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Hillsdale College's Student Newspaper Named "Best Weekly College Newspaper in Michigan" by the Michigan Press Association

Students also earn 23 individual awards for writing, articles

Hillsdale, Mich.— The Michigan Press Association (MPA) has named Hillsdale College's student newspaper, *The Collegian*, the "best weekly college newspaper in Michigan" in the association's annual College Better Newspaper Contest, the College announced today.

"Hillsdale College has some of the smartest and most talented journalism students in Michigan," said John J. Miller, director of the college's Dow Journalism Program. "These awards and recognitions show that a classical liberal arts education produces students who can think and write well—two of the most essential qualities of a good journalist. We couldn't be happier with this year's results, and a huge congratulations goes out to all the winners."

According to a press release from the MPA, more than 670 entries were submitted by 14 Michigan college newspapers. The College "Best Newspaper of the Year" award is presented to the top college newspapers in three divisions: Division 1 (published more than weekly), Division 2 (published weekly), and Division 3 (two-year college publications or newspapers published less than weekly). *The Collegian* won first place in Division 2.

The Collegian student writers also won 23 individual awards—including top honors in four categories—for work published during the 2014-2015 academic year. Individual awards included:

News story:

- 2nd place Macaela Bennett
- 3rd place Natalie McKee
- Hon. Mention Breana Noble

Investigative reporting:

- 2nd place Bailey Pritchett
- Hon, Mention Breana Noble

Feature story:

- 1st place Amanda Tindall
- 2nd place Andrew Egger
- 3rd place Andrew Egger
- Hon. Mention Tom Novelly

Sports news/feature story:

- 1st place Samantha Scorzo
- Hon. Mention Bailey Pritchett

Column:

- 1st place Phil Wegmann
- 3rd place Jack Butler

Editorial:

- 2nd place Bailey Pritchett
- Hon. Mention Morgan Delp

Best Writer:

- 1st place Morgan Delp
- 2nd Place Micah Meadowcroft
- Hon. Mention Macaela Bennett

Best Photographer:

- 2nd place – Anders Kiledal

News-only photo:

- 2nd place Anders Kiledal
- 3rd place Anders Kiledal

Feature or sports photo:

- 2nd place Anders Kiledal
- Hon, Mention Anders Kiledal

Founded in 1876, *The Collegian* is the oldest college newspaper in Michigan. To learn more about the award-winning student paper or to view winning submissions, go to www.hillsdalecollegian.com. To learn more about Hillsdale College, visit www.hillsdale.edu.

About Hillsdale College

Hillsdale College, founded in 1844, has built a national reputation through its classical liberal arts core curriculum and its principled refusal to accept federal or state taxpayer subsidies, even indirectly in the form of student grants or loans. It also conducts an extensive educational outreach effort promoting civil and religious liberty, including a free monthly speech digest, *Imprimis*, with a circulation of more than 3.4 million.