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Daily Newspapers - circulation more than 50,000

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Daily Newspapers - circulation 25,000-50,000

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Daily Newspapers - circulation less than 25,000

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2001 SPJ COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Each will receive a scholarship from the Western Washington Pro Chapter

Maha Jahshan of Kent is currently enrolled at the UW and manages a journalism internship with a local freelance writer two hours a day, three days a week. Her duties include research background for articles, typing notes and running errands. She has published several articles in UW The Daily and is currently writing the annual play for St. Mary's Coptic Orthodox Church.

Andrew Binion of Seattle has been a regular freelance writer with Today's Careers: The Employment Paper for over a year, but his writing and resume show the potential to cover a much broader range of topics. He received an associate degree from Seattle Central and attended UW in 2000, but left to travel. He has been accepted back into the university and into the journalism program.

Charles R. Laughtland of Edmonds is unabashedly proud of being a sportswriter. His high school internship program placed him in the sports department of The Enterprise in 1997. He contributed two to three stories a week until he joined the staff full-time in March 2000. He plans to scale back on his reporting so he can complete his UW degree. He has a dual major in business administration and communications.

June Anderson Almquist Scholarship

Cindy Howe of Everett is a student at the UW where she is majoring in communications and minoring in international studies. Cindy is the assistant editor of Mavin magazine, an internationally distributed publication that explores the mixed-race experience and is this year's winner of the June Anderson Almquist scholarship.

Paul W. Harvey Sr. Scholarship

Steven Friederich of Graham was a Running Start student and earned a 3.6 at Tacoma Community College. He has been working for The Puyallup Herald for the past year and was hired as the paper's pagination coordinator, he has become an integral part of the paper's reporting team, producing as many as five stories a week while juggling school and production work. He is this year's winner of the Paul W. Harvey scholarship.

SPJ EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM COMPETITION NON-DAILY NEWSPAPERS IN WESTERN WASHINGTON

The judging was done by professional journalists from the SPJ Chapters in Long Island, NY and Oregon.

Spot News

1st: Jeff Green of the Shelton-Mason County Journal for "Up a Tree"
2nd: Lynn Thompson of the Washington Journal for "Judicial Candidate Faces Criticism"
3rd: M. Shawn Baker of the Puget Sound Business Journal for "Microsoft Waits"
HM: Stephen Weingard of the Mercer Island Reporter for "Union 76 Closes"

General news reporting

1st: Stacy Goodman, The Issaquah Press, Bypass Impasse. "Extremely thorough package - no story went untold. Reporter has a nice voice but lets subjects' thoughts come through."
2nd: Nora Doyle, Mercer Island Reporter, Triumph from Tragedy. "Very nice voice - begins and ends nicely. Good job on reconstructing events and following through on a typical crash story."
3rd: Shannon Sessions, Lynnwood Enterprise, Conviction and Closure. "Nice follow up on a previous package. All the victims were represented - 25 years after the crime."
HM: Shannon Sessions, Lynnwood Enterprise, Persistence pays off. "Very interesting story topic and a nice lede that pulls the reader in."

Government and political reporting

1st: Rick Anderson of Seattle Weekly for "Court Creeps"
2nd: Carol Tice of the Puget Sound Business Journal for "Welfare-to-Work"
3rd: George Howland Jr. of Seattle Weekly for "Judy the Landlord Slayer"
HM: Nina Shapiro of Seattle Weekly for "Unpopular Populist"

Consumer and Environmental Affairs Reporting

1st: Eric Scigliano, Seattle Weekly, Viagra on a half-shell. "Solic reporting and all the key elements are blended in an entertaining and extremely well-written piece. Judges learned a great deal about something they never considered before. A stand-out story in every way."
2nd: Marlene Merritt, The Issaquah Press, A sense of renewal. "Reporter went above and beyond to make what should have been a routing story into something informative and useful. Great tips, especially for that specific geographical area."
3rd: Nina Shapiro, Seattle Weekly, Loggers revenge. "A different take on a frequently discussed issue. Writer forgoes a lot of enviro-speak for simple language and nice twists of phrase. Well-sourced and reported."
HM: Steve Wilhelm, Puget Sound Business Journal, Exotic Invasion. "Well-written and reported. From the lede down, the story

explains in simple terms the potential harm and how this invasion is happening. A complicated story made easy to digest. Like the inclusion of species descriptions.

Science and Health

1st: Nina Shapiro, Seattle Weekly, Tearing at Children's Hearts. "Very comprehensive story on a variety of complex and sensitive topics. Compelling read."
2nd: Bill Sheets, Enterprise Newspapers, Fighting youth suicide.
3rd: Ruth Levine, Puget Sound Business Journal, Managed care fades.
HM: Brad Broberg, Puget Sound Business Journal, Center of Hope.

Social issues

1st: Phil Campbell, The Stranger, Can I get a witness "The writer skillfully used a profile of prominent minister to tell the broader story of the changing demographics of Seattle."
2nd: Nina Shapiro, Seattle Weekly, Cornered in Belltown. "This is a great story based on the characters alone. The portrayal of Belltown's Latino Workers is well-rounded and leaves no point of view untouched. But the story really soars in its commentary of the changes that Belltown is going through. These themes take the story to the next level of excellence."
3rd: Terry McGuire, Catholic Northwest Progress, Faith and Young Deaths. "It seems obvious to write about the emotions of faith, but in practice we rarely do it in a compelling fashion. These three stories of loss and religion are excellent models for readers to remember their own lives."
HM: Marlene Merritt, The Issaquah Press, Not in my hometown - coping with sexual abuse. "A comprehensive look at the problem of child sexual abuse."

Education reporting

1st: James Bush, Seattle Weekly, Principal Problem. "This story . . . leaves the casual reader with a better understanding of why the Gatewood situation is so complex. Nice job on a tough, tough subject for an obviously tight-knit community."
2nd: Carol Tice, Puget Sound Business Journal, Online ed's future. "Timely look at an issue that's just going to get bigger. Good use of statistics to back both arguments."
3rd: Tim St. Clair, West Seattle Herald, Controversial principal.
HM: Anne Kim, The Mirror, Running Start.

Personalities

1st: Allison Arthur, The Beachcomber, Doc and the Shires know the way.

"In a field of strong contenders, this piece shone. Nice, nice job."

2nd: Jeff Green, The Shelton-Mason County Journal, Remembering love.

"Not easy to do a personality profile of someone you've never met personally. We're left feeling bereft of a man we never knew. Very strong piece."

3rd: Trevor Pyle, North Kitsap Herald, History is her story. "Engrossing tale, vivid details."

Leisure and Lifestyle Reporting

1st: Nora Doyle, Mercer Island Reporter, Mother love.

"Great story in a category full of good writing. A fun, brisk and concise read."

2nd: Stacy Goodman, The Issaquah Press, Life at sea.

"Admirable job condensing 10 years into 40 inches or so. Great and well-told anecdotes."

3rd: Elaine Wilson, Anacortes American, In Remembrance of the Allen Family.

"Use of quotes made this story great. Well organized and easy to follow."

HM: Yvette Cardozo and Bill Hirsch, Puget Sound Business Journal, Blown away.

"Great imagery."

Arts and criticism news/features

1st: Puget Sound Business Journal staff, "Priceless Original"

2nd: Nancy Walbeck, Anacortes American, "Joella Solus Conjures"

3rd: Matt Rosenberg, Seattle Magazine, "Go, Underground"

HM: Richard Martin, Seattle Weekly, "EMP: What Is It?"

Business news and features

1st: Staff, Puget Sound Business Journal, Microsoft at 25.

"This is a terrific package. The writing is crisp, the reporting thorough, the coverage broad, the editing sharp, the headlines punchy and the design engaging. Outstanding team effort."

2nd: Mark Fefer, Seattle Weekly, Sex tracker.

"An eye-opening look at the inner workings of the on-line porn trade. Well-reported and stylishly written."

3rd: Steve Ernst, Puget Sound Business Journal, Power hogs.

"An important story that has not been widely reported.

Concise and hard-hitting."

HM: James Bush, Seattle Weekly, Start the presses.

"A lively look at Seattle's newspaper wars with lots of insider information."

Sports reporting

1st: Rick Levin, The Stranger, Courtside.

"These columns made a so-so team like the Sonics seem interesting and fun to read about. The words move along quickly while giving a fresh slant to the behind-the-scenes struggle of a professional basketball team."

2nd: Jason Cohen, Seattle Weekly, Totally pucked up.

3rd: Richard Martin, Seattle Weekly, Edgar the hero.

HM: Trevor Pyle, North Kitsap Herald, How Sele got his groove back.

Editorials

1st: Stephen Kent of the Catholic Northwest Progress for "It's Hard to Beat this Killer Idea"

2nd: Stephen Kent of the Catholic Northwest Progress for "A Boom Town Mentality"

3rd: Donald R. Nelson of the Puget Sound Business Journal for "Profitability in Vogue Again?"

HM: Donald R. Nelson of the Puget Sound Business Journal for "System Gives I-169 its Due"

Headlines

1st: Rob Smith, Puget Sound Business Journal

2nd: Donald Nelson, PBSJ

3rd: Rami Greenbaum, PBSJ

Humorous writing Writing

1st: Charles Gay, Shelton-Mason County Journal, "Conventional Talk"

2nd: Carolyn Maddux, Shelton-Mason County Journal, "Spell-E-Bration"

3rd: Donald R. Nelson, Puget Sound Business Journal, "Let Us Optimize Your Edification"

HM: Donald R. Nelson, Puget Sound Business Journal, "In Seattle, the Line Forms Nowhere"

Columns

1st: Stephen Kent of the Catholic Northwest Progress

2nd: Stan Stapp of the Jet City Maven

3rd: Doug Schwartz of Capitol Hill Times

HM: Christine Dubois of the Catholic Northwest Progress

Page/cover design

1st: Andrew James of the Mirror.

2nd: Barbara Dow and Karen Steichen of Seattle Weekly

3rd: Caroline Cummins of the Mercer Island Reporter

HM: Jenny O'Brien of the Puget Sound Business Journal

Cartoons illustrations

1st: Barbara Dow and Glynnis Sweeny, Seattle Weekly, Cowardly mayor.

"Bold and stylish, like all the best stuff from the alternative weekly press."

2nd: Frank Shiers, Mercer Island Reporter, Unemployment office.

3rd: Karen Steichen and Tad Hutchison, Seattle Weekly, Hot wheels.

Spot news photography

1st: Dusty Locke, The Enterprise Newspapers, Fire ball.

General news photography

1st: Dan Lurie, North Kitsap Herald, Jack Strong - Chief Seattle Days.

"Nice expression, nice composition. Head and shoulders above the competition."

No 2 or 3.

HM: Elaine Wilson, Anacortes American, Surrounded Berriault.

HM: Dusty Locke, The Enterprise Newspapers, Baby & Blue.

Sports photography

1. Marta Storwick, Mercer Island Reporter, Diggin Deep.
 2. Jack Darnton, Enumclaw Courier-Herald, Hurdling Hound
 3. Marta Storwick, Mercer Island Reporter, Running to Pasco
- HM: Dusty Locke, The Enterprise Newspapers,
Down...Set...Tykes

Photography - feature

- 1st: Marta Storwick, Mercer Island Reporter, So close.
"By the far best photo in the category."
 - 2nd: Matthew E. Durham, Ballard News-Tribune,
Rising Like a King.
 - 3rd: Marta Storwick, Mercer Island Reporter, Beyond the Dojo.
- HM: Bruce Savadow, West Seattle Herald, Back to the Bench.

Portrait photography

- 1st: Karen Steichen and Rich Dahms, Seattle Weekly, Tom
Robbins.
"Interesting pose, makes us want to read the story."
- 2nd: Marta Storwick, Mercer Island Reporter,
Thumbs up for Kids.
- 3rd: Dan Schlatter, Puget Sound Business Journal,

Daryl Nagel.

HM: Mike Penney, The Catholic Northwest Progress,
Parish nurse.

Photo essay/page

- 1st. Barbara Dow, Rick Dahms, Seattle Weekly, Artists Exodus.
"Great photos. Unique viewpoint on a unique story."
 - 2nd: Marta Storwick, Mercer Island Reporter, 2000 Summer
Celebration.
 - 3rd: Dan Schlatter, Puget Sound Business Journal, Bellevue Art
Museum.
- HM: Dan Schlatter, Puget Sound Business Journal, Family
Portraits.

Photo/pictorial

- 1st: Marta Storwick, Mercer Island Reporter,
Summer Survivor.
 - 2nd: Bruce Savadow, West Seattle Herald, Spreading its wings.
 - 3rd: Dawn Feldhaus, Camas-Washougal Post-Record,
Over the rainbow.
- HM: Matthew Durham, West Seattle Herald, Farmers Market.

SPJ EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM COMPETITION MAGAZINES IN WESTERN WASHINGTON

The judging was done by professional journalists from the SPJ Chapters in Long Island, NY and Oregon.

General news

1st: Jon Marmor, Columns Magazine, Fatal Choices.
"Solid reporting on a difficult, emotionally charged matter."
2nd: Shannon O'Leary, Horizon Air Magazine,
The Will to Give.
"Very inspiring. A new, fresh take on a slightly worn topic."
3rd: Eric Lucas, Alaska Airlines Magazine, Hooked on trout.
HM: Michael Hood, Seattle Magazine, Running from the past.

Government and political reporting

1st: Nina Gilchrist, Washington Law and Politics, Concealed
weapon.
"Areal eye-opener about the influence of the gun lobby has on
the local political front."
2nd: Michael Hood, Seattle Magazine, Taking the initiative.
3rd: Todd Matthews, Washington Law and Politics, The truth
will set him free.
HM: Michael Hood, Washington Law and Politics, The Rise of
Right Wing Radio in a left wing town.

Consumer/environmental reporting

1st: Eric Lucas, Alaska Airlines Magazine, Free Spirits.
"Lively, descriptive writing about a subject most of the maga-
zine's readers probably know very little about."
2nd: Cindy Simmons, Washington Law and Politics,
Oil and Water.
3rd: Todd Powell, Alaska Airlines Magazine,
Blast from the Past.

Science and health news and features

1st: Eric Lucas, Horizon Air Magazine, The personal touch.
"An intriguing peek into our not-so-distant future. Well
researched and written in a way the least techno-savvy of us
can understand."
2nd: David George Gordon, Horizon Air Magazine,
Bird watching.
3rd: Eric Lucas, Alaska Airlines Magazine, Outward Bound.
HM: Erica Jorgensen, Seattle Magazine, Special Delivery.

Social issues

1st: Brad Broberg, Columns Magazine, Bones of Contention.
"For a topic that's both broad and deep, this proved the right
approach. Without getting bogged down in the science and
legal quagmire, Broberg developed a compelling story explain-
ing the religious, political and racial tug of war over a 9,000-
year-old skeleton."
2nd: Steven Goldsmith, Columns Magazine, A civil action.
3rd: Carey Giudici, Seattle Magazine, Identity crisis.
HM: Melissa DeV Vaughn, Alaska Airlines Magazine, Old ways,
new means.

Education reporting

1st: Kathy Witkowsky, Horizon Air Magazine, Learning expe-
rience.
"Bravo! A wonderful feature on a most unusual college.
Makes me want to enroll!"
2nd: Kathy Witkowsky, Horizon Air Magazine, Digital
degrees.
3rd: Tom Griffin, Columns Magazine, Face to face.

Personalities

1st: Alison Basye, Seattle Magazine,
Savage love-hate relationship.
"Fresh work with familiar material. There is an energy in this
writing that drives the reader."
2nd: Shelby Scates, Washington Law and Politics,
Cold warrior.
3rd: J. Kingston Pierce, Seattle Magazine, Education of Paul
Schell.
HM: Irene Svete, Washington Law and Politics, The think.

Leisure and lifestyle

1st: George Wolfe, Metropolitan Living, Out of their gourds.
"There's a lot of information packed into this short, breezy
story."
2nd: Staff, Seattle magazine, Animal magnetism.
3rd: Marika McElroy, Meridian Magazine, Desperately seeking
moon pies.
HM: Alison Peacock, Metropolitan Living, Baking with
patience.

Arts and criticism news and features

1st: Melinda Bargreen, Horizon Air Magazine, Millennial
Harmony.
"Smoothly written, excellent explanation of an unusual and lit-
tle-known program."
2nd: Vanessa McGrady, Alaska Airlines magazine,
State of the arts.
3rd: Jan Halliday, Alaska Airlines Magazine, Artistic Heritage.

Business

1st: Eric Lucas, Meridian, The office romance.
"A fascinating look at our ever-changing economic status and
how workers can benefit."
2nd: Monte Enbysk, Washington CEO magazine, Hiring at the
speed of light.
3rd: Larry Sivitz, Seattle magazine, Who is building Seattle's
dot.com empire?
HM: Karen Maedia Allman, Metropolitan Living Magazine,
Uwajimaya: A look at a legacy.

Sports reporting

1st: Ken Marsh, Alaska Airlines magazine, Catch of the season.
"Very well done. Draws in reader with minimal interest in fishing. A good read."

2nd: Saul Wisnia, Meridian Magazine, Fenway hit the wall.

3rd: E. Donnell Thomas Jr., Midwest Express Magazine,
"Where Florida Meets the Sea."

HM: Felicia Gonzalez, Metropolitan Living Magazine, Away games.

Education

1st: Alison Peacock, Metropolitan Living Magazine, Down in Front.

2nd: Eugene J. McCarthy, Washington Law & Politics, How do you keep them busy?

3rd: Alison Peacock, Metropolitan Living, Blown off.

Headlines

1st: Staff, Alaska Airlines Magazine.

2nd: Staff, Meridian magazine.

3rd: Staff, Horizon Air Magazine.

HM: Staff, Midwest Air Express Magazine

Humorous writing

1st: Staff, Seattle Magazine, And now for the bad news.

2nd: Mitchell Fox, Washington Law & Politics,
My Own Private WTO.

3rd: John Levesque, Horizon Air Magazine,
Tie it, You'll like it.

HM: Anthony Flott, Frontier Magazine, The daddy chronicles.

Columns

1st: William C. White, Washington Law & Politics, All Seriousness Aside.

"White is that rare individual who can not only see the humor in life, but laugh at himself in the process."

2nd: none.

3rd: Mark Matassa, Washington Law & Politics, On politics.

HM: Philip Gold, Washington Law & Politics, In re:

Page/cover design

1st: Lou Maxon, Seattle Magazine.

2nd: Margaret Elson, Midwest Express Magazine.

3rd: Kim Harris, Metropolitan Living.

Cartoon/illustration

1st: Dave Klug, Horizon Air Magazine, Twilight Golf.

2nd: James Yang, Alaska Airlines Magazine, Voice of reason.

3rd: Tim Silbaugh, Seattle Magazine, Gorton to Go?

General news photo

1st: Cameron Davidson, Midwest Express Magazine.

Sports photo

1st: Michael Melford, Midwest Express Magazine, Where Florida meets the sea.

2nd: Robert Winters, Alaska Airlines Magazine,
Powder Brokers.

3rd: Jeff Schultz, Alaska Airlines Magazine, No place like home.

Feature photography

1st: Michael Melford, Midwest Express Magazine, Sailor's delight.

2nd: Eastcott/Momatiuk, Alaska Airlines Magazine, Free spirits.

3rd: Phil Degginger, Midwest Express Magazine, light show.

Portrait photography

1st: Dennis Wise, Metropolitan Living, No string attached.

2nd: Dan Sherwood, Alaska Airlines Magazine, Hoola hoop.

3rd: Daniel Sheehan, Washington Law & Politics magazine,
Keven Davis.

Photo essay

1st: Galen Rowell, Horizon Air Magazine, Cliff Hangers.

2nd: Brandon Cole, Horizon Air Magazine, Aquatic Animals.

3rd: Rick Dahms, Seattle Magazine, People you need to know.

Pictorial

1st: Jack Dykinga, Midwest Express Magazine, Desert blooms.

2nd: Art Wolfe, Alaska Airlines Magazine, Force of Nature.

3rd: Nick Jans, Alaska Airlines Magazine, Track of the unseen.

SPJ EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM COMPETITION

WEB SITES IN WESTERN WASHINGTON

The judging was done by professional journalists from the SPJ Chapters in Virginia

Special report

1st Place - Tribnet.com - "School colors" - Site used the web to explore a vitally important topic to its readers. Judges were especially impressed that the editor took time and space to recognize the work of his reporters, and to explain to the reader what motivated their series. Good work!

2nd place - Tribnet.com - "Disappearing Shore" - Site well organized, good pictures, well written.

Honorable Mention - Seattle Post-Intelligencer - "Kingdome" - A good series on the Kingdome, and its imminent demise. Judges were impressed with the use of multimedia to take the user to the implosion. At the same time, good use of the paper's archive to give the user an indepth history of the stadium, and what brought it to this point. Great work!

Regular news feature

1st Place - Seattle Post-Intelligencer - "Evergreen Journal" - Reporter Gina Hills did a terrific job using good writing, and pictures to tell compelling stories about less-traveled communities in Western Washington. Good job capturing the "feel" of these areas!

2nd place - MSNBC - Bob Sullivan, Technology - Reporter Sullivan does a thorough and knowledgeable job of reporting on the important facts surrounding the ever-changing world of technology.

Honorable Mention - Microsoft BCentral Money Matters - Writer Joseph Anthony presents solid information on how users can help manage personal finances.

Spot News Reporting

1st Place - (tie)- tribnet.com - Tacoma Division Attacks - Site made excellent use of a nice unifying page to tie together all the spot news coverage of this story, to present the reader with an in-depth look at this topic. Well done to the entire staff!

1st Place - (tie)- Seattle P.I. - "Flight 261" - This site also made use of a unifying page to tie together all of their spot news coverage to date, with past coverage, to give the reader "one-stop shopping" on a long, and developing story. Reporter Gina Hills and the staff of the P.I. understand how to use the Web to its best effect to tell the story.

Sports Reporting

1ST Place - Seattle P.I. - "Mariners Madness" - Great page of resources for the Mariner's baseball fan! Good use of multimedia, including Real Audio files, to enhance the top notch text and photo content on the team. Well done!

2nd place - Tribnet.com - "Football 2000" - Well designed and organized preview of football at all levels. Well written articles answer just about every question the football fan could want answered.

Business reporting

1st PLACE - Seattle P.I. - "Venture Capital Notebook" -- Good, indepth coverage of national business stories with slight nod toward local angles.

HONORABLE MENTION - MS Bcentral - Good commentaries on national business issues.

Web Site Design

1st PLACE - CENTRALIACHRONICLE "CHRONLINE.COM" - Well designed, well laid out, simple to navigate. Good job by a paper which probably has a fraction of the resources of other competitors in this category.

2nd PLACE - THE HERALD, EVERETT, WASH. "HERALDNET" -- A very well-designed site, fast, loads quickly, lots of good compelling news content.

3rd PLACE - ANACORTES AMERICAN 'GOANACORTES.COM' -- Again, a very nice, well laid out, informative, newsy website by a paper which probably has a fraction of the resources of other competitors in this category.

Best Overall Website

1st PLACE - TACOMA NEWS TRIBUNE - "TRIBNET.COM" -- This website strikes the right balance of good design, depth of content, innovative but appropriate use of new media, and the right partnerships to serve the community. Good work to the tribnet.com staff!

2nd PLACE - SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER - A well-done website, "deep" in news content from the paper, and linked to sites of its partners in NWSource. Solid news reporting and writing backed by good use of graphics to tell the stories.

3rd PLACE - CENTRALIA CHRONICLE "CHRONLINE.COM" -- Very good depth of news and information on a simple, easy to navigate site; judges were impressed that the site editors give equal weight to local and national news stories on lower level pages. Site seems to be very reflective of its community.

HONORABLE MENTION - THE HERALD, EVERETT, WASH. "HERALDNET" - Again, an excellent community resource in the form of a nicely organized site that makes local news the priority.

SPJ EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM COMPETITION

COMMUNITY COLLEGES IN WESTERN WASHINGTON

1. The Pioneer, Winter 2001 Pierce College at Fort Steilacoom
Sabrina Ban, editor, Michael Parks, adviser

"The Pioneer is the best looking college paper I've ever seen.
The clean layout and good use of photography helps it stand
out among the entrants, but the good story ideas and high qual-
ity of writing keep the reader's attention."

2. The Pioneer, Fall 2000 Pierce College at Fort Steilacoom
Sabrina Ban, editor, Michael Parks, adviser

3. The Jibsheet, Bellevue Community College
Suthap Manivong, editor, James Torrence, adviser

HM: The Thunderword, Highline Community College,
Marta Pelayo, editor, Dr. T.M. Sell, adviser

HIGH SCHOOLS IN WESTERN WASHINGTON

Category C: Enrollment less than 500

1. Charles Wright Academy Times, Jen White, editor; Steve Matson, adviser
2. Ilwaco Golden I, Julie Brown, editor, Brigid Stucki, adviser
3. Lynden Christian Hi Lite, Dillon Hancock, editor; Fred Y. Ypma, adviser

Category B: Enrollment 500-1,000

1. Peninsula High School Outlook, Bill Buchanan, editor; Paul Spadoni, adviser
 2. WF West High School C, Becky Campbell, editor, Tina Hayden, adviser
 3. Evergreen High School Timberlines, Sheridan Day, editor; Patsy Stahl, adviser
- HM: Sequim Grawl, Lizzy Sullivan, editor; James D. Breazeale, adviser

Category A: Enrollment 1,000+

1. Richland Sandstorm, Jeff Rosenberry, editor; Robin Morris, adviser
 2. Puyallup Viking Vanguard, Kyle Arnold, editor; Sandra Wilson, adviser
 3. Shorewood Kolus, Divakar Gupta, editor; Kelly Gade, adviser
- HM Garfield Messenger, Kevin Kramer, editor; Steve Miranda, adviser

SPJ EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM COMPETITION

RADIO AND TV STATIONS IN REGION 10

The judging was done by professional journalists from the SPJ Chapters in Ohio

RADIO

(stations with 4 or more news staffers)

Spot News Reporting

1. Sam Eaton, KUOW, Seattle, "...WTO Anniversary"
2. Cathy Duchamp, KUOW, Seattle, "Spraying for Gypsy Moths"

Interview

1. Dave Beck, KUOW, Seattle, "Nathaniel Philbrick"

Feature News Reporting

1. Sam Eaton, KUOW, Seattle, "Big Foot Trackers' Convention"
2. Christine Arrasmith, KPLU, Tacoma, "Drug-Addicted Babies"
3. Paula Wissel, KPLU, Tacoma, "Kids Meditation"
- HM. Ruby de Luna, KUOW, Seattle, "Overcoming Infertility"

Daily News Reporting

1. Ross Reynolds, Luke Burbank and Arvid Hokanson, KUOW, Seattle, "Newspaper Strike--Day One"

Investigative Reporting

1. Jennifer Niessen, KPLU, Tacoma, "Dangerous Pipelines"
2. Keith Seinfeld, KPLU, Tacoma, "Snake River Dam"
3. Paula Wissel, KPLU, Tacoma, "Special Commitment Center"

Sports Reporting

1. Bellamy Pailthorp, KPLU, Tacoma, "Remembering the Dome"

Commentary, Analysis and Editorial

1. Steve Scher, KUOW, Seattle, "Why Do We Listen to Radio?"
2. Sarah Stanley, KPLU, Tacoma, "The Local Polling Station"
3. Tom Lajos, KIPLU, Tacoma, "What's in a Name?"

RADIO

(stations with 3 or fewer news staffers)

Spot News Reporting

1. Sally Mauk, KUFM, Montana Public Radio, "Fire in Rock Creek"
2. Anne Sutton, KTOO, Juneau, "Cruise Ship Fire"

Feature News Reporting

1. Anne Sutton, KTOO, Juneau, "Wolf Control"
2. Sally Mauk, KUFM, Montana Public Radio, "Copenhagen Jazz"
3. Harriet Baskas, Reel Women Productions, Seattle, "Chess Sets..."

Investigative Reporting

1. Sally Mauk, KUFM, Montana Public Radio "Game Farms"

TELEVISION

Combined for all-size stations

Breaking News

1. Deborah Armstrong and Chris Allard, KXLY, Spokane, "Feeling the Heat"
2. Deborah Feldman and Ken Jones, KING, Seattle, "Police Shooting"

Investigative Reporting

1. Duane Pohlman and Tyrone Maxie, KING, Seattle, "Treated Wood Warning"

Documentary

1. Chris Williamson and Doug Schwindt, KVAL, Eugene, "UO Funding"

Health and Science

- No First place awarded
2. Tom Grant and Adele Steiger, KXLY, Spokane, "Rx Canada"
 3. Krister Pershing, KREM, Spokane, "Global Warming"
 - HM. Pat McGillivray and Bob Wernick, KVAL, Eugene, "Crane Fly"

Business, Economic and Consumer Affairs Reporting

1. Josephine Cheng and Tom Bishop, KING, Seattle, "Pool Dangers"
2. Simon Gutierrez and Bill Goetz, KEZI, Eugene, "Auto Checkout"
3. Staff, KXLY, Spokane, "Mortgage Money"

News Photojournalism

1. Kevin Simmons, KPTV, Portland, "Psyched Out"

Feature Photojournalism

1. Eric Patterson, KPTV, Portland, "Dog Sledding"
2. Doug Schwindt and Pat McGillivray, KVAL, Eugene, "'56 Caddy"

(stations in top 75 markets)

General News

1. Robert Mak, Michael Cate, Virgil Williams, KING, Seattle, "AdWatch"
 2. Deborah Feldman and Ken Jones, KING, Seattle, "Ghost Nets"
 3. Jim Hyde and Jeff Conner, KPTV, Portland, "Mount St. Helens"
- HM. Robert Mak, Ken Jones, Jerry Hickey, KING, Seattle, "Bringing the Campaign Home"

(stations in markets 76-160)

General News

1. Randy Neves and Dan Jackson, KREM, Spokane, "Driveway Inconvenience"
2. Kathryn Stephens and Bob Wernick, KVAL, Eugene, "Drug Testing"

3. Deborah Armstrong and Ken Ullary, KXLY, Spokane, "Kool-Aid for a Cause"

Sports

1. Rob Lehocky, KVAL, Eugene, "Lance Deal--Olympic Profile"
 2. Dave Wenda, KVAL, Eugene, "The Money Game"
 3. Steve Hushek, KEZI, Eugene, "Life in the Eugene Emeralds' Bullpen"
- HM. Steve Hushek, KEZI, Eugene, "Boxing Destiny"

(Stations in markets 161 and smaller)

General News

1. Tim Vendt, KULR, Billings, "Off to Fight Fire"
2. Blair Martin and Larry Larson, KULR, Billings, "Not Horsing Around"

SPJ EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM COMPETITION

DAILY NEWSPAPERS IN REGION 10

CIRCULATION LESS THAN 25,000

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Spot News

1. Austin Ramzy, Peninsula Daily News, "Deadly Collision"
2. Scott McMillion, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Spray Stops Bear Attack"
3. Jennifer Moody, Albany Democrat-Herald, "Bahna Wins Mayor in Straw Vote"

Comprehensive Coverage (one issue)

1. Gail Schontzler, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Circle of Friends"
2. Staff, Centralia Chronicle, "Blast from the Past"
3. Ryan Teague Beckwith, Aberdeen Daily World, "Black Friday"

Comprehensive Coverage (multiple issues)

1. Staff, The Daily Inter Lake, Kalispell, "Fallout from Grace"
2. Staff, Helena Independent Record, "We're at the Mercy of Mother Nature"
3. Staff, Coeur d'Alene Press, "Aryan Trial"

Investigative Reporting

1. Scott McMillion, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Legacy of Asbestos"
2. James Tedford, Longview Daily News, "Crime Victims"
3. Mike Stark, Daily Astorian, "Addicted to Dredge"

Criminal Justice

1. Paul Gottlieb, Peninsula Daily News, "Suspect's Concealed Gun Permit"
2. Cara Roberts Murez, Mid-Valley Sunday, "Measure of Justice"
3. Staff, Grants Pass Daily Courier, "Sheriff Showdown"

Government Reporting

1. Ryan Teague Beckwith, Aberdeen Daily World, "Pronounced Whoops"
2. John Miller, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Joyner Tackles His Past"
3. Patricia Snyder and Bartie Lancaster, Grants Pass Daily Courier, "Ballot Blues"

Consumer Reporting

1. M. L. Madison, Longview Daily News, "Buyer Beware"
 2. Patricia Snyder, Grants Pass Daily Courier, "Prescription for Savings"
 3. Brad Bolchunos, The Daily Astorian, "Piercing Perceptions"
- HM. Perry Bachus, The Montana Standard, "Hunting Death Blamed on Rifle"

Health Reporting

1. Kathleen Obenland and Lidia Romero, Walla Walla Union-

Bulletin, "Manuel Raya stories"

2. Janet Fitzgerald, The World, Coos Bay, "Assisted Living"
 3. Amie Thompson, Helena Independent Record, "A Tragic Tale"
- HM. Jim Feehan, Skagit Valley Herald, "On the Other Side of Pain"
- HM. Stacy D. Stumbo, Roseburg News-Review, "Relief Under Fire"

Science Reporting

1. Ben Romano, The Daily Astorian, "Oysters in Peril"
2. Gail Schontzler, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "In the Name of Research"
3. Brad Bolchunos, The Daily Astorian, "North Coast Birds"

Environmental Reporting

1. Karen Mockler and Mike Stark, Daily Astorian, "Life on the Brink"
 2. Martin Kidston, Helena Independent Record, "Getting from Glacier to Yellowstone"
 3. Karen Mockler, The Daily Astorian, "Creating Nirvana"
- HM. Paul Gottlieb, Peninsula Daily News, "Raymier Site Cleanup"
- HM. Marina Parr, Skagit Valley Herald, "Low River Flow..."

Social Issues Reporting

1. John Hughes, Aberdeen Daily World, "Free Speech Fight"
 2. Beverly Crichfield, Skagit Valley Herald, "Battling for Farm Worker Housing"
 3. Gail Schontzler, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "The New Pagans"
- HM. Jill M. Foreman, The Daily Astorian, "In the Lord's Army"

Education Reporting

1. Mike Henneke, Mid-Valley Sunday, "Prescription Kids"
 2. Bartie Lancaster, Grants Pass Daily Courier, "Money Matters 2000"
 3. Gail Schontzler, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "A Novel Dilemma"
- HM. Danielle Panush, Skagit Valley Herald, "Mountain School"

Personalities

1. Karin Ronnow, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Real Rods"
 2. Don Lutey, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "ALifetime in Chestnut"
 3. Norman Lewis, Skagit Valley Herald, "The Character of Dave Quail"
- HM. John Hughes and Ryan Teague Beckwith, Aberdeen Daily World, "Nick and Nellie"

Food, Fashion and Home

1. Ron Tshida, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Personal Chefs"
2. Jill M. Foreman, The Daily Astorian, "Model Student"
3. Larissa Pfeifer, Skagit Valley Herald, "Simple, Fresh"

Lifestyles

1. Jill M. Foreman, The Daily Astorian, "De-fense! De-fense!"
2. Lisa Patterson, Aberdeen Daily World, "The Second Time Around"
3. Lynnette Hintze, Daily Inter Lake, Kalispell, "Humming Right Along"

Short Feature

1. Scott McMillan, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Burning Mad"
 2. Denise Turner, The Times-News, Twin Falls, "As Seen on TV"
 3. Tom Peterson, Grants Pass Daily Courier, "Huntington's Disease"
- HM. Brian Bubak, Albany Democrat-Herald, "Want to Bag Bigfoot?"

Feature Story

1. Tom Lutey, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Chasing Rainbows"
2. Keith Manning, Corvallis Gazette-Times, "Roots of Memory"
3. Eric Apalategui, Longview Daily News, "Mama's Touch"

Arts Coverage

1. Terry McConn, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, "Resurrecting Christ"
2. Jeff Burlingame, Aberdeen Daily World, "Gifted and Green"
3. Sheila A. Hagar, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, "Man's Craft Creates..."

Business Reporting

1. Bennett Hall, Corvallis Gazette-Times, "Rivergreen War"
 2. Thomas P. Skeen, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, "Onion Growers Face Market Woes"
 3. Virginia S. Hutchins, Twin Falls, Twin Falls, "The One That Got Away"
- HM. Karen Mockler, The Daily Astorian, "Lektro Ramps Up Success"

Business Features

1. Ashley Shomo, Aberdeen Daily World, "Raymond Losing a Landmark"
2. Felicity Ayles and Jill Carnell, Longview Daily News, "12 Days...and Change"
3. John Miller, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Auction Signals Final Chapter"

Sports News

1. Rick Anderson, Aberdeen Daily World, "Summer Conflicts"
 2. Eric Francis, Skagit Valley Herald, "Fishing for a Faster Way"
 3. Pete Faggen, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "AMatter of Human Rights"
- HM. Richard Anderson, Skagit Valley Herald.
HM. Tony Castleberry, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Cats Capture Classic Title"

Sports Features

1. Richard Larson, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner, "Still on his Feet"
 2. Eric Francis, Skagit Valley Herald, "Beating the Odds"
 3. Ray Hacke, Roseburg News-Review, "Basketball Mom"
- HM. Pat Faggen, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Locals Know a Different Knight"

Sports Columns

1. Howie Stalwick, Coeur d'Alene Press
 2. Jeff Welsch, Corvallis Gazette-Times.
 3. Kevin Brown, Skagit Valley Herald.
- HM. Matt Vincent and Bill Foley, The Montana Standard.

Editorials

1. John Hughes, Aberdeen Daily News, Aberdeen "Jimmy's Home...,"
Get the Picture...," "What Can We Learn?"
2. Roy Ring, Bozeman Daily Chronicle.
3. (tie) Elise Hamner, The World, Coos Bay.
Rick Eskill, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin.

Headlines

1. Greg Hanberg, Grants Pass Daily Courier.
 2. Michael Yawitz, Bozeman Daily Chronicle.
 3. Brian Beesley, Lewiston Morning Tribune.
- HM. Catherine J. Hicks, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin.

General Columns

1. Janet Fitzgerald, The World, Coos Bay.
 2. Michael Gallagher, Ellensburg Daily Record.
 3. Andrea Scott, Idaho Press-Tribune.
- HM. Cathy Zimmerman, Longview Daily News.
HM. Sheila A. Hagar, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin.

News Page Design

1. Mike Henneke, Mid-Valley Sunday.
 2. Pamela J. Sirianni, Corvallis Gazette-Times.
 3. Brian Beesley, Lewiston Morning Tribune.
- HM. Dan Abshier, Skagit Valley Herald.
HM. Craig Staszko, Moscow-Pullman Daily News.

Feature Page Design

1. Rieva Lakey, Longview Daily News.
 2. Randy Mishler, Longview Daily News.
 3. Heidi Williams, Longview Daily News.
- HM. Larissa Pfeifer, Skagit Valley Herald.

Spot News Photography

1. Derek Pruitt, The Montana Standard, "Ryan Gulch Fire"
2. Thomas Lee, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Standoff on Gooch Hill Road"
3. Rob Bartholomew, Idaho Press-Tribune, "House Fire"

General News Photography

1. Doug Loneman, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Bone Chilling Cold"
2. Andy Dolan, The Daily Astorian, "Inside One Boy's Mind"
3. Deirdra Eitel, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Memorial Day"

Feature Photography

1. Derek Pruitt, The Montana Standard, "First Communion"
 2. Kevin Launius, Grants Pass Daily Courier, "Bowled Over"
 3. Eric Engman, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner, Fairbanks, "FirstHaircut"
- HM. Greg Ebersole, The Daily News, Longview, "Hooping It Up"
- HM. Thomas Lee, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Two Styles of Cycling"

Sports Photography

1. Chris Prevolos, Skagit Valley Herald, "Rodeo Ride"
 2. Jeff Horner, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, "2nd Place is a Lonely Place"
 3. Toni L. Bailey, Centralia Chronicle, "Smilin' Shannon"
- HM. Scott Terrell, Skagit Valley Herald, "Soccer Celebration"

Pictorial Photography

1. Karl Maasdam, Corvallis Gazette-Times, "Courthouse by Moonlight"
2. Keith Thorpe, Peninsula Daily News, "Daishowa America Paper Mill"
3. Jeff Horner, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, "Liquid Color"

Photopage Photography

1. Eric Engman, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner, "Wrestling with Lymphoma"
 2. Andy Bronson, Roseburg News-Review, "ASummer's Sailing"
 3. Deirdre Eitel, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "Sled Dog Rendezvous"
- HM. Jerry Redfern, Roseburg News-Review, "Peggy at the Crossroads"

Portrait Photography

1. Jeff Horner, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, "Facing the World"
 2. Jerry Redfern, Roseburg News-Review, "Tibetan Takeover"
 3. Deirdra Eitel, Bozeman Daily Chronicle, "A Lifetime in Chestnut"
- HM. Scott Terrell, Skagit Valley Herald, "Loading Soil"

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Spot News

1. Staff, Tri-City Herald, "Hanford Wildfire"
 2. Staff, Eastside Journal, "Gunman Killed at Nordstrom"
 3. Mike Archbold, Dan Radford, Claire Booth, South County Journal, "Human Toll of Flight 261"
- HM. Sherry Devlin, The Missoulian, "Flames Jump I-90"
HM. Linda Woo, South County Journal, "Shot Fired in Renton School"

Comprehensive Coverage (one issue)

1. Bruce Rommel and Mike Archbold, South County Journal, "Return to Rail"
2. David Lester, Yakima Herald-Republic, "Ash Sunday"
3. Russ Zabel, South County Journal, "Server Farm Boom"

Comprehensive Coverage (multiple issues)

1. Staff, The Missoulian, "Fires of 2000"
 2. Staff, Bellingham Herald, "Pipeline Explosion--One Year After"
 3. John Dodge, The Olympian, "Where Do We Grow from Here?"
- HM. Mike Barenti, Yakima Herald-Republic, "Yakima Nation Alcohol Ban"

Investigative Reporting

1. Tony Dondero, Eastside Journal, "The Con Man Vanishes"
2. James Sinks, The Bulletin, Bend, "The Bull Market"
3. Dani Dodge, Mail Tribune, Medford, "Lost Pet Ads..."

Criminal Justice

1. Michael Moon, The Missoulian, "Chambers of Power"
 2. Jason Hagey, Tri-City Herald, "Revolving Door of Illegal Immigration"
 3. John Butterworth, Mid-Valley Sunday, "Interpreting Justice"
- HM. Stephen Maher, "Wenatchee World, "Tipping the Scales"
HM. K. C. Mehaffey, Wenatchee World, "Looking for the Truth"

Government Reporting

1. Amy Tatko, The Bulletin, "Grappling with Growth"
 2. Corey Tavle, Idaho Falls Post Register, "The Smallest Precinct"
 3. Sean McCarthy, Bremerton Sun, "Every Vote Counts..."
- HM. Elissa Martin, Medford Mail Tribune, "Dry Summer..."

Health Reporting

1. Linda Weiford, The Bulletin, Bend, "Judy's Cancer"
 2. John Harris, Bellingham Herald, "The Gift of Life"
 3. Lorraine Thompson, The Olympian, "One Body, Two Lives"
- HM. Jonel Aleccia, Mail-Tribune, Medford, "Breaking Through"

HM. K.C. Mehaffey, Wenatchee World, "Run to the Border"

Science Reporting

1. Chris Winters, Eastside Journal, "Nanotech"
2. John Stang, Tri-City Herald, "The Hunt for Big G"
3. Nick Perry, Eastside Journal, "Morning Coffee"

Environmental Reporting

1. (tie) Doug Margeson, Dean Radford and Staff, South County Journal, "Mount St. Helens, 20 Years Later"
 1. (tie) Mike Lee and Andre Ranieri, Tri-City Herald, "In Search of the Snake"
 3. Scott Ayers, Bellingham Herald, "Trillium's Chile Prospect"
- HM. Mike Lee, Tri-City Herald, "Lessons of the Escalante"
HM. Christopher Dunagan, The Sun, "Whales"
HM. Jennifer Langston, Idaho Falls Post-Register, "Hard Choices in Hot Places"

Social Issues

1. Bill Kettler, Mail-Tribune, Medford, "A Death in the Family"
 2. Staff, Yakima Herald-Republic, "Race Relations..."
 3. Khurram Saeed, Bellingham Herald, "The Forgotten"
- HM. Nick Perry, Eastside Journal, "Food Bank"
HM. Mark Porter, Bellingham Herald, "Racist Pastor"

Education

1. Betsy Cohen, The Missoulian, "A Class Apart"
 2. Wendy Culverwell, Tri-City Herald, "Trading Places"
 3. Colleen Pohlig, Yakima Herald-Republic, "Failing Grades"
- HM. Gary Jahrig, The Missoulian, "Questioning Quality"
HM. Jane Gargas, Yakima Herald-Republic, "Class of 2,000"

Personalities

1. Jeff Switzer, Eastside Journal, "'Three Strikes' John"
2. Stephanie Earls, Yakima Herald-Republic, "No Momma, I'm Not Dead"
3. Maggie Hall Walsh, Idaho Falls Post Register, "That's No Lady"

Food, Fashion and Home

1. Jim Murez, Mid-Valley Sunday, "Coming Up Roses"
2. Jonel Aleccia, Medford Mail Tribune, "A Blow for Freedom"
3. Loretto Hulse, Tri-City Herald, "Take Stock"

Lifestyles

1. Jane Gargas, Yakima Herald-Republic, "Community Chest"
 2. Stephanie Earls, Yakima Herald-Republic, "Support System"
 3. Jim Murez, Mid-Valley Sunday, "Master of His Craft"
- HM. Kristina Lord, Tri-City Herald, "Mad About Models"

Short Feature

1. Stephanie Earls, Yakima Herald-Republic, "The Church of God-Zilla"
2. John Stang, Tri-City Herald, "Got Vit"
3. Ryan Feeney, Wenatchee World, "Bomb Farmers"

Feature Story

1. John Wallingford, The Sun, Bremerton, "Thanks, Daddio"
2. Stephanie Earls, Herald-Republic, Yakima, "Ending the Family Silence"
3. Bennett Hall, Mid-Valley Sunday, "Sunshine Highway"

Arts Coverage

1. Jefferson Robbins, Wenatchee World, "Creative Space"
2. Bill Varble, Medford Mail Tribune, "Economics of the Arts"
3. Jeff Switzer, Eastside Journal, "Masterpiece of Light"

Business Reporting

1. Staff, Bellingham Herald, "GP Closes"
2. Rick Steigmeyer, Wenatchee World, "Big Blow for Growers"
3. Paul Menser, Post Register, Idaho Falls, "From Farmland to Funland"

Business Features

1. Jane Rider, The Missoulian, "Through the Mill"
 2. Jason Moore, The Bulletin, "Sisters..."
 3. Mike Lee, Tri-City Herald, "Losing Ground"
- HM. Bill Kettler, Medford Mail-Tribune, "El Milagro"

Sports News

1. Kevin Hall, Times-News, Twin Falls, "
2. Kevin Hampton, Corvallis Gazette-Times,

Sports Features

1. Scott Sandsberry, Yakima Herald-Republic, "A Season for Learning"
 2. Jeff Welsch, Corvallis Gazette-Times, "Life of Riley"
 3. Scott Sandsberry, Yakima Herald-Republic, "ALong, Long Way"
- HM. Mark Moschetti, South County Journal, "Channel to Conquer"
- HM. David Thomas, Yakima Herald-Republic, "For the Love of the Game"

Sports Columns

1. John Wallingford, The Sun.
2. Jim Riley, Tri-City Herald.
3. Bill Bigelow, The Bulletin.

Editorials

1. Erik Lukens, The Bulletin
2. Mike Oakland, The Olympian
3. Chris Trejbal, The Bulletin

Headlines

1. Justin Grigg, The Missoulian
2. Jon Bauer, Tri-City Herald
3. Tamara Peterson, The Sun

General Columns

1. Maggie Hall Walsh, Post Register

2. Greg Jakelwicz, The Sun, Bremerton
3. Ken Robertson, Tri-City Herald

News Page Design

1. Robert Gilbert, Eastside Journal
 2. Viviane Gilbert Stein, Tri-City Herald
 3. Mike Plaster, Eastside Journal
- HM. Greg Jaklewicz, The Sun
- HM. Bill Epperheimer, Yakima Herald-Republic

Feature Page Design

1. Jamie Kelly, The Missoulian
 2. Mark Dodge Medlin, Medford Mail-Tribune
 3. Tony Briggman, Bellingham Herald
- HM. Jonita Bernstein, Wenatchee World
- HM. Liz Mendez, Tri-City Herald

Spot News Photography

1. Steve Shelton, Eastside Journal, "Faced with Fine"
 2. Don Seabrook, Wenatchee World, "Showdown wrestle"
 3. Larry Steagall, The Sun, "Cat & Firefighter"
- HM. Kelly Gillin, Wenatchee World, "Exhausted firefighter"
- HM. Michael Gallagher, The Missoulian, "Plea for Help"

General News Photography

1. Rob Kerr, The Bulletin, "Grieving Students"
 2. R. Erin Fredrichs, Bellingham Herald, "Winning Stunt"
 3. Rob Kerr, The Bulletin, "Day of Prayer"
- HM. Gordon King, Yakima Herald, "Doesn't Add Up"

Feature Photography

1. Larry Steagall, The Sun, Spit polish"
 2. Bob Pennell, Mail Tribune, Birthday Parade"
 3. Bob Pennell, Mail Tribune, "Relax"
- HM. Bob Brawdey, Tri-City Herald, "Playing in the band"
- HM. Steve Shelton, Eastside Journal, "Lost Dog"

Sports Photography

1. Ryan Gardner, Mid Valley Sunday, "Helmet knocked off"
 2. Steve Shelton, Eastside Journal, "De Feat"
 3. Sandy Summers, Yakima Herald, "Kick in the Pants"
- HM. Pete Erickson, The Bulletin, "Redmond Celebration"
- HM. Rob Kerr, The Bulletin, "Thrill and agony"

Pictorial Photography

1. Pete Erickson, The Bulletin, "Morning flight"
2. Michael Gallagher, The Missoulian, "Harvest"
3. Andree Ranieri, Tri-City Herald, "Sunrise Arches"

Photopage Photography

1. Kurt Wilson, The Missoulian, "Mission Amish"
2. Steve Shelton, Eastside Journal, "3rd World Healer"
3. Larry Steagall, The Sun, "Family Value"

Portrait Photography

1. Steve Shelton, Eastside Journal, "Data Miner"
 2. Bob Pennell, Mail Tribune, "Actor"
 3. Pete Kendall, Bellingham Herald, "Making Move"
- HM. Pete Erickson, The Bulletin, "Rodeo Eyes"
- HM. Larry Steagall, The Sun, "Flag"

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 2. Staff, The Seattle Times, "Seattle Jet Crash"
 3. Vanessa Ho, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "Manhunt Follows Robbery"
- HM. Winston Ross, The Spokesman-Review, "Bomb Scare..."
HM. Karen Aho, Anchorage Daily News, "Isolation Haunted Man Shot by Police"

Comprehensive Coverage (1 day's issue)

1. Sports and Design staffs, The Seattle Times, "Griffey Trade"
 2. Kathie Durbin and Erik Robinson, The Columbian, "Mount St. Helens 20 Years Later"
 3. Staff, The Oregonian, "150"
- HM. Staff, Spokesman-Review, "Sheriff Links Suspects to at Least 12 Killings"
HM. Staff, The Seattle Times, "Dome's Final Roar"

Comprehensive Coverage (multiple issues)

1. Staff, The Oregonian, "Liberty's Heavy Hand"
2. Andrew Schneider and Carol Smith, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "Asbestos: The Forgotten Killer"
3. Staff, Spokesman-Review, "Key Moments"

Investigative Reporting

1. Stefano Esposito, The News-Tribune, "Shawn Lowrance"
 2. Lisa Demer, Anchorage Daily News, "Trouble Mars Foster Parents' Past"
 3. Karen Dorn Steele, The Spokesman-Review, "Judge's Derisive Notes..."
- HM. Steve Miletich, Chuck Taylor and Brian Acohido, The Seattle Times, "Alaska Airlines...crash investigation"
HM. Steve Law, Statesman Journal, "Termed Out"

Criminal Justice

1. Staff, Spokesman-Review, "Meth Series"
 2. Robert L. Jamieson Jr. and Kimberly A.C. Wilson, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "Mental Illness...Tragedy of Police Shootings"
 3. Les Zaitz, The Oregonian, "State Police Fly Planes..."
- HM. Anne Koch, Florangela Davila, Lynne K. Varner, The Seattle Times, "Can Police, Blacks Bridge Racial Divide?"

Government Reporting

1. Kim Barker, The Seattle Times, "How Safety Net Failed a Child"
2. Brier Dudley, The Seattle Times, "Olympic Pipeline Hit with Record Fine"

3. Eric Nalder, The Seattle Times, "State Fails to Appeal \$17.8 M Verdict"

Consumer Reporting

1. Tony Hopfinger, Anchorage Daily News, "Sight Fight"
 2. Staff, The Seattle Times, "Sticker Shocked"
 3. Scott Sunde, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "Seniors Heading North..."
- HM. Winda Benedetti, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "More Byte Than Bark"
HM. Mike Hinman, Anchorage Daily News, "...Credit Card Debt..."

Health Reporting

1. Tom Hallman Jr., The Oregonian, "The Boy Behind the Mask"
2. Carol Smith, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "Fighting for Two"
3. (tie) Judith Blake, The Seattle Times, "Protecting Yourself from Medical Mistakes"
3. (tie) Carol M. Ostrom, The Seattle Times, "The War on Pain"

Science Reporting

1. Dan Hansen, The Spokesman-Review, "Life Emerges from the Ashes"
2. Amy Starke, The Oregonian, "Bio-Engineered Food"

Environmental Reporting

1. Staff, The Oregonian, "River of Risk"
 2. Susan Gordon, The News-Tribune, "Beach Erosion"
 3. Ross Anderson, Chris Solomon, Eric Sorensen, The Seattle Times, "Mt. St. Helens Remembered"
- HM. Alex Tizon, The Seattle Times, "The Killing of the Bears"
HM. Lance Robertson, The Register-Guard, "Troubled Waters"

Social Issues

1. Ruth Teichroeb and Larry Johnson, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "Crack in the Culture"
 2. Michael Wilson, The Oregonian, "Secrets of a Small Town Priest"
 3. Staff, The Seattle Times, "Chinese Stowaways"
- HM. Kate Taylor, The Oregonian, "Closing the Family Circle"

Education

1. Bill Graves, Inara Verzemnieks, Michael Ottey, The Oregonian, "Missing Class of 2000"
2. Dana Haynes and Marie Gravelle, Statesman Journal, "State Report Card"
3. Rosemary Shinohara, Anchorage Daily News, "Education in the Bush"

Education

HM. Brian Kelly, The Herald, Everett, "ASpecial Violence"
HM. Mhari Doyle, The Columbian, "Discipline Requires a Helping...Hand"

Personalities

1. Jason Quick, The Oregonian, "The Coach's Secret"
2. Marc Ramirez, The Seattle Times, "The Blazing Steps of Janet Collins"
3. Spencer Heinz, The Oregonian, "A Room to Grow In"
HM. Kimber Williams, The Register-Guard, "A Silence, Once Broken"
HM. Ann Potempa, Anchorage Daily News, "Medicine for the Doctor"

Food, Fashion and Home

1. Angela Allen, The Columbian, "Groceries Go Gamma"
2. Paula Bock, The Seattle Times, "Hat Lady..."
3. Paul Turner, The Spokesman-Review, "Kernel Desires"

Lifestyles

1. Paula Bock, The Seattle Times, "Up a Creek Without a Phone"
2. Kristen Kromer, The Spokesman-Review, "For the Love of God"
3. Mark Ramirez, The Seattle Times, "At the Hop"
HM. Mike Lindblom, The Seattle Times, "Small Survivor"
HM. Paul Turner, The Spokesman-Review, "Coming Out Party"

Short Feature

1. Linda Shaw, The Seattle Times, "Meet One Young Activist..."
2. Tom Hallman Jr., The Oregonian, "A Tradition Winds Down..."
3. Rebecca Cook, The Associated Press, "Prison Facilities Service-Dog Training"
HM. Steven Greenhouse, Anchorage Daily News, "Seen Through Her Fingers"

Feature Story

1. Bill Graves, The Oregonian, "A Tangle of Heartstrings"
2. Bryan Denson, The Oregonian, "The Real Meaning of March 19"
3. Richard Seven, The Seattle Times, "Eugene: Where Alternate Realities Go to Live"
HM. Janice Podsada, The Herald, Everett, "When Home Is Where the Hurt Is"
HM. Sherry Stripling, The Seattle Times, "I Woke Up in a Seattle I Hardly Recognize"

Arts Coverage

1. Bob Keefer, The Register-Guard, "Ballet by Bus"
2. Ron Cowan, Statesman Journal, "Saving Our History"
3. Mike Dunham, Anchorage Daily News, "The Last Romantic"
HM. Brett Oppegaard, The Columbian, "Public Art in Clark County"

Business Reporting

1. Gail Kinsey Hill, The Oregonian, "Rising Electricity Rates"
2. Staff, The Oregonian, "Wave of Growth"
3. Staff, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "Microsoft Breakup"
HM. Wesley Loy, Anchorage Daily News, "Hauling In Riches Without a Net"

Business Features

1. Tommy Hopfinger, Anchorage Daily News, "Highway to Asia"
2. Drew DeSilver, The Seattle Times, "WaMu Losing its Luster..."
3. Andy Dworkin, The Oregonian, "Knight-UO Friendship Founders..."
HM. Lynda V. Mapes, The Seattle Times, "Under Two Flags"
HM. C. R. Roberts, The News-Tribune, "Pierce Economy Gets Kick..."

Sports News

1. Lew Freedman, Anchorage Daily News, "Shootout at the NCAACorral"
2. Angelo Buscas and Ted Miller, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "Crawford Saga"
3. Ken Goe, The Oregonian, "PSU Football"
HM. Katy Muldoon, The Oregonian, "Champions of Hope"
HM. Bob Finnigan and Larry Stone, The Seattle Times, "A Done Deal"

Sports Features

1. Don Hansen and Rich Landers, Spokesman-Review, "Parting Shot?"
2. Lew Freedman, Anchorage Daily News, "The Right Caliber"
3. Ted Miller, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "The Magic of Marques"
HM. Bob Sherwin, The Seattle Times, "Husky's Victory Called Biggest Sports Upset"

Sports Columns

1. John McGrath, The News-Tribune.
2. Chuck Culpepper, The Oregonian.
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