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LINCOLN — The highest honor that can be bestowed upon members by the Nebraska Press Association (NPA) has been awarded to Gene Morris, former editor, publisher and award-winning news and editorial writer of the McCook Gazette.

At an April 11 awards banquet attended by more than 100 journalists, Morris was awarded the Master Editor-Publisher Award. He is the 43rd person so cited by the NPA, the state's oldest trade association, which is comprised of all 173 daily and weekly newspapers in Nebraska.

Previous winners of the Master Editor-Publisher Award are: The late Joe W. Seacrest of Lincoln The late Fred Seaton of Hastings The late Jack Lough of Albion The late Ronald R. Furse of Aurora The late James W. Kirkman of North Platte The late Jack Lowe of Sidney The late Lyman P. Cass of Ravenna Harold W. Andersen of Omaha J. Alan Cramer of Wayne The late Robert Bogue of Oakland The late H. Dwight King of Holdrege The late George Miller of Plattsmouth The late Joe R. Seacrest of Lincoln The late Everette Waters of Bertrand The late Henry Mead of Seward The late Henry Trysla of South Sioux City The late Ray Dover of Valentine The late Norris Alfred of Polk The late Fred Rose of Ainsworth The late Jack Tarr of David City

David Beliles of Grand Island The late Jack Pollock of Ogallala The late Doug Duncan of Papillion Bob Pinkerton of Kimball Lee Warneke of Plainview Jerry Huse of Norfolk The late Lloyd Reeves of Crete The late Arnie Kuhn of Hemingford Ken Rhoades of Blair The late Loral Johnson of Imperial Alton "Mook" Wilhelms of Stromsburg Clancy Hebda of Fullerton Richard Lindberg of West Point R.L. "Butch" Furse of Aurora William C. Nuckolls of Fairbury The late Theodore "Ted" Huettmann of Wisner John Gottschalk of Omaha Dean Dorsey of Cozad Gilbert M. Savery of Lincoln Zean Carney of Wahoo Donald L. Russell of Sutton Ted Gill of Arapahoe

The Nebraska Press Association is proud to call Gene Morris the 43rd Master Editor-Publisher.