



## 2005 Michigan Press Association College Contest Results

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## **DIVISION I WINNERS**

### ***Deadline Story - Division I - 10 Entered***

#### **1st Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Sarah McEvilly** - *Student Accused of Fraud*

Good writing moves this story from start to finish. This was a tough category to judge, with many excellent submissions, but this story rose to the top.

#### **2nd Place**

*Eastern Echo*, Eastern Michigan University

**Nathan Bomey** - *EMU Player 'I'm Innocent'*

Interesting and well written story.

#### **3rd Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**Alison Go** - *Talks End With No Agreement*

Tough story to write on deadline, but Ms. Go did a good job.

### ***Non-Deadline Story - Division I - 15 Entered***

#### **1st Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Jon Styf** - *Hard Life to Hardwood*

An excellent story that drew me in from the beginning. Showed intuition and good reporting that went beyond the surface of the story.

#### **2nd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Eric Morath** - *Students Concerned About Grades*

Good lead. This story shows good reporting on a topic that the entire campus is interested in. I can't imagine a student not wanting to read this article.

#### **3rd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

**T. Lascari, M. Schoch** - *Students Divided On Diversity*

This story reveals the difficulty of creating a diverse environment on the Mt. Pleasant campus. It captures, fairly, all aspects and issues surrounding diversity, and captures them in a good read.

### ***Feature Story - Division I - 12 Entered***

#### **1st Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Elizabeth Piet** - *Soothing Canine*

A well-written feature that's peppered with relevant facts. Very enjoyable package.

#### **2nd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Tara Miller** - *A Fighting Chance*

Terrific detail and scene-setting - puts the reader right in the ring.

#### **3rd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Don Jordan** - *Children Hop to it in Easter Egg*

*Hunt*

Jordan took what could have been a run-of-the-mill annual story and turned it into a funny, vivid tale of one girl's pursuit of plastic eggs.

### ***Sports News - Division I - 11 Entered***

#### **1st Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Christopher MacKinder** - *Coaches: 20-game Season . . .*

Great subject for a story. Good number of sources used. Very clear and easy to read.

#### **2nd Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**E. McGarrity, J. Weber** - *Athletic Department Mistake . . .*

Good story on a silly miscue. Obviously had to ask some tough questions, but received good comments in return.

#### **3rd Place**

*Eastern Echo*, Eastern Michigan University

**Jason Idalski** - *Baker Wins PBA Worlds*

Great lead. Knowing early on that this was no ordinary victory made story even more interesting.

### ***Sports Feature - Division I - 10 Entered***

#### **1st Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**J. Brady McCollough** - *Needing His Mother*

In a tough category, this telling and well written story about a football player's struggle shined through. Nice details and reporting propel this story.

#### **2nd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

**Jason Witz** - *Edward's Memory Remains*

Revealing feature about the death of a basketball player - a player who didn't earn much playing time but cheered the team throughout - is a worthy choice for this award.

*Sports Feature- Division I- continued*

**3rd Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**Gabe Edelson - A True Urban Legend**

Great anecdotes about the legendary swimming coach, Jon Urboucher, helped this feature beat out a number of close competitors.

**Sports Column - Division I - 11 Entered**

**1st Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**Chris Burke - How the BCS Stole National Title**

Very creative. Still you made your point. This must have taken some time to write.

**2nd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

**Matt Schoch - Legendary Kelso Would Help**

Solid column with plenty of facts about Kelso to support your reasoning. This column read very smooth.

**3rd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Eric Morath - Must-win for 2nd-Year Coach**

Loved your opinion. It was very clear. You made your point.

**Editorial - Division I - 3 Entered**

**1st Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

Good analysis, especially in the John Kerry endorsements. Strengths and weaknesses were discussed and a stand taken.

**2nd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

Strong look at state budget situation. "A Quick Fix" challenges the university to properly assess and address expected budget cuts.

**3rd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

Written with a light touch, that while enjoyable, sometimes interfered with the point. The light touch made the topics approachable, but in some way, lessened the effectiveness of the stance, at least as written.

**Review - Division I - 10 Entered**

**1st Place**

*Eastern Echo*, Eastern Michigan University

**Drew Dorian - What on Earth is That?**

The last thing I expected in this category was an automotive review. This was great! Good lead, humor, concise writing. Dorian should be proud.

**2nd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Maggie Bernardi - "Migration" Looks at Basics**

Fresh perspective on a documentary film. Concentrates on film highlight, as well as Flaws. Something most college writers fail to do.

**3rd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**A.P. Kryza - "Miracle" Great**

Writer knows a film cliché when he/she sees it. A couple of historical inaccuracies, but better than the remaining entries. And still well written.

**Columns - Division I - 14 Entered**

**1st Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**Aubrey Henretty - FCC: Swearing Is Totally Awesome**

Masterful use of language and a fun read that's well target to the audience.

**2nd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**A.P. Kryza - New Games Take Violence to Limit**

The lead pulls the reader in and keeps you there. Great description and refreshing honesty.

**3rd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Don Jordan - Past Parking Enforcer**

The subject matter is guaranteed to hold the audience's attention. Well written and especially liked the examples used to establish the reason for Don's change of heart.

**News Photo - Division I - 7 Entered**

**1st Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Jason Fiedler - I'm So Cool**

A simple shot, but creative. Colorful and different. Good work.

## *News Photo - Division I - continued*

### **2nd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

**Victor Fitzsimons** - *Gymnastics Hug*

Photo shows emotion of championship win. Nice shot.

### **3rd Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**Elise Bergman** - *Admin Address Cuts*

Photo tells the story. Nice angle.

## **Feature Photo - Division I - 9 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**Brett Mountain** - *Landing Your Dream Internship*

High impact, "In Your Face" kind of photo. Well executed. Good technique (use of light and depth). I felt like I was inside the picture. Nice job.

### **2nd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

**Lynne Garcia** - *Toilet Paper*

Photographer was in the right place at the right time and, to her credit, picked the right point of view. Nice job.

### **3rd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

**Keith King** - *Up on the Roof*

Nice clean, simple but strong geometric composition. Good job of balancing a strong backlight situation with fill flash. Good work.

## **Sports Photo - Division I - 9 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

**Victor Fitzsimons** - *Stephanie Langley and Coach*

You never know which way gymnasts will face when they beam towards the judges. This photographer captured an exuberant moment beautifully.

### **2nd Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**Danny Moloshok** - *Frustrated*

Sometimes the best photos from athletic events are not "action." This is a great illustration of a player's frustration.

### **3rd Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**Tony Ding** - *AL-Most*

Photographer captures the agony and ecstasy of the end of a hockey game.

## **Original Cartoon - Division I - 3 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Eastern Echo*, Eastern Michigan University

**Don Buciak** - *The Don Theory*

Very Extreme.

### **2nd Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**Sam Butler** - *The Soapbox*

Very thoughtful and thought-provoking.

### **3rd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

**J. D. Fosgitt** - *Raised Tuition*

Well done.

## **News Graphic - Division I - 3 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**A. Dinges, R. Weiner** - *Blues Clues*

A very fun page that really tests your Wolverine knowledge.

### **2nd Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

**Tony Ding** - *Burnett's Bunch*

Great page of "M" cards presenting "Burnett's Bunch."

### **3rd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

**Alison Horn** - *Lords of the Mat*

Very nice poster-like page. Cutout images executed well.

## **Overall Design - Division I - 4 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

The total package - from A1 through the last page - is very well designed. Great headline fonts, well-written headlines, good play with art and brief forms of info. It's a pleasure to read.

## *Overall Design - Division I - continued*

### **2nd Place**

*The Michigan Daily*, University of Michigan

Overall well designed. Good use of info shorts with stories, excellent sports features. Editorial page seems a touch on the gray side. Headlines are clean, easy to read.

### **3rd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

Very nice headline font, use of dominate art (photos) on A1. Good index at bottom of page 1. Nice promos at top of page. Pages are very readable, editorial page is very active.

## **General Excellence - Division I - 4 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

With added competition from *The Michigan Daily*, this category could get interesting in the next few years. For now, however, *The State News* is far and away the best designed, organized and well written paper at the big schools. This newspaper would rival many dailies throughout the state. The staff should be proud.

### **2nd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

A tough competition between the remaining papers, but CM Life is a worthy choice for second place. The paper is visually pleasing and has an assortment of talented writers. The competition between *The Michigan Daily* and *The Eastern Echo* was too close to award third place.

## **Journalist of the Year - Division I - 3 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

#### **Steve Eder -**

Three solid and extremely well written stories made this category an easy pick. Mr. Eder is in a class above his competition. His reporting shows a commitment to finding interesting sources, and his writing doesn't let the reader go. Great work.

## **Black & White Ad - Division I - 6 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

#### **Matt McDonald - Boomers**

No Comment Given.

### **2nd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

#### **Nicole Brown - So Close**

No Comment Given.

### **3rd Place**

*Eastern Echo*, Eastern Michigan University

#### **M. Andrus, P.J. Gordon - Vagina Monologues**

No Comment Given.

## **Color Ad - Division I - 6 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Eastern Echo*, Eastern Michigan University

#### **Megan Andrus - Bat Timez**

No Comment Given.

### **2nd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

#### **Erin Schneider - Sierra Mist/Ric's**

No Comment Given.

### **3rd Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

#### **Jen Denslow - CMU B-Ball**

No Comment Given.

## **House Ad - Division I - 6 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

#### **Erin Schneider - Valentine's Day**

No Comment Given.

### **2nd Place**

*Eastern Echo*, Eastern Michigan University

#### **P.J. Gordon - Live With Parents**

No Comment Given.

### **3rd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

#### **Ana Zubac - Memories**

No Comment Given.

## **Classified Section - Division I - 2 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

No Comment Given.

### **2nd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

No Comment Given.

### **Ad Mgr of the Year - Division I - 1 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Jonathan Shaye -**

No Comment Given.

### **Online Newspaper - Division I - 2 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*Central Michigan LIFE*, Central Michigan University

Nicely done! Very eye-catching layout. Great way to pull in ad dollars. The writing is very informative. Easily searchable.

### **Sales Rep Of the Year - Division I - 1 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

**Derek Brookmeyer -**

No Comment Given.

#### **2nd Place**

*The State News*, Michigan State University

Good writing. Nice layout. Good use of ad space. Event search engine is a great idea for students.

## **DIVISION II WINNERS**

### **Deadline Story - Division II - 5 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**Nicole Stanley - Students Rally for Troops**

Good job balance all sides, including those in the middle.

#### **2nd Place**

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley University

**Brandon Avery - Tragedy at the Pier**

Excellent layout/presentation. Good job getting multiple sources, eyewitness accounts and the safety precaution.

#### **3rd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Lisa Jourden - Granholm Grapples**

Relevant to readers and nice addition interviewing John Warren of C. U. Would have been better by interviewing students' impression of economy and Granholm's take, but they were probably involved in producing the story.

### **Non-Deadline Story - Division II - 6 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**Colleen McGinness - Fire Interrupts . . .**

Good lead, nice balance of interviews. Good description and excellent quote from resident who had lived in Room 2.

#### **2nd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Andrea Byl - Scholars Brought . . .**

Excellent story that perks interest and warns about potential problems, (no interpreter).

#### **3rd Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**J. Harrison, D. Frank - College Enforces Strict Drug Policy**

Slow start, but good reporting. Especially like interview with student who had been suspended and the comparison to other liberal art colleges' policies.

### **Feature Story - Division II - 7 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**Sue DePassio - Junior Attending Officer Training School**

Insightful look at real people headed for big decisions and life changes.

#### **2nd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Kathryn Stanfield - ACE Students Bond . . .**

Nice scene-setting. Good look at an alternative program.

#### **3rd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Buddy Haskill - Adjunct English Prof . . .**

Interesting profile of a popular teacher.

### **Sports News - Division II - 2 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley State University

**Rich McGowan - Thriller in the Valley**

Good, complete story. One suggestion, though, try to give facts about the game before giving readers the final statistics.

## *Sports News - Division II - continued*

### **2nd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Aaron Sagraves - Wurn Leads Golden Eagles to Holiday Win**

Not bad. Try to move the final score up in your story before giving a blow-by-blow account of the game.

### **Sports Feature - Division II - 4 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**Cheryl Heitzman - From JV to HC**

Nice slice of life story. Puts a human face on a sport.

#### **2nd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Lisa Jourden - Men's Soccer . . . Brazil**

Great coverage of a one-in-a-lifetime trip. Very well done.

#### **3rd Place**

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley State University

**Jason Bussa - Lakers Reputation Grows . . .**

Very strong writing, very thorough research.

## **Sports Column**

### **Division II      1 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Jon Katje - Careless Comment Stirs Controversy**

Solid column. Great combination of facts and a solid stand taken by the writer. Good job.

### **Editorial - Division II - 4 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Andy Taylor - Questioning Politics**

Nice piece. It's important to look beyond the smiles of politicians. Whatever happened to "honesty" in politics? This work reminds us that we need to ask tough questions of our politicians.

#### **2nd Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**John Davidson - Black History Month at Hillsdale**

Brings up an interesting range of questions not only on race equity and diversity, but intellectual as well.

### **3rd Place**

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley State University

**Marisa Kwiatkowski - Stepping Stones**

It is important to be involved in the university community. This is a nice reminder of why that's important.

### **Review - Division II - 5 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**B. Haskill, A. Kleyn - At the Movies**

OK, guys. You get a little too cute at times, but the duo/duel conversational review works most of the time. But, I wonder, have either of you actually read "Peter Pan?"

#### **2nd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Buddy Haskill - Love Actually' Reminds Viewers**

Honest film review, not pretentious or know-it-all. Didn't work as well as the duo (1st place) but still good.

#### **3rd Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**Will Farnham - Big Fish' a Masterpiece**

Author is a bit cocky, but makes his point. But if the film is a masterpiece, why does it get four out of five stars? Why not five? And get a new photo.

### **Columns - Division II - 6 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Buddy Haskill - I've Got Plenty To Be Thankful . .**

Tightly written. It's not easy to write about a loved one. Loved the line that began, "Now, 25 months . . ."

#### **2nd Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**Nicole Stanley - It's a Lady's Prerogative**

Strong message would be stronger without repeated use of "the point is." Great topic with great support, consistency.

#### **3rd Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**Colleen McGinness - Abercrombie's New Catalogue . . .**

Well written with a good mix of opinion, example and fact.

## **News Photo - Division II - 4 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Lisa Culp** - *Don Penni Relaxes*

Good photo that tells a story.

### **2nd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Tara Lalla** - *Actresses Rehearse*

Photo helps sell the story of this fun production.

### **3rd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Rebekah Fuller** - *Friendly Construction*

Good visual but looks staged. If subjects were at different depths and not "lined up," this would have ranked first.

## **Feature Photo - Division II - 2 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Andy Taylor** - *Rebekah Lisa and Andrea pose in the Herald House*

No Comment Given.

### **2nd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Rebekah Fuller** - *Dance Workshop*

No Comment Given.

## **Sports Photo - Division II - 5 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley State University

**Will Harrah** - *Quarterback Tough to Tackle*

Very good action moment from football game with lots of intense faces seen.

### **2nd Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**Tyler Horning** - *Gina Relays . . .*

Very creative take on track runners as seen from spectator's glasses reflection.

### **3rd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Matt Marchese** - *Shannon Burmaster*

Good peak action moment from high jumper.

## **Original Cartoon - Division II - 2 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley State University

**Kristie Good** - *The News of Lunacy*

Nice execution, creative idea!

### **2nd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

**Caitlin MacKenzie** - *Monday Chapels with Chuck*

Funny, but needs better execution and reproduction technique needs work.

## **General Excellence Division II - 2 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley State University

This newspaper has the look and feel of a daily. The layout and design is consistently solid.

### **2nd Place**

*The Herald*, Cornerstone University

Nice use of photos. The front page is consistent and the layout is nice.

## **Journalist of the Year - Division II - 1 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The Collegian*, Hillsdale College

**Colleen McGinness** -

Even if there were more entries, I would like to think Ms. McGinness would have done well in this category. Solid clips - done while assuming the Editor-in-Chief role - reveal that she is a talented journalist.

## **Black & White Ad - Division II - 1 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley State University

**Amanda Keller** - *Monte's*

No Comment Given.

## **Color Ad - Division II - 1 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley State University

**Rob O'Brien** - *Universal Wireless*

No Comment Given.



## House Ad - Division II - 1 Entered

### 1st Place

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley State University

**Tina Petiprin** – *Louie the Laker*

No Comment Given.

## Classified Section - Division II - 1 Entered

### 1st Place

*Grand Valley Lanthorn*, Grand Valley State University

No Comment Given.

## **DIVISION III WINNERS**

## Deadline Story - Division III - 8 Entered

### 1st Place

*The Voice*, Washtenaw Community College

**Heather Levin** - *Student Recants Story*

Sexual assault is heinous and a false accusation can be even more devastating to a community. Good story to help set some minds at ease regarding attack. Brings up other important issues such as encouraging true victims to come forward while punishing false accusations.

### 2nd Place

*The Paper*, Kirtland Community College

**Jil Schult** - *Student Jailed After Drinking Binge*

Campus drinking, especially binge drinking, is an important issue. Good story that shows events, public threat and consequences of this behavior.

### 3rd Place

*Collegiate*, Grand Rapids Community College

**Jen Marckini** - *Campus Police Still Block Ramps*

Latest development in ongoing struggle. Good to bring points/facts to students before parking situation bites them in the pocket book and driving record.

## Non-Deadline Story - Division III - 16 Entered

### 1st Place

*The Paper*, Kirtland Community College

**Jerry Nunn** - *Student Suspended for Plagiarizing*

A good story about an issue many students can relate to. Nice job of pointing out where students can get help.

### 2nd Place

*The Voice*, Washtenaw Community College

**Heather Levin** - *Thieves on the Loose*

A clean presentation of the case, in a story that reads well. Nice use of quotes.

### 3rd Place

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Chris Jackett** - *Budget Cuts Could Equal Increase*

This is an important story every student can relate to. It would be a more interesting read if there was a comment or two from students about their own budgets.

## Feature Story - Division III - 18 Entered

### 1st Place

*Delta Collegiate*, Delta College

**Elon Brissette** - *Addiction: The Real Survivor*

A compelling story of one student's struggle with addiction. The voice of the subject is important and real and draws the reader through the story.

### 2nd Place

*The Voice*, Washtenaw Community College

**Heather Levin** - *Mr. Fix-It*

A well-written profile of someone most students probably are entirely unfamiliar with. Good scene-setting.

### 3rd Place

*The Voice*, Washtenaw Community College

**Maxine Biwer** - *Identity Theft*

A strong package with good statistics and background.

## Sports News - Division III - 5 Entered

### 1st Place

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Chris Jackett** - *Women's Soccer Named Third*

A very good story. Great order of facts. I never got lost wondering who won or loss.

### 2nd Place

*The Echo*, Olivet College

**Sarah Griswold** - *Swimmers Break Records . . .*

Not bad. Try to place teams records a little earlier in article.

### 3rd Place

*Delta Collegiate*, Delta College

**Ben Murphy** - *Long Year for Pioneermen . . .*

Good job. However, try to give reasons, i.e. youth, injuries, etc. of why team struggled.

## **Sports Feature - Division III - 4 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The Echo*, Olivet College

**Sarah Griswold** - *Griswold Field No Longer . . .*

Great historical research coupled with vision for future.

### **2nd Place**

*The Lookout*, Lansing Community College

**Brandon Cleveland** - *NHL Ethics: Do They Exist?*

Good student input.

### **3rd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Chris Jackett** - *Detroit Pushes For MLS Team*

Well written . . . But needs more of a link to the school.

## **Sports Column**

### **Division III 4 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Chris Jackett** - *If Politics Were a Football Game*

Great column. I thought you tackled the subject completely and took a solid stand. Also, you backed your argument with numbers.

### **2nd Place**

*The Lookout*, Lansing Community College

**Brandon Cleveland** - *The Cleveland Minute . . .*

Solid job. Way to explain your side of the story.

### **3rd Place**

*The Echo*, Olivet College

**Chris Cook** - *Is There Room for God in Sports*

No Comment Given.

## **Editorial - Division III - 4 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The Echo*, Olivet College

**Priyanka Mehra** - *Demanding Safety*

Student safety is a paramount concern and students have a right to know about sex offenses so they can take steps to protect themselves. Good to bring this point forward.

### **2nd Place**

*Collegiate*, Grand Rapids Community College

**Thomas White** - *New Year, Same Issues*

Nothing is as frustrating as day-to-day routine parking difficulties at school. Especially when you pay for a permit. Nice piece pointing out inequities of parking situation.

### **3rd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**John Parsell** - *Leave Camera*

Good snapshot look at rising problem.

## **Review - Division III - 16 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The Lookout*, Lansing Community College

**Matthew Wilkins** - *Girl with a Pearl Earring*

This review showed a good understanding of film, the movie's topic, and of review writing. One gets a sense of the film, without learning too much. Deftly written.

### **2nd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Danny Sperry** - *Need New Body Bombard*

*Listeners*

The writer makes me want to listen to the album by the way he describes it. Yet he warns it's not for everybody. There were several good music reviews, this led the pack.

### **3rd Place**

*Delta Collegiate*, Delta College

**Gene Smirnov** - *Former Student Displays*

*Artwork*

A great topic: A local artist's photo show. The writer mixes details, background and impressions to guide the reader through the topic. Nicely done.

## **Columns - Division III - 12 Entered**

### **1st Place**

*The Echo*, Olivet College

**Tonja Hewitt** - *There Should Be Nothing Casual About Casual Sex*

Important topic to handle whether at small school or big university. Free love has its consequences as this nice piece of writing points out without being preachy.

### **2nd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Zach Norton** - *Previous Presidential Election Shows Voter Significances*

Nicely written piece that's a good reminder to get out to vote.

### **3rd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Chris Jackett** - *Independent Filmmaker Reveals Truth Behind Fast Food Chain*

Great piece to target audience of college students, who by virtue of their lifestyles, are major consumers of fast food.

### **News Photo - Division III - 6 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Lookout*, Lansing Community College

**Adam Renault** - *Want a Career in Music?*

Nicely executed photo, well lit and good contrast range makes photo pop out. Good geometry and depth of field. Nice job.

#### **2nd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Gerard Knoph** - *Peaceful Solutions*

Good point of view captured the moment. Could have had a little greater depth of field.

#### **3rd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Risa Grace Oram** - *Child Care*

Curious youngster in foreground made an ordinary photo assignment much more interesting. Good handling of light and depth of field.

### **Feature Photo - Division III - 10 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Voice*, Washtenaw Community College

**Jeremy Lapham** - *Women Welders*

Photo captured many aspects of work described in accompanying story. Shot of flame and sparks illustrated importance of following safety procedures.

#### **2nd Place**

*Delta Collegiate*, Delta College

**Gene Smirnov** - *Larry Butcher*

Photo taken with such care, planning and attention to detail; readers know they're going to learn about a fascinating man before even seeing what the story's about.

#### **3rd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Risa Grace Oram** - *Ice Carver*

Photo of artwork nicely enhanced by artist's obvious focus on detail.

### **Sports Photo - Division III - 4 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Echo*, Olivet College

**Tracey Fix** - *Speeding Around the Track*

A blurred, energetic photo of track runners really draws the viewer in.

#### **2nd Place**

*Delta Collegiate*, Delta College

**Gene Smirnov** - *Stellar Second Half*

Good moment, good angle, nice expression on player's face.

#### **3rd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Chris Crandall** - *Anton Power Goes Up Strong*

By sitting low, photographer really put viewer in best possible spot.

### **Original Cartoon - Division III - 4 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Lookout*, Lansing Community College

**Matt Wilkins** - *Planet of the Republicans*

Funny! Good point and very nicely rendered. You have talent!

#### **2nd Place**

*Delta Collegiate*, Delta College

**Chad Panek** - *Smoke Breaks*

Nice dark humor. Drawing is really well done. Love the expressions!

#### **3rd Place**

*The Voice*, Washtenaw Community College

**R.M. Frumkin** - *Barbara*

Interesting view - fresh idea.

### **News Graphic - Division III - 1 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*The Echo*, Olivet College

**Tracey Fix** - *Tattoo*

Nice arrangement of tattoo photos.

### **Overall Design - Division III - 6 Entered**

#### **1st Place**

*Collegiate*, Grand Rapids Community College

Good modular design here leads to easy reader navigation. Nice contrast with headline sizes and style. Great teasers; good use of dominant photo on every page. Suggestion: Don't flush right heads.

#### **2nd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

Pages are well organized. Good headline sizes. Graphics are nicely placed and interesting – add impact to pages. Great photo sizes.

### *Overall Design - Division III - Continued*

#### **3rd Place**

*Delta Collegiate*, Delta College

Stores are basically modular. Easy-to-read typeface. Suggestion: Consider finding more entry points to stories such as info boxes, graphics, pull quotes, etc.

#### **General Excellence - Division III - 6 Entered**

##### **1st Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

Very nice layout and design. Your arts and entertainment section was awesome.

##### **2nd Place**

*Collegiate*, Grand Rapids Community College

Your use of photographs was far and away better than any other newspaper in the category. Clean, crisp design. Very consistent.

##### **3rd Place**

*Delta Collegiate*, Delta College

Sometimes smaller is better. Good photos, good layout and nice writing. Please give us more – volume wise – next year.

#### **Journalist of the Year Division III - 1 Entered**

##### **1st Place**

*The Paper*, Kirtland Community College

**Jerry Nunn -**

Jerry Nunn was the sole entry in this category. Maybe everyone else knew it was his to win, even if a dozen or more entered. Strong writing, strong reporting, strong viewpoint. He sets a high standard . . . Even if no one else competed.

#### **Black & White Ad - Division III - 1 Entered**

##### **1st Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Martin Smith - Winterfest**

No Comment Given.

#### **Color Ad - Division III - 1 Entered**

##### **1st Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Martin Smith - Spring Break '04**

No Comment Given.

#### **House Ad - Division III - 4 Entered**

##### **1st Place**

*The Voice*, Washtenaw Community College

**Jeremy Lapham - Wanted Ad**

No Comment Given.

##### **2nd Place**

*The Echo*, Olivet College

**R. Cole, B. Ward - Spring Break**

No Comment Given.

#### **House Ad - Division III - 1 Entered**

##### **3rd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

**Martin Smith - Wanted Ad**

No Comment Given.

#### **Classified Section - Division III - 3 Entered**

##### **1st Place**

*The Echo*, Olivet College

No Comment Given.

##### **2nd Place**

*The Connection*, Schoolcraft Community College

No Comment Given.

##### **3rd Place**

*The Voice*, Washtenaw Community College

No Comment Given.

#### **Online Newspaper - Division III - 1 Entered**

##### **1st Place**

*Delta Collegiate*, Delta College

Good writing. Informative about campus events. Search engine would be a nice addition. More color would jazz it up.