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1st Amendment Nomination Deadline Moves Earlier

MANCHESTER — Because of a scheduling change, the deadline for nominating this year's Nackey S. Loeb First Amendment Award recipient has been moved earlier.

The new deadline is Aug. 4. for submitting nominations of New Hampshire residents or organizations who have worked to protect free speech and free press.

The recipient will be honored at the school's 15th annual First Amendment Award on Oct. 5 at the Palace Theatre in Manchester. The event date also has changed. Initially, it was scheduled for Nov. 16.

A committee of judges chooses the recipient from public nominations. First Amendment recipients receive a bronze eagle sculpture created by Mrs. Loeb and a \$1,500 award.

Nominations can be submitted at loebschool.org or 627-0005.

The award and the school are legacies of the late Nackey S. Loeb, president and publisher of the New Hampshire Union Leader and Sunday News.

Past recipients include former state Attorney General Philip McLaughlin, former Keene Sentinel Executive Editor Thomas Kearney, The Laconia Citizen, former legislator Daniel Hughes, former Dover City Councilor David Scott, Londonderry High School Journalism Adviser Mary Lukas, First Amendment attorney William Chapman, former ConVal School Board member Gail Pierson Cromwell, The Portsmouth Herald, David Lang and the Professional Fire Fighters of New Hampshire, The Telegraph of Nashua, slain journalist James Foley, former Portsmouth police officer John Connors, open government activist David Pearl and Timberlane Regional School Board member Donna Green.

First Amendment judges are: Rod Doherty, former executive editor of Foster's Daily Democrat; Retired N.H. Supreme Court Justice Richard Galway; Attorney Gregory Sullivan of Malloy & Sullivan, LPC.; and previous First Amendment recipients: former Laconia Citizen Executive Editor John Howe and Londonderry High Journalism Adviser Mary Lukas.

The nonprofit Nackey S. Loeb School of Communications, Inc. was founded in 1999 to foster interest, integrity and excellence in journalism and other forms of communication. It offers free classes and low-cost workshops in communications and media-related topics, taught by professionals from various New Hampshire media outlets and businesses.

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