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# Class I

## Best Writing 1

**Bainbridge-Guilford Teachers' Association**

**Publication: BGTA Newsletter**

Headline: *"From the President's Pen"*

Award: Best Writing 1

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Paul Davis

Editor(s): Alyssa Hardy

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**Edgemont Teachers Association**

**Publication: ETA PIPELINE**

Headline: *"Diane Ravitch at SUNY Purchase"*

Award: Best Writing 1

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Jeanette Stockton

Editor(s): Leslie Mignault

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**Schalmon Teachers' Association**

**Publication: STATIC**

Headline: *"We All Deserve Better Than This: Enough is Enough"*

Award: Best Writing 1

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Jessica Melchior

Editor(s): Sarah Mattice

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## Best Writing 2

**Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers**

**Publication: Local Do's Newsletter**

Headline: *"A Tribute To A Great Friend"*

Award: Best Writing 2

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Neal Madnick

Editor(s): Bruce Reed

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**Schalmon Teachers' Association**

**Publication: STATIC**

Headline: *"From Apple Tree to Willow Tree"*

Award: Best Writing 2

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Elisa Pepe

Editor(s): Sarah Mattice

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## Best Photo

**Pembroke Teachers' Federation**

**Publication: PTF Messenger**

Headline: *"PTF Pride"*

Award: Best Photos

Contributor(s): Arron K. Brown

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## Best Writing 3

**Schalmon Teachers' Association**

**Publication: STATIC**

Headline: *"A Failing Grade for Tests"*

Award: Best Writing 3

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Michelle Adalian

Editor(s): Sarah Mattice

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**Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers**

**Publication: Local Do's Newsletter**

Headline: *"The Soul of Calhoun H.S."*

Award: Best Writing 3

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Sal Salerno

Editor(s): Bruce Reed

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**Edgemont Teachers Association**

**Publication: ETA PIPELINE**

Headline: *"Dear Colleagues"*

Award: Best Writing 3

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Kathleen Fox

Editor(s): Leslie Mignault

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## Best Writing 4

**Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers**

**Publication: Local Do's Newsletter**

Headline: "Common Core Prep in Pre-K"

Award: Best Writing 4

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Bill Morris

Editor(s): Bruce Reed

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**Schalmont Teachers' Association**

**Publication: STATIC**

Headline: "Rotterdam Teachers Unite to Call Out Cuomo"

Award: Best Writing 4

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Sarah Mattice

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## Best Informational Graphic

**Thousand Islands Education Association**

**Publication: The TIEA Voice**

Headline: "Political Action News"

Award: Best Informational Graphic

Contributor(s): El Thomas

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## Best Writing 5

**Schalmont Teachers' Association**

**Publication: STATIC**

Headline: "Just Because You Went to School"

Award: Best Writing 5

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Wendy Stearns

Editor(s): Sarah Mattice

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## General Excellence

**Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers**

**Publication: Local Do's Newsletter**

Headline: "Local Do's Newsletter"

Award: General Excellence

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Bruce Reed

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**Bainbridge-Guilford Teachers' Association**

**Publication: BGTA Newsletter**

Headline: "BGTA Newsletter"

Award: General Excellence

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Alyssa Hardy

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**Schalmont Teachers' Association**

**Publication: STATIC**

Headline: "STATIC"

Award: General Excellence

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Sarah Mattice

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## Best Website

**Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers**

**Publication: Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers Website**

Headline: "BMUST.ORG"

Award: Best Website

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Dan Stiglitz

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**Medina Teachers' Association**

**Publication: Medina Teachers' Association Website**

Headline: "Medina Teachers' Association Website"

Award: Best Website

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Douglas Boje

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## **Best Use of Social Media**

**Thousand Islands Education Association**

**Publication: Thousand Islands Education  
Association Vikings Facebook**

Award: Best Use of Social Media

FIRST PLACE

Editor(s): Kelly Harrington

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## Class II

## Best Writing 2

### Best Writing 1

#### Lynbrook Teachers Association

**Publication: LTA Examiner**

Headline: *“ From the President's Desk”*

Award: Best Writing 1

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Craig Kirchenberg

Editor(s): Susan Ehrlich

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#### Gates Chili Teachers' Association

**Publication: The Voice**

Headline: *“ What I learned from my father”*

Award: Best Writing 1

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Dorothy Brenneis

Editor(s): Susan Evans

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#### Port Jefferson Station Teachers Association

**Publication: PJSTA PORTAL**

Headline: *“ The Special Ed-ition”*

Award: Best Writing 1

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Gail Ports

Editor(s): Maurizio Milana

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#### Rondout Valley Federation of Teachers and School-Related Professionals

**Publication: THE UNION SOUND**

Headline: *“ Meteorologists vs. Teachers: A Perfect Storm?”*

Award: Best Writing 1

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Angela Rion

Editor(s): Diana Zuckerman

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#### Mahopac Teachers' Association

**Publication: Mahopac Teachers' Association Blog**

Headline: *“ Tis the Season”*

Award: Best Writing 2

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Tom McMahon

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#### Lynbrook Teachers Association

**Publication: LTA Examiner**

Headline: *“ From the President's Desk”*

Award: Best Writing 2

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Craig Kirchenberg

Editor(s): Susan Ehrlich

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#### Rondout Valley Federation of Teachers and School-Related Professionals

**Publication: THE UNION SOUND**

Headline: *“ Good Teachers Don't Become Bad Ones”*

Award: Best Writing 2

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Rebecca Litchfield

Editor(s): Diana Zuckerman

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## Best Creative Writing

#### North Tonawanda United Teachers

**Publication: The Journal**

Headline: *“ Failed to Show Progress”*

Award: Best Creative Writing

Contributor(s): David McClary

Editor(s): Jack Agugliaro

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## Best Writing 3

**Walkkill Teachers' Association**

**Publication: IMPACT**

Headline: *"Rumors and Fairytales"*

Award: Best Writing 3

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Melissa Servant

Editor(s): Lisa Bender

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**Gates Chili Teachers' Association**

**Publication: The Voice**

Headline: *"Sue's Sidebar"*

Award: Best Writing 3

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Susan Evans

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**Port Jefferson Station Teachers Association**

**Publication: PJSTA PORTAL**

Headline: *"Calling All Teachers"*

Award: Best Writing 3

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Melissa McMullan

Editor(s): Maurizio Milana

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## Best Creative Writing

**Mahopac Teachers' Association**

**Publication: MahopacTeachers' Association Blog**

Headline: *"Business! Mankind Was My Business"*

Award: Best Creative Writing

Contributor(s): David Gordon

Editor(s): Tom McMahon

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## Best Cartoon

**Niagara Wheatfield Teachers Association**

**Publication: The Agenda**

Headline: *"Jenga Cuomo"*

Award: Best Cartoon

Contributor(s): Tracy Bloom

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## Best Writing 4

**Port Jefferson Station Teachers Association**

**Publication: PJSTA PORTAL**

Headline: *"You Are The Union"*

Award: Best Writing 4

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Brian St. Pierre

Editor(s): Maurizio Milana

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**Nyack Teachers Association**

**Publication: The Bridge**

Headline: *"The Governor's Agenda: How it Attacks Teachers, Students & Education"*

Award: Best Writing 4

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Tracy Potter

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**Rondout Valley Federation of Teachers and School-Related Professionals**

**Publication: THE UNION SOUND**

Headline: *"Dare to be Divergent!"*

Award: Best Writing 4

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Sheryl Delano

Editor(s): Diana Zuckerman

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**Walkkill Teachers' Association**

**Publication: IMPACT**

Headline: *"Standing Up for Public Education in Walkkill"*

Award: Best Writing 4

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Lisa Bender

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## Best Informational Graphic

**Niagara Wheatfield Teachers Association**

**Publication: The Agenda**

Headline: *"I Love Public Education Valentine Campaign"*

Award: Best Informational Graphic

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Tracy Bloom; Nicholas Azzarella

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## Best Writing 5

**Gates Chili Teachers' Association**

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**Publication: The Voice**

Headline: "President's Message"

Award: Best Writing 5

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Erik Johnson

Editor(s): Susan Evans

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**Mahopac Teachers' Association**

**Publication: Mahopac Teachers' Association Blog**

Headline: "What's the best research in education?"

Award: Best Writing 5

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Nick Oliverio

Editor(s): Tom McMahon

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**Nyack Teachers Association**

**Publication: The Bridge**

Headline: "Fight Back NTA Says "No!" To Gov. Cuomo's Budget"

Award: Best Writing 5

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Tracy Potter

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**Best Graphic Design**

**Lynbrook Teachers Association**

**Publication: LTA Examiner**

Headline: "Endorsements Postcard"

Award: Best Graphic Design

Contributor(s): Susan Ehrlich

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**General Excellence**

**Gates Chili Teachers' Association**

**Publication: The Voice**

Award: General Excellence

FIRST PLACE

Editor(s): Susan Evans

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**New Hartford Teachers Association**

**Publication: The Chalkboard**

Award: General Excellence

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Editor(s): Marybeth Russo

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**North Tonawanda United Teachers**

**Publication: The Journal**

Award: General Excellence

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Editor(s): Jack Agugliaro

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**Nyack Teachers Association**

**Publication: The Bridge**

Award: General Excellence

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Editor(s): Tracy Potter

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**Walkkill Teachers' Association**

**Publication: IMPACT**

Award: General Excellence

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Editor(s): Lisa Bender

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**Best Website**

**Walkkill Teachers' Association**

**Publication: Walkkill Teachers Website**

Award: Best Website

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Lisa Bender

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**Harrison Association of Teachers**

**Publication: Harrison Association of Teachers Website**

Award: Best Website

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Vernon Morris

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**Port Jefferson Station Teachers Association**

**Publication: The Port Jefferson Station Teachers Association Website**

Award: Best Website

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Brian St. Pierre

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## Best Blog

**Mahopac Teachers' Association**

**Publication: Mahopac Teachers' Association Blog**

Award: Best Blog

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Tom McMahon

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## Best Use of Social Media

**Mahopac Teachers' Association**

**Publication: Mahopac Teachers' Association**

**Twitter**

Award: Best Use of Social Media (CO-Winner)

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Tom McMahon

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**Niagara Wheatfield Teachers Association**

**Publication: Niagara Wheatfield Teachers**

**Association YouTube**

Headline: " *Constitution Convention PSA* "

Award: Best Use of Social Media (Co-Winner)

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Tracy Bloom

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## Best Creative Writing

**Niagara Wheatfield Teachers Association**

**Publication: Niagara Wheatfield Teachers**

**Association YouTube**

Headline: " *Constitution Convention PSA* "

Award: Best Creative Writing

Contributor(s): Tracy Bloom

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## Best Community Outreach

**Niagara Wheatfield Teachers Association**

**Publication: Niagara Wheatfield Teachers**

**Association YouTube**

Headline: " *Constitution Convention PSA* "

Award: Best Community Outreach

Contributor(s): Tracy Bloom

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## Best Video

**Niagara Wheatfield Teachers Association**

**Publication: Niagara Wheatfield Teachers**

**Association YouTube**

Headline: " *Constitution Convention PSA* "

Award: Best Video

Contributor(s): Tracy Bloom

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### Class III

#### Best Writing 1

**United University Professions - Empire State College Chapter**

**Publication: UUP ESC Chapter Newsletter**

**Excellence in Unity**

Headline: *“Friedrichs vs. California Teachers Association: The Stakes for Labor, Economic Justice, and Democracy”*

Award: Best Writing 1

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Richard Wells

Editor(s): Kathy Cole

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**Buffalo Teachers Federation**

**Publication: PROVOCATOR**

Headline: *“Buffalo Bashing Cuomo Called Out By BTF For Recent Negative Remarks”*

Award: Best Writing 1

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Christine Salamone

Editor(s): Rebecca Pordum

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**Smithtown Teachers' Association**

**Publication: FACULTY FOCUS**

Headline: *“Make the Connection”*

Award: Best Writing 1

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Max Strieb

Editor(s): Kathleen L. Lindbom

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**United University Professions - Oswego Chapter**

**Publication: IN TOUCH...**

Headline: *“Pearson and the Common Core: Deforming Public Education and Dismantling the Commons”*

Award: Best Writing 1

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Maureen Curtin

Editor(s): Charlie Itzin

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#### Best Union Value Article

**Union of Clerical, Administrative & Technical Staff at NYU**

**Publication: Momentum**

Headline: *“Bobst Trial Concludes”*

Award: Best Union Value Article

Contributor(s): Christopher Crowe

Editor(s): Stephen Rechner

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#### Best Feature Story

**Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College**

**Publication: The WORD**

Headline: *“A meditation of sorts. On mediation.”*

Award: Best Feature Story

Contributor(s): Elizabeth Cone

Editor(s): Cynthia Eaton

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#### Best Article about Solidarity

**Utica Teachers Association**

**Publication: Utica Teachers Association Signal**

Headline: *“Solidarity”*

Award: Best Article about Solidarity

Contributor(s): Kirstin Vivacqua

Editor(s): Jennifer Edick

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#### Best Writing 2

**Union of Clerical, Administrative & Technical Staff at NYU**

**Publication: Momentum**

Headline: *“NYSUT Representative Assembly”*

Award: Best Writing 2

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Christopher Crowe

Editor(s): Stephen Rechner

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**Mount Vernon Federation of Teachers**

**Publication: The Agenda**

Headline: “Continue the Fight - Advocate for Public Education”

Award: Best Writing 2

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Jeff Yonkers

Editor(s): Karen Wallace

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**Professional Staff Congress/CUNY**

**Publication: Clarion**

Headline: “Who's behind anti-union SCOTUS case?”

Award: Best Writing 2

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Adele Stan

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**Best Labor History Story**

**Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College**

**Publication: The WORD**

Headline: “Labor history is alive online”

Award: Best Labor History Story

Contributor(s): Susan Rubenstein DeMasi

Editor(s): Cynthia Eaton

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**Best Union Value Article**

**Smithtown Teachers' Association**

**Publication: FACULTY FOCUS**

Headline: “Why Union?”

Award: Best Union Value Article

Contributor(s): Laura Spencer

Editor(s): Kathleen L. Lindbom

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**Best Writing 3**

**Mount Vernon Federation of Teachers**

**Publication: The Agenda**

Headline: “Testing - Not an Indicator of Success”

Award: Best Writing 3

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Frank Pandolfo

Editor(s): Karen Wallace

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**Union of Clerical, Administrative & Technical Staff at NYU**

**Publication: Momentum**

Headline: “Health & Safety Update: Workplace Bullying”

Award: Best Writing 3

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Kate Conroy

Editor(s): Stephen Rechner

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**United University Professions - Oswego Chapter**

**Publication: IN TOUCH...**

Headline: “For Whom May the Union Speak? May it Speak for Thee?”

Award: Best Writing 3

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Helen Knowles

Editor(s): Maureen Curtin

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**Best Headline**

**Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College**

**Publication: The WORD**

Headline: “Beware the thunder lizards coming to a campus near you”

Award: Best Headline

Contributor(s): Cynthia Eaton

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**Best News Story**

**Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College**

**Publication: The WORD**

Headline: “Beware the thunder lizards coming to a campus near you”

Award: Best News Story

Contributor(s): Cynthia Eaton

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**Best Photos**

**Mount Vernon Federation of Teachers**

**Publication: The Agenda**

Headline: “ *Testing - Not an Indicator of Success*”

Award: Best Photos

Contributor(s): Frank Pandolfo

Editor(s): Karen Wallace

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**Best Labor History Story**

**Professional Staff Congress/CUNY**

**Publication: Clarion**

Headline: “ *City College, Selma, Montgomery*”

Award: Best Labor History Story

Contributor(s): Shomial Ahmad

Editor(s): Peter Hogness

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**Best Writing 4**

**Mount Vernon Federation of Teachers**

**Publication: The Agenda**

Headline: “ *MVFT Distributes 10,000 Books to Mount Vernon Students*”

Award: Best Writing 4

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Karen Wallace; Maz Hogan

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**United University Professions - Empire State College Chapter**

**Publication: UUP ESC Chapter Newsletter**

**Excellence in Unity**

Headline: “ *Paying it Forward*”

Award: Best Writing 4

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Dave Puskas

Editor(s): Kathy Cole

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**Best Editorial or Column**

**Nassau Community College Federation of Teachers**

**Publication: NCCFT Blog**

Headline: “ *How Nassau Republicans Take Care of One of Their Own*”

Award: Best Editorial or Column

Contributor(s): Frank Frisenda

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**Best Article about Organizing**

**United University Professions - Oswego Chapter**

**Publication: IN TOUCH...**

Headline: “ *Oswego Adjuncts Organize*”

Award: Best Article about Organizing

Contributor(s): Cindy Fuller; Charlie Itzin

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**Best Writing 5**

**Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College**

**Publication: The WORD**

Headline: “ *What we can learn from Zimbabwean orphans about social justice and collective action*”

Award: Best Writing 5

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Cynthia Eaton

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**United University Professions - Farmingdale Chapter**

**Publication: UNIFIER**

Headline: “ *Governor’s Goals: 2015-2016: Wisconsin and New York*”

Award: Best Writing 5

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Vicki Janik

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**United University Professions - Oswego Chapter**

**Publication: IN TOUCH...**

Headline: “ *Adjunct Hustle*”

Award: Best Writing 5

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Contributor(s): Ben Allocco

Editor(s): Maureen Curtin

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## Best Informational Graphic

**Union of Clerical, Administrative & Technical Staff at NYU**

**Publication: Momentum**

Headline: “Sexton's Stats”

Award: Best Informational Graphic

Contributor(s): Stephen Rechner

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## General Excellence

**Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College**

**Publication: The WORD**

Award: General Excellence

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Cynthia Eaton

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AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Editor(s): Vicki Janik

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**United University Professions - Oswego Chapter**

**Publication: IN TOUCH...**

Award: General Excellence

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Editor(s): Maureen Curtin

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## Best Website

**Levittown United Teachers**

**Publication: Levittown United Teachers Website**

Award: Best Website

FIRST PLACE

Contributor(s): Joe Romano; John Lipani

Editor(s): John F. Caulfield

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**Patchogue-Medford Congress of Teachers**

**Publication: Patchogue-Medford Congress of Teachers Website**

Award: Best Website

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Editor(s): Kathleen Bucaria

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**Wappingers Congress of Teachers**

**Publication: Wappingers Congress of Teachers Website**

Award: Best Website

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Editor(s): Nancy Beiner

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## Best Blog

**Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College**

**Publication: the Undercurrent: FA New Member Blog**

Award: Best Blog

FIRST PLACE

Editor(s): Sarah Kain Gutowski

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## Best Use of Social Media

**Schenectady Federation of Teachers**

**Publication: Schenectady Federation of Teachers, ~NYSUT, AFT Local 803 Facebook**

Award: Best Use of Social Media

FIRST PLACE

Editor(s): Michael Silvestri

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**Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College**

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**Publication: Faculty Association of Suffolk  
Community College Facebook**

Award: Best Use of Social Media

AWARD OF DISTINCTION

Editor(s): Kevin McCoy

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