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Hillsdale Collegian Claims Numerous State Awards for Student Journalism

Michigan Press Association recognizes Hillsdale student work in writing, features, new stories, and photos

Hillsdale, Mich. – Hillsdale College congratulates the staff and alumni of its student-run newspaper, *The Collegian*, on receiving a variety of awards from the Michigan Press Association's College Better Newspaper Contest.

"This is a wonderful recognition of our terrific journalism students," said John J. Miller, director of Hillsdale's Dow Journalism Program. "Most impressive may be the numbers and range: eight students won awards in seven categories. These awards are a testament to the long hours *The Collegian* staff devotes to this work as well as to the quality of what they produce each week."

The Michigan Press Association College Better Newspaper awards honor student work across 18 categories. In the 2018 contest, the association assessed a total of 765 entries from 17 colleges and universities across Michigan. Hillsdale students received awards and mentions in several categories, from writing to photography to design.

Of particular note is the work of Breana Noble, 2018 Hillsdale College graduate, and Nolan Ryan, current junior. Noble, who served as editor-in-chief of *The Collegian* during the 2017-2018 academic year, was awarded second place for Best Writer. Noble currently writes at *The Detroit News*, where she covers business. Ryan, current news editor of *The Collegian*, was awarded a Michigan Press Association Foundation scholarship.

Class of 2018 alumni captured several other awards, including:

- Madeleine Fry Third Place in a column category and Honorable Mention in news-only photo
- Julie Havlak First Place and Honorable Mention in the features category
- Madeleine Jepsen Third Place in the news story category
- Jo Kroeker Second Place in the features category
- Mark Naida Honorable Mention in the best writer category
- Hannah Niemeier Honorable Mention in the non-front page design category
- Katie Scheu Third Place in the editorial category

The Collegian, Hillsdale College's weekly student newspaper, is the oldest college newspaper in Michigan. The outlet features work produced, edited, and designed by Hillsdale students, and its alumni have gone on to

successful careers with national outlets like *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Examiner*, *The Hill*, *Politico*, and others.

For more information about *The Collegian*, visit <u>hillsdalecollegian.com</u>. For more information about the Dow Journalism Program, visit <u>hillsdale.edu/majors-minors/journalism</u>.

About Hillsdale College

Hillsdale College is an independent liberal arts college located in southern Michigan. Founded in 1844, the College 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 outreach effort promoting civil and religious liberty, including a free monthly speech digest, *Imprimis*, with a circulation of more than 4 million. For more information, visit <u>hillsdale.edu</u>.