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NSSA ANNOUNCES 2011 AWARDS WINNERS

COSTAS, FEINSTEIN ELECTED TO HALL OF FAME

SHULMAN, POSNANSKI NATIONAL WINNERS

Beck New York Sportscaster, Glauber Sportswriter of Year

SALISBURY, NC (January 9, 2012) – Bob Costas of NBC Sports and the Major League Baseball Network and John Feinstein of the *Washington Post* have been elected to the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association's Hall of Fame, NSSA Executive Director Dave Goren announced today. Costas and Feinstein will be honored at the 53rd Annual NSSA Awards Banquet on June 11, 2012 in Salisbury, NC. The event marks the 50th anniversary of the NSSA's Hall of Fame.

Sharing the stage with Costas and Feinstein will be National Sportscaster of the Year Dan Shulman of ESPN and National Sportswriter of the Year Joe Posnanski of *Sports Illustrated*, along with 103 State Sportscasters and Sportswriters of the Year from throughout the United States.

Sports director Bruce Beck of WNBC-TV in New York City is the New York Sportscaster of the Year. Bob Glauber of *Newsday* is the New York Sportswriter of the Year. It's the fifth straight win for Beck and first NSSA award for Glauber.

Costas has starred on network television in many different roles. A 22-time Emmy Award winner, he has spent more than 30 years at NBC. The 2012 London Olympics this summer will mark Costas's 10th with NBC and ninth as primetime host, more than any other. Since 2005, Costas has also hosted *Football Night In America*. And, he serves as play-by-play announcer and host for the Major League Baseball Network.

Feinstein is the bestselling author of more than two dozen books, including his latest release, *One on One*. He has also written for the *Washington Post*, *WashingtonPost.com*, *The National Sports Daily*, *Golf Digest* and *Golf World*, and is a regular commentator on the Golf Channel.

Shulman handles play-by-play for ESPN's NBA coverage, Saturday night primetime college basketball and *Sunday Night Baseball*. Before starting at ESPN in 1995, Shulman worked for Canada's national sports network, The Sports Network (TSN), calling play-by-play for the Toronto Blue Jays, Toronto Raptors and Vancouver Grizzlies. He is also the first two-time winner of Sports Media Canada Broadcaster of the Year award.

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Twice named best sports columnist by the Associated Press Sports Editors, Posnanski now serves as a senior writer at *Sports Illustrated* and *si.com*. Before heading to *Sports Illustrated*, Posnanski was a sports columnist for 13 years at *The Kansas City Star*. He also wrote for *The Charlotte Observer*, *The Augusta Chronicle* and *The Cincinnati Post*. An author of three books, Posnanski is currently working on a book about recently-fired Penn State football coach Joe Paterno.

Among the 103 state winners are: Los Angeles Dodgers play-by-play announcer Vin Scully, who won his 31st California Sportscaster of the Year Award; University of New Hampshire play-by-play announcer Jim Jeannotte (23rd New Hampshire Sportscaster of the Year Award); Indiana University play-by-play announcer Don Fischer (22nd Indiana Sportscaster of the Year Award). There are also 36 first-time winners.

The full list of winners is starts on page 3.



About NSSA

The National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that was founded in 1959 in Salisbury, NC. Growing out of the North Carolina Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association that was started by Salisbury restaurant owner Pete DiMizio, NSSA is the only American organization that honors excellence in sportscasting and sportswriting. It also serves as the American arm of AIPS, the International Sports Press Association.

NSSA held its first Awards Banquet on April 12, 1960. The NSSA Hall of Fame was added in 1962, with Grantland Rice as the first inductee. There are now more than 80 sports media immortals enshrined in Salisbury.

As of Jan. 1, 2012, NSSA's membership stands at approximately 800.

NSSA's voting starts with a nomination process that runs from mid-October through mid-November. Final balloting is conducted throughout the month of December, with winners notified during the first two weeks of January.

For more information on NSSA, go to nssafame.com.



2011 AWARD WINNERS

<p>ALABAMA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Jim Dunaway, CBS 42/WJOX Radio, Birmingham</p>	<p>ALABAMA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Doug Segrest, Birmingham News, Birmingham</p>
<p>ARKANSAS SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Steve Sullivan, KATV, Little Rock</p>	<p>ARKANSAS SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Bob Wisener, The Sentinel Record, Hot Springs</p>
<p>ARIZONA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Tim Ring, KTVK-TV, Phoenix</p>	<p>ARIZONA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Paola Boivin, Arizona Republic, Phoenix</p>
<p>CALIFORNIA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Vin Scully, Los Angeles Dodgers, Los Angeles</p>	<p>CALIFORNIA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Chris Dufresne, Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles</p>
<p>COLORADO SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Drew Goodman, ROOT Sports, Denver</p>	<p>COLORADO SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Dave Krieger, Denver Post, Denver</p> <p style="text-align: right;">More>>>></p>

<p>CONNECTICUT SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>(Tie)</p> <p>Joe D'Ambrosio, WTIC Radio, Farmington</p> <p>Kevin Nathan, WVIT-TV, West Hartford</p>	<p>CONNECTICUT SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Dom Amore, Hartford Courant, Hartford</p>
<p>DC SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Lindsay Czarniak, WRC-TV (now with ESPN), Washington</p>	<p>DC SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>John Keim, DC Examiner, Washington</p>
<p>DELAWARE SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>John Sadak, 1290 the Ticket, Wilmington</p>	<p>DELAWARE SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Jon Buzby, Newark Post, Newark</p>
<p>FLORIDA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Gene Deckerhoff, Florida State/IMG Sports Network, Tallahassee & Tampa Bay Bucs Radio Network, Tampa</p>	<p>FLORIDA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Gary Shelton, St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg</p>
<p>GEORGIA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Bob Rathbun, Fox Sports South, Atlanta</p>	<p>GEORGIA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Jeff Schultz, Atlanta Journal Constitution, Atlanta</p>
<p>HAWAII SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Dave Vinton, OC16 (Time Warner Cable), Honolulu</p>	<p>HAWAII SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Stephen Tsai, Honolulu Star Advertiser, Honolulu</p> <p>More>>>></p>

<p>IOWA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>John Walters, WOI-TV, Des Moines</p>	<p>IOWA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Rick Brown, Des Moines Register, Des Moines</p>
<p>IDAHO SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Bob Behler, Boise State Broncos/Learfield Radio Network, Boise</p>	<p>IDAHO SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Brian Murphy, Idaho Statesman, Boise</p>
<p>ILLINOIS SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Dave Eanet, Northwestern Wildcats/Learfield Radio Network, Chicago</p>	<p>ILLINOIS SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Paul Klee, Champaign News Gazette, Champaign</p>
<p>INDIANA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Don Fischer, Indiana Hoosiers/Learfield Radio Network, Bloomington</p>	<p>INDIANA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Terry Hutchens, Indianapolis Star, Indianapolis</p>
<p>KANSAS SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Wyatt Thompson, K-State/Learfield Radio Network, Manhattan</p>	<p>KANSAS SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Kevin Haskin, Topeka Capital Journal, Topeka</p>
<p>KENTUCKY SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Drew Deener, WKRD Radio, Louisville</p>	<p>KENTUCKY SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Larry Vaught, Danville Advocate Messenger, Danville</p>
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<p>LOUISIANA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Lyn Rollins, Cox Sports Television (CST), New Orleans</p>	<p>LOUISIANA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Perryn Keys, Baton Rouge Advocate, Baton Rouge</p>
<p>MASSACHUSETTS SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Mike Lynch, WCVB-TV, Boston</p>	<p>MASSACHUSETTS SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Dan Shaughnessy, Boston Globe, Boston</p>
<p>MARYLAND SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Pete Gilbert, WBAL-TV, Baltimore</p>	<p>MARYLAND SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Mike Preston, Baltimore Sun, Baltimore</p>
<p>MAINE SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Rich Kimball, Maine Black Bear/Learfield Sports Network, Orono</p>	<p>MAINE SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Pete Warner, Bangor Daily News, Bangor</p>
<p>MICHIGAN SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Mario Impemba, Detroit Tigers/Oakland Univ., Detroit</p>	<p>MICHIGAN SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Mark Snyder, Detroit Free Press, Detroit</p>
<p>MINNESOTA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Bob Kurtz, Minnesota Wild Radio Network, St. Paul</p>	<p>MINNESOTA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Mike Russo. Minneapolis Star Tribune, Minneapolis</p> <p style="text-align: right;">More>>>></p>

<p>MISSOURI SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>John Covington, KLPW, Washington</p>	<p>MISSOURI SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Bill Battle, Washington Missourian, Washington</p>
<p>MISSISSIPPI SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>(Tie)</p> <p>David Kellum, Ole Miss Radio Network, Oxford</p> <p>John Cox, Southern Mississippi/IMG Sports Network, Hattiesburg</p>	<p>MISSISSIPPI SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Rick Cleveland, Clarion Ledger, Jackson</p>
<p>MONTANA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Mick Holien, Montana Grizzlies/Learfield Radio Network, Missoula</p>	<p>MONTANA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Greg Rachac, Billings Gazette, Billings</p>
<p>NORTH CAROLINA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Bob Harris, Duke/IMG Sports Network, Durham</p>	<p>NORTH CAROLINA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Tom Sorensen, Charlotte Observer, Charlotte</p>
<p>NORTH DAKOTA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Dan Keating, KMAV/KMSR, Mayville</p>	<p>NORTH DAKOTA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Lou Babiarz, Bismarck Tribune, Bismarck</p>
<p>NEBRASKA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Kevin Kugler, KOZN Radio, Omaha</p>	<p>NEBRASKA SPORTSWRITER</p> <p>Dirk Chatelain, Omaha World-Herald, Omaha</p>
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<p>NEW HAMPSHIRE SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Jim Jeannotte, UNH Wildcats/Learfield Radio Network. Durham</p>	<p>NEW HAMPSHIRE SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Mike Whaley, Fosters Daily, Dover</p>
<p>NEW JERSEY SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Matt Harmon, Shore Sports Network, Bayville</p>	<p>NEW JERSEY SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Greg Lerner, Star Ledger, Newark</p>
<p>NEW MEXICO SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Jack Nixon, New Mexico State Univ., Las Cruces</p>	<p>NEW MEXICO SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Rick Wright, Albuquerque Journal, Albuquerque</p>
<p>NEVADA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Russ Langer, Las Vegas 51s Radio, Las Vegas</p>	<p>NEVADA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Ed Graney, Las Vegas Review--Journal, Las Vegas</p>
<p>NEW YORK SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Bruce Beck, WNBC-TV, New York</p>	<p>NEW YORK SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Bob Glauber, Newsday, New York</p>
<p>OHIO SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Paul Keels, Ohio State Buckeyes/IMG Sports Network, Columbus</p>	<p>OHIO SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Hal McCoy, Dayton Daily News, Dayton</p> <p style="text-align: right;">More>>>></p>

<p align="center">OKLAHOMA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p align="center">John Holcomb, KOTV-TV, Tulsa</p>	<p align="center">OKLAHOMA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p align="center">Berry Tramel, The Oklahoman, Oklahoma City</p>
<p align="center">OREGON SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p align="center">Mike Parker, Oregon State Beavers/Learfield Radio Network, Corvallis</p>	<p align="center">OREGON SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p align="center">Kerry Eggers, Portland Tribune, Portland</p>
<p align="center">PENNSYLVANIA SPORTSCASTER</p> <p align="center">Jim Jackson, Comcast Sports Net Philadelphia (Flyers TV)/Phillies Radio Network, Philadelphia</p>	<p align="center">PENNSYLVANIA SPORTSWRITER</p> <p align="center">Bob Ford, Philadelphia Inquirer, Philadelphia</p>
<p align="center">RHODE ISLAND SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p align="center">Steve Hyder, Pawtucket Red Sox Radio, Pawtucket</p>	<p align="center">RHODE ISLAND SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p align="center">Brendan McGair, Pawtucket Times, Pawtucket</p>
<p align="center">SOUTH CAROLINA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p align="center">Allen Smothers, Coastline Sports Media, Myrtle Beach</p>	<p align="center">SOUTH CAROLINA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p align="center">Gene Sapakoff, Charleston Post and Courier, Charleston</p>
<p align="center">SOUTH DAKOTA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p align="center">Mike Henriksen, Sportsmax Radio, Sioux Falls</p>	<p align="center">SOUTH DAKOTA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p align="center">Terry Vandrovec, Argus Leader, Sioux Falls</p> <p align="right">More>>>></p>

<p>TENNESSEE SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Pete Weber, Nashville Predators Radio Network, Nashville</p>	<p>TENNESSEE SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Jim Wyatt, The Tennessean, Nashville</p>
<p>TEXAS SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Eric Nadel, Texas Rangers Radio Network, Dallas</p>	<p>TEXAS SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Kirk Bohls, Austin American Statesman, Austin</p>
<p>UTAH SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Carl Arky, Weber State Univ. Radio Network, Ogden</p>	<p>UTAH SPORTSWRITER</p> <p>Gordon Monson, Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City</p>
<p>VIRGINIA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Bill Roth, Virginia Tech Hokies/IMG Sports Network, Blacksburg</p>	<p>VIRGINIA SPORTSWRITER</p> <p>David Teel, Newport News Daily Press, Newport News</p>
<p>VERMONT SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>George Commo, Northeast Sports Network, Essex Junction</p>	<p>VERMONT SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Tom Haley, Rutland Herald, Rutland</p>
<p>WASHINGTON SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Bob Rondeau, Washington Huskies/IMG Sports Network, Seattle</p>	<p>WASHINGTON SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Jerry Brewer, Seattle Times, Seattle</p>
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<p>WISCONSIN SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>(Tie)</p> <p>Lance Allan, WTMJ-TV, Milwaukee</p> <p>Matt LePay, Wisconsin Badgers/Learfield Radio Network, Madison</p>	<p>WISCONSIN SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Tom Haudricourt, Journal Sentinel, Milwaukee</p>
<p>WEST VIRGINIA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Mark Martin, WCHS-TV, Charleston</p>	<p>WEST VIRGINIA SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Chuck McGill, Daily Mail, Charleston</p>
<p>WYOMING SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Reece Monaco, KFBC Radio, Cheyenne</p>	<p>WYOMING SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Eric Schmoldt, Casper Star Tribune, Casper</p>
<p>NATIONAL SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Dan Shulman, ESPN</p>	<p>NATIONAL SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR</p> <p>Joe Posnanski, Sports Illustrated</p>
<p>HALL OF FAME SPORTSCASTER</p> <p>Bob Costas, NBC/MLB Network</p>	<p>HALL OF FAME SPORTSWRITER</p> <p>John Feinstein, Washington Post/Author</p>