

PRESS RELEASE

From: Louisiana Press Association

Subject: Better Newspaper Competition, Free Circulation and Special Interest Competition, Student Newspaper Competition, Better Website Competition, and Individual Competition Results

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The Advocate (Baton Rouge), *The Daily Advertiser* (Lafayette), *The Courier* (Houma), *Jennings Daily News*, *The Livingston Parish News* (Denham Springs), the *Tri-Parish Times* (Houma), *The West Side Journal*, and the *Zachary Plainsman News* earned Newspaper of the Year honors in their respective divisions at the 132nd Annual Louisiana Press Association Convention in Marksville.

The designation for the Newspaper of the Year is based on the number of points earned in the Better Newspaper Editorial Competition and the Better Newspaper Advertising Competition for 2011 with awards being given in individual contests for first, second, third places and honorable mention. The editorial contests range from news story writing to graphic design while the advertising entries were judged based on design, creativity and effectiveness. The Georgia Press Association judged both competitions this year.

Seventy-seven newspapers, publications, and college/university student newspapers submitted 3,796 entries.

Earning sweepstakes awards in the editorial competition were *The Advocate* (Baton Rouge), *The Daily Advertiser* (Lafayette), *The Courier* (Houma), the *Jennings Daily News*, *The Livingston Parish News* (Denham Springs), the *Tri-Parish Times* (Houma), *The West Side Journal*, and the *Zachary Plainsman-News*.

Earning sweepstakes awards in the advertising competition were *The Advocate* (Baton Rouge), *American Press* (Lake Charles), *The Courier* (Houma), *Ruston Daily Leader*, *Bogalusa Daily News*, the *Tri-Parish Times* (Houma), *The West Side Journal*, and the *Zachary Plainsman News*.

Kip Holden may not have welcomed the Baton Rouge Advocate's tenacious 2011 coverage of that city's selection process for a new police chief.

But Baton Rouge citizens should have.

Holden, Baton Rouge mayor-president, traveled a lot of wrong roads in choosing a new leader for the city's police department.

The mayor-president would not publicly discuss the selection process.

He would not name members of an advisory selection committee.

He would not discuss the progress of the search.

And when the advisory group finally met for the first time, it did so behind closed doors, in apparent violation of the state's open meetings law.

At each turn, Holden ran headlong into efforts by *The Advocate* (Baton Rouge), which wrote about the slow progress of the search, explained why few candidates initially applied, successfully appealed to the parish attorney's office for open meetings for the committee, and revealed potential problems with some of the candidates' backgrounds. The Advocate also made a strong case through its editorials that the public search would be strengthened and would better serve the public if the public itself were informed about its inner workings and its progress.

The Psychology Times (Baton Rouge), the *Central City News* and the *News-Star* (Monroe) merit thanks for their entries but *The Advocate* (Baton Rouge) is a clear first-place selection for this year's Freedom of Information Award.

2011 Better Newspaper Competition

Best Front Page

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport
2	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
4	1st Place	Daily World	Opelousas
4	2nd Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden
4	3rd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
5	1st Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
5	2nd Place	St. Tammany News	Covington
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
6	1st Place	New Orleans CityBusiness	New Orleans
6	2nd Place	Plaquemine Post South	Plaquemine
6	3rd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	1st Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite
8	2nd Place	Welsh Citizen	Welsh
8	3rd Place	Donaldsonville Chief	Donaldsonville

Best Editorial Page

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
2	2nd Place	The Times	Shreveport
2	3rd Place	The News-Star	Monroe
3	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
4	2nd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
4	3rd Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden
5	1st Place	St. Tammany News	Covington
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
6	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
6	2nd Place	The Jena Times	Jena
6	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	1st Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite
8	2nd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary
8	3rd Place	Donaldsonville Chief	Donaldsonville

Best Single Editorial

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Writer
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Lanny Keller
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Lanny Keller
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Lanny Keller
2	1st Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Kathy Spurlock
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Brian Tolley
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Bobby Dower
3	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Michael Gorman
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Michael Gorman
3	3rd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Michael Gorman
4	1st Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Josh Beavers
4	2nd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Laura Bond
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Scott Lewis
5	1st Place	The Eunice News	Eunice	Jim Butler
5	2nd Place	St. Tammany News	Covington	Erik Sanzenbach
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Mike Dowty
6	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Eric Besson
6	2nd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Shell Armstrong
6	3rd Place	The Louisiana Weekly	New Orleans	Edmund Lewis
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Richard "Sarge" Garwood
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Richard "Sarge" Garwood
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
8	1st Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite	Trish Thames
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Hannah Catchings
8	3rd Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite	Joy Lofton

Best Feature Story

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Writer
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	George Morris
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Pam Bordelon
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Tina Macias
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Brandon Kane
2	3rd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Staff
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Thad Angelloz
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Robert Zullo
3	3rd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Thad Angelloz
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Rebecca Chaisson
4	2nd Place	The Natchitoches Times	Natchitoches	Rae Anne Firmin
4	3rd Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Jean L. Kaess
5	1st Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Carol Stuart
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Amanda Crane
5	3rd Place	The Eunice News	Eunice	Jamie Anfenson-Comeau
6	1st Place	Teche News	St. Martinville	Sally Angelle
6	2nd Place	Gonzales Weekly Citizen	Gonzales	Kimberly Fortner
6	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Michelle Stuckey
6	Honorable Mention	The Inquisitor	Shreveport	Kerry M. Kirspel
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Emily Bell
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Stacy Gill
8	2nd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman
8	3rd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Hannah Catchings

Best News Story

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Writer
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Katie Kennedy
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Bob Anderson, Faimon Roberts III
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Jordan Blum
2	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport	Alison Bath
2	2nd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Loresha Wilson
2	3rd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Claire Taylor
3	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Robert Zullo
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	Eric Heisig
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Hope Rurik
4	1st Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Judy Bastien
4	2nd Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Bonnie Culverhouse
4	3rd Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Paul South, Megan Wyatt
5	1st Place	St. Tammany News	Covington	Suzanne Le Breton
5	2nd Place	Leesville Daily Leader	Leesville	Tammy Sharp
5	3rd Place	St. Tammany News	Covington	Suzanne Le Breton
6	1st Place	Farmerville Gazette	Farmerville	T. Scott Boatright
6	2nd Place	New Orleans CityBusiness	New Orleans	Richard A. Webster
6	3rd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Eric Besson
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
8	1st Place	Kentwood News-Ledger	Kentwood	Margaret Andrews
8	2nd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman
8	3rd Place	The Kaplan Herald	Kaplan	Judy T. Mire

Best Sports Story

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Writer
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Les East
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Scott Rabalais
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Perryn Keys
2	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport	Jimmy Watson
2	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Ethan Conley
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Randy Benson
3	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Brent St. Germain
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Teddy Renois
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Chris Singleton
4	1st Place	Abbeville Meridional	Abbeville	William McDaniel
4	2nd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	O.K. Davis
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Rebecca Chaisson
5	1st Place	St. Tammany News	Covington	Mike Povel
5	2nd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Sam Muffoletto
5	3rd Place	St. Tammany News	Covington	Chris Kincaid
6	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Casey Gisclair
6	2nd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Jonathan Menard
6	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Jonathan Menard
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	John Dupont
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	John Dupont
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	John Dupont
8	1st Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	JJ Philips
8	2nd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	JJ Philips
8	3rd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman

Best Regular Column

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Columnist
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Danny Heitman
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Bob Anderson
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Ed Cullen
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Pamela Seal
2	2nd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	LeCrete Robinson
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Bobby Dower
3	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Michael Gorman
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Robert Zullo
3	3rd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	John DeSantis
4	1st Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Josh Beavers
4	2nd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Elizabeth DeGrie
4	3rd Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Pat Culverhouse
5	1st Place	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur	Brian Trahan
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	David Specht Jr.
5	3rd Place	The Eunice News	Eunice	Jim Butler
6	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Shell Armstrong
6	2nd Place	The St. Bernard Voice	Arabi	Ron Chapman
6	3rd Place	The Pointe Coupee Banner	New Roads	Stafford Chenevert
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Richard "Sarge" Garwood
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Richard "Sarge" Garwood
7	3rd Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah	Jennifer Coulter
8	1st Place	Welsh Citizen	Welsh	Bengt Lindell
8	2nd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Stacy Gill
8	3rd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Stacy Gill

Best Sports Column

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Columnist
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Scott Rabalais
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Perryn Keys
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Les East
2	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport	Roy Lang III
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Kevin Foote
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Raymond A. Partsch III
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Chris Singleton
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Brent St. Germain
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Kelly McElroy
4	1st Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	O.K. Davis
4	2nd Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Larry Young
4	3rd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	T. Scott Boatright
5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Ryan Arena
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Russell Hedges
5	3rd Place	The Eunice News	Eunice	Tom Dodge
6	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Casey Gisclair
6	2nd Place	Gonzales Weekly Citizen	Gonzales	Michael Tortorich
6	3rd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Casey Gisclair
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	John Dupont
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	John Dupont
8	1st Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman

Best Overall Sports Coverage

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
2	3rd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
4	1st Place	Abbeville Meridional	Abbeville
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
4	3rd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
5	1st Place	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur
5	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
6	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
6	2nd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte
6	3rd Place	Plaquemine Post South	Plaquemine
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	1st Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie
8	2nd Place	Donaldsonville Chief	Donaldsonville
8	3rd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary

Best Lifestyle Coverage

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles
2	2nd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
2	3rd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
4	1st Place	Daily World	Opelousas
4	2nd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
5	1st Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
6	1st Place	Teche News	St. Martinville
6	2nd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte
6	3rd Place	Gonzales Weekly Citizen	Gonzales
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville
8	3rd Place	Gueydan Journal	Gueydan

Best News Coverage

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
2	2nd Place	The Times	Shreveport
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
3	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma
4	1st Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
4	3rd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa
5	3rd Place	St. Tammany News	Covington
6	1st Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte
6	2nd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
6	3rd Place	New Orleans CityBusiness	New Orleans
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville
8	3rd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie

Best Continuing Coverage of a Single News Event

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Writer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Amy Wold, Skip Descant, Will Sentell, Richard Burgess, Koran Addo, Jason Brown, David Mitchell, Joe Macaluso, Katie Kennedy
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Kimberly Vetter, Robert Stewart, Katie Kennedy
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Greg Garland
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Eric Narcisse, Josh Parrott, Tina Macias
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Claire Taylor
2	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Alison Bath
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Nikki Buskey, Eric Heisig, Nate Monroe, John DeSantis, Naomi King, Robert Zullo
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Nate Monroe, Eric Heisig, Chas Guidry
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Naomi King
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	John DeSantis, Nikki Buskey
4	1st Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Staff
4	2nd Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Jean L. Kaess
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Allison Cryer, Scott Lewis
5	1st Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Richard Meek, Marcelle Hanemann, Lucy Parker
5	2nd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Mike Dowty, Alice Dowty
5	3rd Place	Leesville Daily Leader	Leesville	Tammy Sharp, Alix Kunkle
6	1st Place	Plaquemine Post South	Plaquemine	Deidre Cruse
6	2nd Place	The Plaquemines Gazette	Belle Chasse	William Dilella
6	3rd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Eric Besson, Mike Nixon
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Stacy Gill
8	2nd Place	Kentwood News-Ledger	Kentwood	Margaret Andrews
8	3rd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman

Best Investigative Reporting

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Writer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Greg Garland
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Michelle Millhollon
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Claire Taylor
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Claire Taylor
2	3rd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Matt Sigur
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Kathrine Schmidt
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Nate Monroe
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	John DeSantis
4	1st Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Elizabeth DeGrie, Laura Bond
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Sheila Smith
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Scott Lewis
5	1st Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Alice Dowty
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Richard Meed
5	3rd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Sean Green
6	1st Place	Concordia Sentinel	Ferriday	Stanley Nelson
6	2nd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Eric Besson
6	3rd Place	New Orleans CityBusiness	New Orleans	Richard A. Webster
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
8	1st Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman
8	2nd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman

Best Story Generated by Public Notice

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Writer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Bob Anderson
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Richard Burgess
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Tina Macias
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Claire Taylor
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Allison Cryer
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Allison Cryer
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Allison Cryer
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	David Specht Jr.
6	1st Place	The St. Bernard Voice	Arabi	William Dilella
6	2nd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Michelle Stuckey
6	3rd Place	The Plaquemines Gazette	Belle Chasse	William Dilella

Most Effective Use of Graphic Design on a Single Page

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Jay Martin
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Jay Martin
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Leila Pitchford-English
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Donna Price
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Donna Price
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Donna Price
3	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Brandy Baugh
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Tyler Batiste
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	April Rome
4	1st Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Staff
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Annie Hammons
4	3rd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Staff
5	1st Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	David Specht Jr.
5	3rd Place	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur	Brian Trahan
6	1st Place	New Orleans CityBusiness	New Orleans	Lisa Finnan
6	2nd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Kiraston Staples
6	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Alissa Zeringue
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Staff
8	1st Place	Donaldsonville Chief	Donaldsonville	Allison B. Hudson, Aanifa Leblanc
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Kristi Lynch
8	3rd Place	Donaldsonville Chief	Donaldsonville	Allison B. Hudson, Aanifa Leblanc

Best Headline

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Writer
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Jay Martin
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Jason Russell
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Edie White
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Pamela Seal
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Nick Walsh
2	3rd Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Stacey Henson
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Brent St. Germain
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	Keith Magill
3	3rd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Michael Gorman
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Robert Zullo
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Sheila Smith
4	2nd Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Bonnie Culverhouse
4	3rd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	T. Scott Boatright
4	Honorable Mention	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Nicole Lewis
4	Honorable Mention	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Allison Cryer
4	Honorable Mention	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Elizabeth DeGrie
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Sean Green
5	2nd Place	St. Tammany News	Covington	Chad Hebert
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	David Vitrano
6	1st Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro	Katie Norwood
6	2nd Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro	Katie Norwood
6	3rd Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro	Katie Norwood
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Amanda Goodroe
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	John Dupont
8	1st Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Hannah Catchings
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Hannah Catchings
8	3rd Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite	Trish Thames

Best News Photo

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Photographer
1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Ted Jackson
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Scott Threlkeld
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Bill Feig
2	1st Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Ben Corda
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Brad Puckett
2	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Henrietta Wildsmith
3	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Julia Rendleman
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Abby Tabor
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Julia Rendleman
4	1st Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Bonnie Culverhouse
4	2nd Place	Abbeville Meridional	Abbeville	Chris Rosa
4	3rd Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Michelle Blanc
5	1st Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	David Normand
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Amanda Crane
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	David Normand
6	1st Place	The Guardian-Journal	Homer	Jenni Williams
6	2nd Place	The St. Bernard Voice	Arabi	William Dilella
6	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Michelle Stuckey
6	Honorable Mention	The Plaquemines Gazette	Belle Chasse	Staff
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
8	1st Place	Gueydan Journal	Gueydan	Judy LeBlanc
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Hannah Catchings
8	3rd Place	Donaldsonville Chief	Donaldsonville	Allison B. Hudson

Best Feature Photo

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Photographer
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Travis Spradling
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Travis Spradling
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Bryan Tuck
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Melinda Martinez
2	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Margaret Croft
2	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Henrietta Wildsmith
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Lee Ball
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	Julia Rendleman
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Michael Conti
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Sheila Smith
4	2nd Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Michelle Blanc
4	3rd Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Michelle Blanc
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Amanda Crane
5	2nd Place	Beauregard Daily News	DeRidder	Linda Barron
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	David Normand
6	1st Place	New Orleans CityBusiness	New Orleans	Tom Macom
6	2nd Place	Gonzales Weekly Citizen	Gonzales	Charlotte Guedry
6	3rd Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro	Katie Norwood
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Stacy Gill
8	2nd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Mike Martin
8	3rd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Stacy Gill

Best Sports Photo

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Photographer
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Travis Spradling
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Michael DeMocker
1	3rd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	David Grunfeld
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Leslie Westbrook
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Brad Kemp
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Karen Wink
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Lee Ball
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	Michael Conti
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Lee Ball
4	1st Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Michelle Blanc
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Rebecca Chaisson
4	3rd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	O.K. Davis
5	1st Place	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur	Rodrick Anderson
5	2nd Place	The Eunice News	Eunice	Tom Dodge
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Scott Schexnayder
6	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Casey Gisclair
6	2nd Place	Gonzales Weekly Citizen	Gonzales	Michael Tortorich
6	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Jonathan Menard
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	John Dupont
8	1st Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite	Trish Thames
8	2nd Place	Welsh Citizen	Welsh	Bengt Lindell
8	3rd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Stacy Gill

Best Photo Package

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Photographer(s)
1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Ted Jackson
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Adam Lau
1	3rd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Brett Duke, John McCusker, Rusty Costanza, Chris Granger, Michael DeMocker
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Karen Wink
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Karen Wink
2	3rd Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Ben Corda
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Julia Rendleman
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Lee Ball
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Lee Ball
4	1st Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Sandra Samuel
4	2nd Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Sandra Samuel
4	3rd Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Freddie Herpin
5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Scott Schexnayder
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Staff
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	David Normand
5	Honorable Mention	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Amanda Crane
6	1st Place	New Orleans CityBusiness	New Orleans	Frank Aymami
6	2nd Place	Gonzales Weekly Citizen	Gonzales	Michael Tortorich
6	3rd Place	Gonzales Weekly Citizen	Gonzales	Michael Tortorich
6	Honorable Mention	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro	Monica Huff
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Aaron Williams
7	3rd Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah	Jennifer Coulter
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Stacy Gill
8	2nd Place	Gueydan Journal	Gueydan	Judy LeBlanc
8	3rd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Stacy Gill
8	Honorable Mention	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Tiffany Trichell

Best Special Section

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
2	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
4	1st Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
4	2nd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
5	1st Place	The Eunice News	Eunice
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
6	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
6	2nd Place	The Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne
6	3rd Place	New Orleans CityBusiness	New Orleans
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	1st Place	Gueydan Journal	Gueydan
8	2nd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary
8	3rd Place	Donaldsonville Chief	Donaldsonville

Community Service

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
A	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
A	2nd Place	The Times	Shreveport
A	3rd Place	The News-Star	Monroe
B	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
C	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
C	2nd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie
C	3rd Place	Plaquemine Post South	Plaquemine

General Excellence

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
2	2nd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
2	3rd Place	The News-Star	Monroe
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
4	1st Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
4	2nd Place	Daily World	Opelousas
4	3rd Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden
5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
6	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
6	2nd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte
6	3rd Place	The Ouachita Citizen	West Monroe
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	1st Place	Welsh Citizen	Welsh
8	2nd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary
8	3rd Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite

Staff Generated - Black & White

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Janet Fuller
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Van Fuller
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Naoma McManus
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Earl Vital
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Monica Byrne
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Earl Vital
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Shaun Hebert
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Staff
3	3rd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Shaun Hebert
4	1st Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Robyn St. Andre, Will Avery
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
5	1st Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
6	1st Place	Gonzales Weekly Citizen	Gonzales	Penny Martinez
6	2nd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Pam Guidry
6	3rd Place	Teche News	St. Martinville	Mark DeVillier
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Kristi Lynch
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Kristi Lynch
8	3rd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Kristi Lynch

Staff Generated – Color

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Tim Elsea
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Shelli Martin
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Janet Fuller
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Meredith Disher
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Earl Vital
2	3rd Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Staff
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Shaun Hebert
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Staff
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Liz Arceneaux
4	1st Place	Abbeville Meridional	Abbeville	Hank Eleazar
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
4	3rd Place	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley	Staff
5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Rhett Triche
5	2nd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
5	3rd Place	St. Tammany News	Covington	Sheila Allemand
6	1st Place	Teche News	St. Martinville	Mark DeVillier
6	2nd Place	The Plaquemines Gazette	Belle Chasse	Brandi Rollo
6	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Kevin Orgeron
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Kristi Lynch
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Kristi Lynch
8	3rd Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite	Virgil Howell

Best Ad Campaign

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Allison Rupe
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Tim Elsea
1	3rd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Bernie August
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Ad Production Staff
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Staff
2	3rd Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Staff
2	Honorable Mention	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Staff
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Staff
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Staff
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Shaun Hebert
4	1st Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Adam Hohlt, Will Avery
4	2nd Place	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley	Staff
4	3rd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Adam Hohlt, Will Avery
5	1st Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	3rd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
6	1st Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Alyson Showalter
6	2nd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Nick Hebert, Heather Micheal
6	3rd Place	The Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Josie Henry
8	1st Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite	Virgil Howell
8	2nd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Staff
8	3rd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Kristi Lynch

In-Paper Promotion

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Linda Wunstel Kayla Smith
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Charlene Robert, Stan Taylor
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Charlene Robert, Stan Taylor
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Maria Johnson
2	2nd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	DaShaun Baker
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Earl Vital
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Shaun Hebert
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	Liz Arceneaux
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Liz Arceneaux
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
4	2nd Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Karen Kirkley
4	3rd Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden	Karen Kirkley
5	1st Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
5	2nd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
6	1st Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Rodney Anouilh
6	2nd Place	The Inquisitor	Shreveport	David Doiron
6	3rd Place	Plaquemine Post South	Plaquemine	Staff
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
8	1st Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite	Virgil Howell
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Kristi Lynch
8	3rd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Tom Coleman

Multiple Advertiser Page

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Tim Elsea
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Erica Coe
1	3rd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Allison Rupe
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Staff
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Maria Johnson
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Staff
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Staff
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	Shaun Hebert
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Liz Arceneaux
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Staff
5	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Rhett Triche
5	3rd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	Honorable Mention	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Kathleen Weir
6	1st Place	The St. Bernard Voice	Arabi	Staff
6	2nd Place	Plaquemine Post South	Plaquemine	Sabrina Linton, Crystal Barrett
6	3rd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Staff
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
8	1st Place	Gueydan Journal	Gueydan	Angie Longon, Pam Venissat
8	2nd Place	Gueydan Journal	Gueydan	Angie Longon, Pam Venissat
8	3rd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Kristi Lynch

Advertising Idea or Promotion

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Staff
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Staff
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Van Fuller
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Blake Spivak, Melissa Hebert
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Blake Spivak, Meredith Disher, Melissa Hebert
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Staff
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Staff
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	staff
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Shaun Hebert
4	1st Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Staff
4	2nd Place	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley	Staff
4	3rd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Staff
4	Honorable Mention	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
4	Honorable Mention	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley	Staff
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Staff
5	2nd Place	St. Tammany News	Covington	Sheila Allemand
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Rhett Triche
5	Honorable Mention	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	Honorable Mention	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	Honorable Mention	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Staff
5	Honorable Mention	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Staff
5	Honorable Mention	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Rhett Triche
6	1st Place	The Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Josie Henry, Chad Hebert
6	2nd Place	The Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Josie Henry, Chad Hebert
6	3rd Place	Gonzales Weekly Citizen	Gonzales	Penny Martinez, Aanifa LeBlanc, Sabrina Linton
8	1st Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Susan Decuir
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Wendy Pate, Kristi Lynch
8	3rd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman

Best Classified Section or Page

Div	Place	Newspaper	City)
1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
4	1st Place	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley
4	2nd Place	Minden Press-Herald	Minden
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City
5	2nd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
5	3rd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa
6	1st Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte
6	2nd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
6	3rd Place	The Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary
8	2nd Place	Donaldsonville Chief	Donaldsonville
8	3rd Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite

Best Services Ad - Non Retail

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Tim Elsea
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Rusty Lockhart
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Tim Elsea
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Staff
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Maria Johnson
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Sarah Cooley
2	Honorable Mention	American Press	Lake Charles	Maria Johnson
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Staff
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Staff
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Staff
4	1st Place	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley	Staff
4	2nd Place	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley	Staff
5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Rhett Triche
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
6	1st Place	Teche News	St. Martinville	Mark DeVillier
6	2nd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Staff
6	3rd Place	Teche News	St. Martinville	Mark DeVillier
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	3rd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
8	1st Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Kristi Lynch
8	2nd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Kristi Lynch
8	3rd Place	Amite Tangi Digest	Amite	Virgil Howell

Best Success Story of An Ad

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Kayla Smith
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Janet Fuller
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Van Fuller
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Monica Byrne
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Sarah Cooley
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
5	1st Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	3rd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
6	1st Place	The Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Josie Henry
6	2nd Place	The Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Josie Henry, Chad Hebert
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Wendy Pate, Kristi Lynch

Best Retailer Ad

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Scott Forsythe
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Van Fuller
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Van Fuller
2	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport	Staff
2	2nd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Staff
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Laura Boudreaux
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Staff
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Liz Arceneaux
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Staff
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
4	2nd Place	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley	Staff
5	1st Place	St. Tammany News	Covington	Sheila Allemand
5	2nd Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
6	1st Place	The Plaquemines Gazette	Belle Chasse	Brandi Rollo
6	2nd Place	Plaquemine Post South	Plaquemine	Staff
6	3rd Place	Tri-Parish Times	Houma	Alyson Showalter
7	1st Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
7	2nd Place	The West Side Journal	Port Allen	Cole Williams
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Kristi Lynch
8	2nd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Kristi Lynch, Wendy Pate
8	3rd Place	The St. Francisville Democrat	St. Francisville	Kristi Lynch

Best Non-Traditional Use of Space Ad

Div	Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
2	1st Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette	Staff
2	2nd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Mike Hansen
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Monica Byrne
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Stacey Fabre
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Staff
4	1st Place	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley	Staff
4	2nd Place	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Adam Hohlt, Will Avery
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Staff
5	1st Place	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa	Kim Gerald
5	2nd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
5	3rd Place	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Paul Hatton
6	1st Place	The Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Josie Henry, Chad Hebert
6	2nd Place	The Inquisitor	Shreveport	David Doiron
6	3rd Place	The Inquisitor	Shreveport	David Doiron
8	1st Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Kristi Lynch, Wendy Pate
8	2nd Place	Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman
8	3rd Place	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary	Kristi Lynch

Editorial Sweepstakes

Div	Newspaper	City
1	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
3	The Courier	Houma
4	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
5	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
6	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
7	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary

Advertising Sweepstakes

Div	Newspaper	City
1	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	American Press	Lake Charles
3	The Courier	Houma
4	Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
5	Bogalusa Daily News	Bogalusa
6	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
7	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary

Newspaper of the Year

Div	Newspaper	City
1	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
3	The Courier	Houma
4	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
5	The Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
6	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
7	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
8	Zachary Plainsman-News	Zachary

2011 Special Interest and Free Publication Competition

Best Front Page

Div	Place	Publication	City
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette
9	2nd Place	The Forum	Shreveport
9	3rd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central
10	2nd Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell
10	3rd Place	The Psychology Times	Baton Rouge

Best Feature Story

Div	Place	Publication	City	Writer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Heather Miller
9	2nd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Walter Pierce
9	3rd Place	The Forum	Shreveport	Staci Parks
10	1st Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell	Kevin Chiri
10	2nd Place	The Guardian	Fort Polk	Rachel Reischling
10	3rd Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell	Kevin Chiri

Best News Story

Div	Place	Publication	City	Writer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Walter Pierce
9	2nd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Leslie Turk
9	3rd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Heather Miller
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	3rd Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell	Kevin Chiri

Best Regular Column

Div	Place	Publication	City	Columnist
9	1st Place	The Forum	Shreveport	Marty Carlson
9	2nd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Walter Pierce
9	3rd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Anna Purdy
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	The Guardian	Fort Polk	Rachel Reischling
10	3rd Place	The Guardian	Fort Polk	Sarah Peachey

Best Lifestyle Coverage

Div	Place	Publication	City
9	1st Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central
10	2nd Place	The Psychology Times	Baton Rouge

Best News Coverage

Div	Place	Publication	City
10	1st Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central

Best Continuing Coverage of a Single News Event

Div	Place	Publication	City	Writer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Leslie Turk
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	3rd Place	The Psychology Times	Baton Rouge	Julie Nelson

Best Investigative Reporting

Div	Place	Publication	City	Writer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Heather Miller
9	2nd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Heather Miller
9	3rd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Heather Miller
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell	Kevin Chiri
10	3rd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins

Most Effective Use of Graphic Design on a Single Page

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
9	1st Place	The Forum	Shreveport	Daniel Wood
9	2nd Place	The Forum	Shreveport	Dallas Goins
9	3rd Place	Thrive Magazine	Lake Charles	Barbara VanGossen
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	3rd Place	The Guardian	Fort Polk	Angie Thorne

Best News Photo

Div	Place	Publication	City	Photographer
10	1st Place	The Guardian	Fort Polk	Chuck Cannon
10	2nd Place	The Guardian	Fort Polk	Jennifer Dorval
10	3rd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins

Best Feature Photo

Div	Place	Publication	City	Photographer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Robin May
9	2nd Place	The Forum	Shreveport	Lora Fairchild
9	3rd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Robin May
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	The Guardian	Fort Polk	Chuck Cannon
10	3rd Place	The Guardian	Fort Polk	Sarah Peachey

Best Photo Package

Div	Place	Publication	City	Photographer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Robin May
9	2nd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	John Melancon
9	3rd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Robin May
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell	Kevin Chiri
10	3rd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	Honorable Mention	The Guardian	Fort Polk	Chuck Cannon

Best Special Section

Div	Place	Publication	City
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette
9	2nd Place	Thrive Magazine	Lake Charles
9	3rd Place	The Forum	Shreveport
10	1st Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell
10	2nd Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell
10	3rd Place	Central City News	Central

General Excellence

Div	Place	Publication	City
9	1st Place	Thrive Magazine	Lake Charles
9	2nd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette
9	3rd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia
10	1st Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell
10	2nd Place	The Psychology Times	Baton Rouge

Staff Generated - Black & White

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
9	1st Place	Gambit	New Orleans	Britt Benoit
9	2nd Place	Gambit	New Orleans	Lindsay Weiss
9	3rd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Robert Frey
10	1st Place	The Slidell Independent	Slidell	Brittany Livaccari
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer
10	3rd Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer

Staff Generated - Color

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
9	1st Place	Gambit	New Orleans	Lindsay Weiss
9	2nd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Hannah Herpin
9	3rd Place	Gambit	New Orleans	Lindsay Weiss
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer
10	3rd Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer

Best Ad Campaign

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
9	1st Place	Gambit	New Orleans	Lindsay Weiss
9	2nd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Staff
9	3rd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Staff
9	Honorable Mention	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Staff
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins

In-Paper Promotion

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
9	1st Place	Gambit	New Orleans	Mark Waguespack
9	2nd Place	Gambit	New Orleans	Mark Waguespack
9	3rd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Kevin Pontiff
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	3rd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins

Multiple Advertiser Page

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Nicole Minafi
9	2nd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Staff
9	3rd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Staff
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	3rd Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer

Advertising Idea or Promotion

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Staff
9	2nd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Staff
9	3rd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Staff
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins

Best Classified Section or Page

Div	Place	Publication	City
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central

Best Services Ad - Non-Retail

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Nicole Minafi
9	2nd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Jason Roy
9	3rd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Christy Quebedeaux
9	3rd Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Nicole Minafi

Best Services Ad - Non-Retail

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer
10	3rd Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer

Best Success Story of An Ad

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Nicole Minafi
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Woody Jenkins
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Staff

Best Retailer Ad

Div	Place	Publication	City	Designer
9	1st Place	The Independent Weekly	Lafayette	Nicole Minafi
9	2nd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Robert Frey
9	3rd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Staff
10	1st Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer
10	2nd Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer
10	3rd Place	Central City News	Central	Terrie Palmer

Better Student Competition

Staff Generated - Black & White

Place	Newspaper	City	Designer
1st Place	The Lion's Roar	Hammond	Michael Dinino
2nd Place	The Lion's Roar	Hammond	Michael Dinino
3rd Place	The Lion's Roar	Hammond	Michael Dinino

Staff Generated – Color

Place	Newspaper	City	Designer
1st Place	The Lion's Roar	Hammond	Michael Dinino
2nd Place	The Hawkeye	Monroe	Lane Davis
3rd Place	Xavier Herald	New Orleans	Hong Nguyen

Best News Story Or News Feature

Place	Newspaper	City	Writer
1st Place	Loyola Maroon	New Orleans	Karin Curley
2nd Place	Xavier Herald	New Orleans	Maya Jones
3rd Place	Xavier Herald	New Orleans	Ariel Johnson

Best Sports Story Or Sports Feature

Place	Newspaper	City	Writer
1st Place	Loyola Maroon	New Orleans	Camara Thomas
2nd Place	The Hawkeye	Monroe	Cole Avery
3rd Place	The Hawkeye	Monroe	DeRon Talley
Honorable Mention	The Southern Digest	Baton Rouge	Morris Dillard

Best Column

Place	Newspaper	City	Columnist
1st Place	The Gramblinite	Grambling	Jeremy Smith
2nd Place	The Southern Digest	Baton Rouge	Evan Taylor
3rd Place	The Hawkeye	Monroe	Cole Avery

Best News Photo

Place	Newspaper	City	Photographer
1st Place	The Lion's Roar	Hammond	Nick BeJeaux
2nd Place	The Dolphin	New Orleans	Ramzy Mousa
3rd Place	The Southern Digest	Baton Rouge	Norman J. Dotson Jr.

Best Feature Photo

Place	Newspaper	City	Photographer
1st Place	Xavier Herald	New Orleans	Alyssa Mercadel
2nd Place	The Gramblinite	Grambling	Ciley Carrington
3rd Place	The Lion's Roar	Hammond	Katelyn Robillard

Best Sports Photo

Place	Newspaper	City	Photographer
1st Place	The Hawkeye	Monroe	Srdjan Marjanovic
2nd Place	The Hawkeye	Monroe	Srdjan Marjanovic
3rd Place	The Hawkeye	Monroe	Srdjan Marjanovic

Most Effective Use Of Graphic Design On A Single Page

Place	Newspaper	City	Designer(s)
1st Place	Xavier Herald	New Orleans	Stacey Windon, Hong Nguyen
2nd Place	The Lion's Roar	Hammond	Christopher Martin
3rd Place	Loyola Maroon	New Orleans	Sam Winstrom

General Excellence

Place	Newspaper	City
1st Place	Loyola Maroon	New Orleans
2nd Place	The Lion's Roar	Hammond
3rd Place	Xavier Herald	New Orleans

2011 Better Web Competition

Best Overall Website

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
A	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles
A	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
A	3rd Place	The Daily Advertiser	Lafayette
B	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
B	2nd Place	The Independent	Lafayette
B	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma
C	1st Place	Daily World	Opelousas
C	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
C	3rd Place	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur

Best Web Project

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
B	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
B	2nd Place	The Independent	Lafayette
B	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma
C	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
C	2nd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte
C	3rd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux

Best Multimedia Element

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
A	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles
A	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
A	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
B	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
B	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma
B	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma
C	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
C	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
C	3rd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
C	Honorable Mention	Central City News	Central

Best Online Advertising - Single Ad, Static

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
A	1st Place	The News-Star	Monroe

Best Online Advertising - Single Ad, Animated

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
A	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
A	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe
A	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma
B	1st Place	The Independent	Lafayette
B	2nd Place	The Independent	Lafayette
C	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
C	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace

Best Online Advertising – Campaign

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
A	1st Place	The News-Star	Monroe
A	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe
A	3rd Place	The News-Star	Monroe

Best Online House Ad or Campaign

Div	Place	Newspaper	City
A	1st Place	The News-Star	Monroe

2011 Individual Competition

Individual Feature Writing

Div	Place	Writer	Newspaper	City
B	1st Place	Aaron Williams	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
B	2nd Place	Howard J. Castay, Jr.	Tri Parish Times	Houma
B	3rd Place	Susan Buchanan	Louisiana Weekly	New Orleans
C	1st Place	Cheryl Robichaux	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia
C	2nd Place	Cheryl Robichaux	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia
C	3rd Place	Barbara Gautreaux	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia

Individual Feature Photo - Black & White

Div	Place	Photographer	Newspaper	City
B	1st Place	Aaron Williams	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
B	2nd Place	Howard J. Castay, Jr.	Tri Parish Times	Houma
B	3rd Place	Howard J. Castay, Jr.	Howard J. Castay, Jr.	Morgan City

Individual Feature Photo – Color

Div	Place	Photographer	Newspaper	City
B	1st Place	Aaron Williams	The West Side Journal	Port Allen
B	2nd Place	Howard J. Castay, Jr.	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
B	3rd Place	Howard J. Castay, Jr.	Tri-Parish Times	Houma
C	1st Place	Amanda McGraw	Central City News	Central
C	2nd Place	Vicki Whittington	Central City News	Central
C	3rd Place	Mickey Delcambre	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia

Individual Editorial Cartoon

Div	Place	Cartoonist	Newspaper	City
C	1st Place	Jake Nelson-Dooley	The Psychology Times	Baton Rouge
C	2nd Place	Jake Nelson-Dooley	The Psychology Times	Baton Rouge