

23RD ANNUAL

WALTER & LEAHRAND



AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIP DINNER

Tuesday, April 29th, 2025 | 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM Tavistock Country Club



HONORING THE 2025 SOUTH JERSEYANS OF THE YEAR



Nonprofit Sector Domenica Foundation

Pepe and Elena Piperno



Public Sector Judith Persichilli

Former Commissioner of Health for the State of New Jersey



Private Sector Liz Thomas

Co-Founder and CEO, Thomas/Boyd Communications



CONNECTING RESEARCH, POLICY, & PRACTICE IN SOUTH JERSEY

This year, the Senator Walter Rand Institute for Public Affairs (WRI) will be celebrating 25 years of impactful community-focused research that connects to the policy and practice issues of the day in South Jersey. It was established to honor the late New Jersey State Senator Walter Rand's legacy of public service to Southern New Jersey and his hometown of Camden. Senator Rand and his wife Leah shared a passion for public service and supporting local programs. Together, they dedicated their time and talents toward helping South Jersey's children and communities thrive.

Each year, their work lives on through the Walter & Leah Rand Awards and Scholarship Dinner, which provides support for the mission of WRI and gives students opportunities to engage in real-world public affairs research and projects while serving the region's residents.

During the event, the **South Jerseyan of the Year Awards** are given annually to recognize the contributions of outstanding individuals in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors working to improve lives and strengthen communities. The **Lifetime Achievement** Award recognizes a long-standing personal commitment made by an individual to bettering the South Jersey community. The **Volunteer of the Year** award acknowledges an individual or organization that embodies the spirit of service and volunteerism in South Jersey.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Presenting (\$10,000)

- · Welcome remarks by a representative
- · Inclusion of promotional item(s) on tables
- · Recognition in feature story
- · Logo and listing on promotional materials, website, signage
- Back cover advertisement in the program book
- · 3 tables (24 seats)

Platinum (\$7,500)

- · Inclusion of promotional item(s) on tables
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- · Back cover advertisement in the program book
- · 2 tables (16 seats)

Gold (\$5,000)

- · Recognition in feature story
- · Listing on promotions, website, signage
- · Half-page advertisement in the program book
- · 2 tables (16 seats)

Silver (\$2,500)

- · Recognition in feature story
- · Listing on promotions, website, signage
- · Half-page advertisement in the program book
- · 1 table (8 seats)

Bronze (\$1,800)

- · Listing on the website and signage
- · Half-page advertisement in the program book
- · 1 table (8 seats)

For information on tickets, sponsorships, and advertisement opportunities, contact Jacqulyn Lehrian at wrand@camden.rutgers.edu.

Click here to visit the event webpage.