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**Kent Warneke, editor of Norfolk Daily News, named Master Editor-Publisher,
the Nebraska Press Association’s highest honor,
at Annual NPA Convention, April 5-6, in Kearney**

KEARNEY — The highest honor that can be bestowed upon members by the Nebraska Press Association (NPA) has been awarded to Kent Warneke, editor of the Norfolk Daily News. In 1987 he was named managing editor of the Daily News, and in 1991, became editor and vice president. He served as NPA president in 2005, and was inducted into the Nebraska Journalism Hall of Fame in 2012, becoming the youngest person to be inducted into the Hall of Fame at age 52.

A selection committee named Warneke for the Master Editor-Publisher honor based on the criteria: nominee has worked hard and lived honorably; thought soundly and influenced unselfishly; through his or her newspaper connections has been active in their community, state or nation; has been a practitioner of his or her craft in the production of a quality newspaper product.

Warneke was awarded the Master Editor-Publisher honors on April 5th at the Friday Awards Banquet at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Kearney, as part of the Nebraska Press Association’s 145th Annual Convention, attended by daily and weekly Nebraska journalists. Warneke is the 48th person so cited by the NPA, the state’s oldest trade association, which is comprised of all 164 daily and weekly newspapers in Nebraska.

The Nebraska Press Association is proud to call Kent Warneke the 48th Master Editor-Publisher.