

2017 NYSUT Communications Awards - In-Service Winners

Class I

Best Artwork

Pembroke Teachers' Federation

Headline: *"PTF Gives Back at Shooting for a Cure"*

Best Layout

First Place

Contributor(s): Arron K. Brown

Schalmont Teachers' Association

Headline: *"The Haggard Bunch"*

Unique Performance

First Place

Contributor(s): Jefferson Elementary
1st Grade teachers

Best Use of Social Media

Irvington Faculty Association

Headline: *"IFA Facebook Page"*

Best Use of Social Media

First Place

Contributor(s): Amy Falk

Best Writing

Schalmont Teachers' Association

Headline: *"Mary Beth's Message"*

Best Article about Local or Chapter Issues

First Place

Contributor(s): Mary Beth Flatley
Editor: Sarah Mattice

Edgemont Teachers Association

Headline: *"COMMITTEE OF 100"*

Best Article about Local or Chapter Issues

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Laurissa Berkman

Editor: Leslie Mignault

Edgemont Teachers Association

Headline: *"ETA SENDS FOUR TO SUMMER LEADERSHIP TRAINING"*

Best Article about Local or Chapter Issues

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Laura Signorile

Editor: Leslie Mignault

New Hartford Teachers Association

Headline: *"NYSUT Stands with LGBTQ"*

Best Article about Social Justice

First Place

Contributor(s): Natasha Homa

Editor: Marybeth Russo

Schalmont Teachers' Association

Headline: *"Throwback Thursday"*

Best Article about Solidarity

First Place

Contributor(s): Carol Carelli

Editor: Sarah Mattice

Schalmont Teachers' Association

Headline: *"Throwback Thursday"*

Best Article about Solidarity

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Rick Pepe

Editor: Sarah Mattice

Class I

General Excellence

Schalmont Teachers' Association

Headline: *"The STATIC"*

General Excellence

First Place

Editor: Sarah Mattice

New Hartford Teachers Association

Headline: *"The Chalkboard"*

General Excellence

Award of Distinction

Editor: Marybeth Russo

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Class II

Best Artwork

Nyack Teachers Association

Headline: *"Day of Action"*

Best Layout

First Place

Contributor(s): Tracy Potter

Hyde Park Teachers Association

Headline: *"School Trek"*

Best Layout

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Betty Chasan

Rondout Valley Federation of Teachers and School-Related Professionals

Headline: *"A Fond Farewell"*

Best Layout

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Tara Edmonds

Best Blog

Faculty Association Suffolk Community College

Headline: *"The Undercurrent"*

Best Blog

First Place

Contributor(s): Sarah Kain Gutowski

Mahopac Teachers Association

Headline: *"Mahopac TA Blog"*

Best Blog

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Tom McMahon

Best Use of Social Media

Mahopac Teachers Association

Headline: *"Mahopac TA"*

Best Use of Social Media

First Place

Contributor(s): Tom McMahon

Best Website

Faculty Association Suffolk Community College

Headline: *"Faculty Association Suffolk Community College"*

Best Website

First Place

Contributor(s): Adam Bailey

Best Writing

Faculty Association Suffolk Community College

Headline: *"Why should we make strides anyway?"*

Best Article about Local or Chapter Issues

First Place

Contributor(s): Cynthia Eaton

Editor: Cynthia Eaton

Nyack Teachers Association

Headline: *"Committee of 100: Lobbying for you"*

Best Article about Local or Chapter Issues

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Michelle O'Sullivan

Editor: Tracy Potter

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Best Writing

Hyde Park Teachers Association

Headline: *"A Tribute To Matthew Walker, Jr."*

Best Article about Social Justice

First Place

Contributor(s): LeRoy Cole

Editor: Betty Chasan and Maryann Williams

Faculty Association Suffolk Community College

Headline: *"Pride: A cast of unlikely characters"*

Best Article about Social Justice

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Dante Morelli

Editor: Cynthia Eaton

Faculty Association Suffolk Community College

Headline: *"The price of brides in Zimbabwe: FA encourages global awareness"*

Best Article about Social Justice

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Cynthia Eaton

Editor: Cynthia Eaton

Nyack Teachers Association

Headline: *"Solidarity"*

Best Article about Solidarity

First Place

Contributor(s): Tracy Potter

Editor: Tracy Potter

Hyde Park Teachers Association

Headline: *"A Proud History of Solidarity"*

Best Article about Solidarity

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Mary Beth

Scattergood

Editor: Betty Chasan and Maryann Williams

Mahopac Teachers Association

Headline: *"What Do Teachers' Unions Really Do?"*

Best Article about Union Values

First Place

Contributor(s): Tom McMahon

Editor: Nick Oliverio

Nyack Teachers Association

Headline: *"Day of Action: NTA wants fair funding"*

Best Article about Union Values

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Tracy Potter

Editor: Tracy Potter

Rondout Valley Federation of Teachers and School-Related Professionals

Headline: *"What Would Our World Look Like?"*

Best Article about Union Values

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Sheryl Delano

Editor: Diana Zuckerman

Nyack Teachers Association

Headline: *"Hitting My Stride, Taking the Hills"*

Best Feature

First Place

Contributor(s): Adele Metrakos

Editor: Tracy Potter

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Best Writing

Hyde Park Teachers Association

Headline: *"A Perspective On Stress"*

Best Health Feature

First Place

Contributor(s): Heather Idema

Editor: Betty Chasan and Maryann

Williams

Nyack Teachers Association

Headline: *"Message from the President:
Report students in Crisis"*

Unique Performance

First Place

Contributor(s): Tom Burns

Editor: Tracy Potter

Nyack Teachers Association

Headline: *"The Bridge"*

General Excellence

Award of Distinction

Editor: Tracy Potter

Rondout Valley Federation of Teachers and School-Related Professionals

Headline: *"The Union Sound"*

General Excellence

Award of Distinction

Editor: Diana Zuckerman

United University Professions Farmingdale Chapter

Headline: *"Unifier"*

General Excellence

Award of Distinction

Editor: Yolanda Segarra

General Excellence

Faculty Association Suffolk Community College

Headline: *"The Word"*

General Excellence

First Place

Editor: Cynthia Eaton

United University Professions Potsdam Chapter

Headline: *"UUP Potsdam Chapter
Newsletter"*

General Excellence

Award of Distinction

Editor: Jennifer Hernandez

Hyde Park Teachers Association

Headline: *"Contact"*

General Excellence

First Place

Editors: Betty Chasan and Maryann

Williams

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Class III

Best Artwork

Levittown United Teachers

Headline: *"We Care About Our Children"*

Best Layout

First Place

Contributor(s): Amanda Forchelli

Best Blog

Nassau Community College Federation of Teachers

Headline: *"Nassau Community College Federation of Teachers"*

Best Blog

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Richard Jeffrey Newman

Best Use of Social Media

North Babylon Teachers' Organization

Headline: *"Kathryn Dein"*

Best Use of Social Media

First Place

Contributor(s): Staci Manning

Best Website

Levittown United Teachers

Headline: *"Levittown United Teachers"*

Best Website

First Place

Contributor(s): Kris LaGrange

Half Hollow Hills Teachers Association

Headline: *"HHHTA"*

Best Website

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Richard Haase

Nassau Community College Federation of Teachers

Headline: *"Nassau Community College Federation of Teachers"*

Best Website

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Richard Jeffrey Newman

Union of Clerical, Administrative and Technical Staff at NYU

Headline: *"UCATS"*

Best Website

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Stephen Rechner

Best Writing

Half Hollow Hills Teachers Association

Headline: *"A Look at HHH Enrollment Trends"*

Best Article about Local or Chapter Issues

First Place

Contributor(s): Richard Haase

Editor: Debra Rothar

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Class III

Best Writing

Nassau Community College

Federation of Teachers

Headline: *"Why Nassau Community College Needs an Independent Middle States Consultant"*

Best Article about Local or Chapter Issues

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Richard Jeffrey Newman

Nassau Community College

Federation of Teachers

Headline: *"Why Nassau Community College Needs an Independent Middle States Consultant – 2"*

Best Article about Local or Chapter Issues

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Richard Jeffrey Newman

United University Professions

Oswego Chapter

Headline: *"Vote Oswego Organize or Be Organized"*

Best Article about Social Justice

First Place

Contributor(s): Allison Rank
Editor: Maureen Curtin

Union of Clerical, Administrative and Technical Staff at NYU

Headline: *"Jasmin Smith accepts faculty position at CUNY"*

Best Article about Solidarity

First Place

Contributor(s): Christopher Crowe
Editor: Stephen Rechner

Smithtown Teachers' Association

Headline: *"Lessons From the Verizon Strike"*

Best Article about Solidarity

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Max Strieb
Editor: Kathleen Lindbom

United University Professions

Farmingdale Chapter

Headline: *"Friedrichs v. California Teachers Association"*

Best Article about Solidarity

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Vicki Janik
Editor: Yolanda Segarra

United University Professions

Farmingdale Chapter

Headline: *"Who's Shrinking the Middle Class"*

Best Article about Union Values

First Place

Contributor(s): Vicki Janik
Editor: Yolanda Segarra

Smithtown Teachers' Association

Headline: *"From My Daughter's Perspective"*

Best Article about Union Values

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Max Strieb
Editor: Serena Spata

United University Professions

Oswego Chapter

Headline: *"On Strike From Verizon in Syracuse New York"*

Best Article about Union Values

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Maureen Curtin

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Best Writing

Valley Central Teachers' Association

Headline: *"A Cautionary Tale"*

Best Article about Union Values

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): Matthew Gill

Editor: Matthew Gill

Smithtown Teachers' Association

Headline: *"A Union Carol-The Ghosts of Union Past, Present and Yet to Come"*

Best Creative Writing

First Place

Contributor(s): Max Strieb

Editor: Kathleen Lindbom

Commack Teachers Association

Headline: *"Achieving the Dream: Athletics for All"*

Best First-Person

Award of Distinction

Contributor(s): John Kelly, PhD

Editor: Frank Musto

Buffalo Teachers Federation

Headline: *"Supporters From Near And Far Attend 'What Buffalo Students Deserve' Rally"*

Best News Story

First Place

Contributor(s): Christine Salamone

Editor: Rebecca Pordum

United University Professions

Oswego Chapter

Headline: *"Brexit and Trump Work To be Done"*

Unique Performance

First Place

Contributor(s): Shashi Kanbur

Editor: Maureen Curtin

General Excellence

Pittsford District Teachers

Association

Headline: *"SPEAK OUT!"*

General Excellence

First Place

Editor: Brian Regan

Union of Clerical, Administrative and Technical Staff at NYU

Headline: *"Momentum"*

General Excellence

Editor: Stephen Rechner

Half Hollow Hills Teachers

Association

Headline: *"The Communicator"*

General Excellence

Award of Distinction

Editor: Debra Rothar

Mount Vernon Federation of Teachers

Headline: *"The Agenda"*

General Excellence

Award of Distinction

Editor: Melissa Hogan and Laura Mason

Class III

General Excellence

Patchogue-Medford Congress of Teachers

Headline: *"The Connection"*

General Excellence

Award of Distinction

Editor: Kathy Bucaria

**United University Professions
Oswego Chapter**

Headline: *"In Touch"*

General Excellence

Award of Distinction

Editor: Maureen Curtin

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Class IV

Best Website

**Professional Staff Congress/City
University of New York**

Headline: *"PSC-CUNY"*

Best Website

First Place

Contributor(s): Bill Friedheim

Best Writing

**Professional Staff Congress/City
University of New York**

Headline: *"A history lesson for the
governor"*

Best Article about Local or Chapter
Issues

First Place

Contributor(s): Stephen Brier

Editor: Ari Paul

**Professional Staff Congress/City
University of New York**

Headline: *"Muslims want answers on
surveillance"*

Best Article about Social Justice

First Place

Contributor(s): Shomail Ahmad

Editor: Ari Paul

**Professional Staff Congress/City
University of New York**

Headline: *"Building power, one
conversation at a time"*

Best Article about Solidarity

First Place

Contributor(s): Shomial Ahmad

Editor: Ari Paul

**Professional Staff Congress/City
University of New York**

Headline: *"The age of disinvestment
through the eyes of department chairs"*

Best Article about Union Values

First Place

Contributor(s): PSC Memembers, 8

CUNY department chairs

Editor: Ari Paul

**Professional Staff Congress/City
University of New York**

Headline: *"A literary event in defense of
CUNY"*

Unique Performance

First Place

Contributor(s): Shomial Ahmad

Editor: Ari Paul

General Excellence

**Professional Staff Congress/City
University of New York**

Headline: *"Clarion"*

General Excellence

First Place

Editor: Ari Paul