beaver County Times

“Building Community Is at the Heart of Millvale’s ‘They Bar,’ Harold’s Haunt”

Natalie Duleba

Pittsburgh Union Progress

“‘This Is Who I Am’: The Stories of Trans Youth Who Have to Work to Be Accepted”

Steve Mellon

Pittsburgh Union Progress

Education

“Hollidaysburg Area School District”

Nate Powles

Altoona Mirror

“Blackhawk Book Bans”

Garret Roberts

Beaver County Times

“To Reconsider a Classic: Is There a Place for Harper Lee, Toni Morrison on PENNCREST
Library Shelves?”

Mike Crowley

Meadville Tribune

“Leaving the Classroom”

Joshua Byers, Eric Scicchitano and CNHI News

The Tribune-Democrat

Sports

“East Butler Baseball Locked Out”

John Enrietto, Eddie Trizzino and William Pitts

Butler Eagle

“His Many Calls Are Part of Memorable Moments for the Erie Seawolves”

Tom Reisenweber

Erie Times-News

“Round and Round With Generations Bowling League”

Mike Crowley

Meadville Tribune

“Armoni Foster: From Shy Kid to Professional Basketball Player”

Alex Topor

Meadville Tribune

Profile

“‘That Was My Life’: Jones at 100”

Mike Crowley

Meadville Tribune

“Donora Native Charting Her Own Path as Second Lady of Pennsylvania”

Mike Jones

Observer-Reporter

“City of Asylum Artist-in-residence Mai Khôi Says Her Message ‘Still Focuses on Freedom of Expression’”

Hannah Wyman

Pittsburgh Union Progress

“Michael Fanone”

Melissa Klaric

Sharon Herald

Columns/Blogs

“Newspaper Week”; “Love”; “Mail Thief”

Marcie Schellhammer

The Bradford Era

“Au79”; “Petersen Events Center”; “Shenango Girls”

Cody Pattison

New Castle News

“Markie Mason”; “What's Going on in NCASD”; “No, You're Saying It Wrong”
Pete Sirianni
New Castle News

Editorials

“April Sloane Should Resign” and others
Brad Hundt
Observer-Reporter

“Our View”
Eric Poole
Sharon Herald

Editorials by Chip Minemyer, The Tribune-Democrat, Johnstown, Pa.
Chip Minemyer
The Tribune-Democrat

Editorials by Mark Pesto, The Tribune-Democrat, Johnstown, Pa.
Mark Pesto
The Tribune-Democrat

**EXCELLENCE IN WRITTEN JOURNALISM
DIVISION 3**

Enterprise/Investigative

“Fighting Eminent Domain: As Alcosan Buys up Properties for Its Clean Water Plan,
Some Property Owners Defend Their Turf”
Tim Schooley
Pittsburgh Business Times

“Deaths in Pa. Jails Are Undercounted. Our Investigation Found Dozens of Hidden Cases”
Brittany Hailer and Joshua Vaughn
Pittsburgh Institute for Nonprofit Journalism

“Detangling the Legal Issues of the Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooter Trial”
David Rullo
Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

Spot/Breaking News

“Summerset Vandalized With Antisemitic and Other Hateful Messages”
Adam Reinherz
Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

“1 Officer Dead, Another Hurt in Shootout”
Jason Togyer and Vickie Babyak
Tube City Almanac

News Feature

“Church Challenge: Religious Properties in Flux Throughout the East End”

Tim Schooley

Pittsburgh Business Times

“Yahrzeit Plaques and Other Mementos Collected, as Tree of Life Prepares for Future”

Adam Reinherz

Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

“South Side’s Bad Reputation May Be Contributing to its Gentrification”

David S. Rotenstein

NEXTPittsburgh

Traditional Feature

“Fast and Furious Drama at Ambridge Turtle Racing”

Roman Hladio

NEXTPittsburgh

“What Happened to Pittsburgh’s Nightclub Scene? It's Complicated”

Colin Williams

Pittsburgh City Paper

“Pop Art Profit!”

Brian Conway

Pittsburgh Independent

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“How a Massive Water Rate Increase Proposal Was Derailed By Citizens”

Ann Belser

NEXTPittsburgh

“City Plans Replacement of Chestnut Street Bricks, Rail Removal”

Sean Ray

The Northside Chronicle

Medical/Health

“Study on Health Benefits of Neville Island Coke Plant Closure Raises Questions About Clairton”

Roman Hladio

NEXTPittsburgh

“In Float Tanks, Pittsburghers Find Pain Relief, Relaxation, and Cosmic Visions”

Rachel Wilkinson

Pittsburgh City Paper

Science/Environment

“Solutions to Environmental Health Challenges in Western Pennsylvania”

Kristina Marusic

Environmental Health News

“Concerns Swirl Over Clairton”

Paul J. Gough

Pittsburgh Business Times

“Penguins and Pals’ Environmental ‘Pledge’ Promises Next to Nothing”

Nick Keppler

Pittsburgh Independent

History/Culture

“DEADLINES PAST | Dante ‘Tex’ Gill: A Study in Organized Crime, Sex-for-sale and Gender Identity”

Elizabeth Perry

Gazette 2.0

“From America to Africa: Hip-Hop in the Motherland 50 Years Later”

Anthony Carlisle and LaMont Jones

New Pittsburgh Courier

“Pittsburgh’s Muddy History as a Pig Paradise”

Rachel Wilkinson

Pittsburgh City Paper

“Civil War Seder Memorialized in Fayetteville”

Adam Reinherz

Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

Arts/Entertainment

“From America to Africa: Hip-Hop in the Motherland 50 Years Later”

Anthony Carlisle and LaMont Jones

New Pittsburgh Courier

“30 Years Later, Action Movie Classic ‘Striking Distance’ Still Hits”

Rachel Wilkinson

Pittsburgh City Paper

“Barbara Kingsolver Talks About Country, Class and Community in Her Appalachian Masterpiece, ‘Demon Copperhead’ ”

Jody DiPerna

Pittsburgh Institute for Nonprofit Journalism

Criticism

“Critical views of the 58th Carnegie International”

Mary Thomas
NEXTPittsburgh

Three Theater Reviews

Sharon Eberson
onStage Pittsburgh

Lifestyle

“Fish Sandwich Chronicles 2023”

Patty Tascarella
Pittsburgh Business Times

“Pittsburgh's Favorite Tourist Spot Poses Enduring Challenges for Disabled Community”

Bill Zlatos
Pittsburgh City Paper

“For Gaylors, Taylor Swift’s Eras Tour Hits Different”

Ali Trachta
Pittsburgh City Paper

“Nostalgia por la comida mexicana en Pittsburgh”

Oscar Zapata and Tom O'Connor
Pittsburgh Independent

Education

“Industrial Studio’s No-Cost Teen Metalworking Program Teaches Much More Than Welding”

Juliet Martinez
The Homepage

“Pittsburgh Public Schools' Lack of Students May Force Closings”

Ann Belser
NEXTPittsburgh

“Changing of the Guard”

Jordyn Hronec and Zach Zimmerman
Pittsburgh Business Times

“Protecting Children From Trauma During the Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooting Trial”

Adam Reinherz
Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

Sports

“Bethel Park Native Wins NCAA Title in Wrestling”

Eleanor Bailey

The Almanac

“ABA in Pittsburgh Is a Convoluted Mess”

Thomas Leturgey

New Pittsburgh Courier

“Whole New Game: New NIL Rules Driving Opportunities
for Student-Athletes, Businesses”

Mike Larson

Pittsburgh Business Times

“Memories of the Monroeville Ice Palace Remain Frozen in Time 40 Years On”

Rachel Wilkinson

Pittsburgh City Paper

Profile

“Women of Influence, Career Achievement: Doris Carson Williams, African American Chamber
of Commerce of Western Pennsylvania”

Jordyn Hronec

Pittsburgh Business Times

“Nick Offerman Promises to Be ‘Generally Redolent of Condiments’ When He
Returns to Pittsburgh”

Rachel Wilkinson

Pittsburgh City Paper

“Lawyer Who Represents the ‘Worst of the Worst’ Leads Defense in Synagogue Massacre Trial”

Toby Tabachnick

Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

Columns/Blogs

“KSWA Digest Is About History and People in Pro Wrestling in Pittsburgh”

Thomas Leturgey

KSWA Digest

Tony Norman Columns on Pittsburgh’s Black Community

Tony Norman

NEXTPittsburgh

“After the Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooting Trial: A Reporter Reflects”

David Rullo

Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

Editorials

Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle Editorials
Toby Tabachnick
Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

**EXCELLENCE IN WRITTEN JOURNALISM
DIVISION 4****Enterprise/Investigative**

“Pittsburgh Tomorrow”

Douglas Heuck
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Pittsburgh Immigration Series”

Douglas Heuck, Tracy Certo, Aakanksha Agarwal and Jeffery Fraser
Pittsburgh Quarterly

News Feature

“The Carnegie International – Is It Time to Rethink Pittsburgh's Most August Art Exhibit”

Vicky Clark
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Saving a Pittsburgh Arts Center”

Douglas Heuck
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“The War Against Aesthetics in Contemporary Art”

Stuart Sheppard
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Traditional Feature

“Being Social”

Barbara Klein
Carnegie Magazine

“The Great Chocolate-Eating Contest of Kathmandu”

Bill Zlatos
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“The Big Picture”

Stephanie Hacke
Mt. Lebanon Magazine

“The Broken Politics of Allegheny County”
Douglas Heuck
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Business/Technology/Consumer

“Path to the Top”
Rob Taylor
Heinz Endowments (h magazine)

“Planning for the Next Stage”
Carrie Moniot
Mt. Lebanon Magazine

“Fired Up! In the Shadow of the Carrie Furnace Complex, Film Studios Are on the Rise”
Maria Sciallo
Pittsburgh Magazine

“The Past and Future of Trains”
Julia Fraser
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Medical/Health

“A Family's Autism Journey”
Ahan Maiti
Mt. Lebanon Magazine

“A Moving Story: Spinal Cord Stimulators Restore Hand and Arm Function After Paralysis”
Michael Aubele
Pitt Med

“Outside Influences: Healing Happens Through Connection”
Andrew Doerfler
Pitt Med

“Cultivating Equanimity: Med Students Learn to Attend to Their Minds So That They Can Better Attend to Patients”
Erica Lloyd
Pitt Med

Science/Environment

“What Would Rachel Carson Say?”
Daryln Hoffstot
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Daryl Hoffstot Portfolio”
Daryl Hoffstot
Pittsburgh Quarterly

History/Culture

“The Carnegie International -- Is it Time to Rethink Pittsburgh's Most August Art Exhibit”
Vicky Clark
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Instant Families: Adoption in the Baby Scoop Era”
Tim Ziaukas
Western Pennsylvania History Magazine

“The Brave Chaos: An Analysis of the Ku Klux Klan's Attack on Lilly, Pennsylvania”
Nicholas Lasinsky
Western Pennsylvania History Magazine

Arts/Entertainment

“A Revolution, Revisited”
Justin Hopper
Carnegie Magazine

“The Art and Science of Preservation”
Chris Fleisher
Carnegie Magazine

“Class in Session”
Barbara Klein
Carnegie Magazine

“Giving Writers Back Their Voices: A Year After the Horrific Attack on Salman Rusdie,
the Work of Pittsburgh's City of Asylum Is Needed More than Ever”
Cristina Rouvalis
Pittsburgh Magazine

Criticism

Stuart Sheppard Portfolio 1
Stuart Sheppard
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Stuart Sheppard Portfolio 2
Stuart Sheppard
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Lifestyle

“Where Everybody Knows Your Name”

Bob Batz Jr.

Mt. Lebanon Magazine

“The Private Lives of Baseball Wives”

Emily Catalano

Pittsburgh Magazine

“Fall in the Forest”

Meg St-Esprit

Pittsburgh Magazine

“The Great Chocolate-Eating Contest of Kathmandu”

Bill Zlatos

Pittsburgh Quarterly

Education

“Voices Against Hate”

Cristina Rouvalis

Heinz Endowments (h magazine)

“The Future of Higher Education Is Already Here: After the Release of ChatGPT, Professors at Pittsburgh’s Colleges and Universities Are Grappling With New Artificial Intelligence Tools Will Change Work in the Classroom”

Emma Malinak and Abby Yoder

Pittsburgh Magazine

“Defeating Dyslexia: Provident Charter School, the State's First Public School Aimed at Helping Students Overcome Dyslexia, Uses a Mind, Body and Soul Approach to Learning”

Amy Whipple

Pittsburgh Magazine

“Making Higher Education Affordable”

Julia Fraser

Pittsburgh Quarterly

Sports

“Coaching Your Kids”

Shelly Anderson

Mt. Lebanon Magazine

“The Ultimate Guide to Pickleball in Pittsburgh”

Emily Catalano

Pittsburgh Magazine

“Radio Rich”
Bill Christine
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Victim of the Life He Led”
Clayton Trutor
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Profile

“Bringing Ancient Egypt Alive”
Cristina Rouvalis
Carnegie Magazine

“Mt. Lebanon Grad Recognized for LGBTQ Activism”
Anna Mares
Mt. Lebanon Magazine

“Radio Rich”
Bill Christine
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Columns/Blogs

“Parenting Column”
Melanie Sisinni
Faith

“Dahn Memory Lane” History Column
Virginia Montanez
Pittsburgh Magazine

Editorials

Heuck Portfolio
Douglas Heuck
Pittsburgh Quarterly

EXCELLENCE IN VIDEO/BROADCAST JOURNALISM

Enterprise/Investigative

“KDKA Investigates: Outrageous Towing”
Andy Sheehan and Jeremy Stockdill
KDKA-TV

“Action News Investigates: Delayed Dioxin Testing in East Palestine”
WTAE Staff
WTAE-TV

Spot/Breaking News

“Garfield Standoff”

KDKA-TV News Team

KDKA-TV

“East Palestine Train Derailment”

KDKA-TV News Team

KDKA-TV

“Derailment Aftermath”

WTAE Staff

WTAE-TV

Documentary

“With Every Breath: The Human Toll of Philips’ CPAP Recall”

Benjamin B. Braun, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Liz Moughon, ProPublica

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“Downtown’s Rebound: Is Gainey Gaining Ground?”

Andy Sheehan, Jeremy Stockdill and Dennis Lane

KDKA-TV

“WTAE Listens: Shell Cracker Plant”

WTAE Staff

WTAE-TV

News Feature

“Miracle on the Parkway”

Jennifer Borrasso and Bryan Orr

KDKA-TV

Business/Technology/Consumer

“Schell Games Bridges Humanities and STEM”

Rosemary Martinelli and Paul Ruggieri

“Humanities Works” – Glass Valley Media, LLC and The Pennsylvania State University

“Honda Window Worries”

Meghan Schiller and Bryan Orr

KDKA-TV

“Spinal Cord Stimulation”

Gina Catanzarite, Luise Caster and Tim Betler

UPMC Physician Journal video news magazine

Medical/Health

“Concussion Treatment: Pittsburgh Is Ground Zero”

Steve Benko, Chris Hoffman and Ian Smith

KDKA-TV

“Foot Fat Grafting”

Gina Catanzarite, Zak Boyle and Tom Fisher

UPMC Physician Journal video news magazine

Science/Environment

“Earth 365”

KDKA-TV First Alert Weather Team

KDKA-TV

“Derailment Aftermath: Personal Impact Stories”

WTAE Staff

WTAE-TV

History/Culture

“Still Marching: Local Reflections on the March on Washington 60 Years Later”

Lisa Smith and Rob Hopson

KDKA-TV

“Remembering JFK's Visit to Aliquippa”

WTAE Staff

WTAE-TV

Arts/Entertainment

“South Side Color Wall”

Royce Jones and Gerome Williams

KDKA-TV

“Cathedral Dinner Concert to Benefit Pipe Organ”

Debbie Wachter

New Castle News

Education

“The Queens Gambit – From the Chess Board to the Board Room: Life Lessons on 64 Squares”

Rosemary Martinelli and Paul Ruggieri

“Humanities Works” – Glass Valley Media, LLC and The Pennsylvania State University

“Back to School”

KDKA-TV News Team

KDKA-TV

“Teacher of the Month”
WTAE Staff
WTAE-TV

Sports

“Steelers Monday”
Rich Walsh and Ian Smith
KDKA-TV

“WPXI Black & Gold Zone Countdown to Kickoff”
Dean Iampietro, Jenna Harner, Kellie Burkett and WPXI Staff
WPXI-TV

“Black & Gold Prime-Time”
WTAE Staff
WTAE-TV

Profile

“Schell Games Bridges Humanities and STEM”
Rosemary Martinelli and Paul Ruggieri
“Humanities Works” – Glass Valley Media, LLC and The Pennsylvania State University

“The Queens Gambit – From the Chess Board to the Board Room: Life Lessons on 64 Squares”
Rosemary Martinelli and Paul Ruggieri
“Humanities Works” – Glass Valley Media, LLC and The Pennsylvania State University

“70th Annual KDKA Free Care Fund Telethon: Daily Miracles at UPMC Children's”
KDKA-TV News Team
KDKA-TV

EXCELLENCE IN AUDIO JOURNALISM

Enterprise/Investigative

“Hydrogen Is Coming to Pennsylvania”
Reid Frazier
The Allegheny Front

“Evolution of Point Park” (Series)
Oliver Morrison
WESA

Spot/Breaking News

“Carnegie Natural History Museum Adopts New Human Remains Policy,
Removes Iconic Diorama”
Bill O'Driscoll
WESA

“Amid Pressure From the Diocese of Pittsburgh, Organizers of LGBTQ Solidarity Mass Cancel Service”

Jillian Forstadt
WESA

“The Brewery Stays — State College Borough Council Votes to Repeal Previous Eminent Domain Resolution”

James Engel
WPSU-FM

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“A New Ohio Law Encourages Fracking on State Land, Including Parks”

Julie Grant
The Allegheny Front

“The Confluence: How Survivors and Families Impacted by the Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooting Can Access Support”

Kevin Gavin, Marylee Williams, Laura Tsutsu and Emma Furry
WESA

“The Confluence: Pittsburgh Community Groups Say They Need Support Tackling ‘Violence Pandemic’ ”

Kiley Koscinski, Marylee Williams, Laura TsuTsui and Emma Furry
WESA

“Child Predator Hunter Group in Central Pennsylvania Faces Legal Pushback”

Sydney Roach
WPSU-FM

News Feature

“Community Attends ‘Calling Hours,’ A Memorial for its Deceased Coal Plant”

Julie Grant
The Allegheny Front

“From the Source Season 4: Featuring Youth Experience, Culture and Voices in the Pittsburgh Area”

Jourdan Hicks and Liz Reid
PublicSource

“Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooting Survivors, Families Lean on Each Other Before Trial”

Kiley Koscinski
WESA

Traditional Feature

“East Palestine Drama Students Persevere Through Catastrophic Disruption”

Oliver Morrison

WESA

“ ‘The Last Thing That Made East Liberty, East Liberty’: Customers Flock to Vento's for One Last Slice”

Oliver Morrison

WESA

“Alcohol Made From Sunflower Seeds?! A Tour of a New Distillery and Educational Center in Kane”

Sydney Roach

WPSU-FM

Business/Technology/Consumer

“Could Stricter Rules Make Hazardous Material Transport Safer?”

Reid Frazier

The Allegheny Front

“The Modest Heat Pump Could Be a Climate Solution, but Getting Them Into Houses Will Be Hard”

Reid Frazier

The Allegheny Front

“After U.S. Steel Announces Sale, Reactions Range From Outrage to Concern”

Oliver Morrison

WESA

Medical/Health

“Health Care Has s Massive Carbon Footprint. These UPMC Doctors Are Trying to Change That”

Reid Frazier

The Allegheny Front

“Pennsylvania's Opioid Settlement Money” (Series with Spotlight PA)

Kate Giammarise, Sarah Boden and Ed Mahon (Spotlight PA)

WESA

“Beth Dolinar – 'Alone: Isolation Hurts’”

Jim Cunningham

WQED-FM

Science/Environment

“Forest Owners Look to the Carbon Market to Help Manage Their Trees”

Kara Holsopple

The Allegheny Front

“East Palestine Derailment Aftermath”

Oliver Morrison

WESA

History/Culture

“Historic Bridge Piers Are up for Sale on Pittsburgh’s Monongahela River”

Katie Blackley

WESA

“Good Question! The Ghost Toilet on Pittsburgh’s South Side Offers Lessons for Downtown’s New Public Bathrooms”

Jakob Lazzaro

WESA

“Freedom House Ambulance – Annette Banks”

Anna Singer

WQED-FM

“Samuel Black – The Negro Motorist Green Book”

Anna Singer

WQED-FM

Arts/Entertainment

“Werner Herzog, Steelers Fan? Tracing the Filmmaker’s Pittsburgh Ties”

Bill O’Driscoll

WESA

“Daniel Singer – Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh”

Anna Singer

WQED-FM

Lifestyle

“Considering Saying 'I Do' to a Green Wedding”

Elaina King-Bryce

The Allegheny Front

“Meet Tom Seven, Who Ran Every Single Street in the City of Pittsburgh”

Katie Blackley

WESA

Education

“Calls for Budget Transparency Reach a Fever Pitch as Pittsburgh Public Schools Faces Large Cuts”

Oliver Morrison and Jillian Forstadt
WESA

“Students With Disabilities Held at Allegheny County Jail Face Discrimination, Complaint Alleges”

Jillian Forstadt and Julia Zenkevich
WESA

“With 14 Challenged Books, Pine-Richland School District Wades Into Pa. Book Ban Debate”

Jillian Forstadt

WESA

“Central and Northern PA School Districts and Companies Struggle to Find Bus Drivers”

Sydney Roach

WPSU-FM

Sports

“The North Shore Drive Podcast: Should the Steelers Trade Away Mike Tomlin This Offseason?”

Chris Carter and Ray Fittipaldo
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“The North Shore Drive Podcast: Should Mason Rudolph Keep the Steelers' Starting QB Job?”

Chris Carter and Ray Fittipaldo
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Pittsburgh’s Roller Derby Youth Cruise to National Championships, Where Teams Center Inclusivity”

Jillian Forstadt
WESA

Profile

“Werner Herzog, Steelers Fan? Tracing the Filmmaker's Pittsburgh Ties”

Bill O'Driscoll
WESA

“Brett McCutcheon”

Emily Brunner
WQED-FM

“Tim Kaiser”

Jim Cunningham
WQED-FM

**EXCELLENCE IN WRITTEN JOURNALISM
IN JOURNALISTIC CRAFT ACHIEVEMENT**

Spot News Photo

“Historic Center Avenue Building Burns”

Molly Miller

Butler Eagle

“Anti-trans Speaker Met With Protests”

Alexandra Wimley

Pittsburgh Union Progress

“Pro-Palestinian Rally in Pittsburgh”

Massoud Hossaini

Tribune-Review

“Rustic Ridge Aerial View”

Sean Stipp

Tribune-Review

Feature Photo

“Jala Rucker – Bridge to Equity, Affordable Housing”

Jim Harris

Pittsburgh Business Times

“Who Brings a Crock Pot to the Airport?”

Sebastian Foltz

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“All Aboard”

Matthew Malkiewicz

Pittsburgh Quarterly

Feature Video

“Where Is Home”

Benjamin B. Braun

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Sports Photo

“Pitt’s Donovan McMillan, 3, Stops Cincinnati Running Back Emory Jones”

Sebastian Foltz

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Deer Lakes Stuns Four-time Defending Champion OLSH for Thrilling 61-60 Win”

Emily Matthews

Pittsburgh Union Progress

“Cruz Injures Ankle”
Christopher Horner
Tribune-Review

“Williams Recovers Fumble”
Chaz Palla
Tribune-Review

Personality Profile Photo

“The Artist at Home”

John Beale
NEXTPittsburgh

“Fast Old Man”
John Beale
NEXTPittsburgh

“Vietnamese Singer/Songwriter and Activist Mai Khôi”
Nate Guidry
Pittsburgh Union Progress

Photo Essay

“One Speed”

John Beale
NEXTPittsburgh

“Downtown Now”
Jim Harris
Pittsburgh Business Times

“Gunman Dead After Hourslong Standoff”
Benjamin B. Braun, Sebastian Foltz, Lucy Schaly and Teegan Staudenmeier
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“In Wilkinsburg, ‘Once We Break Those Curses, They Turn Into a Strength’”
Quinn Glabicki, Stephanie Strasburg and Rich Lord
PublicSource

Editorial Cartoon

“Climate Change”

John Kichi
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“The Lumberjack Murders”
John Kichi
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Snow Man”
Tim Menees
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Animation/Motion Graphics

“The Defect Inside Phillips' Breathing Machines”
James Hilston and Ed Yozwick
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Open-air Gun Range Causes Concerns”
Ed Yozwick
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Illustration: News or Feature

“Women’s Health Guide”
James Hilston
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Missing Pieces”
Daniel Marsula
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Trolley Christmas”
George Schill
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Page Design – Print

“Being Social”
Michael Kainaroi
Carnegie Magazine

“The Wall Street of Pittsburgh”
Huck Beard
Pittsburgh Magazine

“Pittsburgh Tomorrow”
Anita DuFalla
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Cover Design – Print

“Apsaalooke Stories”
Michael Kainaroi
Carnegie Magazine

“Foodie Road Trips: 6 Adventures With Fork & Knife”
Huck Beard
Pittsburgh Magazine

“Opening Day”
Steve Ziants
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Digital Presentation

“Custodians of Collections”
Chris Fleisher
Carnegie Magazine

“Points of Pride: PublicSource Maps and Chronicles the Strengths of Diverse Communities”
PublicSource Staff
PublicSource

“Broken Code”
Kate Huangpu of Spotlight PA, Carter Walker of Votebeat and Jeff Rummel of Spotlight PA
Spotlight PA

Multiplatform Project

“Udder Devotion”
Vincent Dragone
Faith

“Uptown Unveiled”
Laura Pace Lilley, Carrie Moniot, Stephanie Hacke and Ian McMeans
Mt. Lebanon Magazine

“Stormwater Fee Increase”
Carrie Moniot, Merle Jantz, Stephanie Hacke and Ian McMeans
Mt. Lebanon Magazine

“Uneven Scales”
Lajja Mistry, Stephanie Mirah and Natasha Vicens
PublicSource

EXCELLENCE IN COLLABORATION

“Power Shift: Dozens of the Pittsburgh Area's Top Institutions Are Going Through Leadership Changes. The Turnover Could Echo for Decades”
Pittsburgh Magazine Staff and PublicSource Staff
Pittsburgh Magazine and PublicSource

“Coughing up Black”

Madaleine Rubin, Claire Gardner, Michael Korsh and Mike Wereschagin
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“A Criminal Solution”

Brittany Hailer of the Pittsburgh Institute for Nonprofit Journalism;
Danielle Ohl, Sarah Hutchins and Matt Dempsey of Spotlight PA
Spotlight PA and Pittsburgh Institute for Nonprofit Journalism

STUDENT COMPETITION

STUDENT EXCELLENCE IN WRITTEN JOURNALISM

News

“10 Years After Drug Charges, SAE Approved to Return to Campus”

Anna Westbrook
The Campus (Allegheny College)

“National Museum of Broadcasting: Pittsburgh's Roots in Radio”

Melanie Kawai McGinniss
Penn State Greater Allegheny GA-Zette

Feature

“‘Full-court Press on Breastfeeding Promotion’: WVU Opens New Nursing Pod at Coliseum”

Lara Bonatesta
The Daily Athenaeum (West Virginia University)

“Boston Marathon Runner With a Cause”

Bella Abbott
The Duquesne Duke (Duquesne University)

“Life in the Gray Zone”

Hunter Smith
Penn State Curley Center

Sports

“Absolute Knockout: MMA Featherweight Punches Up”

Spencer Thomas
Off the Bluff (Duquesne University)

Columns

“Combatting Hate With Mercy – Jewish Perspective on Tree of Life”

Eliyahu Gasson
The Duquesne Duke (Duquesne University)

“Opinion: From Where I Sit – Lessons From My Grandmother”
Melanie Kawai McGinniss
Penn State Greater Allegheny GA-Zette

Editorials

“‘Barbie’ Is More Than a Blockbuster”
Sam Heilmann
The Campus (Allegheny College)

“The Penn State Board of Trustees Must Address Transparency, Revive Lost Trust”
Olivia Woodring
The Daily Collegian (Penn State University)

“Choosing Light Over Darkness”
Melanie Kawai McGinniss
Penn State Greater Allegheny GA-Zette

Criticism

“A Boogie Wit Da Hoodie: Petersen Events Center Packed With Fans”
Noah Phillip Hill
Penn State Greater Allegheny GA-Zette

“Hawthorne Heights ‘Rocks Out’ the Roxian to Delighted Fans”
Brandon Michael Schuetz
Penn State Greater Allegheny GA-Zette

STUDENT EXCELLENCE IN VIDEO/BROADCAST JOURNALISM

News

“Estonia’s Past Influences Current Military Stance”
Carlos Garcia
Centre County Report (Penn State University)

“PA State Police Applications Jump After Elimination of College Credit Requirement”
Olivia Jean
Centre County Report (Penn State University)

Feature

“The HK Unicorn Squad: Empowering Women and Girls in Estonia”
Hanna Markovich
Centre County Report (Penn State University)

“An Education Far From War”
Anjelica Rubin
Centre County Report (Penn State University)

Sports

“ ‘Kaalul On Rohkem Kui Medal’ (More Than a Medal Is at Stake)”

Joe Callahan Jr.

Centre County Report (Penn State University)

“Rallying ‘4’ Max”

Carlos Garcia

Centre County Report (Penn State University)

“Fighting for Rudy: A Source of Inspiration”

Dugan Lloyd

Centre County Report (Penn State University)

Newscast

“Centre County Report: October 13, 2023”

Centre County Report staff

Centre County Report (Penn State University)

“U-View Midterm Election Show”

Addison Diehl, Nick Konopka, Kalliyen Winder and U-View Team

Point Park University

STUDENT EXCELLENCE IN AUDIO JOURNALISM

News

“Communiqué Dart Podcast: Some Students Left Shocked, Others Ready to Get to Work in Response to HARP Study Findings”

Alice Crow

Chatham University Communiqué student news outlet

James Engel Compilation

James Engel

Penn State Curley Center

Feature

“Franco's Immaculate Legacy” Series

Team

Penn State Curley Center

Sports

“Luke and Tannor Sit Down with WVU Athletic Director Wren Baker”

Tannor Lambert and Luke Blain

WVU-FM (West Virginia University)

“The Girls Who Get It”
Kaeli Ricottilli
The Daily Athenaeum (West Virginia University)

STUDENT EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISTIC CRAFT ACHIEVEMENT

News Photo

“ ‘Four’ward, not ‘Four’gotten – March for Osaze,
Melanie Morrison”
Jackson Ranger
The Daily Collegian (Penn State University)

“Lighting the Way to 2024”
Melanie Kawai McGinniss
Penn State Greater Allegheny GA-Zette

Feature Photo

“Joe Humphreys”
James Engel
The Daily Collegian (Penn State University)

“Holi Celebration Features”
Jackson Ranger
The Daily Collegian (Penn State University)

“What a Pest!”
Melanie Kawai McGinniss
Penn State Greater Allegheny GA-Zette

Sports Photo

“PSU Football v. Iowa, Captains Enter”
Tyler Mantz
The Daily Collegian (Penn State University)

“Cup Consolation”
Rafaela Pontes
Penn State Curley Center

“Crowded Contact”
Rafaela Pontes
Penn State Curley Center

“A Happy Heart”
Rafaela Pontes
Penn State Curley Center

News Videography

“Artists Showcase Work, Share Experience at 2023 Central Pennsylvania Festival of the Arts”

Brenanne Axelson and Alex Osman

The Daily Collegian (Penn State University)

Feature Videography

“Pittsburgh Coffee Week”

Emma Polen, Emily Fritz and Emily Ambery

The Duquesne Duke (Duquesne University)

“Abuela’s Love: Lilli in Red”

Liana Simmons

Penn State Curley Center

Sports Videography

“‘He’ll Learn From This’ | Franklin Reflects on Drew Allar’s First Road Performance”

Alison Noll

The Daily Collegian (Penn State University)

“Long in the Making”

Auveonna Perkins

Penn State Curley Center

Page Layout/Design

“Spring 2023 Fashion Issue”

Emma Polen

The Duquesne Duke (Duquesne University)

Editorial Cartoon

“Collective Cartoons and Comics of Samuel Adekola”

Samuel Adekola

Penn State Greater Allegheny GA-Zette

Multimedia Presentation

“Duquesne University Investigates”

Zach Petroff

Duquesne University Investigates