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Four Papers Claim Top Newspaper Awards (480)

MEMPHIS -- The Erwin Record, Southern Standard, Daily News Journal and The Tennessean have again claimed the top awards in the state's newspaper contests.

The four papers won the Sweepstakes awards in the Tennessee Press Association-University of Tennessee press contests last year. The awards are given in four circulation categories and are based on accumulated points for all entries, with six points given for first place down to one for sixth-place.

TPA is holding its summer convention here this week.

The Tennessean of Nashville accumulated 70 points, The Erwin Record 55, Southern Standard of McMinnville 50, and The Daily News Journal, Murfreesboro, 43.

Chattanooga Times Free Press claimed the most first-place honors with six. It won for best personal humor column, best sports photo, community lifestyles, editorials, general excellence and make-up and appearance in the large-daily category.

Memphis Business Journal took five top awards for best personal column, best personal humor column, general excellence, local features and make-up and appearance in the large non-daily group.

The Lebanon Democrat, small daily division, won for best news story, best single feature, editorials and public service. Southern Standard also won four first-place awards - best news story, community lifestyles, promotion of newspapers and public service.

Two of the Sweepstakes winners, The Erwin Record and the Tennessean, each won three first-place plaques. The Record won for best sports photo, general excellence and local features. The Tennessean wins were in best single advertisement, best single feature and sports.

The News Sentinel, Knoxville, also won three, best special issue or section, best personal column and local features.

Winners of two first-place awards:

The Daily News Journal, general excellence and Sunday editions; The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, best feature photo and public service; The Herald-News, Dayton, best single editorial and make-up and appearance; Mt. Juliet News, best single feature and public service; Rogersville Review, best special issue or section and community lifestyles; Smithville Review, best news story and sports; Monroe County Advocate & Democrat, Sweetwater,

best feature photo and best personal column; The Daily Herald, Columbia, best sports photo and community lifestyles; The Greeneville Sun, best news photo and best personal column; The Daily Times, Maryville, best feature photo and best single editorial.

Shelbyville Times-Gazette, best humor column and local features; The Covington Leader, best sports photo and sports; Carroll County News-Leader, Huntingdon, best single editorial and best single feature.

Papers with one first-place award:

Bristol Herald Courier, best news photo; Cleveland Daily Banner, promotion of newspapers; The Jackson Sun, best news story; Kingsport Times-News, best single editorial; Citizen Tribune, Morristown, make-up and appearance; The Fairview Observer, best news photo; Chester County Independent, Henderson, best personal humor column; The Milan Mirror-Exchange, editorials; The Leaf-Chronicle, Clarksville, sports; The Newport Plain Talk, best special issue or section; The Bolivar Bulletin-Times, best single advertisement; Crossville Chronicle, best feature photo.

The Standard-Banner, Jefferson City, best special issue or section; Volunteer Times, LaFollette, editorials; The Giles Free Press, Pulaski, best news photo.

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