

MENTIONS IN THE MEDIA



Members of the Gleaner's editorial team with some of the 17 awards won at the Press Association of Jamaica 2014 National Journalism Awards.



Gladstone Taylor of The Gleaner collects his Aston Rhoden Award for news photography from LIME's Elton Parkinson.



Nadine McLeod of TVJ (left) collects her award for best human interest television feature from NCB group corporate communications manager Belinda Williams.

THE GLEANER continued its dominance of the annual National Journalism Awards by taking home 17 of the 25 awards up for grabs at the 2014 Press Association of Jamaica's banquet last Friday.

With **The Sunday Gleaner** reporter Ryon Jones coping the President's Award for Investigative Journalism and the UNICEF Media Award for excellence in reporting on children's issues, **The Gleaner** topped the 14 awards won last year.

Contributing editor Petre Williams-Raynor was another double winner, taking the NHT Award for Excellence in Journalism: Housing and Sustainable Development, as well as the Excellence in Tourism and Environment Reporting Award.

The RJR Group copped eight awards, while the judges did not name a 2014 Journalist of the Year Award because of a lack of submissions.

Guest speaker Douglas Orane urged journalists to be mindful of their sensitive and critical role in carrying out the necessary due diligence to ensure that the information

Gleaner reign continues!

180-year-old newspaper tops 2014 PAJ awards



Double winner Ryon Jones (left) of The Gleaner collects his award for Investigative Journalism from Loren Henry, public relations officer, Jamaica Broilers Group.

reaching the public is accurate at all times.

"We want you to stick with stories through to conclusion, reflecting effective investigative journalism. For young people entering the industry, I would comment that we are not looking for stars, but for credible messengers.

"We build our trust in you as journalists over time by your display of honesty, integrity and courage displayed in the face of adversity," declared Orane.

Orane challenged journalists to value Jamaica's freedom of expression by moving well beyond merely providing information, but in so doing, to use this privilege to become agents of development.



The Gleaner's Adrian Frater (left) and Janet Silvera receive their award for the Mario Dean series from Ruthlyn Johnson of the Jamaica Public Service Company.

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THE 1940s saw the rise of a lone female voice in the broadcasting industry through Molly Ward Johnson who made her debut on ZQL, the precursor to Radio Jamaica RJR.

When RJR began its commercial broadcast operation as part of the British-based Re-diffusion Group in 1950, it raised the bar towards gender equity in the broadcasting industry through the hiring of female talents including 'Johnnie' Bedows Murray, Gloria Clarke, Alma Hylton and Dorothy Dear LaCroix, who became affectionately known as 'Dottie Dean'.

In spite of these efforts, however, the late Dottie Dean posited, in an interview in 2000, that although the field was opening up, it was a male-dominated business. "I followed Gloria Clarke, the only

The divas of RJR

Among the best in the business for 60 years



mornings. In 2008, she indulged the Jamaican public with more than a glimpse of her face on Prime Time News, as the anchor woman, while at the same time continuing to charm radio listeners with the same style she brought to 'Good Morning Jamaica' through the 'Morning Coffee' programme, aired weekdays at 9 a.m. on RJR 94FM. She also raises the bar with her delivery of the morning radio flagship news product 'Newsline 7'.

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The late '60s also saw the rise of Marie Garth, who became the darling of radio, and was extremely popular with the children on the Colgate Cavity Fighters Club programme she co-hosted every week with Neville Willoughby.

OUTSTANDING WOMEN

Norma Brown-Bell joined in 1972 and added to the mix of outstanding women voices. The petite Brown-Bell had one of the most recognised voices on radio, and she still does, with the morning traffic report on the Jamaican Morning show (formerly Good Morning Jamaica) on 94FM.

The Good Morning time slot has been blessed with another outstanding radio personality - the lovely Dorraine Samuels who walked through the doors of RJR on January 5, 1981. For many years, she teamed up with Alan Magnus to wake up Jamaicans across the country with her warm and controlled voice.

Alongside Magnus, Samuels brought laughter, anecdotes, Jamaican jokes, music and a down-to-earth female charm to our

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Celebrating excellence in the field

EARL MOXAM of the RJR Communications Group emerged Journalist of the Year for 2010 as the Press Association of Jamaica (PAJ) highlighted National Journalism Week 2010 with a lavish awards banquet at The Jamaica Pegasus hotel, New Kingston.

Other 2010 award winners included Gary Spaulding of **The Gleaner** and Paul Henry of the **Jamaica Observer** who shared the Hector Bernard/Theodore Sealy award for news in print and Nadine McLeod of RJR Communications Group for news in the electronic media.

Nadisha Hunter of **The Gleaner** and Ricardo Chambers of KLAS FM shared the young journalist award, while the Maurice Garrison award for small publications was copped by Lloyd B. Smith of **Western Mirror**.

The well-attended awards ceremony was the icing on the cake for the week, which was celebrated from Sunday, November 28 to Saturday, December 4, under the theme 'Preserving Democracy: The Journey Continues'.

The national church service, which signalled the beginning of the week, was held at Boulevard Open Bible Church, Kingston.

From the church, journalists travelled to Terra Nova All Suite Hotel for the president's brunch, which was hosted by Sagicor.

On Tuesday, November 30, a public forum, Media and Money, was held at The



Jenni Campbell (right), president of the Press Association of Jamaica (PAJ), with Harold Brady, attorney-at-law and guest speaker at the PAJ's annual banquet, last December.

Courtleigh Hotel and journalists were allowed the opportunity to discuss matters relating to the financial viability of media in Jamaica, investing as a journalist and the thorny issue of payola.

National veterans' luncheon was hosted by J. Wray and Nephew at its Spanish Town Road headquarters where media workers in the technical field were honoured.

The PAJ headquarters came alive on Thursday with an afterwork jam as journalist geared up for the awards banquet the following day.

Guest speaker at the banquet, attorney-

at-law Harold Brady, was outstanding as, too, was veteran singer Ken Boothe, but it was the winners that the majority of persons came to hear, and they cheered vigorously as each awardee was announced, no matter the media house.

The week of activities culminated with the media sports day, with many-time winners Dionne Jackson-Miller, Dara Smith, Marilyn Facey and Hylton Dennis showing they deserve a place on Jamaica's team to Daegu, South Korea.

As the PAJ prepares to do it all over again, special thanks go to the sponsors and friends who made it all possible.



Journalist of the year, Earl Moxam.

Taking Day 4 back Tivoli



For the first time since the security forces invaded the West Kingston stronghold of Tivoli Gardens, the media was taken on a tour of the community on Thursday. Everywhere showed signs of bitter war which was fought over the past few days. However, the pain was most evident on the faces of the residents of the community.

(Photos: Michael Gordon)



The mother of this newborn baby answers questions from the media.

Members of the media are guided through the community.



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Observer wins 5 journalism awards

ELEVEN Observer journalists Friday night received accolades for their work, with six being bestowed with some of the profession's top honours at the annual National Journalism Awards banquet hosted by the Press Association of Jamaica.

Kimone Thompson, features editor — Sunday, and Associate Editor — Sunday Janice Budd were awarded the Carl Wins prize for Human Interest Feature stories; Online News Editor Karyl Walker received the Hector Bernard/Theodore Sealy Award for news; Sunday Observer reporter Donna Hussey-Whyte topped the President's Award for investigative journalism; entertainment reporter Cecelia Campbell-Livingston got the prize for best entertainment reporter; and Jermaine Barnaby was awarded the Errol Harvey Trophy for Human Interest Photography.

The human interest feature stories award was for a series on mental health called 'Matters of the Mind', which explored issues affecting mentally ill persons and their loved ones, from the cost and effects of medication, the lack of facilities for some groups, the stigma and discrimination faced in the wider society to the psychological toll on caregivers. Walker's winning piece was an expose on the ill-treatment of Jamaican Shanique Myrie at the hands of Barbadian Customs and security officials, titled 'Finger-roped in Barbados'.

The investigative journalism award to Hussey-Whyte was for an undercover series on the facilities and wait times in the island's major public hospitals; Campbell-Livingston took the entertainment journalism prize for a piece about Eric 'Monty' Morris releasing his first album after 50 years in music; and Barnaby's award was for a picture of passengers lifting a disabled woman onto a public passenger bus.

The first three prizes were tied, the first with CVM Television and the other two with The Gleaner.



The Observer's winning team (front from left) Features Editor — Sunday Kimone Thompson; Executive Editor — Operations Desmond Afer; Sunday Observer reporter Donna Hussey-Whyte; Associate Editor — Entertainment and Auto Brian Bonfils. (Back row from left) Associate Editor — Sunday, Janice Budd; photographer Jermaine Barnaby; and Online News Editor Karyl Walker at Friday night's awards banquet hosted by the Press Association of Jamaica at the Jamaica Pegasus Hotel.

Budd, meanwhile, was commended for her entry 'Falmouth Cruise Ship Pier not ready'; sport editor Ian Burnett received "high commendations" for a series on football in high schools; and senior reporter Ingrid Brown was said to have presented a good body of work. Entries from photographers Bryan Cummings, Garfield Robinson and Marlon Reid were also singled out for special mention.

The night's top prize, Journalist of the Year, was presented to TVJ reporter/anchor Nadine McLeod, while the Young Journalist of the Year went to Abka Fitz-Henley of Nationwide Radio.

Prizes were awarded in 20 categories covering news, sports, business, entertainment, design, online, photography



Jackie Lambert of Pan Caribbean Financial Services (left) congratulates TVJ's Nadine McLeod who was awarded Journalist of the Year 2011 at the Press Association of Jamaica's banquet Friday night. To Nadine's left is Young Journalist of the Year Abka Fitz-Henley of Nationwide Radio and to her right is senior editor of the Washington Post Milton Coleman who delivered the main address. (Photos: Garfield Robinson)



Assistant treasurer of the Press Association of Jamaica (PAJ) Milton Walker presents a cheque to Kimberly McLeod, a second-year journalism major at the Caribbean Institute of Media and Communication, Friday. McLeod is one of two recipients of the PAJ/JPS scholarship for 2011.

and cartoons. Awards aside, the event featured presentations from practising journalists on the state of the media and served as the platform for the award of the PAJ/JPS scholarship to a student journalist.

The guest address was brought by Milton Coleman, veteran journalist and senior editor of the Washington Post. Coleman, who is also president of the Inter-American Press Association (IAPA), spoke on matters of press freedom in democratic countries and called on those in the profession to stay true to its tenets of accuracy, fairness and objectivity in spite of mounting

challenges presented by new technology, shrinking revenues and challenged credibility.

"The kind of journalism that is required to be done by a free press in democracies in order for truth and justice to continue in the 20th century and beyond, that's our job. It's important for us to understand that what we do is not just some kind of job where we get paid. It's not just some kind of way to make yourself famous, but it's truly a part of democracy," he said.

Citing examples of countries where freedoms of the press and of self-expression were heavily curtailed and prosecuted by the State, Coleman said some 24 journalists have been killed in

the western hemisphere this year alone, while many others were being driven into exile.

While those situations were extreme and unwelcome, the IAPA head said there's no getting around adversarial relationships between governments and the press.

"That's the way it should be. That's the way it ought to be... there's got to be adversarial relationships between us. We want to find out more, they want to tell us less," he said.

Friday's event, which was held at the Jamaica Pegasus Hotel in New Kingston, was the culmination of Journalism Week which began with a church service last Sunday.