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# Thanks, MPA for helping us all deliver that 'daily miracle'

*By working together, Missouri's newspapers can tackle future challenges*

As I write this column - my last one as Missouri Press Association president - I can't get the notion of "the daily miracle" out of my head.

Those of us in this business, of course, are familiar with that description of a newspaper. Indeed it is a miracle to conceive of writing, editing, designing, illustrating and printing a broadsheet book of relevant and factual news content in one day. Not to mention making it profitable. Oh, and while we're at it, what about that 24/7 social media beast that demands to be fed first, promptly and it had better be right or someone will be screaming "fake news."

So the idea that we all get up the next day or the next week and do it again and again and again says a lot about those in this industry. We are dedicated to the cause and most of us are just hard-headed enough to keep on going in the face of a lot of adversity.

Indeed, we had adversity as we went into 2018. Newsprint prices increased over impending tariffs (actually, the tariffs were collected) and the annual legislative threat to the publication of legal notices demanded no small part of our attention. Both threatened not only our businesses, but also our readers' ability

to have access to news they deem important.

We ended the legislative session — my thanks to the hard work by a number of newspaper publishers and members of the MPA staff who connected week after week with the state decision-makers — without losing printed legal notices. In late August, the United States International Trade Commission overturned a Trump administration decision to impose tariffs on Canadian newsprint. American paper producers were not being harmed by newsprint imports. It was a win for small and medium-size newspapers and their readers.

A few of our member newspapers were shut down this year by owners who cited profitability as the reason. Among them the 134-year-old *Carthage Press*. But here's something that should warm your heart. That paper is back in business because the community wanted a newspaper and there were local investors who cared enough about the identity of Carthage that they are publishing weekly, maintaining a website and feeding "the beast."

Now that's what I really call a "miracle."

I have no doubts that 2019 will usher in challenges — we haven't heard the last on legal notices — and stay-

ing profitable, relevant and meeting the changes in the ways in which the public wants their news delivered will continue to be our No. 1 goals.

Fortunately, Missouri newspapers aren't alone. During my tenure, I've learned much about the support and help that is available from the Missouri Press Association. That's not to mention the vast experiences available through our membership. I also look forward to stepping back and watching James White, publisher of the *Benton County Enterprise*, Warsaw, take up the president's gavel. His commitment to our industry is rock steady.

As I close out my year, I also want to thank each of you for your support during my personal fight with cancer. Your cards, notes, texts and phone calls have all made a difference. But then so has that stubborn streak often associated with newspaper editors.

I look forward to all the "daily miracles" already in the making for 2019.

**Carol Stark,**  
The Joplin Globe  
MPA President



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# Three join Photojournalism HoF



On Oct. 19, three photojournalists were inducted into the Missouri Photojournalism Hall of Fame. The ceremony was again held at the Reynolds Journalism Institute on the University of Missouri-Columbia campus. This year's inductees included David Rees, a former newspaper photographer and retired University of Missouri professor; Thelma Blumberg, an independent photographer who worked extensively in St. Louis before her death in 2012; and Dave Marner, currently the editor of the *Gasconade County Republican*. Above, pictured from left, are Rees; Blumberg's niece, Jody Darby; and Marner. Above right, Bill Miller, publisher of the *Washington Missourian* and one of the founders of the Photojournalism Hall of Fame, has always been an admirer of J.B. Forbes' photography work for the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, but during this year's induction, he also became an admirer of Forbes' beard. Also pictured is Cliff Schiappa. Below right, while the inductees to the Photojournalism Hall of Fame draw attendees every year, it is the traditional bacon knots, transported from Washington via Bill Miller, that keep people around after the ceremony. Nate Brown with the Reynolds Journalism Institute could not help but admire the large pan of bacon knots, and he cannot be blamed. (Staff photos)

## James White takes MPA presidency Jan. 1

By Missouri Press Staff

James White, publisher of *The Benton County Enterprise*, was elected president of the Missouri Press Association Sept. 14, during the 152nd Annual MPA Convention in St. Louis.

White's family has been involved with newspapers for about 140 years and he has been president of Benton County Enterprise Co. for more than 10 years. He has served on the MPA Board of Directors since 2013.

White has used his time as a member of the MPA Board of Directors to advocate for newspapers at the state and national level. He has worked with Missouri's elected officials, including Senators and Representatives in Washington, D.C., to curtail legislation that would harm newspapers' ability to operate as a free and independent press.

White will succeed Carol Stark, editor of *The Joplin Globe*, as MPA president Jan. 1. Stark will continue on the MPA Board of Directors through 2019 as immediate past president.

Other 2019 MPA officers and directors elected Sept. 14 in-

clude: First Vice President, Trevor Vernon, *Eldon Advertiser*; Second Vice President, Liz Irwin, Missouri Lawyers Media, St. Louis; Secretary, Hannah Spaar, *The Odessan*, Odessa; Treasurer, Amos Bridges, *The Springfield News-Leader*.

Directors for one-year terms: Julie Moreno, *Independence Examiner*; and Beth Durreman, *Perry County Republic-Monitor*, Perryville.

Directors for three-year terms: Roger Dillon, *Shannon County Current Wave*, Eminence; Bryan Jones, *Versailles Leader-Statesman*; and Kevin Jones, *St. Louis American*.

Continuing on the MPA Board in 2018 will be directors Mary Wilson, *Jackson County Advocate*, Grandview; Donna Bischoff, *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*; and Tianna Brooks, *Mountain View Standard News*.

Sandy Nelson, *Courier-Tribune*, Liberty was elected as the National Newspaper Association state chair.

Retiring from the MPA Board in December 2018 are Jeff Schrag, *Springfield Daily Events*; and Steve Tinnen, *Clinton County Leader*, Plattsburg.



# OBITUARIES



## Neosho

### Ken Cope

Kenneth Warren Cope, 83, of Neosho, died Sept. 22, 2018, after a long illness. He was publisher, general manager and advertising director of the *Neosho Daily News*, which he owned with his wife, Anne, until 1987 when the newspaper was sold to American Publishing Company. He worked for APC as an executive vice president in charge of more than 100 newspapers west of the Mississippi until his retirement in 2000. He served as president of Missouri Press Association in 1989 and was inducted into the Missouri Newspaper Hall of Fame in 2004.



At age 24, Cope became the youngest person to serve on the Neosho City Council, and at age 27, he was elected mayor for two terms, the youngest at that time to serve in Missouri.

He was also active in community and industry development groups for his community, including serving as president of Neosho Industries and Newton County Industrial Development Authority.

In addition to his wife, Anne, he is survived by four children, Mike, Randy, Billy Jo and Nancy; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and many other family and friends.

## Thayer

### Bill Williams

Bill D. Williams, 84, of Thayer, died Oct. 20, 2018, at Cox South Hospital in Springfield.



Williams was known as a newspaper editor and for publishing the *Thayer News* for many years. He served as Missouri Press Association president in 1974. In all his years since serving as MPA president, he only ever missed one Past Presidents and Spouses' Dinner.

He loved being part of his community, serving in many different clubs and organizations, but his favorite hobby was to "walk and talk," taking strolls around town and talking to anyone he could.

Williams was a retired lieutenant colonel of the Missouri National Guard and a first lieutenant of the United States Army, serving proudly for many years.

He is survived by his wife of more than 60 years, Carlene, of Thayer; a son, Mark; two grandchildren; and many other relatives and friends.

## Troy

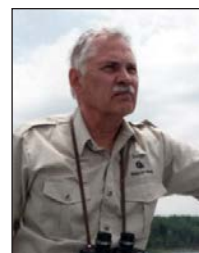
### Bob Simmons

Robert "Bob" Simmons, 66, of Troy, died Sept. 17, 2018. Simmons started working at the *Troy Free Press* in 1972 as a reporter and photographer. He became managing editor of the *Lincoln County Journal* and the *Troy Free Press* and was known for his work ethic, integrity and dedication. He received the Missouri Governors Award for Leadership and Achievement. Simmons is survived by his son, Adam; two brothers; two sisters; two granddaughters; and many other family and friends.

## Darien, Ga.

### Burney Fishback

Burney LeRoy Fishback Jr., 88, of Darien, Ga., died peacefully Sept.



12, 2018, while being cared for at the Hospice of the Golden Isles in Brunswick, Ga. He was a third-generation owner of Mark Twain Publishers, which published

*The Perry Enterprise*, *The Center Herald* and *the Ralls County Herald-Record*. He was a former member and president of the Northeast Missouri Press Association.

He served in the military during the Korean War and was honored to be chosen to participate in an Honor Flight to Washington D.C.

In addition to his wife, Shirley, he is survived by a son, Ed; a daughter, Fran; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and many other family and friends.

## Liberty

### James McTaggart

James P. McTaggart, 68, of Liberty, died Sept. 9, 2018. He was a photographer for *The Kansas City Star* for more than 20 years. He also was a U.S. Army veteran. In addition to his wife, Kathleen, he is survived by a son, Luke; four grandchildren; and many more family and friends.

#### REMINDER

Missouri Press Association's dues structure is changing for 2019. Your membership includes legal advice from MPA hotline attorney Jean Maneke; discounts to attend Missouri Press events; advertising campaigns and lobbying to promote newspapers' interests.

If you have any questions about these changes, please contact Kristie Williams at 573-449-4167 or [kwilliams@socket.net](mailto:kwilliams@socket.net)

# 28th Class joins Newspaper Hall of Fame

## By Missouri Press Staff

The 152nd Annual Convention and Trade Show in St. Louis included the induction of Missouri Press Association's 28th class of the Newspaper Hall of Fame.

This year's inductees were the late Wendell Redden, former sports editor of the *Joplin Globe*; Kent Ford, former editor of Missouri Press Association and former publisher of the *Oregon Times Observer*; Joe May, former MPA president and former publisher of the *Mexico Ledger*; and Jim Robertson, former MPA president and former managing editor of the *Columbia Daily Tribune*.

More than 150 people have been inducted into the Newspaper Hall of Fame since it was established in 1991.

Jim Robertson became the *Columbia Daily Tribune's* managing editor in 1987, a position he held until his retirement in 2017. In that time, he made indelible contributions to the community and the newspaper industry, including serving as MPA President in 2015 and as founding president of the Missouri Sunshine Coalition. He currently serves on the boards of both the Missouri Press Service and the Missouri Press Foundation.

Joe May has been an ardent supporter of Missouri newspapers since his first job selling advertising for the *Columbia Daily Tribune* in 1970. Seven years later, he moved to Mexico to become the advertising director at *The Ledger* and eventually was named publisher in 1990, having served under five different owners. Through that time, and even still today, May and wife Phyllis remain mainstays of many of Missouri Press' annual events.

Kent Ford is a well-known name for many in Missouri's newspaper industry, having served as MPA's editor for two-and-a-half decades. In 1981, Ford and his wife, Sharon, with a lead from former MPA Executive Director Doug Crews, purchased the *Oregon Times-Observer*. In 1986, Ford served as president of Northwest Missouri Press Association, a role that kept

Below, Joe May, former Missouri Press Association president and former publisher of the *Mexico Ledger*, was one of this year's Hall of Fame inductees. May said he is blessed to have learned from many great people during his newspaper career, including several previous Hall of Fame inductees. (Staff photos)



Jim Robertson, former Missouri Press Association president and former managing editor of the *Columbia Daily Tribune*, receives his Pinnacle Award from Jeff Schrag. Robertson said he is proud of how he has been able to serve newspapers and journalism during his career.

him forefront when the editor position came open at Missouri Press in 1989.

Wendell Redden's name is synonymous with sports in Joplin, having covered athletic events and surrounding activities since starting at the *Globe* in 1950 while still in high school. He also was known as a pio-



Susan Redden accepts Wendell Redden's Pinnacle Award on behalf of her husband, who died in 2011. As the *Joplin Globe's* sports editor, Wendell Redden was known as a pioneer in sports reporting in many ways, including changing how the newspaper covered women's sports.



For 24 years, Kent Ford was Missouri Press Association's editor, serving as the communications link between the Association and its hundreds of members. A lifelong newspaperman, Ford worked to make sure members were informed of issues that might affect how they do business and that could fundamentally change how reporters do their jobs.

neer in sports journalism, pushing for equal treatment of women's sports coverage in Southwest Missouri. Under his leadership, *The Globe* was the first newspaper in the area to treat high school and college women's teams the same way it handled men's coverage, including with game stories, features, analysis and statistics.



# Political forums highlight 152nd Convention



Top, candidates for U.S. Senator, including, from right, incumbent Claire McCaskill, Craig O'Dear, Josh Hawley and Jo Crain, participated in a forum during Missouri Press Association's 152nd Annual Convention in St. Louis. Above, candidates for State Auditor, including, from right, Sandra McDowell, incumbent Nicole Galloway, Don Fitz, Jacob Luetkemeyer and Sean O'Toole. Approximately 150 members of the media were on hand to view the forums, which were the first of the political season leading up to the November general election. (Staff photos)



U.S. Senator Roy Blunt stopped by MPA's Annual Convention at the Sheraton Westport Chalet Hotel in St. Louis. In addition to speaking to MPA members about what is going on in Washington, D.C., he also answered a few questions.



Jacob Warden of the *Gasconade County Republican* shows off his prized coffee mug, a gift from Missouri Press Association given out during this year's Annual Convention. For those who did not attend the Convention, mugs are available for purchase through MPA's website.



Gov. Mike Parson, right, shakes hands with Steve Tinnen, Missouri Press Association Board member and publisher of the *Clinton County Leader*, while being greeted by Sue Tinnen. Roxie Murphy of the *Maries County Advocate* waits to meet with the governor prior to this year's MPA Newspaper Hall of Fame banquet. Parson spoke during the Hall of Fame dinner about the importance of the media in keeping government accountable. He also shared some humorous anecdotes about his time as a sheriff in Polk County, where he got to know Dave Berry (pictured on the cover), former MPA president and former publisher of the *Bolivar Herald-Free Press*, very well.



Recipients of this year's William E. James Outstanding Young Journalist Award include Rebecca Martin of the *Jefferson City News Tribune* and Ethan Colbert of the *Bowling Green Times*. Pictured, at left, is Trevor Vernon, of the *Eldon Advertiser* and second vice-president of the MPA Board of Directors.





Many members of the Missouri Press Association representing dozens of member newspapers attended the 2018 Better Newspaper Contest awards luncheon Sept. 15 in St. Louis during MPA's 152st Annual Convention. Top photo, representatives of some of Missouri's daily newspapers present at the awards luncheon show off their plaques and certificates. Bottom photo, Missouri's weekly newspapers were represented by several people from across the state. Digital copies of both photos are available by contacting Matthew Barba at [mbarba@socket.net](mailto:mbarba@socket.net). (Staff photos)





# 152<sup>nd</sup> Annual Missouri Press Convention



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# '18 Better Newspaper Contest results

*List of the 2018 BNC results sponsored by Metro Creative Graphics*

## **General Excellence Dailies 1**

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Hannibal Courier-Post

## **General Excellence Dailies 2**

Southeast Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
News Tribune

## **General Excellence Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Quincy Herald - Whig  
Springfield News-Leader

## **General Excellence Weeklies 1**

Cassville Democrat  
Maries County Advocate  
Clinton County Leader  
Focus on Oak Grove

## **General Excellence Weeklies 2**

Christian County Headliner News  
Platte County Landmark  
Ozark County Times  
Platte County Citizen

## **General Excellence Weeklies 3**

Courier-Tribune  
St. Louis American  
Jefferson County Leader

## **Best Overall Design Dailies 1 & 2**

Southeast Missourian  
News Tribune  
Columbia Missourian

## **Best Overall Design Dailies 3**

Joplin Globe  
Quincy Herald - Whig  
Kansas City Star  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

## **Best Overall Design Weeklies 1**

Cassville Democrat  
Maries County Advocate  
Clinton County Leader  
Pleasant Hill Times

## **Best Overall Design Weeklies 2**

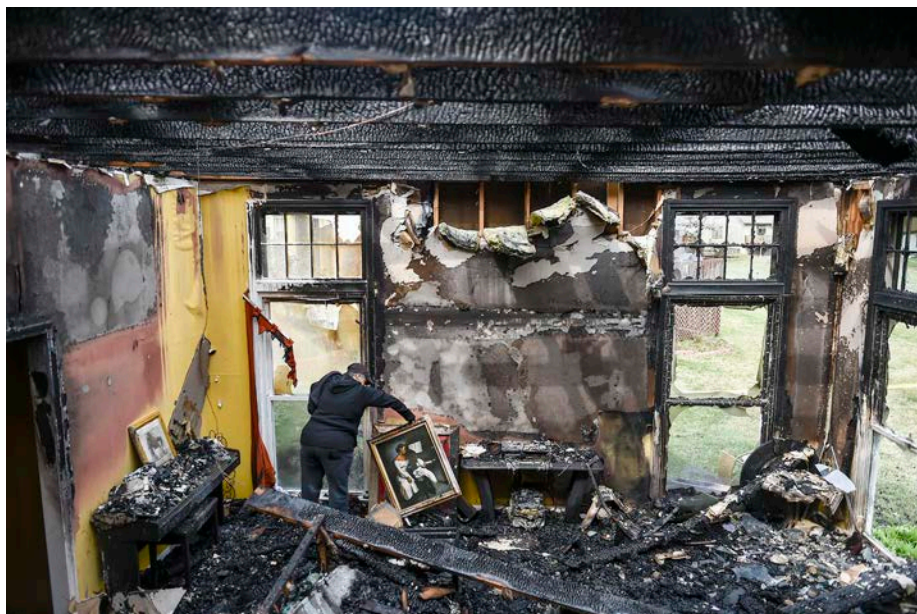
Platte County Citizen  
Houston Herald  
Christian County Headliner News  
Gasconade County Republican

## **Best Overall Design Weeklies 3**

Jefferson County Leader  
St. Louis Business Journal  
Missouri Lawyers Weekly

## **Best Front Page Dailies 1 & 2**

Columbia Missourian  
Lebanon Daily Record  
News Tribune  
Southeast Missourian



This first place Best News Photo from the *The Kansas City Star* also won Missouri Press Association's 2018 Photo of the Year award. Made by David Eulitt, the image captures the aftermath of a house fire that destroyed most of the contents. Judges described the photo as, "Tragic and hopeful. Beautifully composed and exposed. A very unique scene."

## **Best Front Page Dailies 3**

Springfield News-Leader  
Joplin Globe  
Quincy Herald - Whig

## **Best Front Page Weeklies 1**

Cassville Democrat  
Clinton County Leader  
Maries County Advocate

## **Best Front Page Weeklies 2**

Ozark County Times  
Christian County Headliner News  
Gasconade County Republican

## **Best Front Page Weeklies 3**

Webster - Kirkwood Times  
St. Louis Business Journal  
Missouri Lawyers Weekly  
St. Louis American

## **Best Breaking News Story Dailies 1**

West Plains Daily Quill  
Hannibal Courier-Post  
Monett Times

## **Best Breaking News Story Dailies 2**

West Plains Daily Quill  
Southeast Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
Sedalia Democrat  
Columbia Missourian

## **Best Breaking News Story Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

Kansas City Star  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Kansas City Star

## **Best Breaking News Story Weeklies 1**

Focus on Oak Grove  
Cassville Democrat  
Maries County Advocate  
St. Clair Missourian

## **Best Breaking News Story**

### **Weeklies 2**

Bowling Green Times  
Christian County Headliner News  
Houston Herald  
Springfield Business Journal

## **Best Breaking News Story**

### **Weeklies 3**

Jefferson County Leader  
Washington Missourian - Weekend  
Courier-Tribune  
Branson Tri-Lakes News

## **Best News Story Dailies 1**

Daily Express & News  
Daily Express & News  
Hannibal Courier-Post

## **Best News Story Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
Independence Examiner  
News Tribune  
Columbia Missourian

*The full results of this year's Better Newspaper Contest, including judges' comments, are available for download at [mopress.com/better-newspaper/](http://mopress.com/better-newspaper/)*



**Best News Story Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Kansas City Star  
 Kansas City Star  
 Springfield News-Leader

**Best News Story Weeklies 1**

Clinton County Leader  
 Cassville Democrat  
 Focus on Oak Grove  
 Cassville Democrat

**Best News Story Weeklies 2**

Belle Banner  
 Salem News  
 Christian County Headliner News  
 Christian County Headliner News

**Best News Story Weeklies 3**

St. Louis Business Journal  
 Missouri Lawyers Weekly  
 Branson Tri-Lakes News  
 St. Louis Call Newspapers

**Best Feature Story Dailies 1**

Hannibal Courier-Post  
 LakeExpo  
 Monett Times  
 Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best Feature Story Dailies 2**

Southeast Missourian  
 Columbia Missourian  
 Sedalia Democrat

Independence Examiner

**Best Feature Story Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
 Kansas City Star  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Columbia Daily Tribune

**Best Feature Story Weeklies 1**

Jackson County Advocate  
 Clinton County Leader  
 Cole Camp Courier  
 Lexington News

**Best Feature Story Weeklies 2**

Christian County Headliner News  
 Houston Herald  
 Bowling Green Times  
 Ozark County Times

**Best Feature Story Weeklies 3**

Jefferson County Leader  
 Courier-Tribune  
 St. Louis American  
 Missouri Lawyers Weekly

**Best News or Feature Series****Dailies 1**

Hannibal Courier-Post  
 Hannibal Courier-Post  
 Lake Sun Leader  
 Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best News or Feature Series****Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
 Columbia Missourian  
 News Tribune  
 Columbia Missourian

**Best News or Feature Series****Dailies 3**

Springfield News-Leader  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Springfield News-Leader  
 Columbia Daily Tribune

**Best News or Feature Series****Weeklies 1**

Cassville Democrat  
 Cassville Democrat  
 Lexington News  
 Focus on Oak Grove

**Best News or Feature Series****Weeklies 2**

Christian County Headliner News  
 Springfield Business Journal  
 Ozark County Times  
 Bowling Green Times

**Best News or Feature Series****Weeklies 3**

St. Louis American  
 Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
 Courier-Tribune  
 Courier-Tribune

**Best Editorial Dailies 1**

Lebanon Daily Record  
 Hannibal Courier-Post  
 Kirksville Daily Express & News

**Best Editorial Dailies 2**

News Tribune  
 News Tribune  
 Southeast Missourian  
 News Tribune

**Best Editorial Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Kansas City Star  
 Springfield News-Leader  
 Columbia Daily Tribune

**Tilghman Cloud Memorial****Editorial Weeklies 1 & 2**

Bowling Green Times  
 Lee's Summit Tribune  
 Bowling Green Times  
 Ozark County Times

**Tilghman Cloud Memorial****Editorial Weeklies 3**

Jefferson County Leader  
 Northeast News  
 Jefferson County Leader  
 Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
**Best Columnist-Humorous Dailies**  
 Columbia Daily Tribune  
 St. Joseph News-Press  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch



Ursula Ruhl of the *Webster-Kirkwood Times* in St. Louis captured this stunning image from a 2017 carnival to win first place in Best Feature Photo.

The full results of this year's Better Newspaper Contest, including judges' comments, are available for download at [mopress.com/better-newspaper/](http://mopress.com/better-newspaper/)



Jeff Kessinger captured these teams' solemnity as they honored the life of a local child who died of cancer. Kessinger also secured a first-place win for the *Christian County Headliner News*.

**Best Columnist-Humorous  
Weeklies 1 & 2**

Perry County Republic-Monitor  
Santa Fe Times  
Christian County Headliner News

**Best Columnist-Humorous Weeklies 3**

Jefferson County Leader  
Jefferson County Leader  
Jefferson County Leader  
Union Missourian

**Best Columnist-Serious Dailies 1 & 2**

Columbia Missourian  
Monett Times  
Independence Examiner  
Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best Columnist-Serious Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Kansas City Star  
Kansas City Star  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

**Best Columnist-Serious Weeklies 1**

Cole Camp Courier  
Grant City Times Tribune  
Maries County Advocate

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Columbia Daily Tribune  
Columbia Daily Tribune  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

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Clinton County Leader  
Clinton County Leader  
Cassville Democrat

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Gasconade Co. Republican  
Houston Herald  
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Houston Herald  
Platte County Citizen  
Houston Herald

**Best Feature Photo Weeklies 3**

Webster - Kirkwood Times  
St. Louis Business Journal  
Webster - Kirkwood Times  
Union Missourian

**Best Sports Photo Dailies 1**

Lake Sun Leader  
Lake Sun Leader  
Lake Sun Leader  
Lake Sun Leader

**Best Sports Photo Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
Sedalia Democrat

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**Best Sports Photo Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Joplin Globe  
 Kansas City Star

**Best Sports Photo Weeklies 1**

Jackson County Advocate  
 Maries County Advocate  
 Maries County Advocate  
 Pleasant Hill Times

**Best Sports Photo Weeklies 2**

The Odessan  
 The Odessan  
 The Odessan  
 Houston Herald

**Best Sports Photo Weeklies 3**

Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
 Washington Missourian - Weekend  
 Washington Missourian - Weekend  
 Washington Missourian - Wednesday

**Best Sports Feature Photo Dailies 1**

Lake Sun Leader  
 Hannibal Courier-Post  
 Lake Sun Leader  
 Lake Sun Leader

**Best Sports Feature Photo Dailies 2**

Southeast Missourian  
 Southeast Missourian  
 News Tribune  
 Sedalia Democrat

**Best Sports Feature Photo Dailies 3**

Springfield News-Leader  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Kansas City Star

**Best Sports Feature Photo Weeklies 1**

Maries County Advocate  
 Clinton County Leader  
 Clinton County Leader  
 Pleasant Hill Times

**Best Sports Feature Photo Weeklies 2**

Christian County Headliner News  
 Houston Herald  
 Christian County Headliner News  
 Gasconade County Republican

**Best Sports Feature Photo Weeklies 3**

Jefferson County Leader  
 Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
 Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
 Washington Missourian - Weekend

**Best Photo Illustration Dailies 1 & 2**

Hannibal Courier-Post  
 Columbia Missourian  
 Columbia Missourian

**Best Photo Illustration Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Kansas City Star  
 Springfield News-Leader

**Best Photo Illustration Weeklies 1 & 2**

Cassville Democrat  
 Houston Herald  
 Perry County Republic-Monitor  
 Maries County Advocate

**Best Photo Illustration Weeklies 3**

Washington Missourian - Weekend  
 Jefferson County Leader  
 St. Louis Business Journal  
 St. Louis Business Journal

**Best Photo Package Dailies 1**

West Plains Daily Quill  
 Nevada Daily Mail  
 Nevada Daily Mail

**Best Photo Package Dailies 2**

Southeast Missourian  
 Southeast Missourian  
 Columbia Missourian  
 Columbia Missourian

**Best Photo Package Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Columbia Daily Tribune  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch

**Best Photo Package Weeklies 1**

Clinton County Leader  
 Maries County Advocate  
 St. Clair Missourian  
 Clinton County Leader

**Best Photo Package Weeklies 2**

Perry County Republic-Monitor  
 Platte County Citizen  
 Gasconade County Republican  
 Gasconade County Republican

**Best Photo Package Weeklies 3**

Union Missourian  
 Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
 Union Missourian  
 Northeast News

**Community Service Dailies 1 & 2**

News Tribune  
 Southeast Missourian

**Community Service Dailies 3**

Columbia Daily Tribune  
 Springfield News-Leader  
 Quincy Herald - Whig  
 Columbia Missourian

**Community Service Weeklies 1**

Maries County Advocate  
 Greene County Commonwealth  
 Clinton County Leader  
 Cassville Democrat

**Community Service Weeklies 2**

Houston Herald  
 Lee's Summit Tribune  
 Perry County Republic-Monitor

**Community Service Weeklies 3**

St. Louis American  
 St. Louis Call Newspapers

**Best Editorial Pages Dailies**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Kansas City Star  
 News Tribune  
 Joplin Globe



Fred Lynch made this photo for the *Southeast Missourian*, and took home Best Feature Photo as a result.

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**Capturing the excitement of a Missouri State University Bears volleyball game netted Andrew Jansen a first place win for Best Sports Feature Photo for the *Springfield News-Leader*.**

**Best Editorial Pages Weeklies 1 & 2**

Christian County Headliner News  
Platte County Landmark  
Gasconade County Republican  
Maries County Advocate

**Best Editorial Pages Weeklies 3**

Jefferson County Leader  
St. Louis American  
Courier-Tribune  
St. Louis Call Newspapers

**Best Sports Pages Dailies 1 & 2**

Southeast Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best Sports Pages Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
Joplin Globe  
Quincy Herald - Whig  
Springfield News-Leader

**Best Sports Pages Weeklies 1**

Clinton County Leader  
Cassville Democrat  
Maries County Advocate  
Pleasant Hill Times

**Best Sports Pages Weeklies 2**

Platte County Citizen  
Christian County Headliner News  
Houston Herald  
Gasconade County Republican

**Best Sports Pages Weeklies 3**

Courier-Tribune  
Jefferson County Leader  
St. Louis American  
Washington Missourian - Weekend

**Best Sports News Story or Package Dailies 1**

Nevada Daily Mail  
Hannibal Courier-Post  
Lake Sun Leader  
Lake Sun Leader

**Best Sports News Story or Package Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
Independence Examiner  
Independence Examiner  
Southeast Missourian

**Best Sports News Story or Package Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
Springfield News-Leader  
Columbia Daily Tribune  
Kansas City Star

**Best Sports News Story or Package Weeklies 1**

Clinton County Leader  
Press-News Journal  
Press-News Journal  
Cassville Democrat

**Best Sports News Story or Package Weeklies 2**

Platte County Citizen  
Platte County Citizen  
Jackson Cash-Book Journal

**Best Sports News Story or Package Weeklies 3**

Bolivar Herald-Free Press  
St. Louis American

**Best Sports Feature Story Dailies 1**

Hannibal Courier-Post

Hannibal Courier-Post  
Trenton Republican-Times  
Trenton Republican-Times

**Best Sports Feature Story Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
Southeast Missourian  
Columbia Missourian

**Best Sports Feature Story Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
Kansas City Star  
Columbia Daily Tribune  
Springfield News-Leader

**Best Sports Feature Story Weeklies 1**

Jackson County Advocate  
Pleasant Hill Times  
Cassville Democrat  
Cassville Democrat

**Best Sports Feature Story Weeklies 2**

Platte County Landmark  
Bowling Green Times  
Christian County Headliner News  
Houston Herald

**Best Sports Feature Story Weeklies 3**

Webster - Kirkwood Times  
Washington Missourian - Weekend  
Jefferson County Leader  
Jefferson County Leader

**Best Sports Columnist Dailies 1 & 2**

Independence Examiner  
Columbia Missourian  
News Tribune

**Best Sports Columnist Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
Kansas City Star  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Columbia Daily Tribune

**Best Sports Columnist Weeklies 1 & 2**

Cassville Democrat  
Christian County Headliner News  
Pleasant Hill Times  
Tri-County News

**Best Sports Columnist Weeklies 3**

Jefferson County Leader  
Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
Washington Missourian - Wednesday

**Best News or Feature Special Section Dailies 1**

Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best News or Feature Special Section Dailies 2**

Southeast Missourian  
News Tribune  
Columbia Missourian  
Southeast Missourian

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**Best News or Feature Special  
Section Dailies 3**

Quincy Herald - Whig  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Quincy Herald - Whig

**Best News or Feature Special  
Section Weeklies 1**

Memphis Democrat  
Maries County Advocate  
Clinton County Leader

**Best News or Feature Special  
Section Weeklies 2**

Perry County Republic-Monitor  
Perry County Republic-Monitor  
Perry County Republic-Monitor

**Best News or Feature Special  
Section Weeklies 3**

St. Louis American  
Bolivar Herald-Free Press  
St. Louis American  
Jefferson County Leader

**Best Investigative Reporting  
Dailies 1**

Hannibal Courier-Post  
Daily Express & News  
Monett Times

**Best Investigative Reporting  
Dailies 2**

Southeast Missourian  
News Tribune  
Columbia Missourian  
Columbia Missourian

**Best Investigative Reporting  
Dailies 3**

Springfield News-Leader  
Columbia Daily Tribune  
Kansas City Star  
Springfield News-Leader

**Best Investigative Reporting  
Weeklies 1**

Cassville Democrat  
Cassville Democrat  
Cassville Democrat

**Best Investigative Reporting  
Weeklies 2**

Christian County Headliner News  
Bowling Green Times  
Bowling Green Times  
Lee's Summit Tribune

**Best Investigative Reporting  
Weeklies 3**

St. Louis Business Journal  
St. Louis Business Journal  
St. Louis Business Journal  
St. Louis American

**Best Local Business Coverage  
Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian

Sedalia Democrat  
Southeast Missourian

**Best Local Business Coverage  
Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Springfield News-Leader  
Columbia Daily Tribune

**Best Local Business Coverage  
Weeklies**

Houston Herald  
Cassville Democrat  
Bolivar Herald-Free Press  
St. Louis American

**Best Business Story Dailies 1**

Hannibal Courier-Post  
Hannibal Courier-Post  
Daily Express & News  
Lebanon Daily Record

**Best Business Story Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
News Tribune  
Columbia Missourian

**Best Business Story Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Springfield News-Leader

**Best Business Story Weeklies 1**

Maries County Advocate  
Cassville Democrat  
Cassville Democrat  
Jackson County Advocate

**Best Business Story Weeklies 2**

Christian County Headliner News  
Springfield Business Journal  
Vandalia Leader  
Ste. Genevieve Herald

**Best Business Story Weeklies 3**

St. Louis Business Journal  
Jefferson County Leader  
Missouri Lawyers Weekly  
Washington Missourian - Wednesday

**Best Coverage of Government  
Dailies 1**

Lake Sun Leader  
Daily Express & News  
Lake Sun Leader  
Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best Coverage of Government  
Dailies 2**

News Tribune  
Sedalia Democrat  
News Tribune

**Best Coverage of Government  
Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Kansas City Star



Roxie Murphy made this first-place winning Best Feature Photo for the *Maries County Advocate*.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Kansas City Star

**Best Coverage of Government  
Weeklies 1**

Maries County Advocate  
Cassville Democrat  
Jackson County Advocate  
Cassville Democrat

**Best Coverage of Government  
Weeklies 2**

Houston Herald  
Christian County Headliner News  
Christian County Headliner News  
The Odessan

**Best Coverage of Government  
Weeklies 3**

Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
Branson Tri-Lakes News  
St. Louis Business Journal  
Missouri Lawyers Weekly

**Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture  
Dailies 2 & 3**

Columbia Missourian  
Southeast Missourian  
Columbia Daily Tribune  
Quincy Herald - Whig

**Best Coverage of Rural Life or Agriculture  
Weeklies 1 & 2**

Bowling Green Times  
Cassville Democrat  
Houston Herald

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**Best Coverage of Rural Life or  
Agriculture Weeklies 3**

St. Louis American  
Washington Missourian - Weekend  
Washington Missourian - Wednesday

**Best Story About Rural Life or  
Agriculture Dailies 1**

Lebanon Daily Record  
Daily Express & News  
Lebanon Daily Record  
Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best Story About Rural Life or  
Agriculture Dailies 2**

Southeast Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
News Tribune  
Sedalia Democrat

**Best Story About Rural Life or  
Agriculture Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Kansas City Star  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Kansas City Star

**Best Story About Rural Life or  
Agriculture Weeklies 1**

Maries County Advocate  
Cassville Democrat  
Cole Camp Courier  
Santa Fe Times

**Best Story About Rural Life or Ag-  
riculture Weeklies 2**

Salem News



Kory Hales made this first-place winning Best Sports Photo for the *Odesan*.



Best Sports Feature Photo went to Michael Losch of the *Camdenton Lake Sun*.

Houston Herald  
Bowling Green Times  
California Democrat

**Best Story About Rural Life or Ag-  
riculture Weeklies 3**

Jefferson County Leader  
Branson Tri-Lakes News  
Jefferson County Leader

**Best Story About Religion Dailies 1**

Lebanon Daily Record  
Daily Express & News  
Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best Story About Religion Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
News Tribune

**Best Story About Religion Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Springfield News-Leader  
Joplin Globe

**Best Story About Religion Weeklies 1**

Focus on Oak Grove  
Cassville Democrat  
Maries County Advocate  
Maries County Advocate

**Best Story About Religion  
Weeklies 2**

Bowling Green Times  
Lee's Summit Tribune  
Bowling Green Times  
Bowling Green Times

**Best Story About Religion  
Weeklies 3**

Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
St. Louis American  
Jefferson County Leader  
Washington Missourian - Wednesday

**Best Story About Education  
Dailies 1**

Monett Times  
Lebanon Daily Record  
Monett Times  
Daily Express & News

**Best Story About Education  
Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
News Tribune  
Sedalia Democrat  
Columbia Missourian

**Best Story About Education  
Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Springfield News-Leader  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

**Best Story About Education  
Weeklies 1**

Cassville Democrat  
St. Clair Missourian  
Maries County Advocate

**Best Story About Education  
Weeklies 2**

Bowling Green Times

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**Davis Winborne captured the tension between protestors and police in this Best News Photo-winning shot. Winborne made this image for the *Columbia Missourian*.**

Christian County Headliner News  
Perry County Republic-Monitor

**Best Story About Education  
Weeklies 3**

Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
Washington Missourian - Weekend  
St. Louis Business Journal  
Union Missourian

**Best Story About the Outdoors  
Dailies 1 & 2**

Columbia Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
Lebanon Daily Record  
Southeast Missourian

**Best Story About the Outdoors  
Dailies 3**

Springfield News-Leader  
Quincy Herald - Whig  
Springfield News-Leader  
Springfield News-Leader

**Best Story About the Outdoors  
Weeklies 1**

Cassville Democrat  
Maries County Advocate  
Cassville Democrat

**Best Story About the Outdoors  
Weeklies 2**

Ozark County Times  
Bowling Green Times  
Salem News  
Houston Herald

**Best Story About the Outdoors  
Weeklies 3**

St. Louis Business Journal  
Washington Missourian - Weekend  
Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
St. Louis Call Newspapers

**Best Story About History Dailies 1**

Lebanon Daily Record  
Hannibal Courier-Post  
Daily Express & News  
Daily Express & News

**Best Story About History Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
News Tribune  
Columbia Missourian  
Columbia Missourian

**Best Story About History Dailies 3**

Springfield News-Leader  
Joplin Globe  
Columbia Daily Tribune  
Joplin Globe

**Best Story About History Weeklies 1**

Maries County Advocate  
Cassville Democrat  
Jackson County Advocate  
Cassville Democrat

**Best Story About History  
Weeklies 2**

Salem News  
Christian County Headliner News  
Bowling Green Times  
Christian County Headliner News

**Best Story About History  
Weeklies 3**

St. Louis American  
Jefferson County Leader  
Washington Missourian - Weekend  
Washington Missourian - Weekend

**Best Military Story Dailies 1**

Monett Times  
Hannibal Courier-Post  
Monett Times  
Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best Military Story Dailies 2**

Southeast Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
News Tribune  
Southeast Missourian

**Best Military Story Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
Joplin Globe  
Columbia Daily Tribune  
Joplin Globe

**Best Military Story Weeklies 1**

Cassville Democrat  
Cassville Democrat  
Maries County Advocate

**Best Military Story Weeklies 2**

Salem News  
Christian County Headliner News  
Christian County Headliner News  
Christian County Headliner News

**Best Military Story Weeklies 3**

Washington Missourian - Weekend  
Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
Bolivar Herald-Free Press  
Northeast News



**Jacob Warden made this first-place winning Best News Photo for the *Gasconade County Republican*.**

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**Best Page Design Dailies 1**

Hannibal Courier-Post  
Hannibal Courier-Post  
Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best Page Design Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
News Tribune  
News Tribune

**Best Page Design Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Quincy Herald - Whig  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Joplin Globe

**Best Page Design Weeklies 1**

Cassville Democrat  
Cassville Democrat  
Pleasant Hill Times

**Best Page Design Weeklies 2**

Springfield Business Journal  
Perry County Republic-Monitor  
Springfield Business Journal  
Houston Herald

**Best Page Design Weeklies 3**

St. Louis Business Journal  
St. Louis Business Journal  
St. Louis Business Journal  
St. Louis Business Journal

**Best Information Graphic****Dailies 1 & 2**

Hannibal Courier-Post  
Columbia Missourian  
Columbia Missourian  
Columbia Missourian

**Best Information Graphic Dailies 3**

Springfield News-Leader  
Springfield News-Leader  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Quincy Herald - Whig

**Best Information Graphic****Weeklies 1 & 2**

Clinton County Leader  
Memphis Democrat  
Houston Herald

**Best Information Graphic****Weeklies 3**

St. Louis Business Journal  
St. Louis Business Journal  
St. Louis Business Journal  
St. Louis Business Journal

**Best Editorial Cartoon Dailies 1**

Hannibal Courier-Post  
Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best Editorial Cartoon Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
News Tribune  
News Tribune

**Best Editorial Cartoon Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch



The *Houston Herald* took home first place in Best Feature Photo thanks to this shot by Jeff McNiell.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

**Best Editorial Cartoon Weeklies 2**

Salem News  
Platte County Landmark  
Lee's Summit Tribune  
Platte County Landmark

**Best Editorial Cartoon Weeklies 3**

Jefferson County Leader  
Northeast News  
Jefferson County Leader  
Northeast News

**Best Newspapers in Education****Project Weeklies 2 & 3**

Eldon Advertiser  
Eldon Advertiser  
Washington Missourian - Weekend  
St. Louis American

**Best Online Newspaper or Website Dailies 1**

LakeExpo  
Daily Express & News  
Hannibal Courier-Post

**Best Online Newspaper or Website Dailies 2**

Southeast Missourian  
Sedalia Democrat  
Columbia Missourian

News Tribune

**Best Online Newspaper or Website Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
Columbia Daily Tribune  
Quincy Herald - Whig  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

**Best Online Newspaper or Website Weeklies 1 & 2**

Warren County Record  
Cassville Democrat  
Bowling Green Times  
Salem News

**Best Online Newspaper or Website Weeklies 3**

Missouri Lawyers Weekly  
St. Louis Business Journal  
St. Louis Call Newspapers  
Jefferson County Leader

**Best Video Dailies 1 & 2**

Columbia Missourian  
Southeast Missourian  
Southeast Missourian  
Southeast Missourian

**Best Video Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
Kansas City Star  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
Columbia Daily Tribune

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**Best Video Weeklies 1 & 2**

Cassville Democrat  
 Vandalia Leader  
 Vandalia Leader

**Best Video Weeklies 3**

St. Louis American  
 St. Louis American  
 St. Louis American  
 Washington Missourian - Wednesday

**Best Headline Writing Dailies**

Columbia Missourian  
 Springfield News-Leader  
 Hannibal Courier-Post  
 News Tribune

**Best Headline Writing Weeklies**

Jefferson County Leader  
 Missouri Lawyers Weekly  
 Perry County Republic-Monitor  
 Cassville Democrat

**Best News or Feature Obituary Dailies 1**

Monett Times  
 Lebanon Daily Record  
 West Plains Daily Quill  
 West Plains Daily Quill

**Best News or Feature Obituary Dailies 2**

Columbia Missourian  
 Columbia Missourian  
 Columbia Missourian  
 Sedalia Democrat

**Best News or Feature Obituary Dailies 3**

St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Springfield News-Leader  
 Kansas City Star  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch

**Best News or Feature Obituary Weeklies 1**

Clinton County Leader  
 Press-News Journal  
 Clinton County Leader  
 Cassville Democrat

**Best News or Feature Obituary Weeklies 2**

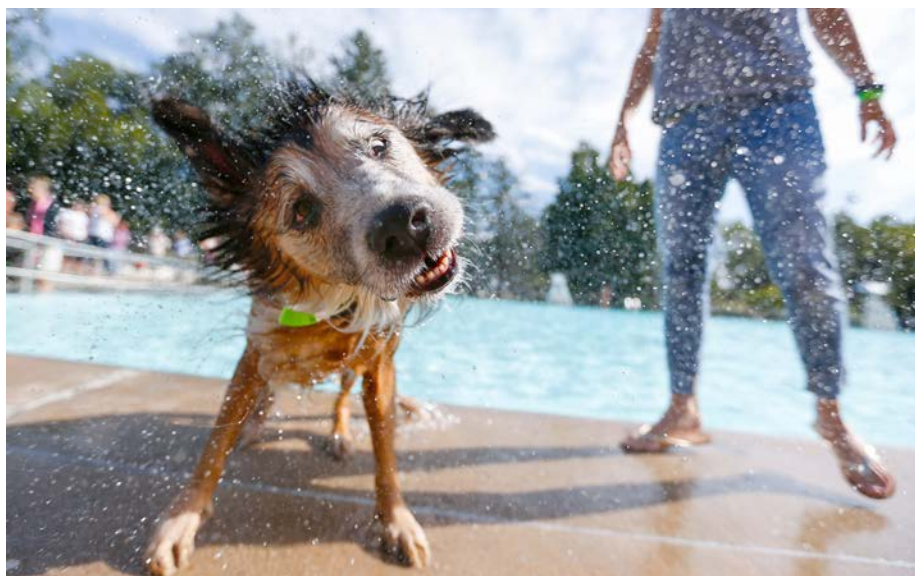
Bowling Green Times  
 Salem News  
 Bowling Green Times  
 Salem News

**Best News or Feature Obituary Weeklies 3**

St. Louis American  
 Jefferson County Leader  
 Jefferson County Leader  
 Jefferson County Leader

**Multimedia Reporting Dailies 2 & 3**

Columbia Missourian  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch



Nathan Papes and the *Springfield News-Leader* took home first place for Best Feature Photo with this fun shot of man's best friend.

**Multimedia Reporting Weeklies**

St. Louis American  
 Northeast News  
 Maries County Advocate  
 Cassville Democrat

**Magazine/Alternative Publication Dailies**

Joplin Globe  
 News Tribune  
 Quincy Herald - Whig  
 Lebanon Daily Record

**Magazine/Alternative Publication Weeklies**

Cassville Democrat  
 Washington Missourian - Wednesday  
**Great American Eclipse Dailies 1 & 2**  
 Columbia Missourian  
 Southeast Missourian

**Great American Eclipse Dailies 3**

Kansas City Star  
 St. Louis Post-Dispatch  
 Springfield News-Leader

**Great American Eclipse Weeklies 1**

Pleasant Hill Times  
 St. Clair Missourian  
 Maries County Advocate

**Great American Eclipse Weeklies 2**

Gasconade Co. Republican  
 Perry County Republic-Monitor  
 Bowling Green Times

**Great American Eclipse Weeklies 3**

Courier-Tribune  
 Jefferson County Leader  
 St. Louis Call Newspapers  
 St. Louis American

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# SCRAPBOOK



**Wellsville** — Tracy Park is the new owner of the *Wellsville Optic-News* following its sale earlier this year by John and Donna Fisher to Tim Schmidt, who in turn sold the newspaper to Park. Since July 2011, Park has been editor of the *Optic-News*, although her history with the newspaper goes back much further thanks in part to experience lent by Gay Donaldson, who held the position for 30 years. Park said she plans to work to ensure the newspaper is continued to be published weekly.

Joining Park at the newspaper is her son, Benjamin, who has worked at the *Optic-News* performing various jobs as needed.

**Carthage** — Following the *Carthage Press*' closure earlier this year by GateHouse Media, the community that went from having one newspaper to none will now have two reporting on the happenings there. The *Carthage Chronicle* was launched shortly after the 130-year-old *Press* closed without warning in August.

The *Chronicle* will be produced by

Sarcoxie Publishing Co. and offers subscriptions, as well as limited free mailings. Paul Donley will be editor and publisher of the *Chronicle*, along with sister papers the *Sarcoxie Record*, *Pierce City Leader-Journal* and *Jasper County Citizen* of Carl Junction. The *Chronicle* publishes Thursday.

Rush-Hoover Media Group will bring the *Press* back, under local control and delivered by mail weekly for free to every Carthage resident. The group, led by president Matthew Rush, said the new version of the *Press* will rely on advertising and business sponsorships. It is published on Wednesday.

**Cape Girardeau** — Local Media Association has created an award in honor of Jon K. Rust, publisher of the *Southeast Missourian* and co-president of Rust Communications, in recognition of his commitment to the organization. Rust joined the LMA board in 2002 and became chairman, helping to transform it into an organization to serve all local media.

The Jon K. Rust LMA Service

Award will be presented each year to someone who goes above and beyond in their service to LMA or the Local Media Foundation. Rust served the organization for 16 total years, longer than anyone else in its 47-year history.

Rust was the first recipient of the award during a presentation earlier this year in Kansas City.

**Palmyra** — One of Missouri's oldest newspapers, the *Palmyra Spectator*, has been sold to Mike and Sue Scott, publishers of the *Edina Sentinel*. In October, Mark and Pam Cheffey announced they would be closing the doors of the *Spectator* at the end of the month, provided they were unable to find a purchaser for the newspaper. Cheffey said the decision to close the doors was an unfortunate but necessary one.

With an established date in 1839, the *Spectator* is believed to be Missouri's oldest operating newspaper still in existence. The Scotts' ownership will continue that history into the foreseeable future.

# ON THE MOVE



**Poplar Bluff** — Don Schrieber retired at the end of October as publisher of the *Daily American Republic* and president of Butler County Publishing, which also includes newspapers in Dexter, Doniphan and Puxico. Schrieber was a newspaperman for 39 years, joining the *Southeast Missourian* as an advertising salesman in 1976. After being moved to other areas, he returned to the southeast as partner with Gary Rust to take the helm of Rust's weekly *The Journal*. The pair purchased the *DAR* a few years later and continued to add more newspapers before Schrieber sold his interest to Rust.

Schrieber's retirement comes at the same time control of the Butler County Publishing newspapers moves from Gary Rust to Rust Communications.

**Kansas City** — Elizabeth Orosco

has joined Kansas City's *Northeast News* as their new managing editor. Orosco replaces Paul Thompson who accepted a position with the *Austin Texas Business Journal*. Orosco is a 2015 Park University graduate where she was a reporter and editor for the *Park Stylus*. Upon graduation she went to KMZU Radio in Carrollton, where she was a general assignment reporter and news anchor. Orosco will be responsible for covering community news and continuing the publication's award-winning Pod-cast series, The Weekly Northeast Newscast.

**Centralia** — Jeff Peyton has been appointed vice president of Lakeway Publishers of Missouri, succeeding Walt Gilbert, who retired in August. With Gilbert's retirement, Peyton also

takes over as publisher of the *Centralia Fireside Guard*. He previously was publisher of the *Lincoln County Journal*, *Troy Free Press* and *Lake St. Louis Newstime* since May.

**Bowling Green** — Ron Schott is the new publisher for both the *Bowling Green Times* and *Louisiana Press-Journal*, taking over for Linda Lubrecht in early October after she resigned to become city administrator for the city of Bowling Green. Schott brings more than 15 years of industry experience to the two Pike County publications. For the last 11 years, he served as general manager, and was recently promoted to publisher, of *The Vandalia Leader*, where he served as the lone sales representative and editor for the past five years.



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Submit requests for 2019 press cards and 2018-2019 MPA auto stickers today by going online or emailing staffers' names to Kristie Williams at [kwilliams@socket.net](mailto:kwilliams@socket.net).

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Because staffing changes occur throughout the year, MPA does not keep a list of cards previously issued.

Members can also request copies of the 2019 MPA sticker calendar.

## Email distribution list

Are all of your staff who should be receiving Missouri Press emails signed up? Much of the Association's communication with our members is through email, and we want to ensure everyone stays informed.

If your staff changes or we need to add someone, please send the names, job titles and email addresses to Matthew Barba at [mbarba@socket.net](mailto:mbarba@socket.net).



## CALENDAR

**2019**

### April

**5** — Missouri Press Better Newspaper Contest Deadline

**11-12** — Missouri Advertising Managers' Association Meeting, Holiday Inn Executive Center, Columbia

### June

**13** — Porter Fisher Golf Tournament, Lake Ozark (Lodge of Four Seasons course TBA)

**14** — Show-Me Press Association, Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozark

### September

**26-28** — MPA 153rd Annual Convention and Trade Show, Harrah's North Kansas City

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# Volunteer to help with MPA's Contest Committee

Missouri Press Association is planning to open its 2019 Better Newspaper Contest template in mid-January. In the meantime, we need volunteers to participate on the Association's Contest Committee.

If you have an idea you would like to see implemented in the 2019 BNC or if you think there is something that can

be done better, please do not hesitate to volunteer for this committee.

Meetings of the Contest Committee can be done via conference call and email. No travel is required. We usually hold one conference call in December or early January.

To participate on the Contest Committee, please email Matthew Barba

at mbarba@socket.net or Kristie Williams at kwilliams@socket.net

If you previously served on the Contest Committee and would like to continue doing so, please send a short email to either Matt or Kristie confirming your participation.

2019 BNC entries will be accepted through April 5, 2019.

## Please help judge Colorado's '19 Newspaper Contest

Missouri Press Association is looking for members to help judge the Colorado Press Association's 2019 Better Newspaper Contest.

Each year, Missouri Press Association trades with another state to judge each other's contest. MPA has partnered with Colorado Press for 2019's Contest.

We need about 80 judges to sign up to help by Dec. 7 with judging to start in early January.

It is very important we get an ample amount of judges in order to keep each judge's workload to a minimum.

Sign up to judge Colorado's contest online at <https://bit.ly/2OsTkMY>

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# Legal notices get your readers talking (with you and each other)

The week of October 15th, the *Kansas City Star*, along with many other newspapers in the state, ran the legal notice from the Missouri Secretary of State's office containing the language of the many initiatives that will be presented on the ballot in November. Then, in Sunday's letters to the editor section on the editorial page, a letter appeared from a reader of the paper in Parkville.

He noted that he had read all the proposals on the three marijuana initiatives. It was a thoughtful letter, pointing out various differences between the proposals. It discussed the issue of what will happen if more than one marijuana initiative passes. And he chose one he advocated for personally.

The *Star's* legal notice ran eleven pages, which included more than the three initiatives he discussed. But because he was interested in its content, he read a large part of it. Because it was about a matter of importance to him, he read a large part of it. And as a result of what he found there, he was motivated enough to write a letter to tell other readers his thoughts.

It was an important part of his newspaper on that day.

Legal notices have a rich history. The concept of public notices began long before newspapers existed, according to research from the Public Notice Re-

source Center (PNRC), which points to posted notices in public squares as the first such notices.

The first English newspaper, published in 1665, contained notices from the King's Court. "While state govern-

ments had been publishing public notices in newspapers throughout colonial times, it was not long before the newly-created federal government followed suit. In 1789, the Acts of the First Session of the Congress required all bills, orders, resolutions and congressional votes be published in at least three publicly available newspapers," the PNRC details in the history of legal notices contained on its website, [www.pnrc.net](http://www.pnrc.net).

It's a vital part of each newspaper. Readers of legal notices are seeking important information. Not only are ballot initiatives there, but so are notices about real estate sales. Notices about sales of personal property and notices that individuals may have lost track of some of their personal property that is subject to such sale can be important to readers. Notices of court matters, such as guardianships and deaths of persons, alert potential credi-

tors. Notices of closed banks, proposals to close some roads – there's a wide variety of public information that can be found in legal notices.

And Missouri courts have a history

of recognizing the importance of legal notices. For example, a reference to "public notices" regarding a corporate matter can be found in a case that was decided in 1885. In 1897, a court pointed out that the general public is entitled to notice about a certain matter in the case that was pending before it. And in 1892, another case noticed that the owner of hogs running loose on city streets would be given notice "by one week's publication in some newspaper of general circulation in the city." Nobody likes hogs running loose on city streets.

"It is the purpose of legal notices and advertisements to give notice of legal and public events and proceedings," a judge confirmed in a 1980 case. Speaking specifically about Section 493.050, R.S.Mo., that judge noted, "We think it may be reasonably deduced that the primary and basic purpose of the act is to require publication in a 'going' regularly published and well-established newspaper. This, upon the theory that, by reason of long establishment of the newspaper in which it is published, the notice will more likely come to the attention of a greater number of citizens in the county."

"The goal of the statute is to give notice to the widest audience possible. In order to ensure that each newspaper that publishes these notices can reach the entire audience, the statute mandates the duration and circulation requirements," another judge in a 2000 decision said, speaking of Section 493.050.

Missouri legal notices have a strong foundation. Thanks to all of you who work so hard to support this effort and to focus your readers on the importance of such notices in their everyday lives.

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