

# 2019 MPA Better Newspaper Contest



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## Statewide Contest Spotlights Quality Journalism

Members of Montana Press Association reviewed 3,500 entries submitted by 106 Michigan newspapers/Individual members this year. The competition inspires all journalists to produce their best work, which in turn, nurtures stronger communities.

“We are pleased to present the best of the best from Michigan Press Association members from this year’s Better Newspaper Contest. The outstanding quality of work shows that the press is strong in Michigan and we are proud of the accomplishments of all the winners. Based on the judge’s comments, many categories had several entries worthy of first place. The effort by these journalists and community newspapers show that excellence is the standard for newspapers in our state.” —Richard Lamb, president Michigan Press Association and publisher of the Presque Isle County Advance and Onaway Outlook.

**The 2019 “Newspaper of the Year”** award is presented to the top newspaper in eight circulation classes based on points accumulated (100 for first, 70 for second and 40 for third) in all Editorial contest categories. Winners of those awards are listed below.

Daily Newspapers of the Year			Weekly/News Media Publication Newspapers of the Year		
Circulation Class	Total Points	Newspaper	Circulation Class	Total Points	Newspaper
Class A	1,090	Grand Rapids Press	Class A	990	Tri-County Times
Class B	670	Holland Sentinel	Class B	1580	Leelanau Enterprise
Class C	940	Midland Daily News	Class C	900	Tri-City Times
Class D	840	Greenville Daily News	Class D	950	The Advance

**Circulation Class Breakdown:** *Daily Class A – over 20,000; Daily Class B – 11,001-20,000; Daily Class C – 5,001-11,000; Daily Class D – 5,000 and under; Weekly Class A/Specialty Publications – over 15,000; Weekly Class B/Specialty Publications – 7,001-15,000; Weekly Class C/Specialty Publications – 3,001-7,000; Weekly Class D/Specialty Publications – 3,000 and under.*

**The 2019 Advertising Contest** this year awarded the Excellence in Advertising Award to the overall winner in all the advertising categories. We based this award on points accumulated (100 for first, 70 for second and 40 for third) in all nine advertising categories. The three finalists are: Tri-County Times, Ludington Daily News and Tecumseh Herald, with the winner being the **Tecumseh Herald**.

**The MPA Public Service Award** recognizes a distinguished example of meritorious public service by a newspaper or newspaper individual that has made a significant contribution to the betterment of their community. The three finalists are: The Ann Arbor News for “How housing choice vouchers contribute to modern-day segregation”, Traverse City Record-Eagle for “Grand Traverse County Jail”, and Cadillac News for “PFAS”, with the award going to **Traverse City Record-Eagle**.

**The MPA Rookie Writer Award** recognizes exemplary efforts of new writers just breaking into journalism. The three finalists are: Kara Berg of The Lansing State Journal, Julie Goldberg of the Alpena News and Brandon Schreur of the Greenville Daily News, with the award going to **Kara Berg**.

**The MPA Public Notice Journalism Award** recognizes stories that exemplify the importance of public notice in newspapers. The three finalists are Iron Mountain Daily News for “DCHS sets hearing on \$25M in borrowing”, Leelanau Enterprise for “Affordable Home” and Greenville Daily News for “Gov. Whitmer tells journalists she’ll strengthen transparency laws” with the award going to **Leelanau Enterprise**.

**Best Coverage of the Suicide Epidemic and Awareness of the issue in Michigan** will honor the best journalism covering the suicide epidemic in Michigan communities while following the World Health Organization’s & the American Association of Suicidology’s guidelines for safe reporting. Following these guidelines is shown to reduce the number of future deaths by suicide thus helping to save lives while not following them is shown to have the opposite

effect. The three finalists are Sturgis Journal for “Teen suicide series”, Bridge Magazine for “Suicide in Michigan” and Michigan Advance for “Study: Deaths of despair could drop with EITC, minimum wage boosts” with the award going to **Sturgis Journal**

*The 2020 MPA Better Newspaper Contest opens August 1, 2020*

**Best Columnist**

**Daily A - Best Columnist**

7 Entries.

**First Place** *Lansing State Journal*

*'I'm 87 years old for God's sake' says Lansing woman who killed rats with a hammer*

Judy Putnam

**Second Place** *Detroit Free Press*

*Brian Dickerson*

**Third Place** *Detroit Free Press*

*Columns by Nancy Kaffer, Detroit Free Press*

Nancy Kaffer

**Honorable Mention** *Grand Rapids Press*

*Julie Mack for best columnist category for MLive/Grand Rapids Press*

Julie Mack

**Daily B - Best Columnist**

8 Entries

**First Place** *Holland Sentinel*

*Ray Buursma*

**Second Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*

*Patti Brandt Burgess*

**Third Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*

*Allison Batdorff*

**Honorable Mention** *The Monroe News*

*Data shows women still handle bulk of housework*

Caitlin Taylor

**Daily C - Best Columnist**

12 Entries

**First Place** *The Daily News, Iron Mountain*

*Northwoods Notebook*

Betsy Bloom

**Second Place** *Midland Daily News*

*Every picture tells a story, don't it?*

Lori Qualls

**Third Place** *Alpena News*

*Justin A. Hinkley on journalism*

**Honorable Mention** *Midland Daily News*

*Its time to leave behind the unique world of newspapers*

Dave Shane

**Daily D - Best Columnist**

16 Entries

**First Place** *Niles Daily Star*

*Ambrosia Neldon columns*

Ambrosia Neldon

**Second Place** *Manistee News-Advocate*

*Just when you thought you saw it all, something tops it*

Ken Grabowski

**Third Place** *Huron Daily Tribune*

*Follow your brain, not heart*

Seth Stapleton

**Honorable Mention** *Sturgis Journal*

*David T Farr columnist entry*

David Farr

**Weekly/News Media A - Best Columnist**

5 Entries

**First Place** *Tri-County Times*

*Not on my watch*

Vera Hogan

**Second Place**

*Tri-County Times*

*What about the boys*

Vera Hogan

*The final point is well taken, well done.*

**Third Place**

*Tri-County Times*

*Having it all is enough*

Vera Hogan

**Honorable Mention**

*Tri-County Times*

*Our Life With Henry*

David Troppens

**Weekly/News Media B - Best Columnist**

10 Entries

**First Place**

*Grosse Pointe News*

*The myth of participation trophies*

Mary Anne Brush

**Second Place**

*Grosse Pointe News*

*Here's to the quiet people*

Laurel Kraus

**Third Place**

*Leelanau Enterprise*

*Ironman Tips Scales*

Amy Hubbell

**Honorable Mention**

*Grosse Pointe News*

*A telegram from the past*

Mary Anne Brush

**Weekly/News Media C - Best Columnist**

33 Entries

**First Place**

*Tecumseh Herald*

*Jackie Koch - August 23 Column*

Jackie Koch

**Second Place**

*The Tri-City Times*

*Pink cloud dissipating*

Tim Galbraith

**Third Place**

*Tecumseh Herald*

*Jackie Koch - June 13 Column*

Jackie Koch

**Honorable Mention**

*Oceana's Herald-Journal*

*A life too brief*

Mary Beth Crain

**Weekly/News Media D - Best Columnist**

16 Entries

**First Place**

*Michigan Advance*

*I thought I was done with journalism. I was wrong. Heres why.*

Susan J. Demas

**Second Place**

*Flintside*

*Right here in Flint*

Patrick Hayes

**Third Place**

*Michigan Advance*

*John Engler, living embodiment of toxic masculinity*

Susan J. Demas

**Honorable Mention**

*Oscoda Press*

*Coverage of the Oscoda PFAS contamination from the former*

*Wurtsmith Air Force Base*

Jenny Haglund

**Best Editorial**

**Daily A - Best Editorial**

11 Entries

**First Place**

*Flint Journal*

*Attorney general shouldnt promise justice for Flint if she cant deliver*  
 John Counts  
**Second Place** **Grand Rapids Press**  
*Financial Transparency*  
 MLive Editorial Board  
**Third Place** **Grand Rapids Press**  
*Kent County sheriff should be applauded and supported for standing up to ICE*  
 Mickey Ciokajlo  
**Honorable Mention** **Bridge Magazine**  
*The miseducation of Michigan:How state fails kids in black history*  
 Chastity Pratt

**Daily B - Best Editorial**  
 18 Entries  
**First Place** **Jackson Citizen Patriot**  
*Jackson City Council needs to wake up and rein in raises*  
 Sara Scott  
**Second Place** **Jackson Citizen Patriot**  
*Its time for Whitmer, Nessel to step up and remove Sheriff Rand*  
 Sara Scott  
**Third Place** **Saginaw News**  
*Church foot-dragging made matters worse in priest sex-abuse scandal*  
 Eric English  
**Honorable Mention** **The Ann Arbor News**  
*Final exam: Time running out for Tecumseh school board*  
 Khalil Al Hajal

**Daily C - Best Editorial**  
 13 Entries  
**First Place** **Grand Haven Tribune**  
*Democracy takes more than a Facebook post*  
 Mark Brooky  
**Second Place** **Grand Haven Tribune**  
*AEDs needed in every public gathering place*  
 Matt DeYoung  
**Third Place** **Grand Haven Tribune**  
*Plain language needed for ballot proposals*  
 Mark Brooky

**Daily D - Best Editorial**  
 18 Entries  
**First Place** **Huron Daily Tribune**  
*Stand by Tuscola*  
 Kate Hessling  
**Second Place** **Niles Daily Star**  
*Buchanan school board owes it to educators, community to listen*  
 Ambrosia Neldon, Sarah Culton  
**Third Place** **Huron Daily Tribune**  
*Fighting the local opioid crisis*  
 Kate Hessling  
**Honorable Mention** **Manistee News-Advocate**  
*OUR VIEW: Boos, Brews and Brats ... and the Elks*  
 Michelle Graves, Ken Grabowski

**Weekly/News Media B - Best Editorial**  
 6 Entries  
**First Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Sunshine Week*  
 John Elchert  
**Second Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Laws need not apply to enforcers*  
 Alan Campbell  
**Third Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Township should follow its own ordinance*  
 Alan Campbell  
**Honorable Mention** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Embrace Public Comment*  
 Alan Campbell

**Weekly/News Media C - Best Editorial**  
 14 Entries  
**First Place** **The Tri-City Times**  
*Commitment to best local coverage in 2019*  
 Catherine Minolli  
**Second Place** **The Tri-City Times**  
*Gift of literacy lasts a lifetime*  
 Catherine Minolli  
**Third Place** **The Tri-City Times**  
*Diligent efforts bring lifesaving equipment to area*  
 Catherine Minolli  
**Honorable Mention** **Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News**  
*Fresh perspective*  
 Eric Hamp

**Weekly/News Media D - Best Editorial**  
 10 Entries  
**First Place** **The Boyne City Gazette**  
*No good reason not to vaccinate your children*  
 Christopher Faulknor  
**Second Place** **The Advance**  
*School safety worthy of continued discussion*  
 Marcia Loader  
**Third Place** **Cass City Chronicle**  
*Whitmer proposal too great a burden*  
 Tom Montgomery  
**Honorable Mention** **The Advance**  
*Medicare for all not in the budget*  
 Marcia Loader

**Best Newspaper Design**

**Daily A - Best Newspaper Design**  
 1 Entries  
**First Place** **Grand Rapids Press**  
*The Grand Rapids Press for Sunday, February 24, 2019*  
 Grand Rapids Press staff

**Daily B - Best Newspaper Design**  
 2 Entries  
**First Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Traverse City Record-Eagle: July 21, 2019*  
 Record-Eagle staff  
**Second Place** **Holland Sentinel**  
*Holland Sentinel*  
 Cassie Daszko

**Daily C - Best Newspaper Design**  
 5 Entries  
**First Place** **Midland Daily News**  
*May 25, 2019 edition*  
 Midland Daily News  
**Second Place** **Herald-Palladium**

HP Feb. 24, 2019

HP Staff

**Third Place**

**Petoskey News-Review**

*Petoskey News-Review January 23, 2019*

Renee Tanner, Wendy Wolfson

**Honorable Mention**

**Cadillac News**

*Weekend, February 9-10, 2019 issue*

Sarah Adams, Marc Vieau, Ann Trucks, Matt Seward

**Daily D - Best Newspaper Design**

4 Entries

**First Place**

**Huron Daily Tribune**

*Dec. 22, 2018 edition*

Huron Daily Tribune

**Second Place**

**Sturgis Journal**

*Spring plan*

Candice Phelps

**Third Place**

**Hillsdale Daily News**

*Hillsdale Daily News 11-21-18*

Candice Phelps

**Honorable Mention**

**Greenville Daily News**

*Greenville Daily News*

Darrin Clark

**Weekly/News Media A - Best Newspaper Design**

2 Entries

**First Place**

**Tri-County Times**

*June 2, 2019*

Jennifer Ward, Lorie Gavulic, Mary Powell, Rebecca Andreski

**Second Place**

**Huron County View**

*Huron County View*

Liz LaFave

**Weekly/News Media B - Best Newspaper Design**

1 Entries

**First Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*The Final Frontier*

Enterprise Staff

**Weekly/News Media C - Best Newspaper Design**

8 Entries

**First Place**

**The Tri-City Times**

*08-08-18, 09-12-18, 12-25-18*

Randy Jorgensen, & Production Staff

**Second Place**

**Frankenmuth News**

*Frankenmuth News September 19, 2018*

Staff

**Third Place**

**The Record**

*The Record - July 24-30, 2019*

Lyn Baxter

**Honorable Mention**

**Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News**

*July 4, 2019 Edition*

Eric Hamp, Krista Tacey-Cater, Alycia Nielsen, Patty Tribelhorn

**Weekly/News Media D - Best Newspaper Design**

4 Entries

**First Place**

**Michigan Lawyers Weekly**

*March 25, 2019 edition*

Matt Foster

**Second Place**

**The Boyne City Gazette**

*December 26, 2018*

Christopher Faulknor, Benjamin Gohs

**Third Place**

**The Advance**

*Wednesday, November 7, 2018*

Marcia Loader

**Honorable Mention**

**Michigan Advance**

*Michigan Advance*

Susan J. Demas, Nelle Dunlap, Joe Wright

**Best Page or Pages Design**

**Daily A - Best Page or Pages Design**

3 Entries

**First Place**

**Grand Rapids Press**

*Dishonorable Discharge*

Grand Rapids Press staff

**Second Place**

**Grand Rapids Press**

*Big Ten Battle*

Grand Rapids Press staff

**Third Place**

**Grand Rapids Press**

*Hiking Michigan's scenic splendor*

Grand Rapids Press staff

**Daily B - Best Page or Pages Design**

23 Entries

**First Place**

**Daily Telegram**

*All-County Football*

Scott McNeish

**Second Place**

**Holland Sentinel**

*Cassie Daszko Best Page*

Cassie Daszko

**Third Place**

**Holland Sentinel**

*Claire Fisher Best Page*

Claire Fisher

**Honorable Mention**

**Daily Telegram**

*10 stories you read the most*

Scott McNeish

**Daily C - Best Page or Pages Design**

12 Entries

**First Place**

**Herald-Palladium**

*HP Oscars Spread*

Andy Steinke, Kate Genellie Kohs

**Second Place**

**Petoskey News-Review**

*Petoskey News-Review April 25, 2019*

Wendy Wolfson

**Third Place**

**Petoskey News-Review**

*Petoskey News-Review sports front page*

Wendy Wolfson

**Honorable Mention**

**Petoskey News-Review**

*Petoskey News-Review May 31 2019*

Wendy Wolfson

**Daily D - Best Page or Pages Design**

26 Entries

**First Place**

**Greenville Daily News**

*Game of Throws*

Ryan Schlehuber

**Second Place**

**Niles Daily Star**

*Pigging out*

Ambrosia Neldon

**Third Place**

**Huron Daily Tribune**

*Dec. 22, 2018 front page*

Huron Daily Tribune

**Honorable Mention**

**Niles Daily Star**

*High spirits*  
Ambrosia Neldon

**Weekly/News Media A - Best Page or Pages Design**

5 Entries

**First Place** *St. Clair Shores Sentinel*

*Remembering Gil Demers*  
Jason Clancy

**Second Place** *West Bloomfield Beacon*

*Spring break trip sparks St. Mary's*  
Jason Clancy

**Third Place** *Troy Times*

*Troy Times News & Notes*  
Jason Clancy

**Honorable Mention** *Tri-County Times*

*Experience nature this summer*  
Jennifer Ward

**Weekly/News Media B - Best Page or Pages Design**

7 Entries

**First Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*

*High Times*  
Eric Carlson, Amy Hubbell, Mike Anderson

**Second Place** *Spinal Column Newsweekly*

*Front page design*  
Matt Danielson

**Third Place** *Spinal Column Newsweekly*

*Front page design*  
Chris Wall

**Honorable Mention** *Spinal Column Newsweekly*

*Front page design*  
Ali Armstrong

**Weekly/News Media C - Best Page or Pages Design**

18 Entries

**First Place** *Gaylord Herald Times*

*Alpenfest sweeps into town*  
Wendy Wolfson

**Second Place** *The Record*

*2018 Armada Fair pages*  
Lyn Baxter

**Third Place** *The County Press, Lapeer*

*Blueberries*  
Cynthia Alvado

**Weekly/News Media D - Best Page or Pages Design**

7 Entries

**First Place** *Michigan Lawyers Weekly*

*September 24, 2018 front page*  
Matt Foster

**Second Place** *Cassopolis Vigilant*

*'Paws'itive appreciation*  
Emily Sobecki

**Third Place** *Cassopolis Vigilant*

*Operation Thanksgiving*  
Ambrosia Neldon

**Best Sports Column**

**Daily A - Best Sports Column**

10 Entries

**First Place** *Grand Rapids Press*

*Holy smokes, Detroit's Kerryon Johnson is good*

Kyle Meinke

**Second Place** *Grand Rapids Press*

*The Lions dont care what you or anyone else thinks of the Jahlani*  
*Tavai pick*

Kyle Meinke

**Third Place** *Lansing State Journal*

*3 former MSU players accused of rape. He's what Izzo can do*  
Graham Couch

**Honorable Mention** *Grand Rapids Press*

*Swapping the ivory tower for cheap seats taught me something about*  
*what its like for Detroit Tigers fans*  
Evan Woodbery

**Daily B - Best Sports Column**

10 Entries

**First Place** *Holland Sentinel*

*DAddona: 50 years after iconic protest, how will history view anthem*  
*protests?*

Dan D'Addona

**Second Place** *Holland Sentinel*

*DAddona: Sexism still hurting Womens World Cup*  
Dan D'Addona

**Third Place** *Bay City Times*

*Bay City Western shows 18-game losing streak was a plight worth a*  
*fight*

Lee Thompson

**Honorable Mention** *Saginaw News*

*Why are girls still getting more concussions than boys in some*  
*sports?*  
Hugh Bernreuter

**Daily C - Best Sports Column**

9 Entries

**First Place** *Midland Daily News*

*Kelly: Fave things about a memorable Little League summer*  
Fred Kelly

**Second Place** *The Daily Press*

*Believe it: Sports are far more than just a game*  
Austin Hemmingson

**Third Place** *Midland Daily News*

*Kelly: No one more deserving of a trophy than Gladwins Brokoff*  
Fred Kelly

**Honorable Mention** *Midland Daily News*

*Kelly: Gladwin epitomized class when rival Beavers came calling*  
Fred Kelly

**Daily D - Best Sports Column**

7 Entries

**First Place** *Manistee News-Advocate*

*Portagers muddy celebration captures essence of the game*  
Dylan Savela

**Second Place** *The Pioneer*

*They'll be back*

John Raffel

**Third Place** *Greenville Daily News*

*I do it for the kids*

Ryan Schlehuber

**Honorable Mention** *Oceana's Herald-Journal*

*Pirates were right to stick with WMC*  
Amanda Roberts

**Weekly/News Media C - Best Sports Column**

6 Entries

**First Place** *The County Press, Lapeer*

*Fallout continues for decades-old Title IX lawsuit*

Lisa Paine

**Second Place** *Presque Isle County Advance/Onaway Outlook*

*Senior Jared Sharpe*

Peter Jakey

**Third Place** *White Lake Beacon*

*'Chicago double' makes for a memorable day*

Andy Roberts

**Business/Agriculture News**

**Daily A - Business/Agriculture News**

24 Entries

**First Place** *Detroit Free Press*

*Out of Gear*

Phoebe Wall Howard

**Second Place** *Bridge Magazine*

*Michigan's child care crisis*

Ron French, Mike Wilkinson

**Third Place** *Detroit Free Press*

*PFAS contamination is Michigan's biggest environmental crisis in 40 years*

Keith Matheny

**Honorable Mention** *Lansing State Journal*

*How Lansing learned to love craft coffee shops*

Haley Hansen

**Daily B - Business/Agriculture News**

25 Entries

**First Place** *Daily Telegram*

*"The farmer's gamble: Wet and cool spring sets up more risks as farmers mull late planting"*

Spencer Durham

**Second Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*

*Pilot pollinator project takes flight locally*

Sheri McWhirter

**Third Place** *Holland Sentinel*

*Holland discusses benefits, drawbacks to Sunday business in downtown*

Cassandra Bondie

**Honorable Mention** *Jackson Citizen Patriot*

*European Bakery bids tearful farewell to Jackson after 105 years*

Taylor DesOrmeau

**Daily C - Business/Agriculture News**

20 Entries

**First Place** *Herald-Palladium*

*The pain of the Great Recession*

Tony Wittkowski

**Second Place** *Cadillac News*

*Contractors so busy they're turning down jobs this summer*

Chris Lamphere

**Third Place** *Ludington Daily News*

*Asparagus dumping*

David Bossick

**Honorable Mention** *Herald-Palladium*

*Taking on the glass ceiling*

Tony Wittkowski

**Daily D - Business/Agriculture News**

20 Entries

**First Place** *Manistee News-Advocate*

*Ready to harvest*

Ashlyn Korienek

**Second Place** *Niles Daily Star*

*Modern manufacturer*

Kelsey Hammon, Emily Sobecki

**Third Place** *Sturgis Journal*

*Homegrown*

Journal Staff

**Honorable Mention** *Greenville Daily News*

*More than an orchard*

Cory Smith

**Weekly/News Media A - Business/Agriculture News**

2 Entries

**First Place** *Tri-County Times*

*Strawberry farming gives amputee a new purpose*

Sally Rummel

**Second Place** *Birmingham-Bloomfield Eagle*

*A dime for your thoughts*

Tiffany Esshaki

**Weekly/News Media B - Business/Agriculture News**

5 Entries

**First Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*

*Skilled Trades Shortage*

Daniel Fortune

**Second Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*

*Cherry Section*

Alan Campbell, Daniel Fortune

**Third Place** *Livonia Observer*

*Pit bull owner unable to pay for injured dog's treatment blames*

*animal's death on emergency vet*

Susan Bromley

**Honorable Mention** *Livonia Observer*

*South Lyon company making downtown beautiful using recycled metal*

David Veselenak

**Weekly/News Media C - Business/Agriculture News**

15 Entries

**First Place** *The Tri-City Times*

*Upping the game*

Catherine Minolli

**Second Place** *The Tri-City Times*

*End of an era*

Maria Brown

**Third Place** *The Record*

*Government shutdown worries vineyard owners*

Larry Sobczak

**Honorable Mention** *Presque Isle County Advance/Onaway Outlook*

*Concerns about drought dominate*

Pete Jakey

**Weekly/News Media D - Business/Agriculture News**

13 Entries

**First Place** *Michigan Advance*

*Are incredibly conservative tax incentives worth it for \$4.5B Fiat*

*Chrysler deal?*

Nick Manes, Michael Gerstein, Ken Coleman  
**Second Place** *Michigan Advance*  
*Whitmer wants to close skills gap, but some experts call it a lie*  
 Nick Manes  
**Third Place** *Flintside*  
*Spectacular Spudz nabs Business of the Year award*  
 Jake Carah  
**Honorable Mention** *Michigan Advance*  
*As local governments lose millions from dark stores, legislators seek fix*  
 Nick Manes

**Feature Photo**

**Daily A - Feature Photo**  
 16 Entries  
**First Place** *Kalamazoo Gazette*  
*Ice Shards*  
 Joel Bissell  
**Second Place** *Grand Rapids Press*  
*Buoy deployed from South Haven to track weather and waves on Lake Michigan*  
 Cory Morse  
**Third Place** *Grand Rapids Press*  
*Tulip Time parade*  
 Cory Morse  
**Honorable Mention** *Flint Journal*  
*Through the looking glass*  
 Jake May

**Daily B - Feature Photo**  
 34 Entries  
**First Place** *Saginaw News*  
*Strike a Pose*  
 Rachel Ellis  
**Second Place** *Jackson Citizen Patriot*  
*Prom Queen*  
 Mary Lewandowski  
**Honorable Mention** *Jackson Citizen Patriot*  
*Pigs as a Blanket*  
 Nikos Frazier  
**Third Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
*State Park*  
 Jan-Michael Stump

**Daily C - Feature Photo**  
 27 Entries  
**First Place** *Midland Daily News*  
*Goat Farm*  
 Katy Kildee  
**Second Place** *Midland Daily News*  
*Cornfest Victory*  
 Katy Kildee  
**Honorable Mention** *Midland Daily News*  
*Santa Dance*  
 Katy Kildee  
**Third Place** *The Daily Press*  
*Reaching new heights*  
 Ilsa Matthes

**Daily D - Feature Photo**  
 12 Entries  
**First Place** *The Daily Globe*

*Lightning on the Lake*  
 Jason Juno  
**Second Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Belding 'boogaloo'*  
 Cory Smith  
**Third Place** *Huron Daily Tribune*  
*What a shot!*  
 Tyler Leipprandt  
**Honorable Mention** *Greenville Daily News*  
*The best of the fair*  
 Cory Smith

**Weekly/News Media A - Feature Photo**  
 3 Entries  
**First Place** *Tri-County Citizen*  
*Graduation sunflower*  
 Jeanne Marcello  
**Second Place** *Tri-County Citizen*  
*Pumpkins & Cat*  
 Jeanne Marcello  
**Third Place** *Tri-County Citizen*  
*Walk to school*  
 Jeanne Marcello

**Weekly/News Media B - Feature Photo**  
 13 Entries  
**First Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*  
*Peaceful Paddleboarding*  
 Daniel Fortune  
**Second Place** *The Citizen, Ortonville*  
*Summer Shower*  
 Patrick McAbee  
**Third Place** *The Citizen, Ortonville*  
*Ride on*  
 Patrick McAbee  
**Honorable Mention** *Gaylord Herald Times*  
*Fifth annual 5K Color Tour supports T.A.C.K.L.E.*  
 Matt Wenzel

**Weekly/News Media C - Feature Photo**  
 20 Entries  
**First Place** *The Record*  
*Best Friends*  
 Mike Nicley  
**Second Place** *The County Press, Lapeer*  
*Cat & Chipmunk*  
 Lisa Paine  
**Third Place** *Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News*  
*THANKING MR. BOB*  
 Krista Tacey-Cater

**Weekly/News Media D - Feature Photo**  
 14 Entries  
**First Place** *Cass City Chronicle*  
*Bloody amazing! Moon picture*  
 Tom Montgomery  
**Second Place** *The Advance*  
*The rides on the River Raisin Festival midway*  
 Ashleigh Bruneau  
**Third Place** *Michigan Advance*



*Cobo Center new name game: Detroiters suggest Louis, Parks, Franklin*

Ken Coleman

**Honorable Mention**

**Michigan Advance**

*Bill aims to end racial discrimination based on hairstyle*

Ken Coleman

**Feature Story**

**Daily A - Feature Story**

27 Entries

**First Place**

**Bridge Magazine**

*One woman's Facebook post leads to Michigan vote against gerrymandering*

Riley Beggan

**Second Place**

**Lansing State Journal**

*From foster care to Sexton valedictorian to MSU med school: Robert Ray Jr.'s success story*

RJ Wolcott

**Third Place**

**Kalamazoo Gazette**

*Why I'm homeless: 7 stories from members of Kalamazoo's community*

Malachi Barrett

**Honorable Mention**

**Bridge Magazine**

*She was born to fight - and she did for three years without water*

Joel Kurth

**Daily B - Feature Story**

38 Entries

**First Place**

**The Ann Arbor News**

*Man killed biking from Belle Isle took road less traveled*

Gus Burns

**Second Place**

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Dangerous Waters*

Brooke Kansier

**Third Place**

**Muskegon Chronicle**

*A press pass gave Michigan teen front-row seat to Apollo 11*

Ben Solis

**Honorable Mention**

**Battle Creek Enquirer**

*'We've lost except what we can remember': How a black neighborhood grew and died in Battle Creek*

Nick Buckley

**Daily C - Feature Story**

48 Entries

**First Place**

**Alpena News**

*'The job affects you'*

Julie Riddle

**Second Place**

**Alpena News**

*Challenging, to say the least*

Julie Riddle

**Third Place**

**Midland Daily News**

*No fanfare*

Dave Shane

**Honorable Mention**

**Herald-Palladium**

*'This is me'*

Kate Genellie Kohs

**Daily D - Feature Story**

36 Entries

**First Place**

**Manistee News-Advocate**

*Giving the gift of life*

Ken Grabowski

**Second Place**

**The Pioneer**

*FROM HOMELESS TO HOPEFUL: Ferris State student starts nonprofit dedicated to helping less fortunate*

Tim Rath

**Third Place**

**The Pioneer**

*WELL DESERVED RETIREMENT: Smalla leaving Meceola Central Dispatch after 24 years*

Tim Rath

**Honorable Mention**

**Niles Daily Star**

*Finding family*

Sarah Culton

**Weekly/News Media A - Feature Story**

26 Entries

**First Place**

**Grosse Pointe Times**

*Retiring Grosse Pointe Farms detective reflects on his memorable cases and career*

K. Michelle Moran

**Second Place**

**Chalkbeat**

*"The view from room 117: How one Detroit teacher is helping her fifth-graders read like fifth-graders"*

Koby Levin

**Third Place**

**Huron County View**

*He was not my Rick*

Ben Muir

**Honorable Mention**

**Grosse Pointe Times**

*Retiring veteran barber prepares for the final cut*

K. Michelle Moran

**Weekly/News Media B - Feature Story**

22 Entries

**First Place**

**Livonia Observer**

*Once a Hawk, always a Hawk*

Shelby Tankersley

**Second Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*Historic Grist Mill Gets Second Chance*

Jen Murphy

**Third Place**

**Livonia Observer**

*Couple bikes 4,500 miles in wild cross-country ride into the unknown*

Susan Bromley

**Honorable Mention**

**Grosse Pointe News**

*Challenge Day: North students take on challenge of building empathy*

Mary Anne Brush

**Weekly/News Media C - Feature Story**

36 Entries

**First Place**

**Presque Isle County Advance/Onaway Outlook**

*Former Green Beret visits Vietnam*

Peter Jakey

**Second Place**

**The Tri-City Times**

*From the heart*

Catherine Minolli

**Third Place**

**The Tri-City Times**

*Finding forgiveness*

Catherine Minolli

**Honorable Mention**

**Sanilac County News**

*Croswell company to the rescue!*

Margaret Whitmer

**Weekly/News Media D - Feature Story**

22 Entries

**First Place**

**Flintside**

*Working 2 jobs, graduating valedictorian, and never giving up -- this Flint kid is headed to Stanford*

Alexandria Brown

**Second Place** **Michigan Advance**

*Barnes-storming: Veteran Democratic organizer is frontrunner to lead party in 19*

Susan J. Demas

**Third Place** **Glen Arbor Sun Newspaper**

*Migrants go silent in the fields during Fall Harvest*

Jacob Wheeler

**Honorable Mention** **Glen Arbor Sun Newspaper**

*High waters, shrinking beaches up ante over road end lake access*

Linda Dewey

**Government/Education News**

**Daily A - Government/Education News**

25 Entries

**First Place** **Kalamazoo Gazette**

*Kalamazoo school board ends dinner meetings that violate spirit of Open Meetings Act*

Kayla Miller

**Second Place** **Bridge Magazine**

*School hopping brings chaos to Detroit classrooms*

Erin Einhorn, Chastity Pratt

**Third Place** **Detroit Free Press**

*5 Michigan women lifers want clemency. Will Gov. Rick Snyder grant it?*

Kristen Jordan Shamus

**Honorable Mention** **Grand Rapids Press**

*Property owner pushes controversial river project*

Brian McVicar

**Daily B - Government/Education News**

31 Entries

**First Place** **Jackson Citizen Patriot**

*City of Jackson doles out big raises with little transparency/City vows to start doing evaluations of officials again*

Taylor DesOrmeau

**Second Place** **Jackson Citizen Patriot**

*Superintendent knew about alleged sexual relationship between former student, teacher for months*

Marie Weidmayer

**Third Place** **The Ann Arbor News**

*The Tecumseh School Board wanted to make its district great again.*

*What it got was a 'meltdown'*

Martin Slagter

**Honorable Mention** **Jackson Citizen Patriot**

*A township in turmoil: How Leoni Township went from quirky to toxic*

Taylor DesOrmeau

**Daily C - Government/Education News**

25 Entries

**First Place** **Ludington Daily News**

*Grain bin home*

Kelly Van FrankenHuyzen, Sarah Clinkscales, David Bossick

**Second Place** **Petoskey News-Review**

*Classroom design*

Jillian Fellows

**Third Place** **Ludington Daily News**

*Emily FOIA*

Riley Kelley, David Bossick

**Honorable Mention**

*Adoption Day*

Becky Vargo

**Grand Haven Tribune**

**Daily D - Government/Education News**

27 Entries

**First Place** **Hillsdale Daily News**

*Aquifer*

Sam Fry

**Second Place** **Dowagiac Daily News**

*Balancing act*

Kelsey Hammon

**Third Place** **Sentinel-Standard**

*Ionia County schools have a lot to consider with so many days lost to bad weather*

Mitchell Boatman

**Honorable Mention** **Sentinel-Standard**

*Ionia misses filing deadline, Nov. election will be all write-in candidates*

Arpan Lobo, Nick Grifhorst

**Weekly/News Media A - Government/Education News**

6 Entries.

**First Place** **Chalkbeat**

*Inside a turbulent year in Detroit's charter schools*

Koby Levin

**Second Place** **Birmingham-Bloomfield Eagle**

*County Clerk investigated for ballot shortages*

Tiffany Esshaki

**Third Place** **Township View**

*Students release over 230 salmon in Tittabawassee River*

Mandilee Hecht

**Weekly/News Media B - Government/Education News**

9 Entries

**First Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Glen Lake Schools*

Amy Hubbell

**Second Place** **Livonia Observer**

*Birmingham parents criticize African American history class as disrespectful*

Susan Bromley

**Third Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Abortion Debate*

Eric Carlson

**Honorable Mention** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Northport Sewer*

Daniel Fortune

**Weekly/News Media C - Government/Education News**

18 Entries

**First Place** **The Record**

*Recall campaign ignited*

Stacy Sobotka, Larry Sobczak

**Second Place** **Gaylord Herald Times**

*Vanderbilt school board struggles to keep members*

Arielle Breen

**Third Place** **Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon**

**County Herald-News**

*Before making a bang, know the rules*

Eric Hamp, Cheryl Holladay, Krista Tacey-Cater

**Honorable Mention** **Gaylord Herald Times**

*Vanderbilt school still in deficit, board surprised by audit*  
Arielle Breen

**Weekly/News Media D - Government/Education News**

15 Entries

**First Place** *Michigan Advance*

*Whitmer wants to fix the damn roads. Citizens wonder why the last tax hike wasn't enough.*

Nick Manes, Susan J. Demas

**Second Place** *Edwardsburg Argus*

*Paws of justice*

Sarah Culton

**Third Place** *Flintside*

*Genesee County grads nab more than \$30 million in scholarships*

Alexandria Brown

**Honorable Mention** *Flintside*

*See inside the \$1 million investment cleaning up Flint's northside block by block*

Jake Carah

**News Enterprise Reporting**

**Daily A - News Enterprise Reporting**

23 Entries

**First Place** *Bridge Magazine*

*Anxious teachers. Flying staplers. Michigan schools prepare for active shooters*

Ron French

**Second Place** *Bridge Magazine*

*Detroit water crisis*

Joel Kurth

**Third Place** *Grand Rapids Press*

*Range of enterprise stories shows depth of PFAS contamination in Michigan*

Paula Gardner, Garret Ellison

**Honorable Mention** *Grand Rapids Press*

*Transparency project*

Lauren Gibbons, Taylor DesOrmeau

**Daily B - News Enterprise Reporting**

35 Entries

**First Place** *Saginaw News*

*Sex abuse scandal hits Catholic Church in Michigan*

Cole Waterman, Heather Jordan

**Second Place** *The Ann Arbor News*

*How housing choice vouchers contribute to modern-day segregation*

Lauren Slagter

**Third Place** *Jackson Citizen Patriot*

*Shootings on the rise as feuds fuel gun violence in Jackson*

Nathan Clark

**Honorable Mention** *The Ann Arbor News*

*Hazing, secrecy leave University of Michigan fraternities in turmoil*

Martin Slagter

**Daily C - News Enterprise Reporting**

39 Entries

**First Place** *Alpena News*

*Caring for Northeast Michigan*

Staff

**Second Place** *Alpena News*

*This is Us*

Staff

**Third Place** *Ludington Daily News*

*Opioid series*

Colton Mokofsky

**Honorable Mention**

*Herald-Palladium*

*Being transgender in Southwest Michigan*

Alexandra Newman

**Daily D - News Enterprise Reporting**

24 Entries

**First Place** *Sturgis Journal*

*Marijuana series*

Jef Rietsma, Elena Meadows, Michelle Patrick

**Second Place** *Sturgis Journal*

*Teen anxiety series*

Rosalie Currier, Michelle Patrick, Corky Emrick, Elena Meadows

**Third Place** *Huron Daily Tribune*

*State stuns Tuscola*

Mary Drier

**Honorable Mention** *The Pioneer*

*Wrangle over water*

Brandon Fountain

**Weekly/News Media A - News Enterprise Reporting**

19 Entries

**First Place** *Chalkbeat*

*Inside Detroit's efforts to address one of the biggest obstacles to better schools: sky-high absenteeism*

Erin Einhorn, Lori Higgins

**Second Place** *Birmingham-Bloomfield Eagle*

*Getting the 'hole' story*

Tiffany Esshaki

**Third Place** *Chalkbeat*

*In Detroit, a push to use African-American history and culture to help students succeed*

Lori Higgins

**Honorable Mention** *Birmingham-Bloomfield Eagle*

*PFAS: Exploring the impact on metro Detroit*

Tiffany Esshaki

**Weekly/News Media B - News Enterprise Reporting**

11 Entries

**First Place** *Livonia Observer*

*Teen's murder case in mom's death in limbo as appeals court meets this week*

Susan Vela

**Second Place** *Grosse Pointe News*

*Provençal properties petition to be annexed*

Laurel Kraus

**Third Place** *Livonia Observer*

*Mill Run project*

David Veselenak

**Honorable Mention** *Leelanau Enterprise*

*Volunteers Needed*

Daniel Fortune

**Weekly/News Media C - News Enterprise Reporting**

19 Entries

**First Place** *Gaylord Herald Times*

*Adult survivor shares experiences of child abuse by former teacher*

Arielle Breen

**Second Place** *Gaylord Herald Times*

*Handcuffed series*

Brian Bliss

**Third Place** *The Tri-City Times*  
*Breaking the Cycle*  
 Catherine Minolli  
**Honorable Mention** *Tecumseh Herald*  
*Jackie Koch - Donation Bins*  
 Jackie Koch

**Weekly/News Media D - News Enterprise Reporting**  
 15 Entries  
**First Place** *Michigan Advance*  
*Oscoda residents vent to Air Force brass about PFAS worries*  
 Michael Gerstein  
**Second Place** *Michigan Advance*  
*Michigan State Police is a long way from true diversity, critics say*  
 Ken Coleman  
**Third Place** *Michigan Advance*  
*How to build a better Michigan House map*  
 Nick Manes  
**Honorable Mention** *Michigan Advance*  
*Pro-LGBTQ officials running Michigan is a sea change*  
 Derek Robertson, Susan J. Demas

**News Photo**

**Daily A - News Photo**  
 22 Entries  
**First Place** *Flint Journal*  
*Eight hospitalized after truck smashes into Flint protest*  
 Jake May  
**Second Place** *Flint Journal*  
*Like a good neighbor*  
 Jake May  
**Third Place** *Kalamazoo Gazette*  
*Sentencing*  
 Emil Lippe  
**Honorable Mention** *Detroit Free Press*  
*Justice for James*  
 Junfu Han

**Daily B - News Photo**  
 24 Entries  
**First Place** *Jackson Citizen Patriot*  
*Court tears*  
 Mary Lewandowski  
**Second Place** *Bay City Times*  
*This was Supposed to be Our Forever Home*  
 Jake May  
**Third Place** *The Ann Arbor News*  
*Murdered mom*  
 Jacob Hamilton  
**Honorable Mention** *Muskegon Chronicle*  
*Car in pool after police pursuit*  
 Mike Krebs

**Daily C - News Photo**  
 15 Entries  
**First Place** *Midland Daily News*  
*Veterans Day at MHS*  
 Katy Kildee  
**Second Place** *Midland Daily News*  
*Before the Auction*  
 Katy Kildee  
**Third Place** *Midland Daily News*

*House fire silhouette*  
 Katy Kildee  
**Honorable Mention** *Midland Daily News*  
*Firefighter pause*  
 Katy Kildee

**Daily D - News Photo**  
 12 Entries  
**First Place** *Huron Daily Tribune*  
*Broken turbine*  
 Renee Willis  
**Second Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*9 fire departments respond to Main Farms storage unit blaze*  
 Cory Smith  
**Third Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Party for Peyton*  
 Cory Smith  
**Honorable Mention** *The Daily Globe*  
*Burn baby burn: Norrie tree burn carries on in winter weather*  
 Richard Jenkins

**Weekly/News Media A - News Photo**  
 5 Entries  
**First Place** *Tri-County Times*  
*Derek Watson waits in court with family for his criminal sexual conduct case verdict*  
 Tim Jagielo  
**Second Place** *Chalkbeat*  
*The children of 8B: One classroom, 31 journeys, and the reason its so hard to fix Detroit's schools*  
 Anthony Lanzilote  
**Third Place** *Huron County View*  
*Harbor Beach house fire*  
 Ben Muir

**Weekly/News Media B - News Photo**  
 1 Entries  
**First Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*House fire*  
 Renee Landuyt

**Weekly/News Media C - News Photo**  
 5 Entries  
**First Place** *Oceana's Herald-Journal*  
*Fire destroys Hart Lake home*  
 John Cavanagh  
**Second Place** *Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News*  
*NO SERIOUS INJURIES REPORTED*  
 Krista Tacey-Cater  
**Third Place** *Belleville-Area Independent*  
*Toxic Algae*  
 James Otzman  
**Honorable Mention** *Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News*  
*Spring Cleaning & Flower Prep*  
 Krista Tacey-Cater

**Weekly/News Media D - News Photo**  
 15 Entries  
**First Place** *The Advance*  
*Movie night fun*  
 Brad Heineman

**Second Place** *Michigan Advance*  
*The MSU campus after interim President John Engler's resignation*  
 Michael Gerstein

**Third Place** *The Advance*  
*Helicopter lands in soybean field*  
 Melissa Burnor

**Honorable Mention** *Michigan Advance*  
*State police officer rides bike in the snow near the Capitol even during a state weather emergency*  
 Michael Gerstein

**Photo Story**

**Daily A - Photo Story**  
 20 Entries

**First Place** *Grand Rapids Press*  
*Quinn James convicted of murder in killing of East Kentwood student Mujey Dumbuya*  
 Cory Morse

**Second Place** *Flint Journal*  
*Five years too long*  
 Jake May

**Third Place** *Detroit Free Press*  
*Goodbye to the Queen*  
 Staff

**Honorable Mention** *Flint Journal*  
*Scouting for life*  
 Kaiti Sullivan

**Daily B - Photo Story**  
 23 Entries

**First Place** *Saginaw News*  
*Officer Down*  
 Kaytie Boomer

**Second Place** *The Ann Arbor News*  
*Detroit remembers Aretha Franklin*  
 Tanya Moutzalias

**Third Place** *Holland Sentinel*  
*Polar vortex blasts Holland*  
 Brian Vernellis

**Honorable Mention** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
*Cpl. Charles Lawler*  
 Jan-Michael Stump

**Daily C - Photo Story**  
 7 Entries

**First Place** *Midland Daily News*  
*We Are Midland County*  
 Katy Kildee

**Second Place** *Midland Daily News*  
*More Than Firefighters*  
 Katy Kildee

**Third Place** *Midland Daily News*  
*A Family, A Fair*  
 Katy Kildee

**Honorable Mention** *The Daily News, Iron Mountain*  
*Returning birds make for a rainbow at the feeders*  
 Betsy Bloom

**Daily D - Photo Story**  
 6 Entries

**First Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Party for Peyton*

Cory Smith  
**Second Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Awaiting an 'awesome' future*

Cory Smith  
**Third Place** *Manistee News-Advocate*  
*MUDDY MEMORIES*  
 Dylan Savela

**Weekly/News Media B - Photo Story**  
 1 Entries

**First Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*  
*Suttons Bay Graduation*  
 Daniel Fortune

**Weekly/News Media C - Photo Story**  
 13 Entries

**First Place** *Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News*  
*RHS Steel Syndicate rocks the airwaves*  
 Krista Tacey-Cater

**Second Place** *Presque Isle County Advance/Onaway Outlook*  
*Posen Potato Festival*  
 Peter Jakey

**Third Place** *Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News*  
 Yo-Yo  
 Krista Tacey-Cater

**Honorable Mention** *The Record*  
*Birds say spring is around the corner*  
 Andrea Rose Meldrum

**Weekly/News Media D - Photo Story**  
 8 Entries

**First Place** *Flintside*  
*A look back at Alley Fest 2019*  
 Mike Naddeo

**Second Place** *The Advance*  
*Memorial Day celebrated locally*  
 Ashliegh Bruneau, Melissa Burnor

**Third Place** *The Boyne City Gazette*  
*Girl Scouts Investiture Ceremony*  
 Christopher Faulknor

**Honorable Mention** *The Advance*  
*Blissfield Class of 2019 Graduation*  
 Ashliegh Bruneau

**Special Section**

**Daily A - Special Section**  
 7 Entries

**First Place** *Detroit Free Press*  
*Corktown: Seven stories about Detroit's oldest neighborhood*  
 John Carlisle, Ryan Garza

**Second Place** *Lansing State Journal*  
*Forward Momentum*  
 LSJ Staff

**Third Place** *Bridge Magazine*  
*Fixing Michigan's road mess*  
 Bridge Staff

**Honorable Mention** *Detroit Free Press*  
*Aretha Louise Franklin: Eternal respect*  
 Detroit Free Press Staff

**Daily B - Special Section**

5 Entries

**First Place**

*Football Preview*

Scott McNeish

**Daily Telegram**

**Second Place**

*Grand Traverse Scene*

Record-Eagle staff

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

**Third Place**

*Monroe Magazine*

Staff

**The Monroe News**

**Honorable Mention**

*The Playbook*

Record-Eagle staff

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

**Daily C - Special Section**

9 Entries

**First Place**

*WWI*

LDN staff

**Ludington Daily News**

**Second Place**

*50th Anniversary Man on the Moon*

LDN Staff

**Ludington Daily News**

**Third Place**

*"Happily Ever After" bridal magazine*

HP Staff

**Herald-Palladium**

**Honorable Mention**

*Logging Today*

Staff

**The Daily News, Iron Mountain**

**Daily D - Special Section**

15 Entries

**First Place**

*Horizons 2019: Made in Michiana*

Staff

**Niles Daily Star**

**Second Place**

*Niles Chamber Guide*

Ambrosia Neldon, Kelsey Hammon, Emily Sobecki

**Niles Daily Star**

**Third Place**

*Wedding Guide*

Staff

**Greenville Daily News**

**Honorable Mention**

*Winter Sports All-Area*

Ryan Schlehuber, Alex Freeman

Jenny Johnson, North Branch Area Schools Staff

**Greenville Daily News**

**Weekly/News Media A - Special Section**

6 Entries

**First Place**

*Lake Living*

Sales Team, Comp Team

**Tri-County Times**

**Second Place**

*Women in Agriculture*

Ben Muir, Liz LaFave

**Huron County View**

**Third Place**

*Welcome Summer*

Staff

**Lapeer Area View**

**Honorable Mention**

*School Talk*

**Lapeer Area View**

**Weekly/News Media B - Special Section**

5 Entries

**First Place**

*Leelanau Color Tour 2019*

Enterprise Staff

**Leelanau Enterprise**

**Second Place**

*Best of the Best*

Jenny Johnson

**Davison Index**

**Third Place**

*Fall Sports Preview*

Bob St. John

**Grosse Pointe News**

**Honorable Mention**

*The Final Frontier*

Staff

**Leelanau Enterprise**

**Weekly/News Media C - Special Section**

18 Entries

**First Place**

*Homefront - Winter 18-19*

Nanci Heiney, Suzanne Hayes

**Tecumseh Herald**

**Second Place**

*Homefront - Fall 2018*

Nanci Heiney, Suzanne Hayes

**Tecumseh Herald**

**Third Place**

*Homefront - Summer 2019*

Nanci Heiney, Suzanne Hayes

**Tecumseh Herald**

**Honorable Mention**

*2018 Autumn/Winter Events and Adventures Guide*

Lyn Baxter

**The Record**

**Weekly/News Media D - Special Section**

5 Entries

**First Place**

*Hall of Fame 2019*

Lee Dryden, Heather Heater

**Michigan Lawyers Weekly**

**Second Place**

*Voices From The Past: A Collection of WWI Soldiers' Letters*

Staff

**Newberry News**

**Third Place**

*Edwardsburg State Championship Magazine*

Scott Novak, Ambrosia Neldon, Emily Sobecki

**Edwardsburg Argus**

**Honorable Mention**

*Destination Detroit*

Melissa Burnor, Brad Heineman, Marcia Loader, Eric May, Ashliegh

Bruneau

**The Advance**

**Sports Feature**

**Daily A - Sports Feature**

16 Entries

**First Place**

*Finding Joe Murphy*

Jeff Seidel

**Detroit Free Press**

**Second Place**

*Almost murdered: The harrowing tale of one Lions player's trip to Haiti*

Kyle Meinke

**Grand Rapids Press**

**Third Place**

*Khari Willis, the Indianapolis Colts and the realization of an NFL dream*

Matt Wenzel

**Grand Rapids Press**

**Honorable Mention**

*Madden is more than a game, it's a six-figure income*

Phil Friend

**Lansing State Journal**

**Daily B - Sports Feature**

28 Entries

**First Place** *Bay City Times*

*Gymnast-turned-lineman Grant Toutant is flippin impressive for DeLaSalle, Ohio State*

Lee Thompson

**Second Place** *Battle Creek Enquirer*

*When their coach didn't show, Battle Creek basketball team got an assist from Mason coach*

Nick Buckley

**Third Place** *Bay City Times*

*From 'life sucks' to lifesaver: Softball star's extraordinary ride home*

Lee Thompson

**Honorable Mention** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*

*New program increases coach involvement in sex abuse prevention*

Jake Atnip

**Daily C - Sports Feature**

17 Entries

**First Place** *Livingston County Daily Press & Argus*

*Injured Howell football standout: I'm happy its me and none of them*

Bill Khan

**Second Place** *Petoskey News-Review*

*In awe of Inanna*

Drew Kochanny

**Third Place** *Cadillac News*

*This is my school*

Marc Vieau

**Honorable Mention** *Herald-Palladium*

*Beyond basketball*

Ben Sanders

**Daily D - Sports Feature**

28 Entries

**First Place** *Greenville Daily News*

*Back on track*

Ryan Schlehuber

**Second Place** *Greenville Daily News*

*One thumb up*

Alex Freeman

**Third Place** *Hillsdale Daily News*

*End of an Era*

James Gensterblum

**Honorable Mention** *Greenville Daily News*

*Honoring a Ram*

Ryan Schlehuber

**Weekly/News Media A - Sports Feature**

4 Entries

**First Place** *Tri-County Times*

*Phoebe, 7, makes her Draft Day decision*

David Troppens

**Second Place** *Tri-County Times*

*The Face of Holly wrestling, Don Pluta, retiring after state meet*

David Troppens

**Third Place** *Huron County View*

*For Mom: Heidi Bogan to run in Chicago Marathon for cancer awareness*

Paul P. Adams

**Honorable Mention** *Huron County View*

*Homecoming: USA Host basketball game*

Paul P. Adams

**Weekly/News Media B - Sports Feature**

7 Entries

*Good variety of entries. Something for everyone.*

**First Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*

*Suttons Bay Football Celebrates 50 Years*

Grant McPherson

**Second Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*

*Schaub makes her mark on record book*

Amy Hubbell

**Third Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*

*Siddall, Comets highlight Dream Team*

Grant McPherson

**Weekly/News Media C - Sports Feature**

18 Entries

**First Place** *Tecumseh Herald*

*Kerry Hamilton Smith - Kanton Wrestling*

Kerry Hamilton Smith

**Second Place** *White Lake Beacon*

*'The missing piece we didn't know we were missing'*

Andy Roberts

**Third Place** *Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News*

*Bobcat in a Bulldog World*

Erick Simons

**Weekly/News Media D - Sports Feature**

8 Entries

**First Place** *Flintside*

*Flintstones carving a new path to NBA -- as writers*

Patrick Hayes

**Second Place** *The Advance*

*Local blind golf official cite by PGA for aiding people with disabilities*

Brad Heineman

**Third Place** *Flintside*

*They're scrappy, determined, and kicking butt: Flint City Bucks to*

*host final four match*

Patrick Hayes

**Honorable Mention** *The Advance*

*Cable returns to gridiron after second cancer*

Melissa Burnor

**Sports Photo**

**Daily A - Sports Photo**

20 Entries

**First Place** *Flint Journal*

*Off the deep end*

Jake May

**Second Place** *Detroit Free Press*

*Up and away*

Junfu Han

**Third Place** *Lansing State Journal*

*Haslett celebrates*

Nick King

**Honorable Mention** *Grand Rapids Press*

*Southfield A&T advances to D1 state championship with win over*

*Muskegon*

Cory Morse

**Daily B - Sports Photo**

29 Entries

**First Place** *Saginaw News*

*A Hard Loss*  
Rachel Ellis  
**Second Place** *Muskegon Chronicle*  
*Students compete in track and field meet*  
Kayla Renie  
**Third Place** *The Ann Arbor News*  
*Mudbowl*  
Jacob Hamilton  
**Honorable Mention** *Jackson Citizen Patriot*  
*State Champs*  
J. Scott Park

**Daily C - Sports Photo**  
19 Entries  
**First Place** *Herald-Palladium*  
*Safe at home*  
Don Campbell  
**Second Place** *The Daily News, Iron Mountain*  
*Mountaineers fall in state finals*  
Adam Niemi  
**Third Place** *Herald-Palladium*  
*Smoky start*  
Don Campbell  
**Honorable Mention** *Midland Daily News*  
*Regionals Win*  
Katy Kildee

**Daily D - Sports Photo**  
13 Entries  
**First Place** *Niles Daily Star*  
*Bobcats hold of late Niles rally for a victory*  
Scott Novak  
**Second Place** *Niles Daily Star*  
*'Distracted' Niles still routs Wildcats*  
Scott Novak  
**Third Place** *Manistee News-Advocate*  
*How sweet it is - top photo*  
Dylan Savela  
**Honorable Mention** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Better than expected*  
Ryan Schlehuber

**Weekly/News Media A - Sports Photo**  
5 Entries  
**First Place** *Township View*  
*Katherine Felton collides with the Bad Axe goalie*  
Lamont Lenar  
**Second Place** *Township View*  
*Mallory McCartney runs past the Powers defenders*  
Lamont Lenar  
**Third Place** *Huron County View*  
*Liam Anderson bunker shot*  
Paul P. Adams  
**Honorable Mention** *Tri-County Times*  
*(Above) Fenton's Lauren Murphy taps a ball into the net for the only goal in the Tigers' 1-0 victory against Goodrich on Wednesday.*  
David Troppens

**Weekly/News Media B - Sports Photo**  
11 Entries  
**First Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*  
*Leland Advances To Final Four*

Grant McPherson  
**Second Place** *Spinal Column Newsweekly*  
*Sliding into home plate - he scores!*  
Chris Wall  
**Third Place** *Spinal Column Newsweekly*  
*Lakeland Track Athlete crosses finish line first*  
Chris Wall  
**Honorable Mention** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*South beats ULS*  
Renato Jamett

**Weekly/News Media C - Sports Photo**  
33 Entries  
**First Place** *The Tri-City Times*  
*Capacs Jordan Hellmuth (R) looks to make a*  
Kevin Kissane  
**Second Place** *White Lake Beacon*  
*Lumen Christi wears down Cats*  
Andy Roberts  
**Third Place** *The County Press, Lapeer*  
*Bindschatel sets up for the forehand return*  
Lisa Paine  
**Honorable Mention** *Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News*  
*STRETCHING OUT FOR THE SCORE*  
Eric Hamp

**Weekly/News Media D - Sports Photo**  
7 Entries  
**First Place** *The Advance*  
*Whiteford senior running back Logan Murphy...*  
Brad Heineman  
**Second Place** *The Advance*  
*Royal running back Roman Furl was hard to bring down Friday night*  
Melissa Burnor  
**Third Place** *The Advance*  
*Haylie Shiels clears a hurdle*  
Melissa Burnor  
**Honorable Mention** *Edwardsburg Argus*  
*Edwardsburg wins state title*  
Kelly Sweeney

**Sports Writing**

**Daily A - Sports Writing**  
12 Entries  
**First Place** *Grand Rapids Press*  
*Ill punch your eyes shut: Inside the Griffins wild playoff win*  
Peter Wallner  
**Second Place** *Kalamazoo Gazette*  
*A special goal at Portage Central: 'Sometimes life is bigger than game'*  
Patrick Nothaft  
**Third Place** *Grand Rapids Press*  
*As stands were cleared, the Tigers played on: Heres what happened at Comerica Park*  
Evan Woodbery  
**Honorable Mention** *Detroit Free Press*  
*Kid Rock was nice, but Dylan Larkin stole show in one heart-melting moment*  
Jeff Seidel

**Daily B - Sports Writing**



**23 Entries**

**First Place** *Holland Sentinel*

*Taylor Garcia ends spectacular swimming career on the podium*

Dan D'Addona

**Second Place** *Bay City Times*

*Winless or not, Bay City Western players have proud fathers in their corner*

Lee Thompson

**Third Place** *Saginaw News*

*Saginaw Heritage 'sisterhood' takes winning championships to emotional level*

Hugh Bernreuter

**Honorable Mention** *Bay City Times*

*Smalltown pride powers Au Gres as it rewrites 0-12 playoff history*

Lee Thompson

**Daily C - Sports Writing**

**16 Entries**

**First Place** *Livingston County Daily Press & Argus*

*Inspired by 2014 team, Howell wins regional basketball championship*

Bill Khan

**Second Place** *Cadillac News*

*Deja vu all over again*

Marc Vieau

**Third Place** *Cadillac News*

*Tough to take*

Marc Vieau

**onorable Mention** *Midland Daily News*

*Still soaring: Freeland advances to state final*

Fred Kelly

**Daily D - Sports Writing**

**19 Entries**

**First Place** *Greenville Daily News*

*On-the-edge victory*

Ryan Schlehuber

**Second Place** *Hillsdale Daily News*

*A Fresh Start*

James Gensterblum

**Third Place** *Greenville Daily News*

*Double redemption*

Ryan Schlehuber

**Honorable Mention** *Huron Daily Tribune*

*Game-ending triple play gains national attention for USA*

Mike Gallagher

**Weekly/News Media A - Sports Writing**

**1 Entries**

**First Place** *Huron County View*

*Run Until You Fly*

Paul P. Adams

**Weekly/News Media B - Sports Writing**

**4 Entries**

**First Place** *Spinal Column Newsweekly*

*Lakeland HS track athlete Stark aims for another state title*

Terry Foster

**Second Place** *The Citizen, Ortonville*

*56 hours on the Mac*

David Fleet

**Third Place** *Grosse Pointe News*

*Theros picks to be serious student*

Bob St. John

**Honorable Mention**

*South mauls North, 54-0*

Bob St. John

*Grosse Pointe News*

**Weekly/News Media C - Sports Writing**

**18 Entries**

**First Place** *Crawford County Avalanche*

*A Challenge Like No Other (AuSable River Canoe Marathon Preview)*

Caleb Casey

**Second Place** *White Lake Beacon*

*Wildcats walk off winners at Oakridge*

Andy Roberts

**Third Place** *Crawford County Avalanche*

*AuSable Marathon to feature record number of Womens Division teams*

Caleb Casey

**Honorable Mention**

*Oceana's Herald-Journal*

*Tigers outlast Pirates in classic battle*

Andy Roberts

**Weekly/News Media D - Sports Writing**

**4 Entries**

**First Place** *The Advance*

*Royals win second straight district championship*

Marcia Loader

**Second Place** *The Advance*

*Whiteford the last team standing in local softball*

Melissa Burnor

**Third Place** *The Advance*

*Tuttle "it's starting to come together now"*

Melissa Burnor

**Honorable Mention** *The Advance*

*District 81: MHS women champs*

Melissa Burnor

**Spot News Story**

**Daily A - Spot News Story**

**13 Entries**

**First Place** *Bridge Magazine*

*Election coverage*

Bridge Staff

**Second Place** *Detroit Free Press*

*The death of Aretha Franklin*

Detroit Free Press Staff

**Third Place** *Bridge Magazine*

*Lawsuits, ballot reform and sterile deer: a recap of lame duck's longest day*

Riley Beggin, Mike Wilkinson

**Honorable Mention**

*Grand Rapids Press*

*Michigan lawmaker indicted*

John Agar, Lauren Gibbons, Malachi Barrett

**Daily B - Spot News Story**

**29 Entries**

**First Place** *Saginaw News*

*Officer shot during traffic stop in Saginaw County, police search for suspect*

Saginaw News staff

**Second Place** *The Ann Arbor News*

*Students dismissed after girl stabbed at suburban Detroit high school*  
Dana Afana, Gus Burns

**Third Place** **Holland Sentinel**

*Police search Holland home connected to body mutilation suspect*

Audra Gamble

**Honorable Mention** **Saginaw News**

*Truck carrying Christmas tree crashes, giving unexpected gift*

Bob Johnson

**Daily C - Spot News Story**

25 Entries

**First Place** **Cadillac News**

*Storm leaves wide swath of damage, downed trees and power lines*

Staff

**Second Place** **Herald-Palladium**

*Benton Harbor Area Schools fight to stay open*

Louise Wrege

**Third Place** **Grand Haven Tribune**

*Tragic day at Grand Haven State Park*

Becky Vargo

**Honorable Mention** **Alpena News**

*Suspicious mom lands man behind bars*

Julie Riddle

**Daily D - Spot News Story**

27 Entries

**First Place** **Manistee News-Advocate**

*Mann remembered as 'passionate, caring'*

Ashlyn Korienek

**Second Place** **Niles Daily Star**

*Murderer Robert Leamon III has resentencing hearing*

Beau Brockett Jr.

**Third Place** **Sturgis Journal**

*Fire brings fatalities*

Corky Emrick

**Honorable Mention** **Hillsdale Daily News**

Beckhusen

Sam Fry

**Weekly/News Media A - Spot News Story**

12 Entries

**First Place** **Troy Times**

*Barbs fly at Troy City Council meeting*

Terry Oparka

**Second Place** **Troy Times**

*Former Troy city manager pleads to federal bribery charge*

Terry Oparka

**Third Place** **Grosse Pointe Times**

*Fire claims Yorkshire Road home in Grosse Pointe Park*

K. Michelle Moran

**Honorable Mention** **Huron County View**

*Former trooper accused of assault taken into custody after issuing threat*

Ben Muir

**Weekly/News Media B - Spot News Story**

12 Entries

**First Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Cedar Reeling After Bloody Attack*

Amy Hubbell

**Second Place** **Spinal Column Newsweekly**

*Milford Rental Ordinance story*

Julie Freer

**Third Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Ambulance Totaled*

Eric Carlson

**Honorable Mention** **Livonia Observer**

*Alligator owner speaks on Puff's magic Milford escape*

Susan Bromley

**Weekly/News Media C - Spot News Story**

12 Entries

**First Place** **The Tri-City Times**

*Community Stunned double tragedy*

Tom Wearing

**Second Place** **Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News**

*Back to Back Blasts*

Cheryl Holladay, Krista Tacey-Cater, Thomas Reznich, Erick Simons,

Eric Hamp

**Third Place** **Belleville-Area Independent**

*Teacher on porn site pulled from Edgemont class*

Rosemary Oztzman

**Honorable Mention** **The County Press, Lapeer**

*Cleanup of gasoline leak continues*

Jeff Hogan

**Weekly/News Media D - Spot News Story**

12 Entries

**First Place** **The Boyne City Gazette**

*Epithets, Shouting, Disorder Top VOBF Meeting*

Christopher Faulknor, Benjamin Gohs

**Second Place** **The Advance**

*Firefighters response heroic*

Melissa Burnor

**Third Place** **Michigan Advance**

*AG to open hate crime unit amid surge in Michigan extremist groups*

Michael Gerstein

**Honorable Mention** **Oscoda Press**

*OAS transitions to municipal water system*

Patricia Alvord

**Best Coverage of the Suicide Epidemic and Awareness of the issue in Michigan**

**Open Class - Best Coverage of the Suicide Epidemic and Awareness of the issue in Michigan**

7 Entries

**First Place** **Sturgis Journal**

*Teen suicide series*

Rosalie Currier, Michelle Patrick, Corky Emrick

**Second Place** **Michigan Advance**

*Study: Deaths of despair could drop with EITC, minimum wage*

*boosts*

Derek Robertson

**Third Place** **Bridge Magazine**

*suicide in Michigan*

Ted Roelofs

**Best FOIA Story**

**Open Class - Best FOIA Story**

32 Entries

*Lots of great use of FOIA to report facts and data to local communities.*

**First Place** **Detroit Free Press**

Mayor Mike Duggan set her up to succeed. That raises questions.

Kat Stafford, Joe Guillen

**Second Place** **Grand Rapids Press**

Businesses discharging PFAS into Michigan's waterways

Paula Gardner, Garret Ellison

**Third Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

Grand Traverse County jail captain

Mark Johnson, Alexa Zoellner

**Honorable Mention** **Bridge Magazine**

Michigan lobbyist for polluter wrote law easing toxic cleanups, emails show

Craig Mauger, Jim Malewitz

### Best Headline

**Open Class - Best Headline**

47 Entries

**First Place** **Battle Creek Enquirer**

Under ex-CEO, Summit Pointe misspent millions (and bought an \$838 bobcat suit), audit says

Matthew Miller

**Second Place** **The Ann Arbor News**

Pending pot cases might be puffed and passed in Washtenaw County

Darcie Moran

**Third Place** **Detroit Free Press**

BRIDGES TOO FAR .... GONE

Janet Graham

**Honorable Mention** **The Daily News, Iron Mountain**

No Cain Do: Brewers OF saves HR to preserve Opening Day win

Adam Niemi

### Best Photo

**Open Class - Best Photo**

17 Entries

**First Place** **Grand Rapids Press**

"Duck dispute"

Cory Morse

**Second Place** **Flint Journal**

He couldn't live his life

Jake May

**Third Place** **Saginaw News**

Mourning at the Mosque

Rachel Ellis

**Honorable Mention** **The Ann Arbor News**

Mudbowl

Jacob Hamilton

### Best Podcast

**Open Class - Best Podcast**

10 Entries

**First Place** **Holland Sentinel**

Sentinel discusses charges against Jared Chance

Audra Gamble, Sarah Leach, Brian Vernellis

**Second Place** **The Ann Arbor News**

When a killer calls

Darcie Moran, Gus Burns, Tanya Moutzalias, Bob Johnson

**Third Place** **Holland Sentinel**

Shakeup in Hope College Music Department

Sarah Leach, Brian Vernellis

**Honorable Mention** **Holland Sentinel**

The latest on shooting death of Troy "TJ" Wells

Audra Gamble, Sarah Leach, Brian Vernellis

### Best Video Presentation

**Open Class - Best Video Presentation**

35 Entries

**First Place** **Detroit Free Press**

This is Corktown

Ryan Garza, Brian Kaufman, John Carlisle

**Second Place** **Lansing State Journal**

90-year-old Santa meant forever when he said forever

Matthew Dae Smith

**Third Place** **GreatLakesNow.org**

You've Got Mail

Rob Green, Jordan Wingrove, Ward Detwiler, Matt Ilas

**Honorable Mention** **Saginaw News**

Sex abuse scandal hits Catholic Church in Michigan

Kaytie Boomer

### Best Website

**Open Class - Best Website**

18 Entries

**First Place** **Flintside**

Flintside

Flintside staff

**Second Place** **Grand Haven Tribune**

Grand Haven Tribune

Staff

**Third Place** **Bridge Magazine**

Bridge Magazine

AJ Jones

**Honorable Mention** **The Daily News, Iron Mountain**

The Daily News, Iron Mountain [www.ironmountaindailynews.com](http://www.ironmountaindailynews.com)

Staff

### Best Writing

**Open Class - Best Writing**

43 Entries

Good writing coming from Michigan

**First Place** **Detroit Free Press**

Oakland County woman describes torture, abuse from husband and the day she killed him

Kristen Jordan Shamus

**Second Place** **Chalkbeat**

If we dont learn from this one, shame on us: Lessons from a Detroit charter school that was set up to fail

Koby Levin

**Third Place** **The Ann Arbor News**

A 16-year-old got life in prison. At 44, learning to live on the outside.

Darcie Afana

**Honorable Mention** **Grand Rapids Press**

How an 800-mile canoe trip became a turning point in Michigan history

Emily Bingham

### Most Innovative Story Telling

**Open Class - Most Innovative Story Telling**

20 Entries

**First Place** **Saginaw News**

*Saginaw Catholic diocese stonewalled investigators in sex abuse case*

Saginaw News staff

**Second Place** **Detroit Free Press**

*Obama administration debated if GM, Chrysler should stay in Detroit*  
Staff

**Third Place** **Lansing State Journal**

*Tear gas, shattered windows and burning cars: How the 1999 riot went down in East Lansing*

Eric Lacy, RJ Wolcott

**Honorable Mention** **Holland Sentinel**

*They loved unconditionally: Parents memorialize newlywed couple killed just weeks after wedding*

Audra Gamble

**Public Notice Journalism Award**

**Open Class - Public Notice Journalism Award**

3 Entries

**First Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Affordable Home*

Eric Carlson

**Second Place** **The Daily News, Iron Mountain**

*DCHS sets hearing on \$25M in borrowing*

Jim Anderson

**Third Place** **Greenville Daily News**

*Gov. Whitmer tells journalists she'll strengthen transparency laws*

Elisabeth Waldon

**Public Service Award**

**Open Class - Public Service Award**

15 Entries

**First Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Grand Traverse County jail*

Record-Eagle staff

**Second Place** **The Ann Arbor News**

*How housing choice vouchers contribute to modern-day segregation*

Lauren Slagter

**Third Place** **Cadillac News**

PFAS

Karen Hopper Usher

**Honorable Mention** **Holland Sentinel**

*Close to Home series*

Kate Carlson, Erin Dietzer, Audra Gamble, Sarah Heth, Lori Timmer

**Rookie Writer**

**Open Class - Rookie Writer**

12 Entries

**First Place** **Lansing State Journal**

*Portfolio of Kara Berg, Lansing State Journal*

Kara Berg

**Second Place** **Greenville Daily News**

*Brandon Schreur*

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**Third Place** **Alpena News**

*Julie Goldberg*

Julie Goldberg

**Honorable Mention** **Kalamazoo Gazette**

*Kayla Miller*

Kayla Miller

**Best Digital Ad**

**Open Class - Best Digital Ad**

2 Entries

**First Place** **Cadillac News**

*Real Estate One - Michelle - Online ad*

Kevin Mist

**Second Place** **Cadillac News**

*Ebels Hardware - online ad*

Kevin Mist

**Community Business Promotions**

**Open Class - Community Business Promotions**

36 Entries

**First Place** **Ludington Daily News**

*Brrrewfest*

Judy Lytle

**Second Place** **Cadillac News**

*Campground & Summer Fun Directory 2019*

Sales Team , Graphics

**Third Place** **Tecumseh Herald**

*A Clinton Christmas Story*

Nanci Heiney

**Honorable Mention** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Boater Safety*

Mike Anderson

**Entertaining Services**

**Open Class - Entertaining Services**

21 Entries

**First Place** **Tecumseh Herald**

*TCA - Season Preview*

Nanci Heiney

**Second Place** **Ludington Daily News**

*Bridal Show*

Judy Lytle

**Third Place** **Cadillac News**

*Whitefish Lodge*

Kevin Mist

**Honorable Mention** **Cadillac News**

*Pilgrim Village Fishing Shop - Spring Fishing Ad*

Katheryn Kidder , Graphics

**General Retail**

**Open Class - General Retail**

46 Entries

**First Place** **Tecumseh Herald**

*Kapnick Orchards - Summer Fruit*

Nanci Heiney

**Second Place** **Ludington Daily News**

*Ice Box Brand*

Julie Eilers

**Third Place** **Ludington Daily News**

*We have the solutions - Catchmark Technology*

Judy Lytle

**Honorable Mention** **Cadillac News**

*CAPS Enrollment Ad*

Mark Featherston , Graphics

**Home Furnishings**

**Open Class - Home Furnishings**

17 Entries

**First Place**

*Lil House of Carpet*

Terese Allen, Lorie Gavulic

**Tri-County Times**

**Second Place**

*Cooper's Floor Covering*

Julie Eilers

**Ludington Daily News**

**Third Place**

*Founder's Day Sale*

Julie Eilers

**White Lake Beacon**

**Honorable Mention**

*Preferred Marble & Granite*

Anna Brylkowski

**Birmingham-Bloomfield Eagle**

**Home Services**

**Open Class - Home Services**

18 Entries

**First Place**

*Atlas Outdoor*

Tiffany Marchand, Rebecca Andreski

**Tri-County Times**

**Second Place**

*McNeill Construction*

Kathleen Smith, Lorie Gavulic

**Tri-County Times**

**Third Place**

*Patrick Widing*

Terese Allen

**Tri-County Times**

**Honorable Mention**

*Martech*

Julie Eilers

**White Lake Beacon**

**New and Used Vehicles**

**Open Class - New and Used Vehicles**

17 Entries

**First Place**

*Suburban - Summer Homefront*

Nanci Heiney

**Tecumseh Herald**

**Second Place**

*Classic Chevrolet - Reindeer Ad*

Katheryn Kidder, Graphics

**Cadillac News**

**Third Place**

*Jeep Gladiator*

Nancy Mitchell

**Lapeer Area View**

**Honorable Mention**

*Ray C's Open House*

Nancy Mitchell

**Lapeer Area View**

**Real Estate**

**Open Class - Real Estate**

15 Entries

**First Place**

*Jenn Kerstetter - Family*

Cory Mathis

**Tecumseh Herald**

**Second Place**

*Jeffrey Glover*

Tiffany Marchand

**Tri-County Times**

**Third Place**

*Schaub Team*

**Leelanau Enterprise**

Jason Plowman

**Honorable Mention**

*Folio*

Anna Brylkowski

**Birmingham-Bloomfield Eagle**

**Restaurants**

**Open Class - Restaurants**

27 Entries

**First Place**

*Meckley's - Excellence on Tap*

Koda Woodward

**Tecumseh Herald**

**Second Place**

*Breakfast with Benefits*

Judy Lytle

**Ludington Daily News**

**Third Place**

*Mug Club*

Judy Lytle

**Ludington Daily News**

**Honorable Mention**

*La Mia Lebanese Cuisine*

Brooke Wagenknecht

**Birmingham-Bloomfield Eagle**

**Small Ads Work**

**Open Class - Small Ads Work**

20 Entries

**First Place**

*The Dog House - Energy Saving Mode*

Nanci Heiney

**Tecumseh Herald**

**Second Place**

*American Legion Bingo*

Lynn Donohue, Matt Danielson

**Spinal Column Newsweekly**

**Third Place**

*Handler Funeral Homes - Cherish the Memories*

Cory Mathis

**Tecumseh Herald**

**Honorable Mention**

*Williams and Bay Pumping*

Creative Dept

**Leelanau Enterprise**