



RUTGERS-CAMDEN
Senator Walter Rand
Institute for Public Affairs



24th Annual

Walter and Leah Rand

Awards and Scholarship Dinner

Tuesday, April 28th, 2026 | 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Tavistock Country Club

Honoring the 2026 South Jerseyans of the Year



Public Sector
John J. Burzichelli
*New Jersey State Senator,
District 3*



Nonprofit Sector
Inspira Health
*Amy Mansue, Robin
Walton, Brianna Donahue*



Nonprofit Sector
Anthony DiFabio
*President & CEO, Acenda
Integrated Health*



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Sponsorship Opportunities

Connecting Research, Policy, and Practice in South Jersey

The Senator Walter Rand Institute for Public Affairs (WRI) at Rutgers–Camden has been a long-standing and trusted regional community partner for over 25 years. WRI produces 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 to recognize the contributions of outstanding individuals in the public 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.

Individual Ticket | \$200

Presenting (\$10,000) - SOLD OUT

- 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
- Recognition in feature story
- Logo and listing on promotional materials, website, signage
- Full page 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)

Full-page program book advertisement | \$1,000

Half-page program book advertisement | \$600

For questions about tickets, sponsorships, and advertisement opportunities, contact Jacquelyn Lehrian at wrand@camden.rutgers.edu.

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