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LINCOLN — Sweepstakes winners in the Nebraska Press Association's Better Newspaper Contest are the weekly Stanton Register and the daily Norfolk Daily News.

By placing first among all the Nebraska weeklies entered, the Stanton Register is the second recipient of the inaugural ALLEN & LINDA BEERMANN COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER SWEEPSTAKES AWARD. Allen retired at the end of 2019 after serving 26 years as executive director of NPA; his wife, Linda, a long-time journalist and broadcaster, passed away in November 2022.

The Stanton Register finished with 13 first-place awards, 12 judged second best awards and 10 judged third best awards for a point total of 264. This is their second year to win this award.

Long-time former publishers and NPA members R.L. "Butch" and Nancy Furse sponsored the print Division A, B, C and D winners: Division A – Stanton Register; Division B – North Bend Eagle; Division C – Hartington Cedar County News; and Division D – Orchard Antelope County News.

The Norfolk Daily News was the winner in the daily category, which excludes dailies in Omaha and Lincoln. It finished with 15 first-place awards, 12 for second and 16 for third for a point total of 346. This is the fourth time the Norfolk Daily News has won the daily sweepstakes. Categories for both weeklies and dailies are focused on writing, photography, advertising, digital, design and creativity.

Finishing second in the daily category was the Hastings Tribune with the North Platte Telegraph, third.

There were 2,569 separate entries judged by members of the South Carolina Press Association.

The Orchard Antelope County News was the Community Newspaper Digital Sweepstakes Award, which was also sponsored by R.L. "Butch" and Nancy Furse, long-time former publishers and NPA members.

The North Platte Telegraph is the daily newspaper to win the Digital Sweepstakes Award.

Other weeklies in the top three were, second, Sarpy County Times and Fairbury Journal-News, third.

Finishing second in the daily category was the Norfolk Daily News with the Fremont Tribune, third.

First, second and third place winners were announced Saturday night at an Awards Banquet at the Cornhusker Marriott Hotel in Lincoln.

01 - Use of Computer Graphics - Produced In House
Division A
1st Place
Stanton Register
Two of a Kind
By: Angelique Boyer
2nd Place
Stanton Register
Enrollment Changes
By: Angelique Boyer
3rd Place
Stanton Register
Closing to Champion
By: Angelique Boyer & Carrie Pitzer

01 - Use of Computer Graphics - Produced In House
Division B
1st Place
North Bend Eagle
Galler of EHC champs
By: Nathan Arneal
2nd Place
North Bend Eagle
Winter sports preview graphic
By: Nathan Arneal
3rd Place
Pender Times
Pender's community websites you should know
By: Jason Sturek

01 - Use of Computer Graphics - Produced In House
Division C
1st Place
Hartington Cedar County News
Best computer graphic - Weather in Review - Thermometer
By: Staff
2nd Place
Ord Quiz
State Track
By: Alexis Hagstrom
3rd Place
Ord Quiz
Arcadia Fall Festival
By: Alexis Hagstrom

01 - Use of Computer Graphics - Produced In House
Division D
1st Place
Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
Blair's future?
By: MaKayla Polak
2nd Place
Crete News
Boys baksetball, Pool page, and paving infographic
By: Amy Hausman, Keaton Burgess
3rd Place
Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune

FCHS Science Teachers' career exceeds four decades
By: Alaina Albright
02 - Building Circulation
Division A
1st Place
Springview Herald
Community Newspaper Week
By: Amy Johnson & Kelsi McGee
2nd Place
Petersburg Press
52 Ways to Say I Love You
By: Julie Dickerson
3rd Place

Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
Newspapers are cool again.
By: LuAnn Schindler
02 - Building Circulation
Division B
1st Place
Cedar Valley News
Every Community Matters
By: Carrie Pitzer
2nd Place
Kimball Western Nebraska Observer
138th Birthday Subscription Offer
By: Jim Orr
3rd Place

Mullen Hooker County Tribune
Community Newspaper Week
By: Gerri Peterson
02 - Building Circulation
Division CD
1st Place
Fairbury Journal-News
National Newspaper Week
By: Jennifer Lewis
2nd Place
Crete News
Fall Subscription Special
By: Hayli Frosheiser, Nichole Javorsky
3rd Place

Falls City Journal
Valentine's Day Coupon
By: Chelsie Alexander
03 - Reader Interaction/Contest
Division A
1st Place
Hemingford Ledger
Recipes for the Perfect Turkey Day
By: Kay Bakkehaug
2nd Place
Hemingford Ledger
Delivering Santa's Letters
By: Kay Bakkehaug

3rd Place
Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
Candy Cane Counting Contest
By: LuAnn Schindler
03 - Reader Interaction/Contest
Division B
1st Place
Arnold Sentinel
Thank You Readers
By: Janet Larreau and Debbie Connelly
2nd Place
North Bend Eagle
Vacation Eagle
By: Mary Le Arneal, Janet Dunker
3rd Place
Gothenburg Leader
Salute to Harvest
By: Staff
03 - Reader Interaction/Contest
Division C
1st Place
Sidney Sun-Telegraph
Dad Jokes campaign
By: Barbara Perez
2nd Place
Oshkosh Garden Co. News
Every summer
By: Emma Christiansen
3rd Place
Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
Reader Interaction
By: Staff
03 - Reader Interaction/Contest
Division D
1st Place
Fairbury Journal-News
Lemonade Days
By: Jennifer Lewis
2nd Place
Falls City Journal
Reader Interaction
By: Chelsie Alexander
3rd Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News
#WeSeeYou
By: Staff
04 - Newspaper Organized or Sponsored Event
Division AB
1st Place
North Bend Eagle
Pride of the Platte Photography Display
By: Eagle Staff
2nd Place
Stanton Register

Sponsoring Santa
By: Staff
3rd Place
Springview Herald
Hungry? Then come to the Spirit Breakfast
By: Amy Johnson
04 - Newspaper Organized or Sponsored Event
Division CD
1st Place
North Platte Bulletin
Music on the Bricks
By: The Bulletin Staff
2nd Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News
Neligh 150 Celebration
By: Staff
3rd Place
Fairbury Journal-News
FJN Toy Giveaway
By: Jennifer Lewis, Tim Linscott
05 - Community Promotion Advertisement
Division A
1st Place
Arlington Citizen
Kids Take Over
By: Blair Advertising Staff
2nd Place
Stanton Register
Back the Blue
By: Staff
3rd Place
Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
2023 Clearwater's 56th Big Rodeo
By: LuAnn Schindler
05 - Community Promotion Advertisement
Division B
1st Place
Elgin Review
Girls Basketball Team at State - Good Lucks!
By: Lynell Morgan
2nd Place
Stapleton Enterprise
Stapleton's Annual Christmas Event
By: Marcia Hora, Kendra Cutler
3rd Place
Cedar Valley News
Saluting Our Firefighters
By: Kelli Garcia & Angelique Boyer
05 - Community Promotion Advertisement
Division C
1st Place
Ord Quiz
Big Give to Valley County
By: Alexis Hagstrom, Heidi Dawe

2nd Place
Ord Quiz
Winterfest Parade
By: Alexis Hagstrom
3rd Place
Imperial Republican
BULL RIDING Challenge
By: Kim Large
05 - Community Promotion Advertisement
Division D
1st Place
St. Paul Phonograph-Herald
LIBRARY CELEBRATING 25 YEARS
By: MICHAEL HAPP
2nd Place
Crete News
Crete High School Halloween Event
By: Hayli Frosheiser, Kaitlyn Dallmann
3rd Place
Seward County Independent
Utica Baseball Organization
By: Hayli Frosheiser, Nichole Javorsky
06 - Agricultural Advertisement
Division A
1st Place
Milford Times
Suhr & Lichty
By: Hayli Frosheiser, Kaitlyn Dallmann
2nd Place
Palmer Journal
Healthy Lives
By: MICHAEL HAPP
3rd Place
Friend Sentinel
Friend Fertilizer
By: Nichole Javorsky, Hayli Frosheiser
06 - Agricultural Advertisement
Division B
1st Place
Wilber Republican
Cattle Bank & Trust
By: Hayli Frosheiser, Kaitlyn Dallmann
2nd Place
Elgin Review
Bank of Elgin - Good Deal
By: Lynell Morgan
3rd Place
Elgin Review
Bank of Elgin - Crunching Numbers
By: Lynell Morgan
06 - Agricultural Advertisement
Division C
1st Place
Ord Quiz

FFA Harvest
By: Heidi Dawe
2nd Place
Wisner News-Chronicle
AG Advertising
By: Karlie Cole & Dorothy Litz
3rd Place
West Point News
Agricultural Advertising
By: Karlie Cole & Dorothy Litz
06 - Agricultural Advertisement
Division D
1st Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News
Beef Made Neligh Famous
By: Angelique Boyer
2nd Place
Falls City Journal
Scheitel Feed & Seed-High Seeds
By: Chelsie Alexander
3rd Place
Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
2023 Washington County Fair Events
By: Lynette Hansen
06 - Agricultural Advertisement
Division E
1st Place
Norfolk Daily News
Blazek & Gregg
By: Suzie Wachter, Kelli Ganskow
2nd Place
Norfolk Daily News
Kayton International
By: Suzie Wachter, Cheyanne Fowlkes
3rd Place
Norfolk Daily News
Apache Manufacturing
By: Chris Saegerbarth, Kelli Ganskow
07 - Small Ad - Under 1/4 page or less than 3 x 10 1/2"
Division A
1st Place
Milford Times
Pizza Kitchen
By: Kaitlyn Dallmann, Hayli Frosheiser
2nd Place
Stanton Register
Saving Isn't Spooky
By: Carrie Pitzer
3rd Place
Stanton Register
Pool Opening
By: Angelique Boyer
07 - Small Ad - Under 1/4 page or less than 3 x 10 1/2"
Division B

1st Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Tailgate Time
 By: Angelique Boyer
 2nd Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Poker Tournament
 By: Angelique Boyer
 3rd Place
 Elgin Review
 Pancake Feed Fundraiser
 By: Lynell Morgan
 07 - Small Ad - Under 1/4 page or less than 3 x 10 1/2"
 Division C
 1st Place
 Hartington Cedar County News
 Best small ad - Coleridge golf league
 By: Peggy Year
 Way to go!
 2nd Place
 Ord Quiz
 Pancake Feed
 By: Heidi Dawe
 3rd Place
 West Point News
 Small ad
 By: Karey Rahn & Dorothy Litz
 07 - Small Ad - Under 1/4 page or less than 3 x 10 1/2"
 Division D
 1st Place
 North Platte Bulletin
 Tallmon's Jewelry
 By: Caitlin Hatcher
 2nd Place
 Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
 Blair Kiwanis Club Halloween Party
 By: John Peetzke & Lynette Hansen
 3rd Place
 Bloomfield Knox Co. News Monitor
 Farm Bureau Ladies Night
 By: Angelique Boyer
 07 - Small Ad - Under 1/4 page or less than 3 x 10 1/2"
 Division E
 1st Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 A to Z Vac 'n Sew
 By: Lizz Kemling, Cheyanne Fowlkes
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Foot & Ankle Doctors
 By: Suzie Wachter, Cheyanne Fowlkes
 3rd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Jerry's Trailers & Campers

By: Vickie Hrabanek, Kelli Ganskow
 08 - Signature Page
 Division A
 1st Place
 Palmer Journal
 NATIONAL EMT WEEK
 By: MICHAEL HAPP
 2nd Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Championship Standard
 By: LuAnn Schindler
 3rd Place
 Friend Sentinel
 Friend Bulldog Honor Roll
 By: Nichole Javorsky, Hayli Frosheiser
 08 - Signature Page
 Division B
 1st Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Riverside Track
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 Gothenburg Leader
 Take State
 By: Brandi Kreuger
 3rd Place
 Elgin Review
 EMS Week
 By: Lynell Morgan
 08 - Signature Page
 Division C
 1st Place
 Ord Quiz
 Popcorn Days
 By: Staff
 2nd Place
 Wisner News-Chronicle
 Signature page
 By: Karey Rahn, Karlie Cole & Dorothy Litz
 3rd Place
 Ord Quiz
 Go Chants!
 By: Heidi Dawe, Alexis Hagstrom
 08 - Signature Page
 Division D
 1st Place
 Falls City Journal
 Happy Thanksgiving
 By: Chelsie Alexander
 2nd Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Heart Health
 By: Staff
 3rd Place

Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
What's Your Specialty - House Cutaway
By: MaKayla Polak
08 - Signature Page
Division E
1st Place
Norfolk Daily News
Norfolk High Softball
By: Chris Saegebarth, Kelli Ganskow
2nd Place
Norfolk Daily News
Battle Creek Wrestling
By: Chris Saegebarth, Brenda Mather
3rd Place
Norfolk Daily News
Clearwater-Orchard-Ewing Community page
By: Suzie Wachter, Ad Staff
09 - Classified Section
Division A
1st Place
Friend Sentinel
Classifieds
By: Hayli Frosheiser
2nd Place
Milford Times
Classifieds
By: Hayli Frosheiser
3rd Place
Polk County News
Polk County News Classifieds
By: Beth Sparrow & Rick Holtz
09 - Classified Section
Division B
1st Place
Kimball Western Nebraska Observer
Western Nebraska Observer Classifieds
By: Jim Orr
2nd Place
Cedar Valley News
Classifieds
By: Rikki Rader
3rd Place
Nance County Journal
Rick Holtz
By: Rick Holtz
09 - Classified Section
Division C
1st Place
Imperial Republican
July 6 Classified Page
By: Kim Large
2nd Place
Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
Classified page, Nov. 2, 2023
By: Mona Weatherly, Donnis Hueftle-Bullock

3rd Place
Sidney Sun-Telegraph
Sun-Telegraph classifieds page
By: Barbara Perez
09 - Classified Section
Division D
1st Place
St. Paul Phonograph-Herald
P-H Classifieds 8-30-24
By: MICHAEL HAPP & HALEY SPOTANSKI
2nd Place
Seward County Independent
Classifieds
By: Hayli Frosheiser
3rd Place
Bloomfield Knox Co. News Monitor
Classifieds
By: Sarah Coffey
10 - Advertising Campaign
Division A
1st Place
Stanton Register
Stanton State Bank
By: Carrie Pitzer & Angelique Boyer
2nd Place
Palmer Journal
Merrick Medical Center
By: MICHAEL HAPP
3rd Place
Thedford Thomas County Herald
Sandhills Family Dental
By: Marcia Hora
10 - Advertising Campaign
Division B
1st Place
Elgin Review
Bank of Elgin - Agriculture
By: Lynell Morgan
2nd Place
North Bend Eagle
AOM
By: Nathan Arneal
3rd Place
Stapleton Enterprise
Community First Bank - Putting Community First
By: Marcia Hora
10 - Advertising Campaign
Division C
1st Place
Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
Callaway District Hospital Ads
By: Donnis Hueftle-Bullock
2nd Place
Hartington Cedar County News
Ad campaign - Anderson and Anderson Good Old Days

By: Rob Dump
 3rd Place
 West Point News
 Advertising Campaign
 By: Karlie Cole & Dorothy Litz
 10 - Advertising Campaign
 Division D
 1st Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Stealth
 By: Angelique Boyer & Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Thriftway Market
 By: Angelique Boyer & Carrie Pitzer
 3rd Place
 Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
 Blair Ace Hardware - Organization, Paint & Grills
 By: Lynette Hansen
 10 - Advertising Campaign
 Division E
 1st Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Divots Conference
 By: Suzie Wachter, Kelli Ganskow, Cheyanne Fowlkes
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 EZ Kitchens
 By: Chris Saegebarth, Kelli Ganskow
 3rd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Domino's
 By: Suzie Wachter, Kelli Ganskow, Cheyanne Fowlkes
 11 - Single Retail Advertising Idea - Color
 Division A
 1st Place
 Friend Sentinel
 Beer & Bacon with the Friend Historical Society
 By: Nichole Javorsky, Hayli Frosheiser
 2nd Place
 Friend Sentinel
 Friend Community Healthcare System
 By: Paula Miller, Hayli Frosheiser
 3rd Place
 Milford Times
 Bern's Body Shop
 By: Kaitlyn Dallmann, Hayli Frosheiser
 11 - Single Retail Advertising Idea - Color
 Division B
 1st Place
 Gothenburg Leader
 4-Step Lawn Program
 By: John Bell
 2nd Place

Wilber Republican
 Wilber Garden Club
 By: Hayli Frosheiser, Kaitlyn Dallmann
 3rd Place
 Wilber Republican
 Wilber Chamber
 By: Hayli Frosheiser, Kaitlyn Dallmann
 11 - Single Retail Advertising Idea - Color
 Division C
 1st Place
 West Point News
 Single and Color
 By: Karlie Cole & Dorothy Litz
 2nd Place
 Ord Quiz
 Carl's Tavern Celebrates Year 2
 By: Alexis Hagstrom
 3rd Place
 Ord Quiz
 Teen Night at Carls
 By: Alexis Hagstrom
 11 - Single Retail Advertising Idea - Color
 Division D
 1st Place
 Fairbury Journal-News
 Merry Crispness
 By: Jennifer Lewis
 2nd Place
 Falls City Journal
 Simplicity
 By: Chelsie Alexander
 3rd Place
 Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
 Furever Home-Country Pet Resort
 By: Alaina Albright & Tom Jelinek
 11 - Single Retail Advertising Idea - Color
 Division E
 1st Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Feidler Eye Clinic
 By: Suzie Wachter, Kelli Ganskow
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Yankton Medical Clinic
 By: Suzie Wachter, Kelli Ganskow
 3rd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Jakes Bar
 By: Chris Saegebarth, Brenda Mather
 12 - Single Retail Advertising Idea - Black and White
 Division A
 1st Place
 Milford Times
 Seward Pro-Life Council

By: Nichole Javorsky, Hayli Frosheiser
 Love it
 2nd Place
 Milford Times
 Christmas in July - Davisson Furniture
 By: Nichole Javorsky, Hayli Frosheiser
 3rd Place
 Friend Sentinel
 Speedee Mart - Immediate Openings
 By: Nichole Javorsky, Hayli Frosheiser
 12 - Single Retail Advertising Idea - Black and White
 Division B
 1st Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Dog License
 By: Angelique Boyer
 2nd Place
 Kimball Western Nebraska Observer
 Hays Contracting Storm Ad
 By: Jim Orr
 3rd Place
 Wilber Republican
 Clatonia Volunteer Fire & Rescue
 By: Hayli Frosheiser, Kaitlyn Dallmann
 12 - Single Retail Advertising Idea - Black and White
 Division C
 1st Place
 Ord Quiz
 Fish Fry
 By: Heidi Dawe
 2nd Place
 Ord Quiz
 Pancake Feed
 By: Heidi Dawe
 3rd Place
 Ord Quiz
 Kindergarten Roundup
 By: Heidi Dawe
 12 - Single Retail Advertising Idea - Black and White
 Division D
 1st Place
 Seward County Independent
 Seward Bowling Center
 By: Hayli Frosheiser, Nichole Javorsky
 2nd Place
 Aurora News-Register
 We've flipped our lid
 By: Karla Senff, Kurt Johnson
 3rd Place
 Crete News
 Tobias Fun Day
 By: Kaitlyn Dallmann, Hayli Frosheiser
 12 - Single Retail Advertising Idea - Black and White
 Division E

1st Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Terry Rakowsky
 By: Lisa McGill, Brenda Mather
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Dominos Gift Cards
 By: Suzie Wachter, Kelli Ganskow
 3rd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Cyndi's Fun Fit Golf
 By: Vickie Hrabanek, Kelli Ganskow
 13 - Single Classified Advertising Idea - Color (DAILIES
 ONLY)
 Division E
 1st Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Cornhusker Auto Group
 By: Vickie Hrabanek, Kelli Ganskow
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Jerry's Trailers & Campers
 By: Vickie Hrabanek, Kelli Ganskow
 3rd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Red 10 RV Sales
 By: Lizz Kemling, Kelli Ganskow
 14 - Single Classified Advertising Idea - Black and White
 Division AB
 1st Place
 Stanton Register
 Pool Help Wanted
 By: Angelique Boyer
 2nd Place
 Palmer Journal
 JOIN OUR TEAM
 By: MICHAEL HAPP
 3rd Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Holt County Road Department Grading Construction &
 Maintenance Operator
 By: LuAnn Schindler
 14 - Single Classified Advertising Idea - Black and White
 Division D
 1st Place
 St. Paul Phonograph-Herald
 Mach1 Realty - Properties for Sale
 By: Staff
 2nd Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Join Our Team
 By: Anquelique Boyer
 14 - Single Classified Advertising Idea - Black and White
 Division E

1st Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Coldwell Banker Dover Realtors
 By: Suzie Wachter, Kelli Ganskow
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 ERA / Lori Oertwich
 By: Vickie Hrabanek, Cheyanne Fowlkes
 15 - Creative Ad Writing
 Division A
 1st Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Plug into financial services at Brunswick State Bank
 By: LuAnn Schindler
 2nd Place
 Stanton Register
 Into The Future
 By: Angelique Boyer & Carrie Pitzer
 3rd Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 We've stacked the plate in your favor
 By: LuAnn Schindler
 15 - Creative Ad Writing
 Division B
 1st Place
 Kimball Western Nebraska Observer
 Beer & Loathing September Fun Ad
 By: Jim Orr
 2nd Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Howl-O-Ween
 By: Angelique Boyer
 3rd Place
 Kimball Western Nebraska Observer
 FirstTier Bank County Fair Ad
 By: Jim Orr
 15 - Creative Ad Writing
 Division C
 1st Place
 Wisner News-Chronicle
 Karlie Cole & Dorothy Litz
 By: Creative Ad Writing
 2nd Place
 Ord Quiz
 Wanted - A Happy Birthday
 By: Heidi Dawe
 3rd Place
 Ord Quiz
 Fuel up for FFA
 By: Heidi Dawe
 15 - Creative Ad Writing
 Division D
 1st Place
 Falls City Journal

Pest Control-You Snailed It
 By: Chelsie Alexander
 2nd Place
 Aurora News-Register
 Advertising works
 By: Karla Senff, Bekah Mead
 3rd Place
 Falls City Journal
 El Camino Electrics
 By: Chelsie Alexander
 15 - Creative Ad Writing
 Division E
 1st Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Happy Tail Boarding
 By: Suzie Wachter, Kelli Ganskow
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Vic's Engine Service
 By: Vickie Hrabanek, Kelli Ganskow
 3rd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 N.E.R.D. - Nebraska Electronics Recycling & Disposal
 By: Vickie Hrabanek, Cheyanne Fowlkes
 16 - Sports Action Photo
 Division A
 1st Place
 Stanton Register
 Upside down
 By: Jeromy Vuable
 2nd Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Kicking up dust
 By: Mike Tabbert
 3rd Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Be 90
 By: Mike Tabbert
 16 - Sports Action Photo
 Division B
 1st Place
 Wilber Republican
 Board battle
 By: Stephanie Croston
 2nd Place
 Elgin Review
 Blake Henn - The Reach
 By: Dennis Morgan
 3rd Place
 Pender Times
 Crippen pin
 By: Jason Sturek
 16 - Sports Action Photo
 Division C

1st Place
Hartington Cedar County News
Sports action photo - Mud Ball
By: Darin Epperly
2nd Place
Hartington Cedar County News
Sports action photo- HNS mid air FB
By: Darin Epperly
3rd Place
Hartington Cedar County News
Sports Action photo - going over the hurdles
By: Jeremy Buss
16 - Sports Action Photo
Division D
1st Place
Aurora News-Register
Header
By: Richard Rhoden
2nd Place
Crete News
Laying it in on the big stage
By: Keaton Burgess
3rd Place
Kearney Hub
Londyn Carnes rebound
By: Larry Sullivan
16 - Sports Action Photo
Division E
1st Place
Norfolk Daily News
Two make finals for Norfolk High
By: Pat Morland
2nd Place
Grand Island Independent
Avelino-Reyes defeats Oregon in main event
By: Josh Salmon
3rd Place
Norfolk Daily News
Northeast women headed to nationals
By: Dennis Meyer
17 - Sports Feature Photo
Division A
1st Place
Stanton Register
Stanton Champion Celebration
By: Jeromy Vauble
2nd Place
Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
Celebrate good times
By: Mike Tabbert
3rd Place
Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
Flipping the field •
By: LuAnn Schindler

17 - Sports Feature Photo
Division B
1st Place
North Bend Eagle
“Everything on the line”
By: Nathan Arneal
2nd Place
Elgin Review
Wolfpack Volleyball Celebrating
By: Dennis Morgan
3rd Place
Pender Times
C2 Champs!
By: Jason Sturek
17 - Sports Feature Photo
Division C
1st Place
Imperial Republican
Practice makes perfect
By: Diane Stamm
2nd Place
Imperial Republican
Under the bright lights
By: Diane Stamm
3rd Place
Lexington Clipper-Herald
CHAMPIONS
By: Jessica Kennedy
17 - Sports Feature Photo
Division D
1st Place
Crete News
Flex on them
By: Keaton Burgess
2nd Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News
Reflections
By: Jenny Higgins
3rd Place
Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
50-yard-line Seniors
By: Grant Egger
17 - Sports Feature Photo
Division E
1st Place
Grand Island Independent
The agony of defeat for GICC
By: Staff
2nd Place
Grand Island Independent
Game-winning field goal for Iowa
By: Josh Salmon
3rd Place
Hastings Tribune

Golf Fans
By: Laura Beahm
18 - Sports Page
Division A
1st Place
Stanton Register
Stanton Sports
By: Carrie Pitzer
2nd Place
Polk County News
PCN Sports pages
By: Beth Sparrow & Rick Holtz
3rd Place
Milford Times
Milford Times
By: staff
18 - Sports Page
Division B
1st Place
Cedar Valley News
Sports Pages
By: Carrie Pitzer
2nd Place
Pender Times
Pender Times Sports 2023
By: Jason Sturek
3rd Place
North Bend Eagle
Eagle sports pages
By: Nathan Arneal
18 - Sports Page
Division C
1st Place
Hartington Cedar County News
Sports Pg March 8 March 8 May 3 Oct 4
By: Staff
2nd Place
West Point News
WPN Sports Pages
By: Mike O'Brien, Blair Design Team
3rd Place
Cambridge Valley Voice
Valley Voice Sports
By: Staff
18 - Sports Page
Division D
1st Place
St. Paul Phonograph-Herald
P-H Sports Page
By: MICHAEL HAPP
2nd Place
Aurora News-Register
Sports pages
By: Richard Rhoden

3rd Place
Blair Washington Co. Enterprise
Washington County Enterprise Sports pages
By: Xaviere Pavlik
18 - Sports Page
Division E
1st Place
Norfolk Daily News
Norfolk Daily News best sports page
By: Jay Prauner
2nd Place
North Platte Telegraph
Telegraph sports page
By: Andrew Bottrell; Jake Dreilinger
3rd Place
Hastings Tribune
Tribune sports page combo
By: Staff
19 - Sports Column
Division A
1st Place
Arlington Citizen
Zam Driver Turned Writer
By: Grant Egger
2nd Place
Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
Isms: Creighton Basketball; Isms: Hamlin NFL
By: LuAnn Schindler
3rd Place
Hayes Center Times-Republican
From The Dugout
By: Kyler Cox
19 - Sports Column
Division B
1st Place
North Bend Eagle
Nathan sports columns
By: Nathan Arneal
2nd Place
Elgin Review
Promise Land
By: Dennis Morgan
3rd Place
Elgin Review
The Beat Keeps Going
By: Dennis Morgan
19 - Sports Column
Division C
1st Place
Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
The Chair
By: Mark Jackson
2nd Place
Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief

Will Nebraska Rühle? Aug. 31, 2023; There may be magic but not a curse, Sept. 7, 2023
By: Mona Weatherly
3rd Place
Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
Bigger than the game, Jan. 5, 2023; Ready for the Super Bowl, Feb. 2, 2023
By: Mona Weatherly
19 - Sports Column
Division D
1st Place
Aurora News-Register
BigRich Report
By: Richard Rhoden
2nd Place
Bloomfield Knox Co. News Monitor
What Coaching Is Really About
By: Carrie Pitzer
3rd Place
Blair Washington Co. Enterprise
Zam Driver Turned Writer
By: Grant Egger
19 - Sports Column
Division E
1st Place
Grand Island Independent
SCHULTZ: A Wisconsin transplant in awe at the Nebraska state volleyball tournament
By: Ben Schultz
2nd Place
Hastings Tribune
Climb back to top a long time coming, a breath of relief
By: Will Reynolds
3rd Place
Hastings Tribune
It's Volleyball Day
By: Will Reynolds
20 - Sports Feature Writing
Division A
1st Place
Stanton Register
Late Coach Park Of Mustang Football Team
By: Carrie Pitzer
2nd Place
Springview Herald
Making the transition from wrestler to referee
By: Amy Johnson
3rd Place
Milford Times
Eagle senior flies in gym
By: Stephanie Croston
20 - Sports Feature Writing
Division B
1st Place

Humphrey Democrat
Allison Weidner never quits
By: Patrick Murphy
2nd Place
Wilber Republican
Bar set high? No problem for brothers
By: Stephanie Croston
3rd Place
North Bend Eagle
Reduced participation
By: Nathan Arneal
20 - Sports Feature Writing
Division C
1st Place
Wayne Herald
Murderer's Row in 21st Century
By: Michael Carnes
2nd Place
Hartington Cedar County News
Sports Feature Story - Sibling rivalries
By: Mike Renning
3rd Place
South Sioux City Dakota Co. Star
Let's Go Racin'
By: Michael Carnes
20 - Sports Feature Writing
Division D
1st Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News
From paralyzed to state champion
By: Jenny Higgins
2nd Place
Kearney Hub
UNK grad Kosmicki makes championship call for Denver Nuggets
By: Justin Slepicka
3rd Place
Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
7-year-old motocross standout
By: Grant Egger
20 - Sports Feature Writing
Division E
1st Place
North Platte Telegraph
Learning a different style of baseball
By: Jake Dreilinger
2nd Place
York News-Times
Cotton, Vernon, Turner's trails blaze a path to state wrestling
By: Christian Horn
3rd Place
Hastings Tribune
Cook goes cowboy in Central City

By: Will Reynolds
 21 - Sports Game Coverage
 Division A
 1st Place
 Palmer Journal
 Donahey Brings Home the Gold
 By: Jordan Coslor
 2nd Place
 Stanton Register
 State Champions
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 3rd Place
 Stanton Register
 One Game At A Time
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 21 - Sports Game Coverage
 Division B
 1st Place
 North Bend Eagle
 Flirting with perfection
 By: Nathan Arneal
 2nd Place
 North Bend Eagle
 FOUR!
 By: Nathan Arneal
 3rd Place
 Cedar Valley News
 No Shoe? No Problem!
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 21 - Sports Game Coverage
 Division C
 1st Place
 Wayne Herald
 Scoring Explosion
 By: Michael Carnes
 2nd Place
 Imperial Republican
 CCS boys cap season with historic team win
 By: Diane Stamm
 3rd Place
 Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
 Tigers pick their spots
 By: Mark Jackson
 21 - Sports Game Coverage
 Division D
 1st Place
 Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
 Half-court heave
 By: Grant Egger
 2nd Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 First State Tournament
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 3rd Place

Aurora News-Register
 Bullis and a cloud of dust
 By: Richard Rhoden
 21 - Sports Game Coverage
 Division E
 1st Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 Debuts, KOs reign supreme
 By: Jake Dreilinger
 2nd Place
 York News-Times
 Schademann earns career win No. 200, back-to-back state titles
 By: Christian Horn
 3rd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Arens refuses to lose
 By: Dale Miller
 22 - Photo Page
 Division A
 1st Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Clearwater's 56th annual Rodeo
 By: LuAnn Schindler, Mike Tabbert, Faith King
 2nd Place
 Elm Creek Beacon-Observer
 FKC Takes Over Lincoln
 By: Jordan Coslor
 3rd Place
 Stanton Register
 Fourth of July
 By: Angelique Boyer & Jeromy Vauble
 22 - Photo Page
 Division B
 1st Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Charger Homecoming
 By: Carrie Pitzer & Angelique Boyer
 2nd Place
 Wilber Republican
 Ghosts, Petting Zoo, Pool/ Time Capsule, Western, Czech Days, Trick or Treat
 By: Staff
 3rd Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Greeley Days
 By: Carrie Pitzer & Angelique Boyer
 22 - Photo Page
 Division C
 1st Place
 Sarpy County Times
 Dog Day at Papio Bay
 By: Joe Shearer
 2nd Place

Imperial Republican
 Imperial celebrates Fourth with bull riding
 By: Diane Stamm
 3rd Place
 Hartington Cedar County News
 Photo page Fairtastic Fair
 By: Jeremy Buss
 22 - Photo Page
 Division D
 1st Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Clearwater Rodeo
 By: Jenny Higgins, Jeromy Vauble & Angelique Boyer
 2nd Place
 Bloomfield Knox Co. News Monitor
 Quad County Success
 By: Staff
 3rd Place
 St. Paul Phonograph-Herald
 No Shortage of Fun at GCA Days
 By: MICHAEL HAPP
 22 - Photo Page
 Division E
 1st Place
 Hastings Tribune
 Girls State Basketball photo page
 By: Laura Beahm
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Chicago
 By: Dennis Meyer and Jerry Guenther
 3rd Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 Nebraskaland Days on Parade photos
 By: Todd von Kampen
 23 - Feature Photography
 Division A
 1st Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Brand new
 By: LuAnn Schindler
 2nd Place
 Stanton Register
 41 Years Sober
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 3rd Place
 Randolph Times
 Feature Photo - Dance studio
 By: Darin Epperly
 23 - Feature Photography
 Division B
 1st Place
 Kimball Western Nebraska Observer
 King Of The Road Photo
 By: Daria Anderson-Faden
 2nd Place
 Wilber Republican
 Honorable retirement
 By: Doug Carroll
 3rd Place
 Wilber Republican
 Memorial Day veteran
 By: Doug Carroll
 23 - Feature Photography
 Division C
 1st Place
 Imperial Republican
 Chase County Fair Dog Show Obstacle Course
 By: Diane Stamm
 2nd Place
 Sarpy County Times
 Portal Field Day
 By: Joe Shearer
 3rd Place
 Sarpy County Times
 Fishing
 By: Joe Shearer
 23 - Feature Photography
 Division D
 1st Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 No Way Santa!
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 Crete News
 Rescued horses
 By: Doug Carroll
 3rd Place
 Crete News
 Say freeze
 By: Amy Hausman
 23 - Feature Photography
 Division E
 1st Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 Snowiest Day
 By: Ryan Herzog
 2nd Place
 Hastings Tribune
 Fire Truck Tour
 By: Laura Beahm
 3rd Place
 Hastings Tribune
 Calf Kiss
 By: Laura Beahm
 24 - News Photography
 Division A
 1st Place

Friend Sentinel
 Extra fireworks
 By: Doug Carroll
 2nd Place
 Palmer Journal
 Gazing Up at Old Glory
 By: MICHAEL HAPP
 3rd Place
 Stanton Register
 Military Honors
 By: Jeromy Vauble
 24 - News Photography
 Division B
 1st Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Veterans Wall
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 Elgin Review
 Burning Down The House
 By: Dennis Morgan
 3rd Place
 Wilber Republican
 Selling plants on the go
 By: Doug Carroll
 24 - News Photography
 Division C
 1st Place
 Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
 New pad to make a splash
 By: Mark Jackson
 2nd Place
 Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
 Snow drifts by Jamie Porter Jan. 26, 2023
 By: Jamie Porter
 3rd Place
 West Point News
 Van Cleave house
 By: Ashley Gaughan
 24 - News Photography
 Division D
 1st Place
 Crete News
 Horse rescue
 By: Doug Carroll
 2nd Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Junior Fire Patrol
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 3rd Place
 Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
 River of Life VBS
 By: Joe Burns
 24 - News Photography

Division E
 1st Place
 Hastings Tribune
 Butterfly Buddy
 By: Amy Roh
 2nd Place
 Hastings Tribune
 Spelling Bee Champ
 By: Amy Roh
 3rd Place
 Grand Island Independent
 Pig races at the Nebraska State Fair
 By: Josh Salmon
 25 - Breaking News Photography
 Division A
 1st Place
 Stanton Register
 Last Winning Hug
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Up in Flames
 By: Elizabeth Odell
 3rd Place
 Polk County News
 Storm Damages Trees in the County
 By: Beth Sparrow
 25 - Breaking News Photography
 Division B
 1st Place
 North Bend Eagle
 Comfort amid destruction
 By: Nathan Arneal
 2nd Place
 Kimball Western Nebraska Observer
 Senator Shows His Sidearm
 By: Daria Anderson-Faden
 3rd Place
 Stapleton Enterprise
 Two Vehicle Accident At Intersection
 By: Marcia Hora
 25 - Breaking News Photography
 Division C
 1st Place
 Sidney Sun-Telegraph
 Sidney woman dies of injuries
 By: Michael Motz
 2nd Place
 Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
 Safranek Building Roof Collapse Feb. 2, 2023
 By: Mona Weatherly
 3rd Place
 Imperial Republican
 Five departments respond to Nutrien fire

By: Diane Stamm
25 - Breaking News Photography
Division D
1st Place
Falls City Journal
Snooks Hayes is one in 6.2 Billion
By: Brian McKim
2nd Place
Fairbury Journal-News
Lightning
By: Gordon Hopkins
3rd Place
Fairbury Journal-News
Midnight Fire
By: Gordon Hopkins
25 - Breaking News Photography
Division E
1st Place
Scottsbluff Star-Herald
Scottsbluff family picking up the pieces after tornado
By: Jeff Van Patten
2nd Place
Fremont Tribune
Fremont standoff
By: Jeff Forward
3rd Place
North Platte Telegraph
Semi-truck crash shuts down I-80
By: Job Vigil
26W - Use of Color — News - WEEKLIES ONLY
Division A
1st Place
Stanton Register
Undefeated Season
By: Staff
2nd Place
Arlington Citizen
Pumpkin Patches give update to crops, prepare for season
By: Sandy Diaz
3rd Place
Palmer Journal
PALMER JOURNAL COLOR
By: Staff
26W - Use of Color — News - WEEKLIES ONLY
Division B
1st Place
North Bend Eagle
Dynasty Continues
By: Nathan Arneal
2nd Place
Wilber Republican
How Reck got hooked
By: Amy Hausman
3rd Place

Elgin Review
Best Use of Color - August 30, 2023
By: Staff
26W - Use of Color — News - WEEKLIES ONLY
Division C
1st Place
Hartington Cedar County News
Best use of color - Cedar VB Preview
By: Jeremy Buss and Rob Dump
2nd Place
Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
Talk turkey to me
By: Mark Jackson, Ashley Wimer
3rd Place
West Point News
Holiday Concert
By: Ashley Gaughan, Blair Design Team
26W - Use of Color — News - WEEKLIES ONLY
Division D
1st Place
Bloomfield Knox Co. News Monitor
Viking Pride
By: Carrie Pitzer & Angelique Boyer
2nd Place
Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
Annual Gateway Brings Blair Community Together
By: Alaina Albright
3rd Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News
Let's Glow Crazy
By: Angelique Boyer
27 - Personal Column
Division A
1st Place
Friend Sentinel
Nebraska Beautiful
By: Doug Carroll
2nd Place
Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
Isms: Chat GPT; Isms: Muscle Cars
By: LuAnn Schindler
3rd Place
Palmer Journal
HAPP-ENINGS
By: MICHAEL HAPP
27 - Personal Column
Division B
1st Place
Cedar Valley News
Holiday As A Widow
By: Carrie Pitzer
2nd Place
Elgin Review
Susan Szalewski - Give Us Blessings & Praying For Lost

People
 By: Susan Szalewski
 3rd Place
 Stapleton Enterprise
 Odds & Ends - It Could Happen To Any of Us
 By: Marcia Hora
 27 - Personal Column
 Division C
 1st Place
 Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
 Off with their heads 06/22/23, Got my deer or did he get me? 11/09/23
 By: Kelli Loos
 2nd Place
 Cambridge Valley Voice
 The adventures of a Father of Five
 By: Cody Gerlach
 3rd Place
 Ord Quiz
 Extraordinary News from An 11 year old
 By: Reagan Schaaf
 27 - Personal Column
 Division D
 1st Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Queen of the Latrine
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place - TIE
 Albion News - Boone Co. Tribune
 Housing boost for stability
 By: Jim Dickerson
 2nd Place - TIE
 Albion News - Boone Co. Tribune
 Response should have been much different
 By: Jim Dickerson
 3rd Place
 Seward County Independent
 Seasonal 'plant' important to community vitality; Napkins not disposable
 By: Emily Hemphill
 27 - Personal Column
 Division E
 1st Place
 Hastings Tribune
 Cather's words remain a treasure, Mother's kindness powerful lesson
 By: Andy Raun
 2nd Place
 Grand Island Independent
 Jeff Bahr's columns
 By: Jeff Bahr
 3rd Place
 Hastings Tribune
 The Wedding Columns

By: Laura Beahm
 28 - Breaking News
 Division A
 1st Place
 Wausa Gazette
 Breaking news - Wind storm
 By: Mark Mahoney
 2nd Place
 Stanton Register
 Helicopter Crash
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 3rd Place
 Stanton Register
 Shooting Lands One In Custody
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 28 - Breaking News
 Division B
 1st Place
 North Bend Eagle
 "Tornado carves path"
 By: Nathan Arneal
 2nd Place
 Elgin Review
 Four Vehicles, Two Accidents
 By: Dennis Morgan
 3rd Place
 Gothenburg Leader
 Bales on Fire
 By: Ellen Mortensen
 28 - Breaking News
 Division C
 1st Place
 Imperial Republican
 Five departments respond to Nutrien fire
 By: Jan Schultz
 2nd Place
 Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
 First the snow, then the roof Feb. 2, 2023
 By: Mona Weatherly
 3rd Place
 Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
 Years to grow, seconds to come down
 By: Donnis Hueftle-Bullock
 28 - Breaking News
 Division D
 1st Place
 North Platte Bulletin
 Fast moving storm
 By: George Lauby
 2nd Place
 Seward County Independent
 Wildfire jumps I-80, burns two-mile stretch near PDale
 By: Emily Hemphill
 3rd Place

Fairbury Journal-News
Midnight Fire
By: Gordon Hopkins
28 - Breaking News
Division E
1st Place
Scottsbluff Star-Herald
Tornado recovery: Scottsbluff family picking up the pieces
after tornado destroys their home
By: Maunette Loeks, Jeff Van Patten
2nd Place
Scottsbluff Star-Herald
‘Swatting’ calls cause fear at GHS
By: Lauren Brant, Maunette Loeks, Jeff Van Patten
3rd Place
Norfolk Daily News
Suspended operations
By: Jon Humphries and Jerry Guenther
29 - Feature Series
Division A
1st Place
Stanton Register
Salute To Veterans
By: Traci Vauble
2nd Place
Osmond Republican
Feature series - The Honored 15
By: Regina Lorenz
3rd Place
Stanton Register
Banner Year
By: Carrie Pitzer
29 - Feature Series
Division B
1st Place
North Bend Eagle
Sugar City series
By: Nathan Arneal
2nd Place
Cedar Valley News
Big Give
By: Damon Crawford
3rd Place
Arnold Sentinel
Dough: We all need it.
By: Janet Larreau and Debbie Connelly
29 - Feature Series
Division C
1st Place
Oshkosh Garden Co. News
Young Guns
By: Buddy Paulsen
2nd Place

Ord Quiz
Gazebo Dream Made Reality
By: Kate Wolf
3rd Place
Ord Quiz
Veterans Causes
By: Kate Wolf
29 - Feature Series
Division D
1st Place
Falls City Journal
“One of the most sensational, prolonged and bloodiest
county seat fights in Nebraska history”
By: Nikki McKim
2nd Place
Aurora News-Register
Where Are They Now
By: News staff
3rd Place
Bloomfield Knox Co. News Monitor
Small Town Storm Recovery
By: Carrie Pitzer
29 - Feature Series
Division E
1st Place
Fremont Tribune
Spirits of Barnard Park
By: Jeff Forward
2nd Place
Hastings Tribune
Local clergy share personal Christmas memories, traditions
By: John Huthmacher
3rd Place
Norfolk Daily News
Norfolk Junior High
By: Sheryl Schmeckpeper
30 - Single Feature Story
Division A
1st Place
Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
Walking Across America
By: LuAnn Schindler
2nd Place
Stanton Register
Late Classmate Present In Spirit
By: Carrie Pitzer
3rd Place
Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
Picturesque prose and pictoral panache
By: Sonia Rittscher
30 - Single Feature Story
Division B
1st Place

Cedar Valley News
 Dad Loved Tractors
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 Pender Times
 Banks Brigade — Family, friends and faith triumph
 By: Jason Sturek
 3rd Place
 North Bend Eagle
 Max 100
 By: Nathan Arneal
 30 - Single Feature Story
 Division C
 1st Place
 Sarpy County Times
 Gretna Esports
 By: Adam Branting
 2nd Place
 Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
 Moving Forward - Bissonette, Mar. 9, 2023
 By: Mona Weatherly
 3rd Place
 South Sioux City Dakota Co. Star
 At long last, Omadi Cemetery found?
 By: Michael Carnes
 30 - Single Feature Story
 Division D
 1st Place
 Kearney Hub
 Her first job lasted 50 years
 By: Mary Jane Skala
 2nd Place
 Aurora News-Register
 Encouragement that sticks
 By: Ron Burtz
 3rd Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 No Cure But Love Surrounds Family
 By: Jenny Higgins
 30 - Single Feature Story
 Division E
 1st Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Future of Winnetoon's past
 By: Kathryn Harris
 2nd Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 The night war came to Dickens — sort of
 By: Todd von Kampen
 3rd Place
 Hastings Tribune
 Friends on Earth, Friends Above
 By: Andy Raun

31 - Entertainment Story
 Division A
 1st Place
 Stanton Register
 Life Worthy of Life
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 Hemingford Ledger
 Mini Bobcats show their school spirit
 By: Kay Bakkehaug
 3rd Place
 Palmer Journal
 Art Exhibit a Unique Find a Local Library
 By: Michael Rother
 31 - Entertainment Story
 Division B
 1st Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Community Theater
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 North Bend Eagle
 Food truck satisfied
 By: Stephanie Iwan Flamme
 3rd Place
 Gothenburg Leader
 Festival Friends
 By: Ellen Mortensen
 31 - Entertainment Story
 Division C
 1st Place
 West Point News
 Cattlemans Ball
 By: Ashley Gaughan
 2nd Place
 Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
 End of an era, June 15, 2023
 By: Mona Weatherly
 3rd Place
 West Point News
 Gris Grimly
 By: Ashley Gaughan
 31 - Entertainment Story
 Division D
 1st Place
 Falls City Journal
 Snooks Hayes is one in 6.2 Billion
 By: Nikki McKim
 2nd Place
 Seward County Independent
 Local store owner writes book on local legend
 By: Stephanie Croston
 3rd Place

Aurora News-Register
 Aurora's 1-act hoping to raise the bar
 By: Kurt Johnson
 31 - Entertainment Story
 Division E
 1st Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Cooler version of school project
 By: Milana Done
 2nd Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 Catching the 'Canteen spirit'
 By: Todd von Kampen
 3rd Place
 Hastings Tribune
 Thea Kronborg, meet Sarah Arneson
 By: John Huthmacher
 32 - In-depth Writing
 Division A
 1st Place
 Randolph Times
 In Depth writing - a load of rubbish
 By: Trisha Benton and Mark Mahoney
 2nd Place
 Milford Times
 Housing
 By: Emily Hemphill
 3rd Place
 Stanton Register
 Teen Sentenced For Sexual Assault
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 32 - In-depth Writing
 Division B
 1st Place
 North Bend Eagle
 Rise and Fall of Sugar City
 By: Nathan Arneal
 2nd Place
 Humphrey Democrat
 Three schools, a lot of changes
 By: Patrick Murphy
 3rd Place
 Gothenburg Leader
 Fired Teacher Draws Reaction
 By: Ellen Mortensen & Colten Venteicher
 32 - In-depth Writing
 Division C
 1st Place
 Hartington Cedar County News
 InDepth reporting - the cost of murder March 8 Aug 16
 By: Trisha Benton
 2nd Place
 Sarpy County Times

Bellevue Parks
 By: Scott Stewart
 3rd Place
 Cambridge Valley Voice
 Medicine Creek Dam
 By: Jacey Kent
 32 - In-depth Writing
 Division D
 1st Place
 Seward County Independent
 Childcare Desert
 By: Emily Hemphill
 2nd Place
 Aurora News-Register
 Hampton eyes development project
 By: Ron Burtz
 3rd Place
 Kearney Hub
 Schools tackle smartphone addiction, social media issues
 By: Mary Jane
 32 - In-depth Writing
 Division E
 1st Place
 Fremont Tribune
 Fremont Police series
 By: Jeff Forward
 2nd Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 Coverage of North Platte housing efforts
 By: Todd von Kampen
 3rd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Protect the Pillar
 By: Staff
 33 - Public Notice and Its Promotion
 Division AB
 1st Place
 Milford Times
 Water, rezoning
 By: Emily Hemphill
 2nd Place
 Elgin Review
 Statewide Public Notices
 By: Lynell Morgan
 3rd Place
 Stapleton Enterprise
 We Play A Role In Local Government - Read Public Notices
 By: Marcia Hora
 34 - Editorial Page
 Division A
 1st Place
 Stanton Register

Adventure Called Life
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Editorial pages
 By: LuAnn Schindler, Sandy Schroth
 3rd Place
 Friend Sentinel
 April, June and August
 By: Staff
 34 - Editorial Page
 Division B
 1st Place
 Elgin Review
 Editorial Page
 By: Dennis Morgan
 2nd Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Editorial Page
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 3rd Place
 Wilber Republican
 April, June and August
 By: Staff
 34 - Editorial Page
 Division C
 1st Place
 Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
 Apr 27, Aug. 17 and Nov. 2, 2023
 By: Staff
 2nd Place
 Hartington Cedar County News
 Editorial Page - 6-28. 4-5. 8-16
 By: Rob Dump
 34 - Editorial Page
 Division D
 1st Place
 Aurora News-Register
 Editorial page
 By: Kurt Johnson
 2nd Place
 Crete News
 April, August and June
 By: Staff
 3rd Place
 Seward County Independent
 Seward County Independent
 By: staff
 34 - Editorial Page
 Division E
 1st Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 North Platte Telegraph editorial pages

By: staff
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Norfolk Daily News
 By: Jay Prauner
 35 - Editorial
 Division AB
 1st Place
 Hyannis Grant County News
 Unite to Save Our Land
 By: Sharon Wheelock
 2nd Place
 Humphrey Democrat
 Murphy's Law-Editorials
 By: Staff
 3rd Place
 Mullen Hooker County Tribune
 Pieces of Me
 By: Gerri Peterson
 35 - Editorial
 Division C
 1st Place
 Hartington Cedar County News
 Editorial - Oct 4 May 24 June 14
 By: Rob Dump and Peggy Year
 2nd Place
 Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
 It's not the bill, it's the behavior; Slow progress in the Legislature; LB574
 By: Mona Weatherly
 3rd Place
 Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
 Editorials
 By: Mark Jackson
 35 - Editorial
 Division D
 1st Place
 Seward County Independent
 Seward County Independent
 By: staff
 2nd Place
 Aurora News-Register
 Editorial
 By: Kurt Johnson
 3rd Place
 Fairbury Journal-News
 Help Wanted, Strange Bedfellows, A not so grand experiment
 By: Gordon Hopkins
 35 - Editorial
 Division E
 1st Place
 North Platte Telegraph

North Platte Telegraph editorials
 By: Todd von Kampen
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Norfolk Daily News
 By: Staff
 36 - News Writing
 Division A
 1st Place
 Callaway Courier
 Board Divided
 By: Ellen Mortensen
 2nd Place
 Friend Sentinel
 23-24 Bobcat activities do not include girls' wrestling
 By: Amy Hausman
 3rd Place
 Randolph Times
 Newswriting - school co-op
 By: Trisha Benton
 36 - News Writing
 Division B
 1st Place
 Cedar Valley News
 Quilt of Valor
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 Nance County Journal
 Digging for Truth
 By: Rick Holtz
 3rd Place
 Kimball Western Nebraska Observer
 Dark Times At Hometown Hardware
 By: Daria Anderson-Faden
 36 - News Writing
 Division C
 1st Place
 David City Banner-Press
 Guilty of election falsification
 By: Jeff Forward
 2nd Place
 Sarpy County Times
 PLCS Bond
 By: Scott Stewart
 3rd Place
 Hartington Cedar County News
 News writing - Motive revealed in murder case
 By: Trisha Benton
 36 - News Writing
 Division D
 1st Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Christmas Miracle Angel Leads Family Home
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 WWW: World Wide Watusi
 By: Jenny Higgins
 3rd Place
 Fairbury Journal-News
 Identified
 By: Gordon Hopkins
 36 - News Writing
 Division E
 1st Place
 Grand Island Independent
 Baby Spent Two Hours on Deck of Strangers' Home
 By: Jeff Bahr
 2nd Place
 York News-Times
 Water at women's prison restored after two weeks
 By: William Swett
 3rd Place
 York News-Times
 York improves childcare access
 By: William Swett
 37 - Headline Writing
 Division A
 1st Place
 Elm Creek Beacon-Observer
 BUFFALOES ROAM
 By: MICHAEL HAPP, JORDAN COSLOR
 2nd Place
 Wausa Gazette
 Headline Writing - Aug. 9
 By: Staff
 3rd Place
 Stanton Register
 Whatever Floats Your Boat
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 37 - Headline Writing
 Division B
 1st Place
 Kimball Western Nebraska Observer
 Western Nebraska Observer Headline entry
 By: Jim Orr
 2nd Place
 Arnold Sentinel
 Grape Fire Results In Some Really Juicy News
 By: Debbie Connelly
 3rd Place
 Nance County Journal
 NCJ Headline Writing
 By: Rick Holtz
 37 - Headline Writing
 Division C

1st Place
Sidney Sun-Telegraph
Two Lose Big in Winners Heist
By: Barbara Perez
2nd Place
Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
“Years to grow, seconds to come down”
By: Donnis Hueftle-Bullock
3rd Place
Hartington Cedar County News
Headline Writing - March 22
By: Rob Dump
37 - Headline Writing
Division D
1st Place
Bloomfield Knox Co. News Monitor
Home Plate Is Where The Heart Is
By: Carrie Pitzer
2nd Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News
Bank Cooks Up New Location
By: Carrie Pitzer
3rd Place
Aurora News-Register
Oh deer! Break in
By: Ron Burtz
37 - Headline Writing
Division E
1st Place
Norfolk Daily News
Norfolk Daily News
By: Staff
2nd Place
North Platte Telegraph
North Platte Telegraph
By: Andrew Bottrell; Staff
3rd Place
Hastings Tribune
Front page from April 21, 2023
By: Tami Humphreys
38 - Front Page
Division A
1st Place
Friend Sentinel
Nov. 1, 2023
By: staff
2nd Place
Stanton Register
State Champion
By: Carrie Pitzer
3rd Place
Hemingford Ledger
Homecoming Week
By: Kay Bakkehaug
38 - Front Page
Division B
1st Place
Oakland Independent
Feb. 9, 2023
By: Staff
2nd Place
Elgin Review
Front Page
By: Staff
3rd Place
Cedar Valley News
Unity in Community
By: Carrie Pitzer
38 - Front Page
Division C
1st Place
West Point News
WPN Front Page
By: Mike O’Brien, Ashley Gaughan, Blair Design Team
2nd Place
Lexington Clipper-Herald
Lexington Clipper-Herald 1-11-2023 front page
By: Brian Neben
3rd Place
Sarpy County Times
May 31
By: Staff
38 - Front Page
Division D
1st Place
Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
Pilot-Tribune 1/24/23 front page
By: Staff
2nd Place
St. Paul Phonograph-Herald
P-H Front Page 7-12-23
By: MICHAEL HAPP & MICHAEL ROTHER
3rd Place
Aurora News-Register
Front page
By: Kurt Johnson
38 - Front Page
Division E
1st Place
North Platte Telegraph
North Platte Telegraph Front Page
By: Joan von Kampen, Andrew Bottrell, staff
Division E
2nd Place
Hastings Tribune
Front page from April 4, 2023

By: Staff
3rd Place
Norfolk Daily News
Norfolk Daily News
By: Staff
39 - General Excellence
Division A
1st Place
Milford Times
Milford Times
By: staff
2nd Place
Petersburg Press
May 3, October 25 and November 1
By: Staff
3rd Place
Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
SAM general excellence
By: Staff
39 - General Excellence
Division B
1st Place
Nance County Journal
NCJ General Excellence
By: Rick Holtz
2nd Place
Arnold Sentinel
General excellence - May 25, June 1, October 25
By: Janet Larreau and Debbie Connelly
3rd Place
Kimball Western Nebraska Observer
Western Nebraska Observer General Excellence 1st Paper
By: Staff
39 - General Excellence
Division C
1st Place
Lexington Clipper-Herald
Lexington Clipper-Herald general excellence entry
By: Staff
Division C
2nd Place
Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer
General Excellence
By: Staff
3rd Place
West Point News
WPN General Excellence
By: West Point News Staff, Blair Design Team
39 - General Excellence
Division D
1st Place
Seward County Independent

Seward County Independent
By: staff
2nd Place
Crete News
Crete News
By: staff
3rd Place
Aurora News-Register
General Excellence
By: Staff
39 - General Excellence
Division E
1st Place
Norfolk Daily News
Norfolk Daily News
By: Staff
2nd Place
North Platte Telegraph
North Platte Telegraph general excellence
By: staff
3rd Place
Fremont Tribune
Fremont Tribune General Excellence
By: Staff
41 - Special Single Section
Division A
1st Place
Cozad LOCAL
Letters to Santa
By: Mark Lewis
2nd Place
Polk County News
Senior Sketches (Celebrating the Class of 2023)
By: Beth Sparrow and Rick Holtz
3rd Place
Springview Herald
County Fair Highlights
By: Amy Johnson
41 - Special Single Section
Division B
1st Place
Gothenburg Leader
Salute to Beef
By: Staff
2nd Place
North Bend Eagle
The Dynasty Continues
By: Nathan Arneal
3rd Place
Gothenburg Leader
Salute to Harvest
By: Staff

41 - Special Single Section
Division C
1st Place
South Sioux City Dakota Co. Star
SSC Girls Wrestlers win second NSAA title, third overall
By: Michael Carnes, Jason Sturek, Mary Vanderbeek
2nd Place
Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
Salute to Harvest, Oct. 26, 2023
By: Staff
3rd Place
Wayne Herald
Reaching Elite Status
By: Diana Smith
41 - Special Single Section
Division D
1st Place
Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune
People, Places & Progress of Washington County
By: Staff
2nd Place
Falls City Journal
Graduation Section
By: Chelsie Alexander
3rd Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News
Neligh's 150th Birthday
By: Staff
41 - Special Single Section
Division E
1st Place
Hastings Tribune
Business and Education Outlook edition 2023
By: Staff
2nd Place
Scottsbluff Star-Herald
Veterans Day 2023
By: Staff
3rd Place
Scottsbluff Star-Herald
Discover Us
By: Maunette Loeks
42 - Special Section (Multiple Publication Days)
Division BCD
1st Place
Blair Washington Co. Enterprise
Retirement Lifestyles (Quarterly)
By: Staff
2nd Place
Aurora News-Register
Sports preview editions
By: Staff

3rd Place
Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
Progress 2023 Moving Forward
By: Staff
43 - Youth Coverage
Division A
1st Place
Stanton Register
Youth Coverage
By: Carrie Pitzer, Lisa Wilke, Traci Vauble
2nd Place
Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
FFA, SkillsUSA, letters to Santa with artwork
By: LuAnn Schindler
3rd Place
Milford Times
Milford Times
By: staff
43 - Youth Coverage
Division B
1st Place
Arnold Sentinel
Arnold Junior Gives Testimony;Student-Led Updates ; Set
Sights on Arnold Lake
By: Janet Larreau and Debbie Connelly
2nd Place
Humboldt Standard
Youth Coverage
By: Staff
43 - Youth Coverage
Division C
1st Place
Ord Quiz
Kids in Community
By: Staff
2nd Place
Hartington Cedar County News
Youth Coverage - Top of Class - Student Awards - Youth at
Fair
By: Staff
3rd Place
Broken Bow Custer Co.Chief
Youth Coverage 2023
By: Mona Weatherly, Donnis Hueftle-Bullock
43 - Youth Coverage
Division D
1st Place
Orchard Antelope Co. News
ACN Youth Entry
By: Staff
2nd Place
Crete News

Crete News
 By: Amy Hausman, Keaton Burgess
 3rd Place
 Fairbury Journal-News
 Youth Coverage
 By: Fairbury Journal News Staff
 43 - Youth Coverage
 Division E
 1st Place
 Hastings Tribune
 Youth features and coverage
 By: Staff
 2nd Place
 Scottsbluff Star-Herald
 Youth Coverage: Esports to technical programs
 By: Fletcher Halfaker
 3rd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Let's dance/It's a superpower/World qualifiers
 By: Staff
 44 - Specialty/Lifestyles Sections
 Division AC
 1st Place
 Hartington Cedar County News
 Special Sections - Ag Update March 22 - May 31 - Oct. 18
 By: Staff
 2nd Place
 Ord Quiz
 OHS Senior Book
 By: Staff
 3rd Place
 Oshkosh Garden Co. News
 A few of my favorite things
 By: Buddy Paulsen, Tessa Paulsen, Katie Ashmore
 44 - Specialty/Lifestyles Sections
 Division D
 1st Place
 Aurora News-Register
 Ag, business, senior sections
 By: Staff
 2nd Place
 St. Paul Phonograph-Herald
 Highlights
 By: Staff
 3rd Place
 Fairbury Journal-News
 44
 By: Jennifer Lewis
 45 - FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
 Division E
 1st Place
 Fremont Tribune
 Fremont Freedom of Information
 By: Jeff Forward
 2nd Place
 Stanton Register
 Transparency Needed In Stanton County
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 3rd Place
 Fairbury Journal-News
 Keystone, Jansen, Asbestos, Toxic, More, Identified, Time-
 line
 By: Gordon Hopkins
 46 - BEST NIE PROGRAM
 Division B
 1st Place
 Arnold Sentinel
 "The Avonlea Advocate"
 By: Janet Larreau and Debbie Connelly
 2nd Place
 Stanton Register
 By: Lisa Wilke
 47 - Web Sites
 Division AB
 1st Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 North Platte Telegraph website
 By: Staff
 2nd Place
 Polk County News
 Polk County News website
 By: Beth Sparrow & Rick Holtz
 3rd Place
 Fairbury Journal-News
 Fairbury Journal News
 By: Jennifer Lewis
 48 - Online Video - Advertising
 Division AB
 1st Place
 Fremont Tribune
 Train lovers in awe of iconic UP 'Big Boy' steam locomotive
 By: Jeff Forward
 2nd Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Ladies Night
 By: Staff
 49 - Online Video - Editorial
 Division A
 1st Place
 Sarpy County Times
 Sights and sounds from the 2023 Arrows to Aerospace
 Parade
 By: Joe Shearer
 2nd Place
 Sarpy County Times

Bellevue Kiwanis 9/11 Memorial Ceremony Sights & Sounds
 By: Scott Stewart
 3rd Place
 Sarpy County Times
 Dog Day at the Bay a splashing success
 By: Joe Shearer
 49 - Online Video - Editorial
 Division B
 1st Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 Buffalo Bill Rough Rider Gravel Grinder
 By: Ryan Herzog
 2nd Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 Big Boy Pulls Up
 By: Ryan Herzog
 3rd Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 Fancy cars and contraptions come out at the Platte River Cruise
 By: Ryan Herzog
 50 - Online Coverage of Breaking News
 Division AB
 1st Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Tragedy Strikes
 By: Staff
 2nd Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 Bailey Yard explosion
 By: Todd von Kampen, Ryan Herzog and staff
 3rd Place
 Fairbury Journal-News
 November Fire
 By: Fairbury Journal News Staff
 51 - Best Use of Social Media
 Division A
 1st Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Year in Review
 By: Staff
 2nd Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 #WeSeeYou
 By: Staff
 3rd Place
 Polk County News
 Polk County News, social media
 By: Beth Sparrow
 52 - Best Digital Ad Idea
 Division A
 1st Place

Aurora News-Register
 Aurora Mall
 By: Karla Senff
 2nd Place
 Nance County Journal
 Coldwell Banker ad
 By: Rick Holtz
 3rd Place
 Clearwater Summerland Advocate-Messenger
 Michael's Cantina - Margaritas and More
 By: LuAnn Schindler
 52 - Best Digital Ad Idea
 Division B
 1st Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 MJ's Gelato & Boba
 By: Vickie Hrabanek, Kelli Ganskow
 2nd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Flooring Solutions
 By: Lizz Kemling, Brenda Mather
 3rd Place
 Norfolk Daily News
 Avenue Bridal
 By: Suzie Wachter, Kelli Ganskow
 53 - Best Sports Video
 Division AB
 1st Place
 Orchard Antelope Co. News
 Buzzer Beater
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 2nd Place
 North Platte Telegraph
 Opening night of Buffalo Bill Rodeo features reigning champions
 By: Jake Dreiling, Ryan Herzog
 3rd Place
 Polk County News
 All Star Basketball
 By: Rick Holtz
 54 - NEWS PHOTO OF THE YEAR
 1st Place
 North Bend Eagle
 Comfort amid destruction
 By: Nathan Arneal
 2nd Place
 Bloomfield Knox Co. News Monitor
 Organized Chaos
 By: Carrie Pitzer
 3rd Place
 Crete News
 Rescued horses
 By: Doug Carroll

55 - SPORTS PHOTO OF THE YEAR

1st Place

Aurora News-Register

The golden Staehr

By: Richard Rhoden

2nd Place

Imperial Republican

Under the bright lights

By: Diane Stamm

3rd Place

Norfolk Daily News

Mya Zohner pole vault

By: Dennis Meyer

56 - FEATURE PHOTO OF THE YEAR

1st Place

Hartington Cedar County News

Feature photo of the Year - bottom of the swimming pool

By: Jeremy Buss

2nd Place

Orchard Antelope Co. News

No Way Santa

By: Carrie Pitzer

3rd Place

Fairbury Journal-News

The Future of Water in Nebraska

By: David Chlupacek

57 - EDITORIAL OF THE YEAR

1st Place

Hartington Cedar County News

Editorial of the Year

By: Rob Dump

2nd Place

North Platte Telegraph

Consumption tax: Watch the fine print

By: Todd von Kampen

3rd Place

Aurora News-Register

Nuisance concerns

By: Kurt Johnson

58 - ADVERTISEMENT OF THE YEAR

1st Place

Ord Quiz

Carl's Tavern

By: Alexis Hagstrom

2nd Place

North Bend Eagle

Love to see you smile

By: Nathan Arneal

3rd Place

Stanton Register

Jigowatts Takes Stanton County Into The Future

By: Angelique Boyer & Carrie Pitzer