

2018 MPA Better Newspaper Contest Winners

Photography/Design	Place	Name	Newspaper	Headline
News Photo--Wkly 1	1	Ethan Andrews	The Republican Journal	Biomass Boiler
	2	Joshua Archer	Star-Herald	Jupiter
	3	Joseph Cyr	Houlton Pioneer Times	Houlton's 4th of July
News Photo--Wkly 2	1	Maia Zewert	Lincoln County News	Firefighter Float
	2	David Roza	Ellsworth American	Highschoolers train
	3	Stephen Betts	The Courier-Gazette	Body recovered
News Photo--Daily/Weeknd	1	Daryn Slover	Sun Journal	Court reaction
	2	Joe Phelan	Kennebec Journal	Nursing home wedding
	3	Russ Dillingham	Sun Journal	Owen Cruz
Spot News Photo--Wkly 1	1	Joseph Cyr	Houlton Pioneer Times	Oakfield Fire
	2	Anne Berleant	Weekly Packet	Heavy Smoke
	3	Louis Bettcher	The Camden Herald	Dump truck rolls over
Spot News Photo--Wkly 2	1	Mark Good	Mt. Desert Islander	Car drives into Bass Harbor
	2	Kate Cough	The Ellsworth American	Christian Ridge Road fire
	3	Stephen Betts	The Courier-Gazette	Fire destroys garage
Spot News Photo--Daily/Weeknd	1	Russ Dillingham	Sun Journal	Police capture man
	2	Gregory Rec	Portland Press Herald	Saco flooding
	3	Daryn Slover	Sun Journal	Youngs Corner fire
Scenic Photo--Wkly 1	1	Leslie Rice	Island Ad-Vantages	Stonington Harbor Sunrise
	2	Don Eno	St. John Valley Times	Dandelion
	3	Steve Edwards	Boothbay Register	The sun comes up

Scenic Photo--Wkly 2	1	Liz Graves	Mt. Desert Islander	Sunset on the year
	2	Beth A. Birmingham	The Courier-Gazette	Ducks
	3	Alexander Violo	Lincoln County News	Medomak River
Scenic Photo--Dly/Wknd	1	Russ Dillingham	Sun Journal	Kennedy Park Pool
	2	Daryn Slover	Sun Journal	Hot Air Balloons
	3	Joe Phelan	Kennebec Journal	Cloudy Fishing
People Photo--Wkly 1	1	Joshua Archer	Star-Herald	Runners show
	2	Dagney C. Ernest	The Camden Herald	Alopecian Ann
	3	Anne Berleant	Castine Patriot	Berwyn Peasley
People Photo--Wkly 2	1	David Roza	The Ellsworth American	EA pressman steps down
	2	Lynda Clancy	Penobscot Bay Pilot	Wandering cow calves
	3	Liz Graves	Mt. Desert Islander	Frozen flood
People Photo--Dly/Wknd	1	Brianna Soukup	Portland Press Herald	Naturalization
	2	Brianna Soukup	Portland Press Herald	Prom
	3	Troy R. Bennett	Bangor Daily News	Frosty Window
Picture Story--Wkly 1	1	Susan Mustapich	The Camden Herald	Ascending into heaven
	2	Dee Menear	Original Irregular	Sugarloaf Mountain Bike Festival
	3	Joseph Cyr	Houlton Pioneer Times	Houlton's 4th of July Parade
Picture Story--Wkly 2	1	Beth A. Birmingham	The Courier-Gazette	Flying fortress
	2	Paula Roberts	Lincoln County News	Dance Recital
	3	Lynda Clancy	Penobscot Bay Pilot	Hiking Katahdin
Picture Story--Dly/Wknd	1	Brianna Soukup	Portland Press Herald	Miss Maine USA Pageant
	2	Gregory Rec, Brianna Soukup	Portland Press Herald	Trapped by Heroin
	3	Brianna Soukup	Portland Press Herald	Donna Wall's struggle
Feature Photo--Wkly 1	1	Dee Menear	Original Irregular	Outdoor Saving Station
	2	Joseph Cyr	Houlton Pioneer Times	Graduation smiles
	3	Anne Berleant	Weekly Packet	Up close
Feature Photo--Wkly 2	1	Jessica Picard	Lincoln County News	Black Light
	2	Jessica Picard	Lincoln County News	Barbershop Regular
	3	Dick Broom	Mt Desert Islander	Islesford students commute to school
Feature Photo--Dly/Wknd	1	Daryn Slover	Sun Journal	Auburn man cleans fiddleheads

	2	Derek Davis	Portland Press Herald	Matrix
	3	Daryn Slover	Sun Journal	Cleared court
Sports Photo--Wkly 1	1	Mark Haskell	Republican Journal	High school baseball outfielder
	2	Don Eno	St. John Valley Times	Sled dogs hit the trail
	3	Joseph Cyr	Houlton Pioneer Times	Houlton's Cameron Graham
Sports Photo--Wkly 2	1	Paula Roberts	Lincoln County News	Soccer Goal
	2	Ken Waltz	Courier-Gazette	Baseball player bends low
	3	Paula Roberts	Lincoln County News	Soccer Pass
Sports Photo--Dly/Wknd	1	Michael G. Seamans	Morning Sentinel	Regional champions
	2	Shawn Patrick Ouellette	Portland Press Herald	Winner and loser
	3	Daryn Slover	Sun Journal	Regatta sailor spills into Taylor Pond
Illustration--Wkly 1	1	Christine Dunkle	Republican Journal	Illustration_080317
	2	Christine Dunkle	Camden Herald	Illustration_081717
	3	X	X	X
Illustration--Wkly 2	1	Christine Dunkle	Courier-Gazette	Illustration_121417
	2	X	X	X
	3	X	X	X
Illustration--Dly/Wknd	1	Michael Fisher	Portland Press Herald	Who had the grouse?
	2	George Danby	Bangor Daily News	The final exit for toll roads?
	3	Heather McCarthy	Sun Journal	What's on a young teen's mind?
Graphic--Wkly 1	1	Jeremiah Savage	Castine Patriot	Big moments in State of Maine history
	2	Jeremiah Savage	Island Ad-Vantages	Where can you park?
	3	Christine Dunkle, Dagney C. Ernest	Republican Journal	Graphic_021518
Graphic--Wkly 2	1	David Fickett	Ellsworth American	Election Results
	2	X	X	X
	3	X	X	X
Graphic--Dly/Wknd	1	Pete Gorski	Portland Press Herald	How to make a suet feeder
	2	Heather McCarthy	Sun Journal	2017 Weather
	3	Michael Fisher	Portland Press Herald	Atrial fibrillation
Specialty Page Design--Wkly 1	1	Christine Dunkle, Dagney C. Ernest	Republican Journal	SpecialtyDesign_040617
	2	Jeremiah Savage	Castine Patriot	Bon Voyage

	3	Jeremiah Savage	Weekly Packet	Local voices, national history
Specialty Page Design--Wkly 2	1	Christine Dunkle, Dagney C. Ernest	Courier-Gazette	SpecialtyDesign_041317
	2	X	X	X
	3	X	X	X
Specialty Page Design--Dly/Wknd	1	Rebecca Bowden	Bangor Daily News	The Point
	2	Sally Tyrrell	Portland Press Herald	Food & Dining: December 27, 2017
	3	Rebecca Bowden	Bangor Daily News	The Point
Front Page Design--Wkly 1	1	Cindy Haskell	Island Ad-Vantages	Front page 3/15/17
	2	Staff	Aroostook Republican & News	Front Page
	3	Jeremiah Savage	Weekly Packet	Front page 10/19/17
Front Page Design--Wkly 2	1	Daryl Madore	Coastal Journal	Ahead of schedule: Bath viaduct
	2	Debbie Post, Daniel Dunkle	Courier-Gazette	FrontDesign2_110217
	3	Debbie Post, Daniel Dunkle	Courier-Gazette	FrontDesign1_052517
Front Page Design--Dly/Wknd	1	Heather McCarthy and staff	Sun Journal	Miracles from Maine
	2	Dana Wilde and Sharon Wood	Kennebec Journal	Kennebec Journal front page
	3	Brian Robitaille	Portland Press Herald	MST: October 22, 2017

Sections	Place	Name	Newspaper	Headline
Editorial Page--Wkly 1	1	Stephanie Grinnell	Republican Journal	Editorial pages, special section
	2	Staff	Camden Herald	Camden Herald Editorial Page
	3	Sarah Craighead Dedmon, Ruth Leubecker	Machias Valley News Observer	Editorial Section
Editorial Page--Wkly 2	1	Staff	Courier-Gazette	Editorial Pages
	2	Staff	Mt Desert Islander	Editorial Pages
	3	Staff	Ellsworth American	Editorial Pages
Editorial Page--Dly/Wknd	1	Staff	Portland Press Herald	Editorial sections
	2	Ben Bragdon, Megan Bachelder	Morning Sentinel	Editorial sections
	3	Ben Bragdon, Megan Bachelder	Kennebec Journal	Editorial sections
Feature Section--Wkly 1	1	Dagney C. Ernest	Camden Herald	Arts & Entertainment
	2	Dagney C. Ernest	Republican Journal	Arts & Entertainment
	3	Staff	Calais Advertiser	Feature sections
Feature Section--Wkly 2	1	Staff	Ellsworth American	Feature Sections
	2	Dagney C. Ernest	Courier-Gazette	Arts & Entertainment section
	3	X	X	X
Feature Section--Dly/Wknd	1	Staff	Portland Press Herald	Features sections
	2	Sun Journal staff	Sun Journal	Feature sections for Sun Journal
	3	X	X	X
Sports Section--Weekly 1	1	Staff	Weekly Packet	
	2	Staff	Republican Journal	
	3	Joseph Cyr and Lanette Virtanen	Houlton Pioneer Times	
Sports Section--Weekly 2	1	Staff	Courier-Gazette	
	2	Mike Mandell	Ellsworth American	
	3	Paula Roberts	Lincoln County News	
Sports Section--Dly/Wknd	1	Staff	Portland Press Herald	
	2	Staff	Kennebec Journal	
	3	Bob Conn and Eric Maxim	Times Record	

Advertising/Circulation	Place	Name	Newspaper	Headline
Local ad--Wkly 1	1	Bob Gray	Original Irregular	Ski Depot - Columbus Weekend Sale
	2	Callie Picard	Houlton Pioneer Times	Local ad for Tidd's Sport Shop
	3	Heidi Anderson-Belcher	Camden Herald	LocalAd_092117
Local ad--Wkly 2	1	Megan Hyson	Lincoln County News	Moxie Days
	2	Staff	Ellsworth American	Winter Harbor Lobster Co-op
	3	Christine Dunkle	Courier-Gazette	LocalAd_042017
Local ad--Daily/Wkend	1	Callie Picard	Bangor Daily News	Spencer's Ice Cream
	2	Callie Picard	Bangor Daily News	State Street Barbershop
	3	Carolina Rave	Bangor Daily News	Butter Up Cakes
Campaign or Series--Wkly 1	1	Staff	Weekly Packet	Our News Agents: A series of profiles
	2	Reade Brower, Christine Dunkle	Republican Journal	Campaign_Jan2018
	3	Cheryl Stabinski, Beth McCray	Calais Advertiser	Dining Guide Ad Series
Campaign or Series--Wkly 2	1	Staff	Ellsworth American	
	2	Reade Brower, Christine Dunkle	Courier-Gazette	
	3	Amber Clark	Lincoln County News	
Campaign or Series--Dly/Wkend	1	Carolina Rave	Bangor Daily News	Tradewinds
	2	Melissa Pritchard, Ted Duguay & Brenda Allen	Portland Press Herald	HUB Furniture - "Need more places to sit?"
	3	Marcie Coombs, Callie Picard	Bangor Daily News	Whited Ford
Suppl/Special Section--Wkly 1	1	Christine Dunkle, Design & Sales Staff	The Camden Herald	Camden Classic Cup
	2	Staff	The Star-Herald	Breast Cancer Awareness
	3	Staff	Boothbay Register	Windjammer Days
Suppl/Special Section--Wkly 2	1	Annie Merry, Daryl Madore, Chris Chase, Raye Leonard	Coastal Journal	Alumni Weekend
	2	Megan Hyson, Laurie McBurnie	Lincoln County News	Holiday Shopping Guide
	3	Christine Dunkle, Debbie Post, Design & Sales Staff	The Courier-Gazette	Tis the Season
Suppl/Special Section--Dly/Wkend	1	Matt Chabe, Amy Allen	Bangor Daily News	Experience Maine
	2	Staff	Times Record	Taste of the Midcoast
	3	Matt Chabe, Amy Allen	Bangor Daily News	Maine Outdoors & Adventure

Best Supplement Cover--Wkly 1	1	Heidi Murphy	Original Irregular	Maine Mtn. Fall
	2	Christine Dunkle	Camden Herald	SuppCover_060117
	3	Heidi Murphy, Dee Menear	Original Irregular	Maine's High Peaks Snowmobiling
Best Supplement Cover--Wkly 2	1	Erin Hardison	Ellsworth American	Holiday Gift and Entertainment Ideas
	2	Barbara Tedesco	Mt Desert Islander	Delish
	3	Daryl Madore	Coastal Journal	Come Home to the Midcoast
Best Supplement Cover--Dly/Wknd	1	Callie Picard	Bangor Daily News	Tourney Time
	2	Callie Picard	Bangor Daily News	Summer Camps
	3	Alicia Tuttle	Kennebec Journal	Baby Parade Cover
Best Young Reader Engage. Idea--Wkly 1	1	Staff	Aroostook Republican & News	Newspapers in Educ. Suppl. 2018
	2	Staff	Houlton Pioneer Times	Newspapers in Educ. Suppl. 2018
	3	Staff	Star-Herald	Newspapers in Educ. Suppl. 2018
Best Young Reader Engage. Idea--Wkly 2	1	Irene Mower	Coastal Journal	Coastal Kids
	2	Amber Clark, Christine LaPado-Breglia, Maia Zewert	Lincoln County News	GSB students investigate
	3	X	X	X
Best Young Reader Idea--Dly/Wknd	1	Crystal Jacques, Karen Paradis	Morning Sentinel	Father's Day Scramble
	2	Ron Robbins, Dawn Tantum	Kennebec Journal	Charlie's
	3	Matt Chabe, Amy Allen	Bangor Daily News	Family Life premium publication
Best Circulation Promotion--Wkly 1	1	Lura Jackson, Pierre Little, Shane DelMonaco	Calais Advertiser	Paperboys Return to the Streets of Calais
	2	Staff	Boothbay Register	Morning Catch
	3	X	X	X
Best Circulation Promotion--Wkly 2	1	Staff	Ellsworth American	Early Bird Sale
	2	Staff	Ellsworth American	Army Band Concert
	3	X	X	X
Best Circulation Promotion--Dly/Wknd	1	Mellissa Pritchard & David Greer	Portland Press Herald	Santa - "We Deliver 365"
	2	Amy Allen	Bangor Daily News	Subscribe Promo
	3	Amy Allen	Bangor Daily News	BDN Promo Ad

Self-Promotion--Wkly 1	1	No Winner	X	X
	2	No Winner	X	X
	3	No Winner	X	X
Self-Promotion--Wkly 2	1	Staff	Lincoln County News	Open House
	2	Staff	Lincoln County News	Press Upgrade
	3	X	X	X
Self-Promotion--Dly/Wknd	1	Carolina Rave	Bangor Daily News	Briar Patch Testimonial
	2	Amy Steenstra, Molly Adams & Melissa Pritchard	Portland Press Herald	Maine Voices Live Series
	3	Marcie Coombs	Bangor Daily News	Game of the Week
Best New Revenue Idea--Wkly 1	1	No Winner	X	X
	2	No Winner	X	X
	3	No Winner	X	X
Best New Revenue Idea--Wkly 2	1	Janis Bunting, Kipp Wright, Lynda Clancy	Penobscot Bay Pilot	Pilot Supporter Program
	2	X	X	X
	3	X	X	X
Best New Revenue Idea--Dly/Wknd	1	Staff	Portland Press Herald	Mainers to be Thankful for
	2	Dawn Tantum, Crystal Jacques	Kennebec Journal	Best Places to Work pgs
	3	Staff	Morning Sentinel	Best of the Best Ballot & Results
Sponsorship Page--Wkly 1	1	Staff	Original Irregular	Welcome to Kingfield - Bike Maine
	2	Sales and Design Staff	Republican Journal	Sponsorship_120717
	3	Jody McKee, Design Staff	Camden Herald	Sponsorship_051117
Sponsorship Page--Wkly 2	1	Staff	Mt Desert Islander	Harbor House Flamingo Festival
	2	Megan Hyson	Lincoln County News	Adoptable Pets
	3	Sales and Design Staff	Courier-Gazette	Sponsorship_122817
Sponsorship Page--Dly/Wknd	1	Marcie Coombs	Bangor Daily News	Congratulations Hermon Hawks
	2	Crystal Jacques, Dawn Tantum	Morning Sentinel	Oosala Days
	3	Melissa Pritchard & John Rolf	Portland Press Herald	Nurse's Week

Online	Place	Name	Newspaper	Headline
News Video--Wkly 1	1	Susan Johns	Wiscasset Newspaper	Rescued dogs arrive in Woolwich
	2	Jeremiah Savage	Weekly Packet	Brooklin Independence Day 2017
	3	No Winner		
News Video--Wkly 2	1	Jack Dodson	Ellsworth American	"From Mexico to Maine: A blueberry raker's story"
	2	No Winner		
	3	No Winner		
News Video--Dly/Wknd	1	Gregory Rec	Portland Press Herald	Saco flooding
	2	Troy R. Bennett	Bangor Daily News	Abortion Protestors
	3	Russ Dillingham	Sun Journal	Little Androscoggin River
Sports Video--Wkly 1	1	Zack Miller	Camden Herald	Visual story on Brian Fitzpatrick
	2	Anne Berleant	Island Ad-Vantages	Highlights: Deer Isle-Stonington Mariners 2018 Playoffs
	3	Anne Berleant, Monique Labbe	Weekly Packet	George Stevens Academy Eagles "Road to the States"
Sports Video--Wkly 2	1	No Winner		
	2	No Winner		
	3	No Winner		
Sports Video--Dly/Wknd	1	Troy R. Bennett	Bangor Daily News	You're never too old
	2	Russ Dillingham	Sun Journal	Flying over the bar
	3	Troy R. Bennett	Bangor Daily News	Yooouuuuk
Features/Lifestyle Video--Wkly 1	1	Anne Berleant	Weekly Packet	New trail at John B Mountain
	2	No Winner		
	3	No Winner		
Features Video--Wkly 2	1	Jack Dodson	Ellsworth American	"'Poor White Trash' artist peddles
	2	No Winner		
	3	No Winner		
Features Video--Dly/Wknd	1	Michael G. Seamans	Morning Sentinel	Maine climber cuts new route
	2	Russ Dillingham	Sun Journal	Great Falls Comic Expo
	3	Troy R. Bennett	Bangor Daily News	It's not a hipster ax

Special Online Project/Section--Wkly 1	1	No Winner		
	2	No Winner		
	3	No Winner		
Special Online Project/Section--Wkly 2	1	Lynda Clancy, Sarah Thompson	Penobscot Bay Pilot	Making waves across Penobscot Bay
	2	No Winner		
	3	No Winner		
Special Online Project/Section--Dly/Wknd	1	Staff	Portland Press Herald	Lost: Heroin's killer grip on Maine's people
	2	Staff	Portland Press Herald	From Away
	3	Troy R. Bennett	Bangor Daily News	The Incredible Saga of William Brown
Best Digital Ad Campaign--Wkly 1	1	Christine Dunkle	Republican Journal	DigitalAd_BelfastStagehouse
	2	Christine Dunkle	Camden Herald	DigitalAd_Inns'Tour
	3	No Winner		
Best Digital Ad Campaign--Wkly 2	1	Christine Dunkle	Courier-Gazette	TalNational
	2	Amber Clark	Lincoln County News	Coastal Car Wash
	3	Christine Dunkle	Courier-Gazette	AntiqueAuction
Best Digital Ad Campaign--Dly/Wkend	1	Jake Laws, Ron Robbins	Kennebec Journal	Joseph's Fireside Restaurant
	2	Marcie Coombs	Bangor Daily News	Detour Wipes
	3	Marcie Coombs	Bangor Daily News	Harvest Moon Deli

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News Story--Wkly 1	1	Christopher Bouchard	Aroostook Republican & News	Limestone selectmen question
	2	Deborah McDermott	York Weekly	York women fight 'wall of silence'
	3	Monique Labbe	Weekly Packet	Peninsula 'back to normal'
News Story--Wkly 2	1	Chris Chase	Coastal Journal	After initial loss, Wiscasset couple
	2	Callie Ferguson	Forecaster	Hate mail follows Brunswick councilor
	3	Matt Junker	Lakes Region Weekly	Perfect storm' of events plagues
News Story--Dly/Wknd	1	Amy Calder	Morning Sentinel	Woman shot in Oakland
	2	Alex Acquisto	Bangor Daily News	Mainer attacked by rabid raccoon
	3	Lindsay Tice	Sun Journal	Hemochromatosis: The genetic disorder
Spot News Story--Wkly 1	1	Jessica Potila	St. John Valley Times	Car collides with school bus
	2	Anne Berleant, Monique Labbe	Castine Patriot	High winds cause havoc locally
	3	Dee Menear	Original Irregular	Water and Winds wreak havoc
Spot News Story--Wkly 2	1	Maia Zewert	Lincoln County News	Fire ravages Midcoast Orthodontics
	2	Steve Fuller	The Ellsworth American	Hilltop destroyed
	3	Stephen Betts	The Courier-Gazette	Body recovered in Long Cove
Spot News Story--Dly/Wknd	1	Edward D. Murphy, Matt Byrne	Portland Press Herald	Man convicted of 1989 Portland murder
	2	Judy Harrison, Danielle McLean	Bangor Daily News	Police: Gunman killed wife
	3	Emily Higginbotham	Morning Sentinel	Police standoff shuts down
Political Story--Wkly 1	1	Anne Berleant	Weekly Packet	Sedgwick neighbors protest
	2	Ethan Andrews	Republican Journal	Obvious contrasts, similar views
	3	Ethan Andrews	Republican Journal	Knox selectmen struggle with appearances
Political Story--Wkly 2	1	Callie Ferguson	Forecaster	A town divided: Brunswick faces
	2	Matt Junker	Lakes Region Weekly	Women take lead in towns
	3	Henriette Chacar	Mt Desert Islander	Phone records requested
Political Story--Daily/Wkend	1	Scott Thistle	Portland Press Herald	Why a life-saving drug still isn't at hand
	2	Steve Collins	Sun Journal	Candidate's claims fail truth test
	3	Amy Calder	Morning Sentinel	Wife devastated by husband's arrest

Courts Story--Weekly 1	1	A.M. Sheehan	Advertiser Democrat	7-year-old takes car to go visit friend
	2	Susan Johns	Wiscasset Newspaper	Detective: Accused murderer claims
	3	Stephanie Grinnell	Republican Journal	Target-shooting video, threats
Courts Story--Weekly 2	1	Kate Gardner	American Journal	Outreach helps crime decrease
	2	J.W. Oliver	Lincoln County News	Police charge Wiscasset woman
	3	J.W. Oliver	Lincoln County News	Former Nobleboro man admits
Courts Story--Daily/Wkend	1	Jake Bleiberg	Bangor Daily News	Somali man ICE arrested in court
	2	Christopher Williams	Sun Journal	Tragic accident' Judge hears fatal
	3	Judy Harrison	Bangor Daily News	How a janitor's chance encounter
Investigative Report--Wkly 1	1	Jordan Bailey	Republican Journal	Legal seaweed
	2	Sarah Craighead Dedmon	Machias Valley News Observer	Verizon Wireless disconnects Downeast
	3	Gina Hamilton	Wiscasset Newspaper	'Powerless': CMP billing leaves customers
Investigative Report--Wkly 2	1	Stephen Betts	Courier-Gazette	Former exec billed museum \$30K
	2	Lynda Clancy	Penobscot Bay Pilot	Citizens appeal to Camden, Rockport select boards
	3	Jocelyn Van Saun	Forecaster	Durham sports boosters cope
Investigative Report--Dly/Wknd	1	Lindsay Tice	Sun Journal	Horrors and Healing
	2	Kevin Miller, Scott Thistle	Portland Press Herald	Luxury hotels, fine dining for LePage
	3	Charles Eichacker	Kennebec Journal	Fire sprinkler problems went unnoticed
Analysis--Wkly 1	1	Donna Buttarazzi	York County Coast Star	KKWWD to reintroduce chloramines
	2	Anne Berleant	Weekly Packet	What would retail marijuana look like
	3	Lura Jackson	Calais Advertiser	Fiber Optic internet analysis
Analysis--Wkly 2	1	David Harry	Forecaster	Solutions elusive as Portland streets
	2	Stephen Betts	Courier-Gazette	A look back at the last state government shutdown
	3	Kate Cough	Ellsworth American	City's rental market booms
Analysis--Dly/Wknd	1	Kathryn Skelton	Sun Journal	Sticker cheats
	2	Noel Gallagher	Portland Press Herald	Abuse reports, deaths, fall through
	3	Michael Shepherd	Bangor Daily News	Maine's richest source of maple sugar

Continuing Story--Wkly 1	1	Leslie H. Dixon, A. M. Sheehan	Advertiser Democrat	School security
	2	Joseph Cyr and Jen Lynds	Houlton Pioneer Times	Cary deorganization
	3	Deborah McDermott	York Weekly	York football coach
Continuing Story--Wkly 2	1	J.W. Oliver	Lincoln County News	Kendall Chick investigation
	2	Erica Thoms	Penobscot Bay Pilot	UPDATE: State investigation into
	3	Maia Zewert and Alexander Violo	Lincoln County News	Lincoln Academy
Continuing Story--Daily/Wknd	1	Lindsay Tice, Kathryn Skelton	Sun Journal	What's on a young teen's mind?
	2	Staff	Bangor Daily News	Education Series
	3	Christopher Cousins, Michael Shepherd	Bangor Daily News	Here's what happens when state government
Arts/Lifestyle Feature--Wkly 1	1	Gina Hamilton	Wiscasset Newspaper	Shelter dogs graduate from jail training
	2	Dagney C. Ernest	Camden Herald	Under cover no more
	3	Dagney C. Ernest	Republican Journal	The half of it, made whole
Arts/Lifestyle Feature--Wkly 2	1	Nan Lincoln	Ellsworth American	Stand Up Guys
	2	Dagney C. Ernest	Courier-Gazette	The shadow of substance
	3	Christine LaPado-Breglia	Lincoln County News	Nobleboro filmmaker's documentary
Arts/Lifestyle Feature--Dly/Wknd	1	Mary Pols	Portland Press Herald	What miracles look like
	2	Mark LaFlamme	Sun Journal	Tizz Crowley: Having a ball (gown)!
	3	Julia Bayly	Bangor Daily News	Long before selfies, Maine's most popular
Feature Story--Wkly 1	1	A.M. Sheehan	Advertiser Democrat	A week at Camp POSTCARD ...
	2	Louis Bettcher	Camden Herald	The man on the mountain
	3	Susan Johns	Wiscasset Newspaper	Sara's scarecrow
Feature Story--Wkly 2	1	Beth A. Birmingham	The Courier-Gazette	Child 'stolen' overnight
	2	Raye Leonard	Coastal Journal	Goodbye Girls: Cosmopolitan Club
	3	J.W. Oliver	Lincoln County News	At 18, North Whitefield man
Feature Story--Dly/Wknd	1	Mary Pols, Matt Byrne	Portland Press Herald	Losing Chance
	2	Amy Calder	Morning Sentinel	Daughter of woman missing 41 years
	3	Lauren Abbate	Bangor Daily News	Abandoned Maine camp freezes

Food Story/Feature--Wkly 1	1	Dee Menear	Original Irregular	Growing and learning in the garden
	2	Monique Labbe	Castine Patriot	Exploring food in film and literature
	3	Lura Jackson	Calais Advertiser	The Value of the Farmers' Market
Food Story/Feature--Wkly 2	1	David Roza	Ellsworth American	All fired up
	2	Chris Chase	Coastal Journal	Farm to bottle: Growing beer industry
	3	Maia Zewert	Lincoln County News	Osteria Bucci offers Italian soul food
Food Story/Feature--Dly/Wknd	1	Mark LaFlamme	Sun Journal	Organized chaos: AMS lunch ladies
	2	Kathryn Skelton	Sun Journal	150 years later and still full of beans
	3	Mary Pols	Portland Press Herald	Blessed are the cheesemakers
Religion/Spirituality--Wkly 1	1	Anne Berleant	Island Ad-Vantages	Hospital chaplain shares bedside stories
	2	Louis Bettcher	Camden Herald	Camden center a haven
	3	Christopher Bouchard	Aroostook Republican & News	Hundreds gather to bid final farewell
Religion/Spirituality--Wkly 2	1	Charlotte Boynton	Lincoln County News	Wiscasset couple celebrates 60 years
	2	Beth A. Birmingham	Courier-Gazette	Pastor recovers from motorcycle crash
	3	Kate Gardner	American Journal & Forecaster	Rabbi lifts to a higher power
Religion/Spirituality--Daily/Wknd	1	Lindsay Tice	Sun Journal	Horrors and Healing
	2	Abigail Curtis	Bangor Daily News	Former Amish man creates his own
	3	Eric Russell	Portland Press Herald	Cheverus victims seek the justice
Local Columnist--Wkly 1	1	L.E. Hughes	Original Irregular	Away with Words
	2	Shawn Sullivan	York County Coast Star	Greetings from Sanford
	3	No Winner		
Local Columnist--Wkly 2	1-Tie	Stephen Fay	Ellsworth American	Cheers
	1-Tie	Sarah Caton	Lincoln County News	Paws for Thought
	2	Kris Ferrazza	Courier-Gazette	The Beat Goes On
	3-Tie	Christine LaPado-Breglia	Lincoln County News	Lincoln County Artsbeat
	3-Tie	Diane O'Brien	Penobscot Bay Pilot	This Week in Lincolnville: Friggin' Old Man
Local Columnist--Dly/Wknd	1	Bill Nemitz	Portland Press Herald	Bill Nemitz
	2	Mark LaFlamme	Sun Journal	Street Talk
	3	Dave Sargent	Sun Journal	River Views

Critic's Award--Wkly 1	1	Joseph Cyr	Houlton Pioneer Times	High School Musical
	2	Joseph Charpentier	Boothbay Register	'It' floats
	3	Lisa Kristoff	Boothbay Register	A rockin' good read for music fans
Critic's Award---Wkly 2	1	Nan Lincoln	Ellsworth American	A perfect valentine
	2	Christine LaPado-Breglia	Lincoln County News	Review: Michael Blaze Petan's art
	3	Christine LaPado-Breglia	Lincoln County News	Review: Portland filmmaker's 'The Home Road'
Critic's Award--Dly/Wknd	1	Andrew Ross	Portland Press Herald	2017's best Maine dining
	2	John Holyoke	Bangor Daily News	Kings of fiction: Father and son combine
	3	Andrew Ross	Portland Press Herald	From drinks to desserts, The Burleigh
Feature Headline--Wkly 1	1	Joseph Cyr	Houlton Pioneer Times	Yakking it up in the Shiretown
	2	Sarah Cook	Original Irregular	Something Twisted...
	3	Ethan Andrews	Republican Journal	Two bikes, one decent pair of eyes
Feature Headline--Wkly 2	1	Amy Canfield	Lakes Region Weekly	Goats take a hike
	2	Lynda Clancy	Pen Bay Pilot	Camden 1st Responders
	3	David Harry	Forecaster	Portland pair stalk market
Feature Headline--Dly/Wknd	1	Mark Mogenesen	Sun Journal	Shopping? App-y days are here
	2	Dana Wilde and Sharon Wood	Kennebec Journal	"Shroom to grow"
	3	John Willhoite	Portland Press Herald	Windows to the sole
News/Sports Headline--Wkly 1	1	Dee Menear	Original Irregular	Winter prediction: Kepp the shovels and long underwear handy
	2	William Pearson	Boothbay Register	Seahawk senior 'Ames' for another successful season
	3	Staff	Camden Herald	Python prompts police action
News/Sports Headline--Wkly 2	1	Stephen Fay	The Ellsworth American	Fighting fire with fryer
	2	Stephen Betts	The Courier-Gazette	Recent Rockland arrival has Hecht of a plan for community
	3	David Harry	Forecaster	'Anchor' a drop in the sea of city's housing needs

News/Sports Headline--Dly/Wknd	1	Bob Dixon	Portland Press Herald	'Comfort' animals turning flights into a zoo, United says
	2	Brian Robitaille	Portland Press Herald	Who sits atop Maine beer scene? It's pretty fluid
	3	Becky Bowden	Bangor Daily News	Newly minted police dog helps collar burglary suspect
Editorial--Wkly 1	1	Staff	Camden Herald	Standing up for the First Amendment
	2	Nat Barrows	Weekly Packet	April Fools and fake news
	3	Staff	York Weekly	York must find a way forward
Editorial--Wkly 2	1	Staff	Ellsworth American	A crossroads for maine's economy
	2	Daniel Dunkle	Courier-Gazette	We haven't changed our minds
	3	J.W. Oliver	Lincoln County News	We have it pretty good
Editorial--Dly/Wknd	1	Judy Meyer	Sun Journal	Where did facts and fairness go?
	2	Ben Bragdon	Kennebec Journal	Our View: Disturbing deli video
	3	Greg Kesich	Portland Press Herald	Health costs are the real problem
Opinion Columnist--Wkly 1	1	Reade Brower	Camden Herald	Common Sense
	2	Lawrence Reichard	Republican Journal	Opinion columns
	3	Joseph Cyr	Houlton Pioneer Times	Cup O'Joe
Opinion Columnist--Wkly 2	1	Eva Murray	Penobscot Bay Pilot	Eva Murray: Maine, where it's perfectly normal
	2	Jan Dolcater	Courier-Gazette	Another View
	3	Mo Mehlsak	Forecaster	Editor's Notebook
Opinion Columnist--Dly/Wknd	1	Matthew Gagnon	Bangor Daily News	Pine Tree Politics
	2	David Farmer	Bangor Daily News	Inside Maine Politics
	3	Elliot Epstein	Sun Journal	Rearview mirror
Editorial Cartoonist--Wkly 1	1	Brent Dyer (E.A. Williams)	Star-Herald	E.A. Williams Cartoons
	2	Bob Bryson	Machias Valley News Observer	The editorial cartoons of Bob Bryson
	3	Forest Taber	Republican Journal	editorial cartoons
Editorial Cartoonist--Wkly 2	1	Dale LeRoux	American Journal	LeRoux
	2	Joe Marshall	Mt Desert Islander	Virtual Vacation, New Year's Greetings
	3	Glenn Chadbourne	Lincoln County News	Deaf Ears, Government Shutdown

Editorial Cartoonist-Dly/Wknd	1	Steve Meyers	Portland Press Herald	Steve Meyers
	2	George Danby	Bangor Daily News	Open Carry
	3	Greg Kearney	Portland Press Herald	Greg Kearney
Environmental Story--Wkly 1	1	Donna Buttarazzi	York County Coast Star	'Battling Mother Nature,'
	2	Sarah Craighead Dedmon	Machias Valley News Observer	DEI deploys science, strategy
	3	Lura Jackson	Calais Advertiser	Pratt becomes green
Environmental Story--Wkly 2	1	Stephen Betts	Courier-Gazette	Port Clyde family frustrated
	2	Matt Junker	Lakes Region Weekly	A Big Night for little critters
	3	Callie Ferguson	Forecaster	Brunswick lax landfill oversight
Environmental Story--Dly/Wknd	1	Lindsay Tice	Sun Journal	Bats fight for survival
	2	Lindsay Tice	Sun Journal	Animals on the brink
	3	Aislinn Sarnacki	Bangor Daily News	How one man tricked beavers
Business Story--Wkly 1	1	Jordan Bailey	Republican Journal	Local businesses struggle
	2	Anne Berleant	Weekly Packet	Brooklin General Store nears
	3	Ethan Andrews	Republican Journal	Waldo County gets its 'Walmart'
Business Story--Wkly 2	1	David Harry	Forecaster	Some concerns accompany Portland hotel
	2	Chris Chase	Coastal Journal	New Brews: Brunswick, Bath anticipating
	3	Maia Zewert	Lincoln County News	Newcastle business blends art, science
Business Story--Dly/Wknd	1	Kathryn Skelton	Sun Journal	Growing market
	2	Rosie Hughes	Bangor Daily News	Thousands of Maine men are missing
	3	Kathryn Skelton, Lindsay Tice	Sun Journal	Raw water
Education Story--Wkly 1	1	Bill Pearson	Boothbay Register	Edgecomb boarding school
	2	Melissa Lizotte	Star-Herald	Fourth graders share published book
	3	Kevin Burnham	Boothbay Register	Toby LeConte receives Rotary's 2017
Education Story--Wkly 2	1	Stephen Betts	Courier-Gazette	Rockland student overcomes cancer
	2	David Roza	Ellsworth American	High - schoolers train for lucrative welding careers
	3	Dick Broom	Mt Desert Islander	Islesford students commute to school

Education Story--Dly/Wknd	1	Lindsay Tice, Kathryn Skelton	Sun Journal	What's on a young teen's mind?
	2	Noel Gallagher	Portland Press Herald	The changing face of Maine's classrooms
	3	Lindsay Tice	Sun Journal	r smart phones hurting r kids?
Health Story--Wkly 1	1	Sarah Reynolds	Camden Herald	Making a left-hand turn
	2	Jordan Bailey	Republican Journal	Police chief prepares for narcan
	3	Melissa Lizotte	Star-Herald	Mental health training educates
Health Story--Wkly 2	1	Mark Haskell	Courier-Gazette	Coach Townsend faces battle
	2	Matt Junker	Lakes Region Weekly	Councilor reacts to his viral video
	3	Callie Ferguson	Forecaster	Policing in Maine evolves as mental illness increases
Health Story--Dly/Wknd	1	Joe Lawlor	Portland Press Herald	Community in crisis: Battle against
	2	Lindsay Tice	Sun Journal	Lead poisoning hits new Mainers hard
	3	Matthew Stone	Bangor Daily News	LePage cuts last direct ties with tribes

Sports	Place	Name	Newspaper	Headline
Game Story--Wkly 1	1	Mark Haskell	Republican Journal	Best in Class D — times three
	2	Ken Waltz	Camden Herald	Back-to-back state Class B titles
	3	Carl Pepin	York County Coast Star	Kennebunk wins another Class B state title
Game Story--Wkly 2	1	Lynda Clancy	Penobscot Bay Pilot	Fleet of foot, Islesboro teen flies over winter
	2	Mark Haskell	Courier-Gazette	By slimmest of margins, Mariners sunk
	3	Ken Waltz	Courier-Gazette	In Classic clash, Old Town nips Oceanside
Game Story--Dly/Wknd	1	Taylor Vortherms	Portland Press Herald	B2B Maine winner
	2	Ernie Clark	Bangor Daily News	Greenville boys outlast Woodland
	3	Ernie Clark	Bangor Daily News	Old Town-Orono tops Greely
Sports News Story--Wkly 1	1	Bill Pearson	Boothbay Register	Late Winthrop 3-pointer
	2	Anne Berleant	Weekly Packet	Peninsula youth baseball driven
	3	Joseph Cyr	Houlton Pioneer Times	Long road to victories
Sports News Story--Wkly 2	1	Mark Haskell	Courier-Gazette	Waldoboro native Gomez helps
	2	George Harvey	Penobscot Bay Pilot	Camden Hills tabs Marks
	3	Mark Haskell	Courier-Gazette	Hurlers, coaches must adapt

Sports News Story--Dly/Wknd	1	John Holyoke	Bangor Daily News	One hunting party's approach finally pays off
	2	Larry Mahoney	Bangor Daily News	Outgoing UMaine athletics director praised
	3-Tie	Ernie Clark	Bangor Daily News	Parent's concussion fears keep more Maine kids
	3-Tie	Taylor Vortherms	Portland Press Herald	Deering High may be first U.S. school to offer
Sports Profile--Wkly 1	1	Mark Haskell and Ken Waltz	Republican Journal	On, off wrestling mat Heroux
	2	Monique Labbe	Weekly Packet	GSA coaching duo's success built on trust
	3	Ken Waltz	Republican Journal	Mustangs refused to be corralled
Sports Profile--Wkly 2	1	Paula Roberts	Lincoln County News	Bristol 12-year-old a tuna fishing legend
	2	Holly Vanorse Spicer	Courier-Gazette	Racing no drag for Clough
	3	Zack Miller	Courier-Gazette	Miller grabs success chapter at a time
Sports Profile--Dly/Wknd	1	Mike Lowe	Portland Press Herald	For small-town team, it's more
	2	Ernie Clark	Bangor Daily News	With his father in prison, Husson standout
	3	Pat McDonald	Journal Tribune	'We really are like a family'
Sports Columnist--Wkly 1	1	Holly Vanorse spicer	Camden Herald	It's the little things
	2	Dee Menear	Original Irregular	An Explore Western Maine Adventure
	3	Monique Labbe	Weekly Packet	Coaches Corner
Sports Columnist--Wkly 2	1	Holly Vanorse Spicer	Courier-Gazette	It's the little things
	2	Mike Mandell	Ellsworth American	Times change; so does sports news
	3	Paula Roberts	Lincoln County News	On the Trail in Lincoln County
Sports Columnist--Dly/Wknd	1	John Holyoke	Bangor Daily News	Ode to a fishing buddy gone too soon
	2	Justin Pelletier	Sun Journal	In the Crease
	3	Pat McDonald	Journal Tribune	Pat McDonald
Sports Page Design--Wkly 1	1	Ken Waltz	Republican Journal	9-14-17
	2	Ken Waltz	Republican Journal	2/15/2018
	3	Jeremiah Savage	Weekly Packet	It's tournament time
Sports Page Design--Wkly 2	1	Ken Waltz	Courier-Gazette	10-19-17
	2	Ken Waltz	Courier-Gazette	2/15/2018
	3	Mike Mandell	Ellsworth American	Sports Page Design
Sports Page Design--Dly/Wknd	1	Sun Journal staff	Sun Journal	#Oxford 250 - Captain Curt
	2	Sun Journal staff	Sun Journal	Red letter day
	3	Joe Grant	Portland Press Herald	Sports: November 5, 2017

Special Awards	Place	Name	Newspaper	Headline
Freedom of Information--Wkly 1	1	Staff	The Camden Herald	
	2	No Winner	X	X
	3	No Winner	X	X
Freedom of Information--Wkly 2	1	Staff	Courier-Gazette	
	2	David Harry	Forecaster	Portland mayor and the use of private email
	3	No Winner	X	X
Freedom of Information-- Dly/Wknd	1	Staff	Portland Press Herald	Freedom of Information
	2	Staff	Sun Journal	Sun Journal Freedom of Information
	3			
Photography Best in Show: Wkly 1	1	Leslie Rice	Island Ad-Vantages	Stonington Harbor Sunrise
Photography Best in Show: Wkly 2	1	David Roza	The Ellsworth American	EA pressman steps down
Photography Best in Show: Daily/Wkend	1	Ben McCanna	Portland Press Herald	Solar eclipse
Advertising General Excellence--Wkly 1	1-Tie	Staff	The Camden Herald & The Republican Journal	
	2	Staff	The Original Irregular	
	3	No Winner		
Advertising General Excellence---Wkly 2	1	Staff	Mount Desert Islander	
	2	Staff	The Ellsworth American	
	3	Staff	Lincoln County News	
Advertising General Excellence--- Daily/Wkend	1	Staff	Portland Press Herald	
	2	Staff	Bangor Daily News	
	3	No Winner	X	
Gen Excellence Digital--Wkly 1	1	Staff	Republican Journal	
	2	Staff	Camden Herald	
	3-Tie	Staff	Boothbay Register & Wiscasset Newspaper	
Gen Excellence Digital--Wkly 2	1	Staff	Lincoln County News	
	2	Staff	Penobscot Bay Pilot	
	3	Staff	Courier-Gazette	

Gen Excellence Digital--Daily/Wknd	1	Staff	Kennebec Journal
	2	Staff	Bangor Daily News
	3	Staff	Sun Journal
Gen Excellence Print--Wkly 1	1	Staff	The York Weekly
	2	Staff	The Weekly Packet
	3	Staff	York County Coast Star
Gen Excellence Print--Wkly 2	1	Staff	The Ellsworth American
	2	Staff	The Forecaster
	3	Staff	Mount Desert Islander
Gen Excellence Print--Daily	1	Staff	Bangor Daily News
	2	Staff	Portland Press Herald
	3	Staff	The Times Record
Gen Excellence Print--Wknd	1	Staff	Maine Sunday Telegram
	2	Staff	Sun Journal
	3	Staff	Bangor Daily News