The 2015 Missouri Press Association Better Newspaper Contest Gold Cup Newspaper recipients were among those honored Saturday, Sept. 12 during the MPA's 149th annual convention in Columbia. The Gold Cup winners were selected based on a point scale applied to the total number of awards received in the contest.

## 2015 Missouri Press Association Better Newspaper Contest GOLD CUP NEWSPAPERS

## Weeklies

Cassville Democrat, Weeklies, Class 1 (up to 3,000 circulation).

Christian County Headliner-News, Weeklies, Class 2 (3,001-7,000 circulation).

St. Louis Business Journal, Weeklies, Class 3 (more than 7,001 circulation).

## **Dailies**

Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg, Dailies, Class 1 (up to 5,000 circulation).

Columbia Missourian, Dailies, Class 2 (5,001 to 15,000 circulation).

The Kansas City Star, Dailies, Class 3 (more than 15,000 circulation).

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Ash Grove Commonwealth, Ash Grove Ash Grove High School Ryan Squibb	Best Video First Place
Ash Grove Commonwealth, Ash Grove Double-amputee veteran stops in Ash Grove for a visit on his trek across James Hanson	Best Story About the Outdoors Honorable Mention
Ash Grove Commonwealth, Ash Grove Best Feature Photo Ryan Squibb	Best Feature Photograph Second Place
Ash Grove Commonwealth, Ash Grove In the Grove Netzer Staff	Best Photo Illustration Third Place
Ash Grove Commonwealth, Ash Grove Ash Grove FFA advisor Ryan Squibb	Best Video Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Bolivar Herald-Free Press, Bolivar Jim Hamilton columns Jim Hamilton	Best Columnist- Serious First Place
Bolivar Herald-Free Press, Bolivar Salute to Clyde Wimberly Matthew Barba	Best Military Story Honorable Mention
Bolivar Herald-Free Press, Bolivar Another Mr. K Jessica Drews	Best News or Feature Obituary Honorable Mention
Bolivar Herald-Free Press, Bolivar Friends remember Marion Baldwin Jessica Drews	Best News or Feature Obituary Second Place
Bolivar Herald-Free Press, Bolivar Matthew Barba Matthew Barba	Best Columnist - Humorous Third Place
Bolivar Herald-Free Press, Bolivar Goodbye to Joe Rayl Matthew Barba	Best News or Feature Obituary Third Place
Bolivar Herald-Free Press, Bolivar Jessica Drews serious columns Jessica Drews	Best Columnist - Serious Third Place

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Brentwood Spirit, Brentwood Fly Fisherman Hargrove Steve Bowman	Best Sports Feature Photograph First Place
Brentwood Spirit, Brentwood Job Is Passion for Fly Fisherman Hargrove Steve Bowman	Best Story About the Outdoors Second Place

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Award Winner(s) California Democrat, California	Place
California Democrat, California Rock Enon the perfect place to live Michelle Brooks	Best Story About History First Place
California Democrat, California California Democrat rural life coverage Staff	Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture First Place
California Democrat, California It's the busiest time Michelle Brooks	Best Story About Religion First Place
California Democrat, California California Democrat business coverage Staff	Best Local Business Coverage Second Place
California Democrat, California Miracles for Maelyne Michelle Brooks	Best News or Feature Series Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Lake Sun Leader, Camdenton Video discrepancies Joyce L. Miller	Best Investigative Reporting Honorable Mention
Lake Sun Leader, Camdenton Summer fun George Denny, Spree Hilliard and Amy Wilson	Best Photo Package Honorable Mention
Lake Sun Leader, Camdenton Lake Sun headlines Eric Dundon	Best Headline Writing Honorable Mention
Lake Sun Leader, Camdenton Vanishing honeymooners Dan Field	Best Story About History Honorable Mention
Lake Sun Leader, Camdenton Merger silence Staff	Best Editorial Second Place
Lake Sun Leader, Camdenton Lake Sun June 4, 13, 17 Eric Dundon	Best Front Page Second Place
Lake Sun Leader, Camdenton Pit bull ban Staff	Best Editorial Third Place
Lake Sun Leader, Camdenton Lake Sun editorial pages Staff	Best Editorial Pages Third Place
Lake Sun Leader, Camdenton My View, Eric Dundon Eric Dundon	Best Columnist - Serious Third Place
Lake Sun Leader, Camdenton Arming rural schools Amy Wilson	Best Story About Education Third Place

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Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Return specialist: Willie Ponder (top photo) Laura Simon	Best Sports Feature Photograph First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Bucking bronco Laura Simon	Best Sports Photograph First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Life on a dairy farm Laura Simon	Best Photo Package First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Dealing with discipline Bob Miller	Best Information Graphic First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Hot Wheels Tyler Graef	Best Story About the Outdoors First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Cottonwood to close Staff	Best Coverage of Government First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Bittersweet: Kaden Robert supporters flock to Kelly football game Tyler Graef	Best Feature Story First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau June 8, June 25, June 26, 2014 Staff	Best Front Page First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Praying with the enemy Tyler Graef	Best Military Story First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Business buildup Amity Shedd	Best Local Business Coverage First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Sports: Meet Tom Matukewicz Staff	Best Page Design First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau 110th Anniversary Section Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section First Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau	General Excellence First Place

Best Sports Photograph Honorable Mention
Best Information Graphic Honorable Mention
Best Story About the Outdoors Honorable Mention
Best Editorial Honorable Mention
Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Honorable Mention
Best Sports Columnist Honorable Mention
Best News Photograph Second Place
Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture Second Place
Best Investigative Reporting Second Place
Best Sports News Story or Package Second Place
Best News Story Second Place
Best Editorial Pages Second Place
Best Breaking News Story Second Place
Best Sports Pages Second Place

Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Praying with the enemy Tyler Graef	Best Story About History Second Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Grace notes Tyler Graef	Best Military Story Second Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau The Bigger Picture Glenn Landberg	Best Photo Illustration Second Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Sports: State champions Staff	Best Page Design Second Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Flourish, Summer 2014 Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section Second Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Meet Tom Matukewicz Erin Unerstall	Best Sports Feature Story Third Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Super Marshall Laura Simon	Best Photo Package Third Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau Holding out for a hero Emily Priddy	Best Information Graphic Third Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau After the breach: Signs of damage remain in Bootheel counties Amity Shedd	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Third Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau 'Gone Girl' coverage Staff	Best News or Feature Series Third Place
Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau	Best Overall Design Third Place

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Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Kyle Troutman - Serious Columnist Kyle Troutman	Best Columnist- Serious First Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 County Poverty Rate 9-3-14 Kyle Troutman	Best Investigative Reporting First Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 CCC Lodge 9-24-14 Kyle Troutman	Best Story About the Outdoors First Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville Fans Want Cowbell Jared Lankford	Best Sports Feature Story First Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville Rodeo Draws Crowd Kyle Troutman	Best Feature Photograph First Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville County Star Corbin Kyle Troutman	Best Photo Package First Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville Heat-Related Illness Jared Lankford	Best Sports Feature Photograph Honorable Mention
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Idaho Century Farm 11-19-14 Jason Johnston	Best Story About History Honorable Mention
Cassville Democrat, Cassville Idaho Century Farm Jason Johnston	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Honorable Mention
Cassville Democrat, Cassville Sater Abortion Bill Kyle Troutman	Best Coverage of Government Second Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville Top 10 (Photo No. 1) Kyle Troutman	Best Sports Feature Photograph Second Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Cassville Headlines: Country Star, Dawgs Digging, More Cowbell, Staff	Best Headline Writing Second Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Cassville Editorial Pages Staff	Best Editorial Pages Second Place

Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Local Economy 11-26-14 Kyle Troutman	Best Investigative Reporting Second Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 550,000 To Visit 7-2-14 Kyle Troutman	Best Story About the Outdoors Second Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville Wheaton NASA Jason Johnston	Best Story About Education Second Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Local Economy 11-26-14 Jacob Brower	Best Information Graphic Third Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Walmart Opens 12-17-14 Jason Johnston	Best Business Story Third Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville Presiding Commissioner Race Kyle Troutman	Best Coverage of Government Third Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville www.cassville-democrat.com Staff	Best Online Newspaper or Website Third Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Free Reduced Meals 10-15-14 Kyle Troutman	Best Investigative Reporting Third Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Abortion Veto 7-9-14 Kyle Troutman	Best News Story Third Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Hunters Check Deer 11-26-14 Jason Johnston	Best Story About the Outdoors Third Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville W1 Democrat Agriculture Coverage Staff	Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture Third Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville  Jason Johnston	Best Reporting Based on a Public Notice Third Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville Cassville Sports Pages Staff	Best Sports Pages Third Place
Cassville Democrat, Cassville Christopher Vore	Best Page Design Third Place

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Constitution Tribune, Chillicothe Best Sports Pages Paul Sturm Best Sports Pages Second Place 2015 Better Newspaper Contest Awards List
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Cole Camp Courier, Cole Camp Down on the Creek Dianne Peck

Best Columnist - Serious Third Place

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Award Winner(s)  Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Day of the doughnut Jacob Bogage	Place Best Business Story First Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Old soldier misses flight, fades away Lorry Myers	Best Columnist- Serious First Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Michael Sam David Morrison, Steve Walentik and Joe Walljasper	Best Sports News Story or Package First Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia November ballot issue coverage Staff	Best Coverage of Government First Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Staff	Best Local Business Coverage First Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Obama golf John Darkow	Best Editorial Cartoon First Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Bloody Billi Anderson Rudi Keller	Best Story About History Honorable Mention
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Alabama Wins 12-06-14 Daniel Brenner	Best Sports Feature Photograph Second Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Providence Suites Alan Burdziak and Andrew Dennev	Best Investigative Reporting Second Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Recruiting becomes child's play Blake Toppmeyer	Best Sports Feature Story Second Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Columbia Daily Tribune - Headlines Staff	Best Headline Writing Second Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia MSHSAA Class 5 Baseball - RBHS vs Francis Howell Game 06-06-14 Nick Schnelle	Best Sports Photograph Third Place

Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Secrecy: Fighting to keep government open Hank Waters	Best Editorial Third Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Columbia Daily Tribune editorial pages Staff	Best Editorial Pages Third Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia Mixed blessings Alicia Stice	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Third Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia staff	Best Sports Pages Third Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia A view of MU game day Daniel Brenner	Best Video Third Place
Columbia Daily Tribune, Columbia	Best Overall Design Third Place

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Columbia Missourian, Columbia Journey for Justice bus ride 12-4-2014 Hannah Baldwin	Best News Photograph First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Boy and cow 9-27-2014 Timothy Tai	Best Feature Photograph First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Broadway Christian Church promotes literacy Daniela Sirtori	Best Story About Religion First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Puppy mills in Missouri Josh Benson	Best Investigative Reporting First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia 100 Years of Kewpies Mark Selig	Best Sports Feature Story First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Rare book collector Josh Benson	Best Business Story First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Therapy, treatment services for autism Taylor Lower	Best News Story First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Firefighter killed Miranda Metheny	Best Breaking News Story First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Maty Mauk's confidence, Loss to UMKC, Shamburger showing Mark Selig	Best Sports Columnist First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Dane Gregg Joe Guszkowski	Best News or Feature Obituary First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia	Best Sports Pages First Place
Missourian Staff	
Columbia Missourian, Columbia 100 Years of Kewpies Mark Selig	Best Story About History First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Finding home Shannon Elliott	Best Photo Illustration First Place

Columbia Missourian, Columbia Our Blue Highways Vox Magazine staff	Best News or Feature Series First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia	Best Overall Design First Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia McMillen brothers Veronica Destafano	Best Business Story Honorable Mention
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Reporting sexual assault not required for MU faculty Caroline Bauman	Best News Story Honorable Mention
Columbia Missourian, Columbia 'Shear failure' lead to walkway collapse Missourian Staff	Best Breaking News Story Honorable Mention
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Wynna Faye Elbert Missourian Staff	Best News or Feature Obituary Honorable Mention
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Historic mural Jasmine Ye Han	Best Military Story Honorable Mention
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Special Olympics 5-31-2014 Shannon Elliott	Best Sports Photograph Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Re-enactment of Battle of Centralia 9-14-2014 Hannah Baldwin	Best Feature Photograph Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Columbia church gives Myanmar family a home makeover Rachel Jelinek	Best Story About Religion Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Trying out to be a Missouri Tiger Mark Selig	Best Sports Feature Story Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia MU freshman pioneers art-lettering business Sirrah Joof	Best Business Story Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Tiger takeover Mark Kauzlarich and Abby Connolly	Best Photo Package Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Interactive election results Travis Hartman, Roman Kolgushev and James Gordon	Best Information Graphic Second Place

Columbia Missourian, Columbia Hunters slow to trade risks of lead Matthew Patston	Best Story About the Outdoors Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia 'Right to Farm' divides Missouri Chris Jasper	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia August primary election Timothy Maylander, Chris Jasper, Scott Delhommer, Victoria Trampler a	Best Coverage of Government Second Place nd The Missourian Staff
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Drinking culture and sexual assaults Cassa Niedringhaus and Frances Webber	Best Feature Story Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Headline writing Missourian Staff	Best Headline Writing Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Achievement gap, funding challenges Caroline Bauman	Best Story About Education Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Rex Bandy Hannah Pederson	Best News or Feature Obituary Second Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Black lives matter 12-13-2014 Timothy Tai	Best News Photograph Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Golden Knights Parachute Team 5-26-2014 Kylee Gregg	Best Feature Photograph Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Faith in the balance Lindsey Davison	Best Story About Religion Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Missouri woman spreads her wings Abby Kass	Best Business Story Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Paddlefish pose management challenge Christine Coester	Best Story About the Outdoors Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Michael Sam package Brandon Foster, Alexander Smith, Matthew Fairburn, Greg Bowers and I	Best Sports News Story or Package Third Place Missourian staff
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Offender pushes for registry changes Bailey Otto	Best News Story Third Place

Columbia Missourian, Columbia Inside Fulton State Hospital Claire Boston	Best Feature Story Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia June 5, June 8/8, June 20/21 Missourian Staff	Best Front Page Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Last alarm Joe Guszkowski	Best Breaking News Story Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Steven Nagel Sabrina Russello	Best News or Feature Obituary Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Descendant of MU founder Richard Webner	Best Story About History Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Veterans Treatment Court Katherine Knott	Best Military Story Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Yourself in four years Missourian staff	Best Page Design Third Place
Columbia Missourian, Columbia Progress Edition - Bright Ideas Missourian staff	Best News or Feature Special Section Third Place

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The Concordian, Concordia Fun along the Midway at Concordia Fall Festival Charles Dunlap and Sarah Reed	Best Photo Package Honorable Mention	
The Concordian, Concordia From the needle Charles Dunlap	Best Story About Religion Second Place	
The Concordian, Concordia Beginning the healing Charles Dunlap	Best Story About Religion Third Place	

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Eldon Advertiser, Eldon Democracy Day The Advertiser	Best Newspaper In Education Project First Place	
Eldon Advertiser, Eldon Community Health Fair The Advertiser	Community Service Honorable Mention	
Eldon Advertiser, Eldon Rose is happy to be walking Tammy Witherspoon	Best Feature Story Second Place	
Eldon Advertiser, Eldon Younger newspapers The Advertiser	Best Newspaper In Education Project Second Place	

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Excelsior Springs Standard, Excelsior Springs Amber Alert Jae Juarez	Best Breaking News Story First Place
Excelsior Springs Standard, Excelsior Springs 03frontpage Staff	Best Front Page Honorable Mention

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Fayette Advertiser, Fayette Out at Home Greg Jackson	Best Sports Photograph First Place
Fayette Advertiser, Fayette 41 Fayette Sports Headlines The Fayette Advertiser	Best Headline Writing First Place
Fayette Advertiser, Fayette Graduating Via Skype Greg Jackson	Best News Photograph Third Place

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Arnold-Imperial Leader, Festus " 'Wingo' wins, team just misses trophy" Gordon Bess

Best Sports News Story or Package Third Place

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Jefferson County Leader, Festus 'Arnold's red-light ticket stance is stinky double standard" Patrick Martin	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award First Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Reggie, got that levee approval done yet? Judy Dixon	Best Editorial Cartoon First Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus	General Excellence First Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus "Patrick Martin" Patrick Martin	Best Columnist- Serious First Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus "Looking Back to the mystery of the missing girl" Tracey Bruce	Best Story About History First Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Changes at Ward Chapel Peggy Scott	Best Story About Religion First Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus "Hermann, Meyer step down at St. Pius" Steve Taylor	Best Sports News Story or Package Honorable Mention
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Gordon Bess Gordon Bess	Best Sports Columnist Honorable Mention
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Talented Tiger tandem Gordon Bess	Best Sports Feature Story Honorable Mention
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Doubles Peggy Scott	Best Feature Story Honorable Mention
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Where can you find wedded bliss? Tracey Bruce	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Honorable Mention
Jefferson County Leader, Festus "Wedding fair" Laura Marlow and Staff	Community Service Second Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus "Patrick Martin" Patrick Martin	Best Columnist - Humorous Second Place

Jefferson County Leader, Festus "Life Story: Ona M. Backes" Laura Marlow	Best News or Feature Obituary Second Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Patrick Martin	Best Editorial Pages Second Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Home Sweet Home Tracey Bruce	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Second Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus "Life Story: Blondell Mary Underwood" Laura Marlow	Best News or Feature Obituary Third Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Jefferson County Leader Staff	Best Local Business Coverage Third Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Double Duty Tracey Bruce	Best Story About the Outdoors Third Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Fighting for her dream Brandon Corrigan	Best Sports Feature Story Third Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Gordon Bess	Best Sports Pages Third Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Not gone Brendan Simpson	Best Story About Religion Third Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Old soldier Ron Rigdon	Best Feature Photograph Third Place
Jefferson County Leader, Festus Seckman grad Laura Marlow	Best Story About Education Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Fulton Sun, Fulton McClure's perfect run ends with first state title Brittany Ruess	Best Sports Photograph First Place
Fulton Sun, Fulton Dad's Home Megan Favignano	Best Feature Story First Place
Fulton Sun, Fulton  Katherine Cummins	Best Story About History First Place
Fulton Sun, Fulton Fulton Fins Swimmer Brittany Ruess	Best Sports Photograph Honorable Mention
Fulton Sun, Fulton A different workout: Fulton's first CrossFit gym opens on Bluff Street Katherine Cummins	Best Business Story Honorable Mention
Fulton Sun, Fulton Felon enters Auxvasse Aldermen race Katherine Cummins	Best News Story Second Place
Fulton Sun, Fulton Bulldogs finish second in Class 2 Brittany Ruess	Best Photo Package Third Place
Fulton Sun, Fulton James has fond memories of '64 Cardinals, Series title Josh Mosley	Best Sports Feature Story Third Place
Fulton Sun, Fulton 03_Fulton Sun_Best Front Page Kevin Smith and Brittany Ruess	Best Front Page Third Place
Fulton Sun, Fulton Fulton Sun Best Sports Page Ryan Boland and Josh Mosley	Best Sports Pages Third Place
Fulton Sun, Fulton	Best Overall Design Third Place

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Jackson County Advocate, Grandview Grandview Mayor Resignation/Matters of Integrity Mary Wilson

Best Coverage of Government Second Place

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Branson Tri-Lakes News, Hollister Totol Loss Lauren Healey and Kris Collins	Best Breaking News Story First Place
Branson Tri-Lakes News, Hollister Pearl Harbor survivor talks about experiences Cliff Sain	Best Military Story Second Place

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Houston Herald, Houston Special moment Jeff McNiell	Best Sports News Story or Package First Place
Houston Herald, Houston MDC deer study Doug Davison	Best Story About the Outdoors First Place
Houston Herald, Houston Donkey basketball Jeff McNiell	Best Feature Photograph First Place
Houston Herald, Houston Road ahead Jeff McNiell	Best Page Design First Place
Houston Herald, Houston	Best Overall Design First Place
Houston Herald, Houston Best Online Newspaper or Website Jeff McNiell, Brad Gentry and Doug Davison	Best Online Newspaper or Website Honorable Mention
Houston Herald, Houston Football special section Jeff McNiell	Best News or Feature Special Section Honorable Mention
Houston Herald, Houston Houston Herald Jeff McNiell	Best Front Page Honorable Mention
Houston Herald, Houston Ms. 1000 Jeff McNiell	Best Sports News Story or Package Honorable Mention
Houston Herald, Houston On target Doug Davison	Best Story About the Outdoors Honorable Mention
Houston Herald, Houston Semi accident Jeff McNiell	Best News Photograph Honorable Mention
Houston Herald, Houston Simply living Doug Davison	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Honorable Mention
Houston Herald, Houston	General Excellence Honorable Mention

Houston Herald, Houston Road ahead Jeff McNiell	Best Information Graphic Second Place
Houston Herald, Houston Sun Savvy Doug Davison	Best Business Story Second Place
Houston Herald, Houston Ridin' the rails Doug Davison	Best Story About History Second Place
Houston Herald, Houston Rural life and agriculture in Texas County Doug Davison	Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture Second Place
Houston Herald, Houston New perspective Jeff McNiell	Best Sports Feature Story Second Place
Houston Herald, Houston Shop with a cop Jeff McNiell	Best Feature Photograph Second Place
Houston Herald, Houston Behind bars Jeff McNiell	Best Breaking News Story Second Place
Houston Herald, Houston Carry the Cross Jeff McNiell	Community Service Third Place
Houston Herald, Houston Texas County 911 Doug Davison	Best Coverage of Government Third Place
Houston Herald, Houston Union Dues Doug Davison	Best Military Story Third Place
Houston Herald, Houston Tall history Doug Davison	Best Story About History Third Place
Houston Herald, Houston  Jeff McNiell	Best Sports Pages Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place	
Independence Examiner, Independence Headed for Trouble Jeff Fox	Best Columnist- Humorous First Place	
Independence Examiner, Independence 'Beyond words' Bill Althaus	Best Sports News Story or Package First Place	
Independence Examiner, Independence Headed for Trouble Jeff Fox	Best Columnist- Serious First Place	

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Jefferson City News Tribune, Jefferson City

General Excellence
Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
News Tribune, Jefferson City News Tribune Editorial Pages Richard McGonegal and Jim Dyke	Best Editorial Pages First Place
News Tribune, Jefferson City	Best Sports Columnist First Place
Tony Hawley	
News Tribune, Jefferson City Goal Lines Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section First Place
News Tribune, Jefferson City Vietnam Faces Michelle Brooks and Richard McGonegal	Community Service Honorable Mention
News Tribune, Jefferson City Pulling their weight Landon Reeves	Best Sports Feature Story Honorable Mention
News Tribune, Jefferson City A Christmas Wish Staff	Community Service Second Place
News Tribune, Jefferson City City administrator hiring Richard McGonegal	Best Editorial Second Place
News Tribune, Jefferson City Staff	Best Sports Pages Second Place
News Tribune, Jefferson City staff	Best Local Business Coverage Second Place
News Tribune, Jefferson City IS IS IS Jim Dyke	Best Editorial Cartoon Second Place
News Tribune, Jefferson City Gas chamber keys still missing Michelle Brooks	Best Feature Story Third Place
News Tribune, Jefferson City City historic Landmarks Michelle Brooks	Best News or Feature Series Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Joplin Globe, Joplin Legal notice of court-ordered property sale Debby Woodin and Susan Redden	Best Reporting Based on a Public Notice First Place
Joplin Globe, Joplin Best front page Brent Fisher	Best Front Page Honorable Mention
Joplin Globe, Joplin Jim Henry	Best Sports Columnist Honorable Mention
Joplin Globe, Joplin	Best Feature Story
Fighting to Stay Emily Younker	Honorable Mention
Joplin Globe, Joplin Home Depot Wally Kennedy	Best Business Story Second Place
Joplin Globe, Joplin Frost Flowers Andra Stefanoni	Best Story About the Outdoors Second Place
Joplin Globe, Joplin One-room Schools Focus of Preservation Emily Younker	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Second Place
Joplin Globe, Joplin Face of the Program Laurie Sisk	Best Sports Feature Photograph Third Place
Joplin Globe, Joplin Deadly Hog Virus 030914 Wally Kennedy	Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture Third Place
Joplin Globe, Joplin Endangered Species Andy Ostmeyer	Community Service Third Place
Joplin Globe, Joplin Carol Stark Carol Stark	Best Columnist - Serious Third Place
Joplin Globe, Joplin Journalist dies Andra Stefanoni	Best News or Feature Obituary Third Place
Joplin Globe, Joplin Christmas Day Truce Andra Stefanoni	Best Story About History Third Place

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Kansas City Star, Kansas City worldcup party 6_27_14 David Eulitt	Best Sports Feature Photograph First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Best Rural Life/Agriculture Coverage Staff	Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Feed KC Kids Laura Bauer	Community Service First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City moose catch 10_15_14 Jill Toyoshiba	Best Sports Photograph First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City roundup Keith Myers	Best Feature Photograph First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Getting Off Easy Mark Morris and Glenn E. Rice	Best Investigative Reporting First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Water Slide Neil Nakahodo	Best Information Graphic First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Following His Course Donald Bradley	Best Story About the Outdoors First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City In Their 90s Donald Bradley	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Best Front Pages Staff	Best Front Page First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Staff	Best Sports Pages First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Why of KCI Mike Hendricks	Best Story About History First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City	Best Newspaper In Education Project First Place
Staff	

Kansas City Star, Kansas City Food Issue Barbara Hill-Meyer	Best Page Design First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City	Best Overall Design First Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City flying bat 9_4_14 John Sleezer	Best Sports Feature Photograph Honorable Mention
Kansas City Star, Kansas City drowning 7_9_14 Allison Long	Best News Photograph Honorable Mention
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Price of Success Andy McCullough and Dave Eames	Best Information Graphic Honorable Mention
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Time to Forgive Judy L. Thomas	Best Story About Religion Honorable Mention
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Leadership Still Needed Staff	Best Editorial Honorable Mention
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Dave Helling columns Dave Helling	Best Columnist - Serious Honorable Mention
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Feathered Visitors Eric Adler	Best Story About the Outdoors Honorable Mention
Kansas City Star, Kansas City All He Needed Tony Rizzo	Best Military Story Honorable Mention
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Staff	Best Local Business Coverage Honorable Mention
Kansas City Star, Kansas City pence scores 10_27_14 John Sleezer	Best Sports Photograph Second Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City dauffman center David Eulitt	Best Feature Photograph Second Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Royals Photo Section Kansas City Star Photo Staff	Best Photo Package Second Place

Kansas City Star, Kansas City Snarky in the Suburbs Sherry Kuehl	Best Columnist - Humorous Second Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Royal Again Sam Mellinger, Andy McCullough, Blair Kerkhoff and Megan K. Arms	Best Sports News Story or Package Second Place strong
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Angel of Death Rick Montgomery	Best News Story Second Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Sam Mellinger	Best Sports Columnist Second Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Generation to Generation Brian Burnes	Best Story About History Second Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Staff	Best Newspaper In Education Project Second Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Flying Outside Allie Hinga	Best Military Story Second Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City On the Line Neil Nakahodo	Best Page Design Second Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City	General Excellence Second Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City food 35 Tammy Ljungblad	Best Photo Package Third Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City KC's Lost Generation Rustin Dodd	Best Sports Feature Story Third Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Rail's Risky Business Mike Hendricks	Best Business Story Third Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Preying on the Elderly Eric Adler	Best News Story Third Place
Kansas City Star, Kansas City Amenities vs. Lower Taxes Brad Cooper	Best Coverage of Government Third Place

Kansas City Star, Kansas City	Best Breaking News Story
Black Sunday	Third Place
Dave Helling, Laura Bauer, Brian Burnes and Judy L. Thom	as
Kansas City Star, Kansas City	Best Photo Illustration
Brain surgery	Third Place
Keith Myers	

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Northeast News, Kansas City Kansas City's Streetcar Expansion Debate Joe Jarosz, Michael Bushnell, Bryan Stalder and Leslie Collins	Best Coverage of Government Second Place
Northeast News, Kansas City Royals Thank You Rally Photograph Kirstie Mulligan	Best Sports Feature Photograph Third Place
Northeast News, Kansas City Free Zoo Day Bryan Stalder	Best Editorial Cartoon Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Kearney Courier, Kearney World War I in Clay County Ryne Dittmer	Best Story About History First Place
Kearney Courier, Kearney Corey Edwards	Best Sports Pages First Place
Kearney Courier, Kearney Smartphones Ryne Dittmer	Best Story About Education First Place
Kearney Courier, Kearney Team celebration Corey Edwards	Best Sports Photograph Second Place
Kearney Courier, Kearney Heartbreak in Overtime Corey Edwards	Best Sports News Story or Package Second Place

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Tri-County News, King City Pearls Matt Pearl

Best Columnist - Serious Second Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Kirksville Daily Express & News, Kirksville Power vs. Prayer Jason Hunsicker	Best News or Feature Series First Place
Kirksville Daily Express & News, Kirksville Planting the seed Danielle Brown	Best Feature Story Honorable Mention
Kirksville Daily Express & News, Kirksville My Take - Jason Hunsicker Jason Hunsicker	Best Columnist - Serious Second Place
Kirksville Daily Express & News, Kirksville A month in poverty Danielle Brown	Best News Story Third Place
Kirksville Daily Express & News, Kirksville Fight against meth Jason Hunsicker and Tavlor Muller	Best News or Feature Series Third Place
Kirksville Daily Express & News, Kirksville	General Excellence Third Place

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Lebanon Daily Record, Lebanon Rural life and ag coverage Julie Turner-Crawford	Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture First Place
Lebanon Daily Record, Lebanon The next generation of family farms Julie Turner-Crawford	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture First Place
Lebanon Daily Record, Lebanon Castle for the kids Fines Massey	Best Story About Religion Honorable Mention
Lebanon Daily Record, Lebanon Justin Britt: 'I'm good to go' Israel Potoczny	Best Sports News Story or Package Honorable Mention
Lebanon Daily Record, Lebanon Bus driver, monitors fired Fines Massey	Best Story About Education Honorable Mention

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit Commentary Honesty in Governance Steve Wagner	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award First Place
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit Going Bald For Hope House Linda Ahern	Community Service Honorable Mention
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit Robotics Series Wendy Hayworth	Best News or Feature Series Honorable Mention
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit City Of Greenwood Sewer Adjustment Documents Donít Smell Right Linda Ahern	Best Investigative Reporting Honorable Mention
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit Commentary: Why Vote? Steve Wagner	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award Second Place
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit 2014 Lee's Summit Veterans Day Parade Linda Ahern	Community Service Second Place
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit Polar Bear Plunge Ron Wight	Best Photo Package Second Place
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit Troop 323 Preforms Color Guard Ceremony At Chiefs Game Amy Chinnery-Valmassei	Best Sports Feature Photograph Third Place
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit Best Headlines Tribune David Reed	Best Headline Writing Third Place
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit Tribune Front Pages David Reed	Best Front Page Third Place
Lee's Summit Tribune, Lee's Summit Brian Tichenor Ron Wight	Best Feature Photograph Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Liberty Tribune, Liberty LT_ Cardinal Strong Chris Geinosky	Best Sports Feature Story First Place
Liberty Tribune, Liberty Chris Geinosky	Best Sports Pages First Place
Liberty Tribune, Liberty Tax levy cut splits commission Ryne Dittmer	Best Coverage of Government Honorable Mention
Liberty Tribune, Liberty Like Father Chris Geinosky	Best Sports Feature Photograph Honorable Mention
Liberty Tribune, Liberty LT_State Track Chris Geinosky	Best Sports News Story or Package Second Place
Liberty Tribune, Liberty LT Geinosky Columns Chris Geinosky	Best Sports Columnist Second Place
Liberty Tribune, Liberty Mid-level pilots Ryne Dittmer	Best Story About Education Second Place
Liberty Tribune, Liberty Like Father Like Son Chris Geinosky	Best Sports Feature Story Third Place

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Marshall Democrat-News, Marshall Students learn... Sarah Reed

Best Story About the Outdoors Honorable Mention

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Maryville Daily Forum, Maryville Walls of faith rise Tony Brown	Best Story About Religion First Place
Maryville Daily Forum, Maryville Maryville Daily Forum front page Phil Cobb and Jim Fall	Best Front Page Honorable Mention
Maryville Daily Forum, Maryville Two heads better than one for North-West Nodaway Steve Hartman	Best Sports News Story or Package Second Place
Maryville Daily Forum, Maryville	General Excellence Second Place

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Award Winner(s)  The Monett Times, Monett D1 Guardsmen Return 11-4-14 Melonie Roberts	Place  Best Feature Photograph First Place
The Monett Times, Monett Sunshine Law Violations Melonie Roberts and Kyle Troutman	Best Coverage of Government First Place
The Monett Times, Monett Opening Day Delights Murray Bishoff	Best Story About the Outdoors First Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Linahan Remembered 10-1-14 Melonie Roberts	Best News or Feature Obituary First Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Local Ranchers 5-16-14 Murray Bishoff	Best Story About Rural Life or Ag First Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Monett Front Page 6-6-14 Staff	Best Front Page First Place
The Monett Times, Monett	General Excellence First Place
The Monett Times, Monett	Best Overall Design First Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 MHS For Sale Murray Bishoff	Best News Story Honorable Mention
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Purdy Vandalism Melonie Roberts and Jared Lankford	Best Investigative Reporting Honorable Mention
The Monett Times, Monett Youngberg Chapel Murray Bishoff	Best Story About Religion Honorable Mention
The Monett Times, Monett Monett Editorial Page Staff	Best Editorial Pages Honorable Mention
The Monett Times, Monett Engineering Company Deploys Melonie Roberts	Best Military Story Honorable Mention

The Monett Times, Monett Memorial Day Flag Murray Bishoff	Best Story About History Honorable Mention
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Softball Golden Ticket 10-24-14 Kyle Troutman	Best Sports Feature Photograph Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Murray Bishoff Humorous Columnist Murray Bishoff	Best Columnist - Humorous Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Chemical Dump Murray Bishoff	Best Investigative Reporting Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Kentucky Derby Local Jared Lankford	Best Sports Feature Story Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett Monett Modular Scheduling Murray Bishoff	Best Story About Education Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Farewell to a Friend 10-11-14 Murray Bishoff	Best News or Feature Obituary Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Murray Bishoff Best Reporting Based on a Public Notice Staff	Best Reporting Based on a Public Notice Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Housecleaning Booby Trap Murray Bishoff	Best Feature Story Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Monett Sports Columnist Jared Lankford	Best Sports Columnist Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett  Murray Bishoff	Best Story About History Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett Monett Business Coverage Staff	Best Local Business Coverage Second Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Cool Weather 7-18-14 Melonie Roberts	Best Feature Photograph Third Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Police Detain Subject Murray Bishoff	Best Investigative Reporting Third Place

The Monett Times, Monett Retire First TIF Murray Bishoff	Best Coverage of Government Third Place
The Monett Times, Monett Murray Bishoff Serious Columnist Murray Bishoff	Best Columnist - Serious Third Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Monett Great Friend 5-10-14 Murray Bishoff	Best News or Feature Obituary Third Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Cattle Producers Evaluating 6-4-14 Melonie Roberts	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Third Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Love Endures All 2-14-14 Melonie Roberts	Best Feature Story Third Place
The Monett Times, Monett D1 Monett Headlines PERFECTI49-0N!, Monett Police, Cassville Looks, BeThird Place Staff	
The Monett Times, Monett Local Recalls D-Day Murray Bishoff	Best Military Story Third Place
The Monett Times, Monett Staff	Best Page Design Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place	
Lawrence County Record, Mount Vernon A Time to Grow - Our Community 2014 Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section First Place	
Lawrence County Record, Mount Vernon A Time to Grow Staff	Best Photo Illustration First Place	
Lawrence County Record, Mount Vernon Immortalizing the heart of MRC Ryan Squibb	Best Story About History Honorable Mention	
Lawrence County Record, Mount Vernon Softball state send-off Samantha Dyson	Best Sports Feature Photograph Second Place	
Lawrence County Record, Mount Vernon LCR - Best Front Page Staff	Best Front Page Second Place	
Lawrence County Record, Mount Vernon In God We Trust James McNary	Best Story About Religion Third Place	
Lawrence County Record, Mount Vernon	Best Overall Design Third Place	
Lawrence County Record, Mount Vernon	General Excellence Third Place	

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Nixa Enterprise, Nixa N the Zone Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section First Place
Nixa Enterprise, Nixa Racket Amanda Hess	Best Page Design First Place
Nixa Enterprise, Nixa Meth Adam Letterman	Best Information Graphic Honorable Mention
Nixa Enterprise, Nixa WWII veteran Hanna Smith	Best Military Story Honorable Mention
Nixa Enterprise, Nixa Buzzball Amber Duran	Best Feature Story Honorable Mention
Nixa Enterprise, Nixa Hooping Adam Letterman	Best Page Design Second Place
Nixa Enterprise, Nixa Staff	General Excellence Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place	
Focus On Oak Grove, Oak Grove November Election Staff	Best Coverage of Government Honorable Mention	
Focus on Oak Grove, Oak Grove Jack Remembers Jack Hackley	Best Columnist - Humorous Second Place	
Focus On Oak Grove, Oak Grove Cancer brings gratitude Hannah Spaar	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Second Place	
Focus On Oak Grove, Oak Grove Oak Grove voting guide Hannah Spaar	Best News or Feature Series Third Place	

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Award Winner(s)	Place	
The Odessan, Odessa John Thurmon, former POW, dies at 92 Betty Spaar	Best News or Feature Obituary First Place	
The Odessan, Odessa A dog and cat tale Hannah Spaar	Best Feature Story Honorable Mention	
The Odessan, Odessa Water woes at Lake Lafayette Hannah Spaar	Best Investigative Reporting Second Place	
The Odessan, Odessa Old Saint Nick Hannah Spaar	Best Feature Photograph Third Place	
The Odessan, Odessa 4-H is all in family Hannah Spaar	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Third Place	
The Odessan, Odessa A dog and cat tale Hannah Spaar	Best Story About Education Third Place	

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Gasconade County Republican, Owensville 1/8/14 Uplifting day in the neighborhood Dave Marner	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award First Place	
Gasconade County Republican, Owensville Missouri Rock Island Trail, Inc., (MORIT) Roxie Murphy and Dave Marner	Community Service First Place	
Gasconade County Republican, Owensville diving miss Dave Marner	Best Sports Photograph First Place	
Gasconade County Republican, Owensville Cuffed reaction Dave Marner	Best News Photograph First Place	
Gasconade County Republican, Owensville Jail demolition Dave Marner	Best Photo Package First Place	
Gasconade County Republican, Owensville Editorial Pages Dave Marner	Best Editorial Pages Honorable Mention	
Gasconade County Republican, Owensville NAACP march Dave Marner	Best Photo Package Second Place	
Gasconade County Republican, Owensville ëWillíful thinking Will Johnson	Best Sports Columnist Third Place	
Gasconade County Republican, Owensville Final blow up Dave Marner	Best News Photograph Third Place	
Gasconade County Republican, Owensville Bland City Hall Dave Marner	Best Photo Package Third Place	

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Same sex benefits at OFPD Donna Osborn and Amelia Wigton	Best Coverage of Government First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark WWII veteran Amelia Wigton	Best Military Story First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Cold Cases Amelia Wigton	Best News or Feature Series First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Editorial pages Staff	Best Editorial Pages First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Front Page Staff	Best Front Page First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Cold Cases Amelia Wigton	Best News Story First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Cold Cases Amelia Wigton	Best Investigative Reporting First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Still Standing Brady Brite	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Side of Fractions Amber Duran	Best Story About Education First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark	Best Overall Design First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark	General Excellence First Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Made in America Staff	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award Honorable Mention
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Blinded by Love Amelia Wigton	Best News Story Honorable Mention

Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Quads Amelia Wigton	Best Feature Photograph Honorable Mention
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark staff	Best Sports Pages Honorable Mention
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Special ed Amelia Wigton	Best Story About Education Honorable Mention
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Ferguson Staff	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award Second Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Adopt-A-Class Staff	Community Service Second Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Bison Amelia Wigton	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Second Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Angie Arends Staff	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award Third Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Bodacious Cases Amelia Wigton	Best Business Story Third Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Top 14 in '14 Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section Third Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Smallin Cave Hanna Smith	Best Story About the Outdoors Third Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Educating Rita Donna Osborn	Best Investigative Reporting Third Place
Christian County Headliner-News, Ozark Child Murder Donna Osborn	Best Breaking News Story Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Platte County Citizen, Platte City	General Excellence First Place
Platte County Citizen, Platte City The importance of the pop Lee Stubbs	Best Sports Photograph Honorable Mention
Platte County Citizen, Platte City Jail Committee Series Jeanette Browning-Faubion	Best News or Feature Series Honorable Mention
Platte County Citizen, Platte City The importance of the pop Lee Stubbs	Best Sports News Story or Package Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place	
Platte County Landmark, Platte City NAMING THE COURTHOUSE Matthew Silber	Best Editorial Cartoon First Place	
Platte County Landmark, Platte City USING HIS HEAD Doug Baldwin	Best Sports Photograph Second Place	
Platte County Landmark, Platte City JAIL BEDS Matthew Silber	Best Editorial Cartoon Second Place	
Platte County Landmark, Platte City BULLBUSTING Doug Baldwin	Best Sports Feature Photograph Third Place	
Platte County Landmark, Platte City FUTILITY LESSON Matthew Silber	Best Editorial Cartoon Third Place	
Platte County Landmark, Platte City APRIL 30, JAN. 22, SEPT. 24 OPINION Ivan Foley, Chris Kamler, Brian Kubicki and James Thomas	Best Editorial Pages Third Place	

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg End of an Era - Big V Steve Tinnen	Best Business Story First Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Ice Bucket Challenge Brett Adkison	Best Sports Feature Photograph First Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Cheering for Brittany Brett Adkison	Best Feature Story First Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Republican victories Brett Adkison	Best News Story First Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Eldon Freeman Steve Tinnen	Best News or Feature Obituary Honorable Mention
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Water Tower Demolition Brett Adkison	Best News Photograph Honorable Mention
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Leader Sports Pages Brett Adkison	Best Sports Pages Honorable Mention
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Community rallies Tori Marshall	Best Story About Religion Honorable Mention
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg ClintonCountyLeader.Com Staff	Best Online Newspaper or Website Second Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Passion for History Brett Adkison	Best Story About History Second Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Plattsburg losing students Brett Adkison	Best News Story Second Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Leader Front Page Becky Black and Brett Adkison	Best Front Page Second Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Turney Fire Brett Adkison	Best News Photograph Second Place

Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Leader Editorial Brett Adkison and Becky Black	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award Third Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Agriculture Communications Class Becky Black	Community Service Third Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Honor Flight Steve Tinnen	Best Military Story Third Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg Teaching Salvatore Brett Adkison	Best Feature Story Third Place
Clinton County Leader, Plattsburg The Sweet Taste of Family Tradition Becky Black	Best Photo Package Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Quincy Herald - Whig, Quincy Steve Eighinger Steve Eighinger	Best Columnist- Humorous First Place
Quincy Herald - Whig, Quincy Hannibal instructors ëpop iní studentsí homes Alyse Thompson	Best Story About Education Honorable Mention
Quincy Herald - Whig, Quincy Raptor Rehabilitation Phil Carlson	Best Video Honorable Mention
Quincy Herald - Whig, Quincy Quincy Herald-Whig coverage of agriculture Deborah Husar	Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture Second Place
Quincy Herald - Whig, Quincy	Best Overall Design Second Place
Quincy Herald - Whig, Quincy Milking Time Michael Kipley	Best Feature Photograph Third Place
Quincy Herald - Whig, Quincy Instilling passion to hunt is joy of duck season Matt Schuckman	Best Story About the Outdoors Third Place
Quincy Herald - Whig, Quincy  Matt Schuckman	Best Sports Columnist Third Place

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Republic Monitor, Republic Sarah Hilton Sarah Hilton	Best Columnist- Humorous First Place
Republic Monitor, Republic Tyler Thompson - Best sports columnist Tyler Thompson	Best Sports Columnist First Place
Republic Monitor, Republic The Coach Tyler Thompson	Best Sports Feature Story Second Place
Republic Monitor, Republic Lander, Stanfield Tyler Thompson	Best Sports Photograph Third Place
Republic Monitor, Republic Garrett and Olivia Sarah Hilton	Best News or Feature Obituary Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Richmond News, Richmond North Pole News Sara Seidel, JoEllen Black, Hardin-Central School	Community Service First Place
Richmond News, Richmond Election 2014 - Ray County JoEllen Black, Sara Seidel and David Knopf	Best Coverage of Government First Place
Richmond News, Richmond Lost at Sea David Knopf	Best News or Feature Series First Place
Richmond News, Richmond Power line project JoEllen Black and Sara Seidel	Best Reporting Based on a Public Notice First Place
Richmond News, Richmond Even with 3 legs David Knopf	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture First Place
Richmond News, Richmond Two Lisa Lanes, one too many JoEllen Black	Best Headline Writing Honorable Mention
Richmond News, Richmond North Pole News Sara Seidel, JoEllen Black and Hardin-Central School	Best News or Feature Special Section Honorable Mention
Richmond News, Richmond Ice Bucket Challenge JoEllen Black	Best Feature Photograph Honorable Mention
Richmond News, Richmond	General Excellence Honorable Mention
Richmond News, Richmond Orrick tornado David Knopf and JoEllen Black	Best News or Feature Series Second Place
Richmond News, Richmond Show-Me Ray County magazine Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section Second Place
Richmond News, Richmond After 53 years, Hardin grad reunited with ring David Knopf	Best Feature Story Second Place
Richmond News, Richmond When Coal was King Liz Johnson	Best Story About History Third Place

Best Breaking News Story Third Place

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Rolla Daily News, Rolla Rolla Daily News Sports Pages Dave Roberts	Best Sports Pages First Place
Rolla Daily News, Rolla Football Mania 2014 Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section First Place
Rolla Daily News, Rolla Morgan to be a Hoosier Dave Roberts	Best Sports News Story or Package Honorable Mention
Rolla Daily News, Rolla S&T campus evacuated due to gas leak Eddie O'Neill	Best Breaking News Story Honorable Mention
Rolla Daily News, Rolla Jacksonís apple trees are in Full Bloom R.D. Hohenfeldt	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Second Place
Rolla Daily News, Rolla Paint it all Pink 2014 Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section Second Place
Rolla Daily News, Rolla What is Prop A really all about? Paul Hackbarth	Best News or Feature Series Second Place
Rolla Daily News, Rolla One part One part gun shop, man cave Eddie O'Neill	Best Business Story Third Place
Rolla Daily News, Rolla Mayor of the Meramec Eddie O'Neill	Best Story About the Outdoors Third Place
Rolla Daily News, Rolla Sidelines columns by Dave Roberts Dave Roberts	Best Sports Columnist Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Chariton Valley News Press, Salisbury Salisbury physician finds his calling helping wounded soldiers overseas Alexandria Rash	Best Military Story Second Place
Chariton Valley News Press, Salisbury Veteran's Day Special - CVNP Alexandria Rash, Karla Britt, Emily Boss and Pat Roll	Best News or Feature Special Section Third Place
Chariton Valley News Press, Salisbury	Best Newspaper In Education Project Third Place
Karla Britt, Emily Boss,	
Pat Roll and Melanie Latamondeer	

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Sedalia Democrat, Sedalia Common Core Nicole Cooke	Best Story About Education First Place
Sedalia Democrat, Sedalia Riding into the Sunset Eric Ingles	Best Sports Feature Story Honorable Mention
Sedalia Democrat, Sedalia Sydney Brink profile Bob Satnan	Best Feature Story Honorable Mention
Sedalia Democrat, Sedalia Bob Satnan Bob Satnan	Best Columnist - Serious Second Place
Sedalia Democrat, Sedalia Running back reception Jason Strickland	Best Sports Photograph Third Place
Sedalia Democrat, Sedalia Foundation funds misused Nicole Cooke	Best Investigative Reporting Third Place
Sedalia Democrat, Sedalia Downtown inspection ordinance Emily Jarrett and Nicole Cooke	Best Coverage of Government Third Place

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Smithville Herald, Smithville State Wrestling Package Andy Meyer	Best Sports News Story or Package First Place
Smithville Herald, Smithville Best front page design Mark Johnson	Best Front Page First Place
Smithville Herald, Smithville District Baseball Package Andy Meyer	Best Sports News Story or Package Honorable Mention
Smithville Herald, Smithville Andy Meyer	Best Sports Pages Second Place
Smithville Herald, Smithville All-Star Football Package Andy Meyer	Best Sports News Story or Package Third Place
Smithville Herald, Smithville Family Ties Andy Meyer	Best Sports Feature Story Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield Boom Town Wes Hamilton and Emily Letterman	Best Information Graphic First Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield The Money Maze Brian Brown	Best Business Story First Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield High-tech Heart Emily Letterman	Best Feature Story First Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield Search for the Next Southwest Brian Brown	Best Business Story Honorable Mention
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield Digital Dollars Emily Letterman	Best Investigative Reporting Honorable Mention
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield Year in Review Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section Second Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield Serious Columnist Eric Olson	Best Columnist - Serious Second Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield Best page design Wes Hamilton	Best Page Design Second Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield Technology place setting Wes Hamilton	Best Photo Illustration Second Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield	Best Overall Design Second Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield Search for the Next Southwest Brian Brown	Best News Story Third Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield The Ironworker Boomer Eric Olson	Best Feature Story Third Place
Springfield Business Journal, Springfield Best page design Wes Hamilton	Best Page Design Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield Ghost Tracks Lyndal Scranton	Best Sports Feature Story First Place
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield Warning Shot: Guns in schools Claudette Riley	Best Investigative Reporting Honorable Mention
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield Eye of the Needle Wes Johnson	Best Photo Package Honorable Mention
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield Dangerous Intersection Steve Pokin	Best News Story Honorable Mention
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield Dangerous Intersection/Public PayCHECK/Warning shot/Did ya do it? News-Leader Staff	Best Headline Writing Honorable Mention
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield Springfield News-Leader best front page Staff	Best Front Page Second Place
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield Abduction of Hailey Owens Staff	Best Breaking News Story Second Place
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield Lou Whitney Steve Pokin	Best News or Feature Obituary Second Place
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield Who is Frazier Glenn Miller? Stephen Herzog, Sarah Okeson, Steve Pokin, Thomas Gounley, Jonatha and Linda Leicht	Best News or Feature Series Second Place an Shorman
Springfield News-Leader, Springfield Double-truck graphic on public pay Amos Bridges and Lyndsey Nielson	Best Information Graphic Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
St. Clair Missourian, St. Clair Museum Fire Keith Domke	Best Photo Package First Place
St. Clair Missourian, St. Clair Man Who Threatened Student Keith Domke	Best Breaking News Story First Place
St. Clair Missourian, St. Clair St. Clair Front Keith Domke	Best Front Page Honorable Mention
St. Clair Missourian, St. Clair Historical Museum Fire Keith Domke	Best News Photograph Honorable Mention
St. Clair Missourian, St. Clair Cleared for Takeoff Keith Domke	Best Feature Photograph Honorable Mention
St. Clair Missourian, St. Clair St. Clair Missourian Keith Domke	Best Headline Writing Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph INSIDE THE WALLS Jena Sauber	Best Story About Religion First Place
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph MOOSE LETS LOOSE George Stanton, Emily Morrison and Brooke Wilson	Best Headline Writing First Place
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph LEARN FROM LESSONS OF JOPLIN TORNADO Staff	Best Editorial Pages Honorable Mention
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph A 60-year-old man did what? Alonzo Weston	Best Columnist - Humorous Honorable Mention
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph	Best Overall Design Honorable Mention
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph One manís guess about what happened to Beau Steve Booher	Best Columnist - Serious Second Place
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph Amid the mysteries of Elwood Ken Newton	Best Columnist - Humorous Third Place
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph MUSTANG FOR A DAY Cody Thorn	Best Sports News Story or Package Third Place
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph 03. Best Front Page St. Joseph News-Press Staff	Best Front Page Third Place
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph Tax brackets Jennifer Hall Milbourne and Rav Scherer	Best Local Business Coverage Third Place
St. Joseph News-Press, St. Joseph Josephine - February Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section Third Place

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Green Park Call, St. Louis	Best Editorial Pages Honorable Mention
Mike Anthony	
Green Park Call, St. Louis	Best Reporting Based on a Public Notice Second Place
Mike Anthony	
Green Park Call, St. Louis International spotlight Gloria Lloyd	Best Breaking News Story Second Place
Green Park Call, St. Louis Green Park Call Best Editorial Mike Anthony	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award Third Place
Green Park Call, St. Louis Sime declines attempt to reclassify Crestwood clerk's post Mike Anthony	Best Coverage of Government Third Place
Green Park Call, St. Louis Best Online Newspaper or Website Mike Anthony and Gloria Llovd	Best Online Newspaper or Website Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
Missouri Lawyers Weekly, St. Louis Supremetrics Scott Lauck	Best Investigative Reporting First Place
Missouri Lawyers Weekly, St. Louis Criminal code coverage Scott Lauck and Jessica Machetta	Best News or Feature Series Honorable Mention
Missouri Lawyers Weekly, St. Louis Gay marriage coverage Scott Lauck, Allyssa Dudley and Catherine Martin	Best News or Feature Series Second Place
Missouri Lawyers Weekly, St. Louis Best front page: (1/27, 6/9, 8/4) Ryan O'Shea and Lora Wegman	Best Front Page Second Place
Missouri Lawyers Weekly, St. Louis Meth, lies & videotape Alan Scher Zagier	Best Investigative Reporting Second Place
Missouri Lawyers Weekly, St. Louis The lawyer with 9 lives Heather Cole	Best Feature Story Second Place
Missouri Lawyers Weekly, St. Louis	General Excellence Second Place

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South County Times, St. Louis Fundraisers Planned For Family Of April Ward Jaime Mowers	Best News or Feature Obituary First Place
South County Times, St. Louis Best Front Page Kevin Murphy	Best Front Page Third Place
South County Times, St. Louis Sunset Hills Mayor Jaime Mowers	Best Breaking News Story Third Place

Place Best Coverage of Government
Best Coverage of Government
First Place
Best Sports Feature Photograph First Place
Best Local Business Coverage First Place
Best News or Feature Special Section First Place
Best News or Feature Series First Place
Best Front Page First Place
Best Sports Columnist First Place
Best Video First Place
Community Service Honorable Mention
Best Story About History Honorable Mention
Best Video Honorable Mention
Best Online Newspaper or Website Second Place

St. Louis American, St. Louis Chaplain Higgins retires from U.S. Army Rebecca Rivas	Best Military Story Second Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Best Headline Writing Staff	Best Headline Writing Second Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Political EYE Chris King	Best Columnist - Serious Second Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Best in Dead Lift Earl Austin Jr.	Best Sports Feature Story Second Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Hands Up, Don't Shoot Lawrence Bryant	Best News Photograph Second Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Ferguson October Melvin Moore, Wiley Price and Lawrence Bryant	Best Photo Package Second Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Healthy Kids Cathy Sewell	Best Newspaper In Education Project Second Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis One week after Rebecca Rivas	Best Video Second Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis	Best Overall Design Second Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Black & Single Kenya Vaughn	Best Columnist - Humorous Third Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Claib's Call Mike Claiborne	Best Sports Columnist Third Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Ballpark Village Rebecca Rivas	Best Investigative Reporting Third Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Staff	Best Editorial Pages Third Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Chaos Erupts in Ferguson Melvin Moore, Wiley Price and Lawrence Bryant	Best Photo Package Third Place

St. Louis American, St. Louis STEM Cathy Sewell	Best Newspaper In Education Project Third Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Dancing Diversity Melvin Moore	Best Page Design Third Place
St. Louis American, St. Louis Several arrested Rebecca Rivas	Best Video Third Place

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St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Tattoos are big business, 10-24-14: STLBJ Michael Behrens	Best Information Graphic First Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Tattoos are big business: STLBJ Greg Edwards	Best Business Story First Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Giving Guide, 11-14-14: STLBJ Staff	Community Service First Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis St. Louis Business Journal online Jacob Kirn and Staff	Best Online Newspaper or Website First Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Gunning the economy: STLBJ E.B. Solomont	Best News Story First Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Tattoos are big business Greg Edwards	Best Feature Story First Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Comeback on Cherokee Michael Behrens	Best Page Design First Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louisstudent debt is your problem, too Greg Edwards	Best Story About Education First Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis	Best Overall Design First Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Enterprise timeline, 10-17-14: STLBJ Michael Behrens and Alison Green	Best Information Graphic Honorable Mention
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Money man: When Jim Bullard talks, markets move: STLBJ Greg Edwards	Best Coverage of Government Honorable Mention
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Ferguson-What now? Michael Behrens	Best Editorial Cartoon Honorable Mention
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis St. Louis Business Journal: Local Business Coverage Staff	Best Local Business Coverage Honorable Mention

St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Half empty: STLBJ Jacob Kirn, Ben Unglesbee and Katlyn Keller	Best News Story Honorable Mention
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Sigillito's web: STLBJ Jacob Kirn	Best Investigative Reporting Honorable Mention
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis GMOs, 11-14-14: STLBJ Alison Green	Best Information Graphic Second Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Rising sun: STLBJ Brian Feldt	Best Business Story Second Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis 40 Under 40, 2-7-14: STLBJ Vince Brennan and Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section Second Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Tackling Rams rumors: STLBJ Brian Feldt	Best Sports News Story or Package Second Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Tattoos are big business: STLBJ Greg Edwards	Best News Story Second Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Michael Behrens	Best Page Design Second Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis College students Jacob Kirn, Brian Feldt and Vince Brennan	Best Story About Education Second Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Rams timeline, 11-7-14: STLBJ Michael Behrens	Best Information Graphic Third Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis GMO generals: STLBJ Ben Unglesbee	Best Business Story Third Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Ferguson series: STLBJ Staff	Best News or Feature Series Third Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis General Motors revs up: STLBJ Vince Brennan	Best News Story Third Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Tackling Rams rumors Brian Feldt	Best Feature Story Third Place

St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Gun dealer Dilip Vishwanat	Best News Photograph Third Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis Researchers using drones Ben Unglesbee	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Third Place
St. Louis Business Journal, St. Louis	General Excellence Third Place

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Best Headline Writing First Place	
Best News or Feature Special Section Honorable Mention	
Best Overall Design Second Place	

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St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis The Patriot, 08-19-14 Robert Cohen	Best News Photograph First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis The protests in Ferguson Staff	Best Photo Package First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Path to Peace	Best Editorial First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Why here? Jesse Bogan, Denise Hollinshed and Stephen Deere	Best News Story First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Excitement prevails Jessica Bock	Best Story About Education First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis No charges for Wilson Staff	Best Breaking News Story First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis A simple life Doug Moore	Best News or Feature Obituary First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Born a girl, felt like a boy Colleen Schrappen	Best Feature Story First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Ferguson erupts in violence Huy Mach	Best Video First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Seeking answers Jesse Bogan	Best Military Story First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Forest Global Earth Chris Lee	Best Photo Illustration First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Low income housing Jesse Bogan, Denise Hollinshed and Stephen Deere	Best News or Feature Series First Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis	General Excellence First Place

St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Touchdown against the Rams, 12-22-14 Chris Lee	Best Sports Photograph Honorable Mention
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Will region suffer? Jim Gallagher	Best Business Story Honorable Mention
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Oscar Taveras Derrick Goold	Best Sports News Story or Package Honorable Mention
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Raw milk debate heating up Tim Barker	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Honorable Mention
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Another police shooting Staff	Best Breaking News Story Honorable Mention
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Richard Kurtz Michael Sorkin	Best News or Feature Obituary Honorable Mention
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Stan Span Santiago Carlos Ayulo	Best Page Design Honorable Mention
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Excuse me Dan Martin	Best Editorial Cartoon Honorable Mention
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Firing Tear Gas, 08-19-14 David Carson	Best News Photograph Second Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Stan Musial Veterans Memorial Bridge Tom Borgman and Ken Leiser	Best Information Graphic Second Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Police chaplains busy Valerie Schremp Hahn	Best Story About Religion Second Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis St. Louis Post-Dispatch St. Louis Post-Dispatch Staff	Best Editorial Pages Second Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Municipal courts St. Louis Post-Dispatch Staff	Best Coverage of Government Second Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis School ties Elisa Crouch	Best Story About Education Second Place

St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Two worlds Stephen Deere	Best Feature Story Second Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Tactical team under fire David Carson	Best Video Second Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Holy Grail Tom Borgman	Best Photo Illustration Second Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis The List St. Louis Post-Dispatch	Best News or Feature Special Section Second Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis	Best Overall Design Second Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Looting in Ferguson, 08-11-14 David Carson	Best News Photograph Third Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Dreams destroyed Stephen Deere	Best Investigative Reporting Third Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis Out of the shadows, into the courtroom Lilly Fowler and Robert Patrick	Best Story About Religion Third Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis St. Louis Post-Dispatch headlines Staff	Best Headline Writing Third Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis The grade divide Elisa Crouch and Walker Moskop	Best Story About Education Third Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis For sale Paul Hampel	Best Military Story Third Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis World's a stage Wade Wilson	Best Page Design Third Place
St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis The question Dan Martin	Best Editorial Cartoon Third Place

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Webster - Kirkwood Times, St. Louis Don Corrigan Don Corrigan	Best Columnist- Humorous First Place
Webster - Kirkwood Times, St. Louis Annual Turkey Day Football Game, published Diana Linsley	Best Sports Photograph First Place
Webster - Kirkwood Times, St. Louis Saving The Red Wolf Marty Harris	Best Story About the Outdoors First Place
Webster - Kirkwood Times, St. Louis Saving The Red Wolf Diana Linsley	Best Photo Package Honorable Mention
Webster - Kirkwood Times, St. Louis	General Excellence Second Place
Webster - Kirkwood Times, St. Louis Best Serious Columnist Dwight Bitikofer	Best Columnist - Serious Third Place
Webster - Kirkwood Times, St. Louis Meet The Kirkwoods Don Corrigan	Best Story About History Third Place
Webster - Kirkwood Times, St. Louis	Best Overall Design Third Place

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Cedar County Republican, Stockton Hundreds of law Karen Bliss	Best News or Feature Obituary First Place
Cedar County Republican, Stockton 117 year-old church Becky Groff	Best Story About Religion First Place
Cedar County Republican, Stockton Italian exchange student Karen Bliss	Best Sports Feature Story Honorable Mention
Cedar County Republican, Stockton County says goodbye to fallen deputy Karen Bliss	Best News or Feature Obituary Second Place
Cedar County Republican, Stockton Stockton superintendent Karen Bliss	Best Story About Education Third Place

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Trenton Republican-Times, Trenton

Best Sports Pages
Honorable Mention

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Lincoln County Journal, Troy
LINCOLN COUNTY LOSES RESPECTED COMMUNITY LEADER **Bob Simmons** 

Best News or Feature Obituary **Honorable Mention** 

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Vandalia Leader, Vandalia Fire ball August 20 Ben Marshall	Best News Photograph First Place
Vandalia Leader, Vandalia Last Verse of National Anthem Ron Schott	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award Honorable Mention
Vandalia Leader, Vandalia Mary Jane Lane Suspenders Ron Schott	Best Business Story Second Place
Vandalia Leader, Vandalia Severe Thunderstorms Ron Schott	Best Breaking News Story Second Place
Vandalia Leader, Vandalia What's Cookin' Video Ron Schott	Best Video Second Place

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Award Winner(s)  Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg  House Fire  Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Place  Best News Photograph  First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg 'There's No Winners' Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best News Story First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Business and Tourism Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Business Story First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg THE LEVY ISSUE Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Investigative Reporting First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Alice in Wonderland Jr. Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Photo Package First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg MULES BEST IN NATION Dustan Sedgwick and Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Sports News Story or Package First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Med center board again drawing fire Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Editorial First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Editorial pages Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Editorial Pages First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Anti-teacher amendment Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Story About Education First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg	Best Columnist- Serious First Place
Jack Miles Ventimiglia  Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg best headling Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Headline Writing First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Flood Sue Sterling and Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Breaking News Story First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Defense cuts target A-10s Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Military Story First Place

Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Amendment 3 Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Photo Illustration First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Ethics Laws Jack Miles Ventimiglia	Best Editorial Cartoon First Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Sledders The Daily Star-Journal	Best Photo Package Honorable Mention
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Paralympian Dustan Sedgwick	Best Sports Feature Story Honorable Mention
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Food Fight The Daily Star-Journal Staff	Best Story About Education Honorable Mention
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Farmers Market The Daily Star-Journal Staff	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Honorable Mention
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Little Kim The Daily Star-Journal Staff	Best Editorial Cartoon Honorable Mention
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Hug The Daily Star-Journal Staff	Best News Photograph Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg	General Excellence Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Play at the plate Dustan Sedgwick	Best Sports Photograph Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Let It Go The Daily Star-Journal	Best Feature Photograph Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Janesville The Daily Star-Journal	Best Business Story Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Festival of Champions The Daily Star-Journal	Best Photo Package Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Homeless Wedding The Daily Star-Journal	Best Story About Religion Second Place

Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg The Legislature The Daily Star-Journal	Best Coverage of Government Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Prairie Phoenix The Daily Star-Journal	Best Story About the Outdoors Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Best Front Page The Daily Star-Journal	Best Front Page Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Hong House The Daily Star-Journal	Best Breaking News Story Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Welcome Home The Daily Star-Journal	Best Military Story Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Food Fight The Daily Star-Journal	Best Photo Illustration Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Riding Down Demons The Daily Star-Journal	Best Page Design Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Propane The Daily Star-Journal	Best Editorial Cartoon Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg	Best Overall Design Second Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Protest The Daily Star-Journal Staff	Best News Photograph Third Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg A MULES NATION CELEBRATION Dustan Sedgwick	Best Sports Feature Photograph Third Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg blocked goal Dustan Sedgwick	Best Sports Photograph Third Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Man attempts to boot God The Daily Star-Journal Staff	Best Story About Religion Third Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Spotlight on sexual assaults The Daily Star-Journal Staff	Best Story About Education Third Place

Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Ferguson Protest The Daily Star-Journal	Best Breaking News Story Third Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Veterans Day The Daily Star-Journal Staff	Best Story About History Third Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Fireworks light sky The Daily Star-Journal Staff	Best Photo Illustration Third Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg RoboCop The Daily Star-Journal Staff	Best Editorial Cartoon Third Place
Daily Star-Journal, Warrensburg Welcome Back Amanda Lubinski	Best News or Feature Special Section Third Place

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Warren County Record, Warrenton warrencountyrecord.com Staff	Best Online Newspaper or Website First Place
Warren County Record, Warrenton Best Sports Columnist Derrick Forsythe	Best Sports Columnist First Place
Warren County Record, Warrenton Call of Wild Derrick Forsythe	Best Sports Feature Story Honorable Mention
Warren County Record, Warrenton Wrestling Preachers Derrick Forsythe	Best Story About Religion Honorable Mention
Warren County Record, Warrenton I-70 Crash Tim Schmidt	Best News or Feature Series Second Place
Warren County Record, Warrenton Alderman opts Tim Schmidt	Best News Story Second Place
Warren County Record, Warrenton Graduation Selfie Tim Schmidt	Best News Photograph Second Place
Warren County Record, Warrenton  Derrick Forsythe	Best Sports Pages Second Place
Warren County Record, Warrenton Stained-Glass Project Derrick Forsythe	Best Story About Religion Second Place
Warren County Record, Warrenton	General Excellence Second Place
Warren County Record, Warrenton Statement Made Derrick Forsythe	Best Sports Photograph Third Place
Warren County Record, Warrenton Front Page Design Tim Schmidt	Best Front Page Third Place

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Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington State Track Bill Battle and Jason Peake	Best Sports News Story or Package First Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Borgia's Own Rudy Jeremy Housewright	Best Sports Feature Story First Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Staff	Best Editorial Pages First Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Blood Moon Jeanne Miller Wood	Best News Photograph First Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington	Best Sports Pages First Place
Bill Battle	
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington The Missourianís Family Reading Night Dawn Kitchell	Best Newspaper In Education Project First Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington It Tickles Jeanne Miller Wood	Best Feature Photograph First Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Real County Fair Karen Cernich	Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture First Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Shine a Light Bill Miller Sr.	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award Honorable Mention
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Meet Entrepreneur Karen Cernich	Best Business Story Honorable Mention
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington emissourian.com Staff	Best Online Newspaper or Website Honorable Mention
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Route 100 Enhancements Karen Butterfield	Best Story About the Outdoors Honorable Mention
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Class Dismissed! Karen Cernich	Best Story About Education Honorable Mention

Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington 08 Stranger Than Fiction Bill Miller Sr.	Tilghman Cloud Memorial Editorial Award Second Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Tag, You're Safe! Bill Battle	Best Sports Photograph Second Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington FRC Celebration Jeremy Housewright	Best Sports Feature Photograph Second Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Rolling Art Karen Cernich	Best Story About History Second Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Housewright Insight Jeremy Housewright	Best Sports Columnist Second Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Country Parish Karen Cernich	Best Story About Religion Second Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington 17 Community Service Literacy for All Ages Chris Stuckenschneider and Dawn Kitchell	Community Service Third Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington Focusing on Shot Bill Battle	Best Sports Photograph Third Place
Washington Missourian Wednesday, Washington 175th Anniversary Special Edition of The Missourian Staff	Best News or Feature Special Section Third Place

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Washington Missourian Weekend, Washington Supporting Each Other Karen Cernich	Best Military Story First Place
Washington Missourian Weekend, Washington Mayfield Shatters Bill Battle	Best Sports Photograph Honorable Mention
Washington Missourian Weekend, Washington Environmental MO Karen Cernich	Best Story About the Outdoors Second Place
Washington Missourian Weekend, Washington Staff	Best Sports Pages Second Place
Washington Missourian Weekend, Washington See How The Glow Karen Butterfield	Best Feature Photograph Second Place

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Waynesville Daily Guide, Waynesville A game-changing assist Derek Dueker	Best Sports Feature Story First Place
Waynesville Daily Guide, Waynesville Baseball's lasting impression Odaila Araiza	Best Page Design First Place
Waynesville Daily Guide, Waynesville After 26 years, Waynesville soccer wins its first district title Derek Dueker	Best Sports News Story or Package Third Place

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Award Winner(s)	Place
West Plains Daily Quill, West Plains 03 Best Front Page June 11,18,23 The Quill Staff	Best Front Page Honorable Mention
West Plains Daily Quill, West Plains Parkside Terry Hampton and The Quill Staff	Best News or Feature Series Second Place
West Plains Daily Quill, West Plains West Plains Daily Quill Farm & Garden The Quill Staff	Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture Third Place
West Plains Daily Quill, West Plains	Best Local Business Coverage Third Place
The Quill Staff	
West Plains Daily Quill, West Plains Football preview Chris Roll, Brooke Johnson and Katie Dudden	Best Photo Illustration Third Place

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Lincoln New Era, Windsor The Harvest... Dianne Peck

Best Story About Rural Life or Agriculture Third Place

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Windsor Review, Windsor Windsor Resident Distinguished Silver Star Recipient Penny Warner	Best Military Story First Place	
Windsor Review, Windsor Bronc Busting Penny Warner	Best Sports Photograph Honorable Mention	