

Virginia Press Women 2009 Communications Contest Winners Announced

Richmond, VA – A total of 47 professional communicators won an impressive 196 awards in the Virginia Press Women's 2009 Communication Contest. Winners were announced at the Virginia Press Women Annual Spring Conference Saturday, April 25 in Fredericksburg, Va.

Categories such as newspaper writing, public relations, advertising, photo journalism, Web and magazine writing, radio and television were judged by representatives from national media, including National Geographic, as well as award-winning communicators from major universities and PR and advertising agencies. Entries that received first place will be advanced to the National Federation of Press Women contest.

Northern Virginia – Fredericksburg, Burke, Sommerville

Fredericksburg

Barbara Crookshanks

- First place, Non-Fiction Book, History
- First place, Special Articles -- Rotating Subject: Planet Earth

Diane Carroll Vogel

- First place, Special Articles – Religion
- First Place for Columns – General
- First Place for Photography in Daily Newspaper – Feature Photo
- Third Place for Photographer-Writer

Sarah A. Ferrell

- Second place, Columns -- Informational (how-to, Q&A, advice)
- Third place, Columns -- Specialized (essays, opinion, critique or review)
- Second place, Writing for the Web and online newsletters -- Commentary

Virginia C. Johnson

- First place, Non-Fiction Book, History
- Second place, Writing for the Web (non-profit)
- Third place, Writing for the Web (non-profit)
- Third place, Feature Article for the Web

University of Mary Washington

Christine Neuberger

- First place, Internal Communications
- First place, Feature Story, Publication/Magazine/Supplement for General or Specialized Circulation

Donna Harter Raab

- First place, Audiovisuals -- Video productions
- First place, Reports -- General report
- First place, Brochure -- Four-color

Marty Morrison

- First place, Community or Institutional Relations
- First place, Internal Communications

- First place, Feature Story, Publication/Magazine/Supplement for General or Specialized Circulation

Teresa Mannix

- First place, Community or Institutional Relations
- First place, Internal Communications
- Second place, Manuals and Handbooks

The Free-Lance Star

Cathy Jett

- First place, Investigative Reporting
- First place, Special Series
- First place, Special Articles – Business
- Second place, Special Articles -- Agriculture, Agribusiness, Aquaculture
- Second place, Special Articles – Education
- Honorable mention, Special Articles -- Science (technology, ecology, environment, energy, "green issues")

Gwen Woolf, Town and Country Magazine

- First place, Section edited by entrant -- frequent or regular sections -- Daily newspaper
- Second place, Section edited by entrant -- frequent or regular sections -- Daily newspaper
- Third place, Section edited by entrant -- frequent or regular sections -- Daily newspaper

Burke

Pat Crepeau

- First place, Children's Books

Somerville

Linda J. White

- First place, Editorial/Opinion -- Daily newspaper
- Second place, Editorial/Opinion -- Daily newspaper

Falmouth

Marty Van Duyne

- First place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- News photo
- First place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- Sports photo
- First place, Editorial/Opinion -- Non-daily newspaper – News reporting
- First place, Special Articles -- Science (technology, ecology, environment, energy, "green issues")
- First place, Special Articles -- Government or politics
- Second place, Investigative Reporting
- Second place, Special Series
- Second place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- News photo
- Second place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- Sports photo
- Second place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- photo essay
- Second place, Special Articles – Sports

- Third place, Non-daily newspaper
- Third place, Special Articles -- Government or politics
- Third place, Special Articles -- Sports
- Honorable Mention, Photographer-writer

Central Virginia – Richmond, Midlothian, Glen Allen

Richmond

Ann Oppenheimer, Folk Art Messenger

- Second place, Single page or pages regularly edited by entrant, other than lifestyle or Entertainment. Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, Folk Art Messenger
- Third place, Publications regularly edited by entrant (publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications)
- Honorable mention, Brochure -- Four-color

Bonnie Atwood

- Honorable mention, Writing for the Web and online newsletters--Feature article written specifically for the Web, ONE (1) example

Ginger Levit

- First place, Special Articles -- Reviews (any subject, personal opinion must be expressed)
- Second place, News Reporting -- Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications
- Second place, Special Articles -- Home (interior decoration, furniture, architecture, landscaping)
- Third place, Special Articles -- Arts and Entertainment
- Third place, Special Articles -- History
- Third place, Special Articles -- Fashion

Laura Fortunato

- First place, Public Service
- First place, Writing for the Web and online newsletters -- Web content written for not-for-profit or educational organization sites
- First place, Writing for the Web and online newsletters -- News article written specifically for the Web
- Second place, News or feature releases -- multiple releases
- Third place, News or feature release -- single release -- News release

Louise C. Seals

- First place, Sections/supplements edited by entrant-infrequent (one-time, annual, semi-annual, quarterly)

Nancy Wright Beasley

- Second place, Columns--Specialized (essays, opinion, critique or review)
- Third place, Columns—General

Pamela Stallsmith

- First place, Writing for the Web and online newsletters -- Feature article written specifically for the Web
- Second place , Personality Profile -- More than 500 words

Rosemary Dietrick

- First place, Special Articles -- Travel

David Kohler

- First place, Photographer-writer

Cynthia Price

- First place, Speeches
- First place, Photography on the Web or electronic publishing--Single photo (news, feature or sports)
- First place, Writing for the Web and online newsletters--Commentary (columns, reviews, editorials) written specifically for the Web, TWO (2) examples
- Third place, Daily Newspaper

Joan B. Tupponce

- First place, Feature story -- Daily newspaper
- First place, Special Articles – Sports
- First place, Personality Profile -- more than 500 words
- First place, Special Articles -- Arts and Entertainment
- First place, Special Articles -- Physical health, fitness, mental health, self-help
- First place, Special Articles -- Social Issues (family, minority affairs, welfare, women, the elderly, consumerism)
- Second place, Special Articles – Business First place, Special Articles -- Home (interior decoration, furniture, architecture, landscaping)
- Second place, Special Articles -- Physical health, fitness, mental health, self-help
- Third place, Special Articles – Education
- Third place, Special Articles -- Social Issues (family, minority affairs, welfare, women, the elderly, consumerism)
- Third place, Feature story -- Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications
- Third place, Special Articles – Travel

Martha W. Steger

- First place, Columns--Informational (how-to, Q&A, advice)
- First place, Creative verse, including single entries or a book or chapbook of poetry
- Second place, Speeches
- Third place, Short story (single story or collection)

Frances (Francine) Crutchfield

- Second place, Feature story -- non-daily newspaper
- Third place, Speeches
- Third place, Editorial/Opinion -- Non-daily newspaper

Anne Marie Morgan

- First place, Special programming -- radio

Pulsar Communications

Sande Snead

- First place, Photographer-writer
- First place, Single-sheet poster/poster campaign/billboard/banner -- Original poster campaign
- First place, Radio single commercial or campaign built around one subject
- Second place, Web site development/creation -- Not-for-profit or educational organization sites
- Second place, Special Articles -- Travel
- Second place, Audiovisuals -- Video productions
- Third place Writing for the Web and online newsletters -- Web content written for corporate or for-profit organization sites

The Henrico Citizen

Patty Kruszewski,

- Second place, Headlines, caption writing, original graphics and editorial cartoons -- headline writing
- Second place, Headlines, caption writing, original graphics and editorial cartoons -- Caption writing
- Second place, Special Articles -- Arts and Entertainment
- Second place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- Feature photo
- Second place, Special Articles -- Social Issues (family, minority affairs, welfare, women, the elderly, consumerism)
- Third place, Feature story -- non-daily newspaper
- Third place, Special Articles -- Business
- Third place, Special Articles -- Physical health, fitness, mental health, self-help
- Third place, Special Articles -- Religion
- Honorable mention, Special Articles -- Education
- Honorable mention, Special Articles -- Social Issues (family, minority affairs, welfare, women, the elderly, consumerism)

Richmond Convention & Visitors Bureau

Katherine O'Donnell,

- First place Magazine--one to three-color
- Third place Manuals and Handbook

Mike Freeman, Richmond Convention & Visitors Bureau

- First place Magazine--one to three-color
- Third place Manuals and Handbooks

Laura Beck, Richmond Convention & Visitors Bureau

- First place, Manuals and Handbooks
- Third place Brochure -- Four-color

Western Virginia – Charlottesville, Louisa, Appomattox, Farmville

Charlottesville

Betty Wooding, UVA Facilities Management

- First place, Newsletter--Four-color

Tammy Poole, State Farm Insurance

- First place, Writing for the Web and online newsletters -- Web content written for corporate or for-profit organization sites
- Second place, Writing for the Web and online newsletters -- Web content written for corporate or for-profit organization sites
- Third place, Magazine -- Four-color
- Honorable mention, Writing for the Web and online newsletters -- Web content written for corporate or for-profit organization sites

Louisa

Pat Wilson

- First place, Special Articles -- Advertorials (writing done for special advertising supplements or special sections)
- First place, Special Articles -- History
- First place, Special Articles -- Agriculture, Agribusiness, Aquaculture
- Honorable mention, Special Articles -- Arts and Entertainment
- Second place, Special Articles -- Hobby or Crafts
- Second place, Editorial/Opinion

Appomattox

Megan M. Harris

- First place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- photo essay
- Honorable mention, Columns -- Humorous
- Honorable mention, Feature story -- non-daily newspaper

The Farmville Herald

Tana Lane Knott

- First place, Columns -- Humorous
- First place, Feature story -- non-daily newspaper
- First place, News reporting -- non-daily newspaper
- Second place, News reporting -- non-daily newspaper
- Second place, Special Articles -- Government or politics
- Third place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- News photo
- Third place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- photo essay
- Third place, Special Articles -- Agriculture, Agribusiness, Aquaculture
- Honorable mention, Special Articles -- History

Marge Swayne

- First place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- Feature photo
- First place, Special Articles -- Education
- Second place, Special Articles -- Food
- Second place, Columns -- Humorous
- Second place, Special Articles -- History
- Second place, Special Articles -- Religion

- Second place, Special Articles -- Reviews (any subject, personal opinion must be expressed)
- Second place, Photographer-writer
- Third place, Headlines, caption writing, original graphics and editorial cartoons -- Headline writing
- Third place, Headlines, caption writing, original graphics and editorial cartoons -- Caption writing
- Third place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- Feature photo
- Third place, Photography in non-daily newspaper -- Sports photo
- Honorable mention, Non-daily newspaper
- Honorable mention, Columns -- Specialized (essays, opinion, critique or review)

Southwestern Virginia – Roanoke, Radford, Blacksburg

Roanoke

Norma Lugar

- Second place, Single page or pages regularly edited by entrant -- Lifestyle or Entertainment -- Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications
- Second place, Feature story -- Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications

Marie Hodge

- First place, Columns -- Specialized (essays, opinion, critique or review)
- First place, Single page or pages regularly edited by entrant -- Lifestyle or Entertainment -- Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications
- First place, Single page or pages regularly edited by entrant -- other than Lifestyle or Entertainment -- Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications
- Second place, Sections/supplements edited by entrant-infrequent (one-time, annual, semi-annual, quarterly) -- Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications
- Honorable mention, Sections/supplements edited by entrant-infrequent (one-time, annual, semi-annual, quarterly) -- Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications

Kurt Rheinheimer

- First place, Magapaper/tabloid -- Four-color
- First place, Writing for the Web and online newsletters -- Web content written for hobby or special interest sites
- Second place, Newspaper, trade paper, magazine, newsletter or Web site-color or spot color print or electronic display (single ad)--retail product or service
- Third place, Columns -- Informational (how-to, Q&A, advice)

- Third place, Sections/supplements edited by entrant-infrequent (one-time, annual, semi-annual, quarterly)

Virginia Tech

Susan Trulove

- First place, News or feature release -- single release -- News release
- Second place, Publications regularly edited by entrant -- Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications
- Second place, Writing for the Web and online newsletters -- Feature article written specifically for the Web
- Second place, Magazine -- Four-color
- Second place, News or feature release -- single release -- Feature release
- Third place, Special Articles -- Science (technology, ecology, environment, energy, "green issues")

Lynn A. Nystrom

- First place, Faculty Adviser of student publications
- First place, News Reporting -- Publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications
- Second place, Brochure -- Four-color
- Second place, News or feature release -- single release -- Feature release
- Second place, Special Articles -- Science (technology, ecology, environment, energy, "green issues")
- Third place, Personality Profile -- more than 500 words

Blue Ridge Country Magazine

Cara Ellen Modisett

- Second place, Columns – General,
- First place, Publications regularly edited by entrant (publication/magazine/supplement for general or specialized circulation, including internal publications)
- First place, Headlines, caption writing, original graphics and editorial cartoons -- Headline writing
- First place, Non-Fiction Book – General
- First place, Special Articles – Food
- Honorable mention, Special articles - travel

Danville

Cyndee Perdue Moore, Borderline & M & M Publishing

- Third place, Columns --Humorous

Hampton Roads

Newport News

Gail Kent, The Buzz Factory

- First place, Marketing program or campaign for new or existing service or product
- First place, Direct mail marketing
- First place, Newspaper, trade paper, magazine, newsletter or Web site-color or spot color print or electronic display (single ad)--retail product or service
- First place, Reports--external annual report

West Point

Mary Montague Sikes

- Second place, Fiction, novel