

## Nebraska Press Association

Nebraska Press Advertising Service

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LINCOLN — Sweepstakes winners in the Nebraska Press Association's Better Newspaper Contest are the weekly Gering Courier and the daily Kearney Hub.

By placing first among all the Nebraska weeklies entered, the Gering Courier will display the Loral Johnson Community Weekly Sweepstakes Award for one year. This year marks the eleventh annual presentation of the Loral Johnson Community Newspaper Sweepstakes Award. Loral had a passion for community journalism throughout his life, and this award is given in memory of his enthusiasm. The Gering Courier finished with 13 first-place awards, 8 judged second best awards and 12 judged third best awards. This is their fourth year to win this award, and they beat out the second place winner by 40 points. The Gering Courier has won this award in 2005, 2006 and 2009.

The Kearney Hub was the winner in the daily category, which excludes dailies in Omaha and Lincoln. It finished with 10 first-place awards, 12 for second and 9 for third. The Kearney Hub has won this award in 1989, 1991, 1992, 1994, 2008, 2010, 2012 and 2013. The dailies are judged in 44 categories, and the weeklies in 44 categories. Both focused on writing, photography, advertising, design and creativity.

Other weeklies in the top three were, second, Aurora News-Register, and the Sutton Clay County News, third.

Finishing second in the daily category was the Grand Island Independent with the Norfolk Daily News, third.

More than 4,000 separate entries, representing 12 dailies and 79 weeklies, were judged by members of the South Dakota Press Association.

First, second and third place winners were announced Saturday night at an Awards Banquet at the Holiday Inn-Midtown in Grand Island, where more than 190 journalists attended.

## 2014 Newspaper Winners

 Use of Computer Graphics – Produced in House Class A Weekly
 Ist Place: Hyannis Grant Co. News
 By: James Ducey
 Title: Ranch Maps
 2nd Place: Lyons Mirror-Sun
 By: Jamie Horter
 Title: Track The Poker Run
 3rd Place: Lyons Mirror-Sun
 By: Jamie Horter
 Title: Student Enrollment

 Use of Computer Graphics – Produced in House Class B Weekly
 Ist Place: Sutton Clay Co. News
 By: Kris Moody
 Title: Drawing Up A Plan 2nd Place: North Bend Eagle By: Nathan Arneal Title: Lambley Closes Book 3rd Place: North Bend Eagle By: Nathan Arneal Title: EHC Champions

 Use of Computer Graphics – Produced in House Class C Weekly
 Ist Place: Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
 By: Ashley Olson and Mark Jackson
 Title: Thanksgiving Recipe
 2nd Place: Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
 By: Katie Novak and Allison Jones
 Title: Happy Holidays
 3rd Place: Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
 By: Perky Weatherly and Katie Novak
 Title: Increased Valuations  Use of Computer Graphics – Produced in House Class D Weekly
 Ist Place: Omaha Catholic Voice
 By: Lisa Maxson and Joe Ruff
 Title: 40 Days
 2nd Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
 By: Leeanna Ellis
 Title: Bertrand Returns
 3rd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune
 By: Corbey Dorsey
 Title: Fall Sports Preview

 Use of Computer Graphics – Produced in House Daily
 Ist Place: Grand Island Independent
 By: Nick Cavallaro
 Title: Picking Up The Pieces
 2nd Place: Norfolk Daily News
 By: Dennis Meyer
 Title: Fall Sports Preview
 3rd Place: Norfolk Daily News
 By: Chris Culver
 Title: Sky's The Limit

2. Building Circulation
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Doniphan Herald
By: Christine Hollister and Randy & Jodi Sadd
Title: Keep Up With Your Community
2nd Place: Friend Sentinel
By: Rachelle Hinrichs & Jaci Thorburn
Title: St. Patrick's Day
3rd Place: Gering Courier
By: Brad Staman
Title: News Racks Into Art

2. Building Circulation
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Sutton Clay Co. News
By: Erin Huber
Title: Thanks Readers
No 2nd or 3rd place awarded.

Building Circulation
 Class C Weekly
 1st Place: Papillion Times
 By: Melissa Vanek & Ann Hunrecks
 Title: Swing Into Summer
 2nd Place: Hebron Journal-Register
 By: Christy Farnstrom
 Title: Valentino's - Subscriptions
 3rd Place: Gothenburg Times
 By: Kathi Viergutz
 Title: Can't Seem To Put Us Down?

Building Circulation
 Class D Weekly
 1st Place: Alliance Times-Herald
 By: Tom Shaal
 Title: Daily Scoop Contest
 2nd Place: Omaha Catholic Voice
 By: Staff
 Title: Tradition
 3rd Place: Bellevue Leader
 By: Melissa Vanek
 Title: You Give, We Give

Building Circulation
 Daily
 1st Place: Kearney Hub
 By: Andrea Dzingle & Penny Parker
 Title: Share & Save
 2nd Place: Norfolk Daily News
 By: Staff
 Title: Carrier Promo
 3rd Place: Grand Island Independent
 By: Pat Brown
 Title: Holiday Gift Subscription

3. Reader InteractionClass A Weekly1st Place: Wauneta Breeze2nd Place: Doniphan Herald3rd Place: Oakland Independent

3. Reader InteractionClass B Weekly1st Place: Gretna Guide & News2nd Place: Wilber Republican3rd Place: Milford Times

3. Reader Interaction
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
2nd Place: Imperial Republican
3rd Place: Lexington Clipper-Herald

3. Reader Interaction
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Broken Bow Custer Co. Chief
2nd Place: Crete News
3rd Place: Aurora News-Register

3. Reader InteractionDaily1st Place: Hastings Tribune2nd Place: North Platte Telegraph3rd Place: Kearney Hub

Advertising 4. Community Promotion Advertisement Class A Weekly 1st Place: Callaway Courier By: Michael Wendorff Title: It Pays to Shop 2nd Place: Gering Courier By: Ilene Anderson Title: Sugar Valley Rally 3rd Place: Gering Courier By: Ilene Anderson & Carol Steele Title: Live Drug Free

4. Community Promotion Advertisement Class B Weekly
1st Place: Gretna Breeze
By: Mike King
Title: Salute To Gretna High School Arts
2nd Place: Wilbur Republican
By: Patti Danbom and Patrick Checketts
Title: DeWitt July 4th
3rd Place: Grant Tribune-Sentinel
By: Shari Friedel, Jan Rahn and Tim Linscott
Title: Newspaper Week

4. Community Promotion Advertisement Class C Weekly
1st Place: Papillion Times
By: Shon Barenklau
Title: Starlight Movies
2nd Place: West Point News
By: Paula Nesladek
Title: EMT Salute
3rd Place: Papillion Times
By: Paul Swanson
Title: Salute To Heroes

4. Community Promotion Advertisement Class D Weekly
1st Place: Bellevue Leader
By: Paul Swanson
Title: Kids Take Over
2nd Place: Wahoo Newspaper
By: Sandy Hutson and Cheryl Ludvik
Title: Hometown Holidays
3rd Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Jill Bartling
Title: Veteran Salute

4. Community Promotion Advertisement Daily
1st Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Staff
Title: Get Fit Challenge
2nd Place: Kearney Hub
By: Kimberly Rahe and Penny Parker
Title: 125 Years Of Reporting 3rd Place: Norfolk Daily News By: Staff Title: Keeping In Touch

5. Agricultural Advertisement
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Friend Sentinel
By: Patrick Checketts and Patti Danbom
2nd Place: Oakland Independent
By: Patti Krysl and Ali Peterson
Title: Burt Co. Insurance Agency
3rd Place: Friend Sentinel
By: Patrick Checketts & Patti Danbom
Title: Citizens State Bank — Livestock Friendly

5. Agricultural Advertisement Class B Weekly 1st Place: Milford Times By: Pat Daehling & Patti Danbom Title: Farmers & Merchants Bank 2nd Place: Elgin Review By: Lynell Morgan Title: Bank of Elgin 3rd Place: Wisner News-Chronicle By: Jamie Parker Title: Crop Production Services

5. Agricultural Advertisement Class C Weekly 1st Place: West Point News By: Paula Nesladek Title: Farmers & Merchants Bank — Recipe For Success 2nd Place: Lexington Clipper-Herald By: Kathy Gundell Title: Homestead Bank 3rd Place: Albion News By: Bethany Rachow Title: Sup's Feed Service

5. Agricultural Advertisement
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Dani Lemburg
Title: United Farmers Coop.
2nd Place: Elkhorn Douglas Co. Post-Gazette
By: Mike Overmann
Title: Nebraska Humane Society
3rd Place: Seward Co. Independent
By: Patti Danbom & Charity Down
Title: The Cattle National Bank

5. Agricultural Advertisement Daily 1st Place: York News-Times By: Valerie Nunnenkamp Title: York Jewelry 2nd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald By: Gay Hill & Chad Dixon Title: Frank Implement 3rd Place: Beatrice Daily Sun By: Staff Title: Homestead Land Co.

6. Best Small Ad (Under 1/4 page or less than 3x10-1/2")
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Lyons Mirror-Sun
By: Ali Peterson
Title: Fall Fun — Sue's Flower Shoppe
2nd Place: Doniphan Herald
By: Randy Sadd
Title: Fish Fry
3rd Place: Hemingford Ledger
By: Staff
Title: "Barn" In The USA

6. Best Small Ad (Under 1/4 page or less than 3x10-1/2")
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Burwell Tribune
By: Steve Jeffries
Title: Merry Christmas Jeffres
2nd Place: Gretna Breeze
By: Echo Bronk
Title: Fall Craft Boutique — Bryan High School
3rd Place: Ravenna News
By: Sherry Thom
Title: AH/AC

6. Best Small Ad (Under 1/4 page or less than 3x10-1/2")
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Chadron Record
By: Ginger Campbell
Title: Happy 60th B-day
2nd Place: Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
By: Meg Beachler and Renee Lombardo
Title: Flu Shots
3rd Place: Gothenburg Times
By: Kathi Viergutz
Title: Sun Theatre

6. Best Small Ad (Under 1/4 page or less than 3x10-1/2")
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune
By: Lindcey McDonald
Title: Lenten Specials
2nd Place: Seward Co. Independent
By: Patti Danbom and Pat Daehling
Title: Sheri's

3rd Place: Aurora News-Register By: Dave Bradley Title: Laurie Pfeifer – Outstanding

6. Best Small Ad (Under 1/4 page or less than 3x10-1/2") Daily
1st Place: Kearney Hub
By: Melodee Hauserman and Andrea Dzingle
Title: Haunted Theatre
2nd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Peggi Carabajal and Dalene D. Louden
Title: VBS
3rd Place: Beatrice Daily Sun
By: Amy Stokebrand and Sarah Dalton
Title: Dee's Hallmark — Blooming Expressions

7. Signature Page
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Gering Courier
By: Ilene Anderson & Carol Steele
Title: Breast Cancer Awareness
2nd Place: Hemingford Ledger
By: Staff
Title: Get Your Red On
3rd Place: Gering Courier
By: Ilene Anderson & Carol Steele
Title: Halloween

7. Signature Page
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Ralston Recorder
By: Paul Swanson
Title: Kids Take Over
2nd Place: Burwell Tribune
By: Staff
Title: Fair Photos
3rd Place: Gretna Guide & News
By: Darcy Iske and Mike Overmann
Title: Veterans Day 2013

7. Signature Page
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Imperial Republican
By: Karen Hayes, Chris Fidler and Jana Pribbeno
Title: WWII Vets
2nd Place: Papillion Times
By: Paul Swanson
Title: Fire Prevention Week
3rd Place: Gothenburg Times
By: Jo Atkinson
Title: 4-H Week

7. Signature Page
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Alliance Times-Herald
By: Aaron Wade
Title: Good Luck At State
2nd Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
By: Rachel Birdsall
Title: Gateway To The West Days
3rd Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
By: Patti Krysl
Title: Congrats All-State Music

7. Signature Page
Daily
1st Place: York News-Times
By: Jenn Coffman & Valerie Nunnenkamp
Title: State Football
2nd Place: North Platte Telegraph
By: Julie Murrish, Dixie Galaway & Apryl Lee
Title: Bullying Is Not Cool
3rd Place: North Platte Telegraph
By: Julie Murrish, Dixie Galaway & Apryl Lee
Title: Alcohol Awareness

8. Classified SectionClass A Weekly1st Place: Callaway Courier2nd Place: Wauneta Breeze3rd Place: Oakland Independent

8. Classified SectionClass B Weekly1st Place: Ravenna News2nd Place: Grant Tribune-Sentinel3rd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News

8. Classified SectionClass C Weekly1st Place: Imperial Republican2nd Place: Gothenburg Times3rd Place: Albion News

8. Classified SectionClass D Weekly1st Place: Aurora News-Register2nd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune3rd Place: Crete News

8. Classified SectionDaily1st Place: Kearney Hub2nd Place: North Platte Telegraph3rd Place: Norfolk Daily News

9. Advertising Campaign Class A Weekly 1st Place: Gering Courier By: Ilene Anderson Title: Just Us Kids 2nd Place: Gering Courier By: Ilene Anderson & Carol Steele Title: Century Lumber Center 3rd Place: Wauneta Breeze By: Sheri Hink-Wagner Title: Mercy Meals Bake Sale

9. Advertising Campaign Class B Weekly 1st place: Elgin Review By: Lynell Morgan Title: Bank of Elgin 2nd Place: Elgin Review By: Lynell Morgan Title: Elgin City Hall – Dog Tags 3rd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News By: Erin Huber Title: Harvard Rest Haven

9. Advertising Campaign
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Gothenburg Times
By: Jo Atkinson
Title: Stone Hearth Estates
2nd Place: Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
By: Allison Jones & Renee Lombardo
Title: Golden Living Centers
3rd Place: Papillion Times
By: Jen Carter & Troy Snow
Title: Spotlight Students – Five Points Bank

9. Advertising Campaign
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
By: Patti Krysl & Rachel Birdsall
Title: Siffring Landscaping
2nd Place: Seward Co. Independent
By: Patti Danbom & Charity Down
Title: Greckel Construction
3rd Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
By: Ali Peterson & Jen Stolz
Title: Get To Know...Enterprise Publishing

9. Advertising Campaign
Daily
1st Place: Kearney Hub
By: Melodee Hauserman & Andrea Dzingle
Title: Central Nebraska Imaging
2nd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Janelle Keeler & KC Heath
Title: Bentley's Fine Jewelry
3rd Place: Beatrice Daily Sun
By: Becky Reedy
Title: Fox Funeral Home

10. Single Retail Advertising Idea - Color Class A Weekly
1st Place: Gering Courier
By: Ilene Anderson
Title: Caddies
2nd Place: Hemingford Ledger
By: Staff
Title: Reeling In A Fiber New Year
3rd Place: Gering Courier
By: Ilene Anderson
Title: Computer Connection

10. Single Retail Advertising Idea - Color Class B Weekly
1st Place: Wisner News-Chronicle By: Jamie Parker
Title: Prime Stop Happy Holidays
2nd Place: Gretna Breeze
By: Scott Barry and Kathy Nue
Title: Body Pros
3rd Place: Gretna Guide & News
By: Darcy Iske
Title: Little Ridges Child Care

10. Single Retail Advertising Idea - Color Class C Weekly
1st Place: Chadron Record
By: Linda Teahon and Ginger Campbell
Title: Big Bat's Shell
2nd Place: West Point News
By: Megan Hassler
Title: Memories Bi-Design
3rd Place: Papillion Times
By: Dylan Pueppke and Troy Snow
Title: Kajoma's

10. Single Retail Advertising Idea - Color Class D Weekly
1st Place: Bellevue Leader
By: Troy Snow
Title: DJ Home Improvement
2nd Place: Fairbury Journal-News
By: Jennifer Lewis
Title: Canning Truck Service
3rd Place: Bellevue Leader
By: Scott Barry
Title: Extreme Image

10. Single Retail Advertising Idea - Color Daily
1st Place: York News-Times
By: Justine Ehlers
Title: York Jewelry
2nd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Janelle Keller and KC Heath
Title: Johnson Cashway Lumber
3rd Place: Hastings Tribune By: Deb Bunde Title: Mr. Tire

11. Single Retail Advertising Idea – Black & White Class A Weekly
1st Place: Hemingford Ledger
By: Staff
Title: Walker Construction
2nd Place: Friend Sentinel
By: Patrick Checketts and Patti Danbom
Title: Generations Bank
3rd Place: Callaway Courier
By: Michael Wendorff
Title: Dueling Pianos

11. Single Retail Advertising Idea – Black & White Class B Weekly
1st Place: Gretna Breeze
By: Scott Barry and Brian Beerman
Title: We'll Smoke U BBQ
2nd Place: Wisner News-Chronicle
By: Jamie Parker
Title: True Value
3rd Place: Gering Citizen
By: Lisa Betz
Title: Century Lumber

11. Single Retail Advertising Idea – Black & White Class C Weekly
1st Place: Lexington Clipper-Herald
By: Kathy Gundell
Title: Flash Electric
2nd Place: Albion News
By: Bethany Rachow
Title: Boone County Fitness
3rd Place: Gothenburg Times
By: Kathi Viergutz
Title: Diva Nails

11. Single Retail Advertising Idea – Black & White Class D Weekly
1st Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Paula Johnson
Title: Paper Sale
2nd Place: Elkhorn Douglas Co. Post-Gazzette
By: Darcy Iske
Title: Esprit
3rd Place: Elkhorn Douglas Co. Post-Gazette
By: Darcy Iske
Title: Mt. Michael Fall Festival 11. Single Retail Advertising Idea – Black & White Daily
1st Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Gay Hill and Chad Dixon
Title: Becky's
2nd Place: Kearney Hub
By: Melodee Hauserman and Andrea Dzingle
Title: Cervical Cancer Month
3rd Place: North Platte Telegraph
By: Judy Feeney and Brenda Clark
Title: Auto One Voted Used Car Dealership

12. Single Classified Advertising Idea - Color Daily
1st Place: York News-Times
By: Erica Ketchum & Valerie Nunnenkamp
Title: GM Service Tech
2nd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Kim Mendez & Dalene Louden
Title: Race Is On — Team Auto Center
3rd Place: Beatrice Daily Sun
By: Amy Stokebrand & Sarah Dalton
Title: Twin Rivers – Showcase Event

13. Single Classified Advertising Idea – Black & White Class A Weekly
1st Place: Oakland Independent
By: Cindy Harper & Ali Peterson
Title: Olson Pearson
2nd Place: Wauneta Breeze
By: Susan Jones
Title: I Want That
No 3rd place awarded.

13. Single Classified Advertising Idea – Black & White Class B Weekly
1st Place: Gretna Breeze
By: Echo Bronk
Title: EJS Construction
2nd Place: Ralston Recorder
By: Echo Bronk
Title: Midlands Auction
3rd Place: Milford Times
By: Pat Daehling & Patti Danbom
Title: Crestview Care Center

13. Single Classified Advertising Idea – Black & White Class C Weekly
1st Place: Geneva Nebraska Signal
By: Cheryl Baker & JoAnn Edgecombe
Title: Geneva City Wide Garage Sales
2nd Place: Gothenburg Times
By: Kathi Viergutz
Title: Senior Center Garage Sale
No 3rd place awarded.

13. Single Classified Advertising Idea – Black & White Class D Weekly
1st Place: Bellevue Leader
By: Echo Bronk
Title: Worship Services
2nd Place: Ogallala Keith Co. News
By: Larry Strasburg
Title: Ogallala Directory
3rd Place: Seward Co. Independent
By: Rachelle Hinrichs & Pat Daehling
Title: Woods Bros. Realty

13. Single Classified Advertising Idea – Black & White Daily
1st Place: Grand Island Independent
By: Amanda Johnson & Joleen Robinson
Title: Jacob's Ford
2nd Place: Norfolk Daily News
By: Vickie Hrabanek & Kelli Ganskow
Title: Norfolk Auto Center
3rd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Lisa Baker & KC Heath
Title: BidItBob Auction Service

14. Ad CopywritingClass A Weekly1st Place: Wauneta BreezeBy: Susan Jones & Sheri Hink-WagnerNo 2nd or 3rd place awarded.

14. Ad CopywritingClass B Weekly1st Place: Milford TimesBy: Pat Daehling & Patti Danbom2nd Place: Sutton Clay Co. NewsBy: Karla FehrNo 3rd place awarded.

14. Ad CopywritingClass C Weekly1st Place: Lexington Clipper-HeraldBy: Kathy Gundell2nd Place: Lexington Clipper-HeraldBy: Heather StricklandNo 3rd place awarded.

14. Ad CopywritingClass D Weekly1st Place: Elkhorn Douglas Co. Post-GazetteBy: Staff2nd Place: Seward Co. IndependentBy: StaffNo 3rd place awarded.

14. Ad Copywriting
Daily
1st Place: Kearney Hub
By: Melodee Hauserman & Andrea Dzingle
2nd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Jenny Fisher & Ilene Anderson
3rd Place: Norfolk Daily News
By: Classified staff & Alexis Dvorak

Sports

15. Sports Action Photo
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Arlington Citizen
By: Joe Burns
Title: Pitcher
2nd Place: Doniphan Herald
By: Jimmy Rash
Title: Jumper
3rd Place: Friend Sentinel
By: Stephanie Croston
Title: Basketball Stretch

15. Sports Action Photo Class B Weekly
1st Place: Tecumseh Chieftain By: Ann Wickett
Title: JCC's Justin Damme
2nd Place: Gretna Guide & News
By: Mike Fischer
Title: Travis Agagah-Football
3rd Place: Gretna Guide & News
By: Mike Fischer
Title: Gretna's Mitch Drey

15. Sports Action Photo Class C Weekly
1st Place: West Point News
By: Mike O'Brien Title: Softball
2nd Place: Albion News
By: Joe Flanagan
Title: Gettin' His Kicks
3rd Place: Bridgeport News-Blade
By: Coleen McKay
Title: Bulldogs Sprint

15. Sports Action Photo
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune
By: Corbey Dorsey
Title: Cozad's Tysen Werner
2nd Place Cozad Tri-City Tribune
By: Corbey Dorsey
Title: Big Plays Boost
3rd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune
By: Corbey Dorsey
Title: Minutemen Score Big

15. Sports Action Photo
Daily
1st Place: York News-Times
By: Steve Moseley
Title: Bull Riders
2nd Place: Grand Island Independent
By: Matt Dixon
Title: High Jump
3rd Place: Hastings Tribune
By: Laura Beahm
Title: Basketball Scramble

16. Sports Feature Photo
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Friend Sentinel
By: Stephanie Croston
Title: Celebrating A Championship
2nd Place: Wauneta Breeze
By: Diane Stamm
Title: Two For Two
3rd Place: Wauneta Breeze
By: Diane Stamm
Title: Double The Fun

16. Sports Feature Photo
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Pender Times
By: Mark Vrbicky
Title: Rounds Third Toward State
2nd Place: Wilber Republican
By: Jane White
Title: Pheasant Hunt
3rd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News
By: Tory Duncan
Title: Helping Hand

16. Sports Feature Photo
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Imperial Republican
By: Jan Schultz
Title: Lady Longhorns
2nd Place: West Point News
By: Mike O'Brien
Title: Jumping For Joy
3rd Place: Gothenburg Times
By: Greg Viergutz
Title: Tears Of Joy

16. Sports Feature Photo
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune
By: Corbey Dorsey
Title: State Champs
2nd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune
By: Corbey Dorsey
Title: Soccer State Bound
3rd Place: Wahoo Newspaper
By: Lisa Brichacek
Title: Warrior Spirit

16. Sports Feature Photo
Daily
1st Place: Grand Island Independent
By: Barrett Stinson
Title: Cinco No Cinch
2nd Place: Hastings Tribune
By: Amy Roh
Title: Heartbreak
3rd Place: Kearney Hub
By: Rick Tucker
Title: Diving Into Competition

17. Sports PageClass A Weekly1st Place: Gering Courier2nd Place: Friend Sentinel3rd Place: Wauneta Breeze

17. Sports Page Class B Weekly 1st Place: Wayne Herald 2nd Place: Pender Times 3rd Place: Gering Citizen

17. Sports PageClass C Weekly1st Place: Gothenburg Times2nd Place: Plattsmouth Journal3rd Place: South Sioux City Dakota Co. Star

17. Sports PageClass D Weekly1st Place: Fairbury Journal-News2nd Place: Seward Co. Independent3rd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune

17. Sports PageDaily1st Place: Grand Island Independent2nd Place: Kearney Hub3rd Place: Beatrice Daily Sun

18. Sports ColumnClass A Weekly1st Place: Gering CourierBy: Jeff Fielder2nd Place: Callaway CourierBy: Michael WendorffOnly two entries received.

18. Sports ColumnClass B Weekly1st Place: Milford TimesBy: Logan Tuttle2nd Place: Gering CitizenBy: Terry Gaston3rd Place: Ravenna NewsBy: Monte Steele

18. Sports ColumnClass C Weekly1st Place: South Sioux City Dakota Co. StarBy: Blake Branch2nd Place: West Point NewsBy: Mike O'Brien3rd Place: Tekamah Burt Co. PlaindealerBy: Mark Jackson

18. Sports ColumnClass D Weekly1st Place: Aurora News-RegisterBy: Dave Bradley2nd Place: Crete NewsBy: Andy McCallister3rd Place: Cozad Tri-City TribuneBy: Kelly Ninas

18. Sports Column
Daily
1st Place: Grand Island Independent
By: Dale Miller
2nd Place: Hastings Tribune
By: Mike Zimmerman
3rd Place: Kearney Hub
By: Connor O'Gara

19. Sports Writing
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Arlington Citizen
By: Jason W. Brooks
Title: Hilgenkamp, Lorsch Inducted Into Hall Of Fame
2nd Place: Oakland Independent
By: Curt Hineline
Title: Hardcore Wresting Match Draws...
3rd Place: Gering Courier
By: Jeremy Woznick
Title: Getting Defensive

19. Sports Writing
Class B Weekly
1st Place: North Bend Eagle
By: Nathan Arneal
Title: Lambley Closes Book on 51-Year Coaching Career
2nd Place: Wilber Republican
By: Jane White
Title: Higel Takes the Challenge, Owns It
3rd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News
By: Tory Duncan
Title: Big Mike Shines

19. Sports Writing
Class C Weekly
1st Place: West Point News
By: Mike O'Brien
Title: Born To Rodeo
2nd Place: Plattsmouth Journal
By: Brent Hardin
Title: Teen Raises Awareness About Concussions
3rd Place: Hartington Cedar Co. News
By: Jacob Snyder
Title: Rough Ride

19. Sports Writing
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Hickman Voice News
By: Gerry Baksys
Title: Hickman Players Left All On The Field
2nd Place: Crete News
By: Andy McCallister
Title: Tigers Upend No. 16 Bulldogs
3rd Place: Fairbury Journal-News
By: Shawn Friedrichsen
Title: Pearce Brings Skill To Roller Derby

19. Sports Writing
Daily
1st Place: North Platte Telegraph
By: Roger Bluhm
Title: Still an Athlete
2nd Place: Kearney Hub
By: Nathan Hart
Title: This One's for You
3rd Place: Beatrice Daily Sun
By: Luke Nichols
Title: How Sweet It Is

Photography 20. Photo Page Class A Weekly 1st Place: Gering Courier By: Brad Staman Title: Formulating A Lesson 2nd Place: Gering Courier By: Brad Staman Title: Students Learn 1888 Style 3rd Place: Gering Courier By: Brad Staman Title: Working Back In Time

20. Photo Page Class B Weekly 1st Place: Sutton Clay Co. News By: Staff Title: Honoring Those Who Have Served 2nd Place: Gretna Breeze By: Vince Mancuso Title: A Day Of Mexican Culture 3rd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News By: Staff Title: Sutton, Edger Enjoy Festival Fun

20. Photo Page Class C Weekly 1st Place: Papillion Times By: Antone Oseka Title: Sending A Message 2nd Place: Papillion Times By: Antone Oseka Title: Papio Bay Goes To The Dogs 3rd Place: Papillion Times By: Antone Oseka Title: Fire Drill

20. Photo Page Class D Weekly 1st Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune By: Joe Burns and Leeanna Ellis Title: Look Out Below 2nd Place: Omaha Catholic Voice By: Lisa Maxson Title: Work Of Hands & Hearts TIE: 3rd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune By: Corbey Dorsey Title: 2013 Pony Express 3rd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune By: Corbey Dorsey Title: The Wild West Comes Alive

20. Photo Page Daily 1st Place: North Platte Telegraph By: Andrew Bottrell Title: Fun In The Snow 2nd Place: Hastings Tribune By: Laura Beahm Title: State Basketball TIE: 3rd Place: Grand Island Independent By: Barrett Stinson & Matt Dixon Title: Tuesday At The Fair 3rd Place: Grand Island Independent By: Barrett Stinson Title: A Treat For All Ages

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21. Feature Photography Class A Weekly 1st Place: Doniphan Herald By: Jim Rash Title: Wingin' It 2nd Place: Doniphan Herald By: Jim Rash Title: Bring On the Snow! 3rd Place: Lyons Mirror-Sun By: Jamie Horter Title: Finally, the Rain Came

21. Feature Photography Class B Weekly 1st Place: Gretna Breeze By: Antone Oseka Title: Board on a Snow Day 2nd Place: Wayne Herald By: Michael Carnes Title: Flippin' Out TIE: 3rd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News By: Kris Moody Title: Apple Bobbing 3rd Place: Gretna Breeze By: Vince Mancuso Title: Face Painting

21. Feature Photography Class C Weekly 1st Place: Imperial Republican By: Jan Schultz Title: Hey, Santa 2nd Place: Bridgeport News-Blade By: Kevin Myers Title: Autumn Colors 3rd Place: Papillion Times By: Mike Bell Title: Dog & Pony Show

21. Feature Photography
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Fairbury Journal-News
By: Jim Headley
Title: Dairy Cow
2nd Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
By: Joe Burns
Title: Playing In The Rain
3rd Place: Blair Washington Co. Enterprise
By: Joe Burns
Title: Bursting In Air

21. Feature PhotographyDaily1st Place: Grand Island IndependentBy: Matt DixonTitle: Time To Plant2nd Place: Kearney Hub

By: Helen Glatter Title: Jumpin' Bluejays 3rd Place: Norfolk Daily News By: Darin Epperly Title: Let 'Er Loose

22. News Photography Class A Weekly 1st Place: Friend Sentinel By: Stephanie Hyland Title: Controlled Burn 2nd Place: Wauneta Breeze By: Diane Stamm Title: Sunday Storm 3rd Place: Gering Courier By: Brad Staman Title: Demo Begins

22. News Photography Class B Weekly 1st Place: Kimball Western Nebraska Observer By: Daniel Thompson Title: Roadwork 2nd Place: Waverly News By: Jay Omar Title: Controlled Burn 3rd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News By: Kris Moody Title: Firefighters

22. News Photography Class C Weekly 1st Place: Lexington Clipper-Herald By: Paul Pack Title: Storm Packs A Punch 2nd Place: Lexington Clipper-Herald By: David Penner Title: Snowed In 3rd Place: Gothenburg Times By: Elizabeth Barrett Title: Clean Up

22. News Photography Class D Weekly 1st Place: Aurora News-Register By: Laurie Pfeifer Title: Fire Chief Talks to Accident Victims 2nd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune By: Corbey Dorsey Title: Fire Damage 3rd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune By: Corbey Dorsey Title: Waterslide

22. News PhotographyDaily1st Place: Grand Island Independent

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By: Barrett Stinson Title: Sky-High Wishes 2nd Place: Grand Island Independent By: Barrett Stinson Title: Paying Their Respects 3rd Place: Kearney Hub By: Rick Tucker Title: To Honor Every Veteran

23. Breaking News Photography Class A Weekly 1st Place: Gering Courier By: Brad Staman Title: Pickup Train Accident Judges Comments: Great view point. Clear shot. 2nd Place: Callaway Courier By: Michael Wendorff Title: Chimney Fire 3rd Place: Arlington Citizen By: Tricia Barber Title: No Injury Crash

23. Breaking News Photography Class B Weekly 1st Place: Sutton Clay Co. News By: Kris Moody Title: Tornado Street Damage 2nd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News By: Kris Moody Title: Firefighters 3rd Place: Wisner News-Chronicle By: Jeff Recker Title: Semi Accident

23. Breaking News Photography Class C Weekly 1st Place: South Sioux City Dakota Co. Star By: Blake Branch Title: Homefire 2nd Place: Imperial Republican By: Jan Schultz Title: High Speed Chase Arrests 3rd Place: Gothenburg Times By: Elizabeth Barrett Title: Railroad Cars Toppled

23. Breaking News Photography Class D Weekly 1st Place: Falls City Journal By: Jason Schock Title: Pickup Collision 2nd Place: Aurora News-Register By: Kurt Johnson Title: Barn Fire 3rd Place: Seward Co. Independent By: Stephanie Hyland Title: Farm Buildings Burn 23. Special Edition or Section
Daily
1st Place: Grand Island Independent
By: Barrett Stinson
Title: Firefighters
2nd Place: Beatrice Daily Sun
By: Scott Koperski
Title: Bank Robbery Arrests
3rd Place: Norfolk Daily News
By: Bob Berry
Title: Trail Of Destruction – Wayne Tornado

News and Editorial 24. Use of Color – News (Weeklies Only) Class A Weekly 1st Place: Arlington Citizen 2nd Place: Friend Sentinel 3rd Place: Lyons Mirror-Sun

24. Use of Color – News (Weeklies Only) Class B Weekly 1st Place: Gretna Guide & News 2nd Place: Verdigre Eagle 3rd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News

24. Use of Color – News (Weeklies Only) Class C Weekly 1st Place: Gothenburg Times 2nd Place: Papillion Times 3rd Place: Albion News

24. Use of Color – News (Weeklies Only) Class D Weekly 1st Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune 2nd Place: Aurora News-Register 3rd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune

25. Lifestyles Class A Weekly 1st Place: Hyannis Grant Co. News 2nd Place: Doniphan Herald 3rd Place: Gering Courier

25. Lifestyles Class B Weekly 1st Place: Grant Tribune-Sentinel No 2nd or 3rd place awarded.

25. Lifestyles Class C Weekly 1st Place: West Point News No 2nd or 3rd place awarded.

25. Lifestyles Class D Weekly 1st Place: Wahoo Newspaper 2nd Place: Aurora News-Register 3rd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune

25. Lifestyles Daily 1st Place: Norfolk Daily News 2nd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald 3rd Place: Kearney Hub

26. Special Single Edition or Section Class A Weekly 1st Place: Oakland Independent 2nd Place: Doniphan Herald 3rd Place: Gering Courier

26. Special Single Edition or Section Class B Weekly1st Place: Wayne Herald2nd Place: Gering Citizen3rd Place: Wayne Herald

26. Special Single Edition or SectionClass C Weekly1st Place: West Point News2nd Place: Chadron Record3rd Place: South Sioux City Dakota Co. Star

26. Special Single Edition or SectionClass D Weekly1st Place: Seward Co. Independent2nd Place: Elkhorn Douglas Co. Post-Gazette3rd Place: Alliance Times-Herald

26. Special Single Edition or SectionDaily1st Place: Beatrice Daily Sun2nd Place: Lincoln Daily NebraskanTIE: 3rd Place: Kearney Hub3rd Place: Grand Island Independent

27. Special Edition or Section, Multiple Publication Dates
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Wauneta Breeze
Title: 125th Anniversary
Judges Comments: Wow. What a package! A comprehensive
look at community for 125th. Great work.
2nd Place: Hemingford Ledger
Title: Hemingford Heroes
3rd Place: Gering Courier
Title: Mature Times

27. Special Edition or Section, Multiple Publication Dates Class B Weekly 1st Place: Tecumseh Chieftain Title: Community Honor Roll 2nd Place: North Bend Eagle Title: Falls Sports Preview 3rd Place: Gering Citizen Title: In Remembrance

27. Special Edition or Section, Multiple Publication Dates Class C Weekly 1st Place: Chadron Record Title: Progress 2nd Place: Chadron Record Title: Working Women 3rd Place: Lexington Clipper-Herald Title: Red & Wild

27. Special Edition or Section, Multiple Publication Dates Class D Weekly
1st Place: Broken Bow Custer Co. Chief
Title: Progress 2013
2nd Place: Blair Washington Co. Enterprise
Title: Retirement Lifestyles
3rd Place: Hickman Voice News
Title: Home & Garden

27. Special Edition or Section, Multiple Publication Dates Daily
1st Place: Kearney Hub
Title: Hub's 125th
2nd Place: Hastings Tribune
Title: Outlook
3rd Place: Grand Island Independent
Title: State Volleyball 2013

28. Personal Column
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Callaway Courier
By: Michael Wendorff
2nd Place: Wauneta Breeze
By: Diane Stamm
3rd Place: Hemingford Ledger
By: Amber Ningen

28. Personal Column
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Gering Citizen
By: Jon-Lee Campbell
2nd Place: Wayne Herald
By: Michael Carnes
3rd Place: Ralston Recorder
By: Elizabeth Brown

28. Personal Column
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Gothenburg Times
By: Elizabeth Barrett
2nd Place: Papillion Times
By: Adam Klinker
TIE: 3rd Place: Valentine Midland News
By: Lyn Messersmith
3rd Place: Papillion Times
By: Mike Bell

28. Personal Column
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Fairbury Journal-News
By: Fred Arnold
2nd Place: Omaha Catholic Voice
By: Deacon Randy Grosse
3rd Place: Fairbury Journal-News
By: Jim Headley

28. Personal Column
Daily
1st Place: Kearney Hub
By: Mike Konz
2nd Place: Kearney Hub
By: Mary Jane Skala
3rd Place: Kearney Hub
By: Lori Potter

29. Youth Coverage Class A Weekly 1st Place: Oakland Independent 2nd Place: Gering Courier 3rd Place: Wauneta Breeze

29. Youth CoverageClass B Weekly1st Place: Verdigre Eagle2nd Place: Sutton Clay Co. NewsNo 3rd place awarded.

29. Youth CoverageClass C Weekly1st Place: West Point News2nd Place: Tekamah Burt Co. PlaindealerNo 3rd place awarded.

29. Youth CoverageClass D Weekly1st Place: Aurora News-Register2nd Place: Seward Co. Independent3rd Place: Broken Bow Custer Co. Chief

29. Youth CoverageDaily1st Place: Norfolk Daily News2nd Place: Kearney Hub

## 3rd Place: North Platte Telegraph

30. Specialty PagesClass A Weekly1st Place: Oakland Independent2nd Place: Hemingford Ledger3rd Place: Wauneta Breeze

30. Specialty PagesClass B Weekly1st Place: Ponca Nebraska Journal-Leader2nd Place: Gering Citizen3rd Place: Gordon Sheridan Co. Journal-Star

30. Specialty PagesClass C Weekly1st Place: Lexington Clipper-Herald2nd Place: South Sioux City Dakota Co. Star3rd Place: Plattsmouth Journal

30. Specialty PagesClass D Weekly1st Place: Blair Washington Co. Enterprise2nd Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune3rd Place: Aurora News-Register

30. Specialty PagesDaily1st Place: Hastings Tribune2nd Place: Norfolk Daily News3rd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald

31. Breaking News
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Doniphan Herald
By: Christine Hollister
Title: Platte River Flooding
2nd Place: Doniphan Herald
By: Christine Hollister
Title: Gibbon Apes Stolen
3rd Place: Gering Courier
By: Brad Staman
Title: Strange End To Tourney

31. Breaking News
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Sutton Clay Co. News
By: Kris Moody
Title: Tornado Hits Edgar
2nd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News
By: Kris Moody
Title: Mother Nature Round Two
3rd Place: Wayne Herald
By: Michael Carnes
Title: PCF Moving

31. Breaking News
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Chadron Record
By: Kerri Rempp
Title: Tornado
2nd Place: Gothenburg Times
By: Elizabeth Barrett
Title: Heroic Rescue
3rd Place: Papillion Times
By: Kirby Kaufman
Title: RV Fire

31. Breaking News
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Blair Washington Co. Enterprise
By: Staff
Title: Fast & Furious
2nd Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Laurie Pfeifer
Title: Cemetery Vandalism
3rd Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Kurt Johnson
Title: Barn Fire

31. Breaking News
Daily
1st Place: Grand Island Independent
By: Tracy Overstreet
Title: Dispute Turns Violent
TIE: 2nd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Brandon Nelson
Title: Heavy Weather
2nd Place: North Platte Telegraph
By: Staff
Title: Flooding
3rd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Maunette Loeks
Title: Couple Behind Bars

32. Feature Series Class A Weekly 1st Place: Gering Courier By: Brad Staman Title: McKinley School 2nd Place: Doniphan Herald By: Christine Hollister Title: Cardinal Pride No 3rd place awarded.

32. Feature Series
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Gretna Guide and News
By: Ashley Zajak and Darcy Iske
Title: Daycations
2nd Place: North Bend Eagle
By: Nathan Arneal
Title: School Bond Issue

3rd Place: Wilber Republican By: Jane White Title: Firemen

32. Feature Series Class C Weekly 1st Place: Papillion Times By: Adam Klinker Title: Whiskey Brewing 2nd Place: Lexington Clipper-Herald By: Kevin Zelaya Title: Retiring Teachers 3rd Place: Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer By: Katie Novak Title: Success Stories

32. Feature Series
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
By: Tricia Barber, Leeanna Ellis and Teresa Hoffman
Title: High School Reunion
2nd Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Staff
Title: Technology
3rd Place: Broken Bow Custer Co. Chief
By: David Merrill
Title: Turning The Tide

32. Feature Series
Daily
1st Place: Beatrice Daily Sun
By: Chris Dunker
Title: Dempster Industries
2nd Place: Grand Island Independent
By: Tracy Overstreet & Harold Reutter
Title: Developing CAAP Land
3rd Place: Kearney Hub
By: Mary Jane Skala
Title: Lincoln Highway

33. Single Feature Story
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Doniphan Herald
By: Christine Hollister
Title: Local Veteran Remembers WWII
2nd Place: Doniphan Herald
By: Christine Hollister
Title: My Funny Valentine
3rd Place: Arlington Citizen
By: Leeanna Ellis
Title: Plenty of Pairs

33. Single Feature Story
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Sutton Clay Co. News
By: Kris Moody
Title: Some People Are Different
2nd Place: Humphrey Democrat
By: Patrick Murphy
Title: Smiles Turned To Sorrow
TIE: 3rd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News
By: Kris Moody
Title: Surviving The Holocaust
3rd Place: Waverly News
By: Peggy Brown
Title: Waverly Family Celebrates Son's Short Life

33. Single Feature Story
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Plattsmouth Journal
By: Patti Jo Peterson
Title: Plattsmouth Man Bit In Yard
2nd Place: Hartington Cedar Co. News
By: Deanna Anderson
Title: Honor Flight Brings Back Memories For Eickhoff
3rd Place: West Point News
By: Bev Wieler
Title: Three Bald Eagles Take Flight After Found Near Dead
In Field Near West Point.

33. Single Feature Story
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Laurie Pfeifer
Title: Unpleasant Memories
2nd Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Kurt Johnson
Title: Link to JFK
3rd Place: Elkhorn Douglas Co. Post-Gazette
By: Emily Heinzen
Title: Stabbing Remembered

33. Single Feature Story
Daily
1st Place: Beatrice Daily Sun
By: Chris Dunker
Title: A SWAT Tale
2nd Place: North Platte Telegraph
By: Heather Johnson
Title: Treasure Trove
3rd Place: Hastings Tribune
By: Donna Christensen & Andy Raun
Title: Voice From The Past

34. In-Depth Writing Class A Weekly 1st Place: Arlington Citizen By: Leeanna Ellis Title: History In Backyard 2nd Place: Arlington Citizen By: Leeanna Ellis Title: Raising Awareness — Daycare 3rd Place: Coleridge Blade By: Deanna Anderson Title: Victims Of Tornado Damage

34. In-Depth Writing
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Ralston Recorder
By: Adam Klinker
Title: Ralston Arena
2nd Place: Grant Tribune-Sentinel
By: Jan Rahn
Title: School Study
3rd Place: Gordon Sheridan Co. Journal-Star
By: Clint Andersen
Title: Potash History

34. In-Depth Writing
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Papillion Times
By: Scott Stewart, Elizabeth Brown, Adam Klinker
Title: Learning Community
2nd Place: Papillion Times
By: Mike Bell, Elizabeth Brown
Title: School Bond
3rd Place: Gothenburg Times
By: Elizabeth Barrett
Title: Lake Helen

34. In-Depth Writing
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Staff
Title: Inside the Numbers
2nd Place: Ogallala Keith Co. News
By: Mary Pierce
Title: Touching Lives – Nursing Shortage
3rd Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
By: Teresa Hoffman
Title: Ft. Calhoun Bond Issue

34. In-Depth Writing Daily 1st Place: Norfolk Daily News By: Christina Woodworth Title: Scraping By 2nd Place: Kearney Hub By: Kim Schmidt Title: Juvenile Injustice 3rd Place: Beatrice Daily Sun By: Chris Dunker Title: Debts Unpaid 35. Public Notice & Its Promotion Class A Weekly1st Place: Petersburg PressJudges Comments: Very clever ad!2nd Place: Gering CourierNo 3rd place awarded.

35. Public Notice & Its PromotionClass B Weekly1st Place: Elgin Review2nd Place: Sutton Clay Co. NewsNo 3rd place awarded.

35. Public Notice & Its PromotionClass C Weekly1st Place: Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer2nd Place: Albion NewsNo 3rd place awarded.

35. Public Notice & Its PromotionClass D Weekly1st Place: Ogallala Keith Co. News2nd Place: Aurora News-Register3rd Place: Broken Bow Custer Co. Chief

35. Public Notice & Its PromotionDaily1st Place: Kearney Hub2nd Place: Grand Island IndependentNo 3rd place awarded.

36. Editorial PageClass A Weekly1st Place: Gering Courier2nd Place: Wauneta Breeze3rd Place: Callaway Courier

36. Editorial PageClass B Weekly1st Place: Gering Citizen2nd Place: Pender Times3rd Place: Grant Tribune-Sentinel

36. Editorial PageClass C Weekly1st Place: West Point News2nd Place: Hartington Cedar Co. News3rd Place: Imperial Republican

36. Editorial PageClass D Weekly1st Place: Aurora News-Register2nd Place: Fairbury Journal-News3rd Place: Ogallala Keith Co. News

36. Editorial PageDaily1st Place: Grand Island Independent2nd Place: Kearney Hub3rd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald

37. Editorial
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Gering Courier
By: Brad Staman
2nd Place: Hyannis Grant Co. News
By: Sharon Wheelock
3rd Place: Wauneta Breeze
By: Diane Stamm & Sheri Hink-Wagner

37. Editorial
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Gering Citizen
By: Staff
2nd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News
By: Kris Moody & Tory Duncan
3rd Place: Wisner News-Chronicle
By: Jeff Recker

37. Editorial
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Imperial Republican
By: Russ Pankonin & Jan Schultz
2nd Place: Hartington Cedar Co. News
By: Rob Dump & Peggy Year
3rd Place: South Sioux City Dakota Co. Star
By: Staff

37. Editorial
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Kurt Johnson
2nd Place: Ogallala Keith Co. News
By: Jeff Headley
3rd Place: Fairbury Journal-News
By: Fred Arnold & Jim Headley

37. Editorial
Daily
1st Place: Grand Island Independent
By: Bill Dunn & Don Smith
2nd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Steve Frederick
3rd Place: Norfolk Daily News
By: Kent Warneke

38. News Writing
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Hemingford Ledger
By: Amber Ningen
Title: Mortaro Resigns
2nd Place: Gering Courier
By: Brad Staman
Title: Colossal Failure
3rd Place: Arlington Citizen
By: Leeanna Ellis
Title: Replacing Flags

38. News Writing
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Gretna Breeze
By: Vince Mancuso
Title: Saturday's Shooting
2nd Place: North Bend Eagle
By: Nathan Arneal
Title: Bond Supporters
3rd Place: Gering Citizen
By: Lauren Smith-Kuckkahn
Title: Federal Shutdown

38. News Writing
Class C Weekly
1st Place: Chadron Record
By: Kerri Rempp
Title: Boating Near Tragedy
2nd Place: Papillion Times
By: Scott Stewart & Elizabeth Brown
Title: Out Of Time For Outlets
3rd Place: Plattsmouth Journal
By: Patti Jo Peterson
Title: Lucky To Be Alive

38. News Writing
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Crete News
By: Jenn Lampila
Title: Kalkwarf Finishes Marathon
2nd Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Laurie Pfeifer
Title: Lost GIS Info
3rd Place: Aurora News-Register
By: Kurt Johnson
Title: County Valuations Jump

38. News Writing
Daily
1st Place: Kearney Hub
By: Jessica Kokesh
Title: Victim's Mom
2nd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald
By: Bart Schaneman
Title: Potter Bus Crash
3rd Place: Hastings Tribune

By: Will Vraspir Title: Guide Rock Homicide

39. Reader Contest
Class A Weekly
1st Place: Gering Courier
By: Ilene Anderson & Carol Steele
Title: Pick the Bowl Winners
2nd Place: Wausa Gazette
By: Crystal Wells
Title: Football Contest
3rd Place: Hyannis Grant Co. News
By: Sharon Wheelock
Title: Windmill Poem Contest

39. Reader Contest
Class B Weekly
1st Place: Wilber Republican
By: Patti Danbom & Patrick Checketts
Title: Register to Win a Free Turkey
2nd Place: Mullen Hooker Co. Tribune
By: Gerri Peterson
Title: "Guess the Due Date"
3rd Place: Burwell Tribune
By: Cindy Johnson
Title: Christmas Writing Contest

39. Reader ContestClass C Weekly1st Place: Gothenburg TimesBy: Greg ViergutzTitle: Best Feature Story ContestOnly two entries received. No 2nd place awarded.

39. Reader Contest
Class D Weekly
1st Place: Blair Washington Co. Enterprise
By: Ali Peterson & Leeanna Ellis
Title: National Dog Day
2nd Place: Seward Co. Independent
By: Staff
Title: Where Is This?
3rd Place: Omaha Catholic Voice
By: John Bosco, Joan Karre, Joe Ruff
Title: Colors of Christmas

39. Reader Contest
Daily
1st Place: Norfolk Daily News
By: Staff
Title: Scared of Santa Contest
2nd Place: York News-Times
By: Kathy Larson, Erica Ketchum, Jenn Coffman, Valerie
Nunnenkamp
Title: Match the Morph
No 3rd place awarded.

40. General Excellence Class A Weekly 1st Place: Gering Courier 2nd Place: Wauneta Breeze 3rd Place: Oakland Independent

40. General Excellence Class B Weekly 1st Place: Sutton Clay Co. News 2nd Place: Gering Citizen 3rd Place: Grant Tribune-Sentinel

40. General Excellence Class C Weekly 1st Place: Gothenburg Times 2nd Place: Imperial Republican 3rd Place: Chadron Record

40. General Excellence Class D Weekly 1st Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune 2nd Place: Blair Washington Co. Enterprise 3rd Place: Bellevue Leader

40. General ExcellenceDaily1st Place: Grand Island Independent2nd Place: Kearney Hub3rd Place: Norfolk Daily News

41. Web SitesClass A Weekly1st Place: Wauneta Breeze2nd Place: Friend Sentinel3rd Place: Oakland Independent

41. Web SitesClass B Weekly1st Place: Gordon Sheridan Co. Journal-Star2nd Place: Syracuse Journal-Democrat3rd Place: Grant Tribune-Sentinel

41. Web SitesClass C Weekly1st Place: Nebraska City News-Press2nd Place: Plattsmouth Journal3rd Place: Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer

41. Web SitesClass D Weekly1st Place: Crete News2nd Place: Aurora News-Register3rd Place: Seward Co. Independent

41. Web SitesDaily1st Place: Beatrice Daily Sun

2nd Place: York News-Times 3rd Place: Scottsbluff Star-Herald

42. Online Video Class A Weekly 1st Place: Arlington Citizen By: Leeanna Ellis Title: Powder Puff 2nd Place: Gering Courier By: Maunette Loeks & Brad Staman Title: Demolition No 3rd place awarded.

42. Online Video Class B Weekly 1st Place: Sutton Clay Co. News By: Kris Moody Title: Tornado 2nd Place: Sutton Clay Co. New By: Kris Moody Title: Memorial 3rd Place: Syracuse Journal-Democrat By: Tammy Pearson Title: Wiener Dog Race

42. Online Video Class C Weekly 1st Place: Nebraska City News-Press By: Tammy Pearson Only one entry was entered.

42. Online Video Class D Weekly 1st Place: Fairbury Journal-News By: Staff Title: 9/11 2nd Place: Crete News By: Jenn Lampila Title: Football 3rd Place: Blair Washington Co. Enterprise By: Leeanna Ellis Title: Lil Red

42. Online Video
Daily
1st Place: Norfolk Daily News
By: Kathryn Harris, Jerry Guenther & Jake Wragge
Title: Pig Wrestling
2nd Place: York News-Times
By: Eric Eckert & Melanie Wilkinson
Title: Church Moving
3rd Place: Kearney Hub
By: Erik O'Brien
Title: Sports Review

Front Page Class A Weekly 1st Place: Wauneta Breeze 2nd Place: Arlington Citizen 3rd Place: Cambridge Clarion

Front Page Class B Weekly 1st Place: Waverly News 2nd Place: Ashland Gazette No 3rd place awarded.

Front Page Class C Weekly 1st Place: Gothenburg Times Judges Comments: Very nice front page layout. Really like quote at top. Like teaser box at bottom. 2nd Place: South Sioux City Dakota Co. Star 3rd Place: Papillion Times

Front Page Class D Weekly 1st Place: Blair Washington Co. Enterprise 2nd Place: Wahoo Newspaper No 3rd place awarded.

Front Page Daily 1st Place: North Platte Telegraph 2nd Place: Kearney Hub 3rd Place: Columbus Telegram

Headline Writing Class A Weekly 1st Place: Oxford Standard 2nd Place: Arlington Citizen 3rd Place: Gering Courier

Headline Writing Class B Weekly 1st Place: Waverly News 2nd Place: North Bend Eagle 3rd Place: Ashland Gazette

Headline Writing Class C Weekly 1st Place: Gothenburg Times 2nd Place: Schuyler Sun 3rd Place: Papillion Times

Headline Writing Class D Weekly 1st Place: Blair Washington Co. Enterprise 2nd Place: O'Neill Holt Co. Independent No 3rd place awarded. Headline Writing Daily 1st Place: Norfolk Daily News 2nd Place: North Platte Telegraph 3rd Place: Grand Island Independent

Photo of the Year By: Matt Dixon, Grand Island Independent Title: A Time to Plant, A Time to Reap

Editorial of the Year By: Bill Dunn/Don Smith, Grand Island Independent Title: Vavricek Should Step Down

Best NIE Program Broken Bow Custer Co. Chief

Weekly Class A Award Class A Weekly 1st Place: Gering Courier 2nd Place: Wauneta Breeze 3rd Place: Doniphan Herald

Weekly Class B Award Class B Weekly 1st Place: Sutton Clay Co. News 2nd Place: Gering Citizen 3rd Place: Gretna Breeze

Weekly Class C Award Class C Weekly 1st Place: Gothenburg Times 2nd Place: Papillion Times 3rd Place: West Point News

Weekly Class D Award Class D Weekly 1st Place: Aurora News-Register 2nd Place: Cozad Tri-City Tribune 3rd Place: Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune

Weekly Sweepstakes Award Class - Weekly 1st Place: Gering Courier 2nd Place: Aurora News-Register 3rd Place: Sutton Clay Co. News

Daily Sweepstakes Award Daily 1st Place: Kearney Hub 2nd Place: Grand Island Independent 3rd Place: Norfolk Daily News