

## **NET Radio News Team Receives Associated Press Awards**

LINCOLN, Neb. (April 28, 2008) -- NET Radio received 16 awards at the recent Nebraska Associated Press Broadcast News Awards announced on April 26 in Lincoln. The NET Radio news team received four first-place awards, five second-place, four third-place and three honorable mentions in eight categories.

Award-winning NET Radio staff members were Lincoln-based News Director Martin Wells and reporters/announcers Avishay Artsy, Lora Black, Jerry Johnston, Fred Knapp and Sarah McCammon, as well as Omaha-based reporter Robyn Wisch and Wayne-based reporter Mike Marek. Since filing the award-winning stories below, Artsy has moved to join the staff at New Hampshire Public Radio. NET Radio's awards were presented in the categories below, with judges comments noted when available.

**Agriculture:** First Place, Artsy, "Animal ID"  
Second Place, McCammon, "Immigrant Farmers"

**Feature:** Second Place, McCammon, "Goats Graze Weeds" Judge's Comment: Interesting and unique piece. Kudos on the stand-up at the beginning of the piece.  
Third Place, Johnston, "Ponca Powwow"

**General News:** First Place, Artsy, "Terry Free Gas" Judge's Comment: "Nice use of the contrarian expert and a range of voices."  
Third Place, Knapp, "Fusion Center"  
Honorable Mention, McCammon, "Yazidi Bombing Reaction"

**Natural Sound:** First Place, Wells, "National Anthem Tryouts"  
Second Place, Johnston, "Archeological Dig"  
Third Place, Marek, "Lewis and Clark Lake"

**Newscast:** Honorable Mention, Black, "5:30 p.m. Cast"

**Public Affairs:** Third Place, McCammon, "Methamphetamine"  
Honorable Mention, Wisch, "Drowning in Noise"

**Sports Feature:** First Place, Wells, "Ambidextrous Pitcher"  
Second Place, Artsy, "Wheelchair Softball"

**Spot News:** Second Place, NET Radio News Staff, "Von Maur Shooting"

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