

## NYSAPA WRITING CONTEST 2008-2009

### UNDER 25,000 Circulation

#### SPOT NEWS REPORTING

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Leader, Corning  
Corning Landmark Burns  
Mary Perham, Christina Rossettie, Jason Cox, Eric Wensel, Stella DuPree

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Daily Messenger, Canandaigua  
He's the One That Saved Us  
Alex Bauer, Mike Maslanik

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Tonawanda News  
Crash of Flight 3407  
Staff

#### FEATURES

HM: Finger Lakes Times, Geneva  
It's Slow Going, but He's Still Growing  
John Addyman

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Daily Sentinel, Rome  
Free at Last  
Sean Mills

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Press-Republican, Plattsburgh  
Inspiration for Family, Country  
Suzanne Moore

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Daily and Sunday Freeman, Kingston  
Joe Isn't Ever Coming Home  
Patricia Doxsey

#### SPORTS

HM: Adirondack Daily Enterprise  
Drive is no Issue For Blind Bobsledder  
Mike Lynch

HM: Adirondack Daily Enterprise  
Tin Cup Charlie  
Lou Reuter, Mike Lynch

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Ithaca Journal  
Cornell Men's Lacrosse  
Brian Delaney, Dan Sweeney

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Daily Star, Oneonta  
Chain Gang  
P.J. Harmer

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Niagara Gazette  
Tyrone Goes home  
Jonah Bronstein

#### SPORTS COLUMN

HM: The Citizen, Auburn  
Ryan Day Syracuse Basketball Columns  
Ryan Day

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Daily Messenger, Canandaigua  
Cutillo for the Record  
Mike Cutillo

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Olean Times Herald  
Pollock's Bill's Columns  
Chuck Pollock

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Leader-Herald, Gloversville  
Schools of Thought  
Bill Cain

#### COLUMNS

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Niagara Gazette, Niagara Falls  
Michele DeLuca Columns  
Michele DeLuca

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Daily News, Batavia  
At Last, a Campaign Strategy  
Tom Rivers

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Daily News, Batavia  
Fast Forward: Kindergarten to 2008  
Scott DeSmit

#### BUSINESS/FINANCE

HM: Finger Lakes Times, Geneva  
An Overnight Success  
Craig Fox

HM: The Saratogian  
One Sweet Proposal  
Paul Post

HM: Adirondack Daily Enterprise  
Rising Heat Alternatives  
Mary Thill

HM: Tonawanda News  
Final Viewing?  
Paul Lane

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Tonawanda News  
Wing Shortage?  
Neale Gulley
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Citizen, Auburn  
A Victim of Unrealistic Expectations?  
Nate Robson
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Saratogian  
Betting on VLTs  
Paul Post

#### EDITORIALS

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Press-Republican, Plattsburgh  
Government Has no Stake  
Bob Grady
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Citizen, Auburn  
Mike Dowd Editorials  
Mike Dowd
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Daily Messenger, Canandaigua  
Kevin Frisch Editorials  
Kevin Frisch

#### DEPTH REPORTING

- HM: The Daily News, Batavia  
Seeking a Sweet Reward  
Tom Rivers
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Niagara Gazette  
Plans vs. Promises  
Mark Scheer, Rick Forgione
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Daily Messenger, Canandaigua  
A Break in the Thin Blue Line  
Jessica Pierce
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Press-Republican, Plattsburgh  
Crisis Comes Home  
Staff

#### CONTINUING COVERAGE

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Daily News, Batavia  
City Ambulance Service...  
Joanne Beck
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Citizen, Auburn  
Auburn DPW Scandal  
Christopher Caskey

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Daily Messenger, Canandaigua  
The Slaying of a Canandaigua Couple  
Alex Bower, Mike Maslanik, Jessica Pierce, Margaret Poe

#### BEAT REPORTING

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Citizen, Auburn  
Education Beat  
Alyssa Sunkin

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Daily News, Batavia  
Whipping Winds Ravage Onion Plants  
Tom Rivers

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Adirondack Daily Enterprise  
Outdoors Reporter  
Mike Lynch

#### BRIGHTEST HEADLINE

HM: The Daily Messenger, Canandaigua  
Let's Get Ready to Bundllle!!  
Kevin Frisch

HM: Daily Freeman, Kingston  
Miracle Near 48th Street  
Jeremy Schiffres

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Observer, Dunkirk  
Hold the Salt: Edwards Peppered With Questions During Breakfast  
Gregory Bacon

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Finger Lakes Times, Geneva  
Drivers Keepers  
Mary Schoonover

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Press-Republican, Plattsburgh  
Peanut Butter in a Jam Locally  
Bob Grady

#### ONLINE CONTENT

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Press-Republican, Plattsburgh  
Frozen River: Backstory  
Robin Caudell

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Daily Messenger, Canandaigua  
Road to the Inauguration  
Messenger Post Staff

#### ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT WRITING

HM: Adirondack Daily Enterprise  
Scar Tissue  
Mike Lynch

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Daily Freeman, Kingston  
Recipes for Laughter  
Bonnie Langston
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Daily News, Batavia  
Behind the Curtain  
Joanne Beck
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Press-Republican, Plattsburgh  
Exhibit Highlights Soldier's View of War  
Kim Smith Dedam

#### ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT CRITICISM

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Daily Sentinel, Rome  
Just a Geek's Movie Reviews  
Sean Mills
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Finger Lakes Times, Geneva  
Theater Reviews  
Jennifer Taylor
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Tonawanda News  
Multiple  
Paul Lane

#### BLOGGING

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Press-Republican, Plattsburgh  
Green Think  
Jack Downs
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Saratogian  
Saratoga City Desk  
Andrew Bernstein
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Leader-Herald, Gloversville  
Bill's Broadsides  
Bill Ackerbauer

#### MULTIMEDIA PACKAGES

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Niagara Gazette  
Kissed by the Sea Lion; Charmed by the Octopus  
Michele DeLuca
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Daily Messenger, Canandaigua  
Behind the Scenes with Vasiliy  
Vasiliy Baziuk, John Wordingham

#### 25,000-50,000 Circulation

#### SPOT NEWS

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
IBM Slashes Up to 900 Jobs  
Craig Wolf, Irwin Goldberg, Emily Stewart, Jay Gallagher

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Ice Storm  
Staff

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Press & Sun-Bulletin, Binghamton  
Massacre on Front Street  
Staff

## FEATURES

HM: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
The Blythwood  
Kathleen Moore

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
White Noses  
Sara Foss

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Solving Autism's Puzzles  
Alyson Martin

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
A Bond of Healing  
Drew Kerr

## SPORTS

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
Marist College Women's Basketball  
Sean T. McMann

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
The Heart of the Team  
Will Springstead

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
For the Love of the Game  
Tim McMannis

## SPORTS COLUMNS

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Fly Fishing  
Morgan Lyle

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
A Seat in the Bleachers  
Mike MacAdam

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Tim McManus Columns  
Tim McManus

## COLUMNS

- HM: Watertown Daily Times  
Bob Gorman Columns  
Bob Gorman
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Ken Tingley Columns  
Ken Tingley
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
Sarah Bradshaw Collection  
Sarah Bradshaw
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Will Doolittle Commentary  
Will Doolittle

## BUSINESS/FINANCE

- HM: Poughkeepsie Journal  
Big Blue  
Sarah Bradshaw, John Ferro, Michael Volkys, John Davis
- HM: Observer-Dispatch, Utica  
Insurers Back Seward Campaign  
Bryon Ackerman, Dana Silano
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
AMD  
Nick Reisman, Drew Kerr
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Star-Gazette, Elmira  
A Clip-And-Save Artist  
G. Jeffery Aaron
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Watertown Daily Times  
Hidden In Plain Sight  
Rachael Hanley

## EDITORIALS

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Schenectady School Troubles  
Art Clayman
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
Reviving the Economy  
John Penney
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
No Free Rides  
Mark Mahoney

## DEPTH REPORTING

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Outlook 2009  
Staff
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Press & Sun-Bulletin, Binghamton  
Wong Raised Concerns in 1990s  
Doug Schneider
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
The Death of Spc. Stephen Madison  
Will Doolittle

## CONTINUING COVERAGE

- HM: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Schenectady Police  
Kathleen Moore
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
CRM  
Mary Beth Pfeiffer
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Press & Sun-Bulletin, Binghamton  
Natural Gas Rush  
Tom Wilber
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
The Long Cold Winter  
Staff

## BEAT REPORTING

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Don Lehman's Public Safety Beat  
Don Lehman
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Suicide Cluster  
Kathleen Moore
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
Troubling Medical Trends  
Mary Beth Pfeiffer

## BRIGHTEST HEADLINE

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Baseball Promotion Has Mayors Shaking Heads  
Staff
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
Hot Days May Spur Hotheads  
Kathleen Dijamco

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Denny's Gets Slammed  
Ken Tyler

#### ONLINE CONTENT

HM: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
CompEat  
Doug Gruse, Alyson Martin, Matt Wadleigh, Alex Nunes

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
The Death of Spc. Stephen Madisen  
Alex Nunes, Jeff Fehder

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
State Basketball Tournament  
Post-Star Staff

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
Scary Stories Page  
Staff

#### ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT WRITING

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
Melissa Leo  
John Nelson

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Finding Inspiration  
Doug Gruse

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Watertown Daily Times  
IHC Grad an Action-Film Innovator  
Jude Seymour

#### ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT CRITICISM

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Dance Criticism  
Wendy Liberatore

#### BLOGGING

HM: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Foss Forward  
Sara Foss

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Phil-ing in the Blanks  
Phil Janack

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Your Right to Know  
Mark Mahoney

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
The Odd Couple  
Chrissie Williams, Sten Miller

#### MULTIMEDIA PACKAGES

HM: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
An MVAC Road Trip  
Greg Brownell, Matt Wodleigh, Jeff Fehder

HM: Observer-Dispatch, Utica  
Utica-The Mob Files  
Rocco LaDuca, Angelica A. Morrison, David Londres

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Watertown Daily Times  
Cormorant Control Squads Go to Work  
Nancy Madsen

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Struggling to Make Ends Meet  
Alex Nunes, Erin Reid Coker

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Living with Autism  
Jeffrey Fehder, Alex Nunes, Alyson Martin

50,000-125,000 Circulation

#### SPOT NEWS REPORTING

HM: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
Syracuse China  
Rick Moriarty, Charley Hannagan, Tim Knauss

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
690 Bridge Collapse  
Staff

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Times Herald-Record, Middletown  
Terror Plot Stopped Cold  
Staff

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Ice Storm 2008  
Staff

#### FEATURES

HM: Times Union, Albany  
A Story of Love  
Paul Grondahl

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Journal News, White Plains  
Backyard Birds Roost in the Burbs  
Bill Cary

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Staten Island Advance  
We Had Prostate Cancer; Cancer Affects More Than Just the Patient  
Andrea Boyarsky

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Journal News, White Plains  
Talk About Fresh! Live Carp in New Square  
Linda Lombroso

#### SPORTS

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Journal News, White Plains  
Breathing Easier  
Sam Borden

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
Porky  
David Figura

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Flying in the Face of Cancer  
Pete Iorizzo

#### SPORTS COLUMN

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Columns by Mark McGuire  
Mark McGuire

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Times Herald-Record, Middletown  
Columns by Kevin Gleason  
Kevin Gleason

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Journal News, White Plains  
Carpiniello  
Rick Carpinello

#### COLUMNS

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Journal News, White Plains  
Noreen O'Donnell's Columns  
Noreen O'Donnell

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
Columns by Jeff  
Jeff Kramer

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
Columns by Laura  
Laura Ryan

#### BUSINESS/FINANCE

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
Madoff's Victims  
Mike McAndrew, Charley Hannagan, John O'Brien

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Cost of Living  
Staff

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
The Tale of an Abused Tax  
Michelle Breidenbach

#### EDITORIALS

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
Ernie's World  
Saundra Smokes

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
The Death of a Child  
Jim McGrath

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Albany's Parking Scandal  
Jim McGrath

#### DEPTH REPORTING

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Times Herald-Record, Middletown  
Adult Homes in Crisis  
Heather Yakin, Victor Whitman, Adam Bosch

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Times Herald-Record, Middletown  
The Truth About Public Salaries  
Matt King

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
Sins and Confessions  
John O'Brien

#### CONTINUING COVERAGE

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
State Fair Contracts  
Mike McAndrew

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Ghost Tickets  
Brendan Lyons

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Staten Island Advance  
Youth Scourge: Prescripion Drugs  
John Annese

#### BEAT REPORTING

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Times Herald-Record, Middletown  
IBM  
Christine Young

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Following the Money  
James M. Odató

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
War at Home and Abroad  
Dave Tobin

#### BRIGHTEST HEADLINE

HM: Times Herald-Record, Middletown  
He Loves Me, He Loves His Pickup Truck, He Love Me...  
Dennis Sprick

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Journal News, White Plains  
Treble With a Cause  
Ed Cummins

2<sup>nd</sup> The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
Tix 4 Txting? Gvt Snds Msg 2 Drvrs  
Mark Libbon

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Small Fries Order Up a Side of Change  
John Runfola

#### ONLINE CONTENT

HM: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
Hart Beat Videos  
Hart Seely, Steve Pallone

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Times Herald-Record, Middletown  
The Search for Laura Garza  
Times Herald-Record Staff

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Catholic Diocese Restructuring Plan  
Staff

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
CNY Speaks  
Greg Munno

#### ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT WRITING

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Journal News, White Plains  
What Does Alzheimer's Feel Like?  
Peter D. Kramer

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Stage Family  
Tom Keyser

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Staten Island Advance  
Invasion of the Podcasters  
Jodi Lee Reifer

#### ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT CRITICISM

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Arts Criticism by Steve Barnes  
Steve Barnes

#### BLOGGING

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
On the Edge  
Kristi Gustafson

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
The Elmwood Blog  
Sean Kirst

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Journal News, White Plains  
Last Night at Yankee Stadium  
Peter Abraham

#### MULTIMEDIA PACKAGE

HM: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
A Change in Fortunes  
Frank Ordonez, Dave Tobins

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Post-Standard, Syracuse  
Dan Lackey: Wrongly Imprisoned  
Peter Chen, John O'Brien

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Times Union, Albany  
Best of 2008  
Michael Janairo and Staff

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Times Herald-Record, Middletown  
Delaware Drownings  
Steven Sacco, John Pertel, Victor Whitman, Adam Bosch

#### OVER 125,000 Circulation

#### SPOT NEWS REPORTING

HM: New York Post, NY  
Bronx Terror Bust  
New York Post Staff

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Daily News, New York  
Miracle on the Hudson  
Daily News Staff

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: New York Post, NY  
Miracle on the Hudson  
New York Post Staff

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Air Crash  
Staff

#### FEATURES

HM: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Green Kitchen  
Karen Miltner

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The New York Times  
Big City  
Susan Dominus

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Hassan  
Charity Vogel, Gene Warner, Fred O. Williams, Sandra Tan

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The New York Times  
The Madoff Scheme  
Diana Henriques

#### SPORTS

HM: The New York Times  
At Binghamton, Move to Division 1 Brings Recognition & Regret  
Pete Thamel

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Amerks: Curt Styres  
Kevin Oklobzija

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The New York Times  
Inside a Tempting World of Easy Steroids  
Michael S. Schmidt

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Core Strength - Sabres  
John Vogel

#### SPORTS COLUMN

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: New York Post, NY  
Selected Columns  
Mike Vaccaro

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The New York Times  
Joe Louis Moment  
William C. Rhoden

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The New York Times  
Daughter Takes the Prize That Eluded her Father  
George Vecsey

## COLUMNS

- HM: Daily News, New York  
Juan Gonzalez - NY Watchdog  
Juan Gonzalez
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Denise-Marie Santiago  
Denise-Marie Santiago
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Vogel  
Charity Vogel
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Daily News, New York  
Lost Hero, Obama Slept Here, Lady Liberty  
Michael Daly

## BUSINESS/FINANCE

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Power Authority  
Jim Heaney
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Real Estate Special Report  
Staff
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Leonard Stokes  
James Heaney, Patrick Lakamp

## EDITORIALS

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Fed Up with Albany  
James Lawrence
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: New York Post, NY  
A Lesson for Teachers  
Editorial Board

## DEPTH REPORTING

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Court Here Ignores N.Y. Rules  
David Andreatta
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Abandoned Homes  
Phil Fairbanks
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: The New York Times  
Railroaded  
The New York Times

## CONTINUING COVERAGE

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Town of Greece Police Department  
Gary Craig, Meaghan M. McDermott

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The New York Times, NY  
The Chairman  
David Kocieniewski

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Flight 3407  
Staff

## BEAT REPORTING

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Precious  
Tom Precious

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Rochester School District  
David Andreatta

## BRIGHTEST HEADLINE

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Obama, McCain: Mom's the Word  
Bob Chavez

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
City Says E-I-E-I-NO  
Melinda Miller

1<sup>st</sup> Place: New York Post, NY  
Swindler's List  
New York Post Staff

## ONLINE CONTENT

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Double-Initial Murders  
Gary Craig, Max Schulte

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Surviving and Climbing  
Multimedia Staff

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The New York Times, NY  
One in 8 Million  
The New York Times

## ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT WRITING

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
A Silent Studio  
Colin Dabkowski

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Feat of Clay  
Stuart Low

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Creative Healing  
Colin Dabkowski

#### ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT CRITICISM

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Ukulele Genius  
Jeff Spevak

#### BLOGGING

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Inside Pitch  
Mike Harrington

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Buffalo News  
Outrages & Insights  
James Heaney

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
While Rochester Slept  
Chad Roberts

#### MULTIMEDIA PACKAGE

HM: The Buffalo News  
Charitable Foundations: The Art of Giving  
Michele Kearns, Patrick Lakamp, Mary Pasciak

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Kat Sidelnik  
Staff

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The New York Times, NY  
2008 Beijing Olympics  
NY Times Sports Department

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Round Rochester  
Will Yurman

#### UNDER 50,000 Circulation

#### SPECIALTY PUBLICATIONS

HM: Poughkeepsie Journal  
Living & Being  
Laurie Hlavaty, Chris Hayes

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Observer-Dispatch, Utica  
Healthy Living  
Amy Neff Roth

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Union-Sun & Journal, Lockport  
Faces & Places Magazine  
Staff

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
Hudson Valley Connoisseur  
Leslie Coons, Spencer Ainsley, Dean DiMarzo

UNDER 50,000 Circulation

GENERAL INTEREST WEEKLY

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Post-Star, Glens Falls  
Queensbury Citizen  
Nancy O'Brien, John Coleman, Mike Keller, Sam Murphy

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Saratogian  
WG Life  
Beverly McKim - editor

1<sup>st</sup> Place: The Citizen, Auburn  
Skaneateles Journal  
Jessica Soule, John Turner

UNDER 50,000 Circulation

NICHE WEB SITE

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Press & Sun-Bulletin, Binghamton  
Binghamton Moms Like Me  
Diana Bean, Kristen Cox Roby

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Daily Gazette, Schenectady  
Live In The Clubs  
Brian McElhiney, Mike Hochanadel

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Poughkeepsie Journal  
HudsonHappenings.com  
Leslie Coons

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SPECIALTY PUBLICATIONS

HM: Times Union, Albany  
Life@Home  
Janet Reynolds, Editor

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester  
Insider  
Staff

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