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## **Automotive News (Crain Communications, Inc.)**

**Category:** All Content - Enterprise News Story

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** The disconnect in our grid

Larry P. Vellequette, Reporter

**Category:** Print - Feature Series

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Elements of electrification

Pete Bigelow, Reporter; Laurence Iliff, Reporter; John Irwin, Reporter; Urvaksh Karkaria, Reporter; Hannah Lutz, Reporter; Michael Martinez, Reporter; Richard Truett, Reporter

**Category:** Print - Single Topic Coverage by a Team

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Microchip shortage

Nick Bunkley, News Editor; Lindsay Chappell, News Editor; Laurence Iliff, Reporter; Urvaksh Karkaria, Reporter; Hannah Lutz, Reporter; Michael Martinez, Reporter; Larry P. Vellequette, Reporter

**Category:** Print - Special Section

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** EV1: A legacy in a new light

Leslie Allen, News Editor; Pete Bigelow, Reporter; Lindsay Chappell, News Editor; Hannah Lutz, Reporter; Alexa St. John, Reporter; Richard Truett, Reporter

## **Cannabis Business Times (GIE Media, Inc.)**

**Category:** All Content - Enterprise News Story

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** The Border-Town Effect: Dispensaries Boom on State Line

Tony Lange, Associate Editor

**Category:** All Content - Impact/Investigative

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Bottlenecked

Patrick Williams, Managing Editor

**Category:** Design - Front Cover-Photo

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Mom Made Them Do It

Katelyn Boyden Mullen, Art Director; Vanessa Stump, Photographer

**Category:** Online - Web Feature Series

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** The Starting Line

Melissa Schiller, Senior Digital Editor

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## **Club + Resort Business (WTWH Media, LLC)**

**Category:** Design - Opening Page/Spread-Illustration

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Weather the Storm

Erin Canetta, Creative Director

## **Club + Resort Chef (WTWH Media, LLC)**

**Category:** All Content - Case History

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** How Apprenticeships Bridge the Skills Gap

Joanna DeChellis, Editor

**Category:** All Content - Company Profile

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Over and Above at Overbrook Golf Club

Joanna DeChellis, Editor

**Category:** Design - Front Cover-Special Issue or Supplement

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Club + Resort Chef 2021 Cookbook

Erin Canetta, Creative Director Joanna DeChellis, Editor

## **Compact Equipment (Benjamin Media Inc.)**

**Category:** Print - How-To Article

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** The Ultimate Mini Ex Overview

Keith Gribbins, Publisher

## **CStore Decisions (WTWH Media, LLC)**

**Category:** Online - Podcast

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Conversations With Women in Convenience Featuring Kelsey Capellino

Erin Del Conte, Executive Editor

**Category:** Print - State of the Industry

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** The 2021 Category Management Handbook

Erin Del Conte, Executive Editor; Erin Canetta, Creative Director; Thomas Mulloy, Senior Editor; Isabelle Gustafson, Associate Editor.

## **Design World (WTWH Media, LLC)**

**Category:** All Content - Editorial

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Insights

Paul J. Heney, VP, Editorial Director

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## **Design World (WTWH Media, LLC)**

**Category:** Design - Opening Page/Spread-Photo

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Robot arm opens new doors for Spot  
Mark Rook, Vice President Creative Services

**Category:** Design - Opening Page/Spread-Photo

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Evolution of Boston Dynamics' box-moving robots  
Mark Rook, Vice President Creative Services

## **Garden Center (GIE Media, Inc.)**

**Category:** All Content - Case History

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Changing the conversation  
Kate Spirgen, Editor

**Category:** All Content - Company Profile

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Eyes on the horizon  
Kate Spirgen, Editor

**Category:** Design - Infographics

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Last Look  
Stephanie Antal, Art Director

**Category:** Design - Opening Page/Spread - Photo Illustration

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** 2021 State of the Industry: Pivot to Profit  
Stephanie Antal, Art Director

**Category:** Print - Single Topic Coverage by a Team

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** 2021 Houseplant Report  
Kate Spirgen, Editor; Julianne Mobilian, Associate Editor; Sierra Allen, Assistant Editor

**Category:** Print - State of the Industry

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Garden Center's 2021 State of the Industry Report  
Kate Spirgen, Editor; Julianne Mobilian, Associate Editor; Jolene Hansen, Contributing Writer

## **Golfdom (North Coast Media, LLC)**

**Category:** All Content - Editor's Letter

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Keeping up with Jones  
Seth Jones, Editor-in-Chief

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## **Golfdom (North Coast Media, LLC)**

**Category:** Design - Front Cover-Photo

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**Title of Entry:** Behind the Beauty

Pete Seltzer, Art Director

## **Hemp Grower (GIE Media, Inc.)**

**Category:** All Content - Enterprise News Story

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Overcoming Hemp Oversupply

Jodi Helmer, Author; Jim Gilbride, Publisher; Noelle Skodzinski, Editorial Director; Theresa Bennett, Editor; Patrick Williams, Managing Editor

**Category:** All Content - Impact/Investigative

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Hemp's Cannabinoid Quandary

Jolene Hansen, Author; Jim Gilbride, Publisher; Noelle Skodzinski, Editorial Director; Theresa Bennett, Editor; Patrick Williams, Managing Editor

**Category:** Online - Online Single Topic Coverage by a Team

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** The Rise of Delta-8 THC

Theresa Bennett, Editor; Patrick Williams, Managing Editor; Andriana Ruscitto, Assistant Editor

**Category:** Print - Feature Article, 12 or More Issues per Year

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Hemp Grain: A Powerhouse With Potential

Jolene Hansen, Author; Jim Gilbride, Publisher; Noelle Skodzinski, Editorial Director; Theresa Bennett, Editor; Patrick Williams, Managing Editor; Andriana Ruscitto, Associate Editor

## **Hotel News Now (CoStar Group)**

**Category:** Online - Web Feature Article

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** From Supply Shortages to Employee Burnout, Hotel Operators Cope with Ongoing Challenges

Dana Miller, Senior Reporter

**Category:** Online - Web Feature Article

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** The Lost Year: How COVID-19 Has Altered the Hotel Industry

Sean McCracken, News Editor

**Category:** Online - Web Feature Series

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** The Impact of COVID-19 Vaccine Mandates on Hotels

Hotel News Now Editorial Staff

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## **Landscape Management (North Coast Media, LLC)**

**Category:** Print - Feature Article, 12 or More Issues per Year

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Women in Landscaping

Sarah Webb, Managing Editor, Landscape Management

## **LP Gas (North Coast Media, LLC)**

**Category:** Design - Front Cover-Illustration

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** In the Game

Kim Traum, Art Director

## **Medical Design & Outsourcing (WTWH Media, LLC)**

**Category:** All Content - Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Women in Medtech

Danielle Kirsh, Senior Editor

**Category:** Design - Magazine/Newspaper Design

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Medical Design & Outsourcing – Magazine Design

Matthew Claney, Art Director

## **Pest Management Professional (North Coast Media, LLC)**

**Category:** Design - Front Cover-Illustration

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Bed Bug Horror Stories

Marty Whitford, Pete Seltzer, Tracie Martinez and Mike Right

**Category:** Design - Front Cover-Special Issue or Supplement

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** State of the Industry Report

Marty Whitford, Pete Seltzer, Tracie Martinez and Mike Right

**Category:** Print - Feature Article, 12 or More Issues per Year

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Dog Fight

Heather Gooch, Editor-in-Chief; Diane Sofranec, Senior Editor; Tracie Martinez, Art Director

**Category:** Print - Single Topic Coverage by a Team

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** 2021 Game Planning

Heather Gooch, Editor-in-Chief; Diane Sofranec, Senior Editor; Tracie Martinez, Art Director

**Category:** Print - Special Supplement

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Intel on Invasives

Diane Sofranec, Senior Editor; Tracie Martinez, Art Director; Courtney Townsend, Graphic Designer

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## **PracticeLink Magazine (PracticeLink)**

**Category:** Print - How-To Article

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** The Timeline of a Physician Job Search

Ken Allman, Founder & CEO; Laura Hammond, Editor; Jack Brannen, Art Director

**Category:** Print - How-To Article

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** The ABCs of CVs

Ken Allman, Founder & CEO; Laura Hammond, Editor; Jack Brannen, Art Director

## **R&D World (WTWH Media, LLC)**

**Category:** Design - Opening Page/Spread-Illustration

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Facing Sustainability

Mariel Evans, Graphic Designer

**Category:** Online - Podcast

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** R&D 100 – The Podcast

Paul J. Heney, VP, Editorial Director; Aimee Kalnoskas, Senior Editor; Brad Voyten, Video Manager

**Category:** Print - State of the Industry

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Global R&D Funding Forecast

Tim Studt, Contributing Editor; Paul J. Heney, VP, Editorial Director; Lee Teschler, Executive Editor; Heather Hall, Associate Editor; Mariel Evans, Graphic Designer

## **Recycling Today (GIE Media, Inc.)**

**Category:** All Content - Impact/Investigative

**Award Level:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** The new normal?

Megan Smalley, Managing Editor, Recycling Today; DeAnne Toto, Editor, Recycling Today

## **Seaside Retailer (Breakwall Publishing)**

**Category:** All Content - Editor's Letter

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Seaside Retailer Editor's Letters

Kristin Ely, Executive Editor, Seaside Retailer

**Category:** Design - Feature Article Design, 11 or Fewer Issues per Year

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Going Further for the Planet

Karen Carr, Publisher and Creative Director

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## **Seaside Retailer (Breakwall Publishing)**

**Category:** Design - Magazine/Newspaper Design

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Seaside Retailer magazine

Karen Carr, Publisher and Creative Director

## **Security (BNP Media Inc.)**

**Category:** All Content - Regular Column, Contributed

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Leadership & Management

Michael Gips, Contributing Columnist

## **Solar Power World (WTWH Media, LLC)**

**Category:** Online - Web Feature Article

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** When the utilities left him stranded, a homeowner went off-grid with solar + storage

Billy Ludt, Associate Editor

## **The Hardware Connection (The Hardware Connection)**

**Category:** Online - Web Feature Article

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Special Report: Supply Chain Crisis

Chris Jensen, Editor/Principal

## **Today's Medical Developments (GIE Media, Inc.)**

**Category:** Design - Infographics

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Infographics

Stephanie Antal, Art Director

## **Trenchless Technology (Benjamin Media Inc.)**

**Category:** Online - Podcast

**Award Level:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Trenchless Technology Podcast: Women in Engineering

Sharon M. Bueno, Managing Editor

## **Windpower Engineering & Development (WTWH Media, LLC)**

**Category:** Design - Opening Page/Spread-Photo

**Award Level:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Fire Transparency for Safer Operations

Allison Washko, Senior Graphic Designer