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**MICHIGAN JOURNALISM
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Induction Ceremony

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Michigan State University

East Lansing, Mich.



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PROGRAM

Welcome and Introductions

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Wade H. McCree Jr. Advancement of Justice Awards*

Presented by Thomas C. Rombach

Dinner

Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

Hall of Fame Inductees

Charlie Cain

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Betty DeRamus

Nominator: Susan Watson

Harvey Ovshinsky

Nominator: Paul Lienert

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Jennifer Guerra, Michigan Radio

Sarah Alvarez, Michigan Radio

Sarah Hulett, Michigan Radio

Nathan Bomey, Detroit Free Press

John Gallagher, Detroit Free Press

Mark Stryker, Detroit Free Press

Sandra Svoboda, WDET

Courtney Hurtt, WDET

Joan Isabella, WDET

Brad Devereaux, MLive Media Group

Honorable Mention:

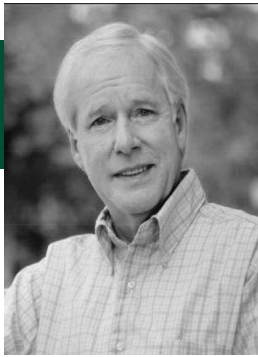
Mike Martindale, Detroit News

The Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame was established to recognize those who have advanced the legacy of a free and responsible press and who have inspired others to improve the quality of the profession.

It acknowledges the service and dedication of individuals whose distinguished contributions to the profession in their communities, regions or the state have earned them a place in the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame. Induction memorializes extraordinary and clearly outstanding careers.



HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



**CHARLIE
CAIN**

Charlie Cain not only made an impact. He was an institution.

During a 39-year news career, Cain forged a reputation as a premier state capital correspondent who enjoyed the respect of state leaders, colleagues, competitors and legislators who were often on the receiving end of his stories.

His philosophy was: Get it right, get it first and make it fair and readable. His commitment to excellence inspired younger colleagues and made state government accessible and understandable to The Detroit News readers. He was objective, honest and accurate.

He grew up in Detroit and was the son of prominent Associated press reporters. While studying journalism at Michigan State University, he was the managing editor of the campus State News and worked summers for The Detroit News. He joined The News as a suburban reporter when he graduated in 1973.

After his award-winning coverage of the 1976 contract talks between the United Auto Workers and the Big Three carmakers, The News sent Cain to Lansing where he became a senior correspondent and State Capital Bureau Chief. He chronicled major controversies, political brawls on the floors of the House and Senate and the ups and downs of state power brokers.

He became one of the foremost experts on the modern history of state government. One of the most remarkable things about Cain was his uncanny memory. "He was the greatest repository of political and government history in this state. He never forgot a name or an event," remembered a colleague.

Cain was recognized for his excellence in newswriting with the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Michigan Society of Professional Journalists; the Wade H. McCree, Jr. Award from the State Bar of Michigan; the Associated Press Public Service Award and two United Press International awards, among others. Under Cain's leadership, his staffers also won prestigious awards, including a Pulitzer Prize.

Cain joined Truscott Rossman, a Lansing government-consulting firm in 2009, where he was a senior writer and editor. He died in July 2011.

**BETTY
DeRAMUS**

During a career that spanned five decades, Betty DeRamus took readers by the hand and led them through the dizzying, sometimes scary and often uplifting human landscape of Detroit, a city she loves. She has been one of the best in the business, a journalist with a poet's flair and a reporter's persistence.

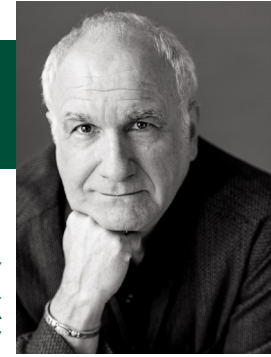
DeRamus wasn't born in Detroit, but her soul was. And that soul compelled her to go out and find stories that pulse with the heartbeat of Detroit: award-winning, life-affirming stories about hard-working folks like her parents who brought her here from Alabama in the early 1940s; stories about young, empty-eyed dope dealers and the brave citizens who refused to surrender their neighborhoods and their dreams to them.

She wrote unflinchingly about race, and called both blacks and whites to task for their words and behavior. She wrote about people who ran for their lives through the underground railroad. And, she traveled across the country and across the seas to infuse life into the stories behind the headlines—stories about individuals affected by hunger in Africa or the election of Nelson Mandela or the Los Angeles riots.

Because of the depth of her reporting and the beauty of her writing, DeRamus received dozens of awards. Among them: the Overseas Press Club of America, Eugene C. Pulliam Award, Writer's Digest, Best of Gannett, Charles Steward Mott Foundation, National Association of Black Journalists, Michigan Press Association, and as a Pulitzer Prize finalist. She was the only American journalist chosen to tour Central African refugee camps after the massacres in Rwanda.

DeRamus graduated from Wayne State University and got her start at the Michigan Chronicle. She was a reporter and then editorial writer at the Detroit Free Press from 1972 to 1987, when the The Detroit News hired her as a columnist. She retired from The News in 2006. DeRamus was a founding member of the Detroit Chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists.

**HARVEY
KUREK
OVSHINSKY**



"Find your backyard," is one of many Harvey-isms. This one comes from his favorite children's poet, James Stevenson: "Front yards are boring. Backyards tell stories." With his "backyard" stories, Harvey Ovshinsky has been a pathfinder and guide during his five-decade career that straddles print, broadcast, digital, the big screen and the classroom.

In 1965, Ovshinsky, then 17, heard hardly anything about teenagers or black people. There was practically nothing written about the anti-war movement or poor people or women's issues, unless it was on the society pages.

So he started The Fifth Estate, the country's oldest surviving "underground" newspaper in the country. Writing with purpose and passion, in the the style of Tom Wolfe and what others later called New Journalism, the Fifth Estate reported on local anti-war and civil rights protests, the growing feminist movements, and the innovative works of area poets, artists and musicians such as Chuck and Joni Mitchell, and Cass Corridor artists such as Brenda Goodman.

At 22, Ovshinsky became the first news director of Detroit's alternative radio station at WABX-FM and a talk show host. He broadcast hour-long coverages of the Goose Lake Music Festival, the Balduck and Memorial Park riots between young people and the police, and John Kerry's Winter Soldier investigation into alleged war crimes by U.S. troops.

He moved into television at WXYZ-TV and went on to produce documentaries for local and national broadcasts on difficult subjects such as youth violence, politics and race, and young people and depression. He continues to hold production workshops and storytelling seminars to generations of budding journalists at several universities.

Ovshinsky has received many awards including 15 regional Emmys, a national Emmy, a Peabody and a DuPont-Columbia University Award Silver Baton and multiple film festival recognitions, in addition to being nominated for an Oscar.

"Harvey finds his best work in Detroit, not Hollywood," wrote the Metro Times. "With all of his success," wrote Metromode, "he still works out of the basement office. And he isn't leaving anytime soon."

2015 STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

WADE H. MCCREE AWARDS FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF JUSTICE

The State Bar of Michigan Wade H. McCree Jr. Awards for the Advancement of Justice are named for one of the most venerable lawyers and judges in Michigan's history. Judge McCree served as a federal judge and solicitor general of the United States, and he dedicated himself to advancing a greater understanding of the vital role journalists play in a free society. This is the 41st year the State Bar has granted these awards to Michigan journalists.

The first McCree Award goes to the Michigan Radio team of Jennifer Guerra, Sarah Alvarez and Sarah Hulett. Their series, called "Finding Home: A Documentary about Foster Care in Michigan," investigated improvements made to Michigan's foster care system, which oversees the care of more than 13,000 children and has been under federal oversight since 2008.

The second McCree Award goes to Detroit Free Press reporters Nathan Bomey, John Gallagher and Mark Stryker for a special report about Detroit's bankruptcy, called "How Detroit Was Reborn." The piece, marking the end of months of Free Press coverage of the historic bankruptcy, told the backstory of the behind-the-scenes conversations and deals that ended in Detroit's Grand Bargain.

The third McCree Award goes to the team of WDET journalists Joan Isabella, Sandra Svoboda and Courtney Hurtt for the website, NextChapterDetroit.com, and a series of broadcast reports and open community forums on Detroit's historic bankruptcy case.

The fourth McCree Award goes to MLive Media Group reporter Brad Devereaux for a series, "Small Town, Big Problems," that chronicled a number of legal actions involving a small town police chief and an unorthodox program to raise tens of thousands of dollars in unregulated funds.

An Honorable Mention Award goes to The Detroit News reporter Mike Martindale for a story, "Judge on Leave to Quit After Re-election," that brought to light a deal worked out among court officials to allow a district judge suspected of improper behavior in his official position to seek re-election and then quietly retire from the court system. Martindale uncovered e-mails indicating that city, court and state officials knew of the scandal and agreed to keep it from voters.

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INDUCTION CRITERIA

1952-1968

MICHIGAN NEWSPAPER HALL OF FAME

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The Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame welcomes nominations. This checklist is intended to assist you in submitting a nomination to the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame Committee. The Committee will base its decision primarily on the material supplied by the nominators.

Nomination material must include:

- A completed nomination form signed by the nominator. The Hall of Fame Committee will consider any nomination received before the January deadline.
- A typed statement that clearly demonstrates how the nominee satisfies the criteria and is therefore qualified for membership in the Hall of Fame. This statement should emphasize the nominee's professional journalism career in Michigan. It is not expected that all criteria will apply or apply equally.
- Clips, photos, video, audio or online samples documenting a nominee's work as a journalist and demonstrating his or her impact. These materials become part of the historical record of the Hall of Fame, justifying the nominee's selection.

Criteria are:

- Integrity
- Courage
- Innovation
- Achievement
- Leadership
- Contribution to the industry
- Influence on individuals in the profession.
- At least five but no more than 10 letters of testimony that address any or all of the selection criteria. These letters should document and support assertions that appear in the nomination statement.
- Anecdotes and examples that address specific selection criteria. This material may be presented in the nomination statement or in testimonial letters.
- The nominee's resumé or curriculum vita.
- Other relevant documents that support the nomination, such as clips, tapes, etc.
- Include a 350-word summary of the nominee's accomplishments that can be placed in the ceremony program.
- Nominators should submit **two electronic copies** of all materials except for books, tapes, DVDs, etc.

More information can be found at:
<http://j-school.jrn.msu.edu/halloffame>

George R. Averill, editor-publisher,
B a E t

William H. Berkey, editor, T
Ca V a t

George Gough Booth, co-founder,
Booth Newspapers

Vernon J. Brown, publisher,
I a C t N

Donald F. Cochrane, publisher,
Ha t Da S

Len W. Feighner, publisher,
Na N

Harry Y. Fitzgerald, general
manager, P t a P

Howard H. Fitzgerald, publisher,
St. J N , F t J a ;
president, P t a P

Charles A. French, publisher,
H a E S t

A.D. Gallery, publisher,
T a C t A t

Charles Moore Greenway, editor,
G a Ra P

Joseph Haas, publisher, H
H a ; columnist, P t a P

George C. Handy, publisher,
Y a t E P

John N. Ingersoll, founder
of first newspaper in the
Upper Peninsula,
T La S N a
M J a

Fred Keister Sr., founder,
I a C t N

Gen. James H. Kidd, publisher,
I a S t

Col. Wm. Franklin Knox, publisher,
Sa t St . Ma E N

Schuyler L. Marshall, publisher,
C t C t N -R b a

Ernest James McCall, publisher,
G a Ha Da T b

J.N. McCall, founder,
G at t C t H a

Wallace Webb McCall, publisher,
M t P a a t T -N

Floyd J. Miller, publisher,
R a O a z Da T b

Chase Salmon Osborn, publisher,
Sa t St . Ma N and
Sa a C -H a

Stuart H. Perry, publisher,
A a Da T a

Elihu B. Pond, publisher and editor,
A A b A ; first president,
Michigan Press Association

Phillip T. Rich, publisher,
M a Da N

The Rev. Gabriel Richard, founder,
M a E a , first newspaper
west of the Alleghenies (1809)

James Edmund Scripps, founder,
T D t t N

J.P. Sheldon, co-founder,
D t t F P

Arthur Stace, editor,
A A b N

Louis A. Weil Sr., president,
P t H T H a

Harry Whiteley, general manager,
D a a Da N

The Michigan Press Association and the MSU School of Journalism established the original Michigan Newspaper Hall of Fame in 1952. The MSU School of Journalism has been the home of the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame since 1985, reprising the Michigan Newspaper Hall of Fame, which had been dormant since 1968.



1985-2014

Frank Angelo, managing editor,
D t tF P (1987)

Albert A. Applegate, chairman,
School of Journalism,
Michigan State University (1986)

Roberta Applegate, groundbreaking
AP reporter in the 1940s; educator
(2008)

Judd Arnett, columnist,
D t tF P (1998)

Edmund C. Arnold, editor and
publisher, *F a s t N* ;
newspaper designer (1987)

David Ashenfelter, reporter and
editor, *D t tF P* (2002)

Harry Atkins, reporter and editor,
Associated Press (2002)

Willard M. J. Baird, Lansing bureau
chief, *F at P b at* (1990)

Ray Stannard Baker, magazine
journalist and author (1986)

Don Ball, reporter, *D t tT* ,
T D t tN (1991)

Louis J. Berman, publisher,
W t a F , general manager,
T Stat N (1997)

Bill Black, (George Martin), reporter,
WJR Detroit (1993)

Bill Bonds, anchor and reporter,
WXYZ-TV, Detroit (2010)

Jane L. Briggs-Bunting, director,
Journalism Program,
Oakland University (2003)
Michigan State University

Benjamin J. Burns, professor, Wayne
State University; executive editor,
T D t tN (2001)

Mary Lou Butcher, advocate
for women in the newsroom;
journalist and PR specialist (2006)

Robert Button, adviser, *T T* ,
Grosse Pointe South High School
(1989)

Charles C. Cain III, reporter and edi-
tor, Associated Press (2001)

Julie Candler, columnist and
magazine journalist (1999)

Sue Carter, broadcast journalist;
documentarian, educator
Michigan State University (2007)

Richard Cheverton, news director,
WOOD AM - FM - TV, Grand Rapids
(1990)

Cheryl Chodun, writer, producer,
WXYZ-TV, Detroit (2014)

Charles C. Collingwood,
correspondent, *CBS N* (1991)

William E. Coté, educator, Michigan
State University and *Ca ta*
N S ; journalist, Booth
Newspapers (2006)

Keith Evans Crain, publisher, editor,
columnist, *Ca C at*
(2008)

Mattie Gay Crump, adviser,
Saginaw's Arthur Hill High School
(2005)

Ding Darling, Pulitzer Prize winning
cartoonist (1988)

Edward Deeb, association executive,
award-winning writer (2014)

Lawrence DeVine, theatre critic,
D t tF P (1999)

Jim Doherty, editor,
P t s N -R (1985)

Anne Doyle, pioneering female
TV sports broadcaster for *WJBK*
D t t (2007)

Albert J. Dunmore, editor,
M a C (1994)

Ron Dzwonkowski, special projects,
D t tF P (2009)

Marvin "Sonny" Eliot, pioneer radio
and television weather
forecaster, *WWJ Ra* (2005)

Charles Eisendrath, director, Knight-
Wallace Fellows, University of
Michigan (2014)

Wilbur Elston, editorial writer,
T D t tN (1993)

Joe Falls, reporter and columnist,
T D t tN (2004)

Nolan Finley, reporter and special
projects editor, *T D t tN*
(2012)

Brian Flanigan, reporter,
D t tF P (1992)

Gene Fogel, legendary *WJR-AM*
news reporter (2007)

Mary Gardner, professor,
School of Journalism,
Michigan State University (1998)

Robert Giles, broadcast journalism,
WXYZ-TV Detroit (2011)

Hugh Grannum, photojournalist,
D t tF P (2013)

Grattan Gray, chairman,
T M E N (1999)

Joe Grimm, armchair historian,
college professor, national
recruiter, ombudsman, editor.
D t tF P (2009)

Edgar A. Guest, syndicated poet;
columnist, *D t tF P* (1988)

Rod Hansen, investigative reporter,
WJR-AM Radio (2004)

Fran Harris, pioneer broadcast
journalist, *WWJ* Detroit (1986)

Martin S. Hayden, editor,
T D t tN (1992)

E.C. (Ted) Hayhow, publisher,
H a Da N (1986)

W. Kim Heron, editor, *M t T*
(2013)

Dawn Hertz, lawyer, staunch
supporter of Michigan journalism
(2009)

Jerry Hodak, science and medical
reporter, weather and news
announcer, *WXYZ-TV* Detroit
(2009)

Donald Hoenshell, newspaper
journalist (1986)

Jim Hough, columnist,
La Stat J a (2000)

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Grant Howell, editor, *R a Oaz*
T b (1996)

Guy H. Jenkins, Lansing bureau
chief, Booth Newspapers (1991)

Ed Kearney, news director, *WLUC-*
TV 6 Marquette (2006)

Luther Keith, assistant managing
editor, *T D t t N*
(1995)

Ken Kolker, reporter, *WOOD-TV 8*,
Grand Rapids (2014)

Jack Kresnak, reporter, *D t t*
F P (2009)

William C. Kulsea Sr.,
Lansing bureau chief,
Booth Newspapers (1998)

Ring Lardner, sports journalist
and author (1986)

Swift Lathers, publisher, *M a*
N (1986)

Diana Lewis, television news
broadcaster, *WXYZ-TV* Detroit
(2012)

Kenneth S. Lowe, editor, *T*
M J a and *M a*
O t - -D (2002)

Glenn MacDonald, editor, *Ba C t*
T (1996)

Lawrence I. Mack, adviser, Jackson
High School (2003)

Gilbert O. Maienknecht, founder
and chairman, Department of
Journalism, Central Michigan
University (1997)

Louis E. Martin, editor, *M a*
C (1999)

Wesley H. Maurer Sr., publisher,
St. I a N; chairman,
Department of Journalism,
University of Michigan (1987)

Jeanne May, copy editor and staff
writer, *D t t F P* (2007)

Richard C. Mayer, graphic artist
and illustrator, *D t t F P*,
Wa ' A t t (2008)

Mick McCabe, Sports Reporter,
D t t F P (2014)

Nancy McCauley, investigative
journalist, *WJBK* (2013)

Hugh McDiarmid, political
columnist,
D t t F P (2004)

Bill McGraw, author, reporter, *D t t*
F P, (2014)

Robert G. McGruder, executive
editor, *D t t F P* (2003)

W. Cameron Meyers, professor,
School of Journalism,
Michigan State University (1991)

Richard Milliman, publisher,
Milliman Newspapers, Inc. (1994)

Jennifer Moore, business reporter,
broadcast reporter, *WDIV-TV*,
Detroit (2014)

Bob Myers, publisher,
La C t P (1985)

James T. Neubacher, columnist,
D t t F P (1991)

Thaddeus "Ted" Ogar, editor, *AFL-*
CIO N (1992)

Gloria Olman, adviser, Utica High
School (1997)

Cheryl McCarty Pell, executive
director of Michigan
Interscholastic Press Association
(MIPA); educator Michigan State
University (2007)

James Pooler, reporter, *D t t F*
P s (2009)

Phil Power, journalism entrepreneur,
(2012)

Longworth Quinn, publisher,
M a C (1985)

Betsy Rau, educator, Michigan State
University
(2013)

Martha Rayne, founder, first school
of journalism in the world;
associate editor, *D t t F P*
(1998)

Tim Richard, co-founder,
Michigan Freedom of
Information Committee and
director, News Services for
Suburban Communications Corp.
(1998)

Dwayne X. Riley, radio, TV, and
documentary news storyteller,
WDIV-TV D t t (2012)

David A. Rood, editor and publisher,
Upper Peninsula Newspapers (1997)

Luster L. (Les) Root, radio news
producer and reporter, Flint (2006)

Carrie Jackson Rowe, publisher,
T M T (1990)

Norman Rumble, publisher,
M a Da N (1995)

Daniel Ryan, editor and publisher,
Ka a a Ga tt (1994)

Hal Schram, sports writer,
D t t F P (1995)

William Serrin, author, editor,
educator, New York University
(2014)

Neal Shine, publisher, *D t t F*
P (1990)

Osama Siblani, publisher, *T A ab*
A a N (2013)

Norman Sinclair, investigative
reporter, *T D t t N*
(2008)

Tim Skubick, TV, radio and print
capitol political reporter and
columnist (2008)

Philip Slomovitz, editor and
publisher, *T J N* (1993)

David C. Smith, editor-in-chief, *Wa*
A t W (2005)

Stan Soffin, director, School
of Journalism, Michigan State
University (1999)

Linda Solomon, photojournalist,
(2011)

Tony Spina, chief photographer,
D t t F P (1989)

Dale Stafford, publisher, *G*
Da N (1985)

Barbara Stanton, editorial writer
and reporter, *D t t F P*
(2001)

Charlotte "Tavy" Stone, lifestyle
reporter, *T D t t N* (2002)

Joe Stroud, editor, *D t t F P*
(1998)

Robert D. Stuart, editorial writer,
La Stat J a (1997)

Joe Swickard, investigative
journalist,
D t t F P (2012)

Bob Talbert, columnist, *D t t F*
P (2001)

Ted Talbert, documentary producer,
WDIV-TV Detroit (2000)

John K. Teahen, Jr., senior editor,
A t t N (2006)

Bill Thomas, watchdog reporter
and editor, *T Oaz a P*, *T*
Ma bDa, *T Ta C t*
R -Ea (2012)

Helen Thomas, UPI White House
Correspondent (1993)

Henry H. Tinkham, artist and
investigative reporter, *G a*
Ra P (2005)

Esther Van Wagoner Tufty,
newspaper, broadcast reporter
(1987)

Werner Veit, president,
Booth Newspapers (1996)

Pete Waldmeir, columnist,
T D t t N (2000)

Susan Watson, reporter and
columnist, *D t t F P* (2000)

George Weeks, political columnist,
T D t t N (1996)

Ken Winter, publisher, the *P t z*
N R; educator (2011)

Jean Worth, editor, *Da P*,
Escanaba (1989)

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HELPERS

Preparation for the Hall of Fame banquet
and induction ceremony begins months
in advance.

The effort is a collaborative one with the
Hall of Fame Committee doing the initial
work of screening and selecting the
inductees.

Thank you to:

- Tresa Beardslee of the Michigan State University School of Journalism for overseeing the arrangements for this event.
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Congratulations, 2015 Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame Inductees!

Charlie Cain Betty DeRamus
Harvey Kurek Ovshinsky



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