

PRESS RELEASE

From: Louisiana Press Association

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

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The *West Side Journal* (Port Allen), the *Ascension Citizen* (Gonzales), *Bossier Press-Tribune* (Bossier City), *Slidell Sentry-News*, *The Courier* (Houma), *The Advertiser* (Lafayette), *The Advocate* (Baton Rouge), *The Times-Picayune* (New Orleans) earned Newspaper of the Year honors in their respective divisions at the 122nd Annual Louisiana Press Association Convention in New Orleans.

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 2001 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 Oklahoma Press Association judged the advertising contest last fall. The Arizona Newspapers Association judged the editorial contest this spring.

Eighty-seven newspapers, publications, and college/university student newspapers submitted 2,339 entries.

Earning sweepstakes awards in the editorial competition were the *West Side Journal* (Port Allen), the *Plaquemine Post/South*, the *L'Observateur* (LaPlace), the *Slidell Sentry-News*, *The Courier* (Houma), *The Advertiser* (Lafayette), *The Times-Picayune* (New Orleans).

The Courier (Houma) won the Freedom of Information award, for the second consecutive year, for its continuing effort to bring the Houma Housing Authority under the umbrella of the Public Records Act and the Public Meetings Law. The newspaper's efforts have resulted in the Authority producing documents it formerly refused to yield and to begin publishing, as required by state law, minutes of its meetings.

(Enclosed is a sheet listing the awards your newspaper won, as well, as a complete list of the winners. Note that on the complete listing both front and back of the pages were used)

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Better Newspaper Editorial Competition

Best Front Page

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
1	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette
2	Honorable Mention	The News-Star	Monroe
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
3	2nd Place	Daily Star	Hammond
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
4	1st Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden
4	2nd Place	Abbeville Meridional	Abbeville
4	3rd Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City
5	2nd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
6	1st Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine
6	2nd Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro
6	3rd Place	The Jena Times Olla-Tullos-Urania Signal	Jena
7	1st Place	Lake Arthur Sun-Times	Lake Arthur
7	2nd Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen
7	3rd Place	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie
7	Honorable Mention	The Leader	Baton Rouge

Best Editorial Page

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
1	2nd Place	The Times	Shreveport
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	The News-Star	Monroe
2	2nd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
3	2nd Place	Daily Star	Hammond
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
3	Honorable Mention	Daily World	Opelousas
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
4	2nd Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa
4	3rd Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden
5	1st Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
5	2nd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte
5	3rd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City
6	1st Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro
6	2nd Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton
6	3rd Place	The Enterprise and Interstate Progress	Mansfield
7	1st Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah
7	2nd Place	Catahoula News-Booster	Jonesville
7	3rd Place	Coushatta Citizen	Coushatta

Best Single Editorial

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Jarvis DeBerry
1	2nd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Byron McCauley
1	3rd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Terri Troncale
1	Honorable Mention	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Larry Dickinson
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Jim Leggett
2	2nd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Jim Leggett
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Bob Hamm
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Jim Smith
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	Staff
3	3rd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Michael Gorman
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Star	Hammond	Lil Mirando
4	1st Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa	Lou Major, Jr.
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Jessica Richard
4	3rd Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Jerry Gaulding
4	Honorable Mention	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Rich Vosepka
5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Leonard Gray
5	2nd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Mike Dowty
5	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Daniel Moore
5	Honorable Mention	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Leonard Gray
6	1st Place	The Ponchatoula Times	Ponchatoula	Bryan McMahan
6	2nd Place	The Enterprise and Interstate Progress	Mansfield	John Blanchard
6	3rd Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine	John Dupont
7	1st Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah	George Graham
7	2nd Place	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman
7	3rd Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen	Chris Chatelain
7	Honorable Mention	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman

Best Feature Story

1	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport	John Hill
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Chris Rose
1	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport	David Westerfield
2	1st Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Heather Weckler
2	2nd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Alice Story
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Claire Taylor
2	Honorable Mention	American Press	Lake Charles	Sunny Brown
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Pete Tattersall
3	2nd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Craig Malison
3	3rd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Craig Malison
4	1st Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Gilda Perkins
4	2nd Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa	Gabriel Morley
4	3rd Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Sandra Brown
4	Honorable Mention	The Bastrop Daily Enterprise	Bastrop	Lydia Hair
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Gregg Trusty
5	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Daniel Gooden
5	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Nicole LaPorte
6	1st Place	Winn Parish Enterprise	Winnfield	Diane Holeman
6	2nd Place	Teche News	St. Martinville	Shannon Chataignier
6	3rd Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Fair Craig Hash
7	1st Place	Caddo Citizen	Vivian	Audrey Sullivan
7	2nd Place	The Observer	Baker	Jackie Alford
7	3rd Place	Caddo Citizen	Vivian	Audrey Sullivan

Best News Story

1	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport	Lisa Roland-Faust
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Christopher Baughman
1	3rd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Staff
1	Honorable Mention	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Tom Guarisco
1	Honorable Mention	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Gordon Russell
1	Honorable Mention	The Times	Shreveport	Alisa Stingley
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Elokia James
2	2nd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Charlie Deitch
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Claire Taylor
2	Honorable Mention	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Jann Baty
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Matt Gresham, etal
3	2nd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Dori Claytor
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Barbara Nelson
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Ed Guidry
4	1st Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Robert Roan
4	2nd Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa	Marcelle Hangmann
4	3rd Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Karla Sumrall
4	Honorable Mention	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Rich Vosepka
5	1st Place	The Ville Platte Gazette	Ville Platte	Carissa Hebert
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Clint Land
5	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Al Rogers
6	1st Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine	Deidre Cruse
6	1st Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine	Deidre Cruse
6	2nd Place	The Pointe Coupee Banner	New Roads	Tommy Comeaux
6	3rd Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton	Danny Nowlin
6	Honorable Mention	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Paul Kedingier
7	1st Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen	Chris Chatelain
7	2nd Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah	George Graham
7	3rd Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah	Valerie Crain

Best Sports Story

1	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport	Brian Vernelus
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Josh Peter
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Sheldon Mickles
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Eric Branch
2	2nd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Kevin Foote
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Jeff Matthews
3	1st Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Rob DeArmond
3	2nd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Rob DeArmond
3	3rd Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Tom Dodge
3	Honorable Mention	The Courier	Houma	Matt Gresham
4	1st Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Larry Ciko
4	2nd Place	Natchitoches Times	Natchitoches	Cade Brumley
4	3rd Place	The Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	O.K. Davis
4	Honorable Mention	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Kevin Chiri
5	1st Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Sam Muffoletto
5	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Michael Kiral
5	3rd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Sam Muffoletto
6	1st Place	The Pointe Coupee Banner	New Roads	Brent Roy
6	2nd Place	Ascension Citizen	Gonzales	John Dupont
6	3rd Place	Gonzales Weekly	Gonzales	Dean Bourque
7	1st Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah	George Graham
7	2nd Place	The Gueydan Journal	Gueydan	Michael Rizzuto
7	3rd Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen	Chris Chatelain

Best Regular Column

1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Ed Cullen
1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Edward Pratt
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Iolis Elie
1	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Dan Turner
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Sonny Marks
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Jim Beam
2	3rd Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Mark Henderson
2	Honorable Mention	The News-Star	Monroe	Bob Teague
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Mike Slaughter
3	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Michael Gorman
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Scott Turick
4	1st Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa	Lou Major, Jr.
4	2nd Place	The St. Mary & Franklin Banner-Tribune	Franklin	Roger Stouff
4	3rd Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Ted McManus
4	Honorable Mention	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur	Billie Chancey
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Jerry Byrd
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Elaine Derouen
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Leonard Gray
6	1st Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton	Callie Foreman
6	2nd Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine	Deidre Cruse
6	3rd Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton	Danny Nowlin
6	Honorable Mention	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine	T.B. Gabriel
7	1st Place	The Observer	Baker	Jackie Alfred
7	2nd Place	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman
7	3rd Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen	Richard Garwood
7	Honorable Mention	Lake Arthur Sun-Times	Lake Arthur	Joanna LeJeune

Best Sports Column

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Bob Marshal
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Peter Finney
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Scott Rabalais
1	Honorable Mention	The Times	Shreveport	John McCloskey
2	1st Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Barry Johnson
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Gary Laney
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Kevin Foote
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Bruce Brown
2	Honorable Mention	American Press	Lake Charles	Scooter Hobbs
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Jon T. Stewart
3	2nd Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Mel LeCompte
3	3rd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	John Lenz
3	Honorable Mention	The Courier	Houma	Ryan Chatelain
3	Honorable Mention	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Don Shoopman
4	1st Place	Abbeville Meridional	Abbeville	Chris Rosa
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Chris Willis
4	3rd Place	The Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	O.K. Davis
4	Honorable Mention	Natchitoches Times	Natchitoches	Cade Brumley
5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Michael Kiral
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Clint Land
5	3rd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Sam Muffoletto
6	1st Place	Gonzales Weekly	Gonzales	Bill Delaune
6	2nd Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Jason Lopez
6	3rd Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine	T.B. Gabriel
6	Honorable Mention	The Pointe Coupee Banner	New Roads	Brent Roy
7	1st Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen	Chris Chatelain
7	2nd Place	The Gueydan Journal	Gueydan	Michael Rizzuto
7	3rd Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen	John Dupont

Best Overall Sports Coverage

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
1	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles
2	2nd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette
3	1st Place	Daily Star	Hammond
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
4	1st Place	The Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
4	2nd Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
4	Honorable Mention	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell
5	1st Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte
5	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
5	3rd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
6	1st Place	Ascension Citizen	Gonzales
6	2nd Place	The Jena Times Olla-Tullos-Urania Signal	Jena
6	3rd Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine
6	Honorable Mention	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne
7	1st Place	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie
7	1st Place	The Gueydan Journal	Gueydan
7	2nd Place	The Basile Weekly	Basile
7	3rd Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen

Best Family News Coverage

1	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles
2	2nd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
3	1st Place	Daily World	Opelousas
3	2nd Place	Daily Star	Hammond
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
3	Honorable Mention	The Courier	Houma
4	1st Place	Natchitoches Times	Natchitoches
4	2nd Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell
4	3rd Place	The Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
4	Honorable Mention	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
5	1st Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
6	1st Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine
6	1st Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne
6	2nd Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton
6	2nd Place	Ascension Citizen	Gonzales
6	3rd Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro
7	1st Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen
7	2nd Place	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie
7	3rd Place	The Caldwell Watchman	Columbia

Best News Coverage

1	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette
2	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
2	Honorable Mention	The Town Talk	Alexandria
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma
3	3rd Place	Daily World	Opelousas
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
4	1st Place	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur
4	2nd Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell
4	3rd Place	Natchitoches Times	Natchitoches
4	Honorable Mention	The Daily News	Bogalusa
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City
5	2nd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
6	1st Place	The Jena Times Olla-Tullos-Urania Signal	Jena
6	2nd Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro
6	3rd Place	Gonzales Weekly	Gonzales
6	Honorable Mention	Ascension Citizen	Gonzales
7	1st Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen
7	2nd Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah
7	3rd Place	Coushatta Citizen	Coushatta
7	Honorable Mention	West Carroll Gazette	Oak Grove

Best Continuing Coverage of a Single News Event

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Staff
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Keith O'Brien
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Kristen King
2	1st Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Staff
2	2nd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Jann Baty
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Claire Taylor
3	1st Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Joe Gould
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	Charles Lussier, et al
3	3rd Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Philip deValcourt
3	Honorable Mention	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Nathan Sampey
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Crystal Bonvillion
4	1st Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Mitchell Richard
				Ileana Garcia
4	2nd Place	The Bastrop Daily Enterprise	Bastrop	Lydia Tilbury Hair
4	3rd Place	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur	Vanessa Everett
				Steve Bandy
4	Honorable Mention	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Karla Sumrall
5	1st Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Kela Chaisson
				Alice Dowty
5	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Leonard Gray
5	3rd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Alice Dowty
6	1st Place	The Pointe Coupee Banner	New Roads	Tommy Comeaux
6	2nd Place	The Jena Times Olla-Tullos-Urania Signal	Jena	Sammy J. Franklin
6	3rd Place	Teche News	St. Martinville	Steven K. Landry
7	1st Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah	George Graham
7	2nd Place	The Donaldsonville Chief	Donaldsonville	Lester Kenyon
7	3rd Place	The Leader	Baton Rouge	Michelle Hunt

Best Continuing Coverage of a Governmental Issue

1	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport	John Hill
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Vicki Ferstel
2	1st Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Liz Maples
				Debra Pulver
				Sunny Brown
2	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Leisha Bound
				John Hill
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Melissa Gregory
3	1st Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Ed Guidry
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Trevis Badeaux
				Richard Burgess
				Nathan Sampey
3	3rd Place	The Courier	Houma	Dee Dee Thurston, et al
4	1st Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Tracy Campbell
4	2nd Place	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur	Vanessa Everett
				Patrick Reynolds
4	3rd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Jessica Richard
4	Honorable Mention	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley	Janet Doucet
5	1st Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Daniel Moore
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Gregg Trusty
				Robert Biggs
5	3rd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Michelle Krennerich
				Parveen Parveen-Dulaney
6	1st Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine	Deidre Cruse
6	2nd Place	The Jena Times Olla-Tullos-Urania Signal	Jena	Craig Franklin
6	3rd Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton	Danny Nowlin
7	1st Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen	Chris Chatelain
7	2nd Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah	George Graham
7	3rd Place	The Guardian-Journal	Homer	Susan Herring
7	Honorable Mention	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman
				Susan Jeansonne

Best Investigative Reporting

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Gordon Russell
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	James Minton
				Mike Dunne
				Vicki Ferstel
1	3rd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	John Biers
				Mary Swerczek
2	1st Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Nancy Bergeron
2	2nd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Claire Taylor
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Robert Morgan
3	1st Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Dori Claytor
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Paul Hilbun
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Richard Burgess
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Star	Hammond	Sylvia Schon
4	1st Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Staff
4	2nd Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Kevin Chiri
4	3rd Place	The Crowley Post-Signal	Crowley	Ken Grissom
4	Honorable Mention	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Tracy Campbell
				Karla Sumrall
5	1st Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Michelle Krennerich
6	1st Place	The Ponchatoula Times	Ponchatoula	Bryan McMahon
6	2nd Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine	Deidre Cruse
6	3rd Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton	Danny Nowlin
7	1st Place	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman
7	2nd Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah	George Graham

Best Special Section (Editorial Content)

1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
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4	1st Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden
4	2nd Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa
4	3rd Place	The Bastrop Daily Enterprise	Bastrop
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5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
5	2nd Place	The Ville Platte Gazette	Ville Platte
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6	1st Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton
6	2nd Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne
6	3rd Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne
6	Honorable Mention	The Ouachita Citizen	West Monroe
7	1st Place	The Gueydan Journal	Gueydan
7	2nd Place	The Observer	Baker
7	2nd Place	The Basile Weekly	Basile
7	3rd Place	The Caldwell Watchman	Columbia
7	Honorable Mention	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie

Most Effective Use of Graphic Design on a Single Page

1	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport	David Wright
1	2nd Place	The Times	Shreveport	David Wright
1	3rd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Kenneth Harrison
				Julia Nead
				Dan Swensen
1	Honorable Mention	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Jay Martin
2	1st Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Bethany White
2	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Ferris Williams
2	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Donna Price
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Scott Turick
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	Mike Scott
3	3rd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Kari Wheeler
3	Honorable Mention	Daily World	Opelousas	Harlan Kirgan
4	1st Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Carla Tipper
4	2nd Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Jane Crawford
4	3rd Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Brian Carlisle
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	David Specht, Jr.
5	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Inez Henson-Smith
5	3rd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Ashleigh David
6	1st Place	Ascension Citizen	Gonzales	Angela Boudreaux
6	2nd Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine	Rodney Gascon
6	3rd Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro	Mary Marr Nelson
7	1st Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen	Chris Chatelain
7	2nd Place	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman
7	3rd Place	The Donaldsonville Chief	Donaldsonville	Lester Kenyon
7	Honorable Mention	West Side Journal	Port Allen	Chris Chatelain

Best Headline

1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Bill Sierichs
1	2nd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Randy Lovely
1	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Martha Fitzgerald
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Wallacy Anthony
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles	Dennis Spears
3	1st Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Maria Weaver
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Scott Turick
3	3rd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	John Lenz
4	1st Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa	Marcelle Hangmann
4	2nd Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Tracy Campbell
4	3rd Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa	Andi Cook
4	Honorable Mention	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Tracy Campbell
5	1st Place	The Eunice News	Eunice	Jerry Hoffpauir
5	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Leonard Gray
5	3rd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Mike Dowty
6	1st Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine	Deidre Cruse
6	2nd Place	The Ouachita Citizen	West Monroe	Marq Mitchum
6	3rd Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Paul Kedingier
7	1st Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen	Chris Chatelain
7	2nd Place	The Basile Weekly	Basile	Darrel LeJeune
7	3rd Place	The Caldwell Watchman	Columbia	Melissa Nagler

Best News Photo

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Ted Jackson
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Ted Jackson
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Mark Saltz
1	Honorable Mention	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Ted Jackson
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Douglas Collier
2	2nd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Brad Kemp
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Katherine Ganter
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Katherine Ganter
2	Honorable Mention	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Todd Drumwright
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Doug Keese
3	2nd Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Freddie Herpin
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Bill Smith
3	Honorable Mention	Daily World	Opelousas	Freddie Herpin
4	1st Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Charles Longton
4	2nd Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Tracy Campbell
4	3rd Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Miller Henry
4	Honorable Mention	Jennings Daily News	Jennings	Patrice Manuel
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Clint Land
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Clint Land
5	3rd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Nicole LaPorte
6	1st Place	The Enterprise and Interstate Progress	Mansfield	Robert Davidson
6	2nd Place	The Jena Times Olla-Tullos-Urania Signal	Jena	Craig Franklin
6	3rd Place	Teche News	St. Martinville	Sally Angelle
6	Honorable Mention	The Jena Times Olla-Tullos-Urania Signal	Jena	Craig Franklin
7	1st Place	The Watchman	Clinton	Brandy M. Staton
7	2nd Place	The Assumption Pioneer	Napoleonville	Philip Gianelloni
7	3rd Place	Catahoula News-Booster	Jonesville	Will Clifton

Best Feature Photo

1	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport	Matthew Minard
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Richard Alan Hannon
1	3rd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Patrick Dennis
1	Honorable Mention	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Richard Hannon
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Douglas Collier
2	2nd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Brad Kemp
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Brad Kemp
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Doug Keese
3	2nd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Kari Wheeler
3	3rd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Abby Tabor
3	Honorable Mention	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Bill Smith
4	1st Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Gilda Perkins
4	2nd Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Ted McManus
4	3rd Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Charles Longton
4	Honorable Mention	The Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	Nancy Bergeron
5	1st Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	David Normand
5	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Erik Sanzenbach
5	3rd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	Mike Dowty
6	1st Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton	Danny Nowlin
6	2nd Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Mona Comeaux
6	3rd Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Paul Kedinger
6	Honorable Mention	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro	Monica Huff
7	1st Place	The Leader	Baton Rouge	Michelle Hunt
7	2nd Place	The Guardian-Journal	Homer	Susan Herrin
7	3rd Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen	Chris Chatelain
7	3rd Place	Coushatta Citizen	Coushatta	J. M. Jones
7	Honorable Mention	The Guardian-Journal	Homer	Kathryn Hightower

Best Sports Feature Photo

1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Arthur D. Lauck
1	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Michael DeMocker
1	3rd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Alex Brandon
1	Honorable Mention	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Chris Preovolos
1	Honorable Mention	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Matt Rose
1	Honorable Mention	The Times	Shreveport	Jim Hudelson
1	Honorable Mention	The Times	Shreveport	Charlie Gesell
2	1st Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Brad Kemp
2	2nd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Brad Kemp
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Todd Drumwright
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma	Doug Keese
3	2nd Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Freddie Herpin
3	3rd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Roger Zettler
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Star	Hammond	Bill Deer
4	1st Place	The Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	O.K. Davis
4	2nd Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Charles Longton
4	3rd Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Dana Auguster
4	Honorable Mention	The Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston	O.K. Davis
5	1st Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs	David Normand
5	2nd Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Blake Petit
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Tommy Williams
6	1st Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton	Danny Nowlin
6	2nd Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro	Monica Huff
6	3rd Place	The Ouachita Citizen	West Monroe	Marq Mitchum
7	1st Place	The Basile Weekly	Basile	Darrel LeJeune
7	2nd Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah	George Graham
7	3rd Place	The Basile Weekly	Basile	Darrel LeJeune
7	Honorable Mention	The Leader	Baton Rouge	Michelle Hunt

Best Action Sports Photo

1	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Bill Feig
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Bill Feig
1	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Charlie Gesell
1	Honorable Mention	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Travis Spradling
1	Honorable Mention	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Alex Brandon
2	1st Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	Douglas Collier
2	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe	Michael Dunlap
2	3rd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Brad Kemp
3	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Lee Ball
3	2nd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Bill Deer
3	3rd Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Bill Deer
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Comet	Thibodaux	Abby Tabor
4	1st Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Diane Miller Fears
4	2nd Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Charles Longton
4	3rd Place	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur	Rodrick Anderson
4	Honorable Mention	The Daily Review	Morgan City	Sedonia Lousteau
5	1st Place	St. Charles Herald-Guide	Boutte	Blake Petit
5	2nd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City	Mark Weir
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Michael Kiral
6	1st Place	Ascension Citizen	Gonzales	Chance Babin
6	2nd Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro	Monica Huff
6	3rd Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Jason Lopez
7	1st Place	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman
7	2nd Place	The Basile Weekly	Basile	Darrel LeJeune
7	3rd Place	Coushatta Citizen	Coushatta	J.M. Jones

Best Photo Feature

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Thom Scott
1	2nd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Matthew Minard
1	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Matthew Minard
1	Honorable Mention	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	Doug Keese
2	1st Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	Mark Saltz
2	2nd Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette	P.C. Piazza
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria	P.C. Piazza
3	1st Place	Daily Star	Hammond	Douglas Collier
				Kari Wheeler
				Roger Zettler
				Bill Deer
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma	Doug Keese
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia	Bill Smith
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Star	Hammond	Kari Wheeler
4	1st Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Charles Longton
4	2nd Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell	Charles Longton
4	3rd Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden	Sandra Brown
				Karla Sumrall
4	Honorable Mention	The Daily News	Bogalusa	Danny Hangmann
5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Michael Kiral
5	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace	Daniel Gooden
				Michael Kiral
				Tommy Williams
5	3rd Place	The Eunice News	Eunice	Myra Miller
6	1st Place	The Era-Leader	Franklinton	Danny Nowlin
6	2nd Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Mona Comeaux
6	3rd Place	Ascension Citizen	Gonzales	Shannon Greene
6	Honorable Mention	Concordia Sentinel	Ferriday	Tracey Bruce
				Rhett Powell
6	Honorable Mention	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne	Mona Comeaux
7	1st Place	The Leader	Baton Rouge	Michelle Hunt
7	2nd Place	The Marksville Weekly News & Cottonport Leader	Marksville	Randy DeCuir
7	3rd Place	The Gueydan Journal	Gueydan	Michael Rizzuto
7	Honorable Mention	The Basile Weekly	Basile	Darrel LeJeune
7	Honorable Mention	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie	Garland Forman

Best Editorial Cartoon

Daily	1st Place	Daily World	Opelousas	Mel LeCompte
Daily	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge	David Norwood
Daily	3rd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Walt Handelsman
Daily	Honorable Mention	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Walt Handelsman
Daily	Honorable Mention	The Times	Shreveport	David Wright
Weekly	1st Place	The Enterprise and Interstate Progress	Mansfield	W.C. Frazier
Weekly	2nd Place	Coushatta Citizen	Coushatta	J.M. Jones
Weekly	3rd Place	The Enterprise and Interstate Progress	Mansfield	W.C. Frazier
Weekly	Honorable Mention	Coushatta Citizen	Coushatta	J.M. Jones

Best Website

A	1st Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
A	2nd Place	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
A	3rd Place	Gonzales Weekly	Gonzales
A	Honorable Mention	West Side Journal	Port Allen
B	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport
B	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe
B	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
B	Honorable Mention	The Advertiser	Lafayette
C	1st Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
C	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
C	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
D	1st Place	The Courier	Houma

Total Newspaper Design

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
1	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport
2	1st Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette
2	2nd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
3	1st Place	Daily Star	Hammond
3	2nd Place	The Courier	Houma
3	3rd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
4	1st Place	Minden Press Herald	Minden
4	2nd Place	Jennings Daily News	Jennings
4	3rd Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell
4	Honorable Mention	Abbeville Meridional	Abbeville
5	1st Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City
5	2nd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
5	3rd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
6	1st Place	The Franklin Sun	Winnsboro
6	2nd Place	Ascension Citizen	Gonzales
6	3rd Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne
6	Honorable Mention	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine
7	1st Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah
7	2nd Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen
7	3rd Place	Coushatta Citizen	Coushatta

General Excellence in Editorial

1	1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
1	2nd Place	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
1	3rd Place	The Times	Shreveport
2	1st Place	The Advertiser	Lafayette
2	2nd Place	The News-Star	Monroe
2	3rd Place	The Town Talk	Alexandria
2	Honorable Mention	American Press	Lake Charles
3	1st Place	The Courier	Houma
3	2nd Place	The Daily Iberian	New Iberia
3	3rd Place	Daily World	Opelousas
3	Honorable Mention	Daily Comet	Thibodaux
4	1st Place	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell
4	2nd Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa
4	3rd Place	Southwest Daily News	Sulphur
4	Honorable Mention	The Ruston Daily Leader	Ruston
5	1st Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
5	2nd Place	Livingston Parish News	Denham Springs
5	3rd Place	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City
6	1st Place	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne
6	2nd Place	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine
6	3rd Place	Concordia Sentinel	Ferriday
6	Honorable Mention	Ascension Citizen	Gonzales
7	1st Place	West Side Journal	Port Allen
7	2nd Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah
7	3rd Place	The Gueydan Journal	Gueydan
7	Honorable Mention	The Bunkie Record	Bunkie

Individual Feature Writing

1st Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans	Dave LaGarde
2nd Place	The Times	Shreveport	Don Walker
3rd Place	Gambit Weekly	New Orleans	Shala Carlson
Honorable Mention	The Times	Shreveport	Alisa Stingley
Honorable Mention	The News-Star	Monroe	Scott Beder

Community Service

A	1st Place	The Times	Shreveport
A	2nd Place	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
A	3rd Place	American Press	Lake Charles
B	1st Place	The Ville Platte Gazette	Ville Platte
B	2nd Place	L'Observateur	LaPlace
C	1st Place	Madison Journal	Tallulah
C	2nd Place	Concordia Sentinel	Ferriday
C	3rd Place	The Jena Times Olla-Tullos-Urania Signal	Jena
C	Honorable Mention	The Basile Weekly	Basile

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1st Place	The Daily Review	Morgan City
2nd Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa
3rd Place	The Daily News	Bogalusa

Sweepstakes

1	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
2	The Advertiser	Lafayette
3	The Courier	Houma
4	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell
5	L'Observateur	LaPlace
6	Plaquemine Post/South	Plaquemine
7	West Side Journal	Port Allen

Newspaper of the Year

1	The Advocate	Baton Rouge
1	The Times-Picayune	New Orleans
2	The Town Talk	Alexandria
3	Daily Star	Hammond
4	Slidell Sentry-News	Slidell
5	Bossier Press-Tribune	Bossier City
6	Rayne Acadian-Tribune	Rayne
7	West Side Journal	Port Allen

2000 Free Circulation and Special Interest Publication Editorial Competition

Best Front Page

1st Place	CityBusiness	New Orleans
2nd Place	South Baton Rouge Journal	Baton Rouge
3rd Place	Forum News	Shreveport
Honorable Mention	The Jeanerette Enterprise	Jeanerette
Honorable Mention	Gambit Weekly	New Orleans

Best Feature Story

1st Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette	Penny Brown Roberts
2nd Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Alice C. Ferguson
3rd Place	South Baton Rouge Journal	Baton Rouge	Annabelle Armstrong

Best News Story

1st Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette	Penny Brown Roberts
2nd Place	Baton Rouge Business Report	Baton Rouge	Anne Lauren Henslee
3rd Place	Times of Southwest Louisiana	Lake Charles	Bill Shearman

Best Regular Column

1st Place	Baton Rouge Business Report	Baton Rouge	JR Ball
2nd Place	The Bayou Catholic	Schriever	Claire Joller
3rd Place	South Baton Rouge Journal	Baton Rouge	Greg LaRose
Honorable Mention	Gambit Weekly	New Orleans	Lynn Pitts

Lifestyle

1st Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia
2nd Place	LifeStyle Lafayette	Lafayette
3rd Place	CityBusiness	New Orleans
Honorable Mention	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette

Best News Coverage

1st Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette
2nd Place	The Jeanerette Enterprise	Jeanerette
3rd Place	Baton Rouge Business Report	Baton Rouge
Honorable Mention	CityBusiness	New Orleans

Best Continuing Coverage of a Single News Event

1st Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette	Penny Brown Roberts
2nd Place	CityBusiness	New Orleans	Keith Brannon
3rd Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette	Penny Brown Roberts
Honorable Mention	Bayou Business Review	Houma	Jeff Boggs Jesse Hall

Best Continuing Coverage of a Governmental Issue

1st Place	Gambit Weekly	New Orleans	Eileen Loh-Harrist Jess Scheer
2nd Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette	Penny Brown Roberts James Buckley
3rd Place	LifeStyle Lafayette	Lafayette	Alice Ferguson Dennis Sullivan

Best Investigative Reporting

1st Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette	Penny Brown Roberts
2nd Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette	Penny Brown Roberts
3rd Place	Gambit Weekly	New Orleans	Allen Johnson, Jr.
Honorable Mention	Gambit Weekly	New Orleans	Christi Daughery

Best Special Section (Editorial Content)

1st Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette
2nd Place	CityBusiness	New Orleans
3rd Place	The Bayou Catholic	Schriever
Honorable Mention	Gambit Weekly	New Orleans

Most Effective Use of Graphic Design on a Single Page

1st Place	Acadiana LifeStyle	New Iberia	Karen LeBlanc
2nd Place	Baton Rouge Business Report	Baton Rouge	Jeanne Martin
3rd Place	CityBusiness	New Orleans	Lisa Finnan

Best News Photo

1st Place	Forum News	Shreveport	Kerry Kirspel
2nd Place	The Bayou Catholic	Schriever	Lawrence Chatagnier
3rd Place	Forum News	Shreveport	Joe Nickle

Best Feature Photo

1st Place	Baton Rouge Business Report	Baton Rouge	David Wood
2nd Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette	Terri Fensel
3rd Place	Forum News	Shreveport	Joe Nickle

Best Photo Feature

1st Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette	Terri Fensel
2nd Place	Gambit Weekly	New Orleans	Cheryl Gerber
3rd Place	South Baton Rouge Journal	Baton Rouge	Greg LaRose
Honorable Mention	The Bayou Catholic	Schriever	Lawrence Chatagnier

Best Web Site

1st Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette
2nd Place	CityBusiness	New Orleans

Best Total Publication Design

1st Place	LifeStyle Lafayette	Lafayette
2nd Place	Forum News	Shreveport
3rd Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette

General Excellence

1st Place	Gambit Weekly	New Orleans
2nd Place	The Times of Acadiana	Lafayette
3rd Place	CityBusiness	New Orleans

2000 Better Student Newspaper Competition**Staff Generated - Black & White 1/4 Page or Under**

1st Place	Gramblinite	Grambling
2nd Place	Pow-Wow	Monroe
3rd Place	Gramblinite	Grambling

Staff Generated - Color 1/4 Page or Under

1st Place	Loyola Maroon	New Orleans
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Staff Generated - Black & White Over 1/4 Page

1st Place	Pow-Wow	Monroe
1st Place	Tech Talk	Ruston
2nd Place	Tech Talk	Ruston
3rd Place	Loyola Maroon	New Orleans
Honorable Mention	Tech Talk	Ruston

Best News Story or News Feature

1st Place	Gramblinite	Grambling	Anthony Love Rhodes
2nd Place	Loyola Maroon	New Orleans	Crystal Bolner
3rd Place	Contraband	Lake Charles	Jeremy Harper

Best Sports Story or Sports Feature

1st Place	Tech Talk	Ruston	Adam Terry
2nd Place	Current Sauce	Natchitoches	Mindy Mixon
3rd Place	Tech Talk	Ruston	Katy Griffin

Best Column

1st Place	Gramblinite	Grambling	Cuba Davis
2nd Place	Tech Talk	Ruston	Angela Cason
3rd Place	Contraband	Lake Charles	Jeremy Harper

Best General News Photo or Feature Photo

1st Place	Loyola Maroon	New Orleans	Lasha Harden
2nd Place	Gramblinite	Grambling	Brian Henderson
3rd Place	Tech Talk	Ruston	Tia Owens
Honorable Mention	The Nicholls Worth	Thibodaux	Kim Smith

Best Sports Photograph

1st Place	The Nicholls Worth	Thibodaux	Kim Smith
1st Place	The Nicholls Worth	Thibodaux	Kim Smith
2nd Place	Contraband	Lake Charles	Todd McCordle
2nd Place	Tech Talk	Ruston	Tia Owens
3rd Place	Gramblinite	Grambling	Nache Snow

General Excellence

1st Place	Dolphin	New Orleans
2nd Place	The Southern Digest	Baton Rouge
3rd Place	Gramblinite	Grambling