

WINNERS AND FINALISTS OF THE 2009 GOLDEN QUILLS

News Illustration

Winner: “Drilling a Tunnel,” Ed Yozwick, James Hilston and Mark Roth, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “Connector Construction,” Robert Newell, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review
“Flu Vaccination,” Ed Yozwick and James Hilston, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Livolsi-Schriner Award for Feature Illustration

Winner: “Cand(i)date Land,” Stacy Innerst, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “Jack O’ All Trades,” Daniel Marsula, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“A Season’s Cruel Turn,” Ed Yozwick, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Editorial Cartoon

Winner: “At Last We Meet,” Randy Bish, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Finalists: “Loaves and Fishes,” Randy Bish, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review
Portfolio, Tim Menees, Pittsburgh Quarterly

Feature, Magazines

Winner: “The Smallest Soldiers,” Ervin Dyer, Pitt Magazine

Feature, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: “Escape Artist,” Melissa Meinzer, Pittsburgh City Paper

Finalists: “Long Road Back,” Sean D. Hamill, Pittsburgh City Paper
“The War According to Ms. Haynes,” Morgan Kelly, Pitt Chronicle

Radio Feature/Documentary

Winner: “This Musical City,” Bob Studebaker, WDUQ-FM

Finalists: “Muslim Women in Pittsburgh,” Alexandria Chaklos, WDUQ-FM
“Pittsburgh: Making History for 250 Years,” Alexandria Chaklos, Kevin Gavin, Mark Nootbaar and Charlee Song, WDUQ-FM

Photo Essay or Story

Winner: “Afghanistan,” Justin Merriman, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Finalists: “Flames, Fumes,” Erica Galvin, New Castle News
“Pittsburgh’s Three Seasons,” John Beale, Pittsburgh Quarterly

Harry Coughanour Award for Feature Photography, Newspapers, Wire Services or Magazines

Winner: “Smoke Break,” Justin Merriman, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Finalists: “Aligning Perfection,” Jason Bridge, Valley News Dispatch
“A Soldier’s Eye,” Steve Mellon, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Feature/Series, Videography

Winner: “Mass Transportation: Beyond the Pump,” Tim Holoman, WPXI-TV

Finalists: “Poetic Pool,” Dave Crawley and Dave Forstate, KDKA-TV
“Ron Mueck at The Warhol,” Pierina Morelli, WQED-TV

Feature, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: “War Bonds,” Chris Rosenblum, Centre Daily Times

Finalist: “Finding Peace,” Rex Rutkoski, Valley News Dispatch

Feature, Television

Winner: “Kanzius Machine,” David Highfield, Marty Rodgers, Mike Regan and Dave Colabine, KDKA-TV

Finalists: “A Lifetime of Songs,” Pierina Morelli and Mike Lee, WQED-TV
“Poetic Pool,” Dave Crawley and Dave Forstate, KDKA-TV

Feature, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “Busy Time for Repo Man,” Cristina Rouvalis, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “Hijacked,” Gary Rotstein, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“The Mother of Mother’s Day,” Cristina Rouvalis, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Public Affairs/Documentary, Television

Winner: “50 Best in Pittsburgh’s 250 Fest,” Mark Barash, Brian Leopold and Steve Fogle, WPXI-TV

Finalists: “Gardens of Pennsylvania,” Nathalie Berry, Doug Oster and David Cohen, WQED-TV
“Gettysburg: Stories From the Battlefield,” David Solomon and Paul Ruggieri, WQED-TV

Online Multimedia Feature

Winner: “Creature Feature,” Andrew Rush, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “Camp for Amputees,” Michael Henninger, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“Brynn Marie Performs for the Troops,” Dean Iampietro, WPXI-TV

Business, Magazines

Winner: “Bond Shelter,” Jeffery Fraser, H Magazine

Business, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: “Region’s Fastest Growing Firms Brace for Uncertainty in 2009,” Pittsburgh Business Times Staff, Pittsburgh Business Times

Finalists: “New Arms Race,” Steve Sampsell, Pittsburgh Sports Report
“Room With a View,” Lee Chottiner, The Jewish Chronicle

Business, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: “Natural Gas Rush,” Anne Danahy, Jennifer Thomas and Dena Pauling, Centre Daily Times

Finalist: “Scooter Sales,” Michael Aubele, Valley News Dispatch

Business, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “Mill’s Closure Devastating Blow for Hard-Luck Town,” Robin Acton, Tribune-Review

Finalists: “Absentees at Port Authority,” Joe Grata, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“Little Bite Put in Restaurant Inspections,” Patricia Sabatini, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“On Guard,” Gerry Weiss, Erie Times-News

Health/Medical, Magazines

Winner: “Radio X,” Bonnie Sanford M.D, John G. Benitez M.D. and Linda G. Allison, Western Pennsylvania History Magazine

Finalist: “Sports Concussions,” Holly Schultz, mtl magazine

Health/Medical, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: “Chronic Conditions,” Bill O’Driscoll, Pittsburgh City Paper

Finalists: “Playing Patient,” Kimberly K. Barlow, University Times
“Trend Toward Retail Clinics Reflects Needs,” Zandy Dudiak, Gateway Newspapers

Health/Medical, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: “Heartfelt Decision,” Rex Rutkoski, Valley News Dispatch

Finalists: “The Hidden Pain,” Dawn Keller, Observer-Reporter
“Troubled Minds,” Randy Griffith, The Tribune-Democrat

Health/Medical, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “Rare Disease, Rarer Minds,” Mark Roth, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “Drugs May Halt Types of Lung Disease,” Allison Heinrichs, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review
“Waves of Change,” David Bruce, Erie Times-News

Science/Technology, Magazines

Winner: “Steel and Science Bring Dinosaurs Into the 21st Century,” Maureen Byko, TMS

Science/Technology, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: “Chasing the Buzz,” Justin Hopper, Pittsburgh City Paper

Science/Technology, Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “Going Greener,” Don Hopey, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “Hoping to Tap a Gas Bonanza,” Don Hopey, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“Tangling Over Turbines,” Allison Heinrichs, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Cultural, Magazines

Winner: “Individual Investment,” Monica Haynes, H Magazine

Cultural, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: “Uncommon Senselessness,” Bill O’Driscoll, Pittsburgh City Paper

Cultural, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: “Night of the Living Dead,” Brad Hundt, Observer-Reporter

Cultural, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “Name This Tune,” Andrew Druckenbrod, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “The Art of Failure,” William Loeffler, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review
“The Rock of Aged,” Scott Mervis, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Criticism, Magazines

Winner: “Reading Room,” Sandra Levis, Pittsburgh Quarterly

Finalist: “Buddy Movies,” Elaine Wertheim, mtl magazine

Criticism, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: Theater Reviews, Robert Isenberg, Pittsburgh City Paper

Criticism, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: Restaurant Criticism, China Millman, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “ ‘King Lear’ Is an Intimate Tragedy,” Alice T. Carter, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review
Movie Criticism, Barbara Vancheri, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Sports, Magazines

Winner: “Who’s the One?” Frank Bodani, Town & Gown

Finalist: “Queens of the Court,” Jodi Diperna, Pittsburgh Quarterly

Sports, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: “Building a Movement,” Bill O’Driscoll, Pittsburgh City Paper

Finalist: “Cap Control,” Bob Grove, Pittsburgh Sports Report

Sports Reporting, Radio

Winner: “Steel City Derby Demons,” Katherine Fink, WDUQ-FM

Sports Reporting, Television

Winner: “Steelers Monday,” Michael Challik and Jory Rand, KDKA-TV

Finalist: “The Jerome Bettis Show,” WPXI Sports Team/Dean Iampietro, producer, WPXI-TV

Sports Photography, Newspapers, Wire Services and Magazines

Winner: “Left Behind,” Barry Reeger, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Finalists: “By His Finger Tips,” Matt Freed, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“Losing Feeling,” Eric Felack, Valley News Dispatch

Sports Videography

Winner: “Steelers Monday,” Michael Challik and Jory Rand, KDKA-TV

Sports, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: “Black and White,” Cory Giger, Altoona Mirror

Sports, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “High School Athlete Transfers,” Bill Moushey, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “The Greatest Comeback,” Kevin Gorman, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review
“Running out of Innings,” Mike White, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Editorial, Magazines

Winner: “Stocks and Pedestals,” Doug Heuck, Pittsburgh Quarterly

Editorial, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: Editorials, Alan Wallace, The Times Express

Radio Commentary/Editorial

Winner: “The Half-Truths of Politics,” Robert W. Dickey and Robert McCully, KQV RADIO

Editorial, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: “Tax-Cut Lotharios on Prowl,” Steven Carpenter, Altoona Mirror

Commentary/Editorial, Television

Winner: “Paris Flights/Progressive City,” Rick Henry, WTAE-TV

Editorial, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “WVU-Gate,” Tom Waseleski, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “Primary Endorsement,” Reg Henry, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“Spare Us the Drive!” Bob Pellegrino, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Column, Magazines

Winner: “What Do I Know?” Jeff Sewald, Pittsburgh Quarterly

Column, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: Columns of Tony Defazio, Pittsburgh Sports Report

Column, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: Columns of Mike Kilroy, Butler Eagle

Finalist: Columns of Mitchel Olszak, New Castle News

Column, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “Diaspora Report,” Bill Toland, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “Myron Cope,” Gene Collier, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“Walker Fulfills ...” Ron Cook, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Online Multimedia News

Winner: “Election Day/Night Coverage,” Multimedia Team, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “North Shore Connector,” Caroline Hirt and Steve Adams, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review
“Transplanting Too Soon,” Jason Lanza, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Enterprise/Investigative Series, Magazines

Winner: “Pittsburgh Regional Indicators,” John G. Craig Jr., Pittsburgh Quarterly

Enterprise/Investigative Series, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: “Bridging the Gap,” Anya Litvak, Pittsburgh Business Times

Enterprise/Investigative Series, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: “LaGrotta Series,” Pat Litowitz, New Castle News

Finalist: “Forest Area Financial Crisis,” Sheila Boughner, The Derrick

Enterprise/Investigative Series, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “Transplanting Too Soon,” Luis Fabregas and Andrew Conte, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Finalists: “Bonusgate,” Dennis Roddy and Tracie Mauriello, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“Lessons From Louisville,” Erica Erwin, Erie Times-News
“PIAA Ref Checks,” Bill Moushey, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Enterprise/Investigative Article, Magazines

Winner: “The Truth About Pittsburgh’s Air,” Jeffery Fraser, Pittsburgh Quarterly

Finalists: “Independence Day,” Douglas Root, H Magazine
“Pool, What Next?” Susan Morgans, mtl magazine

Enterprise/Investigative Article, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: “Pet Cause,” Charlie Deitch, Pittsburgh City Paper

Finalists: “Flood of Interest,” Adam Fleming, Pittsburgh City Paper
“Vocational Education,” Gateway Newspapers

Enterprise/Investigative News, Radio

Winner: “Reducing Gun Violence: One Goal, Many Paths,” Katherine Fink, WDUQ-FM

Finalists: “FTC Looks at Carbon Offset Sales,” Jennifer Szweda Jordan, The Allegheny Front/WYEP-FM

“On the Fringe,” Larkin Page-Jacobs, WDUQ-FM

Enterprise/Investigative Article, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: “Who Is This Guy?” Kirk Swauger and Kecia Bal, The Tribune-Democrat

Finalist: “Mold Problems Kept Quiet,” Dena Pauling, Centre Daily Times

Enterprise/Investigative News, Television

Winner: “Watching the Watchdogs,” Jim Parsons, Kendall Cross and Michael Lazorko, WTAE-TV

Finalists: “Marcellus Shale,” Jim Parsons, Kendall Cross and Michael Lazorko, WTAE-TV
“Principal Fraud,” Marty Griffin, KDKA-TV

Enterprise/Investigative Article, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “Twenty Years of Devastation,” Jill King Greenwood, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Finalists: “Merger Answers Difficult,” Rich Lord, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
“Wives Put Through the Wringer,” Cristina Rouvalis, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Spot News, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: “Market Takes Investors on Wild Ride,” Patty Tascarella and Tim Schooley, Pittsburgh Business Times

Spot News, Radio

Winner: “Election Night,” KQV News Team/ Frank Gottleib, News Director, KQV RADIO

Finalist: “Consolidate?” Mark Nootbaar, WDUQ-FM

Spot News Photography, Newspapers, Wire Services or Magazines

Winner: “My Sister Was Killed,” Darrell Sapp, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “A Mother’s Tears,” Joe Appel, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review
“Teen Dead in Apparent Burglary,” Andrew Russell, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Spot News, Television

Winner: “Route 28 Car Chase,” Channel 4 Action News, WTAE-TV

Finalists: “FBI Agent Killed,” KDKA-TV News Staff, KDKA-TV
“Plum House Explosion,” WPXI-TV News Staff/Corrie Harding, News Director, WPXI-TV

Spot News, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: “Gunman Killed,” Centre Daily Times Staff, Centre Daily Times

Spot News, Videography

Winner: “Naked Man Running,” Dave Colabine, KDKA-TV

Spot News, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “Wedding Night Brawl,” Karen Kane, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “Crash Kills 2, Hits House,” Lindsey Poisson, Erie Times-News
“CMU Prof Who Inspired Millions Dies,” Mark Roth, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Continuing Coverage, Magazines

Winner: “Pittsburgh’s Leading Women,” Aradhna Dhanda, Jeffery Fraser and John Buckman, Pittsburgh Quarterly

Finalist: “Pittsburgh 250,” Pittsburgh Quarterly Staff, Pittsburgh Quarterly

Continuing Coverage, Non-Daily Newspapers

Winner: “Covenant Deal Challenged,” Toby Tabachnick, The Jewish Chronicle

Finalists: “CBA Coverage,” Chris Young, Pittsburgh City Paper
“Open Access Series,” Kimberly K. Barlow, University Times

Continuing Coverage, Radio

Winner: “Clearing the Air in Pittsburgh,” The Allegheny Front Staff, The Allegheny Front/WYEP-FM

Finalists: “Conserving Land in Pennsylvania, The Allegheny Front Staff, The Allegheny Front/WYEP-FM
“The Dawn of the Pennsylvania Gas Rush,” Ann Murray, The Allegheny Front/WYEP-FM

Continuing Coverage, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Under 45,000

Winner: “Straw Hat Robbery,” Chuck Biedka and Tom Yerace, Valley News Dispatch

Finalists: “County Whipped By Winds,” News Staff, Butler Eagle
“Tiger Ranch,” Francine Garrone, Valley News Dispatch

Continuing Coverage, Television

Winner: “Cures in the Trash,” Rick Earle, Tim Holoman and Ward Hobbs, WPXI-TV

Finalists: “An Affair of the Heart,” Scott Bremner and Dave Hetrick, WSEE-TV
“Baby Cut From Womb,” Marcie Cipriani and John McKee, WTAE-TV

Continuing Coverage, Daily Newspapers and Wire Services, Circulation Over 45,000

Winner: “Baby Thief,” Sadie Gurman, Jerome Sherman and Joe Fahy, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Finalists: “Battle for Afghanistan,” Betsy Hiel, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review
“Pay to Play,” Rich Lord, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

The following Quill Award winners also received best-of-show awards:

Ed Romano Memorial Award: Photography/Videography

“Afghanistan,” Justin Merriman, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Ed King Memorial Award: Television

“Watching the Watchdogs,” Jim Parsons, Kendall Cross and Michael Lazorko, WTAE-TV

Ed King Memorial Award: Radio

“This Musical City,” Bob Studebaker, WDUQ-FM

Ray Sprigle Memorial Award: Non-Daily Newspapers and Magazines

“Bridging the Gap,” Anya Litvak, Pittsburgh Business Times

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“Transplanting Too Soon,” Luis Fabregas and Andrew Conte, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review