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### **Best Front Page**



FIRST PLACE • Weekly I Keota Eagle

Editor: Amie Van Patten, Designer: Zoe Larson *Terrific action photos! I just wanted to jump into the scene* or at least see it in person

THIRD PLACE • Weekly III Hampton Chronicle Editor: Greg Forbes, Designer: Monica Edeker Like the active sports picture above the masthead. Nice use

of info graphics and graphics combined with photos. Sanctuary city graphic tells the story. A little busy at times.

### **Coverage of Government** and Politics

THIRD PLACE • Weekly I

The Pioneer Enterprise Another very good job - I wish I could give first place nods to every submission.

SECOND PLACE • Weekly II Lake City Graphic-Advocate Editor: Erin Sommers

Wonderful comprehensive coverage. An obvious commitment of resources to serve readers in this important area.

### **Coverage of Education**

SECOND PLACE • Weekly II **Calmar** Courier

Editor: Michael Hohenbrink The Calmar Courier explores education from multiple angles: through funding and the effects all decisions have on students and the community at large. With graphics, editorials and news stories that get to the heart of issues, this newspaper has its finger on the education pulse of its community and works hard to help its readers understand the complexities.

THIRD PLACE • Weekly II Lake City Graphic-Advocate Editor: Erin Sommers Erin Sommers does a great job bridging the gap between educational policy and what's happening in the classroom.

### **Coverage of Agriculture**

FIRST PLACE • Weekly II Eldora Newspapers Editor: Rob Maharry

The Eldora Newspapers dealt headon with the controversy over modern livestock farming in the "epicenter" of Iowa hog confinements. The newspapers' series on confinements was fair to both sides of the issue, and weekly coverage gave context to the issue with reporting on water quality and state and county regulations. For that, the Eldora Newspapers earned the top award for agriculture coverage.



THIRD PLACE • Weekly II The Graphic-Advocate Editor: Erin Sommers *Readers of the Lake City Graphic-Advocate get a varied* menu of agriculture coverage, ranging from special ag sections and industry news to features about the people who produce our food.

### **Coverage of Business**

THIRD PLACE • Weekly I Butler County Tribune-Journal **Editor: Bethany Carson** 

*Reporter Bethany Carson takes readers inside the commu- The graphs really give a visual of all the information and* nity's businesses from classic car retailers with worldwide customers to the local heating and plumbing company they rely on. In her stories, she provides an intimate, interesting look at the inner workings of businesses big and small.

THIRD PLACE • Weekly II The Graphic-Advocate Editor: Érin Sommers *Good writing and nice approach into stories with more* impact and narrative approach.

### **Coverage of Court and Crime**

FIRST PLACE • Weekly II **Calmar** Courier

Editor: Michael Hohenbrink Solid reporting and nice graphics on Changing With the Times and In Harm's Way. Traditional and enterprising (tackling the opioid epidemic) reporting

SECOND PLACE • Weekly II The Graphic-Advocate Editor: Erin Sommers Nice reporting on Davis retirement and good overall work on Martin death, including photo and layouts.

### **Best Special Section - Editorial**

**Buffalo Center Tribune** Editor: Andrew Shaw Great overview of the history of a town as it celebrates its 125th anniversary. Nice design and color and great information mixed with contemporary and historical photos, including a fascinating sidebar on how hatred of Germans prompted the town to rename itself in 1918 from

Germania to Lakota. SECOND PLACE • Weekly III The Grundy Register Unique section. Great front page layout. Nice section.

**Community Leadership** 

FIRST PLACE • Weekly III

Hampton Chronicle The Hampton Chronicle's twice-monthly Spanish language newspaper is a truly phenomenal project that embodies the very essence of community leadership. The all-Spanish edition focuses on news, features and advertising directed at the region's Hispanic community in their first language. The Chronicle calls it "Viva!" This judge says bravo!

### **Total Newspaper Design**

THIRD PLACE • Weekly I The Pioneer Enterprise **Designer: Sara Paulsen** Great looking newspaper, needs bigger masthead.

### **Best Use of Graphics**

THIRD PLACE • Weekly I The Pioneer Enterprise **Designer: Sara Paulsen** put things into perspective. SECOND PLACE • Weekly III Hampton Chronicle Designer: Monica Edeker

### **Best Newspaper Website**

THIRD PLACE • Weekly II The Graphic-Advocate

Clean layout. Colors are nice and used well. Easy to navigate.

### **Best Video**



FIRST PLACE • Weekly I The Pioneer Enterprise

Travis Fischer, Caitlin Ware, Ethan Stoetzer Nicely edited and narrated, topics lend themselves nicely to the video medium.

### **Best Breaking News Story**

SECOND PLACE • Weekly I **Butler County** Tribune-Journal Bethany Carson, Greg Forbes *Extensive job of showing how it impacted the community.* Well done.

SECOND PLACE • Weekly II **Eclipse News-Review** 

Editor: Greg Forbes Great details made me care about this building

THIRD PLACE • Weekly II The Graphic-Advocate **Editor: Erin Sommers** Solid reporting and writing gave me all the details I needed.

### **Best Sports Story**

THIRD PLACE • Weekly II **Eclipse News-Review** Sports: Jake Ryder Nice details and good description of the event.

THIRD PLACE • Weekly III The Grundy Register Sports: Jake Ryder Just real solid. Reporter knows what he is doing.





FIRST PLACE • Weekly II The Graphic-Advocate Erin Sommers Nice work capturing the solemnity of the entire service. Photos showed some strong framing, cropping and good detail. Slideshow had wide variety and some good scene-settina images.

### **Best Series**



FIRST PLACE • Weekly II Eldora Newspapers Editor: Robert Maharry SECOND PLACE • Weekly II The Graphic-Advocate Editor: Erin Sommers

A densely packed series, richly reported, of the complex and still unfolding impact of the hog business in a community. This series shows the benefits of a paper's deep institutional knowledge, exploring the history, present and future of an important and controversial business. A good primer on new trends in classrooms and schools, giving the community a window into the ever changing world of local education. An important topic - how our young people are being taught - well-handled. THIRD PLACE • Weekly II

**Calmar** Courier Editor: Michael Hohenbrink After the loss of a local bridge, this paper took a look at other historic treasures, their history, impact and local people who are fighting to preserve them. Reading these stories gives you a

great sense of place.

### Master Columnist

THIRD PLACE • Weekly III The Grundy Register Editor: Robert Maharry Column has a nice tone. While direct and opinionated, he has an accessible style. His writing includes some funny lines, good observations and personal detail.



THIRD PLACE • Weekly II

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### **Best News Photo**



FIRST PLACE • Weekly II The Graphic-Advocate Erin Sommers Captured the awful sense of loss in the aftermath of the shooting of two police officers. I felt like I knew the expressions on these faces even though they weren't visible. SECOND PLACE • Weekly I

The Sheffield Press Hunter Shever

Besides being an adorable photo, this image of the small boy subtly captures the feeling of the event while creating an iconic Iowa image. The photo is bright, colorful and detailed.

### **Best Sports Photo**

THIRD PLACE • Weekly I Eagle Grove Eagle Les Houser

Baseball is a hard sport to photograph unless you are at the game for the duration. Things certainly do happen in baseball games (or ESPN would be out of business) but you have to wait for them. This is a case of being on that acre of a mound, bases, dirt and grass and covering what happens on it. In short, this is a great photo that tells the story of part of the game. Keep up the good work.

### **Best Ad Featuring Grocerv** /Food/Entertainment

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FIRST PLACE • Weekly I Aurelia Star **Designer: Becky Bruning** 

Love the artwork and header chosen for this advertisement. The text in the advertisement is well placed - leaving "white space" really helps emphasize the background. THIRD PLACE • Weekly I

Butler County Tribune-Journal Designer: Zoe Larson Clean and simple ad that stands out on the page. The use of one color really helps the ad pop!

### **Best Ad Featuring Miscellaneous**

THIRD PLACE • Weekly I **Clarksville Star** Designer: Tanya Beyer Nice header font! Fun!

### **Best Ad Featuring Financial. Insurance, or Other Professional** Service

THIRD PLACE • Weekly I The Leader **Designer: Zoe Larson** Nicely organized, clean, crisp and VERY well balanced. Great way to fit in all that information.

### **Best Ad Featuring Automotive**, Boats, Aircraft, Tires, Gasoline, Etc.

SECOND PLACE • Weekly I Butler County Tribune-Journal Designer: Tanya Beyer Great use of color and typefaces. Visually very appealing automotive ad!

### **Best Ad Series or Campaign Featuring Any Service or Merchandise Category**



FIRST PLACE • Weekly II The Leader **Designer: Zoe Larson** Good series of ads. Creative and something new and fresh every week.

### **Best Ad Idea for a Community Promotion or Event**

SECOND PLACE • Weekly I **Clarksville Star** Designer: Tanya Beyer Love the use of photos and the choice of colors!

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FIRST PLACE • Weekly I Aurelia Star **Designer: Becky Bruning** 



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