

Norfolk Daily News editor, Kent Warneke, named 2019 Master Editor-Publisher



Kent Warneke addresses colleagues, family and friends as he accepts the Master Editor-Publisher Award.



Presenting the Master Editor-Publisher Award to Kent Warneke is (l to r): NNA President, Andrew Johnson; Nebraska Lt. Governor, Mike Foley; NPA President Kevin Zadina; and (far right) Allen Beermann, NPA/OnePress executive director.

The highest honor that can be bestowed upon members by the Nebraska Press Association was awarded to Kent Warneke, editor of the Norfolk Daily News at the April 5, 2019, Awards Banquet as part of the 145th Annual NPA Convention in Kearney, NE.

The Master Editor-Publisher Award is given based on criteria that the nominee has worked hard and lived honorably; thought soundly and influenced unselfishly; through his or her newspaper connections has been active in their community, state or nation; and has been a practitioner of his or her craft in the production of a quality newspaper product.

Warneke is the 48th person to receive this award since the Nebraska Press Association began giving the award in 1972. NPA is the state's oldest trade association, comprised of 164 daily and weekly Nebraska newspapers.

In 1987, Warneke was named managing editor of the Norfolk Daily News, and in 1991, became editor and vice president. He served as NPA president in 2005, and was inducted into the Nebraska Journalism Hall of Fame in 2012, becoming the youngest person to be inducted into the Hall of Fame at age 52.



Kent Warneke, (center) honored with the Master Editor-Publisher Award, is surrounded by more than 30 friends, family, dignitaries and co-workers, including his wife Susan (to his right) at the April 5 Awards Banquet. Newspaper colleagues joined Warneke's family and friends at a reception following the banquet to congratulate him on this high award.

OUTSTANDING YOUNG NEBRASKA JOURNALIST AWARD

The Outstanding Young Nebraska Journalist Award was created and funded by Zean and Marilyn Carney in 2001. The Carneys are former publishers of the Wahoo Newspaper, Waverly News, Ashland Gazette and David City Banner-Press. Nominees are judged on their professionalism, creativity, comments or statements on goals, impact of their work on print journalism and the community of journalistic excellence. The awards were presented at the April 6 Awards Luncheon. Presenting the awards were NNA President, Andrew Johnson and NPA President, Kevin Zadina.



FIRST PLACE:

Grant Egger, Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune, Blair

The judge said Egger has a writing style that is clear and engaging, with the ability to find and write about people in a way that brings them to life. While Egger's sports stories, covered high school football, basketball and other major sports, he showed he can cover a much wider range of athletic competition with stories about a Junior National Rodeo Finals contestant and her horse, and his feature on an 85-year-old retired physics professor, who bicycles nearly 2,400 miles every year.

RUNNER-UP:

Nick Gebhart, Norfolk Daily News

According to the judge, "Gebhart shows how solid journalism can connect people to their past, their future and each other." Gebhart showed that he can cover a range of topics and present information to his newspaper readers in the way that the significance of the stories can be readily grasped. In his story about the plans Neligh residents have for refurbishing and reopening the New Moon Theatre, Gebhart succinctly described the history and role of the movie theatre in the community's life and how Neligh can bring it back to life.



2019 NPA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Six Nebraska students were selected to each receive a \$2,000 scholarship from the Nebraska Press Association Foundation for the 2019-20 school year. The Foundation board members selected the scholarship winners from over 40 submitted applications. Scholarships are awarded to Nebraska high school and college students that plan to pursue a career in community journalism. This years' recipients are: Kamrin Baker, Junior at UNO, from Omaha; Jenna Ebbers, Senior at Cambridge High School, Cambridge; Mitchell Lierman, Senior at West Point Beemer High School, West Point; Grace McDonald, Senior at Centura Public Schools, Rockville; Natalie Saenz, Junior at UNL, Scottsbluff; and Chloe Schock, Senior at Falls City Sacred Heart School, Falls City. Presenting their certificates were NPA Foundation President, Kurt Johnson; NPA President, Kevin Zadina; and NPAS/OnePress President, Chris Rhoades.



Scholarship Recipients (l to r): Mitchell Lierman, West Point; Grace McDonald, Rockville; Jenna Ebbers, Cambridge; Chloe Schock, Falls City; and Natalie Saenz, Scottsbluff. Unable to attend the Awards Luncheon was Kamrin Baker, Omaha.

Rambles & Remarks

Amy Johnson, editor, Springview Herald

If you would have told me over seven years ago, when I first walked into the Springview Herald without a clue on how to run a newspaper or be a journalist, that I would be vice president of the prestigious Nebraska Press Association, I would have most likely found the statement to be quite humorous.

Fast forward to April of 2019 and here I am, recently appointed as the vice president of the Nebraska Press Association Board of Directors. The association itself is one of the oldest in the state, and continues to thrive today.

The Board of Directors has been graced with publishers from large dailies, to single staffed weeklies. But in each and every case, each of those individuals strive to make not only their own periodicals thrive, but it's their responsibility to ensure all 164 member newspapers have the tools to thrive as well.

This is no easy task, and from my perspective of being on the board the past few years, they each take their responsibility seriously. I intend to as well.



Everyone I've come to know through NPA has taken the time to get to know me, and the newspaper itself. Newspapers across this state and across the country face the same struggles and the same victories.

Last week was the seventh NPA convention that I have attended. And after each, I walk away a better journalist, editor, designer, reporter, photographer, and newspaper person. And in the end, this benefits the readers, subscribers and advertisers of this great newspaper.

Since the day I became editor of Springview Herald, we have tried to bring to you the best possible newspaper that we can. There have been mistakes over the years, but these are stepping stones to building a better newspaper and a better editor.

I am honored to be appointed to the NPA Board, and I will strive to help member newspapers throughout Nebraska, and represent this industry with integrity. Just as those before me have done for nearly 150 years.

OMAHA WORLD-HERALD COMMUNITY SERVICE AND SERVICE TO AGRICULTURE AWARDS

Presenting the awards at the Friday night banquet were Nebraska Lieutenant Governor, Mike Foley and Omaha World-Herald Director of Community Relations, Sue Violi.

Community Service Awards

Daily - Norfolk Daily News

Weekly Class D - Hickman Voice News

Weekly Class C - Aurora News-Register

Weekly Class B - Orchard Antelope Co. News

Weekly Class A - Niobrara Tribune

Service to Agriculture Awards

Daily - Scottsbluff Star-Herald

Weekly Class D - Hickman Voice News

Weekly Class C - Broken Bow Custer Co. Chief

Weekly Class B - Chadron Record

Weekly Class A - Arlington Citizen

NPA/OnePress officers begin new terms for 2019-20

Terrie Baker, general manager of the Grand Island Independent, has been elected President of the Nebraska Press Association for the 2019-20 term. Baker, who succeeds Kevin Zadina, was installed at the Annual NPA Convention, held April 5-6, in Kearney.

Other officers elected were, Amy Johnson, Publisher/Editor of the Springview Herald, as Vice President; and Kevin Peterson, Publisher of the Wayne Herald as Treasurer. Kevin Zadina, Publisher of the Seward Co. Independent, will serve as Immediate Past President.

Continuing their terms as board of directors of NPA are Willis Mahannah, Editor of the West Point News, and Brooke Robertson, General Manager of the Grant Tribune-Sentinel. New to the NPA board for a three-year term is Rob Dump, Co-publisher of the Hartington Cedar Co. News.

Elected by the Nebraska Press Advertising Service/OnePress were President, Nathan Arneal, Publisher of the North Bend Eagle, and

Randy Sadd, Co-publisher of the Doniphan Herald, as Vice President. Chris Rhoades, General Manager of Enterprise Media Group, Blair, will serve as Immediate Past President.

Continuing their terms on the board of directors of NPAS/OnePress are: Vickie Hrbanek, Advertising Manager of the Norfolk Daily News; Marcia Hora, Publisher of the Stapleton Enterprise; and Dee Klein, Publisher of the North Platte Telegraph. New to the NPAS/OnePress board for a three-year term, is Lynell Morgan, Co-publisher of the Elgin Review.

Allen J. Beermann is Executive Director of both organizations. The Nebraska Press Association membership includes 164 weekly and daily newspapers with a total paid circulation in excess of 417,000. The NPA was founded in 1873. NPAS/OnePress includes all of the NPA membership and was founded in 1951.

Former Aurora News-Register managing editor, Laurie Pfeifer, receives Harpst Leadership Nebraska Award

By Kurt Johnson, Aurora News-Register

Longtime Aurora News-Register managing editor Laurie Pfeifer was honored with the Harpst Leadership Nebraska Award at the April 6 NPA Awards Luncheon for her decades of leadership and service to her community.

The Harpst Leadership Award was created in memory of Don Harpst, Sr. to honor Nebraska journalists who promote, recognize and foster leadership in their communities.

Pfeifer attended Kearney State College, and after working for an Omaha typography company and the Fremont Tribune, she began working as a reporter at The News-Register under then-publisher Butch Furse. During her 38-year tenure at the News-Register, she rose to feature editor, assistant editor and managing editor.

Her work won the respect of local residents and public officials, and her coverage of Nebraska's No. 1 industry - agriculture - won distinction for her newspaper.

Pfeifer worked to expand the paper's monthly supplement into a weekly section called Ag Life, and during the county fair, worked to produce a 32-page special edition highlighting the achievements of 4-H and FFA kids.

Over the years, Pfeifer mentored many young journalists, and also spent hundreds of hours volunteering with the TeamMates youth mentoring program.

After retiring from the News-Register in 2014, Pfeifer began a new career in real estate and joined Thomas Realty and Auction in Aurora.



Laurie Pfeifer, center, is joined by co-publishers Paula and Kurt Johnson, as she receives the Harpst Leadership Nebraska Award during the awards luncheon in Kearney.

"Encouraging and publicizing leadership in our community, schools, agriculture and youth has been rewarding," Pfeifer said. "I've especially enjoyed working with the young reporters I've had the pleasure of mentoring and watching them advance in their careers. I've also been blessed to work for supportive publishers - Butch Furse and Kurt and Paula Johnson - who encouraged and trusted me to follow through on my ideas."

2019 GOLDEN PICA POLE RECIPIENTS

The Golden Pica Pole Award is given for 50 or more years of service to Nebraska newspapers. 2019 Golden Pica Pole recipients: Jim Dean, Grand Island; Jim Murphy, Omaha; and Mary Kay Quinlan, Lincoln. Each recipient received a certificate and their own pica pole. Presenting the awards were NPA President, Kevin Zadina, NPAS/OnePress President, Chris Rhoades, and National Newspaper Association (NNA) President, Andrew Johnson.



JIM DEAN spent 54 years in the newspaper business. At nine years old he became a newspaper carrier for the Grand Island Independent and worked throughout high school at the Wood River Sunbeam and the Shelton Clipper. He graduated from UNL in news-editorial, and attended grad school at Syracuse University, majoring in communications photography. Jim worked for 20 years with the Gannett Co. as chief photographer of the Idaho Statesman in Boise and, over the next several years, worked as editor and managing editor at several newspapers. In 2013, he became editor and publisher of The Columbus Telegram, his last assignment before “hanging up his pica pole” in August 2014.



In 1960, **JIM MURPHY** purchased Universal Press Clipping Bureau in Omaha - now Universal Information Services - and managed the company's growth until 2015. Established in 1908, Universal Information Services has grown into a global provider of monitored news media and measurement services. Serving as an Associate Member of the Nebraska Press Association for at least 40 years, Jim has helped to strengthen Nebraska's newspapers through Universal's partnership with the digitization and archive project for the NPA. Universal has been integral in the discussion around copyright, licensing, fair use, and an advocate of the role media plays in support of the First Amendment.



MARY KAY QUINLAN is associate dean and associate professor at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Journalism and Mass Communications. She has taught classes in beginning and advanced reporting, and in-depth reporting. In addition, she served from 2011-2018 as bureau chief/editor of the Nebraska News Service, a student-staffed service covering state government for about 120 news organizations throughout Nebraska. She was a Washington correspondent for the Omaha World-Herald and Gannett News Service for 15 years.

NNA President, Andrew Johnson (right), and his wife Laura, attended Friday and Saturday convention events. Johnson spoke to attendees at the Friday afternoon NPA/OnePress annual business meetings and emphasized that NNA is a member-operated and driven organization, and it's the only national organization dedicated specifically to advocating the interests of community newspapers. He assisted in presenting awards at the Friday night awards banquet, and he helped facilitate the Saturday afternoon Great Idea Exchange. Johnson is publisher of the Dodge County Pioneer newspaper in Mayville, WI.



Rewards of being a newspaper gal

Ashley Swanson, news editor, Sutton Clay Co. News

Nebraska's Press Association Convention is one of my favorite times of the year.

This year's marked my fifth anniversary of attending, which falls far below the many wonderful veteran newspaper persons from around the state.

This year's convention also got me out of my comfort zone. I've gotten better with my shyness; I engage with people more and I'm not such the fly on the wall at events as I used to be.

However, the challenge given to me was to become the secret "Ms. X" and shake 100 people's hands, and it proved to be a bit harder than anticipated, but the challenge was the best thing to happen to me.

When you are selected as Mr. or Ms. X, only you and the person who selected you know, and your goal is to shake 100 or more hands. The 100th person you shake hands with gets \$100.

We had an astounding 40 new people attending the convention, so I made it my mission for one of those 40 people to be my 100th person, and I was able to accomplish said mission.

Along the way to reaching 100, I met so many wonderful people, reconnected with people I only get to see once a year, and visited with people I hadn't had a chance to see in a couple of years.

The CCN staff did well with awards this year and, although the awards were nice to receive, personally, I earned so much more throughout this NPA weekend.

I earned more laughs, more memories, more friendships, more lessons, and more reminders of why I got into and continue to stay in this business—in this lifestyle.



Being able to call myself a newspaper person alongside so many wonderful, talented, intelligent newspaper guys and gals is rewarding all on its own.

We come from different backgrounds, all with a different story to tell, but every year, without fail, you see how together we are as a group and how we all strive to be the best newspapers for our communities, regardless of if we're weekly or daily, the size of our staff, or how many awards we win each year.

Individually, we have our own battles to fight, our own accomplishments to celebrate, our own community stories to tell and capture and document for the years to come.

But collectively, we are supporting each other, we are celebrating each other's victories, and we are there as an ear to listen or a helping hand when things get tough.

Being a journalist is not glamorous; it does have its downsides and upsets. However, being a journalist is fulfilling and fun and rewarding.

Above all, being a journalist, especially in our state, means you've always got someone supporting, teaching, and (in a good way) critiquing you, whether you're the new person, the somewhat experienced journalist, or the veteran newspaper person who's seen it all.

The rewards of being a journalist are extensive and I was so incredibly lucky to soak those in during our 145th annual convention with so many wonderful newspaper people I've come to call friends.

Thank you to all of the newspapers around our state. Keep up the amazing work and I'll see you next year!

Youngest member of Nebraska Legislature was Friday banquet keynote speaker

Senator Julie Slama, District 1, Peru, engaged attendees at Friday night's award banquet as the youngest female senator in Nebraska history.

A 2014 graduate of Auburn High School, Slama graduated from Yale University with a bachelor's degree in Political Science in 2018. In college, she served as the Director of Operations for the *Yale Daily News*.

Slama was appointed to the Nebraska Legislature in December, 2018, and was sworn in as the District 1 Senator on January 9, 2019.



PRINT SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS!

The Weekly Print Class Sweepstakes Awards are sponsored by the Ken Rhoades family. The Community Newspaper Award is sponsored by Elna and the late Loral Johnson.

Community Newspaper Print Sweepstakes - 1st Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News

DAILY Print Sweepstakes - 1st Place
Scottsbluff Star-Herald

Class A Print Sweepstakes - 1st Place
Morrill Voice News of Western Nebraska

Class B Print Sweepstakes - 1st Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News

Class C Print Sweepstakes - 1st Place
Aurora News-Register

Class D Print Sweepstakes - 1st Place
Seward County Independent

News Photo of the Year

House Fire

Aaron Beckman

Norfolk Daily News

Editorial of the Year

Why I Stood for Freedom of Press

Nikki McKim

Falls City Journal

Sports Photo of the Year

Putting His Faith in the Pole

Kelly Ninas

Cozad Tri-City Tribune

Feature Photo of the Year

Iconographer Aleksei Vronskii

Ericka Pritchard

Kearney Hub

Advertisement of the Year

Color Run

Carrie Pitzer

Orchard Antelope Co. News



“The Richest Man in Town”



Professional speaker and author, V.J. Smith, impressed and inspired attendees at the Saturday morning general session with his talk, “*The Richest Man in Town*,” about Smith’s relationship with a little old man who ran a cash register at a local Wal-Mart - a guy that changed Smith’s life.

In March 2014, *Meeting and Conventions Magazine* named V.J. as one of the favorite speakers of meeting planners throughout America.

V.J. and his wife reside in Brookings, SD. In 2018, V.J. was elected to the State Senate of South Dakota in a landslide vote.

New digital awards unveiled as part of NPA Better Newspaper Contest

*Fifth-generation Edgecombe family to sponsor permanent, traveling
digital sweepstakes trophies & digital class awards*



Digital Class D - 1st Place
Fairbury Journal-News



Digital Class B - 1st Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News



Digital Class C - 1st Place (TIE)
Hartington Cedar Co. News



Digital Class C - 1st Place (TIE)
Ord Quiz



Digital Weekly Sweepstakes
Orchard Antelope Co. News

(not pictured)
Digital Daily Sweepstakes
Kearney Hub

A separate digital contest was created this year, along with a newly designed permanent (right) and traveling digital sweepstakes trophy.

The permanent sweepstakes award will be displayed in the NPA/OnePress office and will carry the names of each year's winner. The traveling sweepstakes award goes home with the winner for that year.

The fifth-generation Edgecombe family have donated the permanent and traveling digital sweepstakes trophies, along with the digital class awards.

Presenting this year's new digital awards was John Edgecombe, Jr., retired publisher of the Geneva Nebraska Signal, and his son Jim Edgecombe, publisher of the Minden Courier and co-publisher of the Geneva Nebraska Signal.



First Amendment campaign proves successful

Leeanna Ellis, managing editor, Washington Co. Enterprise and Pilot-Tribune

On Friday, I came face to face with my face.

Let me explain.

In July, Media of Nebraska launched the “Think F1rst” campaign. The initiative was a multimedia campaign to promote awareness of the First Amendment, which protects five freedoms: speech, religion, press, assembly and petition.

Five Nebraskans were selected to represent each freedom. Those individuals included a pastor, a farmer, a college student, a healthcare professional and a journalist.

As managing editor of the Washington County Pilot-Tribune and Enterprise and the Arlington Citizen, I was asked to represent freedom of the press.

As part of the campaign, each of the individuals appeared in both a TV spot and print advertising. The commercial and ads began July 4 and ran through Sept. 30. It was supported by in-kind on statewide radio and television stations, in newspapers, on the website and social media platforms of participating outlets.

During the Nebraska Press Association’s annual convention this past weekend, five oversized poster boards with each ad — including

my face — were displayed at the hotel in Kearney. Included with the display was an explainer on just how successful the campaign was.

The Think F1rst campaign reached an audience of more than 12 million — in Nebraska and nationwide — after the initial press conference on June 28.

The campaign saw more than 5.7 million impressions among various social media, including Snapchat, YouTube, Instagram and the campaign’s website.

Prior to this campaign, a recent survey showed 40 percent of Americans couldn’t name any of the rights protected by the First Amendment. Another 36 percent of respondents could only name one.

Hopefully, with this campaign, those numbers have changed.

It was my honor to participate in the Think F1rst campaign. These are important rights that all too often are taken for granted. They are essential. They are the most basic of our liberties.

It’s our responsibility as American citizens to make sure these rights are protected. They are worth defending and celebrating.



LEEANNA ELLIS/PILOT-TRIBUNE

Pictured above are three of the five “Think F1rst” posters on display at the NPA Annual Convention, April 5-6, in Kearney. The “Think F1rst” campaign, developed by Media of Nebraska, focused on understanding the First Amendment and the five freedoms it protects.

Experts provided ideas, techniques, solutions

Workshop sessions gave attendees tips & tricks to share with co-workers and staff - and implement at their newspapers right away. Topics covered improving reporting & interviewing skills, InDesign tips & techniques, creating infographics with Illustrator, Legal Hotline Q&A, using video at your newspaper, the Great Idea Exchange and more.



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2019 ANNUAL CONVENTION

Thank you to our 2019 NPA Convention sponsors for their continued support of the Nebraska Press Association!

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 - Metro Creative Graphics
 - Nebraska Corn Board
 - Nebraska Digital
 - Nebraska Farm Bureau
- Nebraska Investment Finance Authority (NIFA)
- Nebraska Press Advertising Service/OnePress
 - Omaha World-Herald
- Universal Information Services

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Kent Warneke & Staff, Norfolk Daily News

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Voice-over - Linda Beermann

Convention program/notebooks printing:

Kendall Neiman & Staff, Auburn Nemaha Co. Herald

Convention photographers:

Rob Dump, Hartington Cedar Co. News

Tory Duncan, Sutton Clay Co. News

In Memoriam



The Nebraska Press Association mourns the death of 25 members and associates during the past year. (April 2018 - April 2019)

Their loss is shared by their communities and the newspaper profession which they so ably served during their lifetimes. Their civic and professional service and achievements remain as a permanent tribute. Their names are recorded here as an expression of remembrance and respect:

Thomas Kielty

Director of Circulation, President of subsidiary, World Enterprises, Omaha World-Herald
April 20, 2019

Jeff Hower

Reporter, Photographer, Columnist "I'm Just Sayin," Central City Republican-Nonpareil
April 10, 2019

Eugene "Gene" Beran

Regional Editor, Omaha World-Herald
March 31, 2019

Nelson "Nels" Miller

Manager, Gregory (SD) Times-Advocate; Owner/Publisher, Edgemont (SD) Herald Tribune, Ainsworth Star-Journal, Valentine Midland News, Wagner Printing and Plains Printing Co.
March 11, 2019

Roger Tollefson

Circulation Manager, Mitchell (SD) Daily Republic; Circulation Director, Sioux Falls (SD) Argus Leader; Circulation Director, Director of Operations, General Manager, Publisher, Scottsbluff Star-Herald
March 6, 2019

Bernice Blecha

Editor, General Manager, Osmond Republican
January 12, 2019

Austin Roper

Owner/Publisher, Beaver City Times-Tribune; Sales/Marketing, Hickman Voice News; Owner/Founder, Pigmint Print and LNK News
December 27, 2018

Jack Schrieber

Assistant Manager Typsetting/Dispatch; Electronic Maintenance; IT for editorial, archiving and production pre-press, Omaha World-Herald
December 18, 2018

BJ Fictum

Nebraska High School Sports Writer, Reporter, Photographer, Crete News; Coaches Association Media Person of the Year; High School Press Association Friend of Media; Nebraska High School Wrestling Coaches Association Person of the Year
December 8, 2018

Duane Hamm

Owner/Publisher, Wausa Gazette; Manager, Yankton (SD) Printing Co.; Columnist, Norfolk Daily News
November 20, 2018

Gil Savery

Police Reporter, Lincoln Evening Journal; Managing Editor, Lincoln Journal Star; Nebraska Journalism Hall of Fame-2005; Master Editor-Publisher-2010
November 2, 2018

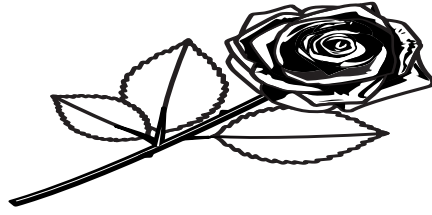
Don Seaton

Editor, Publisher, Hastings Tribune; Manager, KHAS Radio & KHAS-TV
October 25, 2018

Linda Olig

City Editor, Features Editor, Sunday Editor, Lincoln Journal Star
September 28, 2018

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Woody Howe

Reporter, City Editor, Assistant to the Publisher, Vice President, Executive Editor, Omaha World-Herald; Co-Founder, Media of Nebraska;
Nebraska Journalism Hall of Fame-2016
September 14, 2018

Larry Fruhling

Managing Editor, McCook Gazette; Writer/Reporter, United Press International-Lincoln office; Legislative Reporter, United Press International;
Writer, Des Moines Register & Tribune
August 6, 2018

Royce Reit

Advertising Dept. Graphic Artist, Omaha World-Herald
August 4, 2018

Rhonda Stansberry

Reporter, Columbia (MO) Daily Tribune; Reporter, Features Writer, Omaha World-Herald
August 3, 2018

Ken McCormick

Public Information Officer/News Division, U.S. Army; News Editor, Broken Bow Custer Co. Chief, Wahoo Newspaper; Advertising Manager, Auburn Nemaha Co. Herald
July 4, 2018

Bill Schock

Sports Editor, Editor, Photographer, Publisher, Falls City Journal
June 21, 2018

Jerry Huse

Publisher, Norfolk Daily News;
Master Editor-Publisher-1997;
Nebraska Journalism Hall of Fame-2004
June 15, 2018

Jim Patten

Journalism Professor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Copy Editor, Omaha World-Herald; Reporter and Copy Editor, Arizona Republic, Des Moines Register, Philadelphia Inquirer
June 5, 2018

Cherridah Gill

Office Manager, Cozad Tri-City Tribune, Arapahoe Public Mirror, Elwood Bulletin
May 25, 2018

Frank Shudak

Pressman, Omaha World-Herald
May 24, 2018

Sadie Wells

Co-publisher, Spencer Advocate
May 19, 2018

Alton "Mook" Wilhelms

Owner, Publisher, Polk Progress, Stromsburg Headlight, Osceola Record, Shelby Sun; NPAS President-1962; NPA President-1971; Master Editor-Publisher-2002; Nebraska Journalism Hall of Fame-2010
April 10, 2018

Statement of Tribute

The officers, directors, and members of the Nebraska Press Association wish to remember the lives of these departed in such a way that their legacy will always be for us a time to remember, refresh, and renew, as we continue our lives in such a manner that brings dignity to all.