

The **PRESS** Club of Western Pennsylvania

FINALISTS OF 2020 TRI-STATE GOLDEN QUILL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM, MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA, EASTERN OHIO AND NORTHERN WEST VIRGINIA

Winners will be announced at the Golden Quill dinner, now scheduled
for Thursday, Sept. 3, 2020, at Rivers Casino.

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EXCELLENCE IN WRITTEN JOURNALISM — DAILY

Enterprise/Investigative

“Growing up Through the Cracks”
Growing up Through the Cracks Team
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Coverings”
Peter Smith, Shelly Bradbury, Stephanie Strasburg
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“The Human Toll”
David Templeton, Don Hopey
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Spot/Breaking News

“Jury Finds Ellis Guilty on All Charges”
Kay Stephens
Altoona Mirror

“In the Death of Antwon Rose”
Death of Antwon Rose Team
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“‘The Deal Is Done’: UPMC and Highmark Reach 10-year Pact”
Kris B. Mamula, Liz Navratil
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Greatest of All American Values”
David Hurst, Mark Pesto, Staff
Tribune-Democrat

News Feature

“Killing The Strip: What Will The Development Boom Mean for the Merchants That Keep The Strip District Funky?”
Mark Belko, Jessie Wardarski
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“90-Year-Old Homicide Victim Was Once Linked to Contract Killing”
Jonathan D. Silver
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Unsung heroes: Pittsburgh Men, Decades-Long Study Impact HIV/AIDS Research”
Deb Erdley, Jamie Martines
Tribune-Review

“The Horror and the Healing: A Year After Oct. 27, 2018, Pittsburghers Still Grieve — and Remain Resolute”
Megan Guza
Tribune-Review

Traditional Feature

“Port in a Storm”
Hannah Lynn
Pittsburgh City Paper

“Release of Final Lopez Record, ‘Heart Punch,’ Is a Tribute to Jesse Flati’s Life, Work and Spirit”
Margaret Welsh
Pittsburgh Current

“ ‘I Am the Blues’ — August Wilson Was the Blues, and Ma Rainey Was His Muse”
Sharon Eberson
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“The Horror and the Healing”

Megan Guza

Tribune-Review

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“A Grave Burden”

Tim Grant

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Tearing Down History”

Sean D. Hamill

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“The Evolving State of Medical Marijuana”

John Finnerty, David Hurst, CNHI Pennsylvania staff

Tribune-Democrat

“Unsung Heroes: Pittsburgh Men, Decades-Long Study Impact HIV/AIDS Research”

Deb Erdley

Tribune-Review

Business/Technology/Consumer

“Can an Indian Conglomerate Bring Back American Steel?”

Daniel Moore

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Disgruntled Customers Say They Were Taken for a Ride by Limo Booking Business”

Patricia Sabatini

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“How Much Does Health Care Cost? It Depends, and That’s the Problem”

Steve Twedt

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Medical/Health

“Boy’s Lead Poisoning Pushes Grandmother to Assert Tenant Rights”

Jill Daly

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Blood Money: Selling Plasma Spackles Holes in Fraying Personal Budgets”

Kris B. Mamula

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Lower Burrell Woman’s Story Personifies Failures in Medicaid Waiver Program”

Deb Erdley

Tribune-Review

Science/Environment

“Will Two Fires in Six Months and a Lawsuit Finally Force Clairton Coke Works to Clean Up Its Act?”

Rebecca Addison

Pittsburgh Current

“Air Quality Issues at the Clairton Coke Works”

Don Hopey

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Years After Record Marcellus Shale Fine Was Dropped, Gas Leak Continues in Lycoming County”

Laura Legere

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Clairton Air Quality Remains an Ongoing Concern”

Jamie Martines

Tribune-Review

History/Culture

“D-Day: The Beginning of the End | 75th Anniversary”

Torsten Ove, Nate Guidry

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“From Bondage to Freedom”

Dave Sutor, John Finnerty, CNHI Pennsylvania staff

Tribune-Democrat

“40 years Ago, Three Mile Island Had the Nation on Edge”

Paul Guggenheimer

Tribune-Review

“Killings of UMWA Leader Jock Yablonski, His Family Shocked Western Pa. 50 Years Ago”

Paul Guggenheimer

Tribune-Review

Arts/Entertainment

“There Are Black People in the Future”
There Are Black People in the Future Team
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Extra, Extra, Read All About It”
Bill Zlatos
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Woodstock: 3 Days of Peace and Music That Defined an Era Turns 50”
Jason Cato
Tribune-Review

“Rock on: WDVE’s Sean McDowell Has Been Spinning the Classics for 4 Decades”
JoAnne Harrop
Tribune-Review

Lifestyle

“I Took Pittsburgh Tap Water to the Academy Awards of Water. Here’s How It Fared.”
Rossilynne Culgan
The Incline

“Wedding Soup Is Marriage Made in Heaven”
Gretchen McKay
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Education

“In Leechburg, an Elementary School Stands Against a Tide of Poverty”
Matt McKinney
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“In Pa., Drunken Driving and Other Crimes Don’t Mean You Can’t Teach”
Matt McKinney
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“As a Storied Program Ends, Students With Physical Disabilities at Edinboro U. Face a Painful Choice; What Happens to Them Now?”
Bill Schackner
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Small Private Colleges Struggling to Succeed”
Bill Schackner
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Sports

“His Own Tune”
Tom Reisenweber
Erie Times-News

“How Randy Bates Beat Cancer and Kept It ‘Within the Family’”
John McGonigal
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Comeback Kid: MP’s Giallonardo Inspires With Return to Baseball”
Bill Beckner
Tribune-Review

“Blass Takes Final Bow as Pirates Broadcaster”
Paul Guggenheimer
Tribune-Review

Profile

“ ‘It Was Fun, But It Was Sad and Sometimes Nerve-Wracking,’ Sheriff Says
of 50 Years in Police Work”
Michael A. Fuoco
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Red Sauce Redemption: Chef Overcomes Opiate Addiction to Live a Dream”
Dan Gigler
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Dreams of a Dreamer”
Gretchen McKay
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Outsourced Sacrifice”
Bill Zlatos
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Columns/Blogs

“Restore Pennsylvania Proposal Could Heal a Host of Ills”
“Pennsylvania Is Failing Victims of Abuse in Biblical Fashion”
“A Community College Would at Last Lift Up All of Erie’s Residents”
Lisa Thompson
Erie Times-News

“Voices”
Tereneh Idia
Pittsburgh City Paper

Tony Norman: “Sweat Equity” Column
Tony Norman
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Columns by Brian O’Neill
Brian O’Neill
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Editorials

“Pass Public Worker Safety Bill”
“Open Doors of Courtroom to Victims”
“Students Must Learn Evil’s History”
Lisa Thompson
Erie Times-News

Karen Kane Editorials
Karen Kane
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Lori Falce editorials
Lori Falce
Tribune-Review

EXCELLENCE IN WRITTEN JOURNALISM — NONDAILY

Enterprise/Investigative

“Who Will Save Us?”
Lori Boone
BeaverCountian.com

“Putting the Pieces Together”
Ethan Lott, Julia Mericle, Staff
Pittsburgh Business Times

Spot/Breaking News

“Aliquippa Council Chaos — Meeting Gets Heated as Mayor & Manager
Flash Grand Jury Subpoenas”
Lori Boone, Matthew LaComb, John Paul Vranesevich
BeaverCountian.com

“Key Figure in DelTondo Case Revived by Medics After Being ‘Thrown From a Vehicle’”
John Paul Vranesevich, Lori Boone
BeaverCountian.com

“One of Region’s Largest Banks Commits to Putting HQ at Former Civic Arena Site”
Patty Tascarella, Tim Schooley
Pittsburgh Business Times

News Feature

“Dairy Farming on the Decline in Beaver County: ‘You Have to Have It in Your Blood’ ”
April Johnston
BeaverCountian.com

“Charleston Survivor Comforts Congregants”
Adam Reinherz
Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

“A Crossroads of Languages: How Pittsburgh Schools Respond to a Growing Immigrant Population”
Mary Niederberger
PublicSource

Traditional Feature

“Cleaning up, After the Unimaginable”
Adam Reinherz
Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

“Reporting Through Trauma: Investigating the Opioid Crisis While My Father Was Homeless”
Brittany Hailer
PublicSource

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“Who Will Save Us?”
Lori Boone
BeaverCountian.com

“County Controller’s Office Was Contacted By State Police After Amadio & Camp Fired Financial Admin Last Year”
John Paul Vranesevich
BeaverCountian.com

“State Investigators Inquiring Into Company Owned By County Controller and Staff”
John Paul Vranesevich
BeaverCountian.com

Business/Technology/Consumer

“Dairy Farming on the Decline in Beaver County: ‘You Have to Have It in Your Blood’ ”
April Johnston
BeaverCountian.com

Medical/Health

“LGBTQ Community Gains Unprecedented Support in Beaver County”
April Johnston
BeaverCountian.com

Science/Environment

“Prescription for Prevention: Cutting Pollution and Cancer Risk in Pittsburgh”
Kristina Marusic
Environmental Health News

“Mission to the Moon”
Julia Mericle
Pittsburgh Business Times

History/Culture

“Neglected Jewish Cemetery in White Oak Restored by Non-Jewish Volunteers”
Toby Tabachnick
Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

“Pittsburgh’s First Torah by Female Scribe Commissioned by Temple Sinai”
Dave Rullo
Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

“Rediscovering the Jews of Amiens”
Dave Rullo
Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

“Temple Beth Am Shuttters Its Doors, Buries Prayer Books”
Dave Rullo
Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle

Arts/Entertainment

“First Person: Pittsburgh’s Museums Have a Diversity Problem”

Sean Beauford

PublicSource

“Q&A With Pittsburgh Artist Cue Perry”

Stephanie Brea

Very Local Pittsburgh

Lifestyle

“LGBTQ Community Gains Unprecedented Support in Beaver County”

April Johnston

BeaverCountian.com

Education

“A Crossroads of Languages: How Pittsburgh Schools Respond to a Growing Immigrant Population”

Mary Niederberger

PublicSource

Profile

“It’s 420! Here’s A Stoner Holiday Story About an Iconic Picture From Beaver County’s Past”

Lori Boone

BeaverCountian.com

“The Last of a 10-Man Aircrew — A Beaver County Veterans Day Story”

Sandra Donovan

BeaverCountian.com

Columns/Blogs

“Water Under the Bridge”

John Oyler

Bridgeville Area News

Columns/Opinion

David Ficarri

Gazette 2.0

“ABV, Very Local’s Weekly Beer Column”

Aadam Soorma

Very Local Pittsburgh

Editorials

Pittsburgh Business Times Editorials
Jennifer Beahm
Pittsburgh Business Times

EXCELLENCE IN WRITTEN JOURNALISM — MAGAZINES

Enterprise/Investigative

“The Case for Reform”
h magazine Criminal Justice Reform Enterprise Team
Heinz Endowments (h magazine)

“Ranking Suburbia”
Mark Houser
Pittsburgh Magazine

Spot/Breaking News

“The Pittsburgh Flip”
Julia Fraser
Pittsburgh Quarterly

News Feature

“More Than Distant Relatives”
Deborah Todd
Heinz Endowments (h magazine)

“High Times for Cannabis”
Jeffery Fraser
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Population Series”
Jeffery Fraser
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Heartache & Hope”
Vincent Corso
Town & Gown

Traditional Feature

“Trying to Save a Horse”
Daryl Brewer Hoffstot
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“The Migrations of Hunting”
Douglas Heuck
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“The Lost Pulitzer”
Marino Parascenzo
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Chin Music”
Evan Pattak
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“The Face of Force/Policing Relations”
Rob Taylor Jr.
Heinz Endowments (h magazine)

“Women in Power”
Cristina Rouvalis
Pittsburgh Magazine

“Rattling Cages”
Tony Norman
Heinz Endowments (h magazine)

“To Bail or Not to Bail”
Jennifer Rignani
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Business/Technology/Consumer

“On Jamison Farm”
Hal B. Klein
Pittsburgh Magazine

“From Pittsburgh to the Moon”
Ryan Rydzewski
Pittsburgh Magazine

“Survival of the Fittest”
Jeffery Fraser
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“To Bail or Not to Bail”
Jennifer Rignani
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Medical/Health

“Phage Hunters”
Jason Bittel
Pitt Magazine

“Oct. 27, 2018: Pittsburgh’s Darkest Day and the Mass Casualty Response”
Gavin Jenkins
Pitt Med

“Love Thy Neighbor”
Cristina Rouvalis
Pittsburgh Magazine

“Lyme: Pittsburgh’s Growing Epidemic”
Kelly Casey
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Science/Environment

“From Pittsburgh to the Moon”
Pittsburgh Magazine
Ryan Rydzewski

“Pittsburgh’s Tomorrow”
Ryan Rydzewski
Pittsburgh Magazine

“Lyme: Pittsburgh’s Growing Epidemic”
Kelly Casey
Pittsburgh Quarterly

History/Culture

“God, Family & Beer”
Mary Solberg
FaithErie

“Golden Anniversaries”

Mark Houser
Pittsburgh Magazine

“50 Greatest Pittsburghers of All Time”

Pittsburgh Magazine Staff
Pittsburgh Magazine

“From Pittsburgh to Vietnam”

Samuel Black, Liz Simpson, Brian Butko
Western Pennsylvania History Magazine

Arts/Entertainment

“Andy Warhol Returns to Pittsburgh”

Gordon Nelson
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Lifestyle

“Turkey Devonshire: Our Once Famous Sandwich Now Is Largely Forgotten.
Is It Time for a Revival?”

Hal B. Klein
Pittsburgh Magazine

“The Migrations of Hunting”

Douglas Heuck
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Trying to Save a Horse”

Daryln Brewer Hoffstot
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“Memoirs of a Quehanna Chief”

Ben Moyer
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Education

“Making the Grade”

Eleanor Chute
Heinz Endowments (h magazine)

“Suspension Bridging”

Bill O’Toole
Heinz Endowments (h magazine)

“Another Way: Parkway”
Annette Bassett
Mt. Lebanon

Sports

“Jonny Gammage; Always There”
Lee Wolverton
Pittsburgh Magazine

“The Last World Series”
Lee Wolverton
Pittsburgh Magazine

“The Urban Deerhunter”
Mark Kramer
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“The Lost Pulitzer”
Marino Parascenzo
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Profile

“The Man Behind the Baton”
Mary Solberg
FaithErie

“Family Values”
Vincent Corso
Town & Gown

Columns/Blogs

“Columns and Blogs”
Merle Jantz
Mt. Lebanon

“Faces of Lebo”
Nichola Moretti
Mt. Lebanon

“A Farm Life”
Daryln Brewer Hoffstot
Pittsburgh Quarterly

“The Hamlet Machine”
Stuart Sheppard
Pittsburgh Quarterly

Editorials

“From the Editor”
Douglas Heuck
Pittsburgh Quarterly

EXCELLENCE IN VIDEO/BROADCAST JOURNALISM

Enterprise/Investigative

“Tree of Life: One Year Later”
Staff
Tribune-Review

“Serving Time, Too”
Beth Dolinar, Paul Ruggieri, Dave Forstate
WQED-TV

“Recalled Cars for Sale”
Paul Van Osdol, Kendall Cross, Michael Lazorko
WTAE-TV

“Polk Center Closing”
Paul Van Osdol, Kendall Cross, Michael Lazorko
WTAE-TV

Spot/Breaking News

“McKnight Road Shooting”
Rick Earle, Chris Majewski, Chris Johnston
WPXI-TV

“Sinkhole Swallows Bus”
Staff
WTAE-TV

Documentary

“Pitt Men’s Study”
Staff
Tribune-Review

“Tree of Life: One Year Later”

Staff

Tribune-Review

“The Great Ride: Landmarks Along the Trail”

WQED Production Team

WQED-TV

“Silent Epidemic: The Liver Disease NASH”

Susan Brozek Scott, Don Gawryla, Ron Bruno

The Video House

“CHRONICLE: Project CommUNITY”

Staff

WTAE-TV

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“Pitt Men’s Study”

Staff

Tribune-Review

“Tree of Life: One Year Later”

Staff

Tribune-Review

“Our Compelling Interests: Out of Many Faiths”

Jill Neely, Rebecca Jean Born, Lisa Washington

WQED-TV

“Children of Incarcerated Parents: A Community Forum”

David Solomon, Rebecca Jean Born, Lisa Washington

WQED-TV

News Feature

“Trip of Healing”

Lynne Hayes-Freeland, Rob Hopson, Martin Rodgers

KDKA-TV

“Former Police Officer Forges New Life With His Incredible Dog After Tragedy”

Meghan Schiller, Dave Colabine

KDKA-TV

“Light in My City”
Anne Casper, Ash Warren
WQED-TV

“25 Years Later: Local Family Celebrates the Lives of Flight 427 Victims”
Lindsey Watson
WYTV

Traditional Feature

“Heart & Hope: Alexa’s Story”
Kym Gable, Ian Smith
KDKA-TV

“Cam Meets Cam”
Kristine Sorensen, Bryan Orr, Martin Rodgers
KDKA-TV

“Paddling 300 Miles to Protect the Waters of Ohi:yo’, the ‘Good River’”
Ryan Loew
PublicSource

“Tyrion’s Tale”
Nathalie Berry, Amy Grove, Zak Boyle
WQED-TV

“Body of Work”
Gina Catanzarite, Amy Grove, Zak Boyle
WQED-TV

Business/Technology/Consumer

“Smart Tech: Spies Among Us?”
David Highfield, Ian Smith
KDKA-TV

“Future Jobs: The Digital Series”
Richard Capaldi, Ryne DeCaprio
WQED-TV

“Just a Minute: Tech and Trending in Pittsburgh”
WQED Digital Production Team
WQED-TV

Medical/Health

“The High Price of Insulin”

Peggy Finnegan, Ward Hobbs, Kellie Burkett
WPXI-TV

“VA Hospital Deaths”

Lisa Sylvester, Chris Johnston
WPXI-TV

“The Long Shadow of Childhood Trauma”

Beth Dolinar, Amy Grove, Dave Forstate
WQED-TV

“Silent Epidemic: the Liver Disease NASH”

Susan Brozek Scott, Don Gawryla, Ron Bruno
The Video House

Science/Environment

“Erie Bird Observatory Conducts Bird Banding at Presque Isle”

Jack Hanrahan
Erie Times-News

“Aliquippa’s Toxic Tap?”

Meghan Schiller, Fred Williams, Martin Rodgers
KDKA-TV

“Straw Forward”

Annette Banks, Ash Warren
WQED-TV

“STREAM Girls”

Gina Catanzarite, Amy Grove, Glenn Syska
WQED-TV

History/Culture

“Hotel Terrace Hall”

Brenda Waters, L. David Colabine
KDKA-TV

“Here Lies ...”

Nathalie Berry, Amy Grove, Zak Boyle
WQED-TV

“Homecoming: Sgt. Hamilton’s Long Journey”
David Solomon, Paul Ruggieri, Paula Zetter
WQED-TV

Arts/Entertainment

“Building the Festival of Trees”
Annette Banks, Ash Warren, Amy Grove
WQED-TV

“Visible”
Anne Casper, Andrew Holman
WQED-TV

Lifestyle

“Drop By Drop”
Annette Banks, Anne Casper, Aidan McGarvey
WQED-TV

“Pittsburgh Eats”
WQED Digital Production Team
WQED-TV

“My Seven Weeks in Magee”
Rick Sebak, Frank Caloiero, Aidan McGarvey
WQED-TV

Education

“Why Can’t Our Kids Read?”
Andy Sheehan, Fred Williams, Martin Rodgers
KDKA-TV

“From Classroom to Fortress”
Amy Wadas, Ian Smith
KDKA-TV

“Time Out: Talking With Students About Opioids”
Beth Dolinar, Frank Caloiero, Aidan McGarvey
WQED-TV

“Future Jobs: Growing Our Region’s Workforce”
Iris Samson, Frank Caloiero, Dave Forstate
WQED-TV

Sports

“Ben Roethlisberger: The Interview”
Bob Pompeani, Ian Smith, Dan Vojtko
KDKA-TV

“eSports Explosion”
John Shumway, Ian Smith
KDKA-TV

“USS Cunningham: The Biggest Fight of My Life”
Brian Cook, Zak Boyle
WQED-TV

“All the Marbles”
Beth Dolinar, Zak Boyle
WQED-TV

“Black and Gold Primetime”
Staff
WTAE-TV

Profile

“Lyle Odelein: Miracle off the Ice”
Susan Koeppen, Chris Kunicki, Ian Smith
KDKA-TV

“My Interview With Fred”
Rick Sebak, Anne Casper, Kevin Conrad
WQED-TV

EXCELLENCE IN AUDIO JOURNALISM

Enterprise/Investigative

“Following Pennsylvania Shale Gas to Scotland” Series by The Allegheny Front
and StateImpact Pennsylvania
Reid Frazier
The Allegheny Front

“How Did Fracking Contaminants End Up in the Mon River? A Loophole
in the Law Might Be to Blame”
Reid Frazier
The Allegheny Front

“Some Ohio Residents Who Complained About Oil and Gas Feel ‘Abandoned’ by the State”

Julie Grant

The Allegheny Front

Spot/Breaking News

“StateImpact Pennsylvania, WESA and The Allegheny Front’s Coverage of the Fire at the Clairton Coke Works”

Reid Frazier, Amy Sisk

The Allegheny Front

“Students Walk Out of Class, Demand Justice for Antwon Rose”

Sarah Schneider, Virginia Alvino Young

WESA

Documentary

“Who’s Listening?”

Julie Grant

The Allegheny Front

“The Confluence: Experts Consider the Future of Cannabis in Pennsylvania”

Kevin Gavin, Megan Harris, Kiley Koscinski

WESA

“What’s at Stake When There’s a Language Barrier Between Families and Schools?”

Sarah Schneider, Virginia Alvino Young

WESA

Public Affairs/Politics/Government

“Trump Delivers on Promise to Help Presque Isle’s Beaches, but Other Environmental Threats Remain”

Lucy Perkins

WESA

“Pittsburgh Wants to Hire More Black Officers, Some Say It Has to Change From Within”

Ariel Worthy

WESA

News Feature

“Pa. Prosecutors Eye Potential ‘Environmental Crimes’ of Oil and Gas Companies”

Reid Frazier

The Allegheny Front

“ ‘Razorblades and Feathers in My Throat’: The Impacts of Air Pollution
From U.S. Steel’s Clairton Coke Works”

Reid Frazier
The Allegheny Front

“As Political Tides Shift, Chances at Commutation Rise for Pennsylvania Lifers”

An-Li Herring
WESA

“The Shot Heard ’Round the State: City Gun Rules Could Have Impact Even If Not Enforced”

Ariel Worthy
WESA

Traditional Feature

“How Fixing Pittsburgh’s Crumbling Sidewalks Fits Into the City’s Transportation Future”

Margaret J. Krauss
WESA

“Being ‘Stronger Than Hate’ Means Addressing the Trauma That Can Lead to Violence”

Liz Reid
WESA

Business/Technology/Consumer

“How Much Plastic Waste Is Ending up in Rivers? This Penn State Researcher Wants to Know”

Julie Grant
The Allegheny Front

“Field Study Podcast: Artificial Intelligence in the NFL”

Courtney Linder, Matt Moret
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Medical/Health

“Popular Backyard Fires Aren’t Fun for Everyone. Wood Smoke Is Bad for Your Health”

Kara Holsopple
The Allegheny Front

“Fentanyl Test Strips Could Save Lives, But They’re Illegal in Pennsylvania”

Sarah Boden
WESA

Science/Environment

“Wild Pennsylvania” Series
Staff of The Allegheny Front
The Allegheny Front

“Field Study Podcast: Humidors and the Environmental Impact on Baseball”
Matt Moret
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Natural Gas Drilling Can Fracture Political Alliances on Both Sides of the Aisle”
Chris Potter
WESA

History/Culture

“The Slaw: Civil War Pittsburgh”
Stephanie Brea, Lindsay Patross, Aadam Soorma
Very Local Pittsburgh

“Bruno Island Once Hosted Explorers, Automobile Races and Now, Lots of Wildlife”
Katie Blackley
WESA

Arts/Entertainment

“Self-Taught Pittsburgh Artist Gets First Solo Exhibit at Age 89”
Bill O’Driscoll
WESA

Lifestyle

“The Broadcast Podcast: Amplifying Women’s Voices in Pittsburgh”
Kim Lyons, Natalie Bencivenga, Mike Sorg
The Broadcast Podcast

“The Slaw 06: Lauren Hughes, Assistant Head Brewer @ Penn Brewery”
Lindsay Patross, Stephanie Brea, Aadam Soorma
Very Local Pittsburgh

“Does Pittsburgh Have Its Own Style Of Pizza? An Exploration of the City’s Pies”

Sarah Kovash

WESA

Sports

“Field Study Podcast: It’s Not Just a Bad Dream”

Matt Moret, Stephen J. Nesbitt

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“32-Year-Old Mom Launches Comeback to Elite Gymnastics”

Amy Sisk

WESA

Profile

“The Confluence: Retired Officer Therese Rocco Says Those in Need Can Still Knock on Her Door”

Kevin Gavin, Megan Harris, Kiley Koscinski

WESA

“Damon Young’s Memoir Tackles ‘Living While Black’ in Pittsburgh”

Bill O’Driscoll

WESA

“#YaJagoffPodcast/ Longevity at Lidia’s

(A Pittsburgh-aversary)”

John Chamberlin, Rachael Rennebeck

YaJagoff Podcast

“YaJagoffPodcast / Special Edition: Frzy Goes to Gus and YiaYas”

John Chamberlin, Rachael Rennebeck

YaJagoff Podcast

EXCELLENCE IN VISUAL CRAFT ACHIEVEMENT

Spot News Photo

“Port Authority Bus Falls Into Downtown Sinkhole”

Andrew Rush

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Michelle Kenney, Mother of Antwon Rose II”

Stephanie Strasburg

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Patrolman Calvin Hall Remembered”

Kristina Serafini

Tribune-Review

“Flag Presented to Patrolman’s Family”

Nate Smallwood

Tribune-Review

Feature Photo

“Clocking In”

Christopher Millette

Erie Times-News

“Senior Citizen Prom”

Alexandra Wimley

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Veronica Siaba Is Leaving College Because the Program She Traveled Hundreds of Miles for Is Gone”

Alexandra Wimley

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Blood Moon on the Rise”

Chaz Palla

Tribune-Review

Feature Video

“Cobbler Chuck Carlson of Fox Chapel Shoe Service”

Steph Chambers

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Diagnosed With AFM in October, Bryson Ackermann, 6, Is on the Road to Recovery”

Steph Chambers

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Families of Three Slain Officers Remember ‘Good Men’ Lost in Stanton Heights”

Steph Chambers

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“Collecting, Making History on the Ohio River”

Andrew Rush

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Sports Photo

“Barron’s Entrance”
Jared Wickerham
Pittsburgh City Paper

“JuJu”
Jared Wickerham
Pittsburgh City Paper

“Pirates Scuffle With Reds”
Matt Freed
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Personality Profile Photo

“Managing His Emotions”
John Beale
Penn State University — The Lion’s Roar

“Summer Lee”
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