Special Awards

First Freedom Award
Mark Alesia, Tim Evans, Marisa Kwiatkowski
Indianapolis Star

Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust Environmental Award
Seth Slabauggh
The Star-Press

Charlie Biggs Commitment to Community Award
Ken de la Bastide
The Herald-Bulletin

Frank O’Bannon Sunshine Award
Ty Bibbs
Anderson City Council

Category: 01
Best News Coverage Under Deadline Pressure

Division 1
Third
Scott Slade
The Times-Post
Missing couple’s bodies found

Second
Rob Hunt
The Times-Post
High school bans Confederate flag

First
Ashton Brellenthin
Hendricks County Flyer
Avon shooting leaves one dead, one critical

Division 2
Third
Chandra L. Mattingly
The Journal-Press (Aurora)
Purple Heart recipient, daughter found dead

Second
Joe Awad
Dearborn County Register
Firefighters battle snow, ice to reach cabin

First
Sara Clifford
Brown County Democrat
Vehicle explodes in motel parking lot

Division 3
Third
Katie Clontz
The Courier-Times
Police officer shot
Second Staff
The Commercial Review
Destruction

First
Staff
The Tribune (Seymour)
Crash leads to chemical fire

Division 4
Third
Caitlin VanOverberghe
Daily Reporter
‘You’re just watching your dreams burn down’

Second
Danielle Grady
The News and Tribune
‘Don’t end up like me’

First
Caitlin VanOverberghe
Daily Reporter
One dead in house fire

Division 5
Third
Ken de la Bastide & Stu Hirsch
The Herald Bulletin
Lapel couple found

Second Douglas Walker & Jordan Kartholl
The Star Press
Full confession by bloody killer

First
Ken de la Bastide & Stu Hirsch
The Herald Bulletin
Tragedy on Ice
Division 6

Third
Joseph S. Pete
The Times (Munster)
Two children die, one rescued in fire.

Second
Doug Ross
The Times (Munster)
Bombing Case Led to Child Porn Charges

First
Staff
South Bend Tribune
South Bend Flooding

Category: 02
Best News Coverage With No Deadline Pressure

Division 1

Third
Justin Kiel
The Regional News (LaCrosse)
The Great Flood of 2018

Second
Sara Nahrwold
Hendricks County Flyer
BEMS students alleging sexual assaults by classmate

First
Millicent Martin Emery
Western Wayne News
Opioid Epidemic

Division 2

Third
Kate Wehlann
The Salem Leader
Deaton Sentenced to 1,095 Days for Fatality

Second
Sara Clifford
Brown County Democrat
Child support court

Division 3

Third
Lance Gideon
The Reporter Times
Pattern of ‘noncompliance’

Second
Wesley Dehne
The Rochester Sentinel
Wind Farm Coverage

First
Zach Spicer
The Tribune (Seymour)
“Second chances”

Division 4

Third
Aprile Rickert
The News and Tribune
SAVING GRACE: Defibrillators in schools ‘critically important’

Second
Annie Goeller
Daily Journal
A State of Confusion

First
Caitlin VanOverberghe
Daily Reporter
Mourning a hero

Division 5

Third
George Myers
Kokomo Tribune
‘This is wrong’

Second
Douglas Walker & Keith Roysdon
The Star Press
Cold Case: Muncie

First
George Myers

Category: 03
Best Ongoing News Coverage

Division 1

Third
Debbie Blank & Diane Raver
The Herald-Tribune
Hurricanes’ impacts on Hoosiers

Second
Chelsea Boulrisse
The Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly
Medical Marijuana

First
Staff
The Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly
Electric Works
**Division 2**

Third
Sara Clifford and Suzannah Couch
Brown County Democrat
Maple Leaf Performing Arts Center

Second
Stephanie Taylor Ferriell
The Salem Leader
Classes for inmates

First
Staff
Brown County Democrat
#DoSomething

**Division 3**

Third
Amy Oberlin
The Herald Republican (Angola)
Steuben County Antibullying Committee

Second
Jeff Jones
The Star (Auburn)
Downtown Butler fire

First
Dave Kurtz, Kathryn Bassett & Mark Murdock
The Star (Auburn)
Eckhart Public Library arson fire

**Division 4**

Third
Staff
Daily Reporter
Hospital hack

Second
Danielle Grady & Aprile Rickert
The News and Tribune
Jeffboat closes

First
Annie Goeller
Daily Journal
Jail overcrowding

**Division 5**

Third
Staff
The Republic
Death of Sgt. Hunter

Second
Rebecca R. Bibbs
The Herald Bulletin
Elwood police controversy

First
Kirk Johannesen & Mark Webber
The Republic
Children Removed

**Division 6**

Third
Staff
The Indianapolis Star
Dr. Larry Nassar and USA Gymnastics

Second
Staff
The Indianapolis Star
Fatal shooting of an unarmed black man

First
Jeff Parrott
South Bend Tribune
Transpo CEO fired

**Category: 04**
**Best General Commentary**

**Division 1**

Third
Chandra L. Mattingly
The Rising Sun Recorder & The Ohio County News

Second
Debbie Blank
The Herald-Tribune

First
Janice Barniak
South Gibson Star-Times
Division 5

Third
Scott Underwood
The Herald Bulletin

Second
Ken de la Bastide
The Herald Bulletin

First
Harry McCawley
The Republic

Division 6

Third
Doug Ross
The Times (Munster)

Second
Marc Chase
The Times (Munster)

First
Suzette Hackney
The Indianapolis Star

Category: 05
Best Editorial Writer

Division 1

Second
Janice Barniak
South Gibson Star-Times

First
Erik Deckers
The Times-Post

Division 2

Third
Bryce Mayer
North Vernon Plain Dealer

Second
Shannon Williams
The Indianapolis Recorder

Division 3

Third
Dave Kurtz
The Star (Auburn)

Second
Jack Ronald
The Commercial Review

First
Staff
The Tribune (Seymour)

Division 4

Second
David Penticuff
Chronicle-Tribune

First
Bob Bridge
Times-Mail

Division 5

Third
Stuart Cassidy
Perry County News

Second
Max Jones
Tribune-Star

First
Heather Bremer
The Herald Bulletin

Division 6

Third
Alesia Redding
South Bend Tribune

Second
Tim Harmon
The Journal Gazette

First
Karen Francisco
The Journal Gazette

Category: 06
Best Business/Economic News Coverage

Division 1

Third
Diane Raver
The Herald-Tribune
“Port would benefit Batesville economy”

Second
Doug LeDuc
The Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly
Techstars evaluates entrepreneurial ecosystem

First
Linda Lipp
The Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly
Free speech

Division 2

Third
Sara Clifford & Suzannah Couch
Brown County Democrat
Broadband to Brown County

Second
Sara Clifford
Brown County Democrat
Living small in Brown County
**Division 3**

Third
Allie Kirkman
The Commercial Review
Shopping around

Second
Ray Cooney
The Commercial Review
57 Turbines

First
Mark Miller
The News-Banner
Which way do we grow?

**Division 4**

Third
Steve Garbacz
The News Sun
What’s tax reform worth to you?

Second
Steve Garbacz
The News Sun
Tax cut caveats

First
Mitchell Kirk
Pharos-Tribune
Wind turbines in Cass County

**Division 5**

Third
Cody Neuenschwander, George Myers & Carson Gerber
Kokomo Tribune
Tariffs hit Kokomo at its heart

Second
Kurt Christian
The Herald-Times
“A monumental undertaking”

First
Traci Miller
The Herald Bulletin
Pet food pantry operating ‘illegally’

**Division 6**

Third
Joseph S. Pete
The Times (Munster)
Strack & Van Til buys back company

Second
Thomas B. Langhorne
Evansville Courier & Press
Mystery, confusion surround properties

First
Giles Bruce
The Times (Munster)
 Residents concerned that hospital merger would limit health care

**Category: 07**
**Headline Writing**

**Division 1**

Third
Sara Nahrwold
Hendricks County Flyer
Flower Power: Random Acts of Flowers marks one-year anniversary//Rock on: fun, inspirational rocks being found// Free falling: Eighty-year-old lives out bucket list dream

Second
Linda Lipp
The Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly
The pain in the brain comes mainly from the strain//Metal man: Artists finds bread and butter in one-of-kind pieces// Elevated: Partnership to spur local entrepreneurs

First
Linda Lipp
The Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly
Food for thought: Restaurants seek recipe for success//Mixed-use mar-vels//Area business celebrate Gound-hog’s Day with various forecasts.

**Division 2**

Third
Denise Freitag Burdette
The Journal-Press (Aurora)
Get the scoop on turtle soup//What is a pergola? Take a seat and find out//Hueseman roadside no longer slippin’, slippin’ into the creek

Second
Denise Freitag Burdette
Dearborn County Register
If the key fits//Tow, tow, tow your boat//Lifting himself up: Powerlifter breaks barriers

First
Staff
Brown County Democrat
Away games // Otterly successful // Speaking in code
Division 4
Third
Staff
Daily Journal
What’s Left is Right//There Goes the Neighborhood//Shifting Sorrows

Second Staff
Daily Journal
In it for the long run//Faces behind your fear//All the Stops

First
Staff
Daily Journal
Where the road work ends//In the midst of history//Over and out

Division 5
Third
Staff
The Republic
Reel passion: Risk paying dividends for movie’s director//Clockwork
Orange: East coasts past Terre Haute North, moves on to semistate

Second
Staff
The Republic
Got their goat: Annual 4-H exhibition makes for one baa-d day//Heat wave throws road crews a 90-degree curve//O Henrys: Father, son to compete in triathlon World Championships

First
Scott Underwood
The Herald Bulletin
Stopped by a train a familiar refrain//Is Messer a Hoosier or a Swamp Thing? You decide//The cold, hard fact: A dog isn’t just a dog

Division 6
Third
Jeanette Lach
The Times (Munster)
Santa comes back to town//Sweet!
Maple Sugar Time in Chesterton//C.P. eighth-grader is spelling bee w-i-n-n-e-r

Second
Agnes Geiger & Fred Dodd
South Bend Tribune
License, registration, saliva, please//Aluminum price hike may not can brewers//Rising to the occasion

First
Daniel Riordan
The Times (Munster)
Whoa zone now a no-go zone//Dyer barber still razor sharp//Moon to star in show

Category: 08
Best Short Feature Story

Division 1
Third
Don Steen
The Spencer County Journal-Democrat
Inspiration finds a home on the farm

Second
Chelsea Boulrisse
The Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly
Due dates and drug abuse

First
Rachel Sheeley
Western Wayne News
‘68 Explosions

Division 2
Third
Denise Freitag Burdette
The Journal-Press (Aurora)
This is war

Second
Jo Ann Spieth-Saylor
The Corydon Democrat
Bailey’s ‘made for this’ life

First
Stephanie Taylor Ferriell
The Salem Democrat
Pekin’s Fourth

Division 3
Third
Lindsay Owens
Washington Times-Herald
When a Kennedy came to town

Second
Quiche Matchen
Princeton Daily Clarion
Love at the pump

First
Jack Ronald
The Commercial Review
Witness

Division 4
Third
Samm Quinn
Daily Reporter
‘Quite a privilege’

Second
Navar Watson
Chronicle-Tribune
Coffee house regular returns

First
Mitchell Kirk & Kevin Burkett
Pharos-Tribune
Remembering RFK

Division 5
Third
Laura Lane
The Herald-Times
The Perfect Room

Second
Brittani Howell
The Herald-Times
Bloomington’s bird

First
Brittani Howell
The Herald-Times
"Let’s make some noise"
Division 3

Third
Patti Danner
Greene County Daily World
Jimmy Beasley: ‘I’ve got your six’

Second
Lindsay Owens
Washington Times-Herald
Cattle create legacy for Dove Farms

First
Zach Spicer
The Tribune (Seymour)
Ride of his life

Division 4

Third
Ryan Trares
Daily Journal
Learning to Fight

Second
Staff
Daily Reporter
Opioids in Hancock County

First
Steve Garbacz
The News Sun
West Lakes recovery

Division 5

Third
Jordan Kartholl
The Star Press
One dog’s journey through shelter

Second
Brian Blair & Julie McClure
The Republic
Columbus movie

First
Rebecca R. Bibbs
The Herald Bulletin
Something’s in the water

Division 6

Third
Giles Bruce
The Times (Munster)
Four Northwest Indiana cousins die of heroin overdoses

Second
Mark Wilson
Evansville Courier & Press
Road sees no cars, plenty of snakes

First
Jessie Higgins
Evansville Courier & Press
Mexico Series

Category: 11
Best Sports Event Coverage

Division 1

Third
Will Fehlinger

The Herald-Tribune
Football sectional

Second
Steve Page
The Mooresville-Decatur Times
Ivey’s softball slam sinks Pioneers

First
Will Willems
Zionsville Times Sentinel
Worth the Wait

Division 2

Third
Ed Cahill
The Press-Dispatch
Chargers seal first-ever PAC title

Second
Ross Schulz
The Corydon Democrat
NH outlasts Brownstown in OT

First
Brian Smith
The Corydon Democrat
The Unthinkable

Division 3

Third
Ray Cooney
The Commercial Review
Pure attitude

Second
Pete Swanson
Princeton Daily Clarion
Young’s late-game plays set stage for Irish’s championship

First
Will Willems
The Lebanon Reporter
County comes together as Tigers top Mounties

Division 4

Third
Ryan O’Leary
Daily Journal
Victory Lap

Second
Rich Torres
Daily Reporter
Run to remember

First
Rich Torres
Daily Reporter
Champs at last
Division 5

Third
Mike Miller
The Herald-Times
Hoosiers eliminated in a New York minute

Second
Jon Blau
The Herald-Times
IU fights to the finish

First
Nathan Baird
Journal & Courier
Sweet, Not Sour

Category: 12
Best Sports News Or Feature Coverage

Division 2

Third
Suzannah Couch
Brown County Democrat
Former Eagles return as coaches

Second
Jim Buchberger
The Journal-Press (Aurora)
Silver medal for Nick Goepper at Pyeong Chang

First
Jim Buchberger
Dearborn County Register
L’burg will miss those ‘Lee-isms’

Division 3

Third
James Howell Jr.
Greensburg Daily News
GCHS graduate making strides on college sidelines

Second
Steve Page
The Reporter Times
Strietelmeier diving through her battle with cancer

First
James Howell Jr.
Greensburg Daily News
State Bound; Hanna runs like parents, qualifies for state

Division 4

Third
Chuck Landis
Chronicle-Tribune
Games won’t be the same without ‘Mr. Argyll’

Second Evan Myers
Daily Reporter
Forever a Royal

First
Jesus Jimenez
Palladium-Item
‘Miracle child’ unleashes football potential

Division 5

Third
Ted Schultz
The Republic
Jonah Wichman

Second
Jon Blau
The Herald-Times
“No Limits”

First
Pat Hickey
Evansville Courier & Press
A Little Slice of Heaven

Division 6

First
John Martin
Evansville Courier & Press
Remembering the Aces
Category: 13  
Best Sports Commentary

**Division 1**  
Third  
Dylan Trimpe  
Hendricks County Flyer

Second  
Dylan Trimpe  
Hendricks County Flyer

First  
Dylan Trimpe  
Hendricks County Flyer

**Division 2**  
Second  
Brian Smith  
The Corydon Democrat

First  
Jim Buchberger  
Dearborn County Register

**Division 3**  
Third  
Chris Pruett  
Greene County Daily World

Second  
Steve Page  
The Reporter Times

First  
John O. Marlowe  
The Paper of Montgomery County

**Division 4**  
Third  
Scott Hunt  
Chronicle-Tribune

Second  
Chris Reed  
The News Sun

First  
Bob Bridge  
Times-Mail

**Division 5**  
Third  
Jeremy Price  
The Herald-Times

Second  
Rob Hunt  
The Herald Bulletin

First  
Todd Golden  
Tribune-Star

**Division 6**  
Third  
Mike Vorel  
South Bend Tribune

Second  
Tom Noie  
South Bend Tribune

First  
Gregg Doyel  
The Indianapolis Star

Category: 14  
Best Spot News Photo

**Division 1**  
Third  
Lisa Hoppenjans  
Ferdinand News  
Ashes to ashes

Second  
Chandra L. Mattingly  
The Rising Sun Recorder & The Ohio County News  
It’s a headless squirrel?

First  
Tom Russo  
The Times-Post  
Car fire closes exit ramp

**Division 2**  
Third  
Andy Heuring  
The Press-Dispatch  
Fire destroys building at Azalea Path

Second  
Jo Ann Spieth-Saylor  
The Corydon Democrat  
Snowman building

First  
Kate Wehlann  
The Salem Leader  
Support Like a Brother

**Division 3**  
Third  
Ashlee Hoos  
The Herald Republican (Angola)  
Firefighters help rescue trapped swan

Second  
Glen Werling  
The News-Banner  
Devastating house fire

First  
Sherri Madison  
The Paper of Montgomery County  
Madison New Market Fire

**Division 4**  
Third  
Mickey Shuey  
Palladium-Item  
SWAT moves in

Second  
Mickey Shuey  
Palladium-Item  
Through the rubble

First  
Patrick Redmond  
The News Sun  
Crash
Division 5
Third
Jordan Kartholl
The Star Press
Blood-soaked suspect

Second
Austen Leake
Tribune-Star
Crash scene

First
Tim Bath
Kokomo Tribune
Drug Overdose

Category: 15
Best General News Photo

Division 2
Third
Joe Awad
Dearborn County Register
So Begins the Task

Second
Ross Schulz
The Corydon Democrat
Solar eclipse

First
Andy Heuring
The Press-Dispatch
Blast off!

Category: 16
Best Sports Feature Photo

Division 3
Third
Glen Werling
The News-Banner
Parade night flip

Second
Stephen Crane
The Reporter Times
Goss laid to rest

First
Glen Werling
The News-Banner
Eclipse in Wells

Division 4
Third
Jeff Morehead
Chronicle-Tribune
Sweet Memories

Second
Patrick Redmond
The News Sun
Rubble

First
Josh Hicks
The News and Tribune
My Mistake

Division 5
Third
Joseph C. Garza
Tribune-Star
Saying Goodbye

Second
Tim Bath
Kokomo Tribune
Veterans

First
Jeremy Hogan
The Herald-Times
Meeting Shutdown

Division 6
Third
Robert Franklin
South Bend Tribune
Saving Kawi

Second
Michael Caterina
South Bend Tribune
Cooling off

First
Cathie Rowand
The Journal Gazette
Giraffe escapes

Category: 15
Best General News Photo

Division 1
Third
Deb Patterson
The Mail-Journal
No entry here

Second
Deb Patterson
The Mail-Journal
Surrounded

First
Zach Spicer
The Jackson County Banner
Colors!

Category: 16
Best Sports Feature Photo

Division 1
Third
Dorian McDaniel
Hendricks County Flyer
Champagne Shower

Second
Eric Tretter
Ferdinand News
Ranger hopes

First
Will Willems
Zionsville Times Sentinel
Worth the Wait
Division 2
Third
Jim Buchberger
The Journal-Press (Aurora)
Quarterback whoops it up

Second
Sandy Mahoney
Dearborn County Register
Home Run Celebration

First
Josh Lewis
The Salem Leader
Final Moments

Division 3
Third
Chris Schanz
The Commercial Review
Repping at regional

Second
Will Willems
The Lebanon Reporter
Invite Title

First
Ray Cooney
The Commercial Review
Alex attitude

Division 4
Third
Rich Janzaruk
Times-Mail
Celebration Hug

Second
Mickey Shuey
Palladium-Item
Defeated

First
Tyler Stewart
The News and Tribune
Spoils of War

Category: 17
Best Sports Action Photo

Division 1
Third
Eric Tretter
Ferdinand News
Rangers run out of gas

Second
Brittney Lundy
Ferdinand News
Collision

First
Jeremy Nichols
Springs Valley Herald
Snowy slide into home

Division 2
Third
Corey Ohlenkamp
The Star Press
Fans go crazy

Second
John Terhune
Journal & Courier
Tears

First
Joseph C. Garza
Tribune-Star
Look!

Division 3
Third
Mike Moore
The Journal Gazette
Komets rally after Cyclones’ fluke goal

Second
Mykal McEldowney
The Indianapolis Star
Joe Thomas cools off

First
Denny Simmons
Evansville Courier & Press
Nailbiter

Division 4
Third
Tom Russo
Daily Reporter
Goal!

Second
Rich Janzaruk
Times-Mail
Racing home

First
Fran Ruchalski
Pharos-Tribune
Wrestling
Division 5
Third
Don Knight
The Herald Bulletin
Reversal

Second
John Terhune
Journal & Courier
Loose Ball

First
Jeremy Hogan
The Herald-Times
Little 500 Wrecked Hand

Division 6
Third
Michael Caterina
South Bend Tribune
Taking Flight

Second
Mykal McEldowney
The Indianapolis Star
Flip and catch

First
Rachel Von
The Journal Gazette
Reeling K's feel Toledo's wrath

Category:  18
Best Feature Photo

Division 1
Third
Janice Barniak
South Gibson Star-Times
Eggstatic Hunting

Second
Eric Tretter
Spencer County Leader
Appaloosa with Rider in St. Meinrad

First
Sue Carpenter
The Garrett Clipper
Face painting

Division 2
Third
Joe Awad
The Journal-Press (Aurora)
Drifting Along

Second
Joe Awad
Dearborn County Register
Fishing Derby Judge

First
Kate Wehlann
The Salem Democrat
Dogs are a Girl's Best Friend

Division 3
Third
Glen Werling
The News-Banner
Carefree days of summer

Second
Ray Cooney
The Commercial Review
Wake up

First
Glen Werling
The News-Banner
Out for a ride

Division 4
Third
Rich Janzaruk
Times-Mail
Work Horse

Rich Janzaruk
Times-Mail
Robin Snack

First
Jeff Morehead
Chronicle-Tribune
Predator and Prey

Division 5
Third
Tim Bath
Kokomo Tribune
Puddle Jumper

Second
Mike Wolanin
The Republic
Face Full of Water

First
Jordan Kartholl
The Star Press
Bubble fun

Division 6
Third
Mike Lawrence
Evansville Courier & Press
Sunset splash

Second
Cathie Rowand
The Journal Gazette
4-H Fair auction

First
Cathie Rowand
The Journal Gazette
Get in the hole!

Category:  19
Best Portrait

Division 1
Third
Eric Tretter
Spencer County Leader
Wonders of Love

Second
Ashton Brellenthin
Hendricks County Flyer
Safety first

First
Clayton Doty
The Benton Review
Flavored Ice
### Division 2

**Third**  
Suzannah Couch  
Brown County Democrat  
Dan Reuter

**Second**  
Suzannah Couch  
Brown County Democrat  
Joy family’s loss

**First**  
Joe Awad  
Dearborn County Register  
Not Camera Shy

### Division 3

**Third**  
Zach Spicer  
The Tribune (Seymour)  
Seniors

**Second**  
Aaron Piper  
The Tribune (Seymour)  
Diver

**First**  
Mike Marturello  
The Herald Republican (Angola)  
Nicky Ball

### Division 4

**Third**  
Tom Russo  
The Daily Reporter  
All that remains

**Second**  
Steve Garbacz  
The News Sun  
Goof

**First**  
Jeff Morehead  
Chronicle-Tribune  
Hello

### Category: 20 Best Multiple Picture Group

### Division 5

**Third**  
Joseph C. Garza  
Tribune-Star  
Silhouette

**Second**  
Corey Ohlenkamp  
The Star Press  
Governor Davis

**First**  
Joseph C. Garza  
Tribune-Star  
Armed

### Division 6

**Third**  
Michelle Davies  
The Journal Gazette  
Child homicides put heat on state agency

**Second**  
Robert Franklin  
The South Bend Tribune  
Healing Smoke

**First**  
Marlena Sloss  
The Evansville Courier & Press  
Funster rookie

### Division 2

**Third**  
Ross Schulz & Jo Ann Spieth-Saylor  
The Corydon Democrat  
Living History

**Second**  
Megan O’Bryan  
Brown County Democrat  
Holiday Light Parade

**First**  
Suzannah Couch  
Brown County Democrat  
July 4

### Division 3

**Third**  
Zach Spicer  
The Tribune (Seymour)  
Balloon Glow

**Second**  
Stephen Crane  
The Reporter Times  
A day of healing

**First**  
Aaron Piper  
The Tribune (Seymour)  
Scale Masters

### Division 1

**Third**  
Don L. Hurd  
The News & Review  
Fish Fry Magic

**Second**  
Eric Tretter  
The Ferdinand News  
Regional memories

**First**  
Tom Russo  
The Daily Reporter  
Champions at last

**First**  
Tom Russo  
The Daily Reporter  
Hancock County Jail: A crowded house
**Category: 21**

**Best Multimedia Story**

**Division 1**

Third
Dylan Trimpe
Hendricks County Flyer
Orioles grind out a win

Second
Dylan Trimpe
Hendricks County Flyer
Orioles blow out another foe

First
Dylan Trimpe
Hendricks County Flyer
Three-peat

**Division 2**

Third
Brian Smith
The Corydon Democrat
Chase Burton

**Division 3**

Third
Kristi Sanders
Washington Times-Herald
New company

Second
Jessica Bricker & Glen Werling
The News-Banner
School fire anniversary

First
Jessica Bricker
The News-Banner
‘Everybody knows you better watch it’

**Division 4**

Third
Rich Janzaruk
Times-Mail
Christmas Around the Square

Second
Elizabeth DePompe & Josh Hicks
The News and Tribune
To the stars

First
Elizabeth DePompe & Josh Hicks
The News and Tribune
Art at the falls

**Division 5**

Third
Staff
The Herald Bulletin
24 hours in Anderson

Second
Kelly Lafferty Gerber
Kokomo Tribune
Bill Roe, Santa of Kokomo

**Division 6**

Third
Mykal McEldowney
The Indianapolis Star
A year of photos capture America

Second
Mykal McEldowney
The Indianapolis Star
She’s a new teen mom and refuses to fail

First
Sam Owens
Evansville Courier & Press
Immigrating to Mexico

First
Seth Tackett & Jon Blau
The Herald-Times
No Limits

Second
Cathie Rowand & Ashley Sloboda
The Journal Gazette
Duck parade

First
Robert Scheer
The Indianapolis Star
Not even people smoking roach spray can surprise these firefighters

**Category: 22**

**Best Editorial Page**

**Division 1**

Third
Staff
Hendricks County Flyer

Second
Staff
Hendricks County Flyer

First
Staff
The Herald-Tribune
Division 2
Third
Joe Awad
The Journal-Press (Aurora)

Second
Bryce Mayer
North Vernon Plain Dealer

First
Jo Ann Spieth-Saylor, Chris Timberlake & Ross Schulz
The Corydon Democrat

Category: 23
Best Use Of Graphics

Division 2
First
Staff
Brown County Democrat

Division 3
Third
Andrea Howe
Princeton Daily Clarion

Second Staff
The Tribune (Seymour)

First
Staff
The Commercial Review

Division 4
Second
Staff
The News Sun

First
Staff
The News and Tribune

Division 5
Second
Paula Bivens & Staff
The Herald Bulletin

First
Staff
The Republic

Division 6
Third
Suzette Hackney & Tim Swarens
The Indianapolis Star

Second
Alesia Redding & Terry Bland
South Bend Tribune

First
Karen Francisco & Tim Harmon
The Journal Gazette

Category: 24
Best Website

Division 1
First
Denise Freitag Burdette & Staff
The Rising Sun Recorder & The Ohio County News

Division 2
Third
Denise Freitag Burdette & Staff
Dearborn County Register

Second
Staff
The Indianapolis Recorder

First
Staff
The Republic

Division 3
Third
Staff
Washington Times-Herald

Second
Bill Thornbro
The Herald-Times

First
Heather Bremer
The Herald Bulletin

Division 6
Third
Stephen Beard
The Indianapolis Star

Second
Gregg Bender
The Journal Gazette

First
Stephen Beard
The Indianapolis Star
Category: 25
Best Sports Section

Division 1

Third
Staff
The Times-Post

Second
Staff
Brian Bohne & Eric Tretter
Ferdinand News

First
Staff
The Jackson County Banner

Division 2

Third
Staff
The Press-Dispatch

Second
Staff
Brown County Democrat

First
Brian Smith
The Corydon Democrat

Division 3

Second
Staff
Chris Schanz & Ray Cooney
The Commercial Review

First
Staff
The Tribune (Seymour)
Best Sports Section

Division 4

Third
Staff
Daily Journal

Second
Staff
The News Sun

First
Staff
Daily Reporter

Division 5

Third
Staff
Tribune-Star

Second
Staff
The Herald-Times

First
Staff
The Republic

Division 6

Third
Staff
The Journal Gazette

Second
Bill Bilinski
South Bend Tribune

First
Staff
Evansville Courier & Press

Staff
The Herald Times

First
Staff
The Republic

Division 6

Third
Staff
The Journal Gazette

Second
Bill Bilinski
South Bend Tribune

First
Staff
Evansville Courier & Press

Staff
The Herald Times

First
Staff
The Republic

Division 6

Third
Staff
The Journal Gazette

Second
Bill Bilinski
South Bend Tribune

First
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Evansville Courier & Press

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The Herald Times

First
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The Republic

Division 6

Third
Staff
The Journal Gazette

Second
Bill Bilinski
South Bend Tribune

First
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Staff
The Herald Times

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Staff
The Republic

Division 6

Third
Staff
The Journal Gazette

Second
Bill Bilinski
South Bend Tribune

First
Staff
Evansville Courier & Press

Staff
The Herald Times

First
Staff
The Republic

Division 6

Third
Staff
The Journal Gazette

Second
Bill Bilinski
South Bend Tribune

First
Staff
Evansville Courier & Press

Staff
The Herald Times

First
Staff
The Republic
Category: 26
Best Feature Section Or Page(s)

Division 1

Third
Staff
The Times-Post

Second
Staff
The Jackson County Banner

First
Debbie Blank, Diane Raver & Will Fehlinger
The Herald-Tribune

Division 2

Third
Staff
Perry County News

Second
Staff
The Corydon Democrat

First
Ashton Brellenthin
Hendricks County Flyer

Division 3

Third
Staff
Princeton Daily Clarion

Second
Staff
The Tribune (Seymour)

First
Staff
The Journal Gazette

Division 4

Third
Erin Doucette
The News Sun

Second
Staff
Daily Journal

First
Staff
Daily Journal

Division 5

Third
Jennifer Tilley
The Herald-Times

Second
Staff
The Republic

First
Staff
The Republic

Division 6

Third
Bill Thornbro
The Herald-Times

Second
Andrew Hughes
South Bend Tribune

First
Staff
The Journal Gazette

Category: 27
Best Business Section Or Page(s)

Division 1

Third
Debbie Blank & Diane Raver
The Herald-Tribune

Second
Ashton Brellenthin
Hendricks County Flyer

Division 2

First
Staff
Brown County Democrat

Division 3

First
Staff
The Commercial Review

Division 4

First
Staff
Chronicle-Tribune

Second
Staff
Daily Reporter

Division 5

First
Staff
Pharos-Tribune

Division 6

First
Mike Wanbaugh
South Bend Tribune
**Category: 28  
Best Special Section**

**Division 1**

Third  
Justin Kiel  
The Regional News (LaCrosse)  
I Am Thankful For...

Second  
Debbie Blank, Diane Raver & Will Fehlinger  
The Herald-Tribune  
Two centuries of Ripley County

First  
Staff  
The Times-Post  
Spirit to Survive

**Division 2**

Third  
Staff  
The Corydon Democrat  
Disaster Preparedness

Second  
Staff  
Brown County Democrat  
Spring Brown County Almanack

First  
Denise Freitag Burdette  
Dearborn County Register  
2017 Honoring Our Veterans

**Division 3**

Third  
Staff  
The News-Banner  
Victorious 2018

Second  
Staff  
The Daily Clarion  
Progress Edition: Celebrating Gibson County's Everyday Heroes

First  
Greensburg Daily News  
A day in the life of Greensburg & Decatur County

Second  
Amanda Cornelius  
Daily Reporter  
Spirit to Survive

First  
Staff  
The Herald-Tribune  
Two centuries of Ripley County

**Division 4**

Third  
Staff  
The Republic  
Run & Fun, Mill Race Marathon

Second  
Staff  
The Republic  
24 Hours in Anderson

First  
The Tribune (Seymour)  
24 Hours in Anderson

**Division 5**

Third  
Abby Tonsing & Laura Lane  
The Herald-Times  
“The This is Opioid Addiction”

Second  
Staff  
The Herald Bulletin  
24 Hours in Anderson

First  
Ryan Trares, Annie Goeller & Michele Holtkamp  
The Republic  
24 Hours in Anderson

**Division 6**

Second  
Staff  
The South Bend Tribune  
Champs

First  
Staff  
The Journal Gazette  
TinCaps Preview

**Category: 29  
Community Service**

**Division 1**

First  
Staff  
The Mail-Journal

**Division 2**

Third  
Suzannah Couch  
Brown County Democrat

Second  
Barbara King, Sharon Hamilton & Bryce Mayer  
North Vernon Plain Dealer

First  
Sara Clifford  
Brown County Democrat

**Division 3**

Second  
Staff  
The Herald Republican (Angola)

First  
Staff  
The Tribune (Seymour)

**Division 4**

Third  
Steve Garbacz  
The News Sun

Second  
Tyler Juranovich & Spencer Durham  
Chronicle-Tribune

First  
Ryan Trares, Annie Goeller & Michele Holtkamp  
The Daily Journal
### Division 5
- **Third**
  - Staff
  - Kokomo Tribune

- **Second**
  - Staff
  - The Republic

- **First**
  - Staff
  - Tribune-Star

### Division 6
- **First**
  - Tim Swarens
  - The Indianapolis Star

### Category: 30
**Best Newspaper Design**

#### Division 1
- **Third**
  - Dax Lowery & Michael Haynes
  - The Herald-Tribune

- **Second**
  - Staff
  - The Jackson County Banner

- **First**
  - Staff
  - Hendricks County Flyer

#### Division 2
- **Second Staff**
  - The Corydon Democrat

- **First**
  - Staff
  - Brown County Democrat

#### Division 3
- **First**
  - Staff
  - The Tribune (Seymour)

#### Division 4
- **Third**
  - Staff
  - The News and Tribune

- **Second**
  - Scarlett Syse
  - Daily Reporter

- **First**
  - Staff
  - Daily Journal

#### Division 5
- **Third**
  - Staff
  - The Herald-Times

- **Second**
  - Staff
  - The Herald Bulletin

- **First**
  - Staff
  - The Journal Gazette

#### General Excellence

#### Division 1
- **Third**
  - The Herald-Tribune (Batesville)

- **Second**
  - The Times-Post (Pendleton)

- **First**
  - Hendricks County Flyer (Avon)

#### Division 2
- **Third**
  - The Herald-Times (Bloomington)

- **Second**
  - The Herald Bulletin (Anderson)

- **First**
  - The Republic (Columbus)

#### Division 3
- **Third**
  - The Indianapolis Star

- **Second**
  - South Bend Tribune

- **First**
  - The Journal Gazette (Fort Wayne)
Story of the Year

Division 1
Millicent Martin Emery
Western Wayne News
(Cambridge City)
Opioid Epidemic

Division 2
Staff
Brown County Democrat (Nashville)
#Do Something

Division 3
Dave Kurtz, Kathryn Bassett & Mark Murdock
The Star (Auburn)
Eckhart Public Library arson fire

Division 4
Annie Goeller
Daily Journal
Jail overcrowding

Division 5
Kirk Johannesen & Mark Webber
The Republic
Children Removed

Division 6
Staff
South Bend Tribune
South Bend Flooding

WINNER
Staff
Brown County Democrat (Nashville)
#Do Something

Photo of the Year

Division 1
Zach Spicer
The Jackson County Banner
Colors

Division 2
Andy Heuring
The Press-Dispatch
Blast off!

Division 3
Sherri Madison
The Paper of Montgomery County
New Market Fire

Division 4
Josh Hicks
The News and Tribune
My Mistake

Division 5
Jordan Kartholl
The Star Press
Bubble fun

Division 6
Lauren Cross
The Times (Munster)
Black Lives Matter

WINNER
Lauren Cross
The Times (Munster)
Black Lives Matter

Blue Ribbon Newspapers

Nondaily
Third
The Journal Press (Aurora)

Second
Brown County Democrat (Nashville)

First
Herald-Tribune (Batesville)

Daily
Third
The Herald Bulletin (Anderson)

Second
The Herald-Times (Bloomington)

First
South Bend Tribune
Editorial/Opinion

Third
Staff
The DePauw
DePauw University
“Administration closes the blinds on student media”

Second
Katie Hurst
The Goshen College Record
Goshen College
“For the Record”

First
Editorial Board
Ball State Daily News
Ball State University
“Our View: Indiana lawmakers are failing student journalists”

Features

Third
Gaby Wy
The Shield
University of Southern Indiana
“I said no”

Second
Brooke Kemp
Ball State Daily News
Ball State University
“Living Form: The man behind the masks”

First
Jack Evans
Indiana Daily Student
Indiana University
“The man in black”

News

Third
Sarah Verschoor
Indiana Daily Student
Indiana University

Second
Creighton Suter
Purdue Exponent
Purdue University

First
Brynn Mechem & Max Lewis
Ball State Daily News
Ball State University

Photo

Third
Byron Mason
The DePauw
DePauw University
“Kaleb Anderson: A rebel with a cause for style”

Second
Ronald Hanson
Campus Citizen
IUPUI
“The Sage of 17th and Broadway”

First
Noble Guyon
Indiana Daily Student
Indiana University
“NCAA Soccer Championship”

Sports

First Place
Jordan Guskey
Indiana Daily Student
Indiana University
“A new hope”

Second Place
Elizabeth Wyman and Breanna Daugherty
The Ball State Daily News
Ball State University
“Amateur Muncie boxer uses rough childhood as motivation in ring”

Third Place
Chandler Cooper
The Horizon
Indiana University Southeast
“Angel in the Outfield”

Advertising

First Place
Kaleigh Friesen
The Ball State Daily News
Ball State University
“MITS Advertising Campaign”

Second Place
Carly Graham, Mercer Suppiger and Ashley VanArsdale
Indiana Daily Student
Indiana University
“Looking for sports news?”

Third Place
Becca McGregor
Indiana Statesman
Indiana State University
“Franciscan Health”