



Arkansas Press Association's
News-Editorial

2010

**Contest
Winners**

Thank you to the following companies who have helped
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**2010 Total Entries: 2,018 from 60 member newspapers
Judged by members of the Mississippi Press Association**

News Story **Smaller Dailies**

First Place

Benton Courier
Molly Fleming
State of emergency

Second Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City
Alan Smith
Humane Society releases graphic video

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News
Mark Brasfield
Councilwoman may be forced out

Medium Dailies

First Place

Harrison Daily Times
Ginger Shiras
Attorney arrested after drug raid

Second Place

Pine Bluff Commercial
Ray King
Standoff Ends Peacefully

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Joanne Bratton
Former Izard Co. teacher “guilty”

Honorable Mention

Batesville Daily Guard
Andrea Bruner
Father finds missing daughter

El Dorado News Times
John Worthen
Police officer severely injured

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Joe Lamb
Police impersonation plan goes awry

Larger Dailies

First Place

Texarkana Gazette
Lynn LaRowe
Alamo receives 175 years in jail

Second Place

Times Record, Fort Smith
Jeff Arnold
Killer storm stuns Mena

Third Place

Benton County Daily Record, Bentonville
Tom Treweek
Two banks robbed in Rogers

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Andy Davis
Dentist opens fire

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Scott Davis
Repeat offenders

The Morning News, Springdale
John Henley Jr.
Weathering the storm

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
White Hall Ministerial Alliance

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Annette Beard
Honeymooners

Third Place

Carlisle Independent
Allison Goodman
Storm hits Carlisle

Honorable Mention

Lafayette County Press, Stamps
Lucy Goodwin
Counterfeit Money

Newton County Times, Jasper
Jeff Dezort
Thanks and prayers

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
UA-inspired council

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
Kenneth Fry
Faith renewed in search for Morgan

Second Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise
Frank Scott
Family has rude awakening

Third Place

Wynne Progress
Sarah Morris
Boy killed by drunk driver

Honorable Mention

Booneville Democrat
Glenn M. Parrish
BHS football player airlifted from practice

Nashville Leader
John Balch
Protesters rally after Christmas cancelled

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Maumelle Monitor
Bill Lawson
Maumelle man gunned down

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
Joan McCoy
FBI-ATF arrest Cabot man

Third Place

Maumelle Monitor
Bill Lawson
Deputy pulls man from burning car

Honorable Mention

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Jeff Della Rosa
Allen's worker dies under bag of beans

Madison Co Record, Huntsville
Kyle Mooty
Marijuana moonshiner kills himself

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Louis Short
Woman arrives for court in stolen car

Feature Story

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Benton Courier
Jillian Duke
Road Warrior

Second Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader
Leigh Kreimeier
Diving deep

Third Place

Benton Courier
Matt Burks
Family in a foreign land

Honorable Mention

Blytheville Courier News
Donna Loyd Hilton
Every child needs a home

The Daily Record, Little Rock
Rebecca Brockman
A lively history lesson

Times-Herald, Forrest City
David Nichol
Teaching and reaching

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Harrison Daily Times
David Holsted
Fred Woehl's on the farm in e-i-e-Iraq

Second Place

Harrison Daily Times
Celia DeWoody
Long journey to the past

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Deb Peterson
Woodstock: Beat goes on 40 years later

Honorable Mention

Batesville Daily Guard
Angelia Roberts
Those Lamb boys

Batesville Daily Guard
Lacy Mitchell
Bright 'Lites', small city

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Frank Wallis
Crash site reveals evidence

Larger Dailies**First Place**

The Morning News, Springdale
Doug Thompson
Soldiers' Stories

Second Place

Texarkana Gazette
Brandy Chewing
The little community that could

Third Place

Jonesboro Sun
George Jared
Her father told her

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Cathy Frye
A unique little boy

Arkansas Times, Little Rock
David Koon
Losing Lucie

Texarkana Gazette
Aaron Brand
It's alive

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Annette Beard
Every pint of blood donated

Second Place

Newton County Times, Jasper
Robert Cole
Man is hero to dogs

Third Place

Gravette News-Herald
R.D. Evans
The death of a spring

Honorable Mention

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Cassi Lapp
Wild horses

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze
A boy and his dog

Second Place

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
Lareign Ward
Kristen's struggles over

Third Place

Paris Express
Pat McHughes
Dealer vows to pick up

Honorable Mention

Dumas Clarion
Linda Lambert
Afghanistan vet sees home in new light

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Carroll County News Midweek, Berryville
Anna Mathews
Shop with a cop

Second Place

Stone County Leader, Mt. View
Lana Griffith
Mablean Cook recounts cold night

Third Place

The Times, North Little Rock
Robert Shearon
NLR native drives music

Honorable Mention

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Gary Burton
Hollywood star comes home for good

Sherwood Voice

Greg Rayburn

Detective winning fight against cancer

In-Depth Series Reporting
Smaller Dailies**First Place**

Benton Courier
Lynda Hollenbeck
Ex-music minister charged

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press
John Griffith
Prosecutor's office budget

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press
Janie Ginocchio
Child abuse trial

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Evening Times, West Memphis
Trip Cook, Mike Douglas
Jericho police

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Ice storm

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Joe Lamb
Prank call

Honorable Mention

El Dorado News-Times
Joan Hershberger
Lion oil

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Cathy Frye, John Krupa
Bruised and bloodied

Second Place

Jonesboro Sun
Karin Hill
Animal Control

Third Place

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs
Charlie Gocio
County officials' retirements questioned

Honorable Mention

Times Record, Fort Smith
Wanda Freeman
Public Salaries

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

Lafayette County Press, Stamps
Tommy Goodwin
Garland Mayor

Second Place

Chicot County Spectator, Lake Village
Whitney White
911 loses recordings

Third Place

Pacesetter Times, Horseshoe Bend
Charlet Estes
Felton Trial

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
Lareign Ward
Mountainburg in uproar

Second Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze
Ghostbusters

Third Place

Nashville Leader
Matt Williams
Cancer survivors

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Jeff Della Rosa
FOI violated

Second Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Gary Burton
Hollywood star from Siloam Springs

Third Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Louis Short
Community Center

Honorable Mention

The Leader, Jacksonville
Jeffrey Smith, John Hofheimer,
Aliya Feldman
War memories

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

Benton Courier
Lynda Hollenbeck, Kristal Kuykendall,
Molly Fleming, Caroline Zilk
A taxing question of safety

Second Place

Batesville Daily Guard
Lacy Mitchell
Batesville Charter

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Joe Lamb
Prank calls

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Amy Upshaw, C.S. Murphy
Losing 'Letta
(Winner of the IF Stone Award)

Second Place

Benton County Daily Record, Bentonville
Tracy M. Neal, Tabatha Hunter
Stolen Valor

Third Place

Arkansas Times, Little Rock
Mary Jacoby, Leslie Peacock
Quiet change

Small and Medium Weeklies**First Place**

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Annette Beard, Cassi Lapp
VAS Ambulance Service

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Annette Beard, Cassi Lapp
Hall Pass

Third Place

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
Lareign Ward
Public defenders

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Madison County Record, Huntsville
Kyle Mooty
St. Paul faculty member

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
Rick Koon
Where is your alderman?

Third Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Jeff Della Rosa
FOI Attorney: Meeting violated law

Sports News Story
Smaller Dailies**First Place**

Times-Herald, Forrest City
Fred Conley
Top-seeded Mustangs survive in OT

Second Place

Benton Courier
Richard Duke
Taking care of business

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News
Mark Brasfield
Chickasaws lose on wild finish

Honorable Mention

Stuttgart Daily Leader
Martin Couch
Robinson leads Ricebirds

Medium Dailies

First Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Michael Allen
Season Finale

Second Place

Pine Bluff Commercial
Troy Schulte
Change has come

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Neal Denton
MH fares well

Honorable Mention

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Mark Burke
Mountaineers too high

Larger Dailies

First Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Doug Crise
An Arkansas Classic

Second Place

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs
Bob Wisener
Validation for Papa Clem

Third Place

Jonesboro Sun
Kevin Turbeville
Dealing with a down economy

Honorable Mention

Texarkana Gazette
Johnny Green
Tigers Triumphant

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
Barking loud

Second Place

Carlisle Independent
Mark Buffalo
Bison Corral Jackson

Third Place

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
Lady Bulldogs

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
George "Clay" Mitchell
Alma clinches third state title

Second Place

Nashville Leader
John R. Schirmer
Coach to become pastor

Third Place

Booneville Democrat
Glenn M. Parrish
Home has been sweet

Honorable Mention

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
George "Clay" Mitchell
Parker chooses Hendrix

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
Kelly Fenton
Devils get their due

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
Todd Traub
Stadium lights, camera, action

Third Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Will Gilbert
Mitchell calls on hogs

Honorable Mention

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Graham Thomas
Miller makes it official

Sports Feature Story

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Blytheville Courier News
Mark Brasfield
1989 Chicks special group

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press
Mike McKinney
In a league of their own

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News
Aaron Fitzpatrick
Catch-all Coach

Medium Dailies

First Place

Pine Bluff Commercial
Troy Schulte
Going home again

Second Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
David McCollum
Girlie girl, gritty grappler

Third Place

Pine Bluff Commercial
Sean Saunders
50 and proud

Honorable Mention

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Neal Denton
Archer hits mark

Larger Dailies

First Place

Jonesboro Sun
Ben Cowens
Mended Warrior

Second Place

Texarkana Gazette
Brandy Chewning
Making tracks

Third Place

Texarkana Gazette
Aaron Brand
Looking for ringers

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Doug Crise
Reginald Scott Thurman

Texarkana Gazette

Ashley Gardner
Call of the wild

The Morning News, Springdale
Alex Abrams
Mallot's throwing power

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
Bulldog's Luke

Second Place

Lafayette County Press, Stamps
Lucy Goodwin
Keep God first

Third Place

Nevada County Picayune, Prescott
Wendy Ledbetter
Prescott coach opts

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Nashville Leader
Emily Alexander
That's his style

Second Place

Wynne Progress
Sara Morris
Boone twins each earn championship

Third Place

Booneville Democrat
Glenn M. Parrish
Magazine Football: A family affair

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Graham Thomas
Band of Brothers

Second Place

The Weekly Vista, Bella Vista
Douglas Grant
His way is the highway

Third Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
Todd Traub
Battling the heat

Honorable Mention

The Weekly Vista, Bella Vista
Andra Atteberry
Memories made at Pebble Beach

Sports Column**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Benton Courier
Sam Pierce
Shot clock needed

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press
Mike McKinney
Coach refuses to let broken neck slow him down

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News
Aaron Fitzpatrick
"We" sure is missing out on a lot

Honorable Mention

Blytheville Courier News
Aaron Fitzpatrick
When you can't help but cheer

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Batesville Daily Guard
Tony McGuffey
Turns fishing world upside down

Second Place

El Dorado News-Times
Tony Burns
No shortage of guts

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
David McCollum
Simple concept

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Wally Hall
Green is the color

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale
Kurt Voight
Huntsville shows strength

Third Place

Texarkana Gazette
Louie Avery
Mississippi is very happy

Honorable Mention

Benton County Daily Record, Bentonville
Paul Gatling
Conway win was huge for Mounties

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville

Terry Wood

BCS format unfair to teams like Utah

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
John McGee
Senior Lady Hawks

Second Place

Carlisle Independent
Mark Buffalo
Players should decide

Third Place

Pacesetter Times, Horseshoe Bend
Bobby Stapleton
Beauty of the sport

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Wynne Progress
James Jennings
Checking in

Second Place

Wynne Progress
James Jennings
Checking in

Third Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze
"The Twenty-Five"

Honorable Mention

DeWitt Era-Enterprise
Christina Verderosa
It IS so 'Shoeless Joe'

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Graham Thomas
The year of the Div. I athlete

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
Todd Traub
Happy to be off the sidelines

Third Place

Pocahontas Star Herald
Dalton Sullivan
Cold weather doesn't go with baseball

Honorable Mention

Madison County Record, Huntsville
Kyle Mooty
The time is now

Editorial**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Paragould Daily Press
Janie Ginnochio
A compelling public interest

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press
Janie Ginnochio
The golden goose

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press
Janie Ginnochio
It's not a loan

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Rick Fahr
Pressing issue

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Thomas Garrett
Note to airport commissioners

Third Place

Batesville Daily Guard
Andrea Brunner, Angelia Roberts
The cost of a free press

Honorable Mention

Harrison Daily Times
Dwain Lair
Will somebody stand up to Cindy Baker?

Larger Dailies**First Place**

The Morning News, Springdale
Brenda Blagg
Someone already won the new lottery

Second Place

Jonesboro Sun
Roy Ockert Jr.
Postal officials hedged the truth

Third Place

Texarkana Gazette
Russell McDermott
Was Justice Done?

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Times, Little Rock
Doug Smith
What, me park?

Benton Co Daily Record, Bentonville

Dave Perozek
Coaches score big

Times Record, Ft. Smith

Judith Hansen
Public serves vital roles in executions

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Annette Beard.VAS board must lift veil

Second Place

Gravette News-Herald
R.D. Evans
Who will step up?

Third Place

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
Bulldog nation

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Dumas Clarion
Terry G. Hawkins
Slammin' SEARK

Second Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise
C.F.Scott
Vote for street tax

Third Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise
Christina Verderosa
Spelling gets short shrift in DeWitt

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

The Leader, Jacksonville
John Hofheimer
PCSSD puts students last

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
Ernie Dumas
Huckabee self destructs

Third Place

Maumelle Monitor
Bill Lawson
Writings of flags and fathers

Honorable Mention

The Times Dispatch, Walnut Ridge
John Bland
Ice Storm Disaster

News/Political Column**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Paragould Daily Press
Monica Hooper
Jonesboro's witch trials of 1994

Second Place

Benton Courier
Kristal Kuykendall
Susie is a perfect example

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News
Mark Brasfield
Lay cynicism aside

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Batesville Daily Guard
Larry Stroud
What was this menace thinking?

Second Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Waylon Harris
Light on the substance

Third Place

El Dorado News-Times
Joan Hershberger
Being left in the dark

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Paul Greenberg
Ideology vs. Principle

Second Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Scott Shackelford
Sitting takes courage, too

Third Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Greg Harton
Sign here, but don't tell anyone

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Times, Little Rock
Max Brantley
The city's shame

Benton Co Daily Record, Bentonville

Dave Perozek
Police dog gets no appeal

The Morning News, Springdale

Brenda Blagg
Decisions common sense

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Annette Beard
Take time to vote

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Mark Moore
Freedom was founding father's design

Third Place

White Hall Journal
Wayne Norton
Lottery czar hits jackpot

Honorable Mention

Nevada County Picayune, Prescott
Wendy Ledbetter
Editor questions council

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Wynne Progress
James Jennings
Checking in

Second Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze
The State Line

Third Place

Booneville Democrat
Glenn M. Parrish
It is a stupid idea

Honorable Mention

Wynne Progress
James Jennings
Checking in

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
John Dilmore
Be it resolved to not shop local?

Second Place

Carroll Co News Midweek, Berryville
Mike Ellis
Finding fault?

Third Place

Madison Co Record, Huntsville
Kyle Mooty
Criminals enjoy playing Monopoly

General Interest Column**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Paragould Daily Press
Scott Perkins
Cherished conversations

Second Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader
Michael Jones
10 things I never knew about allergies

Third Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City
David Nichol
About those death panels

Honorable Mention

Blytheville Courier News
Andy Weld
How one summer can change your world

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Harrison Daily Times
Celia DeWoody
Freedom and joy

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Sonny Garrett
Farewell to a wise, gentle man

Third Place

Evening Times, West Memphis
Mike Douglas
TV's goody-goody was still good

Honorable Mention

Evening Times, West Memphis
Mike Douglas
Give a better example

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Paul Greenberg
The old lady in black

Second Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Greg Harton
To the rescue or petty theft

Third Place

Jonesboro Sun
Maria Flora
Stalkers are not easy to forget

Honorable Mention

The Morning News, Springdale
Leanna Walker
Celebrating a special life

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

White Hall Journal
Wayne A. Norton
Daughter's compassion

Second Place

White River Valley News, Elkins
Pat Harris
Lack of civility

Third Place

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
Untimely deaths don't eclipse role model

Honorable Mention

Gravette News-Herald
R.D. Evans
Off the cuff

The Times of NE Benton Co, Pea Ridge

Annette Beard

Learning patience through trials

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

DeWitt Era-Enterprise
C.F. Scott
I'm a fan of The Other Woman

Second Place

Dumas Clarion
Linda Lambert
Barbara Millicent hits the big 5-0

Third Place

Wynne Progress
James Jennings
Checking In

Honorable Mention

Atkins Chronicle
Van A. Tyson
A year later

Booneville Democrat

Glenn M. Parrish

A Really, Really big day

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Stone County Leader, Mt. View
Gary Keith
Sacrifices remembered

Second Place

Weekly Vista, Bella Vista
Douglas Grant
I'm just not comfortable

Third Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Lorie Thompson
Tell Dad you love him

Honorable Mention

Pocahontas Star Herald
Anita Murphy
A fishing story

The Times, North Little Rock
Mike Dougherty
Nonbinding in-laws

Humorous Column**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

The Daily Record, Little Rock
Jay Edwards
Are we there yet?

Second Place

Benton Courier
Krystal Kuykendall
Feeling like a Saline Countian

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press
Janie Ginocchio
Baby on board

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Batesville Daily Guard
P.J. Sullivan
Traveling with Felines

Second Place

Batesville Daily Guard
Rick Baber
Landers gets religion

Third Place

Harrison Daily Times
David Holsted
Raising a stink

Honorable Mention

El Dorado News-Times
Joan Hershberger
Foul weather friend

Harrison Daily Times
David Holsted
More Elizabethan English

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Sonny Garrett
I don't want to complain

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Texarkana Gazette
Les Minor
And the winner is

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale
Bob Caudle
Here comes Santa Claus

Third Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Jennifer Christman
Fair gut busters

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Cathy Frye
Pride (and more) takes a slide

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
Just Joshin'

Second Place

Nevada County Picayune, Prescott
Wendy Ledbetter
We don't have a submarine- yet

Third Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Jerry Nichols
Bossy Daisy

Honorable Mention

Gentry Courier-Journal
Randy Moll
Griz Bear Comments

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze
The Great Napkin Scandal

Second Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze
Easter Traditions

Third Place

Dumas Clarion
Linda Lambert
The day the twin got left behind

Honorable Mention

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
George "Clay" Mitchell
A poem for Tiger Woods

Wynne Progress

James Jennings
Checking in

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Stone County Leader, Mt. View
Gary Keith
Males need 'enhancement'

Second Place

Stone County Leader, Mt. View
John Berry
Noise pollution is problem

Third Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Lorie Thompson
How to give a cat a bath

Honorable Mention

Madison County Record, Huntsville
Kyle Mooty
Voter fraud suspected

Headline Writing**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Benton Courier
Richard Duke
Mound Control

Second Place

Benton Courier
Courier staff
Test driving the law

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News
Andy Weld
Protesting on principal

Medium Dailies**First Place**

El Dorado News-Times
Chris Qualls
H2O no!

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Greg Jelinek
Start speading the news

Third Place

Evening Times, West Memphis
Mike Douglas
Cookbook puts bomb squad in a stew

Honorable Mention

Batesville Daily Guard
Angelia Roberts
Jurors drain plumber's bank account

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Fred Lowe
Hogs bracing for Holliday rush

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Paul Sawyer
No rest for the wicket

Second Place

Texarkana Gazette
Geneva Stovall
Flu vaccine supply already shot

Third Place

Texarkana Gazette
Geneva Stovall
Bird calls

Honorable Mention

Jonesboro Sun
Brian Smith
Mow man than most

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Sandra Cox
A star is shorn

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Heath Allen
Hale storm

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

Chicot County Spectator, Lake Village
Whitney White
Elderly woman attacked after showing kindness

Second Place

Chicot County Spectator, Lake Village
Whitney White
Inmates sit in dark

Third Place

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
Are you being served?

Honorable Mention

Pacesetter Times, Horseshoe Bend
Charlet Estes
Once a Marine, always proud

The Times of NE Benton Co, Pea Ridge
Annette Beard
Small scores big

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Booneville Democrat
Glenn M. Parrish
Organic approach berry, berry good

Second Place

Dumas Clarion
Terry G. Hawkins
Mudcats, Mudbugs

Third Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise
C.F. Scott
Every bunny is happy

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Lorie Thompson
Penny drive leads to 'hairy' ending

Second Place

Madison County Record, Huntsville
Kyle Mooty
There's no place like home-school

Third Place

The Weekly Vista, Bella Vista
Douglas Grant
City man honing his small business

**Single News
Photograph****Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Blytheville Courier News
Mark Brasfield
Tense times on West Street

Second Place

Blytheville Courier News
Rick Harris
Rain wreaking havoc on area

Third Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader
Leigh Kreimeier
Battling the Blaze

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Pine Bluff Commercial
Ralph Fitzgerald
Standoff ends peacefully
(APA 2009 Photo of the Year Winner)

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Kevin Pieper
Kymball Duffy remembers

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Liberty Parks
Lightning causes fire

Honorable Mention

Evening Times, West Memphis
Mike Douglas
Aggravated

Pine Bluff Commercial
Ralph Fitzgerald
Manhunt ends in arrest

Larger Dailies**First Place**

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs
Richard Rasmussen
Hands Up!

Second Place

Texarkana Gazette
Evan Lewis
Couple found dead

Third Place

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs
Mara Kuhn
Great bales of fire

Honorable Mention

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Steve Keese
Soldier kissing fiancée

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Anthony Reyes
Work in progress

Times Record, Ft. Smith
Kaia Larsen
Nature's light show

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Annette Beard
Dangerous Road

Second Place

Pacesetter Times, Horseshoe Bend
Bobby Stapleton
Accident

Third Place

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
Blaze tests firefighters

Honorable Mention

Nevada County Picayune, Prescott
Wendy Ledbetter
Death penalty

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Courier-Index, Marianna
Edie Sanford
Memorial service

Second Place

Dumas Clarion
Terry G. Hawkins
Sunday morning search

Third Place

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
Kenneth Fry
Beebe praises Van Buren

Honorable Mention

Courier-Index, Marianna
Edie Sanford
Helping Hands

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze
Gator blocks traffic

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
George "Clay" Mitchell
Grease fire destroys eatery

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Louis Short
Internet predators arrested

Second Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Jeff Della Rosa
Wreck sends two

Third Place

The Times, North Little Rock
Geoff Phillips
Thrilled by science

Honorable Mention

Maumelle Monitor
Bill Lawson
An everyday physics lesson

The Leader, Jacksonville
David Parker
Lonoke host flu clinic

The Times Dispatch, Walnut Ridge
Anna Bland
Tire eats car

Single Feature Photograph

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Blytheville Courier News
Aaron FitzPatrick
Eyes of the Ritz

Second Place

Benton Courier
Daniel Sample
Gettin' some good air

Third Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader
Leigh Kreimeier
A view to chill

Medium Dailies

First Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Liberty Parks
Annual Wooster Independence Day

Second Place

Evening Times, West Memphis
Mike Douglas
Difficult Task

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Kevin Pieper
Pretty in Pink

Honorable Mention

Batesville Daily Guard
Lacy Mitchell
Soldier home

Evening Times, West Memphis
Mike Douglas
Lighting the way

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Kevin Pieper
Field of crosses

Larger Dailies

First Place

Benton County Daily Record, Bentonville
Charles Fowler
In your face

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale
Sarah Barrett
Relaxing Read

Third Place

Jonesboro Sun
James Byard
Making a new friend

Honorable Mention

Benton County Daily Record, Bentonville
Sara Nader
Evolution of catch

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Brooke McNeely
Singing fish

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs
Mara Kuhn
Wild Ride

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Gentry Courier-Journal
Randy Moll
Master gardener

Second Place

Chicot County Spectator, Lake Village
Whitney White
Puppy Love

Third Place

Gravette News-Herald
R.D. Evans
Graduation reflection

Honorable Mention

Gravette News-Herald
R.D. Evans
September Morn

Pacesetting Times, Horseshoe Bend
Karen Johnson
Best two of a kind

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

DeWitt Era-Enterprise
C. F. Scott
Hellppp!!!

Second Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze
McGehee Soldier

Third Place

Wynne Progress
Joe Halm
Mardi Gras Elvis style

Honorable Mention

Paris Express
Pat McHughes
The bell as seen below

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Madison County Record, Huntsville
Mike Haley
Remembering Micah

Second Place

Carroll County News Midweek, Berryville
Chip Ford
Bobber catches wave

Third Place

Carroll County News Midweek, Berryville
Chip Ford
Worthy of attention

Honorable Mention

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Jeff Della Rosa
Time to work; time to play

Stone County Leader, Mt. View
Ed Schuh
Great Spangled butterflies

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Louis Short
Sunset fishing

**Single Sports
Action Photograph
Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Benton Courier
Richard Duke
Boys of summer

Second Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City
Fred Conley
12 under state softball

Third Place

Benton Courier
Josh Barron
Toppling Texarkana

Honorable Mention

Paragould Daily Press
Mike McKinney
Go! Swim!

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Pine Bluff Commercial
Ralph Fitzgerald
Holding the line

Second Place

Batesville Daily Guard
Michael Young
From the top rope

Third Place

Harrison Daily Times
Brandon Cone
Terrible 7th

Honorable Mention

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Liberty Parks
Bears net 1st win over Kang

Pine Bluff Commercial
Ralph Fitzgerald
Zebras contained by Cats

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Jonesboro Sun
James Byard
Prep soccer teams invade

Second Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Andy Shupe
Unbeaten Lady Bulldogs

Third Place

Jonesboro Sun
Saundra Sovick
Bryant, Reed spark A-State

Honorable Mention

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Andy Shupe
On the chin

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Andy Shupe
Cloud nine

The Morning News, Springdale
J.T. Wampler
Dawg of a night

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

Gentry Courier-Journal
Randy Moll
Pole vaulting

Second Place

Pacesetting Times, Horseshoe Bend
Bobby Stapleton
Taking on the 'D'

Third Place

Carlisle Independent
Mark Buffalo
Lady Bison win

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
George "Clay" Mitchell
Dodder Green of Mulberry

Second Place

Wynne Progress
James Jennings
Area 8 Special Olympics

Third Place

Dumas Clarion
Allison Shepherd
No stoppin'

Honorable Mention

Dover Times
Eric Hartzell
Colton Freeman sprints

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Madison County Record, Huntsville
Mike Haley
This can't end good

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
David Parker
Record setting run

Third Place

The Weekly Vista, Bella Vista
Andra Atteberry
Taking the fall

Honorable Mention

Madison County Record, Huntsville
Michelle Donahoe
Soccer campers

Stone County Leader, Mt.View
Ed Schuh
Jacket baseball

The Leader, Jacksonville
David Scolli
Arkansas State Wrestling

Single Sports Feature Photograph

Smaller Dailies**First Place**

Paragould Daily Press
Chad Miller
It didn't get away

Second Place

Times-Herald, Forrest City
Fred Conley
Quick kiss

Third Place

Benton Courier
Daniel Sample
Not them again

Medium Dailies**First Place**

El Dorado News-Times
Chris Vinn
XYZ

Second Place

Harrison Daily Times
Jeff Brasel
All Star game, All Star manager

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Liberty Parks
Season Finale

Honorable Mention

Batesville Daily Guard
Paul Glover
Hit winning notes

Pine Bluff Commercial
Ralph Fitzgerald
Fore-wheeler

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Texarkana Gazette
Evan Lewis
The Uplifters

Second Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Stephen B. Thornton
Razorback celebration

Third Place

Texarkana Gazette
Eric J. Shelton
Call of the wild

Honorable Mention

Benton County Daily Record, Bentonville
Sarah Nader
Hurdling the competition

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Andy Shupe
Battle of the Bulldogs

The Morning News, Springdale
Marc F. Henning
Bigham hopes to flip

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

Pacesetting Times, Horseshoe Bend
Bobby Stapleton
Let the celebration begin

Second Place

Gentry Courier-Journal
Randy Moll
Ready to play

Third Place

Carlisle Independent
Mark Buffalo
Carlisle coach takes girls job

Honorable Mention

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Annette Beard
Watering hole

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Nashville Leader
John R. Schirmer
Night of celebration

Second Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze
Playoff bound

Third Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Lee Bishop
93 year old Helen Lang

Honorable Mention

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
George "Clay" Mitchell
Toss

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Graham Thomas
Band of Brothers

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
David Scolli
Character study

Third Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
David Scolli
Clinton's big day

Honorable Mention

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Will Gilbert
Fishing derby

Picture Page/ Photo Essay

Smaller Dailies**First Place**

Paragould Daily Press
Clifton Garmrath, Mike McKinney
To the top

Second Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader
Leader staff
Trick or Treat

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press
Janie Ginocchio
Farm boy's life

Medium Dailies

First Place

Pine Bluff Commercial
Ralph Fitzgerald
Zebras contained by cats

Second Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Staff
Title weekend

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Kevin Pieper
2009 MHHS Homecoming

Larger Dailies

First Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
John Sykes, Jr.
Dune Desire

Second Place

Times Record, Fort Smith
Kaia Larsen
A man and his horses

Third Place

The Morning News, Springdale
Marc F. Henning
LPGA Gallery

Honorable Mention

Jonesboro Sun
Saundra Sovick
Homecoming fun

Texarkana Gazette
Tanner Spendley
Autumnal Attitude

Texarkana Gazette
Tanner Spendley
High Fly-in

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Chicot County Spectator, Lake Village
Whitney White
Fall Fest

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Annette Beard, Cassie Lapp
Mule Jump

Third Place

Gentry Courier-Journal
Randy Moll
Tired Iron of the Ozarks

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Courier-Index, Marianna
Edie Sanford
Tribute to 1st Lt. Tyler Parten

Second Place

Nashville Leader
Emily Alexander
Model railroad

Third Place

Dumas Clarion
Terry G. Hawkins, Alison Shepherd
Bobcats 40

Honorable Mention

Ashley County Ledger, Hamburg
David Moyers, Sheila Prescott
Armadillo Festival

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Madison County Record, Huntsville
Kyle Mooty, Catherine Ross, Mike
Haley, Michelle Donahoe
Cara Harriman, Lori Lester
Mother Nature's Artwork

Second Place

Stone County Leader, Mt. View
Ed Schuh, Lori Freeze
Flowers

Third Place

Lovely County Citizen, Eureka Springs
Chip Ford
Celebration of Life

Honorable Mention

Stone County Leader, Mt. View
Ed Schuh, Edie Nicholson
Spring babies

The Leader, Jacksonville
David Scolli
Little big league

The Leader, Jacksonville
David Scolli
Lonoke County Fair

Best Front Page Smaller Dailies

First Place

Benton Courier
Kristal Kuykendall, Courier staff

Second Place

Blytheville Courier News

Third Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader

Medium Dailies

First Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Jason Wilson

Second Place

El Dorado News-Times
Chris Qualls

Third Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway

Larger Dailies

First Place

Texarkana Gazette
Andrea Miller, Danielle Dupree

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale
Gina Spring

Third Place

The Sentinel-Record
Hot Springs
Jennifer Smith

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

The Times of NE Benton County, Pea
Ridge

Second Place

White River Valley News, Elkins
Pat Harris

Third Place

Chicot County Spectator, Lake Village
Whitney White

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Courier-Index, Marianna

Second Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze

Third Place

Nashville Leader
John R. Schirmer, Emily Alexander, Matt Williams
Louie Graves

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

The Weekly Vista, Bella Vista
Douglas Grant

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
Christy Hendricks

Third Place

The Times Dispatch, Walnut Ridge

**Best Features Page
Small and Medium Dailies****First Place**

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway

Second Place

Benton Courier
Kristal Kuykendall

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Greg Jelinek

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Texarkana Gazette
Andrea Miller, Judy Morgan

Second Place

Benton County Daily Record, Bentonville
Tonya McKiever, Sarah Nader, Tabeth Hunter, David Keever

Third Place

Times Record, Fort Smith
John Dunn

**Small and
Medium Weeklies****First Place**

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
Kenneth Fry, Jenny McClure, Lareign Ward

Second Place

Nashville Leader
Louie Graves, Emily Alexander, John R. Schirmer

Third Place

The Times of NE Benton County, Pea Ridge

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Stone County Leader, Mt. View

Second Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Gary Burton

Third Place

The Weekly Vista, Bella Vista
Jenny DeShields

**Best Sports Page
Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Stuttgart Daily Leader

Second Place

Benton Courier
Richard Duke, Bruce Guthrie, Nate Olsen
Sam Pierce

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press
Mike McKinney

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Mark Burke, Adam Sweeney

Second Place

El Dorado News-Times
Tony Burns

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Sonny Elliott

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Times Record, Fort Smith
Eric Burney, Jeff Brasher

Second Place

Texarkana Gazette
Steven Gamble

Third Place

Jonesboro Sun
Kevin Turberville

**Small and
Medium Weeklies****First Place**

Dover Times
Joseph Brown

Second Place

Nashville Leader

Third Place

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
George "Clay" Mitchell

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

The Leader, Jacksonville
Kelly Fenton, Todd Traub

Second Place

The Weekly Vista, Bella Vista
Jenny DeShields

Third Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs
Graham Thomas

**Best Special Issue
Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Stuttgart Daily Leader
Wings over Prairie

Second Place

Benton Courier
Courier Staff
Veteran's Day

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News
Ice storm

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Kris Allen

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Year in Review

Third Place

Batesville Daily Guard
County Fair

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Texarkana Gazette
Inauguration Edition

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale
Ice storm

Third Place

Jonesboro Sun
Roy Ockert Jr. - Solid Ground

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Letters to Santa

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge
Mule Jump

Third Place

White Hall Journal
Rick Joslin
Football

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Nashville Leader
Football

Second Place

Dumas Clarion
Terry G. Hawkins, Debra Conrad
Ding Dong Days

Third Place

Nashville Leader
Back-to-school

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Times Dispatch, Walnut Ridge
Ice storm

Second Place

Stone County Leader, Mt. View
Folk Festival

Third Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Will Gilbert
Football

Coverage of Business/ Agriculture

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Benton Courier
Jillian Duke, Whit Jones, Molly M. Fleming

Second Place

Stuttgart Daily Leader
Lesley Valadez, Leigh Kreimeier
Lori Crawford, Bill Shrum

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press

Medium Dailies

First Place

Batesville Daily Guard
Larry Stroud, Tony McGuffey
Andrea Bruner, Lacy Mitchell

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Frank Wallis

Third Place

El Dorado News-Times
Michael Neary, John Worthen

Larger Dailies

First Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette

Second Place

Texarkana Gazette
Kristie Avery, Ashley Gardner, Brandy
Chewning

Third Place

Times Record, Fort Smith
Ben Boulden

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Pacesetting Times, Horseshoe Bend
Karen Johnson, Charlet Estes

Second Place

Newton County Times, Jasper

Third Place

White River Valley News, Elkins
Pat Harris

Medium Weeklies

First Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise
Christina Verderosa

Second Place

Dumas Clarion

Third Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze

Larger Weeklies

First Place

Carroll County News Midweek, Berryville
Anna Mathews, Mike Ellis, Kathryn
Lucariello, E. Alan Long

Second Place

Stone County Leader, Mt. View

Third Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Lorie Thompson, Louis Short

Coverage of Education **Smaller Dailies**

First Place

Benton Courier
Molly M. Flemming, Matt Burks,
Melissa Walls

Second Place

Blytheville Courier News
Donna Loyd Hilton

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press

Medium Dailies

First Place

El Dorado News-Times
Michael Neary, Janie McIntyre

Second Place

Batesville Daily Guard
Larry Stroud, Andrea Bruner, Lacy Mitchell

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Deb Peterson

Larger Dailies

First Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale
Rose Ann Pearce, Dan Craft, John Gore

Third Place

Northwest Arkansas Times, Fayetteville
Scott Davis, Brett Bennett

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

Chicot County Spectator, Lake Village
Whitney White

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge

Third Place

Pacesetting Times, Horseshoe Bend
Charlet Estes, Karen Johnson

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
Kenneth Fry, Lareign Ward

Second Place

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

Third Place

Ashley County Ledger, Hamburg
David Moyers, Sheila Prescott

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Madison County Record, Huntsville
Kyle Mooty

Second Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
Rick Kron, Jeffrey Smith
John Hofheimer, Nancy Dockter

Third Place

Stone County Leader, Mt.View
Edie Nicholson

**Coverage of Tourism
Small and Medium Dailies****First Place**

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home

Second Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway

Third Place

Batesville Daily Guard

Larger Dailies**First Place**

The Morning News, Springdale
Doug Thompson, Dan Craft, Caleb Fort
John Gore

Second Place

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs
Mark Gregory

Third Place

Times Record, Fort Smith
Scott Smith, Pam Cloud

**Small and Medium
Weeklies****First Place**

Chicot County Spectator, Lake Village

Second Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge

Third Place

Dumas Clarion
Terry G. Hawkins, Linda Lambert

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

Stone County Leader, Mt.View

Second Place

The Times Dispatch, Walnut Ridge

Third Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Louis Short, Will Gilbert

Community Coverage**Smaller Dailies****First Place**

Benton Courier

Second Place

Blytheville Courier News

Third Place

Paragould Daily Press

Honorable Mention

Stuttgart Daily Leader

Medium Dailies**First Place**

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway

Second Place

Harrison Daily Times

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home

Honorable Mention

El Dorado News-Times

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Jonesboro Sun

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale

Third Place

Benton County Daily Record, Bentonville

Honorable Mention

The Sentinel-Record, Hot Springs

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

White Hall Journal

Second Place

White River Valley News, Elkins

Third Place

Pacesetting Times, Horseshoe Bend

Honorable Mention

Gravette News-Herald
The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren

Second Place

Nashville Leader

Third Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News

Honorable Mention

Atkins Chronicle

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

The Leader, Jacksonville

Second Place

The Times Dispatch, Walnut Ridge

Third Place

The Weekly Vista, Bella Vista

Honorable Mention

Maumelle Monitor

**Editorial
Cartoonist Portfolio****First Place**

The Times, North Little Rock
Vic Harville

Second Place

The Weekly Vista, Bella Vista
Dale Neseman

Third Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
John Deering

**Best Web Design
All Dailies****First Place**

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette

Second Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway
Nick Stahl, Stewart Cole
Newsroom Staff

Third Place

Benton County Daily Record, Bentonville
John Schleuss, Jeff Lindsey, Cody Kinsey

Honorable Mention

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home

All Weeklies**First Place**

Ashley County Ledger, Hamburg
David Moyers

Second Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News
Rachel Denton Freeze

Third Place

The Times Dispatch, Walnut Ridge
Larry Heyl, Vivian Heyl, Angie Skimahorn

Freelance Writing**Small and Medium Dailies****First Place**

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Deb Peterson
Move over Beethoven

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press
Kim Warmath
Thank God I lived

Third Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home
Deb Peterson
Rick Bender shares dangers

Larger Dailies**First Place**

Texarkana Gazette
Neil Abeles
The search for Jay Ransom

Second Place

The Morning News, Springdale
Pamela Hill
Against the grain

Third Place

Arkansas Times, Little Rock
Kat Robinson
Eat Arkansas

Honorable Mention

Jonesboro Sun
Judy Beard
Rocking down the highway

Texarkana Gazette

Sunni Thibodeau
Area woman pushes on

Smaller Weeklies**First Place**

White River Valley News, Elkins
Tamara Bartlett-Long
Possible legislation

Second Place

White River Valley News, Elkins
Tamara Bartlett-Long
Farewell

Third Place

White Hall Journal
Trey Jones
Halloween

Medium Weeklies**First Place**

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
Lisa Y. Darden
Back to school for recent graduates

Second Place

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren
James Orr
Wildlife displays concern

Third Place

DeWitt Era-Enterprise
Lauren McCarn
Harry Potter and the midnight movie

Larger Weeklies**First Place**

The Weekly Vista, Bella Vista
Jan Burgess
Kids can school parents

Second Place

Sun-Times, Heber Springs
Robyn Hoffman
West Side Hester supporters

Third Place

The Leader, Jacksonville
Eric Francis
Guilty verdict

General Excellence

Smaller Dailies

First Place

Benton Courier

Second Place

Paragould Daily Press

Third Place

Blytheville Courier News

Medium Dailies

First Place

Log Cabin Democrat, Conway

Second Place

The Baxter Bulletin, Mt. Home

Third Place

Batesville Daily Guard

Larger Dailies

First Place

Texarkana Gazette

Second Place

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette

Third Place

The Morning News, Springdale

Smaller Weeklies

First Place

The Times of NE Benton County,
Pea Ridge

Second Place

White Hall Journal

Third Place

Chicot County Spectator, Lake Village

Medium Weeklies

First Place

Press Argus-Courier, Van Buren

Second Place

McGehee-Dermott Times-News

Third Place

Nashville Leader

Larger Weeklies

First Place

The Leader, Jacksonville

Second Place

Herald Leader, Siloam Springs

Third Place

Stone County Leader, Mt. View

Smaller Dailies- 6 newspapers, 223 entries
Medium Dailies- 7 newspapers, 308 entries
Larger Dailies- 9 newspapers, 473 entries
Smaller Weeklies- 11 newspapers, 280 entries
Medium Weeklies- 12 newspapers, 323 entries
Larger Weeklies- 15 newspapers, 411 entries
2,018 TOTAL ENTRIES

Deadline for next year is March 31, 2011 and will be judged by the South Carolina Press Association.