

# 2020 NDNA News and Photography Awards

## Better Newspaper Contest Award Winners *(for work done in 2019)*

### News

#### Reporting

**Weekly: Small** >>> **Reporting**

#### **Honorable Mention**

New Town News

*Mission Accomplished*

Jerry Kram

#### **Third Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Only a Drill*

Allison Olimb

#### **Second Place**

Bowbells, Burke County Tribune

*Arctic Blast*

Lisa Thomas

#### **First Place**

Central McLean News-Journal

*Board moves toward 3-school co-op survey*

Suzanne Were

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Reporting**

**Honorable Mention**

New Rockford Transcript

*Beware the hex of the polar vortex*

Amy Wobbema

**Third Place**

New Rockford Transcript

*Local pros offer help for opioid dependence*

Rachel Brazil

**Second Place**

Tioga Tribune

*Texan charged with felonies after hostage incident*

Jacob Orledge

**First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Sifting through the ashes*

Cole Short

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Reporting**

**Honorable Mention**

Crosby, The Journal

*No more bear sightings reported*

Brad Nygaard

**Third Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Mexico tragedy touches Stubbs crew*

Cecile Wehrman

**Second Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*Looking for answers to dead cattle*

Neal A. Shipman

**First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Christmas Miracle*

Todd Morgan

**Daily: Small**

> > > Reporting

**Honorable Mention**

Williston Herald

*Crash investigation*

Jamie Kelly

**Third Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Conditions poor at Asbury Apartments*

Frank Stanko

**Second Place**

Williston Herald

*Brine tour*

Renée Jean

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun

*More sex offenders*

Keith Norman

**Daily: Large**

> > > Reporting

**Honorable Mention**

Bismarck Tribune

*SD town struck by highway deaths*

Travis Svihovec

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Severance provides salary/benefits through end of 2019*

Dave Olson

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*GF teachers worry about violence trend*

Sam Easter, Pamela Knudson

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*When suspects flee*

April Baumgarten

## Reporting Series

### **Weekly: Small** >>> [Reporting Series](#)

#### **Honorable Mention**

McClusky Gazette

*Goodrich Legion serves breakfast; editor receives honors*

Allan Tinker

#### **Third Place**

Drayton, Valley News & Views

*Cemetery Restoration*

Lyle Van Camp, K.C. Gardner

#### **Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Point of View*

Karen Speidel, Frank Stanko

#### **First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Food desert and fresh kolaches*

Karen Speidel

### **Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Reporting Series](#)

#### **Honorable Mention**

Washburn, The Leader-News

*Chad Isaak*

Alyssa Meier

#### **Third Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Stamping out hunger*

Cole Short

#### **Second Place**

Tioga Tribune

*Census is critically important*

Jacob Orledge

#### **First Place**

New Rockford Transcript

*A Dam Dilemma*

Amy Wobbema

**Weekly: Large**

>>> **Reporting Series**

**Honorable Mention**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Walsh County Flooding*

Todd Morgan

**Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Steven Aune*

Todd Morgan, Chelsea Wysocki, Brittany Brevik

**Second Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*School Election*

Neal A. Shipman

**First Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Tax director fired by commissioners*

Brad Nygaard

**Daily: Small**

>>> **Reporting Series**

**Honorable Mention**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*NDSCS misconduct allegations*

Frank Stanko

**Third Place**

Dickinson Press

*Understanding the Epidemic*

Nathanial A. Barrera

**Second Place**

Dickinson Press

*Academies Series*

Kayla Henson

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun

*FVA mess*

Keith Norman

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Reporting Series**

**Honorable Mention**

Grand Forks Herald

*Crookston Mayor series*

Joe Bowen, Hannah Shirley

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Outside chances: ND's criminal justice system*

Sam Easter

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Breaking the silence*

Patrick Springer, Natasha Rausch, April Baumgarten, Robin Huebner, Kim Hyatt

**First Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*RJR murders*

Staff

**Feature Reporting**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> **Feature Reporting**

**Honorable Mention**

Drayton, Valley News & Views

*From Adversity to Hope and Comfort*

Lesla Van Camp

**Third Place**

Bowbells, Burke County Tribune

*Prairieville*

Kristi Bohl

**Second Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Three Lines*

Allison Olimb

**First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Fairmount vet standing proud*

Karen Speidel

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Feature Reporting**

**Third Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Thinking outside the box*

Cole Short

**Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*The Queen Bee*

Cory Erickson

**First Place**

New Rockford Transcript

*Unexpected Finds*

Rachel Brazil

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Feature Reporting**

**Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Beavers Cafe*

Todd Morgan

**Second Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*We needed her just as much as she needed us*

Chelsea Wysocki

**First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*A Love for Learning*

Brittany Brevik

**Daily: Small** >>> **Feature Reporting**

**Honorable Mention**

Dickinson Press

*With the gift of life*

Josiah C. Cuellar

**Third Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*24 years of love and laughter*

Julie Bezenek

**Second Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Live date Vietnam veteran celebrates chance for life*

Erin Musland

**First Place**

Dickinson Press

*Part blacksmith, part horse whisperer*

James B. Miller, Jr.

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Feature Reporting**

**Honorable Mention**

Bismarck Tribune

*Baptism gown endures through the decades*

Cheryl McCormack

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Twenty-four hours in the Peace Gardens*

Mike Jacobs

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Statistically, I shouldn't be a doctor*

Natasha Rausch

**First Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*A downward slide*

Mike McCleary

**Feature Series**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> **Feature Series**

**Honorable Mention**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Q&A series*

Karen Speidel

**Third Place**

New Town News

*New Town Drama Team*

Jerry Kram

**Second Place**

McClusky Gazette

*Christmas Memories*

Allan Tinker

**First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Point of View*

Karen Speidel, Frank Stanko, Turner Blaufuss



**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Feature Series**

**Third Place**

New Rockford Transcript

*What it takes*

Oakley Brazil

**Second Place**

New Rockford Transcript

*Where Are They Now?*

Kristi Frahm

**First Place**

Tioga Tribune

*20 years of watershed restoration*

Jacob Orledge

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Feature Series**

**Third Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Wildrose events*

Brad Nygaard

**Second Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*Faces of the Patch*

Ashleigh Plemper

**First Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Surrogate helps couple become parents*

Cecile Wehrman

**Daily: Small** >>> **Feature Series**

**First Place**

Williston Herald

*Fairview/Cartwright flood recovery*

Renée Jean

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Feature Series**

**Honorable Mention**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Ernie vs. Goliath*

April Baumgarten

**Third Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Teen of the Week*

Cheryl McCormack

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Jack Dura feature series*

Jack Dura

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Back from the brink*

Patrick Springer

**Government Reporting**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> **Government Reporting**

**Third Place**

New Town News

*Recreation Center Could Happen in 2020*

Jerry Kram

**Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Why does Richland keep abandoning its bridges?*

Frank Stanko

**First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*N.D. nursing homes are losing millions*

Karen Speidel

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Government Reporting**

**Honorable Mention**

Hillsboro Banner

*City, HEDC try to bury the hatchet*

Cole Short

**Third Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*City reviews design plans for Riverwalk I-29 subdivision*

Michelle McLean

**Second Place**

Langdon, Cavalier County Republican

*Social Service redesign puts Cavalier County in a bind*

Melissa Anderson

**First Place**

Tioga Tribune

*Radio show is critical of Tioga police*

Jacob Orledge

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Government Reporting**

**Third Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Board split on Super evaluation*

Jody Michael

**Second Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*County's battle of toxic waste at landfill continues*

Neal A. Shipman

**First Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*County wants company to address landfill odors*

Betsy Ryan

**Daily: Small** >>> **Government Reporting**

**Third Place**

Dickinson Press

*Empty towers*

James B. Miller, Jr.

**Second Place**

Jamestown Sun

*NDSH future*

Keith Norman

**First Place**

Williston Herald

*Highway 85 funding woes*

Renée Jean

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Government Reporting**

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Dying on the road*

April Baumgarten

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Absent ND lawmakers paid \$56,000 in total*

Jack Dura

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Competitive bids never sought for ND logo facing backlash*

Patrick Springer

**Government Series**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> **Government Series**

**Third Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*We are jealous, let's be partners*

Karen Speidel

**Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*No place is perfect*

Karen Speidel, Frank Stanko, Paige Rudick

**First Place**

Bowbells, Burke County Tribune

*Wind Farm*

Lisa Thomas, Lyann Olson

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Government Series**

**Honorable Mention**

Washburn, The Leader-News  
*Washburn School Renovation*  
Alyssa Meier

**Third Place**

Tioga Tribune  
*Tioga Park Board hurt feelings*  
Jacob Orledge

**Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*Riverwalk Coverage*  
Michelle McLean

**First Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*Jordahl Housing series*  
Cole Short

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Government Series**

**Honorable Mention**

Crosby, The Journal  
*Commissioners advocate for elimination of districts*  
Brad Nygaard

**Third Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer  
*Jump-starting construction of single family homes*  
Neal A. Shipman

**Second Place**

Crosby, The Journal  
*Dutch elm disease response*  
Jody Michael

**First Place**

Crosby, The Journal  
*Grenora Superintendent fired*  
Brad Nygaard, Cecile Wehrman

**Daily: Small** >>> **Government Series**

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media  
*F-M Diversion coverage*  
Frank Stanko

**First Place**

Williston Herald  
*TENORM coverage*  
Renée Jean

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Government Series**

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Violence at the ND State Hospital*

Patrick Springer

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Jack Dura's Government series*

Jack Dura

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*UND Pres. Kennedy leaving for Colorado*

Sydney Mook

**Spot News**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> **Spot News**

**Honorable Mention**

Elgin, Grant County News

*New valves mean water disruption in Elgin*

Jill Friesz

**Third Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Boiler starts fire at PrimeBoard*

Frank Stanko

**Second Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Man rescued from grain bin near Lankin*

Allison Olimb

**First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Cause of apartment fire is still unknown*

Karen Speidel

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Spot News**

**Third Place**

Washburn, The Leader-News  
*New group seeking name, board member*  
Alyssa Meier

**Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*Sifting through the ashes*  
Cole Short

**First Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*Rain, rain go away*  
Cole Short, Cory Erickson

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Spot News**

**Honorable Mention**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*Grafton Warehouse fire*  
Todd Morgan

**Third Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer  
*Up in flames*  
Neal A. Shipman

**Second Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer  
*Massive overflow*  
Ashleigh Plemper

**First Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer  
*Quick action saves child's life*  
Betsy Ryan

**Daily: Small** >>> **Spot News**

**Third Place**

Williston Herald  
*May shooting*  
Jamie Kelly, Mitch Melberg

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media  
*Perfect storm creates water incident in Breckenridge*  
Carrie McDermott

**First Place**

Dickinson Press  
*Teen killed in crash*  
James B. Miller, Jr.

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Spot News**

**Honorable Mention**

Grand Forks Herald

*Sand deposit could be a game change for ND*

Ann Bailey

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Lost liberty*

Kim Hyatt, Hannah Schlosser

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Food truck owner killed*

Dave Olson

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Murder-arson suspect denies allegations*

Dave Olson, Barry Amundson

**Business News Reporting**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> **Business News Reporting**

**Honorable Mention**

New Town News

*Walking on the western side*

Jerry Kram

**Third Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Best succession plan is to have protüğü*

Katie Betz

**Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*It isn't easy having 4,000 bosses at once*

Frank Stanko

**First Place**

Central McLean News-Journal

*The doctor is in*

Suzanne Were



**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Business News Reporting**

**Honorable Mention**

New Rockford Transcript  
*75 years of growth and change for local co-op*  
Allison Lindgren

**Third Place**

New Rockford Transcript  
*Local family to bring new hospitality option*  
Rachel Brazil

**Second Place**

Tioga Tribune  
*Residents want franchise food*  
Jacob Orledge

**First Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*Bringing home the hardware*  
Cole Short

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Business News Reporting**

**Third Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer  
*If you build it, they will come*  
Betsy Ryan

**Second Place**

Crosby, The Journal  
*Processor hopes to find replacement*  
Cecile Wehrman

**First Place**

Crosby, The Journal  
*Hardware store changing hands*  
Brad Nygaard

**Daily: Small** >>> **Business News Reporting**

**Third Place**

Dickinson Press  
*701 Meats*  
Nathanial A. Barrera

**Second Place**

Jamestown Sun  
*60 years*  
Keith Norman

**First Place**

Dickinson Press  
*Screaming for actors*  
Josiah C. Cuellar

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Business News Reporting**

**Honorable Mention**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Let there be light*

Helmut Schmidt

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Reinventing McIntosh, Minn.*

Adam Kurtz

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Chamber analysis of cellphone data gets \$50K from GF*

Joe Bowen

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Big-city firms, small-town lawyers*

Andrew Weeks

**Sports Page**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> **Sports Page**

**Third Place**

New Town News

*New Town News*

Staff

**Second Place**

Elgin, Grant County News

*Sports pages*

Jill Friesz

**First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*News Monitor Oct. 1 Sports Page*

Karen Speidel

**Honorable Mention**

New Rockford Transcript

*New Rockford Transcript sports*

Rachel Brazil, Pam Nemitz, Erik Gjovik, Amy Wobbema

**Third Place**

Tioga Tribune

*Tioga Tribune sports pages*

Jody Michael

**Second Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent

*Sports Section*

Erik Gjovik

**First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Hillsboro Banner sports pages*

Banner Staff

**Honorable Mention**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Sport Pages*

Chelsea Wysocki

**Third Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*Best Sports Page*

Neal A. Shipman

**Second Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*The Journal, Crosby, ND*

Jody Michael

**First Place**

Bottineau Courant

*Bottineau Courant sports*

Matthew Semisch

**Daily: Small**

>>> [Sports Page](#)

**Third Place**

Devils Lake Journal

*Devils Lake Journal Sports Pages for Jan. 14, 2019.*

Chris Harris

**Second Place**

Dickinson Press

*Sports Pages*

Jake Wright, Matthew Curry

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Sports Page/Section*

Jamestown Sun Staff

**Daily: Large**

>>> [Sports Page](#)

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Sports Page/section: 5/28/19, 6/6/19, 4/18/19*

Meghan Dowhaniuk

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Bismarck Tribune sports section*

Dave Selvig, Steve Thomas, Scooter Pursley, Scott Throlson

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Forum Sports sections*

Forum staff

## Sports Reporting

### **Weekly: Small** >>> **Sports Reporting**

#### **Honorable Mention**

Bowbells, Burke County Tribune

*Albatross*

Lisa Thomas

#### **Third Place**

Central McLean News-Journal

*Title curse is over*

Suzanne Werre

#### **Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Looking to make their mark*

Karen Speidel

#### **First Place**

Elgin, Grant County News

*Grant County/Flasher Storm headed for Playoffs*

Jill Friesz

### **Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Sports Reporting**

#### **Honorable Mention**

Tioga Tribune

*Volleyball official Stuart Dolan joins state hall of fame*

Jody Michael

#### **Third Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Undefeated Burros claim 2A title*

Pace Maier

#### **Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Ice Dawgs fall in opener*

Cory Erickson

#### **First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Fever Pitch*

Cole Short

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Sports Reporting**

**Third Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Powers Lake team was darling of '39 season*

Jody Michael

**Second Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Spoiler second place tear jerker*

Chelsea Wysocki

**First Place**

Casselton, Cass County Reporter

*Competitive Gaming*

Jan Russell

**Daily: Small** >>> **Sports Reporting**

**Third Place**

Dickinson Press

*Paine to win*

Matthew Curry

**Second Place**

Dickinson Press

*Legacies that will live on*

Jake Wright

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Hockey Heaven: Hockey Day North Dakota underway*

Michael Savaloja

**Daily: Large** >>> **Sports Reporting**

**Honorable Mention**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*'You betcha*

Eric Peterson

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Landon's Light' story on national stage*

Chris Murphy

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Player, NDSU disagree on source of supplement*

Jeff Kolpack

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Self-inflicted wound: UND faces backlash over Ray Richards*

Tom Miller

## Sports Series

### Weekly: Small >>> Sports Series

#### **Third Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Point of View*

Karen Speidel, Frank Stanko, Paige Rudick

#### **Second Place**

Drayton, Valley News & Views

*Bombers Return*

Lyle Van Camp, Lesa Van Camp, K.C. Gardner

#### **First Place**

Bowbells, Burke County Tribune

*Ranchers Regionals & State competition*

Lyann Olson

### Weekly: Mid-Size >>> Sports Series

#### **Honorable Mention**

Hillsboro Banner

*Patriots football coverage*

Cole Short

#### **Third Place**

Tioga Tribune

*Football road through playoffs*

Jody Michael

#### **Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Ice Dawgs coverage*

Cory Erickson

#### **First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Burros Football Playoff Run*

Pace Maier

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Sports Series**

**Third Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Volleyball team quest in post season*

Jody Michael

**Second Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*PR-F-L Aggies Baseball state tourney*

Chelsea Wysocki

**First Place**

Bottineau Courant

*DCB football program dropped*

Matthew Semisch

**Daily: Small** >>> **Sports Series**

**Third Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Breckenridge Legion team*

Turner Blaufuss

**Second Place**

Jamestown Sun

*JHS volleyball crowned state consolation champs*

Katie Gerber

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun

*JHS basketball completes perfect season*

Mitchell Johnson

**Daily: Large** >>> **Sports Series**

**Honorable Mention**

Minot Daily News

*Minot State men's hockey playoff run*

Alex Eisen

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*State volleyball tournament, Langdon-Edmore-Munich*

Greg DeVillers

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Bison Inc. series*

Jeff Kolpack, Eric Peterson, Kevin Schnepf

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*UND Hockey Nashville destination game*

Brad Elliott Schlossman



## Sports Feature

### Weekly: Small >>> Sports Feature

#### **Third Place**

Elgin, Grant County News  
*Bulldogs headed for STATE*  
Jill Friesz

#### **Second Place**

Central McLean News-Journal  
*Bo is Back*  
Suzanne Werre

#### **First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media  
*Being the coach's wife*  
Karen Speidel

### Weekly: Mid-Size >>> Sports Feature

#### **Honorable Mention**

Hillsboro Banner  
*Passing it on*  
Cory Erickson

#### **Third Place**

Tioga Tribune  
*Ray takes 2nd, renovated fields shine*  
Jody Michael

#### **Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*The Reagan Administration*  
Pace Maier

#### **First Place**

Langdon, Cavalier County Republican  
*Breaking records and breaking stereotypes*  
Melissa Anderson

**Weekly: Large**

>>> **Sports Feature**

**Third Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*Love at first catch*

Ashleigh Plemper

**Second Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Jenkins overcomes amputated arm to play varsity volleyball*

Jody Michael

**First Place**

Bottineau Courant

*'The nicest kid that I will ever know'*

Matthew Semisch

**Daily: Small**

>>> **Sports Feature**

**Honorable Mention**

Williston Herald

*Mac Nelson retrospective*

Robert Brewer

**Third Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Carrington's Smiths share a unique athletic honor*

Katie Gerber

**Second Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Braun brothers look to build off strong WDA tourney*

Mitchell Johnson

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Jamestown's '74 Girls B-ball team to set another first*

Michael Savaloja

**Daily: Large** >>> [Sports Feature](#)

**Honorable Mention**

Grand Forks Herald

*Making tracks in Churchill*

Brad Dokken

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*'I have a better life'*

Eric Peterson

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Gaining ground*

Chris Murphy

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Persistence pays*

Brad Elliott Schlossman

## Sports Column

**Weekly: Small** >>> [Sports Column](#)

**First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*2 THINGS to think about this week*

Karen Speidel

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Sports Column](#)

**Third Place**

Harvey, The Herald Press

*Hoopster, state polls*

Neil O. Nelson

**Second Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent

*Put me in coach, I'm ready to play*

Allen Stock

**First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Standing Pat: Pats Sola a stand-up guy*

Cole Short

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Sports Column**

**Third Place**

Bottineau Courant

*Esports have place in schools*

Riley Biberdorf

**Second Place**

Bottineau Courant

*Football call feels familiar*

Matthew Semisch

**First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*No 'I' in Heart*

Chelsea Wysocki

**Daily: Small** >>> **Sports Column**

**Third Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Hopping on the Gopher bandwagon*

Turner Blaufuss

**Second Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Speedway should fine-tune 7 p.m. starts*

Michael Savaloja

**First Place**

Dickinson Press

*Absolute Joke*

Jake Wright

**Daily: Large** >>> **Sports Column**

**Honorable Mention**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*With Duke next, NDSU will receive the most exposure*

Kevin Schnepf

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*The football budget math doesn't add up*

Tom Miller

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*One of a kind*

Brad Elliott Schlossman

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Front-row fixture*

Jeff Kolpack

## Editorial

### **Weekly: Small** >>> **Editorial**

#### **Honorable Mention**

Drayton, Valley News & Views  
*New Year Brings New Possibilities*  
Lesa Van Camp

#### **Third Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media  
*Wyndmere School once again leading the way*  
Karen Speidel

#### **Second Place**

Drayton, Valley News & Views  
*Why Do We Live Here*  
Lyle Van Camp

#### **First Place**

Elgin, Grant County News  
*Editorial*  
Jill Friesz

### **Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Editorial**

#### **Third Place**

New Rockford Transcript  
*When change calls for collaboration*  
Rachel Brazil

#### **Second Place**

New Rockford Transcript  
*Kill the bill, not the income tax*  
Amy Wobbema

#### **First Place**

Washburn, The Leader-News  
*Blue Laws take a hit, state takes step forward*  
Staff

### **Weekly: Large** >>> **Editorial**

#### **Second Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer  
*Taxpayers deserve to know where gov't is spending \$\$\$*  
Neal A. Shipman

#### **First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*So it begins for government*  
Todd Morgan

**Daily: Small**

>>> **Editorial**

**Third Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Village part of city's heritage*

Jamestown Sun Staff

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Why you should support local journalism by paying for it*

Carrie McDermott

**First Place**

Williston Herald

*Silence on crash investigation is troubling*

Jamie Kelly

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Editorial**

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*NDUS letter was prudent but questions exist*

Korrie Wenzel

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*North Dakota needs to find moral compass*

Editorial Board

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Meddling in teacher training makes mockery*

Forum staff

## **Editorial Page**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> **Editorial Page**

**Second Place**

New Town News

*Opinion Page*

Staff

**First Place**

Elgin, Grant County News

*Editorial Pages*

Jill Friesz

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Editorial Page](#)

**Third Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent  
*Independent Opinion Page*  
Allen Stock, Lori Buchholtz

**Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*Banner Editorial Pages*  
Banner Staff

**First Place**

Harvey, The Herald Press  
*Editorial Page Entries*  
Neil O. Nelson

**Weekly: Large** >>> [Editorial Page](#)

**Second Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*Jan 2, July 24, Sept 18*  
Staff

**First Place**

Crosby, The Journal  
*The Journal, Crosby, ND*  
Cecile Wehrman

**Daily: Small** >>> [Editorial Page](#)

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media  
*Editorial Page*  
Carrie McDermott, Devannie Griffin

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun  
*Editorial page*  
Kathy Steiner

**Daily: Large**

>>> [Editorial Page](#)

**Third Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*The Bismarck Tribune*

Staff

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*GF Herald Editorial Pages, 1/17, 4/16, 7/3*

Korrie Wenzel

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Forum editorial pages*

Angie Wieck

**Standing News Front**

**Daily: Small**

>>> [Standing News Front](#)

**First Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Aug. 15, 2019 front page*

Daily News

**Daily: Large**

>>> [Standing News Front](#)

**Honorable Mention**

Grand Forks Herald

*Grand Forks Herald Standing News Front, Magical Journey*

Wayne Elfman

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Urban farmers tiny greens pack a mighty nutritional punch*

Meghan Dowhaniuk

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*No need to rake leaves*

Marcy Nickel

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Small pictures, BIG stories*

Wayne Elfman



## Agricultural Coverage

### **Weekly: Small** >>> [Agricultural Coverage](#)

#### **Third Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Wet season affects harvest*

Paige Rudick

#### **Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Farming disaster by degrees*

Karen Speidel

#### **First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Woman in the fields*

Frank Stanko

### **Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Agricultural Coverage](#)

#### **Honorable Mention**

Langdon, Cavalier County Republican

*Hemp series*

Melissa Anderson

#### **Third Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Growing concern*

Cory Erickson

#### **Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*1881 Extraction*

Cole Short

#### **First Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent

*Combine modifications*

John Gallagher

**Weekly: Large**

>>> **Agricultural Coverage**

**Honorable Mention**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*2019 Harvest - A disaster by degree*  
Todd Morgan

**Third Place**

Casselton, Cass County Reporter  
*Plantology takes gamble on Hemp*  
Jan Russell

**Second Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*A family affair*  
Chelsea Wysocki

**First Place**

Crosby, The Journal  
*Generations Ag tab*  
Sydney Glasoe Caraballo

**Daily: Small**

>>> **Agricultural Coverage**

**Honorable Mention**

Dickinson Press  
*First cow to the last*  
James B. Miller, Jr.

**Third Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media  
*Modern Midwest Viticulture*  
Carrie McDermott

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media  
*Five things to know about being a farmer*  
Karen Speidel

**First Place**

Williston Herald  
*North Dakota hardest hit by trade war*  
Renée Jean

Daily: Large

>>> [Agricultural Coverage](#)

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Bumper crop of farm stress*

Patrick Springer

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*As bankruptcies rise, farmers/lenders hope for big harvests*

Helmut Schmidt

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Fall harvest challenges for potatoes, sugarbeets*

Ann Bailey

**Personal Column - Serious**

Weekly: Small

>>> [Personal Column - Serious](#)

**Third Place**

Central McLean News-Journal

*Little feet -- big shoes*

Suzanne Werre

**Second Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*From the Editor's Desk: Dec. 18*

Allison Olimb

**First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Here is my grown-up Christmas list to Santa*

Karen Speidel

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Personal Column - Serious**

**Honorable Mention**

Washburn, The Leader-News

*Fighting the good fight*

Alyssa Meier

**Third Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Saluting the flag and my time in the Navy*

Neil O. Nelson

**Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Stirring memories that slumbered for too long*

Cole Short

**First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Investing in our children's experiences is key*

Cory Erickson

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Personal Column - Serious**

**Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Morgan Matter-Take that Trevor D*

Morgan Hovde

**Second Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Whines & Rose -- Is your outrage button broken yet?*

Cecile Wehrman

**First Place**

Casselton, Cass County Reporter

*Out of my mind- My Father was "Crazy"*

Angela Kolden

**Daily: Small** >>> **Personal Column - Serious**

**First Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Thanks for everything, Scott*

Turner Blaufuss

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Personal Column - Serious**

**Honorable Mention**

Grand Forks Herald

*Annual reminder of hope, optimism*

Korrie Wenzel

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Pet's loss is easier if I know she'll comfort others*

Tammy Swift

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Happy 114th birthday, Iris*

Marilyn Hagerty

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Strangers lay man who died in storage unit to rest*

Mike McFeely

**Personal Column - Humorous**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> **Personal Column - Humorous**

**Honorable Mention**

Drayton, Valley News & Views

*Make my Fortune and Become Famous*

Lyle Van Camp

**Third Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*From the Editor's Desk: Jan. 30*

Allison Olimb

**Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Its time to turn in my badge*

Karen Speidel

**First Place**

New Town News

*Everything New is Old*

Jerry Kram

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Personal Column - Humorous**

**Honorable Mention**

Harvey, The Herald Press  
*Column by Neil O. Nelson*  
Neil O. Nelson

**Third Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*If seeing is believing, I have little faith*  
Neil O. Nelson

**Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*My soul is Baron I have no mini pizzas*  
Cole Short

**First Place**

Washburn, The Leader-News  
*Home sweet manure*  
Alyssa Meier

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Personal Column - Humorous**

**Honorable Mention**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*It takes two*  
Chelsea Wysocki

**Third Place**

Casselton, Cass County Reporter  
*Out of my mind- Battle of the Sexes*  
Angela Kolden

**Second Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer  
*When you have time to spare, go by air!*  
Neal A. Shipman

**First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*Meanwhile at big pharma*  
Todd Morgan

**Daily: Small** >>> **Personal Column - Humorous**

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media  
*Frozen II a stunning, charming delight with depth*  
Frank Stanko

**First Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media  
*Making Paul Bunyan proud in St. Paul*  
Turner Blaufuss

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Personal Column - Humorous**

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*I hate those meeses to pieces*

Ann Bailey

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*How to go sledding with 2 toddlers in only 20 steps*

Jessie Veeder

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*What's that fly doing in my lutefisk?*

Chuck Haga

**Special News Section**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> **Special News Section**

**Third Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Walsh County Fair - Post Fair Supplement*

Allison Olimb, Brook Dahlgren, Larry Biri

**Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Dear Santa*

Karen Speidel

**First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Women in Business*

Karen Speidel, Carrie McDermott, Frank Stanko, Paige Rudick, Candace Engstrom

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Special News Section**

**Honorable Mention**

Washburn, The Leader-News

*Best of McLean County*

Staff

**Third Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent

*2019-20 Winter Sports Preview*

Erik Gjovik, Linda Duursma, Lane Moellenkamp

**Second Place**

New Rockford Transcript

*State Class B Boys B-ball Tournament Special Edition*

Erik Gjovik, Amy Wobbema, Rachel Brazil, Jenna Weisenburger, Jennifer Willis

**First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Banner Christmas Section*

Banner Staff

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Special News Section**

**Honorable Mention**

Lisbon, Ransom County Gazette

*Memorial Day Salute*

Mattie Richardson-Schmitz, Lynn Kaspari, Doreen Quast, Michael Hallquist

**Third Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Working it Out -- A salute to local business*

Journal Publishing Staff

**Second Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Fall Sports*

Chelsea Wysocki

**First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Ag Section*

Staff



**Daily: Small**

>>> **Special News Section**

**Honorable Mention**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Women in Business*

Carrie McDermott, Karen Speidel, Frank Stanko, Paige Rudick, Candace Engstrom, Advertising Staff

**Third Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Southern Valley Living*

Candace Engstrom

**Second Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Stepping Forward*

Jamestown Sun Staff

**First Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Profile - People and Neighbors*

Carrie McDermott, Frank Stanko, Turner Blaufuss, Karen Speidel, Julie Bezenek

**Daily: Large**

>>> **Special News Section**

**Third Place**

Minot Daily News

*Adventure ND Spring/Summer 2019*

Kim Fundingsland, Mandy Taniguchi

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Hockey section: Putting together the pieces*

Brad Elliott Schlossman, Staff

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Sevenfold*

Forum staff

## Section/Feature Front Design

### **Weekly: Small** >>> [Section/Feature Front Design](#)

#### **Third Place**

Drayton, Valley News & Views

*Christmas Section*

Lesa Van Camp

#### **Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*News Monitor Community page*

Karen Speidel

#### **First Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Going all in on small town*

Allison Olimb, Larry Biri

### **Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Section/Feature Front Design](#)

#### **Honorable Mention**

Hillsboro Banner

*Undefeated*

Cole Short, Cory Erickson

#### **Third Place**

Tioga Tribune

*Tioga Christmas tab*

Cecile Wehrman, Brad Nygaard

#### **Second Place**

Washburn, The Leader-News

*Spring Fan Guide 2019*

Staff

#### **First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Banner Christmas Section*

Cory Erickson

### **Weekly: Large** >>> [Section/Feature Front Design](#)

#### **Honorable Mention**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Mark Lunski Ag Section*

Jackie Thompson

#### **Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*GBB preview*

Chelsea Wysocki

#### **Second Place**

Casselton, Cass County Reporter

*Home & Garden cover*

Megan Peterson

**First Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Working it Out -- A salute to local business*

Cecile Wehrman

**Daily: Small** >>> [Section/Feature Front Design](#)

**Third Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Twin Towns & About*

Carrie McDermott, Candace Engstrom

**Second Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Sun Country Cover*

Meghan Dowhaniuk

**First Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Goodlife - July 7, 2019*

Devannie Griffin, Daily News

**Daily: Large** >>> [Section/Feature Front Design](#)

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Get your groove on*

Emily Beaman

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*No need to rake leaves*

Marcy Nickel

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Shake, pour, sip*

Sara Slaby

## Front Page Design

### **Weekly: Small** >>> [Front Page Design](#)

#### **Third Place**

Elgin, Grant County News

*Front Page Design*

Jill Friesz

#### **Second Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Front Page Design*

Allison Olimb

#### **First Place**

Drayton, Valley News & Views

*Front Page Design*

Lesa Van Camp

### **Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Front Page Design](#)

#### **Third Place**

Harvey, The Herald Press

*Front Page Design*

Neil O. Nelson, Anne Ehni

#### **Second Place**

New Rockford Transcript

*Front Page Design*

Transcript Staff

#### **First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Front Page Design*

Banner Staff

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Front Page Design**

**Honorable Mention**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Front Page Design*

Jackie Thompson

**Third Place**

Casselton, Cass County Reporter

*Front Page Design*

Megan Peterson

**Second Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Front Page Design*

Cecile Wehrman

**First Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*Front Page Design*

Neal A. Shipman

**Daily: Small** >>> **Front Page Design**

**First Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Front Page Design*

Daily News

**Daily: Large** >>> **Front Page Design**

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Front Page Design*

Meghan Dowhaniuk

**Second Place**

Fargo Forum

*Front Page Design*

Sara Slaby

**First Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Front Page Design*

Staff

## Headline

**Weekly: Small** >>> [Headline](#)

### **Honorable Mention**

Elgin, Grant County News

*Underdogs Upset Outlaws*

Jill Friesz

### **Third Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Here come the boys of swing*

Karen Speidel

### **Second Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Hot Showers, Cold Ice Cream*

Allison Olimb

### **First Place**

McClusky Gazette

*Ladies and Gentleman, idle your engines*

Allan Tinker

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Headline](#)

### **Honorable Mention**

Washburn, The Leader-News

*Cashing in a Benjamin*

Alyssa Meier

### **Third Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent

*Straight as an arrow*

Erik Gjovik

### **Second Place**

New Rockford Transcript

*Beware the hex of the polar vortex*

Amy Wobbema

### **First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*The Reagan Administration*

Cole Short

**Weekly: Large** >>> [Headline](#)

**Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*Christmas Miracle near Lankin*  
Todd Morgan

**Second Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*"Jesus made me like this"*  
Chelsea Wysocki

**First Place**

Casselton, Cass County Reporter  
*Chicks Dig Him*  
Angela Kolden

**Daily: Small** >>> [Headline](#)

**Third Place**

Dickinson Press  
*Fueling the future*  
Josiah C. Cuellar

**Second Place**

Dickinson Press  
*Paine to Win*  
Matthew Curry

**First Place**

Dickinson Press  
*Repurposing Rubbish*  
Nathanial A. Barrera

**Daily: Large** >>> [Headline](#)

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald  
*To harvest or not harvest puts farmers in a corn conundrum*  
Ann Bailey

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald  
*For the Wynne*  
Sydney Mook

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead  
*Dakota Specialty Milling is crushing it after 50 years*  
Helmut Schmidt

## Informational Graphics

### **Weekly: Small** >>> [Informational Graphics](#)

#### **Second Place**

Elgin, Grant County News

*Central Time Zone for all of North Dakota?*

Jill Friesz

#### **First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*N.D. nursing homes are losing millions*

Karen Speidel

### **Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Informational Graphics](#)

#### **Honorable Mention**

New Rockford Transcript

*Water bills rising*

Amy Wobbema, Ashley Schuster

#### **Third Place**

Tioga Tribune

*Ray school enrollment*

Cecile Wehrman

#### **Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Bee information*

Cory Erickson

#### **First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Road to the dome*

Cole Short, Cory Erickson

### **Weekly: Large** >>> [Informational Graphics](#)

#### **Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Police stats*

Jackie Thompson

#### **Second Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*Pennies add us*

Neal A. Shipman

#### **First Place**

Bottineau Courant

*Oil and Gas Tax*

Lynn Evenson



**Daily: Large** >>> **Informational Graphics**

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Police chases*

Troy Becker

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*A decade of energy*

Jason Heupel

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Apollo anniversary*

Troy Becker

**Best Web Site**

**Weekly: Small** >>> **Best Web Site**

**Second Place**

Elgin, Grant County News

*gspublishing.net*

Jill Friesz

**First Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*wahpetondailynews.com/newsmonitor*

News Monitor staff

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Best Web Site**

**Third Place**

Harvey, The Herald Press

*heraldpressnd.com*

Anne Ehni

**Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*hillsborobanner.com*

Banner Staff

**First Place**

New Rockford Transcript

*newrockfordtranscript.com*

Transcript Staff

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Best Web Site**

**Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*wcrecord.com*  
Staff

**Second Place**

Crosby, The Journal  
*journaltrib.com*  
Cecile Wehrman

**First Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer  
*www.watfordcitynd.com*  
Neal A. Shipman

**Daily: Small** >>> **Best Web Site**

**Third Place**

Dickinson Press  
*dickinsonpress.com*  
Press Staff

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media  
*wahpetondailynews.com*  
Daily News

**First Place**

Williston Herald  
*willistonherald.com*  
Williston Herald

**Daily: Large** >>> **Best Web Site**

**Honorable Mention**

Grand Forks Herald  
*gfherald.com*  
Staff

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead  
*inforum.com*  
Forum staff

**Second Place**

Minot Daily News  
*minotdailynews.com*  
Editorial Department, Advertising Department

**First Place**

Bismarck Tribune  
*bismarcktribune.com*  
Staff

## Devil Made Me Do It - Editorial

**Weekly: Large** >>> [Devil Made Me Do It - Editorial](#)

### **First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*On the coach*

Todd Morgan

## Overall Design Excellence

**Weekly: Small** >>> [Overall Design Excellence](#)

### **Third Place**

Bowbells, Burke County Tribune

*Overall Design Excellence*

Lyann Olson

### **Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Overall Design Excellence*

Karen Speidel

### **First Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Overall Design Excellence*

Allison Olimb, Brook Dahlgren, Larry Biri

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Overall Design Excellence](#)

### **Third Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent

*Overall Design Excellence*

Staff

### **Second Place**

Tioga Tribune

*Overall Design Excellence*

Tioga Tribune Staff

### **First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Overall Design Excellence*

Banner Staff

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Overall Design Excellence**

**Third Place**

Bottineau Courant

*Overall Design Excellence*

Bottineau Courant

**Second Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Overall Design Excellence*

Cecile Wehrman

**First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Overall Design Excellence*

Staff

**Daily: Small** >>> **Overall Design Excellence**

**Third Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Overall Design Excellence*

Jamestown Sun

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Overall Design Excellence*

Daily News

**First Place**

Dickinson Press

*Overall Design Excellence*

James B. Miller, Jr.

**Daily: Large** >>> **Overall Design Excellence**

**Third Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Overall Design Excellence*

Staff

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Overall Design Excellence*

Staff

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Overall Design Excellence*

Forum staff

# Photography

## News Photo

### Weekly: Small >>> News Photo

#### **Third Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media  
*Flood photo in top right corner of page*  
Karen Speidel

#### **Second Place**

Drayton, Valley News & Views  
*Just Training Folks, No Need to be Alarmed*  
Lesia Van Camp

#### **First Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press  
*With gun drawn, Sheriff's Dept. knocks at school*  
Larry Biri

### Weekly: Mid-Size >>> News Photo

#### **Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*Neighbors helping neighbors*  
Cory Erickson

#### **First Place**

Washburn, The Leader-News  
*Storm Stalls School Day*  
Alyssa Meier

### Weekly: Large >>> News Photo

#### **Honorable Mention**

Casselton, Cass County Reporter  
*Kindred Water Tower*  
Jan Russell

#### **Third Place**

Crosby, The Journal  
*Seasonal breakthrough*  
Brad Nygaard

#### **Second Place**

Bottineau Courant  
*Derailment takes place in Bottineau*  
Scott Wagar

#### **First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*Lankin Corn Bin Rescue*  
Larry Biri

**Daily: Small**

>>> [News Photo](#)

**Second Place**

Jamestown Sun

*No Exit*

John Steiner

**First Place**

Dickinson Press

*The whole house just went up*

James B. Miller, Jr.

**Daily: Large**

>>> [News Photo](#)

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Ed Stern*

Mike McCleary

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Grafton Teacher of the Year*

Eric Hylden

**Spot News Photo**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> [Spot News Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Pushing (and pulling) on*

Larry Biri

**Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Fire hits downtown Wahpeton landmark*

Frank Stanko

**First Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Derailed in Pisek*

Allison Olimb

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> **Spot News Photo**

**Third Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent  
*CP train derails 35 cars*  
Erik Gjovik

**Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*Rain, rain go away*  
Cory Erickson

**First Place**

New Rockford Transcript  
*All Hail to the Storm*  
Tyler Wobbema

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Spot News Photo**

**Honorable Mention**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer  
*Fire destroys disposal site*  
Neal A. Shipman

**Third Place**

Crosby, The Journal  
*Injured contractor airlift*  
Brad Nygaard

**Second Place**

Bottineau Courant  
*Local fire department cares for garage fire*  
Scott Wagar

**First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*Grafton warehouse fire*  
Larry Biri

**Daily: Small**

> > > [Spot News Photo](#)

**Honorable Mention**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Road Closed*

Carrie McDermott

**Third Place**

Dickinson Press

*South Heart teen killed in crash*

Kayla Henson

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Man arrested for kidnapping, false imprisonment*

Katie Betz

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Locked Down*

John Steiner

**Daily: Large**

> > > [Spot News Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Mandan fire photo*

Travis Svihovec

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Vehicle catches fire*

Tom Stromme

**First Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*RJR*

Mike McCleary



## Feature Photo

**Weekly: Small** >>> [Feature Photo](#)

### **Honorable Mention**

Elgin, Grant County News

*Rain or shine the fair goes on*

Jill Friesz

### **Third Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Giving Hearts Day @ St. Gerards*

Karen Speidel

### **Second Place**

New Town News

*Car Show Judges*

Jerry Kram

### **First Place**

Bowbells, Burke County Tribune

*Sheer Happiness*

Roberta Helseth

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Feature Photo](#)

### **Third Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Buxton water fight*

Cole Short

### **Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Not missing a trick*

Cory Erickson

### **First Place**

Washburn, The Leader-News

*Feeling the Christmas spirit*

Alyssa Meier

**Weekly: Large**

>>> [Feature Photo](#)

**Honorable Mention**

Crosby, The Journal

*Helping hand*

Brad Nygaard

**Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*The Bed Bugz*

Larry Biri

**Second Place**

Casselton, Cass County Reporter

*Streets Alive*

Angela Kolden

**First Place**

Bottineau Courant

*School lyceum*

Matthew Semisch

**Daily: Small**

>>> [Feature Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Free snow*

Tara Klostreich

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Color Run brightens Breckenridge day*

Turner Blaufuss

**First Place**

Williston Herald

*Tree lighting with fireworks*

Mitch Melberg

**Daily: Large**

>>> [Feature Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Brian Hushagen*

Mike McCleary

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Big Boy celebrates 65 years*

Tom Stromme

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*American Legion parade*

Eric Hylden

## Sports Photo

### Weekly: Small >>> Sports Photo

#### **Third Place**

Bowbells, Burke County Tribune

*Stiff Arm*

Roberta Helseth

#### **Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Tigers try to claw back against No. 2 Class B Team*

Karen Speidel

#### **First Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Victorious! Aggies clinch third title in three years*

Larry Biri

### Weekly: Mid-Size >>> Sports Photo

#### **Third Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent

*Tag at the plate*

Erik Gjovik

#### **Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Ice Dawgs goal*

Alyssa Short

#### **First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Gavin Wright interception*

Cory Erickson

**Weekly: Large**

> > > **Sports Photo**

**Honorable Mention**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*Fight for a pass*

Neal A. Shipman

**Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Baseball 3 peat*

Chelsea Wysocki

**Second Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Tournament time*

Jody Michael

**First Place**

Bottineau Courant

*Westhope-Newburg-Bottineau softball*

Matthew Semisch

**Daily: Small**

> > > **Sports Photo**

**Honorable Mention**

Devils Lake Journal

*Four Winds/Minnewaukans Jaymison Jackson jumps for layup*

Chris Harris

**Third Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Jimmies topple Bulldogs in homecoming Mud Bowl*

Michael Savaloja

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Cowboys claim first victory*

Turner Blaufuss

**First Place**

Williston Herald

*Ruger's ride*

Jamie Kelly

**Daily: Large**

>>> [Sports Photo](#)

**Honorable Mention**

Minot Daily News

*MSU hockey national champions*

Alex Eisen

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*UND hockey beats MN Rival, Kawaguchi celebrates goal*

Eric Hylden

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Hawks fall in OT, Olivia Knox hitting ball with head*

Nick Nelson

**First Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Lilly Keplin*

Mike McCleary

**Picture Story**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> [Picture Story](#)

**Third Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Celebrating America Park River Style*

Larry Biri

**Second Place**

Drayton, Valley News & Views

*Benefit for Apen*

Lesa Van Camp

**First Place**

Elgin, Grant County News

*Going, going, gone*

Kent Roehl

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Picture Story](#)

**Third Place**

Washburn, The Leader-News

*Riverboat Days 2019*

Alyssa Meier

**Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Banner Year in Sports*

Cole Short, Pace Maier, Cory Erickson

**First Place**

New Rockford Transcript

*Weekend Snow Impacts Area*

Amy Wobbema, Rachel Brazil

**Weekly: Large** >>> [Picture Story](#)

**Honorable Mention**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Grafton Fly-In*

Larry Biri

**Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Fall on Hold*

Todd Morgan, Larry Biri

**Second Place**

Crosby, The Journal

*Ridin, ropin and more*

Don Anderson

**First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Area graduations*

Larry Biri, Brittany Brevik

**Daily: Small** >>> [Picture Story](#)

**Third Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Hockey Day North Dakota*

John Steiner

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*First day of school*

Carrie McDermott

**First Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Art on the street*

Frank Stanko

**Daily: Large**

>>> [Picture Story](#)

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Prairie chickens photo story*

Eric Hylden

**First Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*A downward slide*

Mike McCleary

**Pictorial Photo**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> [Pictorial Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Drayton, Valley News & Views

*Field of Swans*

Lesa Van Camp

**Second Place**

Drayton, Valley News & Views

*Cemetery Restoration*

Lyle Van Camp

**First Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Park River Bible Camp hosts summer of Faith & Friendship*

Larry Biri

**Weekly: Mid-Size**

>>> [Pictorial Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Tioga Tribune

*Ray Christmas*

Cecile Wehrman

**Second Place**

Washburn, The Leader-News

*Making a splash*

Alyssa Meier

**First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Celebrating Independence*

Cory Erickson

**Weekly: Large**

>>> [Pictorial Photo](#)

**Honorable Mention**

Bottineau Courant

*Rainbow over Bottineau*

Matthew Semisch

**Third Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*Geese on the move*

Andrew Spratta

**Second Place**

Watford City, McKenzie County Farmer

*Establishing Dominance*

Neal A. Shipman

**First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Clearing the way*

Larry Biri

**Daily: Small**

>>> [Pictorial Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Sons, husbands, brothers, friends ... and heroes*

Frank Stanko

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Weekend storm brings 8.6 inches of snowfall*

Paige Rudick

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Wintry Autumn*

John Steiner



**Daily: Large**

>>> [Pictorial Photo](#)

**Honorable Mention**

Bismarck Tribune

*Wind Canyon*

Jack Dura

**Third Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Flooded trees*

Michael Vosburg

**Second Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Sun setting over Clearwater Lake*

Brad Dokken

**First Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Descending moon*

Mike McCleary

**Portrait Photo**

**Weekly: Small**

>>> [Portrait Photo](#)

**Honorable Mention**

New Town News

*Hugging Santa*

Jerry Kram

**Third Place**

Central McLean News-Journal

*Besties*

Suzanne Werre

**Second Place**

Elgin, Grant County News

*Senior class 2019*

Jill Friesz

**First Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Park River Elem. School Principal Nilson gets group hug*

Larry Biri

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Portrait Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Tioga Tribune  
*Santa baby*  
Dave Tengesdal

**Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner  
*Still going to the mat*  
Cory Erickson

**First Place**

Harvey, The Herald Press  
*Woody Wuitschick*  
Neil O. Nelson

**Weekly: Large** >>> [Portrait Photo](#)

**Honorable Mention**

Bottineau Courant  
*Colleges greenhouse holds a unique fruit*  
Scott Wagar

**Third Place**

Crosby, The Journal  
*Ladies of Steam*  
Cecile Wehrman

**Second Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*Grafton Elementary Winter Program*  
Larry Biri

**First Place**

Bottineau Courant  
*Ashtyn Allard*  
Matthew Semisch

**Daily: Small** >>> [Portrait Photo](#)

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun  
*Longtime Love*  
John Steiner

**Daily: Large**

[>>> Portrait Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald

*Warren Sai, maker of French crepes*

Eric Hylden

**Second Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Nathan Goldade*

Michael Vosburg

**First Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Carol Dworshak*

Mike McCleary

**Agricultural Photo**

**Weekly: Small**

[>>> Agricultural Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Drayton, Valley News & Views

*Hurry up and Wait The Story of Harvest*

Lesa Van Camp

**Second Place**

Hankinson, News-Monitor Media

*Weather whiplash: Extremes hit region*

Karen Speidel

**First Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*Really more snow?! Farmers just cant get a break this fall*

Larry Biri

**Weekly: Mid-Size**

[>>> Agricultural Photo](#)

**Third Place**

Washburn, The Leader-News

*Flash Frozen Corn*

Alyssa Meier

**Second Place**

Tioga Tribune

*Farmers tire of trade disputes*

Jacob Orledge

**First Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent

*VanBedaf Dairy Open House*

Erik Gjovik

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Agricultural Photo**

**Third Place**

Casselton, Cass County Reporter  
*Old Barn and Tractor Silhouette*  
Megan Peterson

**Second Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*Old and New Combines*  
Larry Biri

**First Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record  
*Spray plane*  
Jackie Thompson

**Daily: Small** >>> **Agricultural Photo**

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media  
*CORTEVA: Nearly 70 varieties of soybeans will be planted*  
Frank Stanko

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun  
*On Dry Ground*  
John Steiner

**Daily: Large** >>> **Agricultural Photo**

**Third Place**

Grand Forks Herald  
*A standout shepherd, Luke Lillehaugen and Katahdin sheep*  
Nick Nelson

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune  
*Rows of stubble*  
Mike McCleary

**First Place**

Grand Forks Herald  
*County fair photo, boys with calf*  
Eric Hylden

## Outdoor Recreation Photo

**Weekly: Small** >>> [Outdoor Recreation Photo](#)

### **Third Place**

Elgin, Grant County News

*Getting down and dirty at Flasher Summerfest*

Jill Friesz

### **Second Place**

New Town News

*Making a Mess*

Jerry Kram

### **First Place**

Park River, Walsh County Press

*One-Track Ride*

Larry Biri

**Weekly: Mid-Size** >>> [Outdoor Recreation Photo](#)

### **Third Place**

Carrington, Foster County Independent

*Jumping into summer*

Erik Gjovik

### **Second Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Sixth-graders sledding*

Cory Erickson

### **First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Buxton water fight*

Cole Short

**Weekly: Large** >>> **Outdoor Recreation Photo**

**Honorable Mention**

Bottineau Courant

*The Winter Park celebrates 50 years*

Scott Wagar

**Third Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Jaylin Peterka jumping into pool*

Morgan Hovde

**Second Place**

Grafton, Walsh County Record

*Blair Thompson riding horse*

Larry Biri

**First Place**

Bottineau Courant

*Brady Samson Memorial Water Sports Day*

Matthew Semisch

**Daily: Small** >>> **Outdoor Recreation Photo**

**Third Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Miles for Max: turning loss into love and comfort*

Tara Klostreich

**Second Place**

Wahpeton, The Daily News Media

*Dog waterer debuts in Wahpeton*

Frank Stanko

**First Place**

Jamestown Sun

*Sharing the water*

John Steiner

**Daily: Large** >>> **Outdoor Recreation Photo**

**Third Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Along the Missouri*

Tom Stromme

**Second Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Peyton Goldade*

Mike McCleary

**First Place**

Fargo, The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead

*Scooter soar*

David Samson

## Photo of the Year - Daily Division

**Daily: Large**

> > > [Photo of the Year - Daily Division](#)

### **First Place**

Bismarck Tribune

*Descending Moon*

Mike McCleary

## Photo of the Year - Weekly Division

**Weekly: Mid-Size**

> > > [Photo of the Year - Weekly Division](#)

### **First Place**

Hillsboro Banner

*Buxton Water Fight*

Cole Short