

News Story

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City;
Tamara Johnson, Fiery Crash

Second Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader;
Jeannie Nugent, Fire destroys home

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press;
Miranda Remaklus, Tree Dispute

Honorable Mention

Blytheville Courier News;
Herb Smith, Bootheel Blasted

Camden News; Donna Collins,
Woman tries to kidnap baby

The Daily Citizen, Searcy;
Warren Watkins, A good landing again

Medium Dailies

First Place

El Dorado News-Times; Keli Jacobi, Missing women found dead

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home;
Armando Rios, Kandra Branam
Officer dies in shootout

Third Place

Harrison Daily Times; James White,
Meek recalls being shot

Honorable Mention

El Dorado News-Times; John Worthen, UCSO cracks down on drugs

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt.Home;
Chandra Huston, Divers recover bodies

Larger Dailies

First Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Jeff Niese, Mom: Son Just Loved Everybody

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale;
Don Dailey, Police shoot escapee in face

Third Place

The Morning News, Springdale;

Melissa Blakely, 10 dead 18 in Hospital

Honorable Mention

Benton County Daily Record; Tracy M. Neal, 'I believe he heard me'

Texarkana Gazette; Jim Williamson,
Police seek clues in DeQueen slaying

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Lafayette County Press, Stamps; Lucy Goodwin, 9 Counts of Animal Cruelty

Second Place

Nevada County Picayune, Prescott; Wendy Ledbetter, Barton Confesses gets life plus 20

Third Place

Gravette News-Herald; R.D. Evans
School Evacuated Twice

Honorable Mention

Montgomery County News, Mt. Ida; Mike Wallace, Tramel changes plea

Nevada County Picayune, Prescott;
Wendy Ledbetter, Man wishes he had smoked the evidence

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Nashville Leader; John Balch
Sitting on a diamond mine?

Second Place

Press Argus-Courier; Kenneth Fry
Trial full of emotion

Third Place

Ashley News Observer, Crossett;
Todd S. Bergman, Power play

Honorable Mention

Ashley News Observer, Crossett;
Todd S. Bergman, Plywood mill lays off 300

Dumas Clarion; Agnes. W. Ross
Woman wants \$625,000

Villager Journal, Cherokee Village; Chris Wulff, Police: Mother tries to kill baby

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Madison County Record, Huntsville;
Kyle Mooty, Tragedy stuns Huntsville

Second Place

Sherwood Voice; Greg Ryburn
Sherwood woman held at gunpoint

Third Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs; Jeff Della Rosa, Chicken owner challenges law

Honorable Mention

Maumelle Monitor; Spencer Watson Accident claims voice of the Razorbacks

Sun-Times, Heber Springs; Louis Short Rescue on Prim Mountain

The Times Dispatch; Gretchen Hunt Tornado hits Ravenden

Feature Story

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Daily Siftings Herald; Dolores Harrington Drowned chicken resuscitated by nurse

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press; Cory Clark

Boy adopts flag

Third Place

The Daily World, Helena; Mark Haney, Civil rights activist says blacks need more

Honorable Mention

Banner-News, Magnolia; Julia Wilson,

It's a blooming love story

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Michael Jones, Fighting for Gracie Rae

Medium Dailies

First Place

Harrison Daily Times; Celia DeWoody Stitches connect quilters

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home;

Joanne Bratton, Youngster smiles

Third Place

The Courier, Russellville; Janie Ginocchio Above and beyond

Honorable Mention

Batesville Daily Guard; Andrea Bruner Oregon man knew Guard

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home;

Armando Rios, Local man then 19

Larger Dailies

First Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Trish Mehaffey, Mother encourages others to report abuse

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale;
John Henley Jr., A Homeless Odyssey

Third Place

The Morning News, Springdale;
Don Dailey, A life interrupted

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Kenneth Heard, 1950s Word man? Arkansas woman

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville; Kevin Kinder, The Cuisine Scene

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Clay County Democrat, Rector; Ryan Rogers, Rector Soldier earns commendation

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County;
Annette Beard, Three generations continue to work

Third Place

Gentry Courier-Journal; Randy Moll Former Gentry Doctor conceals identity

Honorable Mention

Clay County Democrat; Ryan Rogers Local church celebrates 150 years

Lafayette County Press, Stamps;
Lucy Goodwin, 10 pounds of seed grows

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Nashville News; Terrica Hendrix
Aunt Lou: An Icon

Second Place

Villager Journal, Cherokee Village;
Chris Wulff, Mystery solved

Third Place

Paris Express; Pat McHughes
Ms. Green Jeans?

Honorable Mention

Nashville Leader; Louie Graves
Teacher's gentle pace
Villager Journal, Cherokee Village;
Terry Mullins, From little town to big time

Woodruff County Monitor, McCrory; Bettie Looney, Carter brothers escorted home

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Deborah Horn, Past comes full circle

Second Place

Warren Eagle Democrat; Zack Plair, Catfish Road

Third Place

Stone County Leader; Lori Freeze
Swain recounts Iraq experience

Honorable Mention

Jacksonville Patriot; Toni Walthall
A soldier's possessions

Hot Springs Village Voice; Jerry Carroll Now these are some smart dogs

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista; Charles Huggins WWII buddies reunited

Editorial

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Daily Leader Staff Parking lot meetings

Second Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Jay Strasner Candidate came down

Third Place

Camden News; Jim Edwards
More rhetoric

Honorable Mention

Banner-News, Magnolia; Mike McNeill Encourage minorities

Benton Courier; Whit Jones
Freeman should step down

Camden News; Jim Edwards
How to meet

Medium Dailies

First Place

Log Cabin Democrat; Joe Mosby, Aliens

Second Place

Harrison Daily Times; Staff, Bingo

Third Place

Batesville Daily Guard; Angelia Roberts, Andrea Bruner, Mutiny at Cedar Ridge

Honorable Mention

Batesville Daily Guard; Angelia Roberts
A 'dam' confusing story

El Dorado News-Times; Shea Wilson Executive Session

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home; Sonny Garrett, Getting away with murder

Larger Dailies

First Place

The Morning News, Springdale;
Tom Sissom, It's not just a number

Second Place

Benton County Daily Record;
John Dilmore Jr., A bad idea

Third Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette;
Paul Greenberg, It gets worse

Honorable Mention

Jonesboro Sun; Roy Ockert Jr.
Fundraising concept

Jonesboro Sun; Rick Fahr
City should get out

The Morning News, Springdale;
Tom Sissom, Legal system still works

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Montgomery County News, Mt. Ida;
Mike Wallace, A no vote

Second Place

Gravette News-Herald; Editorial

Third Place

The Brinkley Argus; Editorial

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Dumas Clarion; Terry G. Hawkins
One senator speaks out

Second Place

Dumas Clarion; Terry G. Hawkins
Fighting mud with mud

Third Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; C.F. Scott
Great day for dignity

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Stone County Leader, Mt. View;
Lori Freeze, The time is now

Second Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Staff Government is secret isn't a good thing

Third Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs;
Hannah Nielson, One year later

Honorable Mention

Sun-Times, Heber Springs; David Lee What's a penny worth?

The Leader, Jacksonville; Garrick Feldman Kick out the usurers

Sports News Story

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Leigh Hahn Ronquest keeps title at home

Second Place

Blytheville Courier News; Mark Brasfield Babb to the bone

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News; Mark Brasfield Best in Class AAAA

Honorable Mention

Benton Courier; Martin Couch
Benton clinches first 6A title

Paragould Daily Press; Ben Cowens
Hall of famer Biggs

Medium Dailies

First Place

Log Cabin Democrat; David McCollum Bears still rollin

Second Place

Log Cabin Democrat; David McCollum Retro shot ends Bears season

Third Place

The Courier, Russellville; Danny Scott
2-0 at halftime?

Honorable Mention

The Courier, Russellville; Danny Scott Nipped in the Ninth

Larger Dailies

First Place

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Jonathan Gipson UAFS punches ticket

Second Place

Jonesboro Sun; Matthew V. Roberson Miracle in Memphis

Third Place

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Rick Polikoff Stiles stakes his claim

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Todd Traub A 74-year salute

The Morning News, Springdale;
Alex Abrams, Ground Hogs Day

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Carlisle Independent; Mark Buffalo
Bison end skid

Second Place

Carlisle Independent; Mark Buffalo
Bison hold on get ugly win

Third Place

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree; Dan Brawner EPC wins season's first

Honorable Mention

Montgomery County News, Mt. Ida; Mike Wallace, Lions score five TDs

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree;
Dan Brawner, Game ending brawl

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Villager Journal, Cherokee Village; Terry Mullins, Easley sinks rare double-eagle

Second Place

Nashville News; Jay Strasner
Scrapper coaches resign

Third Place

Wynne Progress; Joe Halm
Second chance

Honorable Mention

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop Hamburg tailback signs with Indians

Salem News; Terry Mullins
Lady Cougs NEA champs
Wynne Progress; Joe Halm
One point away

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs; Gary Trembly, Hosting tournament

Second Place

Maumelle Monitor; Spencer Watson
Boxer garb embroidery

Third Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs;
Gary Trembly, Lady Panthers Threepeat

Honorable Mention

Jacksonville Patriot; Chad Matchett PCSSD taking athletics out

Maumelle Monitor; Spencer Watson
Are you ready for some football?

Sports Feature Story**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Kelly Fenton Game Day

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press; Ben Cowens Temper tantrums?

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News; Mark Brasfield Still swinging away

Honorable Mention

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Dale Constance Scary incident

Times-Herald, Forrest City; Fred Conley November Stage

Medium Dailies**First Place**

The Courier, Russellville; Quinton Bagley Dynamic duo wreaks havoc

Second Place

Harrison Daily Times; Jeff Brasel
Warren envisions a bright future

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home; Fred Lowe Duo celebrates

Honorable Mention

Harrison Daily Times; Jeff Brasel
Wood making farewell

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home;
Neal Denton, Mountain Home golfer

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Robert Yates Barren grounds

Second Place

Arkansas Times; Jim Harris, Grumble

Third Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Ryan Aber Private vs. Public

Honorable Mention

Benton County Daily Record; Tom Glave Connected from afar

Jonesboro Sun; Seth Holmun
Banding together

Jonesboro Sun; Seth Holmun
Armed with memories

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Lafayette County Press, Stamps; Lucy Goodwin, Stamps native signs for fifth year

Second Place

Carlisle Independent; Mark Buffalo Petrus making strides

Third Place

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree; Dan Brawner, Pre-season football practice

Honorable Mention

Pacesetting Times, Horseshoe Bend; Bobby Stapleton, Orioles great Brooks Robinson

Trumann Democrat; Dan Brawner
Byrd closes Lady Cat career

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Nashville Leader; Louie Graves
Dusty pages from the past

Second Place

Salem News; Terry Mullins
Wray rams way to Derby title

Third Place

Ashley News Observer, Crossett; Heath Waldrop, Mascots prepared to play

Honorable Mention

Ashley News Observer, Crossett;
Heath Waldrop, Look at that!

Glenwood Herald; Michael G. Fox
It's Ms. Bassmaster to you!

White Hall Journal; Kat McEntire
Redfield Twins

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs; Gray Trembly, Siloam Springs Diving coach

Second Place

Maumelle Monitor; Dustin Allen
Staying active

Third Place

Hot Springs Village Voice; Jerry Carroll Akelaitis tin the glue that holds

Honorable Mention

Sun-Times, Heber Springs; Will Gilbert Two Heber R/C racers

The Times, N. Little Rock; Deborah Horn Former coach honored

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista; Andra Atteberry Tennis a constant

Sports Column

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Paragould Daily Press; Mike McKinney Razorback Nation

Second Place

Benton Courier; Martin Couch
Long-time friend coach

Third Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Kelly Fenton
Les is Mo

Honorable Mention

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Joshua Troy, April Scott, Who Buckeyes should play

The Daily World, Helena; Mark Haney Hey Mustangs you've come along way

Medium Dailies

First Place

Harrison Daily Times; Jeff Brasel
Hoops aren't only thing smoking

Second Place

Log Cabin Democrat; David McCollum Goodbye Ray Winder

Third Place

The Courier, Russellville; Danny Scott Arkansas coaches should rethink

Honorable Mention

The Courier, Russellville; Quinton Bagley Realignment has been good

Larger Dailies

First Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville; Rainer Sabin, One man's t-shirt

Second Place

Jonesboro Sun; Kevin Turbeville
Long ago mascot

Third Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Kurt Voigt Two families in one

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Wally Hall Despite Money fame

Jonesboro Sun; Kevin Turbeville

Lacewell era reunion

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Trumann Democrat; Dan Brawner

It just didn't come natural

Second Place

Clay County Democrat; Ryan Rogers

No need to rub it in

Third Place

Pacesetting Times, Horseshoe Bend; Bobby Stapleton, Zooming on in

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Booneville Democrat; Glenn M. Parrish

A chance meeting with hoops coach

Second Place

Salem News; Terry Mullins

Biggest shock of March madness

Third Place

Nashville News; Jay Strasner

Basketball blues and days gone by

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Pocahontas Star Herald; Dalton Sullivan Riding out the 'mother of storms

Second Place

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista; Charles Huggins Lake lovers should be unified

Third Place

The Leader, Jacksonville; Ray Benton Arkansas loses more than just great voice

Honorable Mention

Carroll County News Midweek, Berryville; David McNeal, The real deal

The Times Dispatch; Angie Skimahorn Cardinals come through

General Column

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Blytheville Courier News; Andy Weld Soccer dads should bring Skittles

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press; Jennifer Thompson Where are our priorities?

Third Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Jeannie Nugent Political Gender

Honorable Mention

Benton Courier; Lynda Hollenbeck Mother didn't need aid

The Daily Record, Little Rock; Jay Edwards, Blues in my dreams

Medium Dailies

First Place

Batesville Daily Guard; Jon Trobaugh

We say no more

Second Place

Harrison Daily Times; Scott Liles

Final call for Gassville Six

Third Place

El Dorado News-Times; Joan Hershberger Reality of addiction

Honorable Mention

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home; Sonny Garrett, Landmark bites the dust

Larger Dailies

First Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Becca Bacon Martin, Friend's situation difficult

Second Place

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Judith Hansen Discussion needs to be rhetoric-free

Third Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Doug Thompson, It's time to come clean

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Linda Caillouet, Love finds United 93 widow again

Jonesboro Sun; Rick Fahr

875th mission complicates

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Trumann Democrat; Carin McClung

And you thought

Second Place

Gravette News-Herald; R.D. Evans

Off the cuff

Third Place

Grand Prairie Herald, Hazen; Martha Shinley, Where are you from

Honorable Mention

Gravette News-Herald; R.D. Evans

Off the cuff

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree;

Samantha Martin, Remembering

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Dumas Clarion; Agnes W. Ross

At 80, Button is still living

Second Place

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop Show banks on guild of whites

Third Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; C.F. Scott

The death of Genghis Khan

Honorable Mention

Dumas Clarion; Terry G. Hawkins

Plagued first by squirrels

Dumas Clarion; Agnes W. Ross, 30 years

Nashville Leader; Louie Graves

A rose is blooming

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Hot Springs Village Voice; Jerry Carroll Better to be person of age

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville; Garrick Feldman Huckabee pardons another drunk

Third Place

Rogers Hometown News; Michael Roark Rejoicing in the memory

Honorable Mention

Madison County Record, Huntsville; Kyle Mooty, Moot Points

Pocahontas Star Herald; Anita Murphy Bad basketball

Sun-Times, Heber Springs; Donetta Sterling, Dear Dad

Humorous Column

Smaller Dailies

First Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Kelly Fenton There! That oughta knock

Second Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Jeannie Nugent
A league of their own

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News; Andy Weld Time magazine honor

Honorable Mention

Blytheville Courier News; Andy Weld Solar system give

Blytheville; Andy Weld, Do we really need two Dakotas?

Times-Herald, Forrest City; David Nichol Everybody Step Step

Medium Dailies

First Place

Harrison Daily Times; James White Hunting for a lawyer

Second Place

Harrison Daily Times; James White
This is the season to be safe

Third Place

Harrison Daily Times; Scott Liles
What's in a name?

Larger Dailies

First Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville; Scott Shackelford, Vote for this guy

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale;
Tom Sissom, Food police

Third Place

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Tina Dale
You can't be too serious

Honorable Mention

Texarkana Gazette; Les Minor
Who would have thought

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs;
Melinda Gassaway, Say What?

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

The Brinkley Argus; Thomas Jacques Santa please bring me stuff

Second Place

Grand Prairie Herald, Hazen; Bill Bradow Another fine mess

Third Place

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree; Samantha Martin, Near death experience

Honorable Mention

Gentry Courier-Journal; Randy Moll Trying to understand armadillos

Pacesetter Times; Phil Elliot Punxsutawney Phil & other weather

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Salem News; Bret Burquest
Gender patterns

Second Place

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop Garage Sellout

Third Place

Dumas Clarion; Agnes W. Ross
Smelly sandwiches

Honorable Mention

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop Plastic gun fighting fun

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; C.F. Scott
A cold shoulder

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Times Dispatch; Vivian Heyl
The perfect gift

Second Place

Stone County Leader; Lori Freeze
Timbo hunters

Third Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs; Donetta Sterling, Service engine soon

Honorable Mention

Madison County Record; Kyle Mooty Moot points

Sun-Times, Heber Springs; Lorie Thompson, Welcome to the Talladoga

In-Depth Series Reporting

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Jillian Burgess, April Scott, Leigh Hahn, Riceland Hotel

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press; Chris Swindle Child abuse

Third Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City; Alan T. Smith Humane Society rescues horses

Medium Dailies**First Place**

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home; Armando Rios, Special treatment?

Second Place

Harrison Daily Times; Celia DeWoody Youth serve elderly

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat; Rachel Parker Child maltreatment

Honorable Mention

The Courier, Russellville; Staff Dirksmeyer

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Jonesboro Sun; LeAnn Askins
Learning Curve

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Alex Abrams, Behind the walls

Third Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Staff Blending cultures

Honorable Mention

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Staff
Domestic Violence

Time Record, Ft. Smith; Staff, Drought

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

The Brinkley Argus; Staff, Big Discovery

Second Place

Lafayette County Press, Stamps; Lucy Goodwin, Jail

Third Place

Lafayette County Press, Stamps; Lucy Goodwin, Animal cruelty

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Nashville News; Staff
Hospital seeks new building

Second Place

Nashville News; Staff
Manhunt- Calvin Bennett

Third Place

Press Argus-Courier; Kenneth Fry Melinda Bigelow, Ambulance service

Honorable Mention

Ashley News Observer; Todd S. Bergmann Sanders plea

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

The Leader, Jacksonville; Leader Staff Payday lenders

Second Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs; Louis Short Deer problem

Third Place

Hot Springs Village Voice; Frank Leeming, Jerry Carroll, Election Candidates

Honorable Mention

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista; Charles Huggins Series on incorporation

Investigative Reporting**Small and Medium Dailies****First Place**

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home; Chandra Huston, Norfolk plan rejected

Second Place

Batesville Daily Guard; Jon Trobaugh

To kill or not to kill

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin; Joanne Bratton Payday lenders

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; C.S. Murphy Unconventional spending

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Don Dailey, Four-year struggle continues

Third Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Charlie Frago, Calico Rock prison

All Weeklies**First Place**

Press Argus-Courier; Kenneth Fry

Doubt lingers 28 years later

Second Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; K.J. Longley Towing Contract

Third Place

Sherwood Voice; Greg Rayburn

LR man pays \$22K for mobile home

Headline Writing

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Paragould Daily Press; Miranda Remaklus Honey Bunches of Ohs

Second Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Jay Strasner Whirlpool sucks

Third Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Jay Strasner Mascot cries fowl

Honorable Mention

Camden News; Jim Edwards, Electric bills are shocker

Paragould Daily Press; Hannah Burney, Miranda Remaklus, Copper thieves foiled

Medium Dailies

First Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home; Bruce Roberts, Give me that online religion

Second Place

The Courier, Russellville; Mark Burke She's a knockout

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home; Chandra Huston, 2Cool + 2Be

Larger Dailies

First Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Henry Apple, Early Czech-out

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Debbie Miller, A bunch of trufflemakers

Third Place

Texarkana Gazette; Steven Gamble
H2 Whoa!

Honorable Mention

Benton County Daily Record; Elanor Evans, Fire doesn't roast Kennedy Coffee

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville; Cassie Huffman, Distressing wood goes against grain

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree; Samantha Martin, Cotton Pickin Time

Second Place

Gentry Courier-Journal; Randy Moll Business peachy at Taylor Orchard

Third Place

Gentry Courier-Journal; Randy Moll Things keep on ticking at Watch Shop

Honorable Mention

Montgomery County News, Mt. Ida; Mike Wallace, A yard too long a foot too short

The Brinkley Argus; Thomas and Katie Jacques, Birders flocking to event

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop Goat farming is hard to bleat

Second Place

Booneville Democrat; Glenn M. Parrish Shott staying putt

Third Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; C.F. Scott
Not just balls and whistles

Honorable Mention

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; C.F. Scott Getting to the real dirt

Villager Journal, Cherokee Village; Terry Mullins, Ashdown wins showdown

Villager Journal, Cherokee Village; Erma Harris, Hot air can continue at city hall

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Deborah Horn Talking Shiitake

Second Place

Madison County Record; Kyle Mooty Huntsville road could throw truckers a curve

Third Place

The Times Dispatch; Gretchen Hunt Brinkley enjoys berry unique business

Honorable Mention

Sun-Times, Heber Springs; Louis Short Caught red-handed and bare-footed

The Leader, Jacksonville; Rick Kron Starbucks sweetens city's cup of growth

Single News Photograph

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Benton Courier; Richard Duke, Gunman apprehended

Second Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Greg Benenati Blown tire brings tragedy

Third Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Carla Rossini Heat of the day

Honorable Mention

Camden News; Brandon Chambers
Taser training

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Leigh Hahn
Fire at Riceland

Medium Dailies

First Place

The Baxter Bulletin; Kevin Pieper
Two rescued

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin; Kevin Pieper, Fire

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat; Daniel Rooney Baby carrier

Honorable Mention

El Dorado News-Times; Samuel Peebles Altercation

The Courier, Russellville; Scott McClure Dispute turns deadly

Larger Dailies

First Place

Texarkana Gazette; Evan Lewis
Saying goodbye

Second Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville; Anthony Reyes, Fire in Goshen

Third Place

Pine Bluff Commercial; Ralph Fitzgerald Accident in White Hall

Honorable Mention

Jonesboro Sun; Rodney Freeman Teenager arrested

Texarkana Gazette; Jim Wiliamson Handle with care

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Trumann Democrat; Carin McClung Viper squad

Second Place

Lafayette County Press,Stamps; Lucy Goodwin, Animal cruelty

Third Place

Grand Prairie Herald, Hazen; Chris Bradow, This is really gonna hurt

Honorable Mention

The Brinkley Argus; Katie Jacques Damage

The Times of NE Benton County;
Annette Beard, Police stay busy

Medium Weeklies

First Place Wynne Progress;
David Robison, Forrest fire

Second Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; C.F. Scott
A shocking experience

Third Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; Christina Verderosa, A future veteran?

Honorable Mention

Booneville Democrat; Glenn M. Parrish Good guys, bad guys

Nashville Leader; John R. Schirmer
We made it

Salem News; Brooke Ninemire
Disaster Drill

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs; Virginia Vickery, Siloam Springs firefighters work

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville; David Scollì Bikers protest funeral

Third Place

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista; Charles Huggins Missouri bank robber flees

Honorable Mention

Rogers Hometown News; Lindy Word Vietnam Wall

The Leader, Jacksonville; David Scollì Weather rampage

The Times Dispatch; John Bland
Railroad work

Single Feature Photograph

Smaller Dailies

First Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Greg Benenati Band Concert

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press; Brandon Harris Saving lives no matter

Third Place

Camden News; Brandon Chambers Welcome back to SAU

Honorable Mention

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Greg Benenati It's hot

The Daily World, Helena; Mark Haney Preparing plan bee

Medium Dailies

First Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home; Kevin Pieper, Place of hope

Second Place

El Dorado News-Times; Samuel Peebles

A day at the park

Third Place

The Courier, Russellville; Lara Russenberger, Toe-tapping fun

Honorable Mention

Harrison Daily Times; Lee H. Dunlap Fourth of July fireworks

The Baxter Bulletin; Kevin Pieper

Hair wave

Larger Dailies

First Place

The Morning News, Springdale; J.T. Wampler, Bug's life

Second Place

Northwest Arkansas Times; Anthony Reyes, Pilots arrive for Airfest Show

Third Place

Jonesboro Sun; Rodney Freeman Summer reflections

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Rick McFarland, Popping into summer

Benton County Daily Record; Charles Fowler, Moocicles

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

The Brinkley Argus; Thomas Jacques

Lady on the trapeze

Second Place

The Brinkley Argus; Katie Jacques

Taking to the air

Third Place

Dover Times; Elizabeth Brown

Looking toward the future

Honorable Mention

Chicot County Spectator; John Corbitt Snack time in the Pecan grove

Gentry Courier-Journal; Randy Moll Sawing logs

Pacesetter Times, Horseshoe Bend; Karen Johnson, What a thrill

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Ashley News Observer, Crossett; Heath Waldrop, Teammates huff and puff

Second Place

White Hall Journal; Kat McEntire, Speedy

Third Place

Villager Journal, Cherokee Village; Chris Wulff, Help with horses

Honorable Mention

Courier-Index, Marianna; Edie Sanford Homecoming parade

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; C.F. Scott

All boxed in

Salem News; Brooke Ninemire

My buddy

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Leader, Jacksonville; David Scolli

Flu vaccination hurts

Second Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Randy Metcalf Play in the spray

Third Place

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista; Charles Huggins Blessing Paco

Honorable Mention

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs; Wendi Rose Doing his part

Maumelle Monitor; Spencer Watson Citizen plaque

Maumelle Monitor; David Schaeffer

Out for summer

Single Sports Action Photograph

Smaller Dailies

First Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Greg Benenati Ballew brings Beebe

Second Place

Banner-News, Magnolia; Mike McNeill Panthers at Alltel Arena

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press; Jacob Cooper Eagles soar

Honorable Mention

Paragould Daily Press; Ben Cowens Beebe sweeps

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Greg Benenati Beebe eliminated

Medium Dailies

First Place

Batesville Daily Guard; Clayton Cavaness Central Methodist outfielders

Second Place

El Dorado News-Times; Samuel Peebles Collision course

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat; Courtney Kuhler Greenbrier-Harrison soccer

Honorable Mention

Harrison Daily Times; Jeff Brasel Volleyball shining moments

The Baxter Bulletin; Neal Denton

Shot blocked

Larger Dailies

First Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Neemah A. Esmaeilpour, NWA Aquatics

Second Place

Benton County Daily Record ; David Frank Dempsey, Flying high

Third Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Russell Powell, High school state soccer

Honorable Mention

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville; Anthony Reyes, Arkansas Baptist ends

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs; Mara Kuhn, Kicking high

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Gentry Courier-Journal; Randy Moll Rebound

Second Place

Pacesetting Times; Bobby Stapleton

Hand to hand battle

Third Place

Gentry Courier-Journal; Randy Moll

Safe at the plate

Honorable Mention

Clay County Democrat; Ryan Rogers Offensive slump slow

Pacesetting Times; Bobby Stapleton
Head over heels

Tri-City Tribune; Dan Brawner
Warriors edge

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Nashville News; Kayla Sparks, True grit

Second Place

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop Up and over

Third Place

Villager Journal, Cherokee Village; Mitch Sparks, No contest

Honorable Mention

Dumas Clarion; Terry G. Hawkins
Not quite enough

Nashville Leader; John R. Schirmer
State qualifier

Villager Journal; Terry Mullins
Heals over head

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Randy Metcalf Wildcats extend win streak

Second Place

Stone County Leader; Ed Schuh, Rodeo

Third Place

The Leader, Jacksonville; David Scolli Sylvan Hills sweeps two

Honorable Mention

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs; Gary Trembly, Ashley Seagert

Pocahontas Star Herald; Dalton Sullivan Pocahontas football

Stone County Leader; Lori Freeze
Rebel basketball

Single Sports Feature Photograph

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City; Fred Conley Breather

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press; Mike McKinney Hand-to-hand

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press; Jacob Cooper
I've got it

Medium Dailies

First Place

The Baxter Bulletin; Kevin Pieper Bomber pride

Second Place

The Courier, Russellville; Fred Gladdis Taking a break to chit-chat

Third Place

The Courier, Russellville; Fred Gladdis
A hero remembered

Honorable Mention

El Dorado News-Times; Jim Lemon Keeping cool

The Baxter Bulletin; Kevin Pieper Hooked

Larger Dailies

First Place

Texarkana Gazette; Aaron Street
One is the lonliest number

Second Place

Jonesboro Sun; Sandra Sovick
Too wet to play

Third Place

Texarkana Gazette; Robb Pittard Watching the rain

Honorable Mention

Pine Bluff Commercial; Ralph Fitzgerald Gymnastics

The Sentinel-Record; Richard Rasmussen Taking a bow

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Gentry Courier-Journal; Randy Moll Enjoying the evening

Second Place

Gentry Courier-Journal; Randy Moll Clearing the fence

Third Place

Pacesetting Times; Bobby Stapleton Going for the money

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop Jeremy Evans, Look at that!

Second Place

Ashley News Observer; Rick Williams Eagle freshman Bobby Bryan

Third Place

Greenwood Democrat; Dustin Graham Greenwood Bulldogs Champs

Honorable Mention

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop There was a time

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; C.F. Scott
Signing fan

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Randy Metcalf Hitting one out of the park

Second Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Randy Metcalf Lady Charging Wildcats win

Third Place

Jacksonville Patriot; Chad Matchett Perse's pitch

Honorable Mention

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs; Randy Moll Picturesque setting

Stone County Leader; Lori Freeze Fishing derby

Picture Page/Photo Essay

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Banner-News, Magnolia; Melissa Humble Relay for life

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press; Hannah Burney, Deondra Morri, Community show support

Third Place

Banner-News, Magnolia; Melissa Humble MHS Art Potpourri

Honorable Mention

Blytheville Courier News; Pat Ivey
Lest we forget

Paragould Daily Press; Miranda Remaklus Recovering after tragedy strikes

Medium Dailies

First Place

Batesville Daily Guard; Nick Nesler Arkansas Scottish Festival

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin; Kevin Pieper
Winter kayaking

Third Place

Harrison Daily Times; Jeff Brasel
Shining moments

Honorable Mention

Log Cabin Democrat; Courtney Kuhlen Toad Suck Daze

The Courier, Russellville; Janice Penix Eukeka! Mountain town offers

Larger Dailies

First Place

Benton County Daily Record; David Frank Dempsey, Charles Fowler, Christopher Vore, Bentonville Public Library

Second Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette;

Rick McFarland, Pachyderm Pampering

Third Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Benjamin Krain, After Katrina Road home

Honorable Mention

Jonesboro Sun; LeAnn Askins

A trip to Pumpkin Hollow

Jonesboro Sun; Rodney Freeman

875th head to Iraq

Texarkana Gazette; Evan Lewis

Playing in the mud

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

The Times of NE Benton County;

Annette Beard, Battle of Pea Ridge

Second Place

The Brinkley Argus; Katie and Thomas Jacques, A great day in the park

Third Place

Gentry Courier-Journal; Nan McClain Decatur barbecue

Honorable Mention

Gurdon Times; Jeremy Langley, Wendy Ledbetter, Gurdon Forest Fest

Trumann Democrat; Carin McClung, Dan Brawner, Judd Hill Field day

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Atkins Chronicle; Scott McClure, Felisha Weaver, Power of the Pickle

Second Place

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop Indoor activities

Third Place

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop Methods of instruction

Honorable Mention

Nashville Leader; Holland Powell, John R. Schirmer, New York City

Press Argus-Courier; Melinda Bigelow Congratulations Neidecker Family

Salem News; Terry Mullins
Arenacross Mayhem

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Leader, Jacksonville; David Parker Chuckwagon Race

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville; David Scolli Walk for life

Third Place

Rogers Hometown News, Lindy Word Our hometown heroes

Honorable Mention

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs, Ben McVay Making dolls

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista; Charles Huggins Andra Atteberry, Natural beauty

Features Page

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Blytheville Courier News; Andy Weld

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press; Hannah Burney

Third Place

Banner-News; Melissa Humble

Medium Dailies

First Place

The Baxter Bulletin; Bruce Roberts

Second Place

Log Cabin Democrat; Diane Noe

Third Place

Batesville Daily Guard; J. Ross Jones,
Nick Nesler

Larger Dailies

First Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Kelly Barnett, Josh Ray

Second Place

Times Record, Ft. Smith; John Dunn

Third Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Jeff Lindsey Ron Wolfe, Tena Chen

Honorable Mention

Jonesboro Sun; Stewart Cole, Kellie Cobb

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Trumann Democrat; Carin McClung

Second Place

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree; Samantha Martin

Third Place

The Times of NE Benton County; Annette Beard, Teresa Hufford

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Nashville News, Staff

Second Place

Dumas Clarion, Terry G. Hawkins,
Agnes Ross

Third Place

Nashville Leader; Hilary Butler, John R. Schirmer, Kayla Sparks, John Balch

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Times, N.Little Rock; Caryn Price

Second Place

The Times Dispatch; Shelly Tomlinson, Vivian Heyl, Angie Skimahorn

Third Place

The Leader, Jacksonville; Joan McCoy Christy Hendricks, Sara Green

Sports Page

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Paragould Daily Press; Mike McKinney

Second Place

Camden News; Kelly Blair

Third Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City; Fred Conley

Medium Dailies

First Place

El Dorado News-Times; Tony Burns

Second Place

The Courier, Russellville; Danny Scott

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat; Phillip Seaton

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Jonesboro Sun; Kevin Turbeville

Second Place

Benton County Daily Record; Paul Gatling, Tom Glave, Graham Thomas

Third Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Sports Staff

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

Pacesetter Times; Karen Johnson, Bobby Stapleton

Second Place

Tri-City Tribune; Dan Brawner

Third Place

The Times of NE Benton County; Annette Beard, Teresa Hufford

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop

Second Place

Nashville News; Staff

Third Place

Press Argus-Courier; George Clay Mitchell

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

The Times, N. Little Rock; Bo Calloway

Second Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs

Gary Trembly

Third Place

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista

Jennifer DeShields

Graphics & Design**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Jeannie Nugent, April Scott

Second Place

Blytheville Courier News; Andy Weld

Third Place

The Daily Citizen; Gabriel Culzada

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Batesville Daily Guard; Nick Nesler

Second Place

Log Cabin Democrat; Staff

Third Place

El Dorado News-Times; Mary Lee Downey

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Benton County Daily Record; Christopher Vore

Second Place

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Catherine Peterson

Third Place

Jonesboro Sun; Brian Smith

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Dusty Higgins, Terry Austin, Kirk Montgomery

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree; Samantha Martin

Second Place

Pacesetting Times; Karen Johnson

Third Place

Chicot County Spectator; Whitney White

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Nashville Leader; John R. Schirmer, Hilary Butler, Kayla Sparks

Second Place

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop

Third Place

Dumas Clarion; Terry G. Hawkins

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista; Linda Caldwell

Second Place

Cabot Star-Herald; Karen Dunphy, Jesse Gonzalez

Third Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Caryn Price

Single Event Issue

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Paragould Daily Press; Paragould Press Staff, Marmaduke Tornado

Second Place

Blytheville Courier News; Staff
State Champs

Third Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Staff
Harvest 2006

Honorable Mention

Banner-News, Magnolia; Staff
Class AAAA Tournament

Medium Dailies

First Place

The Baxter Bulletin; Staff, Fallen Hero

Second Place

Harrison Daily Times; Scott Liles & Staff Day One Rookie

Third Place

Batesville Daily Guard; Staff, Farm Family

Honorable Mention

The Courier, Russellville; Staff
Water Battle Rages On

Larger Dailies

First Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Staff
An Ozark Tale

Second Place

Arkansas Times; Staff
Downtown Development

Third Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Staff Election Advance

Small and Medium Weeklies

First Place

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop Todd S. Bergmann, Progress

Second Place

Salem News; Areawide Media Staff Veterans

Third Place

White Hall Journal; Staff, Founder's Day

Honorable Mention

Atkins Chronicle; Felisha Weaver, Elizabeth Brown and Staff; Sports Preview

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; Larry Burge, Christina Verderosa, C.F. Scott
Gillett Centennial

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs; Staff Pillars of Siloam Springs

Second Place

Weekly Vista; Linda Caldwell, Jenny DeShields, Incorporation

Third Place

Hot Springs Village Voice; Lynnette Melcher, Frank Leeming, Champions

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Smaller Dailies

First Place

Blytheville Courier News; Staff

Second Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy; Staff

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press; Staff

Medium Dailies

First Place

The Courier, Russellville; Staff

Second Place

El Dorado News-Times; Staff

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin; Chandra Huston, Joanne Bratton, Armando Rios, George Jared, Maggie Rotermund

Larger Dailies

First Place

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs; Staff

Second Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville Staff

Third Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Staff

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Trumann Democrat; Carin McClung

Second Place

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree; Samantha Martin, Dan Brawner, Desha Smith

Third Place

Gravette News-Herald; R.D. Evans

Honorable Mention

The Times of NE Benton County Annette Beard

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Paris Express; Pat McHughes

Second Place

Press Argus-Courier; Kenneth Fry, Melinda Bigelow

Third Place

Dumas Clarion; Terry G. Hawkins,
Agnes W. Ross

Honorable Mention

Wynne Progress; Joe Halm, David Robison, Crystal McDaniel

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Cabot Star-Herald; Staff

Second Place

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista; Wade Parsons, Andra Atteberry, Charles Huggins, Belinda Ostrauski

Third Place

Carroll County News Weekend, Berryville CCN Staff

Honorable Mention

Maumelle Monitor; Staff

The Times Dispatch; Staff

Hot Springs Village Voice; Staff

Coverage of Politics

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Benton Courier; Whit Jones, Lynda Hollenbeck, Mike Dougherty

Second Place

Blytheville Courier News; Mark Brasfield, Christie Benham, Andy Weld

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press; Miranda Remaklus, Hannah Burney, Jesse Blankenship, Cory Clark, Jennifer Thompson

Medium Dailies

First Place

El Dorado News-Times; Staff

Second Place

Log Cabin Democrat; Staff

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin; Chandra Huston, Armando Rios, Joanne Bratton, John Anderson

Larger Dailies

First Place

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Staff

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Staff

Third Place

Texarkana Gazette; Jodi Sheridan Jim Williamson, Les Minor

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Times; Staff

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Lafayette County Press; Lucy Goodwin

Second Place

Nevada County Picayune; Wendy Ledbetter

Third Place

The Times of NE Benton County Annette Beard

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Dumas Clarion; Agnes W. Ross

Second Place

Booneville Democrat; Glenn M. Parrish

Third Place

Ashley News Observer; Todd S. Bergmann, Heath Waldrop, S. Rebecca Friend

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Staff

Second Place

Maumelle Monitor; Spencer Watson, Dustin Allen

Third Place

The Times Dispatch; Staff

Coverage of Business/Agriculture**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Michael Jones, Leigh Hahn, Jeannie Nugent April Scott

Second Place

Banner-News, Magnolia; Staff

Third Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City; Times-Herald Staff

Honorable Mention

Camden News; Donna Collins

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Log Cabin Democrat; Staff

Second Place

Batesville Daily Guard; Mary Jo Shivey, Andrea Bruner, Rachael Walden, Angelia Roberts, Camille Hughes

Third Place

The Courier, Russellville; Staff

Larger Dailies**First Place**

The Morning News, Springdale; Kim Souza, Lana Flowers, Anita French

Second Place

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Ben Boulden Tara Muck, Kim Souza, Michael Tilley

Third Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; David Smith, Mark Minton, Nancy Cole, Bill W. Hornaday

Honorable Mention

Jonesboro Sun

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

The Times of NE Benton County Annette Beard

Second Place

Lafayette County Press; Lucy Goodwin

Third Place

The Brinkley Argus; Katie and Thomas Jacques, Marci Manley

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Press Argus-Courier; Kenneth Fry,

Melinda Bigelow

Second Place

Ashley News Observer; Todd S. Bergmann, S. Rebecca Friend, Heath Waldrop

Third Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; Christina Verderosa, C.F. Scott

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Carroll County News Weekend, Berryville; E. Alan Long, Anna Matthews, Virginia Wietecha

Second Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Staff

Third Place

Stone County Leader, Mt.View; Staff

Coverage of Education

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Benton Courier; Jillian McGehee, Mike Dougherty, Richard Fuke, Lynda Hollenbeck

Second Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Jeannie Nugent, Michael Jones, Carla Rossini

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News; Christie Benham

Honorable Mention

The Daily World, Helena; Michele Page

Medium Dailies

First Place

Batesville Daily Guard; Nick Nesler,
Mary Jo Shivey

Second Place

The Courier, Russellville; Staff

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat; Jessica Bauer

Honorable Mention

Harrison Daily Times; Dwain Lair, Scott Liles, James White, Lynn Blevins, Donna Braymer

Larger Dailies

First Place

Arkansas Times, Little Rock; Staff

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale; Rose Ann Pearce, Laurinda Joenks & Staff

Third Place

Benton County Daily Record; Jenny Bryers, Jamie Brunk, Lynn Atkins

Honorable Mention

Times Record, Ft.Smith; Amy Sherrill

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Chicot County Spectator; John Corbitt, Sheila Prescott, Whitney White

Second Place

The Brinkley Argus; Katie & Thomas Jacques, Argus Press Service

Third Place

The Times of NE Benton County; Annette Beard

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Ashley News Observer; Heath Waldrop, Todd S. Bergmann, S. Rebecca Friend

Second Place

Booneville Democrat; Glenn M. Parrish

Third Place

Press Argus-Courier; Kenneth Fry, Melinda Bigelow

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Maumelle Monitor; Spencer Watson, Dustin Allen

Second Place

The Times, N. Little Rock; Staff

Third Place

The Times Dispatch; Staff

Coverage of Tourism

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Banner-News, Magnolia; Staff

Second Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City; Staff

Third Place

The Daily Record, Little Rock; Danielle Del Sol, Amber Davis-Tanner

Medium Dailies

First Place

Harrison Daily Times; George Holcomb, Dwain Lair, Yvonne Cone, John Phillips

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin; Chandra Huston, Joanne Bratton, John Anderson

Third Place

The Courier, Russellville; Staff

Larger Dailies

First Place

Benton County Daily Record; Jenny Bryers, Rachel Davis, Eleanor Evans, Chad Eiler, Evie Blad

Second Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette;
Jennifer Nixon

Third Place

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Ben Boulden, Scott Smith, Pam Cloud, Mary L. Crider

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

The Brinkley Argus; Katie & Thomas Jacques, Marci Manley, Argus Press Service

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County Annette Beard

Third Place

Montgomery County News; Mike Wallace

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Salem News; Areawide Media Staff

Second Place

Ashley News Observer; Todd S. Bergmann, Heath Waldrop, S. Rebecca Friend

Third Place

Dumas Clarion; Terry G. Hawkins, Agnes W. Ross

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Stone County Leader; Staff

Second Place

Maumelle Monitor; Staff

Third Place

Hot Springs Village Voice; Rebecca McCormick and Staff

Community Coverage

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Blytheville Courier News

Second Place

Banner-News, Magnolia

Third Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy

Medium Dailies

First Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway

Second Place

El Dorado News-Times

Third Place

Batesville Daily Guard

Larger Dailies

First Place

Benton County Daily Record

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale

Third Place

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs

Honorable Mention

Texarkana Gazette

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Gentry Courier-Journal

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge

Third Place

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree

Honorable Mention

Grand Prairie Herald, Hazen

Pacesetting Times, Horseshoe Bend

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Nashville Leader

Second Place

White Hall Journal

Third Place

Cleveland County Herald, Rison

Honorable Mention

DeWitt Era-Enterprise

Woodruff County Monitor, McCrory

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs

Second Place

Maumelle Monitor

Third Place

Pocahontas Star Herald

Honorable Mention

Sun-Times, Heber Springs

Hot Springs Village Voice

Editorial Cartoonist Portfolio

First Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville Dusty Higgins

Second Place

Stone County Leader, Mt. View; Ed Schuh

Third Place

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Vic Harville

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; John Deering

Arkansas Times, Little Rock; Mike Gauldin

Best Web Design

All Dailies

First Place

The Morning News, Springdale Johnathon Williams, NWAOnline.net

Second Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville Steven Jarvis, NWAnews.com

Third Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; Nick Warren, Toby Simmons, arkansasonline.com

Honorable Mention

Times Record, Ft. Smith; Steve Marquez swtimes.com

All Weeklies

First Place

Nashville News; Chris Ruzin nashvillenews.org

Second Place

The Times Dispatch, Walnut Ridge;
Angie Skimahorn, Kier Heyl, thetd.com

Third Place

Ashley County Ledger; David Moyers, Steve Sanders, Jan Roberts ashleycountyledger.com

Freelance Writing

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City; Michelle Wallace, Family Tree

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press; Kimberly Warmarth Rearing Boys

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News; Tena Furnish Storm victims need long-term help

Honorable Mention

Stuttgart Daily Leader; Rev. Larry Kelso Three Gs of Hollywood

Medium Dailies

First Place

Harrison Daily Times; John Porter, John Porter answers Red Neckerson

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mtn. Home
Carol Henrichs, Real natural state

Third Place

Harrison Daily Times; Megan Lair
Boy has questions

Larger Dailies

First Place

Arkansas Times; Renan Antunes De Oliveira, Staff of Life

Second Place

Jonesboro Sun; Nan Snider
'86 Murder haunts family

Third Place

Arkansas Times; Dale Ingram, Hunger

Small and Medium Weeklies

First Place

Press Argus-Courier; Pauline Triplett Beckman, An offer I couldn't refuse

Second Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise; Larry Burge
A shocking experience

Third Place

Nashville Leader; Roy Clingan
Chasing a comet's tail

Honorable Mention

Nashville Leader Jean L. Bond Ghosts

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

The Times, N. Little Rock; Kitty Chism Art baptized by storm

Second Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs; Robyn
Hoffman, Paradise in Quitman

Third Place

Maumelle Monitor; Deborah Roush
Race even better from back

Honorable Mention

The Times, N. Little Rock; Gene Herrington, Working out now for the dogs

General Excellence**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Stuttgart Daily Leader

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press

Third Place

The Daily Citizen, Searcy

Honorable Mention

Blytheville Courier News

Medium Dailies**First Place**

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home

Second Place

Harrison Daily Times

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway

Honorable Mention

The Courier, Russellville

Larger Dailies**First Place**

The Morning News, Springdale

Second Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette

Third Place

Benton County Daily Record, Bentonville

Honorable Mention

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

Tri-City Tribune, Marked Tree

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County, Pea Ridge

Third Place

The Brinkley Argus

Honorable Mention

Gentry Courier-Journal

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Ashley News Observer, Crossett

Second Place

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren

Third Place

Dumas Clarion

Honorable Mention

DeWitt Era-Enterprise

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Times, N. Little Rock

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville

Third Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs

Honorable Mention

Maumelle Monitor