

# 2024 MPA Better Newspaper Contest



## Statewide Contest Spotlights Quality Journalism

Members of Wisconsin Press Association reviewed 2,928 entries submitted by 93 Michigan newspapers/Individual members this year. The competition inspires all journalists to produce their best work, which in turn, nurtures stronger communities.

“The annual Michigan Press Association Better Newspaper Contest gives our members a chance each year to assess and put forth their team’s best work in journalism, photojournalism, column writing, graphic design and advertising. After the judges have reviewed the thousands of submissions and made their decisions, awards will be given, bragging rights established and perhaps a few toasts made to the winners. It is a rare moment in our profession where we allow ourselves to reflect and experience something akin to satisfaction for a job well done. Anyone in this business today is in it, not for kudos, but because of a passion and desire to serve our readers, our advertisers and our communities. For us the work is the reward. But on the occasion of MPA BNC contest awards, let’s take a moment to say to all our coworkers and all our colleagues, good job! And to the winners — Congratulations!”

— Wes Smith, Michigan Press Association Past-President and Group Publisher of View Newspaper Group

The 2024 “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 Publication Newspapers of the Year	
Circulation Class	Newspaper	Circulation Class	Newspaper
Class A	Detroit News	Class A	Huron County View
Class B	Traverse City Record-Eagle	Class B	Leelanau Enterprise
Class C	Midland Daily News	Class C	Grosse Pointe News
Class D	Flint Journal	Class D	Newberry News

**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 – over 15,000; Weekly Class B – 7,001-15,000; Weekly Class C – 3,001-7,000; Weekly Class D – 3,000 and under.

**The 2024 Advertising Contest-Daily** this year we broke the Excellence in Advertising award into 2 different categories. We have the Daily and Non-Daily (Weekly/News Media publications). We based this award on points accumulated (100 for first, 70 for second and 40 for third) in all seventeen advertising categories. The three finalists for the Excellence in Advertising Daily class are: Greenville Daily News, Ludington Daily News and Cadillac News, with the winner being the **Cadillac News**.

**The 2024 Advertising Contest-Non-Daily** this year we broke the Excellence in Advertising award into 2 different categories. We have the Daily and Non-Daily (Weekly/News Media publications). We based this award on points accumulated (100 for first, 70 for second and 40 for third) in all seventeen advertising categories. The three finalists for the Excellence in Advertising Non-Daily class are: Leelanau Enterprise, Grosse Pointe News, and Tecumseh Herald, with the winner being the **Grosse Pointe News**.

**The MPA Rookie Writer Award** recognizes exemplary efforts of new writers just breaking into journalism. The three finalists are: Abby Poirier of Crains Grand Rapids Business, Aya Miller of Kalamazoo Gazette and Michael Livingston of Traverse City Record-Eagle, with the award going to **Aya Miller**.

**The Best FOIA Story Award** recognizes the best story using FOIA as the main tool to gain information. This award will shine a spotlight on the importance of FOIA in getting information about what is going on in government. The best story using FOIA as the main tool to gain information. The three finalists are: Grand Rapids Press for “How much conservative law firm got paid”, Detroit News for “1 in 5 Michigan lawmakers have signed pact to keep taxpayer-subsidized projects secret”, and Saginaw News for “Secure Cities”, with the award going to **Saginaw News**.

**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. Winners of those awards are listed below based on their circulation Class:

- Daily A: Detroit News for “Trump, false electors fallout”
- Daily B: Traverse City Record-Eagle for “Homeless in Traverse City”
- Daily C: Holland Sentinel for “Budget Battles in Ottawa County”
- Daily D: Flint Journal for “10 years after it was triggered, Flint remembers the beginning of the water crisis”
- Weekly C: Grosse Pointe News for “City’s takes down Lululemon theft ring”

***The 2025 MPA Better Newspaper Contest opens August 1, 2025.***

**Class 37 - Spot News Story**

**Daily A - Class 37 - Spot News Story**

7 Entries

**1st Place**

*Tornado coverage*

Staff

**Grand Rapids Press**

**2nd Place**

**Detroit News**

*Rochester Hills splash pad shooter found dead; wounded victims include two boys*

Staff

**3rd Place**

**Detroit News**

*Jennifer Crumbley found guilty*

Julia Cardi, Kara Berg

**Daily B - Class 37 - Spot News Story**

3 Entries

**1st Place**

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Whitmer kidnap trial verdict*

Mardi Link

**2nd Place**

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*County commissioner arrested in undercover op*

Staff

**3rd Place**

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Cybercrime hits Traverse City school district*

Staff

**Daily C - Class 37 - Spot News Story**

13 Entries

**1st Place**

**Holland Sentinel**

*Deptment of Energy grants \$1.5B loan to restart Palisades*

Mitchell Boatman

**2nd Place**

**Midland Daily News**

*Adam Heinrich faces charges in Atlanta, Georgia, after using racial slur, fighting with police*

Tereasa Nims

**3rd Place**

**Alpena News**

*Elk living its best life in Rogers City*

Steve Schulwitz

**Daily D - Class 37 - Spot News Story**

31 Entries

**1st Place**

**Kalamazoo Gazette**

*Reported tornadoes rock Southwest Michigan, leaving people trapped and homes destroyed*

Staff

**2nd Place**

**Muskegon Chronicle**

*'People don't know what to do': Muskegon residents pick up pieces after major storm*

Kayla Tucker

**3rd Place**

**The Ann Arbor News**

*National championship fires*

Jordyn Pair, Sam Dodge

**Weekly A - Class 37 - Spot News Story**

10 Entries

**1st Place**

**Grand Blanc View**

*Kildee shooting*

Madeline Campbell

**2nd Place**

**Grand Blanc View**

*Truck spill*

Gary Gould

**3rd Place**

*Davison fire*

Gary Gould

**Grand Blanc View**

**Weekly B - Class 37 - Spot News Story**

8 Entries

**1st Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*Kramer resigns*

Zachary Marano

**2nd Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*Report diagnosis malaise*

Zachary Marano

**3rd Place**

**The Citizen, Ortonville**

*Special delivery en route to hospital*

Shelby Stewart-Soldan

**Weekly C - Class 37 - Spot News Story**

12 Entries

**1st Place**

**The Globe**

*Fire rakes fairgrounds*

P.J. Glisson

**2nd Place**

**St. Ignace News**

*Sault Nurses Strike*

Erich T. Doerr

**3rd Place**

**St. Ignace News**

*Mackinac Island Community Mourns Seasonal*

Stephanie Fortino

**Weekly D - Class 37 - Spot News Story**

9 Entries

**1st Place**

**Newberry News**

*Who runs the school? Discipline questioned at TAS*

Sterling McGinn

**2nd Place**

**Oxford Leader**

*Fire department rescues two teens who fell through ice on Squaw Lake*

Jim Newell

**3rd Place**

**Newberry News**

*Can your DNA help solve this mystery?*

Carol Stiffler

**Class 38 - News Enterprise Reporting**

**Daily A - Class 38 - News Enterprise Reporting**

20 Entries

**1st Place**

**Detroit Free Press**

*Crumbelys on Trial*

Tresa Baldas

**2nd Place**

**Detroit News**

*William Smith's business empire crumbles*

Staff

**2nd Place**

**Grand Rapids Press**

*Ottawa County health officer saga*

Audra Gamble, Michael Kransz

**3rd Place**

**Detroit News**

*Guarding the Great Lakes*

Carol Thompson

**Honorable Mention**

**Grand Rapids Press**

*Nuclear Energy is getting a reaction in Michigan*

Garret Ellison, Sheri McWhirter

**Daily B - Class 38 - News Enterprise Reporting**

8 Entries

**1st Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*

*Hidden camera found in coffee shop restroom*

Elizabeth Brewer, Ted Wendling, Michael Breazeale

**2nd Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*

*State police go dark on disclosure of fatalities*

Ted Wendling, Elizabeth Brewer

**3rd Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*

*Outsourcing inmates*

Ted Wendling, Elizabeth Brewer

**Daily D - Class 38 - News Enterprise Reporting**

34 Entries

**1st Place** *Muskegon Chronicle*

*Timothy's tragic story: Teen murdered by mom exposes troubling*

*holes in child welfare system*

Brad Massman

**2nd Place** *Kalamazoo Gazette*

*Homelessness series*

Ryan Boldrey, Audrey Whitaker

**3rd Place** *Muskegon Chronicle*

*2 deaths in 7 years: Silver Lake Sand Dunes are 'relatively safe,'*

*sheriff say*

Kayla Tucker

**Weekly A - Class 38 - News Enterprise Reporting**

16 Entries

**1st Place** *Tri-County Times*

*Detective determined to solve Randa's missing person case*

Sharon Stone

**2nd Place** *Grand Blanc View*

*ARPA Spending*

Gary Gould, Lania Rocha, Madeline Campbell

**3rd Place** *Tri-County Times*

*Talks underway to bring Jelly Roll to jail*

Sharon Stone

**Weekly B - Class 38 - News Enterprise Reporting**

6 Entries

**1st Place** *The Citizen, Ortonville*

*Abigail's Pride in Ortonville*

Shelby Stewart-Soldan

**2nd Place** *The Citizen, Ortonville*

*Michigan Family Protection Act soon to be law; Gov. Whitmer signs*

*Michigan Family Protection Act*

Shelby Stewart-Soldan

**3rd Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*

*Short-term rentals*

Brian Freiburger

**Weekly C - Class 38 - News Enterprise Reporting**

10 Entries

**1st Place** *St. Ignace News*

*Mackinac Straits Transportation*

Stephanie Fortino

**2nd Place** *Sanilac County News*

*Prison door slams on child kidnapper*

Casey Johnson

**3rd Place** *Sanilac County News*

*Judge: 'You destroyed your daughter's childhood'*

Casey Johnson

**Weekly D - Class 38 - News Enterprise Reporting**

3 Entries

**1st Place**

*What is it like to call 988?*

Carol Stiffler

*Newberry News*

**2nd Place**

*Can Columbus Township survive?*

Sterling McGinn

*Newberry News*

**3rd Place**

*PFAS Contamination Coverage*

Jenny Haglund

*Oscoda Press*

**Class 39 - Government/Education News**

**Daily A - Class 39 - Government/Education News**

17 Entries

**1st Place**

*Error-filled child abuse investigation reports lead to charges against*

*two families*

Kara Berg

*Detroit News*

**2nd Place**

*Ex-leader sues Michigan Christian college for losing job over alleged*

*'inappropriate' texts"*

Kim Kozlowski

*Detroit News*

**3rd Place**

*Grade inflation*

Matt Miller

*Grand Rapids Press*

**Honorable Mention**

*UM revokes activist's award, seeks discipline for others, stirring cries*

*of politics*

Kim Kozlowski

*Detroit News*

**Daily B - Class 39 - Government/Education News**

6 Entries

**1st Place**

*Turmoil at Northern Lakes*

Staff

*Traverse City Record-Eagle*

**2nd Place**

*Proposal 3 campaign finance filings*

Bill O'Brien

*Traverse City Record-Eagle*

**3rd Place**

*College's annexation proposal removed*

Staff

*Traverse City Record-Eagle*

**Daily C - Class 39 - Government/Education News**

28 Entries

**1st Place**

*Beaverton Schools Superintendent Passalacqua resigns*

Isabelle Pasciolla

*Midland Daily News*

**2nd Place**

*Allegan Board Chair claims he withdrew 'under duress,' wants back*

*on the ballot*

Mitchell Boatman

*Holland Sentinel*

**3rd Place**

*Judge rejects commissioners' appeals*

Ilsa Minor

*The Daily Press*

**Daily D - Class 39 - Government/Education News**

35 Entries

**1st Place**

*'Why aren't folks outraged?': Kalamazoo Black male grad rate*

*continues to decline*

Aya Miller

*Kalamazoo Gazette*

**2nd Place** **The Ann Arbor News**  
*With people sleeping in parks, is Ann Arbor doing enough to house the homeless?*  
 Ryan Stanton  
**3rd Place** **Kalamazoo Gazette**  
*Sheriff Mark Lillywhite stories*  
 Brad Devereaux

**Weekly A - Class 39 - Government/Education News**  
 12 Entries  
**1st Place** **Grosse Pointe Times**  
*Teachers, administrators leaving Grosse Pointe schools as contract talks remain unresolved*  
 K. Michelle Moran  
**2nd Place** **Grand Blanc View**  
*Gun Range*  
 Gary Gould  
**3rd Place** **Huron County View**  
*Local schools ready to take advantage of state's free school meals program*  
 Seth Stapleton

**Weekly B - Class 39 - Government/Education News**  
 10 Entries  
**1st Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Public comment changes*  
 Zachary Marano  
**2nd Place** **The Citizen, Ortonville**  
*New St. Anne Pastor brings message of thankfulness*  
 David Fleet  
**3rd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
 NASA  
 Meakalia Previch-Liu

**Weekly C - Class 39 - Government/Education News**  
 21 Entries  
**1st Place** **The Globe**  
*Native American consultant brings joy to Watersmeet*  
 P.J. Glisson  
**2nd Place** **Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News**  
*State land being used for 'prolonged dispersed camping'*  
 Cheryl Holladay  
**3rd Place** **Tecumseh Herald**  
*BD tax mistake hits district residents with double winter tax millage*  
 Jackie Koch

**Weekly D - Class 39 - Government/Education News**  
 18 Entries  
**1st Place** **The Lake Orion Review**  
*Lake Orion Community Schools bond and sinking fund updates*  
 Megan Kelley  
**2nd Place** **Oxford Leader**  
*Guidepost Solutions and Varnum release final report on OHS shooting*  
 Megan Kelley  
**3rd Place** **The Lake Orion Review**  
*Proposal to repeal Lake Orion DDA funding ordinance slated for Nov. 7 election*  
 Jim Newell

**Class 40 - Business/Agriculture News**

**Daily A - Class 40 - Business/Agriculture News**  
 14 Entries  
**1st Place** **Detroit News**  
*UAW strike*  
 Breana Noble, Kalea Hall, Daniel Howes  
**2nd Place** **Detroit News**  
*Weed wars: Local battles simmer 5 years after voters approved recreational pot laws*  
 Louis Aguilar, Hannah Mackay  
**3rd Place** **Detroit Free Press**  
*Future of the Renaissance Center*  
 Jamie L. LaReau, JC Reindl

**Daily B - Class 40 - Business/Agriculture News**  
 4 Entries  
**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Unrest on Kalkaska hospital board*  
 Mardi Link  
**2nd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Festival, airport clash over air show*  
 Peter Kobs, Jordan Travis  
**3rd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Local salon's transgender stance prompts backlash*  
 Elizabeth Brewer, Jordan Travis, Ted Wendling

**Daily C - Class 40 - Business/Agriculture News**  
 18 Entries  
**1st Place** **Lansing State Journal**  
*Granger aims to build landfill on top of hazardous landfill, likely a first in the U.S.*  
 Mike Ellis  
**2nd Place** **Midland Daily News**  
*Gladwin County farmers rally behind need for large animal vet*  
 Isabelle Pasciolla  
**3rd Place** **Midland Daily News**  
*Midland County's 'Ganjapreneurs': A 4/20 update on local marijuana businesses*  
 Tereasa Nims

**Daily D - Class 40 - Business/Agriculture News**  
 27 Entries  
**1st Place** **The Ann Arbor News**  
*No more lunch rush? Ann Arbor restaurant owners 'happy if we break even'*  
 Makayla Coffee  
**2nd Place** **The Ann Arbor News**  
*As rents rise downtown, chain stores threaten to transform Ann Arbor's funky business scene*  
 Makayla Coffee  
**3rd Place** **Jackson Citizen Patriot**  
*Jackson Crossing vs Westwood Mall: Why one is thriving, and the other is not*  
 Chloe Miller

**Weekly A - Class 40 - Business/Agriculture News**  
 4 Entries  
**1st Place** **Tri-County Times**  
*The joy of miniature therapy horses*  
 Hannah Ball  
**2nd Place** **Huron County View**  
*Project R.E.D. brings students and farming together*  
 John Bonke

**3rd Place** **Huron County View**  
*Ag themed mural celebrates Huron County's farming heritage*  
 John Bonke

**Weekly B - Class 40 - Business/Agriculture News**

**5 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Manoomin Wild Rice*  
 Meakalia Previch-Liu

**2nd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Leelanau Cellars*  
 Brian Freiburger

**3rd Place** **The Citizen, Ortonville**

*Pressing on: fourth generation cider maker*  
 David Fleet

**Weekly C - Class 40 - Business/Agriculture News**

**16 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Sanilac County News**

*Sandusky construction 'difficult' to 'crippling'*  
 Mike Gallagher

**2nd Place** **Grosse Pointe News**

*Rite Aid on Hill to close*  
 Laurel Kraus

**3rd Place** **Grosse Pointe News**

*City's own takes down Lululemon theft ring*  
 Laurel Kraus

**Weekly D - Class 40 - Business/Agriculture News**

**11 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Sentinel-Standard**

*Millions of chickens killed, hundreds of employees laid off as bird flu sweeps Herbruck's*

Evan Sasiela

**2nd Place** **Newberry News**

*Can winter be saved?*  
 Carol Stiffler

**3rd Place** **Oscoda Press**

*Representatives reflect on HCB's 35 years as community-owned bank*

Jenny Haglund

**Class 41 - Feature Story**

**Daily A - Class 41 - Feature Story**

**20 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Detroit Free Press**

*After 150 years, an Up North cherry orchard calls it quits*  
 John Carlisle

**2nd Place** **Detroit Free Press**

*Dog repeatedly escapes Up North shelter, sneaks into nursing home*  
 John Carlisle

**3rd Place** **Detroit News**

*Detroit is Tubi Town: How the streamer became a hub for locally made movies and TV shows*  
 Adam Graham

**Daily B - Class 41 - Feature Story**

**5 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*A hero in our midst*  
 Mardi Link

**2nd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Slope soaring at Sleeping Bear*  
 Jordan Travis

**3rd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Friends for life*  
 Ted Wendling

**Daily C - Class 41 - Feature Story**

**54 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Cadillac News**

*I just thought I was watching a movie*  
 Ricardo Martin

**2nd Place** **Holland Sentinel**

*This stuffed pig was found on a trail along Lake Huron. Now she's a local celebrity*

Cassandra Lybrink

**3rd Place** **Midland Daily News**

*He couldn't afford scuba diving, until a ship exploded on the Saginaw River*

Ben Jodway

**Daily D - Class 41 - Feature Story**

**55 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Kalamazoo Gazette**

*'No longer living in sin': Couple in 90s marries after 40 years together*  
 Ryan Boldrey

**2nd Place** **Flint Journal**

*We Are Flint: Capturing history on canvas*  
 Julian Leshay Guadalupe

**3rd Place** **Livingston County Daily Press & Argus**

*'Different does not mean less': Pinckney mom has a message for her community*

Cassandra Lybrink

**Weekly A - Class 41 - Feature Story**

**36 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Grosse Pointe Times**

*Exhibition celebrates work of acclaimed longtime artist and art educator*

K. Michelle Moran

**2nd Place** **Huron County View**

*Local veteran details over two-decade career in Navy*  
 Seth Stapleton

**3rd Place** **Tri-County Times**

*'Pat Danger is talking boats again'*

Hannah Ball

**3rd Place** **Grosse Pointe Times**

*Music producer from Grosse Pointe makes sound decisions as an artist*

K. Michelle Moran

**Weekly B - Class 41 - Feature Story**

**12 Entries**  
**1st Place** **The Citizen, Ortonville**

*An Ireland journey: Fr. Gerry Frawley remembered*  
 David Fleet

**2nd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Decorating the S-B Bridge*  
 Meakalia Previch-Liu

**3rd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

T-Rex

Brian Freiburger

**Weekly C - Class 41 - Feature Story**

51 Entries

**1st Place**

**Grosse Pointe News**

*The mural of the story*

Ted O'Neil

**2nd Place**

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

*Breaking bread across the country*

Krista Tacey-Cater

**3rd Place**

**Grosse Pointe News**

*Friendly competition with a twist*

Jody McVeigh

**Weekly D - Class 41 - Feature Story**

31 Entries

**1st Place**

**Charlevoix Courier**

*'A guardian angel': McLaren nurse's quick actions save stranger's life during heart attack*

Annie Doyle

**2nd Place**

**Newberry News**

*'Wheel' contestant: 'I just absolutely won'*

Carol Stiffler

**3rd Place**

**Clare County Cleaver**

*Miracle Creates Miracle for Herself, Others Struggling with Addiction*

Megan Barron

**Class 43 - Best Editorial**

**Daily A - Class 43 - Best Editorial**

3 Entries

**1st Place**

**Detroit News**

*The Detroit News: Our Editorial*

Nolan Finley, Kaitlyn Buss, Nicole Cook

**2nd Place**

**Detroit Free Press**

*Amid \$40 million embezzlement probe, Detroit Riverfront*

*Conservancy has work to do*

Khalil AlHajal

**3rd Place**

**Detroit News**

*The Detroit News: Our Editorial*

Nolan Finley, Kaitlyn Buss, Nicole Cook

**Daily B - Class 43 - Best Editorial**

3 Entries

**1st Place**

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Court action needed to break through no-fault no-fix logjam*

Rebecca Pierce

**2nd Place**

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Attorney general's comments hurt process*

Allison Batdorff

**3rd Place**

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*The point is this: State must honor its contracts*

Rebecca Pierce

**Daily C - Class 43 - Best Editorial**

5 Entries

**1st Place**

**Holland Sentinel**

*Ottawa Impact: Do the politics matter if the county is left broke?*

Cassandra Lybrink

**2nd Place**

**The Daily News, Iron Mountain**

*Public deserves meeting on region's postal changes*

Betsy Bloom

**3rd Place**

**The Daily News, Iron Mountain**

*Clear differences on climate change*

Jim Anderson

**Daily D - Class 43 - Best Editorial**

2 Entries

**1st Place**

**Huron Daily Tribune**

*Eric Young Best Editorial*

Eric Young

**2nd Place**

**Livingston County Daily Press & Argus**

*This isn't who we are — right? 10 years later, I'm still writing about racism in Howell*

Cassandra Lybrink

**Weekly A - Class 43 - Best Editorial**

1 Entries

**1st Place**

**Huron County View**

*Trump assassination attempt serves as a reminder of a teaching moment*

Paul P. Adams

**Weekly B - Class 43 - Best Editorial**

4 Entries

**1st Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*Choose wisely*

Zachary Marano

**2nd Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*Are raises justified?*

Zachary Marano

**3rd Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*Earth Day*

Meakalia Previch-Liu

**Weekly C - Class 43 - Best Editorial**

8 Entries

**1st Place**

**Grosse Pointe News**

*The committee conundrum*

Ted O'Neil

**2nd Place**

**Grosse Pointe News**

*Pepsi sig(h)n fizzles out*

Meg Leonard

**3rd Place**

**Grosse Pointe News**

*GPPSS is the talk of the town*

Meg Leonard

**Weekly D - Class 43 - Best Editorial**

6 Entries

**1st Place**

**Newberry News**

*Why we don't give up*

Carol Stiffler

**2nd Place**

**Newberry News**

*Why there are fewer fishermen now*

Bill Diem

**3rd Place**

**Newberry News**

*Is this a Lions nation now?*

Carol Stiffler

**Class 44 - Best Columnist**

**Daily A - Class 44 - Best Columnist**

14 Entries

**1st Place**

**Detroit Free Press**

*The Watchdog Whose Bite is Worse than his Bark*

M.L. Elrick

**2nd Place** **Detroit Free Press**

*Neal Rubin introduces metro Detroiters to their neighbors*

Neal Rubin

**3rd Place** **Detroit News**

*Migrant crime and no-fault reform*

Chad Livengood

**Daily B - Class 44 - Best Columnist**

4 Entries

**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

Jordan Travis

**2nd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

Susan Odgers

**3rd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

Allison Batdorff

**Daily C - Class 44 - Best Columnist**

8 Entries

**1st Place** **Midland Daily News**

Isabelle Pasciolla

**2nd Place** **Alpena News**

Justin A. Hinkley

**3rd Place** **Alpena News**

Torianna Marasco

**Daily D - Class 44 - Best Columnist**

10 Entries

**1st Place** **Flint Journal**

Jake May

**2nd Place** **Greenville Daily News**

Elisabeth Waldon

**3rd Place** **Manistee News-Advocate**

Michelle Fedder

**Weekly A - Class 44 - Best Columnist**

10 Entries

**1st Place** **Huron County View**

Seth Stapleton

**2nd Place** **Grand Blanc View**

Gary Gould

**3rd Place** **Grand Blanc View**

Gary Gould

**Weekly B - Class 44 - Best Columnist**

7 Entries

**1st Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Enjoy these moments*

Brian Freiburger

**2nd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Intergenerational*

Meakalia Previch-Liu

**3rd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Short-term rentals*

Zachary Marano

**Weekly C - Class 44 - Best Columnist**

19 Entries

**1st Place** **Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News**

*I was thinking...*

Cheryl Holladay

**2nd Place** **Grosse Pointe News**

*Second Time Around*

Margie Reins Smith

**3rd Place** **Presque Isle County Advance/Onaway Outlook**

Richard Lamb

**Weekly D - Class 44 - Best Columnist**

5 Entries

**1st Place** **Newberry News**

*Helga Says: Do you have a dream?*

Helga Flower

**2nd Place** **Newberry News**

*Posts from the coast: Walking in their (stolen?) shoes*

Susie Zag

**3rd Place** **Clarkston News**

*Wendi's Word: Reading month is every month*

Wendi Reardon Price

**Class 45 - Best Newspaper/Publication Design**

**Daily B - Class 45 - Best Newspaper/Publication Design**

1 Entries

**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Traverse City Record-Eagle: Sunday, Aug. 13, 2023*

Staff

**Daily C - Class 45 - Best Newspaper/Publication Design**

2 Entries

**1st Place** **Cadillac News**

*Nov. 17, 2023*

Staff

**2nd Place** **The Daily News, Iron Mountain**

*The Daily News, Iron Mountain*

Staff

**Daily D - Class 45 - Best Newspaper/Publication Design**

3 Entries

**1st Place** **Greenville Daily News**

*March 2, 2024 Daily News*

Darrin Clark

**2nd Place** **Daily Mining Gazette**

*10/30/2023 DMG edition*

Staff

**3rd Place** **Livingston County Daily Press & Argus**

*LCP 9/3/23*

Fernando Hernandez

**Weekly A - Class 45 - Best Newspaper/Publication Design**

5 Entries

**1st Place** **Huron County View**

*Huron County View 5/23/2024*

Cynthia Alvado

**2nd Place** **Huron County View**

*Huron County View 11/16/2024*

Cynthia Alvado

**3rd Place** **Tri-County Times**

*October 2, 2023 edition*

Staff

**Weekly C - Class 45 - Best Newspaper/Publication Design**

6 Entries

**1st Place** **Grosse Pointe News**

*July 18th, 2024 issue*

GPN Staff

**2nd Place** **St. Ignace News**

*45 Best Newspaper Design SIN 07-03-24*

Staff

**3rd Place** **Crawford County Avalanche**  
 Sept. 21, 2023 edition  
 Staff

**Weekly D - Class 45 - Best Newspaper/Publication Design**  
**1 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Newberry News**  
 September 20, 2023  
 Lauren Burton, Carol Stiffler

**Class 46 - Best Page or Pages Design**

**Daily A - Class 46 - Best Page or Pages Design**  
**20 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Detroit News**  
*A whole new ballgame*  
 James Hollar  
**2nd Place** **Detroit Free Press**  
*Gracias -- A farewell to Tiger Miguel Cabrera*  
 Ryan Ford  
**3rd Place** **Detroit News**  
*The depths of love*  
 James Hollar

**Daily B - Class 46 - Best Page or Pages Design**  
**3 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*More Food: Saturday, June 8, 2024*  
 Aly Kleidon  
**2nd Place** **Times Herald**  
*Times Herald Oct. 9, 2023 - Fall colors*  
 Scott Lanter  
**3rd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Patriot Game layout*  
 Brian Steele

**Daily C - Class 46 - Best Page or Pages Design**  
**3 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Alpena News**  
*Northern Lifestyles designs*  
 Angie Hall  
**2nd Place** **Cadillac News**  
*May 11, 2024 A1*  
 Ann Trucks  
**3rd Place** **The Daily News, Iron Mountain**  
*The Daily News, Iron Mountain*  
 Staff

**Daily D - Class 46 - Best Page or Pages Design**  
**8 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Daily Mining Gazette**  
 DMG06082024A1  
 Candace Wolf  
**2nd Place** **Daily Mining Gazette**  
*Festival pages*  
 Candace Wolf  
**3rd Place** **Greenville Daily News**  
*April 9, 2024 Daily News*  
 Darrin Clark

**Weekly A - Class 46 - Best Page or Pages Design**  
**11 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Huron County View**  
*Huron County View Five Crowns 06/20/2024*

Cynthia Alvado  
**2nd Place** **Huron County View**  
*A good time at Maritime*  
 Cynthia Alvado  
**3rd Place** **Huron County View**  
*Huron County View Sports 12/21/23*  
 Cynthia Alvado

**Weekly B - Class 46 - Best Page or Pages Design**  
**5 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Steaming through the years*  
 Amy Hubbell and Mike Anderson  
**2nd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Leelanau Color Tour - Just One*  
 Mike Anderson  
**3rd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Leelanau coffee shops*  
 Mike Anderson

**Weekly C - Class 46 - Best Page or Pages Design**  
**20 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Grosse Pointe News**  
*Jingle Bulbs*  
 Donna Zetterlund, Anne Gryzenia, Olivia Monette  
**2nd Place** **Tecumseh Herald**  
*Tecumseh's Spring Playlist*  
 Nanci Bridget  
**3rd Place** **St. Ignace News**  
*Hoops for Hope*  
 Staff

**Weekly D - Class 46 - Best Page or Pages Design**  
**3 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Newberry News**  
*Sports, page 9, March 20, 2024*  
 Lauren Burton  
**2nd Place** **Newberry News**  
*Sports, page 9, January 3, 2024*  
 Lauren Burton  
**3rd Place** **Newberry News**  
*Sports, page 9, March 27, 2024*  
 Carol Stiffler

**Class 47 - Special Section**

**Daily A - Class 47 - Special Section**  
**3 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Detroit Free Press**  
*Michigan Central Station - Rebirth of a Detroit Icon*  
 Detroit Free Press Staff  
**2nd Place** **Detroit News**  
*Michigan Central rises anew*  
 James Hollar  
**3rd Place** **Detroit Free Press**  
*Blue Moon - Detroit Free Press*  
 Ryan Ford

**Daily B - Class 47 - Special Section**  
**3 Entries**  
**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Record-Eagle 165th anniversary special section*  
 Staff

**2nd Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
*Grand Traverse Scene: Holiday 2023 edition*  
 Staff

**3rd Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
*2023 Playbook*  
 Staff

**Daily C - Class 47 - Special Section**  
**6 Entries**

**1st Place** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Shoreline Media Football Preview*  
 David Bossick, Matthew Scheidel, Staff

**2nd Place** *The Daily News, Iron Mountain*  
*Continental Cup Ski Jumping*  
 Staff

**3rd Place** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Celebrating Our Lighthouse Anniversaries*  
 Staff

**Daily D - Class 47 - Special Section**  
**8 Entries**

**1st Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Rooted in local agriculture*  
 Staff

**2nd Place** *Manistee News-Advocate*  
*Extraordinary Educators*  
 Staff

**3rd Place** *Daily Mining Gazette*  
*Women's History Month*  
 Staff

**Weekly A - Class 47 - Special Section**  
**5 Entries**

**1st Place** *Huron County View*  
*Ugly State Champs*  
 Huron County View Staff

**2nd Place** *Huron County View*  
*Veterans Day Salute*  
 Huron County View Staff

**3rd Place** *Tri-County Times*  
*First Responders*  
 Staff

**Weekly B - Class 47 - Special Section**  
**3 Entries**

**1st Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*  
*Leelanau Color Tour*  
 Leelanau Enterprise Staff

**2nd Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*  
*Leelanau Visitors Guide*  
 Leelanau Enterprise Staff

**3rd Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*  
*Silver Source Directory*  
 Leelanau Enterprise Staff

**Weekly C - Class 47 - Special Section**  
**8 Entries**

**1st Place** *Tecumseh Herald*  
*Tecumseh Bicentennial: Faces of Downtown*  
 Nanci Bridget

**2nd Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*Wedding Guide*  
 GPN Staff

**3rd Place** *Crawford County Avalanche*  
*Mothers Day 2024*  
 Eric Hamp and Tori Muckenthaler

**Class 48 - News Photo**

**Daily A - Class 48 - News Photo**  
**9 Entries**

**1st Place** *Detroit Free Press*  
*Flooding on I-275*  
 Kimberly P. Mitchell

**2nd Place** *Detroit News*  
*Our Hero*  
 Clarence Tabb, Jr.

**3rd Place** *Detroit News*  
*Easy Street*  
 David Guralnick

**Honorable Mention** *Grand Rapids Press*  
*Damaged*  
 Joel Bissell

**Daily B - Class 48 - News Photo**  
**2 Entries**

**1st Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
*Life in The Pines*  
 Jan-Michael Stump

**2nd Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
*Blaze chases dogs*  
 Jan-Michael Stump

**Daily C - Class 48 - News Photo**  
**7 Entries**

**1st Place** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Trying to save lives*  
 Jeff Kiessel

**2nd Place** *Holland Sentinel*  
*Satanic Temple invocation forces Ottawa County to reckon with the meaning of religious freedom*  
 Adam Vander Kooy

**Daily D - Class 48 - News Photo**  
**30 Entries**

**1st Place** *Jackson Citizen Patriot*  
*Smoky climb*  
 J. Scott Park

**2nd Place** *Kalamazoo Gazette*  
*Mowing amid damage*  
 Devin Anderson-Torrez

**3rd Place** *Jackson Citizen Patriot*  
*Engulfed*  
 J. Scott Park

**Weekly A - Class 48 - News Photo**  
**3 Entries**

**1st Place** *Huron County View*  
*Local students take part in impaired driving accident simulation*  
 Seth Stapleton

**2nd Place** *Huron County View*  
*Shades are on*  
 Seth Stapleton

**3rd Place** *Huron County View*  
*Local Shop with a Hero event continues to grow*  
 Seth Stapleton

**Weekly B - Class 48 - News Photo**

4 Entries

**1st Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*Eclipse*

Brian Freiberger

**2nd Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*Eclipse*

Meakalia Previch-Liu

**3rd Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*Laurie Glass*

Brian Freiberger

**Weekly C - Class 48 - News Photo**

7 Entries

**1st Place**

**Grosse Pointe News**

*Wise Young Owl*

Renee Landuyt

**2nd Place**

**Sanilac County News**

*Quick moving fire destroys home*

Eric Levine

**3rd Place**

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

*THE 'BURGER BUN' IN THE SKY*

Krista Tacey-Cater

**Weekly D - Class 48 - News Photo**

1 Entries

**1st Place**

**Oscoda Press**

*Wintertime Weigh Down*

Jenny Haglund

**Class 49 - Feature Photo**

**Daily A - Class 49 - Feature Photo**

12 Entries

**1st Place**

**Detroit News**

*Block Party*

Katy Kildee

**2nd Place**

**Detroit News**

*Splash*

David Guralnick

**3rd Place**

**Detroit Free Press**

*Stirs beef stew cooking insidean electric roaster*

Mandi Wright

**Honorable Mention**

**Grand Rapids Press**

*Leaning in*

Cory Morse

**Daily B - Class 49 - Feature Photo**

3 Entries

**1st Place**

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*High temps persist*

Jan-Michael Stump

**2nd Place**

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Fireworks Championship*

Jan-Michael Stump

**3rd Place**

**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Leaping Lambs*

Jan-Michael Stump

**Daily C - Class 49 - Feature Photo**

13 Entries

**1st Place**

**Midland Daily News**

*Riverdays hot air balloons*

Adam Ferman

**2nd Place**

**Holland Sentinel**

*Best Photos of Tulip Time 2024*

Adam Vander Kooy

**3rd Place**

**Midland Daily News**

*Nick the Cat portrait*

Dave Clark

**Daily D - Class 49 - Feature Photo**

32 Entries

**1st Place**

**The Ann Arbor News**

*Eclipse Elopement*

Jacob Hamilton

**2nd Place**

**Flint Journal**

*In hospice care with electric blue hair. And dreams of a Detroit Lions*

*Super Bowl*

Jake May

**3rd Place**

**Greenville Daily News**

*'Out of the history books'*

Cory Smith

**Weekly A - Class 49 - Feature Photo**

5 Entries

**1st Place**

**Tri-County Times**

*Polar Plunge*

Hannah Ball

**2nd Place**

**Huron County View**

*Flyin' the flag*

Seth Stapleton

**3rd Place**

**Tri-County Times**

*Zombies, monsters take over Linden*

Hannah Ball

**Weekly B - Class 49 - Feature Photo**

14 Entries

**1st Place**

**The Citizen, Ortonville**

*Septemberfest*

Patrick McAbee

**2nd Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*Port Oneida painter*

Brian Freiberger

**3rd Place**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

*TwoCrow Dancing*

Meakalia Previch-Liu

**Weekly C - Class 49 - Feature Photo**

18 Entries

**1st Place**

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

*A Moment with the Clauses*

Krista Tacey-Cater

**2nd Place**

**The Globe**

*Light Up the Night photo*

P.J. Glisson

**3rd Place**

**The Globe**

*Log Jamboree photo*

P.J. Glisson

**Weekly D - Class 49 - Feature Photo**

11 Entries

**1st Place**

**The Lake Orion Review**

*Seniors Win! (Class Tug-of-War)*

Jim Newell  
**2nd Place**  
*Night Lights*  
 Carol Stiffler  
**3rd Place**  
*Happy Thanksgiving*  
 Carol Stiffler

**Newberry News**

**Newberry News**

**Class 50 - Photo Story**

**Daily A - Class 50 - Photo Story**

7 Entries  
**1st Place** **Grand Rapids Press**  
*Michigan wins a Natty*  
 Neil Blake  
**2nd Place** **Detroit Free Press**  
*Relapse. Overdose. Saving lives: How a Detroit addict and mom of 3 is finding her purpose*  
 Mandi Wright  
**3rd Place** **Grand Rapids Press**  
*Spartan Marching Band*  
 Cory Morse  
**Honorable Mention** **Grand Rapids Press**  
*Kent County storm damage*  
 Joel Bissell

**Daily B - Class 50 - Photo Story**

1 Entries  
**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*North Ed Transition Campus Prom*  
 Jan-Michael Stump

**Daily D - Class 50 - Photo Story**

22 Entries  
**1st Place** **The Ann Arbor News**  
*Meet Hawkeye*  
 Jacob Hamilton  
**2nd Place** **Jackson Citizen Patriot**  
*Massive fire destroys factory*  
 J. Scott Park  
**3rd Place** **Flint Journal**  
*'Tough as Nails.' Meet Michigan's state track champion with cerebral palsy*  
 Julian Guadalupe

**Weekly A - Class 50 - Photo Story**

5 Entries  
**1st Place** **Tri-County Times**  
*Memorial Day in Fenton*  
 Hannah Ball  
**2nd Place** **Tri-County Times**  
*Area football scrimmage action*  
 David Troppens  
**3rd Place** **Huron County View**  
*Parading Toward Christmas*  
 Seth Stapleton

**Weekly B - Class 50 - Photo Story**

4 Entries  
**1st Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Laurie Glass*  
 Brian Freiberger

**2nd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*July 4th*  
 Brian Freiberger  
**3rd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Twin Flames*  
 Meakalia Previch-Liu

**Weekly C - Class 50 - Photo Story**

11 Entries  
**1st Place** **Grosse Pointe News**  
*Annual dog swim*  
 Renee Landuyt  
**2nd Place** **Iosco County News-Herald**  
*Parade, rodeo, other events merge for Memorial Day in Whittemore*  
 Jenny Haglund  
**3rd Place** **Grosse Pointe News**  
*Haunted Homes*  
 Renee Landuyt

**Weekly D - Class 50 - Photo Story**

16 Entries  
**1st Place** **The Lake Orion Review**  
*There's more than just football at the football games!*  
 Jim Newell  
**2nd Place** **Oxford Leader**  
*Seymour Celebration is the perfect slide into summer*  
 Joseph Goral  
**3rd Place** **Oxford Leader**  
*Trunk-or-Treat*  
 Jim Newell

**Class 51 - Sports Writing**

**Daily A - Class 51 - Sports Writing**

5 Entries  
**1st Place** **Detroit Free Press**  
*With Detroit Lions season on the line, Dan Campbell trusted Jared Goff to deliver*  
 Dave Birkett  
**2nd Place** **Detroit News**  
*Big Ten benches UM's Jim Harbaugh for final three regular season games*  
 Angelique S. Chengelis, Tony Paul  
**3rd Place** **Detroit News**  
*M-PRESSIVE: Michigan takes national title with 34-13 win over Washington*  
 Angelique S. Chengelis

**Daily B - Class 51 - Sports Writing**

3 Entries  
**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Buckets of Bradfords*  
 James Cook  
**2nd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Name brand: Jarosz makes new moniker debut a memorable one*  
 James Cook  
**3rd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Family On Three: Kingsley's family circle made its way to Ford Field*  
 Jordan Puente

**Daily C - Class 51 - Sports Writing**

9 Entries  
**1st Place** **Midland Daily News**

*Meridian girls' basketball beats defending state champion Hemlock in electric district final*

Fred Kelly

**2nd Place** **Midland Daily News**

*Roy Johnston celebrated in final home game as Beaverton basketball coach*

Fred Kelly

**3rd Place** **Holland Sentinel**

*Zeeland East seniors honor late fathers with 'emotional' performance*  
Dan D'Addona

**Daily D - Class 51 - Sports Writing**

40 Entries

**1st Place** **Flint Journal**

*Tale of two halves: Detroit Lions fans stand tall at Ford Field despite loss*

Jake May

**2nd Place** **Bay City Times**

*Final team gives state's winningest coach Roy Johnston a fitting farewell*

Lee Thompson

**3rd Place** **The Ann Arbor News**

*Block of the Year sends FGR girls basketball to state semis*  
Greg Wickliffe

**Weekly A - Class 51 - Sports Writing**

6 Entries

**1st Place** **Tri-County Times**

*Fenton's Heavner - two times a state champion*

David Troppens

**2nd Place** **Huron County View**

*Bolzman Burns at State Finals*

Paul P. Adams

**3rd Place** **Huron County View**

*Sweet Redemption*

Paul P. Adams

**Weekly B - Class 51 - Sports Writing**

5 Entries

**1st Place** **The Citizen, Ortonville**

*Olympic surfers sport suits designed by former Blackhawk*

Shelby Stewart-Soldan

**2nd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**

*Apsey ends football career*

Brian Freiburger

**3rd Place** **The Citizen, Ortonville**

*Remembering Tiger catcher, radio analyst Jim Price*

David Fleet

**Weekly C - Class 51 - Sports Writing**

24 Entries

**1st Place** **South Lyon Herald**

*Worth the delay: Livonia Franklin softball beats rival Churchill for 1st time since 2015*

Brandon Folsom

**2nd Place** **South Lyon Herald**

*What upsetting Detroit Catholic Central means for Northville's football program*

Brandon Folsom

**3rd Place** **The Globe**

*Cardinals and district drought*

Jason Juno

**Weekly D - Class 51 - Sports Writing**

14 Entries

**1st Place** **Charlevoix Courier**

*Charlevoix baseball exits season on crushing walk-off loss in Division 3 semifinal*

Drew Kochanny

**2nd Place** **Gaylord Herald Times**

*Injured Avery Parker ends Gaylord career on her own terms, scores one final basket*

Dylan Jespersen

**3rd Place** **Oxford Leader**

*District Champs! - Oxford Boys Soccer*

Jim Newell

**Class 52 - Sports Photograph**

**Daily A - Class 52 - Sports Photograph**

10 Entries

**1st Place** **Detroit News**

*Big Win*

Katy Kildee

**2nd Place** **Detroit Free Press**

*Detroit Lions wide receiver Amon-Ra St. Brown (14) dives for a touchdown*

Junfu Han

**3rd Place** **Grand Rapids Press**

*Hi-yah*

Joel Bissell

**Honorable Mention** **Detroit News**

*The Victors*

David Guralnick

**Daily B - Class 52 - Sports Photograph**

2 Entries

**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Safe*

Jan-Michael Stump

**2nd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**

*Threepeat Champion*

Travis Snyder

**Daily C - Class 52 - Sports Photograph**

11 Entries

**1st Place** **The Daily News, Iron Mountain**

*Norway forces winner-take-all finale*

Mitch Vosburg

**2nd Place** **Midland Daily News**

*Dow High Softball*

Fred Kelly

**3rd Place** **The Daily Press**

*Esky baseball avenges ghosts of losses past, wins second district title in last four seasons*

"The Big Dog" Mitch Vosburg

**Daily D - Class 52 - Sports Photograph**

34 Entries

**1st Place** **Huron Daily Tribune**

*Unionville-Sebewaing Area's Gabby Crumm celebrates a home run in the state championship game*

Tom Greene

**2nd Place** **Saginaw News**

*Surrounded*

Kaytie Boomer

**3rd Place**  
*Dunked*  
 Rebecca Villagracia  
**The Ann Arbor News**

**Weekly A - Class 52 - Sports Photograph**  
 5 Entries  
**1st Place**

*Lake Fenton's Coleson Lessner*  
 David Troppens

**2nd Place**  
*Carter Patrick buzzer beater*  
 Staff  
**Huron County View**

**3rd Place**  
*Brett Mueller sets state record*  
 Paul P. Adams  
**Huron County View**

**Weekly B - Class 52 - Sports Photograph**  
 3 Entries  
**1st Place**

*Laurie Glass*  
 Brian Freiberger  
**Leelanau Enterprise**

**2nd Place**  
*No Snow*  
 Brian Freiberger  
**Leelanau Enterprise**

**3rd Place**  
*Mankowski Soccer*  
 Brian Freiberger  
**Leelanau Enterprise**

**Weekly C - Class 52 - Sports Photograph**  
 26 Entries  
**1st Place**

*Photo of Ewen Trout Creek's Bree Besonen*  
 Jason Juno  
**The Globe**

**2nd Place**  
*Marlette Volleyball*  
 Mike Gallagher  
**Sanilac County News**

**3rd Place**  
*Leaping over the tag*  
 Richard Lamb  
**Presque Isle County Advance/  
 Onaway Outlook**

**Weekly D - Class 52 - Sports Photograph**  
 18 Entries  
**1st Place**

*How did Gaylord get a Blackhawk helicopter to land during its third annual Valor Game?*  
 Dylan Jespersen  
**Gaylord Herald Times**

**2nd Place**  
*A very happy homecoming*  
 Scott Duflo  
**Newberry News**

**3rd Place**  
*Dragon Soccer - Hard-Fought Battle*  
 Jim Newell  
**The Lake Orion Review**

**Class 53 - Best Sports Column**

**Daily A - Class 53 - Best Sports Column**  
 6 Entries  
**1st Place**

*NCAA's new reality: More money, more problems*  
 John Niyo  
**Detroit News**

**2nd Place**  
*Michigan football allegations of cheating stand to stain Jim Harbaugh, team's legacy*  
 Shawn Windsor  
**Detroit News**

**3rd Place**  
*Lions had Super Bowl bid in their hands, let it slip away*  
 Bob Wojnowski  
**Tri-County Times**

**Daily B - Class 53 - Best Sports Column**  
 3 Entries  
**1st Place**  
*Glass' legacy difficult to contain in one article*  
 James Cook  
**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

**2nd Place**  
*Navigating the impossible and imperfect*  
 Brendan Quealy  
**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

**3rd Place**  
*Lions playoff win special in many ways*  
 James Cook  
**Traverse City Record-Eagle**

**Daily C - Class 53 - Best Sports Column**  
 12 Entries  
**1st Place**  
*After decades of despair are the Detroit Lions ready to roar?*  
 Dave Clark  
**Midland Daily News**

**2nd Place**  
*'Nazi' incident in Ohio shows how far we still have to go for sports to be unifying*  
 Dan D'Addona  
**Holland Sentinel**

**3rd Place**  
*Kelly: Meridian's Chinavare easy to root for*  
 Fred Kelly  
**Midland Daily News**

**Daily D - Class 53 - Best Sports Column**  
 10 Entries  
**1st Place**  
*Friday's biggest heart*  
 Austin Chastain  
**Greenville Daily News**

**2nd Place**  
*Commentary: Keeping Szymoniak in charge of Onaway football would have been right move*  
 Jared Greenleaf  
**Cheboygan Daily Tribune**

**3rd Place**  
*GREENLEAF: State championship defeat didn't define this Inland Lakes football team*  
 Jared Greenleaf  
**Cheboygan Daily Tribune**

**Weekly A - Class 53 - Best Sports Column**  
 7 Entries  
**1st Place**  
*Remembering Harold Krueger*  
 David Troppens  
**Tri-County Times**

**2nd Place**  
*Beginning of USA's softball dynasty provides a teaching moment*  
 Paul P. Adams  
**Huron County View**

**3rd Place**  
*The Lions – is this 1991-92 all over*  
 David Troppens  
**Tri-County Times**

**Weekly C - Class 53 - Best Sports Column**  
 8 Entries  
**1st Place**  
*Most dedicated NFL fanbase? Detroit's the no-doubter*  
 Meg Leonard  
**Grosse Pointe News**

**2nd Place** **Sanilac County News**  
*Marlette seniors close chapter*  
 Mike Gallagher

**3rd Place** **Grosse Pointe News**  
*Guest Pickers*  
 Meg Leonard, Mike Adzima

**Weekly D - Class 53 - Best Sports Column**  
**6 Entries**

**1st Place** **Gaylord Herald Times**  
*Jespersen: Sacrifice, not luck or fate, helps Gaylord softball to ultimate goals*  
 Dylan Jespersen

**2nd Place** **Newberry News**  
*From the press box: Eagles bag four in a row*  
 Dan Hardenbrook

**3rd Place** **Newberry News**  
*From the press box: This one is for the fans*  
 Dan Hardenbrook

**Class 54 - Sports Feature**

**Daily A - Class 54 - Sports Feature**  
**14 Entries**

**1st Place** **Detroit News**  
*Fans fear art of keeping score at baseball games is going, going gone*  
 Ted Kulfan

**2nd Place** **Detroit News**  
*Grosse Pointe Woods' Ayrault balances basketball, motherhood for two sets of twins*  
 Madeline Kenney

**3rd Place** **Detroit News**  
*Inside Connor Stallions' journey to his dream job at Michigan*  
 Tony Paul

**Daily B - Class 54 - Sports Feature**  
**3 Entries**

**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*King of Pain*  
 James Cook

**2nd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Former Trojan hockey player changing lives as orthopedic surgeon*  
 Brendan Quealy

**3rd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Knocking Down Barriers*  
 Jordan Puente

**Daily C - Class 54 - Sports Feature**  
**16 Entries**

**1st Place** **Lansing State Journal**  
*Six Michigan State head coaches are moms. It's a life of 'controlled chaos'*  
 Graham Couch

**2nd Place** **Alpena News**  
*Retiring ref from Hubbard Lake recalls 53 years of calling games*  
 Torianna Marasco

**3rd Place** **Holland Sentinel**  
*Lions invite West Michigan man to sidelines on Thursday, where he took now-iconic footage*  
 Mitchell Boatman

**Daily D - Class 54 - Sports Feature**  
**22 Entries**

**1st Place** **Flint Journal**  
*In hospice care with electric blue hair. And dreams of a Detroit Lions Super Bowl*  
 Jake May

**2nd Place** **Greenville Daily News**  
*Alleged Vandals*  
 Alex Freeman

**3rd Place** **Flint Journal**  
*'Tough as Nails.' Meet Michigan's state track champion with cerebral palsy*  
 Julian Leshay Guadalupe

**Weekly A - Class 54 - Sports Feature**  
**5 Entries**

**1st Place** **Huron County View**  
*Life with the Lions*  
 Paul P. Adams

**2nd Place** **Huron County View**  
*In good hands*  
 Paul P. Adams

**3rd Place** **Tri-County Times**  
*Jones, Bruder getting inducted into hall of fame*  
 David Troppens

**Weekly B - Class 54 - Sports Feature**  
**3 Entries**

**1st Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Suttmans*  
 Brian Freiberger

**2nd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Not the same ol' Lions*  
 Brian Freiberger

**3rd Place** **Leelanau Enterprise**  
*Glen Lake Wrestling*  
 Brian Freiberger

**Weekly C - Class 54 - Sports Feature**  
**28 Entries**

**1st Place** **The Globe**  
*Miller brought passion, more sports to Mercer*  
 Jason Juno

**2nd Place** **Grosse Pointe News**  
*Legends of the Fall: Former North, South football players to watch their sons take the field Friday*  
 Meg Leonard

**3rd Place** **Grosse Pointe News**  
*South girls track and XC coaches inspire generations of athletes*  
 Mike Adzima

**Honorable Mention** **Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News**  
*Port Royal Golf Course features Black Pearl replica*  
 Krista Tacey-Cater

**Weekly D - Class 54 - Sports Feature**  
**14 Entries**

**1st Place** **Charlevoix Courier**  
*A perfect 10: Boyne City's Rambler Sports Network celebrates a decade*  
 Drew Kochanny

**2nd Place** **Gaylord Herald Times**  
*Gaylord softball stars Jayden and Aubrey Jones trying to soak in final season together*  
 Dylan Jespersen

**3rd Place** **Newberry News**  
*Fundraising update: Clearing hurdles for a new track*  
 Dan Hardenbrook

**Class 55 - Best Video Presentation**

**Daily A - Class 55 - Best Video Presentation**  
 14 Entries

**1st Place** **Grand Rapids Press**  
*Black Cowboys: Living an Overlooked Legacy*  
 Santino Mattioli

**2nd Place** **Grand Rapids Press**  
*Rivalry: Battle of the Bay*  
 Staff

**3rd Place** **Grand Rapids Press**  
*10 years later, Flint remembers the beginning of the water crisis*  
 Neil Blake

**Daily B - Class 55 - Best Video Presentation**  
 3 Entries

**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*'The Long Goodbye'*  
 Scott Harmsen

**2nd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Traverse City's Homeless: Giving a voice to the voiceless*  
 Scott Harmsen

**3rd Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Traverse City's hardcore homeless*  
 Scott Harmsen

**Daily D - Class 55 - Best Video Presentation**  
 14 Entries

**1st Place** **Flint Journal**  
*How this Michigan teen became a state champion yo-yo artist*  
 Devin Anderson-Torrez

**2nd Place** **Saginaw News**  
*Couples celebrate 10 years since Michigan briefly legalized same-sex marriage*  
 Kaytie Boomer

**3rd Place** **The Ann Arbor News**  
*Michigan Central Station Tour*  
 Jacob Hamilton

**Weekly C - Class 55 - Best Video Presentation**  
 5 Entries

**1st Place** **Grosse Pointe News**  
*The Nosh*  
 Olivia Monette

**2nd Place** **Grosse Pointe News**  
*Brine*  
 Olivia Monette

**3rd Place** **Grosse Pointe News**  
*Wedding Guide*  
 Olivia Monette

**Weekly D - Class 55 - Best Video Presentation**  
 2 Entries

**1st Place** **Newberry News**  
*Curtis Library Grand Re-opening*

Steve Stiffler

**2nd Place** **Charlevoix Courier**  
*Beaver Islander Ferry tours past Charlevoix lighthouse*  
 Annie Doyle

**Class 56 - Best Digital Presentation**

**Daily A - Class 56 - Best Digital Presentation**  
 1 Entries

**1st Place** **Detroit Free Press**  
*Detroit Free Press Digital Presentation*  
 Detroit Free Press Staff

**Daily B - Class 56 - Best Digital Presentation**  
 1 Entries

**1st Place** **Traverse City Record-Eagle**  
*Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
 Staff

**Daily C - Class 56 - Best Digital Presentation**  
 2 Entries

**1st Place** **Holland Sentinel**  
*Holland Sentinel*  
 Staff

**2nd Place** **The Daily News, Iron Mountain**  
*The Daily News, Iron Mountain*  
 Staff

**Daily D - Class 56 - Best Digital Presentation**  
 6 Entries

**1st Place** **Greenville Daily News**  
*Daily News digital*  
 Staff

**2nd Place** **Manistee News-Advocate**  
*Manistee News Advodate digital presentation*  
 Staff

**3rd Place** **Jackson Citizen Patriot**  
*Digital presentation*  
 Staff

**Weekly C - Class 56 - Best Digital Presentation**  
 2 Entries

**1st Place** **Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News**  
*Digital Presentation*  
 Staff

**2nd Place** **Grosse Pointe News**  
*Grosse Pointe News*  
 GPN Staff

**Weekly D - Class 56 - Best Digital Presentation**  
 2 Entries

**1st Place** **Newberry News**  
*Newberry News*  
 Steve Stiffler

**2nd Place** **Sentinel-Standard**  
*The Ionia Sentinel-Standard*  
 Staff

**Class 57 - Public Service Award**

**Daily A - Class 57 - Public Service Award**  
 7 Entries

**1st Place** **Detroit News**  
*Trump, false electors fallout*

Craig Mauger  
**2nd Place** *Grand Rapids Press*  
*Michigan home to one of nation's worst nursing homes*  
 Matt Miller  
**3rd Place** *Detroit Free Press*  
*10 Yeas after Flint water crisis, residents see no settlement money*  
 Paul Egan

**Daily B - Class 57 - Public Service Award**  
**3 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
*Homeless in Traverse City*  
 Staff  
**2nd Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
*Death then debt*  
 Mardi Link, Allison Batdorff  
**3rd Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
*'Bizarre' scam targets vacant property owners*  
 Mardi Link

**Daily C - Class 57 - Public Service Award**  
**2 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Holland Sentinel*  
*Budget Battles in Ottawa County*  
 Mitchell Boatman  
**2nd Place** *Holland Sentinel*  
*The Resignation of Ryan Heirse*  
 Austin Metz

**Daily D - Class 57 - Public Service Award**  
**5 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Flint Journal*  
*10 years after it was triggered, Flint remembers the beginning of the water crisis*  
 Staff  
**2nd Place** *Saginaw News*  
*Secure Cities/MSP*  
 Cole Waterman, Gus Burns  
**3rd Place** *Kalamazoo Gazette*  
*Lisa Brayton series*  
 Ryan Boldrey

**Weekly C - Class 57 - Public Service Award**  
**1 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*City's own takes down Lululemon theft ring*  
 Laurel Kraus

**Class 58 - Best FOIA Story**

**Open - Class 58 - Best FOIA Story**  
**33 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Saginaw News*  
*Secure cities*  
 Gus Burns, Cole Waterman  
**2nd Place** *Detroit News*  
*1 in 5 Michigan lawmakers have signed pact to keep taxpayer-subsidized projects secret*  
 Beth LeBlanc  
**3rd Place** *Grand Rapids Press*  
*How much conservative law firm got paid*  
 Michael Kransz

**Class 59 - Best Podcast**

**Open - Class 59 - Best Podcast**  
**5 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Detroit Free Press*  
*"Where Secrets Go To Die"*  
 Detroit Free Press staff  
**2nd Place** *Gongwer News Service*  
*Whitmer announces energy and housing initiatives at Mackinac Policy Conference*  
 Alethia Kasben, Cheyna Roth, Zach Gorchow  
**3rd Place** *Michigan Information and Research Services Inc.*  
*MIRS Monday*  
 Samantha Shriber

**Class 60 - Best Writing**

**Open - Class 60 - Best Writing**  
**42 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Bridge Michigan*  
*Michigan tribes race to save their language from extinction*  
 Ron French  
**2nd Place** *Detroit News*  
*Paralyzed child's story shows how Michigan's no fault reforms endanger care*  
 Chad Livengood  
**3rd Place** *Detroit Free Press*  
*Amid Addiction, Finding Purpose*  
 Georgea Kovanis

**Class 61 - Best Headline**

**Open - Class 61 - Best Headline**  
**44 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Daily Mining Gazette*  
*Clad in Plaid*  
 Candace Wolf  
**2nd Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*  
*Don't be Koi*  
 Brian Freiburger  
**3rd Place** *Detroit Free Press*  
*Give a dog a home*  
 Janet Graham

**Class 62 - Best Photo**

**Open - Class 62 - Best Photo**  
**14 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Detroit News*  
*Our Hero*  
 Clarence Tabb, Jr.  
**2nd Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
*The Pines*  
 Jan-Michael Stump  
**3rd Place** *Flint Journal*  
*In hospice care with electric blue hair. And dreams of a Detroit Lions Super Bowl*  
 Jake May

**Class 63 - Rookie Writer**

**Open - Class 63 - Rookie Writer**  
**8 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Kalamazoo Gazette*

Aya Miller  
**2nd Place** *Crains Grand Rapids Business*  
 Abby Poirier  
**3rd Place** *Traverse City Record-Eagle*  
 Michael Livingston

**Class 64 - Most Innovative Story Telling**

**Open - Class 64 - Most Innovative Story Telling**  
 22 Entries  
**1st Place** *Flint Journal*  
*10 years after it was triggered, Flint remembers the beginning of the water crisis*  
 Staff  
**2nd Place** *Bridge Michigan*  
*The Electric Vehicle Road Trip*  
 Kelly House, Paula Gardner, and Asha Lewis  
**3rd Place** *Detroit News*  
*Michigan Central Station seeks to keep Detroit the Motor City for the next century*  
 Staff

**Advertising**

**Class 01 - Community Business Promotions**

**Daily - Class 01 - Community Business Promotions**  
 5 Entries  
**1st Place** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Blessing of the Bikes*  
 Judy Lytle  
**Sparkle in the Park** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Sparkle in the Park*  
 Judy Lytle  
**3rd Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Double Truck Biz of Distinction*  
 Staff

**Non-Daily - Class 01 - Community Business Promotions**  
 8 Entries  
**1st Place** *Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News*  
*Prudenville Page*  
 Staff  
**2nd Place** *Crawford County Avalanche*  
*Grayling Christmas Walk*  
 Staff  
**3rd Place** *The Globe*  
*Wakefield Marenisco Summer Fun*  
 Globe Advertising Department

**Class 02 - Home Services**

**Daily - Class 02 - Home Services**  
 11 Entries  
**1st Place** *Cadillac News*  
*Douglass - \$1000 window giveaway*  
 Advertising, Graphics  
**2nd Place** *Cadillac News*  
*Manton Metal Sales - Choose a Metal Roof*  
 Advertising, Graphics  
**3rd Place** *Ludington Daily News*

*Nye Heating & Cooling*  
 Candy Bryant

**Non-Daily - Class 02 - Home Services**  
 7 Entries  
**1st Place** *Tecumseh Herald*  
*Billy White Roofing*  
 Nanci Bridget  
**2nd Place** *Tecumseh Herald*  
*Abstract Builders*  
 Nanci Bridget  
**3rd Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*What's It Worth?*  
 Julie Sutton, Donna Zetterlund

**Class 03 - Home Furnishings**

**Daily - Class 03 - Home Furnishings**  
 6 Entries  
**1st Place** *Cadillac News*  
*Fabulous Furniture - Thanksgiving Wrap*  
 Advertising, Graphics  
**2nd Place** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Cottage Works*  
 Julie Eilers  
**3rd Place** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Furniture & Decor - Lundquist Furniture*  
 Julie Eilers

**Non-Daily - Class 03 - Home Furnishings**  
 8 Entries  
**World of Floors** *Crawford County Avalanche*  
*World of Floors*  
 Staff  
**2nd Place** *Tecumseh Herald*  
*Classic Cabinets*  
 Nanci Bridget  
**3rd Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*Woodmaster Kitchens*  
 Julie Sutton, Ken Schop

**Class 04 - New and Used Autos, Recreational Vehicles and Boats**

**Daily - Class 04 - New and Used Autos, Recreational Vehicles and Boats**  
 3 Entries  
**1st Place** *Cadillac News*  
*Classic Car Deals - Keep on Cruising - Car Care Ad*  
 Advertising, Graphics  
**2nd Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Steve Winnie Auto Sales*  
 Staff  
**3rd Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Retirement Sale Ray Winnie*  
 Staff

**Non-Daily - Class 04 - New and Used Autos, Recreational Vehicles and Boats**  
 6 Entries  
**1st Place** *Tecumseh Herald*  
*Chevrolet of Clinton - Fall*  
 Nanci Bridget

**2nd Place**

*Chevrolet of Clinton - Winter Nanci Bridget*

**3rd Place**

*07-03 Gitchi Auto QPH Staff*

**Class 05 - Real Estate**

**Daily - Class 05 - Real Estate**

4 Entries

**1st Place**

*Greenridge - Thank you for trusting us Julie Eilers*

**2nd Place**

*Century 21 - Brian - Eden Lake frontage Julie Eilers*

**3rd Place**

*Tricia Wirth, Results Real Estate Advertising, Graphics*

**Non-Daily - Class 05 - Real Estate**

7 Entries

**1st Place**

*Finer Pointes Donna Zetterlund, Olivia Monette, Julie Sutton*

**2nd Place**

*Featured Realtor Jason Plowman*

**3rd Place**

*02-07 Real Estate One 8SQ Staff*

**Class 06 - Entertaining Services**

**Daily - Class 06 - Entertaining Services**

5 Entries

**1st Place**

*Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Staff*

**2nd Place**

*Bowright Whiskey Advertising, Graphics*

**3rd Place**

*Spartan West Julie Eilers*

**Non-Daily - Class 06 - Entertaining Services**

2 Entries

**1st Place**

*TC Tented Events Jason Plowman*

**2nd Place**

*Venue Blu Jason Plowman*

**Class 07 - Restaurants**

**Daily - Class 07 - Restaurants**

4 Entries

**1st Place**

*Best Fish Fry Julie Eilers*

**2nd Place**

**Tecumseh Herald**

**St. Ignace News**

**Ludington Daily News**

**Ludington Daily News**

**Cadillac News**

**Grosse Pointe News**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

**St. Ignace News**

**Greenville Daily News**

**Cadillac News**

**Ludington Daily News**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

**Ludington Daily News**

**Greenville Daily News**

*Sidney Tavern - Where the Locals Go Staff*

**3rd Place**

*Town Pump Saloon - Dining Guide Ad Advertising, Graphics*

**Non-Daily - Class 07 - Restaurants**

13 Entries

**1st Place**

*Tide to Table Olivia Monette*

**2nd Place**

*The Nosh GPN Staff*

**3rd Place**

*Sidecar Slider Bar Julie Sutton*

**Class 08 - General Retail**

**Daily - Class 08 - General Retail**

9 Entries

**1st Place**

*West Shore Market Julie Eilers*

**2nd Place**

*Mason Co. Emporium Julie Eilers*

**3rd Place**

*Susie Urban Mane - Coupon Book Ad Advertising, Graphics*

**Non-Daily - Class 08 - General Retail**

16 Entries

**1st Place**

*Snyders Drug Stores: More than a pharmacy. Lauren Burton*

**2nd Place**

*RPM Records Mike Anderson*

**3rd Place**

*Rustic Root Ken Schop, Production*

**Class 09 - Small Ads Work**

**Daily - Class 09 - Small Ads Work**

6 Entries

**1st Place**

*Plan ahead so your family doesn't have to Staff*

**2nd Place**

*Lakewood on the Green - Senior Golf Ball Special Advertising, Graphics*

**3rd Place**

*Metro Mortgage Julie Eilers*

**Non-Daily - Class 09 - Small Ads Work**

9 Entries

**1st Place**

*Doherty Family Dentistry Nanci Bridget*

**2nd Place**

**Cadillac News**

**Grosse Pointe News**

**Grosse Pointe News**

**Grosse Pointe News**

**Ludington Daily News**

**Ludington Daily News**

**Cadillac News**

**Newberry News**

**Leelanau Enterprise**

**Grosse Pointe News**

**Greenville Daily News**

**Cadillac News**

**Ludington Daily News**

**Tecumseh Herald**

**Tecumseh Herald**

*Musgrove + Company*  
Koda Woodward  
**3rd Place**  
*Miner's Candlelight Snow Shoe & Ski*  
Globe Advertising Department

*The Globe*

**Class 10 - Best Digital Ad**

**Daily - Class 10 - Best Digital Ad**

9 Entries

**1st Place**

*Douglass - Windows*  
Advertising, Graphics

*Cadillac News*

**2nd Place**

*BC Pizza - Hungry Order Online*  
Advertising, Graphics

*Cadillac News*

**3rd Place**

*Sable Points Lighthouse Association*  
Julie Eilers

*Ludington Daily News*

**Non-Daily - Class 10 - Best Digital Ad**

3 Entries

**1st Place**

*Brine Oyster House*  
Olivia Monette

*Grosse Pointe News*

**Class 10 - Best Digital Ad**

**Non-Daily - Class 10 - Best Digital Ad**

Entries

**2nd Place**

*Flyleaf*  
Olivia Monette

*Grosse Pointe News*

**3rd Place**

*Wedding Guide promo*  
Olivia Monette

*Grosse Pointe News*

**Class 11 - Best Health/Fitness Ad**

**Daily - Class 11 - Best Health/Fitness Ad**

5 Entries

**1st Place**

*Missaukee Golf Club - Golf Ad*  
Advertising, Graphics

*Cadillac News*

**2nd Place**

*New Year New You with the White Lotus*  
Staff

*Greenville Daily News*

**3rd Place**

*Sheridan Community Hospital Health Page*  
Staff

*Greenville Daily News*

**Non-Daily - Class 11 - Best Health/Fitness Ad**

8 Entries

**1st Place**

*Danielle Paquin Beauty*  
Olivia Monette

*Grosse Pointe News*

**2nd Place**

*Corner Studio*  
Olivia Monette

*Grosse Pointe News*

**3rd Place**

*Beauty In Science MedSPA*  
Ken Ong

*Grosse Pointe News*

**Class 12 - Best use of color**

**Daily - Class 12 - Best use of color**

9 Entries

**1st Place**

*Greenstone Farm Credit - Our Community Ad*  
Advertising, Graphics

*Cadillac News*

**2nd Place**

*Mason Co. Rural Fire Authority*  
Julie Eilers

*Ludington Daily News*

**3rd Place**

*Town Pump Saloon - Dining Guide Ad*  
Advertising, Graphics

*Cadillac News*

**Non-Daily - Class 12 - Best use of color**

15 Entries

**1st Place**

*Enterprise Printing - Your Complete Printing Solution*  
Mike Anderson

*Leelanau Enterprise*

**2nd Place**

*Brine*  
Olivia Monette

*Grosse Pointe News*

**3rd Place**

*New Bohemian Cafe/Omena Bay Country Store*  
Mike Anderson

*Leelanau Enterprise*

**Class 13 - Best Special Section**

**Daily - Class 13 - Best Special Section**

8 Entries

**LakeStyle - Summer 2024**

*LakeStyle - Summer 2024*

*Ludington Daily News*

**2nd Place**

*Veterans Day*  
Judy Lytle

*Ludington Daily News*

**3rd Place**

*Winter Carnival special section*  
Staff

*Daily Mining Gazette*

**Non-Daily - Class 13 - Best Special Section**

15 Entries

**1st Place**

*Newspaper In Education/Creative Kids*  
Globe Advertising Department

*The Globe*

**2nd Place**

*2023 Holiday Happenings*  
Koda Woodward, Nanci Bridget

*Tecumseh Herald*

**3rd Place**

*Leelanau Wedding Guide*  
Leelanau Enterprise Staff

*Leelanau Enterprise*

**Class 14 - Best Ad Grouping**

**Daily - Class 14 - Best Ad Grouping**

10 Entries

**1st Place**

*Burger Month Bracket Challenge*  
Advertising, Graphics

*Cadillac News*

**2nd Place**

*Happy Camper's Guide - Campground Directory*  
Advertising, Graphics

*Cadillac News*

**3rd Place**

*Manistee National Forest Festival*  
Judy Lytle, Julie Eilers, Candy Bryant

*Ludington Daily News*

**Non-Daily - Class 14 - Best Ad Grouping**

- 9 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*The Nosh*  
 GPN Staff  
**2nd Place** *Tecumseh Herald*  
*Memorial Day Ad Group*  
 Koda Woodward  
**3rd Place** *Tecumseh Herald*  
*Love Local Ad Group*  
 Koda Woodward, Skylar Hoffmeister, Nanci Bridget

**Class 15 - Best in House Circulation Ad**

- Daily - Class 15 - Best in House Circulation Ad**  
**8 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Cadillac News*  
*Leap Day Subscription Special*  
 Advertising, Graphics  
**2nd Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Subscribe for sports coverage!*  
 Staff  
**3rd Place** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Get Local News Wherever You Are*  
 Judy Lytle

**Non-Daily - Class 15 - Best in House Circulation Ad**

- 9 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*Whole lot of...*  
 Donna Zetterlund, Anne Gryzenia  
**2nd Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*The Grosse Pointe News is on the move*  
 Olivia Monette  
**3rd Place** *Houghton Lake Resorter & Roscommon County Herald-News*  
*Resorter circulation ad*  
 Staff

**Class 16 - Best in House Content Promotion**

- Daily - Class 16 - Best in House Content Promotion**  
**11 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Photo Galleries*  
 Judy Lytle  
**2nd Place** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Spring Fever Auction*  
 Judy Lytle  
**3rd Place** *Cadillac News*  
*National Garage Sale Days - classified special*  
 Advertising, Graphics

**Non-Daily - Class 16 - Best in House Content Promotion**

- 9 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*  
*Leelanau Visitors Guide - Beach Weather*  
 Mike Anderson  
**2nd Place** *Tecumseh Herald*  
*Downtown Printing: Color Splash*  
 Koda Woodward  
**3rd Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*GP News Fishing Classic*

GPN Staff

**Class 17 - Best Community Cause Marketing**

- Daily - Class 17 - Best Community Cause Marketing**  
**5 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Cadillac News*  
*Believes in a Cure - Breasts Cancer Awareness Month*  
 Newsroom, Advertising, Graphics  
**2nd Place** *Greenville Daily News*  
*Literacy Awareness Feature & Grouping*  
 Staff  
**3rd Place** *Ludington Daily News*  
*Standing Together*  
 Judy Lytle

**Non-Daily - Class 17 - Best Community Cause Marketing**

- 7 Entries**  
**1st Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*Adopt-A-Pet/ In-Home Obedience Coaching*  
 GPN Staff  
**2nd Place** *Leelanau Enterprise*  
*Breast Cancer Awareness*  
 Mike Anderson  
**3rd Place** *Grosse Pointe News*  
*Racing For Kids*  
 GPN Staff