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**AWARD  
WINNERS**

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# CHEERS to all the 2019 AWARD WINNERS.



Although we could not be together to toast your achievements this year, the Oklahoma Press Association is proud to honor these award winners for their excellence and commitment to their communities.



# 2019 OPA BETTER NEWSPAPER CONTEST

# SEQUOYAH AWARD WINNERS

**DIVISION 1**  
Dailies, Circulation  
more than 6,200



**DIVISION 2**  
Dailies, Circulation  
3,000 - 6,200



**DIVISION 3**  
Dailies, Circulation  
less than 3,000



**SEMI- & TRI-WEEKLIES**



**DIVISION 4**  
Weeklies, Circulation  
more than 1,600



**DIVISION 5**  
Weeklies, Circulation  
1,050 - 1,600



**DIVISION 6**  
Weeklies, Circulation  
725 - 1,049



**DIVISION 7**  
Weeklies, Circulation  
less than 725



**COLLEGE NEWSPAPERS**



**POINTS:**

Points in the first eight categories are awarded as follows. No points are awarded in categories 9 through 20.

**EVENTS 1-3**

1st Place 110 Points  
2nd Place 80 Points  
3rd Place 60 Points

**EVENTS 4-8**

1st Place 100 Points  
2nd Place 70 Points  
3rd Place 50 Points

Each division's Sweepstakes winner, which is determined by the amount of points accumulated in the first eight categories, receives the Sequoyah Award – the highest honor in the contest.

# 2019 OPA BETTER NEWSPAPER CONTEST

## DIVISION 1 RESULTS, DAILIES, CIRC. MORE THAN 6,200

### NEWS CONTENT



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Norman Transcript**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Journal Record**  
Oklahoma City  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Enid News & Eagle**

### PHOTOGRAPHY



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Norman Transcript**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Lawton Constitution**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Enid News & Eagle**

### NEWS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Steve Metzger**  
**The Journal Record**  
"Unlawful Acts"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Janice Francis-Smith**  
**The Journal Record**  
"Taxi Crackdown"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Emma Keith**  
**The Norman Transcript**  
"Professor brings survivors' stories to campus with #MeToo event"

### LAYOUT & DESIGN



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Lawton Constitution**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Journal Record**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Norman Transcript**

### SPORTS COVERAGE



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Norman Transcript**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Enid News & Eagle**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Lawton Constitution**

### FEATURE STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Gary Reddin**  
**The Lawton Constitution**  
"Icarus ain't got nothing on us"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**James Neal**  
**Enid News & Eagle**  
"A harvest of joy: Teacher finds blessings in breast cancer"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Tim Farley**  
**The Norman Transcript**  
"Deputy chief makes impact"

### ADVERTISING



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Journal Record**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Norman Transcript**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Lawton Constitution**

### SALES PROMOTION



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Lawton Constitution**  
"Pet Calendar"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Norman Transcript**  
"125 Years of OU Football"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Enid News & Eagle**  
"Readers' Choice"

### SPORTS STORY



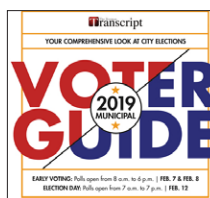
FIRST PLACE:  
**Glen Brockenbush**  
**The Lawton Constitution**  
"Red Dirt revival"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Joe Buettner**  
**The Norman Transcript**  
"Randle inspires Norman High"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Chip Minty**  
**The Journal Record**  
"Thunder fan faith put to the test"

### EDITORIAL WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Journal Record**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Enid News & Eagle**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Lawton Constitution**

### COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Norman Transcript**  
"Municipal Election Voters Guide"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Enid News & Eagle**  
"Pillar of the Plains"

## IN-DEPTH REPORTING



FIRST PLACE:  
**Scott Rains, Grace Leonhart, Kim McConnell & Mitch Meador**  
*The Lawton Constitution*  
 "Series on homeless population"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Steve Metzger**  
*The Journal Record*  
 "Rural hospitals recovering from neglect"

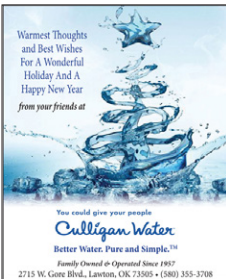
THIRD PLACE:  
**Mitchell Willetts**  
*Enid News & Eagle*  
 "How the city obtained a crucial piece of Lahoma Courts for redevelopment"

## COLUMN WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**Russell Ray**  
*The Journal Record*  
 SECOND PLACE:  
**James Neal**  
*Enid News & Eagle*  
 THIRD PLACE:  
**Jeff Mullin**  
*Enid News & Eagle*

## SMALL SPACE AD



FIRST PLACE:  
**Kayla Durham**  
*The Lawton Constitution*  
 "Culligan Water"  
 SECOND PLACE:  
**Kayla Durham**  
*The Lawton Constitution*  
 "Wooden Nickel at Edward's"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Advertising Staff**  
*Enid News & Eagle*  
 "Hedges - We're all ears"

## LARGE SPACE AD



FIRST PLACE:  
**Laura Watts**  
*The Journal Record*  
 "Wanted: Dead or Alive - Oklahoma History Center"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Laura Watts**  
*The Journal Record*  
 "Kilgen Organ Recital - Oklahoma History Center"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Shelly Sanderson**  
*The Journal Record*  
 "Clemens Aviation now operating out of OKC"

## NEWS PHOTOGRAPH



FIRST PLACE:  
**Kyle Phillips**  
*The Norman Transcript*  
 "House Fire"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Mark Hancock**  
*The Journal Record*  
 "Flight instructor guides Gov. Kevin Stitt"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Mark Hancock**  
*The Journal Record*  
 "State of the State"

## FEATURE PHOTOGRAPH



FIRST PLACE:  
**Kyle Phillips**  
*The Norman Transcript*  
 "Wiener Dog Race"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Kyle Phillips**  
*The Norman Transcript*  
 "Graduation"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Mark Hancock**  
*The Journal Record*  
 "More women working in construction"

## SPORTS PHOTOGRAPH

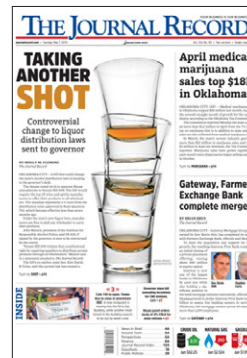


FIRST PLACE:  
**Michael Pope**  
*The Lawton Constitution*  
 "Rangers Rodeo marches on"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Kyle Phillips**  
*The Norman Transcript*  
 "Rodeo head stomp"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Billy Hefton**  
*Enid News & Eagle*  
 "Leaping over arms"

## FRONT PAGE DESIGN



FIRST PLACE:  
**Bryan Richter**  
*The Journal Record*  
 "Taking another shot"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Joe Malan**  
*Enid News & Eagle*

THIRD PLACE:  
**Caleb Slinkard**  
*The Norman Transcript*



FIRST PLACE, FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHY:  
 KYLE PHILLIPS, THE NORMAN TRANSCRIPT

# 2019 OPA BETTER NEWSPAPER CONTEST

## DIVISION 2 RESULTS, DAILIES, CIRC. OF 3,000 - 6,200

### NEWS CONTENT



FIRST PLACE:  
**Muskogee Phoenix**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Shawnee News-Star**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Ardmoreite**

### PHOTOGRAPHY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Stillwater News Press**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Ada News**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Ardmoreite**

### NEWS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Michelle Charles  
Stillwater News Press**  
"Flood claims life in Perkins; rescue crews busy as water rises"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Kim Morava  
The Shawnee News-Star**  
"Jury chooses death penalty"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Carl Lewis & Eric Swanson  
The Ada News**  
"City fields questions on Irving Center meals"

### LAYOUT & DESIGN



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Ardmoreite**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Stillwater News Press**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Shawnee News-Star**

### SPORTS COVERAGE



FIRST PLACE:  
**Stillwater News Press**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Shawnee News-Star**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Ada News**

### FEATURE STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Drew Butler  
The Ardmoreite**  
"Making the most of life"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Ashlynd Huffman  
The Ada News**  
"Mama T's: Creating success stories"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Elisabeth Slay  
The Shawnee News-Star**  
"Controlled accident, calculated mistake"

### ADVERTISING



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Ardmoreite**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Stillwater News Press**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Shawnee News-Star**

### SALES PROMOTION



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Ardmoreite**  
"Best of the Best"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Shawnee News-Star**  
"Best of the Best"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Stillwater News Press**  
"Stillwater Guide & Annual Progress Forecast"

### EDITORIAL WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Shawnee News-Star**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Ardmoreite**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Muskogee Phoenix**

### COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Ardmoreite**  
"Recognition of law enforcement, nurses, teachers, fire fighters and student athletes"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Shawnee News-Star**  
"Best of Preps"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Stillwater News Press**  
"Stillwater Medical Center Foundation partnership"

### SPORTS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Jason Elmquist  
Stillwater News Press**  
"A Dream Come True"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Jeff Cali  
The Ada News**  
"Morrison wins third straight noodling title"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Jordan Bishop  
Stillwater News Press**  
"Hidden Gem"

## IN-DEPTH REPORTING



FIRST PLACE:  
**Elisabeth Slay**  
*The Shawnee News-Star*  
 "Shawnee animal rescues and shelter struggle with the growing animal population"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Chesley Oxendine & D.E. Smoot**  
*Muskogee Phoenix*  
 "Flooding"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Michael Smith**  
*The Ardmoreite*  
 "Feeding the future"

## COLUMN WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**Jeff Cali**  
*The Ada News*

SECOND PLACE:  
**Richard Barron**  
*The Ada News*  
 THIRD PLACE:  
**Jordan Bishop**  
*Stillwater News Press*

## NEWS PHOTOGRAPH



FIRST PLACE:  
**Richard Barron**  
*The Ada News*  
 "Injury accident diverts traffic"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Jason Elmquist**  
*Stillwater News Press*  
 "Seth Green tubing"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Megan Howell**  
*Perry Daily Journal*  
 "Santa at the Library"

## SPORTS PHOTOGRAPH

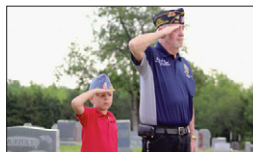


FIRST PLACE:  
**Jordan Bishop**  
*Stillwater News Press*  
 "Home run rob"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Jason Elmquist**  
*Stillwater News Press*  
 "Dru Brown leaps over an Oklahoma defender"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Jason Elmquist**  
*Stillwater News Press*  
 "Pawnee junior linebacker puts pressure on a Mangum quarterback"

## FEATURE PHOTOGRAPH



FIRST PLACE:  
**Michelle Charles**  
*Stillwater News Press*  
 "Memorial Day in Stillwater - Like Grandpa"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Jason Elmquist**  
*Stillwater News Press*  
 "Bikers bow their heads in prayer"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Richard Barron**  
*The Ada News*  
 "Cougars host USA Theme Night"

## FRONT PAGE DESIGN



FIRST PLACE:  
**Tanner Holubar**  
*Stillwater News Press*  
 "Skeeter Trouble"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Tina Bridenstine**  
*The Shawnee News-Star*  
 "Holy disappearing act, Batman"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Gay Ketchum**  
*The Shawnee News-Star*  
 "Earlsboro teacher wins award"

**The Ardmoreite**  
**BEST OF THE best**  
 ★ 2019 ★  
 Official People's Choice Awards

*This winner's crest is a benchmark and indicates they have won at least one Best of the Best category!*

Thanks to everyone that participated in nominating and voting in The Ardmoreite's 2019 Best of the Best promotion and Congratulations to all of the individuals, businesses and organizations that were nominated by their friends, family and customers! Making the Top 3 Finalist Round is an honor in all categories because of the quality of our area businesses and the fierce competition to be the best in service, merchandise and community support.



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(LEFT) FIRST PLACE, SALES PROMOTION, THE ARDMOREITE

# 2019 OPA BETTER NEWSPAPER CONTEST

## DIVISION 3 RESULTS, DAILIES, CIRC. OF LESS THAN 3,000

### NEWS CONTENT



FIRST PLACE:  
**Tahlequah Daily Press**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**McAlester News-Capital**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Duncan Banner**

### PHOTOGRAPHY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Tahlequah Daily Press**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Woodward News**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**McAlester News-Capital**

### NEWS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**James Beaty, Derrick James & Kevin Harvison McAlester News-Capital**  
"County commissioner under investigation by police"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Sarah Nishimuta Woodward News**  
"This was her place"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Dawnita Fogleman Woodward News**  
"Area residents survive close call from large tornado"

### LAYOUT & DESIGN



FIRST PLACE:  
**McAlester News-Capital**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Tahlequah Daily Press**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Claremore Daily Progress**

### SPORTS COVERAGE



FIRST PLACE:  
**McAlester News-Capital**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Claremore Daily Progress**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Tahlequah Daily Press**

### FEATURE STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Adrian O'Hanlon III & Kelci McKendrick McAlester News-Capital**  
"Tedesco strong: McAlester child prepares for heart surgery"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Kayleigh J.T. Harrison Claremore Daily Progress**  
"The American Dream: An immigration story in Claremore"

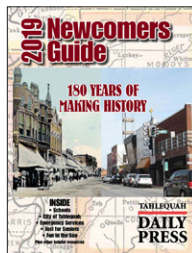
THIRD PLACE:  
**Sheri Gourd Tahlequah Daily Press**  
"Bevy of blueberries"

### ADVERTISING



FIRST PLACE:  
**McAlester News-Capital**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Claremore Daily Progress**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Tahlequah Daily Press**

### SALES PROMOTION



FIRST PLACE:  
**Tahlequah Daily Press**  
"Newcomers Guide"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**McAlester News-Capital**  
"2019 Football Preview"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Duncan Banner**  
"Gridiron 2019"

### COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

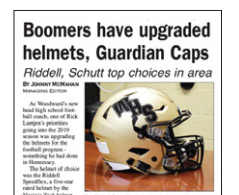


FIRST PLACE:  
**McAlester News-Capital**  
"Helping Neighbors"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Claremore Daily Progress**  
"Project FreePeriod"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Woodward News**  
"Pioneering Women of Industry"

### SPORTS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Johnny McMahan Woodward News**  
"Boomers have upgraded helmets, Guardian Caps"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Kevin Green Claremore Daily Progress**  
"Baseball Medium: Curse of the Bat"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Kevin Green Claremore Daily Progress**  
"Practice on Thanksgiving Day"

### EDITORIAL WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Duncan Banner**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Claremore Daily Progress**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Tahlequah Daily Press**



# 2019 OPA BETTER NEWSPAPER CONTEST

## SEMI- AND TRI-WEEKLY RESULTS

### NEWS CONTENT



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Edmond Sun**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Sequoyah County Times**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Okmulgee Times**

### PHOTOGRAPHY



FIRST PLACE:  
**El Reno Tribune**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Pauls Valley Democrat**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Sequoyah County Times**

### NEWS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Rick Carpenter**  
**The Altus Times**  
"Tornado destroys Mangum homes, school facilities"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**James Coburn**  
**The Edmond Sun**  
"Police, family discuss police shootings"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Ray Dyer**  
**El Reno Tribune**  
"Halliburton cuts 808"

### LAYOUT & DESIGN



FIRST PLACE:  
**Henryetta Free-Lance**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Sequoyah County Times**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Durant Democrat**

### SPORTS COVERAGE



FIRST PLACE:  
**Sequoyah County Times**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Okmulgee Times**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**El Reno Tribune**

### FEATURE STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Jessie Brydges**  
**Okmulgee Times**  
"Sugar Sweet"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**James Coburn**  
**The Edmond Sun**  
"Street of Forgotten Dreams"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Jessica Lane**  
**The Express-Star** (Chickasha)  
"Elvis tribute artist to perform in Chickasha"

### ADVERTISING



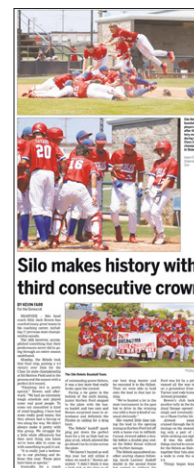
FIRST PLACE:  
**The Edmond Sun**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**El Reno Tribune**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Okmulgee Times**

### SALES PROMOTION



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Edmond Sun**  
"Summer Entertainment Guide"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Sequoyah County Times**  
"Women's Expo"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Okmulgee Times**  
"Treasure Hunt"

### SPORTS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Kevin Farr**  
**Durant Democrat**  
"Silo makes history with third consecutive crown"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Kevin Farr**  
**Durant Democrat**  
"Lady Lions claim Class 5A state golf title"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Glen Miller**  
**El Reno Tribune**  
"Making up for lost time"

### EDITORIAL WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**El Reno Tribune**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Durant Democrat**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Sequoyah County Times**

### COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Edmond Sun**  
"Samaritan Fund Drive"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Sequoyah County Times**  
"Retirement Fair"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**El Reno Tribune**  
"Re-dedication of Memorial Stadium"



# 2019 OPA BETTER NEWSPAPER CONTEST

## DIVISION 4 RESULTS, WEEKLIES, CIRC. OF MORE THAN 1,600

### NEWS CONTENT



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Purcell Register**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Stigler News-Sentinel**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Mustang Times**

### PHOTOGRAPHY



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Chronicle**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Choctaw Times**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Lincoln County News**

### NEWS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Lisa Carroll**  
**The Chronicle**  
"It's the Law"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Darrell Neale**  
**The Stilwell Democrat Journal**  
"Johnson pleads guilty in murder of wife"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Joani Hartin**  
**Marietta Monitor**  
"Denton murder suspect apprehended in Love County"

### LAYOUT & DESIGN



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Purcell Register**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**OKC Friday**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Chronicle** (Elgin)

### SPORTS COVERAGE



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Purcell Register**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**OKC Friday**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Eufaula Indian Journal**

### FEATURE STORY



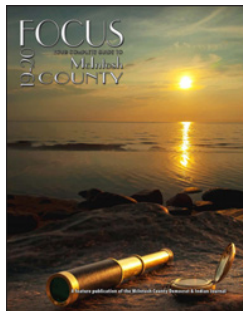
FIRST PLACE:  
**Debi DeSilver**  
**The Chronicle**  
"Johnny Bench: 'Catch every ball'"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Tom Lokey**  
**Johnston County Sentinel**  
"Man, 119, suffers dehydration at Shelton concert"

### ADVERTISING



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Purcell Register**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Eufaula Indian Journal**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**OKC Friday**

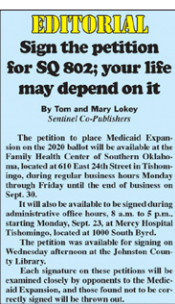
### SALES PROMOTION



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Eufaula Indian Journal**  
"Focus"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Mustang Times**  
"Mustang's 50th Anniversary"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Stigler News-Sentinel**  
"Advantage"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Keith Neal**  
**The Stilwell Democrat Journal**  
"46 Stilwell residents died from the flu 100 years ago"

### EDITORIAL WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**Johnston County Sentinel**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**OKC Friday**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Mustang Times**

### COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Purcell Register**  
"Sales tax passage"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Choctaw Times**  
"Holiday food drive"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Stigler News-Sentinel**  
"Angel tree"

### SPORTS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Rebecca Carroll**  
**Marietta Monitor**  
"Turner athletes gear up for great season with special help"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Shonda Little**  
**The Beckham County Record**  
"PeeWee Champs"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Sheryl Ponce**  
**The Beckham County Record**  
"Pigeon racing"

## IN-DEPTH REPORTING



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Mike W. Ray**  
*The Chronicle*  
 "Cotton County Sheriff resigns"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**John Small**  
*Johnston County Sentinel*  
 "Stepp West Controversy"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Shonda Little**  
*The Beckham County Record*  
 "Varnell Trial"

## LARGE SPACE AD



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**JJ Francais**  
*The Chronicle*  
 "Pizza Corral: Holly Jolly Pizza"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Ron Vavak**  
**OKC Friday**  
 "Oklahoma Senior Follies"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Tatiana Ryland**  
*Watonga Republican*  
 "Easter Blessings from Senator Darcy Jech"

## SPORTS PHOTOGRAPH



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Rose Cummings**  
*The Beckham County Record*  
 "ECHS Boys Basketball"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Brad Spitzer**  
*The Beckham County Record*  
 "Senior at Western Equipment Classic"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Rose Cummings**  
*The Beckham County Record*  
 "Kobi Casebeer Wrestling"

## COLUMN WRITING



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Brian Blansett**  
*The Lincoln County News*

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Connie Burcham**  
*Watonga Republican*

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Charles White**  
*The Madill Record*

## NEWS PHOTOGRAPH

(COMBINED WITH DIVISION 5)



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Troy Littledear**  
*The Stilwell Democrat Journal*  
 "Herd of horses interrupts 5K run"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Chelsea Weeks**  
*The Lincoln County News*  
 "Shopping with a cop"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Lisa Carroll**  
*The Chronicle*  
 "Medical helicopters at wreck"

## FRONT PAGE DESIGN



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Tatiana Ryland**  
*Watonga Republican*

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Keith Neale, Darrell Neale & Betty Neale**  
*The Stilwell Democrat Journal*

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Sheryl Ponce**  
*The Beckham County Record*

## SMALL SPACE AD



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**JJ Francais**  
*The Chronicle*  
 "Scott's House of Flowers: Merry Christmas"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**LaGayla Eakle**  
*Stigler News-Sentinel*  
 "Sockey Agency"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Tatiana Ryland**  
*Watonga Republican*  
 "McCrary Veterinary Hospital: Happy Thanksgiving"

## FEATURE PHOTOGRAPH



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Lisa Carroll**  
*The Chronicle*  
 "Dog Days"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Debi DeSilver**  
*The Chronicle*  
 "Iced plant next to pole"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Debi DeSilver**  
*The Chronicle*  
 "Tree reflection in lake"



FIRST PLACE, NEWS PHOTOGRAPH:  
 TROY LITTLEDEAR, THE STILWELL DEMOCRAT JOURNAL



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 THE PURCELL REGISTER

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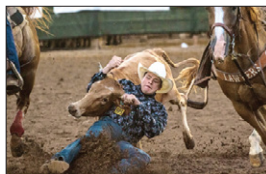
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### NEWS CONTENT



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**Midwest City Beacon**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Countywide & Sun**  
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THIRD PLACE:  
**Heavener Ledger**

### PHOTOGRAPHY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Countywide & Sun**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Midwest City Beacon**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Owasso Reporter**

### NEWS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Bob Henline**  
**The Cordell Beacon**  
"Parents look for answers in wake of student assault"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Elizabeth Pitts-Hibbard**  
**The Marlow Review**  
"A beautiful day for everyone"

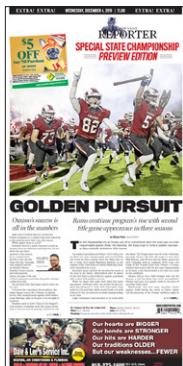
THIRD PLACE:  
**Art Haddaway**  
**Owasso Reporter**  
"E-cigs in school: OHS holds first vaping forum"

### SPORTS COVERAGE



FIRST PLACE:  
**Owasso Reporter**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Midwest City Beacon**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**McIntosh County Democrat**

### LAYOUT & DESIGN



FIRST PLACE:  
**Owasso Reporter**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Countywide & Sun**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**McIntosh County Democrat**

### FEATURE STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Art Haddaway**  
**Owasso Reporter**  
"Evan's impact: Owasso mother hopes son's death helps save lives"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Virginia Bradshaw**  
**Countywide & Sun**  
"Clean up continues on illegal dump sites"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Bob Henline**  
**The Cordell Beacon**  
"Burnin' Down the House: Local fire departments perform joint training"

### SALES PROMOTION



FIRST PLACE:  
**McIntosh County Democrat**  
"Gridiron Guide"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Midwest City Beacon**  
"Oklahoma Festival Guide"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Owasso Reporter**  
"Ready to Rumble Football Preview"

### ADVERTISING



FIRST PLACE:  
**Countywide & Sun**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Midwest City Beacon**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Owasso Reporter**

### SPORTS STORY

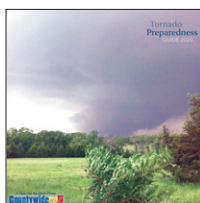


FIRST PLACE:  
**Craig Hall**  
**Heavener Ledger**  
"Heavener graduate runs in Arkansas Traveller 100"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Shawn Hein**  
**Owasso Reporter**  
"Auntie's Tribute: Emotional letter to late aunt after state game"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Jeff Harrison**  
**Midwest City Beacon**  
"Lady Titans show resolve on final day of state meet"

### COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP



FIRST PLACE:  
**Countywide & Sun**  
"Tornado Preparedness Guide"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**McIntosh County Democrat**  
"Gold Star Luminary Initiative"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Vian Tenkiller News**  
"God's Blessings Clothes Closet; Ruby's Card Ministry"

### EDITORIAL WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**Countywide & Sun**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Cordell Beacon**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Vian Tenkiller News**

## IN-DEPTH REPORTING

(COMBINED WITH DIVISION 6)



**Fast Track Negotiations Derailed At Expo Meeting**

**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Suzie Campbell**  
*Countywide & Sun*  
"Conflict between Shawnee and the Expo Trust"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Lori Cooper**  
*The Carnegie Herald*  
"Will the bond issue pass?"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Bob Henline**  
*The Cordell Beacon*  
"Ward 4 candidate may be ineligible"

## COLUMN WRITING

From The Editor  
**A Note Of Appreciation**



When the outcome had already been determined, I, for one appreciate it and enjoyed every minute of basketball I watched this season.

Another thing I noticed about the young men and women of Cordell is their unflinching sportsmanship. I've seen players throwing fist, mauling off to officials, or displaying a lot of unnecessary physicality. It's smart going right, but I didn't see that from any of the Blue Devils or Lady Devils during this basketball season. I saw young men and women giving it everything on the court, and then helping other players up off the court, shaking each other's hands, and walking off with their heads held high, grateful in both victory and defeat.

That type of behavior speaks volumes about not only the character of these young men and women, but also about the people from whom they'll be about this year.

**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Bob Henline**  
*The Cordell Beacon*

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Patti Poteete**  
*Countywide & Sun*

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**LaDonna Rhodes**  
*McIntosh County Democrat*

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**Jennifer Pitts**  
*Countywide & Sun*  
"CBD"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Jennifer Pitts**  
*Countywide & Sun*  
"Virginia's Home Furnishings"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Jennifer Pitts**  
*Countywide & Sun*  
"Santa Fe Depot"

## LARGE SPACE AD

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**Jennifer Pitts**  
*Countywide & Sun*  
"Vote Yes - 12 million plus bond issue"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Bristow News**  
"Rick Nelson Remembered"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Bristow News**  
"Mainer Ford"

## NEWS PHOTOGRAPH

(COMBINED WITH DIVISION 4)



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Troy Littledeer**  
*The Stilwell Democrat Journal*  
"Herd of horses interrupts 5K run"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
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*The Lincoln County News*  
"Shopping with a cop"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Lisa Carroll**  
*The Chronicle*  
"Medical helicopters at wreck"

## FEATURE PHOTOGRAPH



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Jennifer Pitts**  
*Countywide & Sun*  
"Little girl on the carousel chicken"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Suzie Campbell**  
*Countywide & Sun*  
"Flag Retirement"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Jacob Factor**  
*Countywide & Sun*  
"Max Mathis competes in the steer wrestling competition"

## SPORTS PHOTOGRAPH



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Suzie Campbell**  
*Countywide & Sun*  
"Lady Wildcat and Lady Pirates collide in the I-40 Showdown"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Bob Henline**  
*The Cordell Beacon*  
"Blue Devils fall on road at Watonga"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Bob Henline**  
*The Cordell Beacon*  
"Brady Reimer slides into third"

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**Melanie Allen**  
*Owasso Reporter*  
"Champs"

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**Jacob Factor**  
*McIntosh County Democrat*

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**Bristow News**

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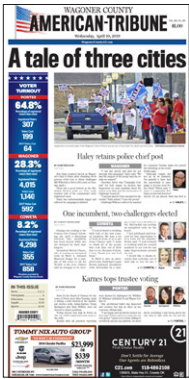
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FIRST PLACE, SALES PROMOTION:  
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## DIVISION 6 RESULTS, WEEKLIES, CIRC. OF 725 - 1,049

### NEWS CONTENT



FIRST PLACE:  
**Wagoner County American-Tribune**

SECOND PLACE:  
**The Comanche Times**

THIRD PLACE:  
**The Fairfax Chief**

### PHOTOGRAPHY



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Carnegie Herald**

SECOND PLACE:  
**Stroud American**

THIRD PLACE:  
**Wagoner County American-Tribune**

### NEWS STORY



**Preserving the prairie for 30 years!**  
The 30th anniversary of the 1989 passage of the Indian Prairie Preservation Act is being celebrated in Indian Prairie, Illinois. The act established the Prairie Path, a 10-mile-long, 100-foot-wide greenway that runs through the heart of the village. The path is a testament to the community's commitment to preserving its natural heritage for future generations.

FIRST PLACE:  
**Carey Head The Fairfax Chief**  
"Preserving the prairie for 30 years"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Carol Conner The Fairfax Chief**  
"Big Hill collapses"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Kindra Coffman Stroud American**  
"The Naked Truth: streaking in Stroud"

### SPORTS COVERAGE



FIRST PLACE:  
**Wagoner County American-Tribune**

SECOND PLACE:  
**The Carnegie Herald**

THIRD PLACE:  
**Stroud American**

### FEATURE STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Christy Wheeland Wagoner County American-Tribune**  
"Lindsay's Heart"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Todd Brooks The Comanche Times**  
"Gordon qualifies for nationals"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Carol Conner The Fairfax Chief**  
"Diverse Scouts honor past"

### LAYOUT & DESIGN



FIRST PLACE:  
**Wagoner County American-Tribune**

SECOND PLACE:  
**The Carnegie Herald**

THIRD PLACE:  
**Eastern Times-Register (Roland)**

### SALES PROMOTION



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Carnegie Herald**  
"Sports Sponsorship"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Wagoner County American-Tribune**  
"Coweta Fall Festival"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Eastern Times-Register**  
"School Tabs"

### SPORTS STORY



**A dose of Dossey**  
First year a learning experience  
By Todd Brooks  
With an abundance of talent and a coaching staff that has been successful for years, the girls' basketball team at the University of Oklahoma is looking to make a name for itself in its first year as a Division I program. The team is led by head coach Mike Krzyzewski, who has led the team to multiple national championships. The team is expected to be a contender for the national title this year.

FIRST PLACE:  
**Todd Brooks The Comanche Times**  
"A dose of Dossey"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Christy Wheeland Wagoner County American-Tribune**  
"Coweta baseball legends honored"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Todd Brooks The Comanche Times**  
"Indians kick way to first win"

### ADVERTISING



FIRST PLACE:  
**Wagoner County American-Tribune**

SECOND PLACE:  
**The Carnegie Herald**

THIRD PLACE:  
**Eastern Times-Register**

### COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Carnegie Herald**  
"Wildcat Turkey Trot"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Wagoner County American-Tribune**  
"Pet Pantry"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Eastern Times-Register**  
"Ahimsa Rescue - Dogs for Adoption"

### EDITORIAL WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**Wagoner County American-Tribune**

SECOND PLACE:  
**The Fairfax Chief**

## IN-DEPTH REPORTING

(COMBINED WITH DIVISION 5)



**FIRST PLACE:**  
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 "Conflict between Shawnee and the Expo Trust"

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**Lori Cooper**  
*The Carnegie Herald*  
 "Will the bond issue pass?"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Bob Henline**  
*The Cordell Beacon*  
 "Ward 4 candidate may be ineligible"

## COLUMN WRITING



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Amie Remer**  
*Eastern Times-Register*

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Jyl Hobbs**  
*Mountain View News*

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**John Ferguson**  
*Wagoner County American-Tribune*

## SMALL SPACE AD



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Sherry Stinson**  
*The Fairfax Chief*  
 "Closet of Hope"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Sherry Stinson**  
*The Fairfax Chief*  
 "Family Worship Center of Ralston"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Sherry Stinson**  
*The Fairfax Chief*  
 "Muffins for Summer"

## LARGE SPACE AD



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Sherry Stinson**  
*The Fairfax Chief*  
 "Blue Sky Bank"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Sherry Stinson**  
*The Fairfax Chief*  
 "D&P Tank Service"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Sherry Stinson**  
*The Fairfax Chief*  
 "Sweet Summer Sips"

## NEWS PHOTOGRAPH



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Chelsea Weeks**  
*Stroud American*  
 "Sac & Fox Nation PowWow"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Carol Conner**  
*The Fairfax Chief*  
 "Cattle congregate on high ground"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Christy Wheeland**  
*Wagoner County American-Tribune*  
 "Raging inferno"

## FEATURE PHOTOGRAPH



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Brian Blansett**  
*Stroud American*  
 "Oreo on Forehead"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Sherry Stinson**  
*The Fairfax Chief*  
 "Super Blood Wolf Moon Lunar Eclipse"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Christy Wheeland**  
*Wagoner County American-Tribune*  
 "Decade of Domination"

## SPORTS PHOTOGRAPH



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Donald Cooper**  
*The Carnegie Herald*  
 "Head-first slide"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Donald Cooper**  
*The Carnegie Herald*  
 "Basketball Christian Pewo"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Teresa Bledsoe**  
*The Fairfax Chief*  
 "Woodland swamps Sayre"

## FRONT PAGE DESIGN



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Lori Cooper & Donald Cooper**  
*The Carnegie Herald*  
 "Helicopter delivers ball"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Melanie Allen**  
*Wagoner County American-Tribune*  
 "Lindsay's Heart"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Lori Cooper**  
*The Carnegie Herald*  
 "Dance on River Bridge"



FIRST PLACE, NEWS PHOTOGRAPH: CHELSEA WEEKS, STROUD AMERICAN

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## DIVISION 7 RESULTS, WEEKLIES, CIRC. OF LESS THAN 725

### NEWS CONTENT



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Newcastle Pacer**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Tri-County Herald**  
(Meeker)  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Westville Reporter**

### PHOTOGRAPHY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Tri-County Herald**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Dewey County Record**

### NEWS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Lindsey Chastain**  
**Skiatook Journal**  
"Skiatook Floods"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Tami Adams**  
**The Thomas Tribune**  
"Weather complicates harvest, yet results in good yields"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Lindsey Chastain**  
**Skiatook Journal**  
"Old Skiatook High School comes down"

### LAYOUT & DESIGN



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**Tri-County Herald**

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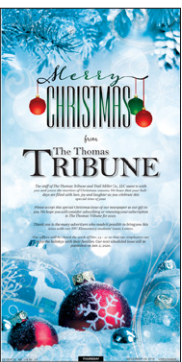
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**The Thomas Tribune**

### FEATURE STORY



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**Todd Newville**  
**The Newcastle Pacer**  
"A Real Pez Head"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Todd Newville**  
**The Newcastle Pacer**  
"O Brother, Where Art Thou? In No-No Heaven"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Kevin Farr**  
**The Dewey County Record**  
"Government students enjoy real life Mock Trial"

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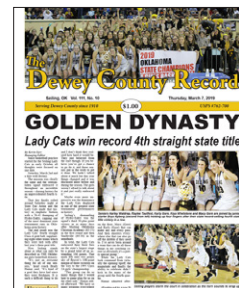
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**The Thomas Tribune**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Tri-County Herald**  
THIRD PLACE:  
**The Newcastle Pacer**

### SALES PROMOTION



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Newcastle Pacer**  
"Pigskin Press Pass"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Tri-County Herald**  
"Congratulations to North Rock Creek"

### SPORTS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Kevin Farr**  
**The Dewey County Record**  
"Lady Cats win record 4th straight state title"  
SECOND PLACE:  
**Kevin Farr**  
**The Dewey County Record**  
"The greatest girls team ever?"  
THIRD PLACE:  
**Brian Blansett**  
**Tri-County Herald**  
"State champs, runnerup"

### EDITORIAL WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**Tri-County Herald**  
SECOND PLACE:  
**The Thomas Tribune**

### COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP



FIRST PLACE:  
**Tri-County Herald**  
"Teacher of the Week"



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## COLLEGE NEWSPAPER RESULTS

### NEWS CONTENT



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Gazette**  
Langston University

SECOND PLACE:  
**Northwestern News**  
Northwestern Oklahoma State University

THIRD PLACE:  
**Collegian**  
Cameron University

### PHOTOGRAPHY



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Oklahoma Daily**

SECOND PLACE:  
**The Gazette**

THIRD PLACE:  
**Collegian**  
(Cameron)

### NEWS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Paul Dower The Campus**  
"Senate passes resolution to suspend Kappa Sigma, Alpha Phi"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Jana Allen & Emma Davis The Oklahoma Daily**  
"It cannot be full consent"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Madison Connell Collegian**  
University of Tulsa  
"TU Copy closed due to third-party budget restrictions"

### LAYOUT & DESIGN



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Oklahoma Daily**  
The University of Oklahoma

SECOND PLACE:  
**Collegian** (Cameron)

THIRD PLACE:  
**Northwestern News**

### SPORTS COVERAGE



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Oklahoma Daily**

SECOND PLACE:  
**Collegian**  
(Cameron)

THIRD PLACE:  
**The Gazette**

### FEATURE STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Blake Douglas The Oklahoma Daily**  
"Fighting for OU community"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Haley Humphrey The Vista**  
University of Central Oklahoma  
"The canine medication that beat small cell lung cancer"

THIRD PLACE:  
**Abigail Hall The Oklahoma Daily**  
"OKC rapper Jabee tells his story"

### ADVERTISING



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Oklahoma Daily**

### SALES PROMOTION



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Oklahoma Daily**  
"OU-Texas Special Section"

### EDITORIAL WRITING



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Oklahoma Daily**

SECOND PLACE:  
**The Campus**  
Oklahoma City University

THIRD PLACE:  
**Northwestern News**

### COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP



FIRST PLACE:  
**The Oklahoma Daily**  
"Diversity and inclusion efforts"

### SPORTS STORY



FIRST PLACE:  
**Hallie Hart The O'Colly**  
Oklahoma State University  
"Pitch Man: The Million Dollar Meeting"

SECOND PLACE:  
**Hallie Hart The O'Colly**  
"A new beginning"

THIRD PLACE:  
**George Stoia The Oklahoma Daily**  
"OU to send off ultimate senior"

## IN-DEPTH REPORTING



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Staff**  
*The Oklahoma Daily*  
 "Coverage of diversity and inclusion at OU"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Sean Doherty, Ashley Watts & Michelle Willson**  
*Northwestern News*  
 "Marijuana and its impact"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Caitlyn Pray, Capri Gahr & Megan Brown**  
*Northwestern News*  
 "Oklahoma public education faces the challenges"

## NEWS PHOTOGRAPH



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Paxson Haws**  
*The Oklahoma Daily*  
 "Gymnastics trainer cries for deceased husband"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Caitlyn Epes**  
*The Oklahoma Daily*  
 "Tape on mouth"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Tanner Laws**  
*The Vista*  
 "Untested rape kits"

## SPORTS PHOTOGRAPH



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Caitlyn Epes**  
*The Oklahoma Daily*  
 "Basketball from catwalk"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Tanner Laws**  
*The Vista*  
 "Nine touchdowns"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**David Perkins**  
*Collegian* (Cameron)  
 "Cross Country takes first"

## COLUMN WRITING



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Paul Dower**  
*The Campus*

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Madison Connell**  
*Collegian* (Univ. of Tulsa)

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Hope Melton**  
*The Campus*

## FEATURE PHOTOGRAPH



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Jordan Green**  
*Northwestern News*  
 "Hitting the breaking point"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Jackson Stewart**  
*The Oklahoma Daily*  
 "Bar time lapse"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Kimberly Thompson**  
*The Gazette*  
 "LU celebrates annual International Day"

## FRONT PAGE DESIGN



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Carly Orewiler**  
*The Oklahoma Daily*  
 "One step closer for Sooners"

**SECOND PLACE:**  
**Emma Palmer**  
*Collegian*  
 (Univ. of Tulsa)  
 "Faculty vote"

**THIRD PLACE:**  
**Drue Watkins**  
*Collegian* (Cameron)  
 "University Awards"

## SMALL SPACE AD



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Austin Childers**  
*The Oklahoma Daily*  
 "Oklahoma Tickets"

## LARGE SPACE AD



**FIRST PLACE:**  
**Austin Childers**  
*The Oklahoma Daily*  
 "University Liquor"



FIRST PLACE, SALES PROMOTION: THE OKLAHOMA DAILY

# ADDITIONAL AWARDS

2019 ONG EDITORIAL  
SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

**KIM POINDEXTER**

*Tahlequah Daily Press*

*Despicable swastika still  
freedom of expression*

April 2019

2019 ONG COLUMN  
SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

**JADEN JENNINGS**

*Tri-County Herald*

*The night depression didn't win*

May 2019

2019 OGE DAILY  
PHOTO OF THE YEAR

**BILLY HEFTON**

*Enid News & Eagle*



*Girl shows her Duroc pig  
at a livestock show*

March 2019

2019 OGE WEEKLY  
PHOTO OF THE YEAR

**CHUCK REHERMAN**

*Yukon Progress*



*Laying the lasso in perfect timing in a  
breakaway roping competition*

August 2019

# ADDITIONAL AWARDS

2019 JOSEPH H. EDWARDS  
OUTDOOR WRITER  
OF THE YEAR AWARD  
**KELLY BOSTIAN**  
*Tulsa World*

2019 RAY LOKEY MEMORIAL  
AWARD FOR  
EXCELLENCE IN REPORTING  
**MICHAEL CLEMENTS**  
*Durant Democrat*

## 2019 DIGITAL MEDIA AWARDS

DAILY DIVISION  
FIRST PLACE  
**THE JOURNAL  
RECORD**

SECOND PLACE  
**THE NORMAN  
TRANSCRIPT**

THIRD PLACE  
**SHAWNEE  
NEWS-STAR**

WEEKLY DIVISION  
FIRST PLACE  
**JOHNSTON  
COUNTY SENTINEL**

SECOND PLACE  
**THE PURCELL  
REGISTER**

THIRD PLACE  
**STIGLER  
NEWS-SENTINEL**

COLLEGE DIVISION  
FIRST PLACE  
**THE OKLAHOMA  
DAILY**  
*University of Oklahoma*

## 2019 OPA MAGAZINE CONTEST

FIRST PLACE  
**THE NORMAN TRANSCRIPT**

SECOND PLACE  
**THE LAWTON CONSTITUTION**

THIRD PLACE  
**THE DUNCAN BANNER**



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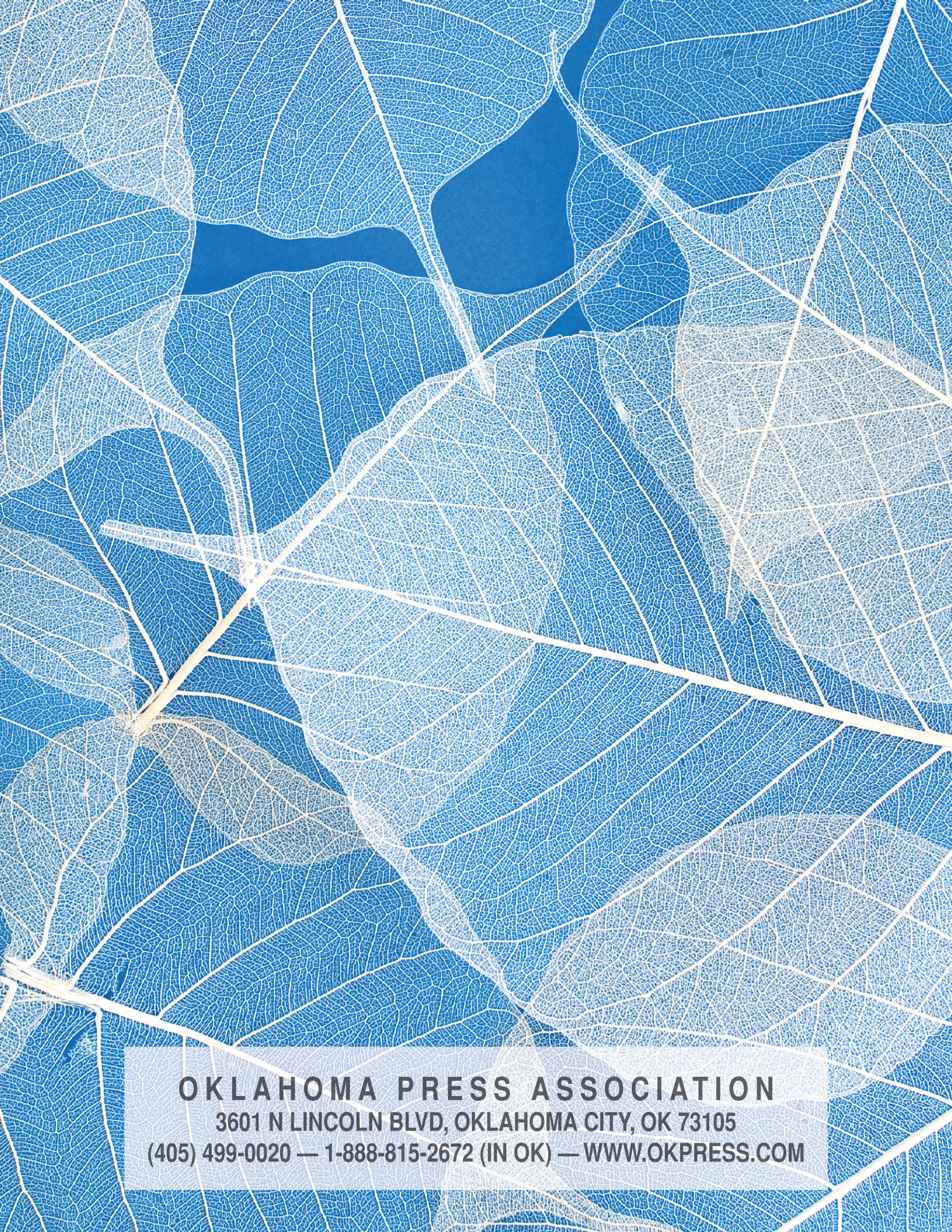
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Broken Bow News  
Buffalo Weekly News  
The Carnegie Herald  
The Chelsea Reporter  
Clayton Today  
The Cleveland American  
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Latimer County News-Tribune  
The Lindsay News  
The Lone Grove Ledger  
Mangum Star  
The Marlow Review  
Midwest City Beacon  
The Mooreland Leader  
Mustang News  
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The Newkirk Herald Journal  
Okemah News Leader  
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The Tonkawa News



Tulsa Beacon  
Tulsa World  
The Tuttle Times  
The Valliant Leader  
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