

Judges' winner - article writing		
 Caroli De Waal	Rocking with Namaqualand's daisies - A botanist describes how different species of Namaqualand daisy use either dispersal of seeds, or dormancy of seeds to survive. Which one is used could predict survival in changing climates.	dewaalc@gmail.com caroli@sun.ac.za
Judges' first runner up - article writing		
 Carolina van Zyl	Invasive wasps foiled by microscopic secret agents - An entomologist works on natural pest controls - fungi and nematodes (worms) - to kill invasive wasps.	lien@sun.ac.za carolienvanzyl007@gmail.com
Judges' second runners up - article writing		
 Alem Gebru	Laser light technology improves insect detection - A physicist describes how round-the-clock monitoring of insect behaviour around crops, can provide information about both pollinators and pests.	gebru@sun.ac.za alemkn@gmail.com
 Christina Glyn-Woods	The healing genie of the Karoo - A biotechnologist describes Kougoed, an ancient San medicinal plant effective in treating depression and alcoholism. But can it be cultivated in laboratory settings and still work?	cglynwoods@sun.ac.za cglynwoods@gmail.com
Finalists - selected for publication		
Dzifa Attah	Researching sexuality - A psychology researcher shares a personal experience of sexual harassment during her own fieldwork on childhood sexual abuse, highlighting themes of power and silence.	dzifaattah@yahoo.com 18119204@sun.ac.za
Melanie Blumentritt	SA timber, the "greener" building material - a forest resource researcher shows how to calculate the environmental costs of a building project based on the materials used, e.g. wood vs. concrete.	blumentritt@sun.ac.za
Genevieve Diedericks	Shape shifters: understanding the success of the invasive smallmouth bass - A researcher in invasion biology describes how this popular angling fish has managed to wreak havoc in South African rivers.	gend@sun.ac.za diedericks.genevieve@gmail.com
Anina Guelpa	Putting mealie pap under the spotlight - A food scientist measures the quality of maize kernels using X-rays and near-infrared spectrometry, to establish if the kernels are suited to making corn flakes or mealie meal.	aninag@sun.ac.za aning@guelpa.co.za
Anthony Gunde	When media ownership and political interests collide: a tale of a Malawian politician and his critical press - A journalism researcher tells the story of Aleke Banda and the consequences of protecting press freedom.	18119999@sun.ac.za tonygunde@yahoo.com
Kenneth Hammond-Aryee	The threat of toxoplasmosis - A biomedical scientist explains the dangers of this parasite found in cat faeces, especially for pregnant women, but says it is easy to avoid once you are aware of it.	kenhammond@sun.ac.za niiofei@gmail.com
Shanil Haricharan	Emotional intelligence matters: leading from the inside out - A researcher in public leadership shows a strong link between emotional intelligence and effective leadership in public organisations.	shanil@icon.co.za eistudy@icon.co.za
Minette Karsten	Africa's invasive fruit flies on the move - A molecular entomologist traces the Mediterranean fruit fly with genetic markers, helping to curtail its spread.	minettek@sun.ac.za
Tlou Masehela	Needing you, needing me: food shortages challenge beekeepers - An entomologist explains that agricultural crops rely on bees for pollination, and how a shortage of good forage plants for honeybees, threatens our own food security.	masehelats@gmail.com t.masehela@sanbi.org.za
Elke Matthaei	This land is my land - A researcher in land rights in the Dept. of Geography and Environmental Science finds that registering communal land in one's own name has unexpected benefits for women on informal smallholdings in Namibia.	matthaei.elke@gmail.com
Barnabé Msabah	Riding on the wings of hope: the story of Ndumwe - A theologian recounts the cruel and devastating events that marked a refugee's life and shows how hope may sometimes be the only resource available for refugees.	m.barnabe@yahoo.ca
Mohau Phiri	The hidden structure of plastic - A polymer scientists explains how a unique method developed at an SU lab leads to improved recipes for making plastic products.	phiri@sun.ac.za mphiri94@gmail.com
Carine Sao Emani	Looking for new ways to treat tuberculosis - A biomedical scientist finds essential parts of the TB bacteria's make-up that could be targeted by new treatments for drug resistant and latent TB.	karallia@sun.ac.za
Sheillah Simiyu	When toilets don't make life better - A researcher in public leadership finds that the condition of communal toilets in informal settlements can present worse health risks than having no toilet at all.	Sheillahshie@gmail.com 18636209@sun.ac.za
Natalie Theron	The secret life of mites - A researcher in conservation ecology shows that mites, generally thought to be destructive to plants, also play a positive role in the pollination of proteas.	natz@sun.ac.za natz.83.nt@gmail.com
Zelda Vergotine	The Bellville South community's diabetes risk - A researcher at the Division of Chemical Pathology hopes that awareness of the genetic predisposition in this population group to develop diabetes 2, will lead to healthier lifestyle choices.	zelvergo@gmail.com vergotinez@cput.ac.za
Warren Vieira	Harvesting the healing power of fat: the miracle of stem cells - A molecular biologist explains that stem cells can be easily harvested from fat and be used to produce a variety of other cells.	warrenvieira@sun.ac.za warrenv@live.co.za

Angelina Wilson	Are we all mentally healthy? - A psychology researcher explains how psychology is moving away from only treating mental illness, to a focus on developing mental wellbeing in poor communities.	wilson.angelina1311@gmail.com 18026036@sun.ac.za
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