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1	GENERAL NEWS STORY	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Emily Le Coz, Sherry Lucas, Billy Watkins	Six Hours of Hell	Excellent story telling puts this tornado tick-tock on top. Great detail, use of narrative bring a frightening day to life.
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Billy Watkins	Lumumba: The Lawyer - The Clarion-Ledger	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	JB Clark	Justice overhaul	
		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Ed Kemp	Freedom Summer	Ed Kemp's sharp writing and the American's stylish presentation make this anniversary story anything but routine. An excellent narrative that chronicles a key moment in American civil rights.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Jan Griffey	Taking a stand	
		Daily B	3rd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Rod Guajardo	Safe or unsafe?	
		Daily B	4th Place	Enterprise-Journal	Ernest Herndon	'There's no place like U.S.'	
		Daily C	1st Place	Delta Democrat Times	Tom Bassing	A community and evening shattered	By far the best story in this category. It takes a strong overview on the history of race in the community, as well as giving relevant detail of the events that happened. Great job.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Bryn Stole	Robert Johnson cover-up	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Daily Leader	Katie Williamson	Ballpark seen as a community unifier	



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2	SPOT NEWS STORY	Daily A	1st Place	The Sun Herald	Anita Lee	Coast shrimper swims for his life, says love saved him	A nicely told story of a near tragedy. The details of the man's account propelled this to the top of the category.
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Staff	It just goes on and on	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Jimmie E. Gates, Kate Royals, Sam R. Hall	A tragic conclusion - The Clarion-Ledger	
		Daily A	4th Place	Daily Journal	Staff	Path of Destruction	
		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Haskel Burns	4 Die In Storms	Thorough and complete coverage of a devastating swath of severe storms. Good writing, strong photojournalism and crisp, clean design.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Commercial Dispatch	Sarah Fowler	Two deputies shot in New Hope	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Vicksburg Post	Josh Edwards	Crash at Cooper	
		Daily B	4th Place	The Natchez Democrat	Rod Guajardo	Through the smoke	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Meridian Star	Brian Livingston	Standoff comes to violent end	The narrative of this story was well written. Understanding Wooten's criminal history, as well as reading about the tense standoff set this article apart from the others.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Alyssa Schnugg	Football fans targeted by scammer	
		Daily C	3rd Place	Picayune Item	Alexandra Hedrick	Stennis Strike, Lockheed Martin machinists picket Stennis to protect their pensions	

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		Daily C	4th Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Bob Darden	Chase ends in shooting death	
		Weekly A	1st Place	Laurel Leader-Call	Mark Thornton	OH MY GOD	Well-written and detailed account of a news event. Readers knew the answers to every question. Solid work.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Charlie Smith	Armed standoff ends peacefully	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Carthaginian	waid prather	DOC trail focuses locally +2 sidebars	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Panolian	John Howell	I-55 Wreck	
		Weekly B	1st Place	New Albany Gazette	J. Lynn West	Barretos captured	Barretos captured made its way to the top of a very competitive category with thorough reporting, compelling prose, and a gripping topic. Nicely done with a complex, emotional subject.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	Stone County Enterprise	Jody O'Hara	Criminal charges result from removal of human remains	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Chronicle	Kat Romero	2 killed by twister	
		Weekly B	4th Place	Stone County Enterprise	Jody O'Hara	Perhaps stupid is contagious after all	
		Weekly C	1st Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Ted Carter	Sanderson Plumbing set to layoff three-fourths of 230-person staff	Big community impact here. Good reporting.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Jack Weatherly	Columbus could be site for \$1.2B aluminum plant	

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		Weekly C	3rd Place	Chickasaw Journal	Floyd Ingram	Fire guts Houlika School	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Conservative	Reggie Ross	Squad car totalled by fire truck	
<b>3</b>	<b>IN-DEPTH INVESTIGATIVE COVERAGE</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Jerry Mitchell, Kate Royals, Emily Le Coz	Hard look at hard time - The Clarion-Ledger	The Clarion-Ledger fought through all manner of roadblocks to give readers a comprehensive account of an utterly dysfunctional prison system. True watchdog reporting that should bring about major change.
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	Anita Lee, Margaret Baker, Karen Nelson	Singing River Health System	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	Chris Kieffer	Pre-K: Laying the foundation	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Vershal Hogan, Kevin Cooper	In one man's hands	The watchdog is a bulldog in this series of expertly reported stories chronicling the hospital's financial downfall, bankruptcy and sale. Powerful public accountability journalism.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Commercial Dispatch	William Browning	Free Fallin'	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Hattiesburg American	Tim Doherty, Emily Ham Price	Big Stink	

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		Daily B	4th Place	Hattiesburg American	Tim Doherty, Ed Kemp, Haskel Burns	Minimum Wage	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Oxford Eagle	LaReeca Rucker	Taylor's Oil - LaReeca Rucker, Staff Writer	The reporter did a nice job giving a state and national debate a strong local tie. Good detail in describing this family's struggle.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Meridian Star	Terri Ferguson Smith	Shakeup at City Hall	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Jerra Scott	State cuts school funds - Jerra Scott	
		Weekly A	1st Place	Laurel Leader-Call	Sean Murphy	Kentucky Fried HOAX	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Neshoba Democrat	The Neshoba Democrat Staff	Audit Investigation	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Nathan Kraatz	Gangs tout crime on social media	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Mississippi Press	Warren Kulo	Psycamore saga in Ocean Springs	
		Weekly B	1st Place	Madison County Journal	Michael Simmons	Project Phoenix	What a fantastic piece of work by this writer and newspaper. A journalist's job is to look into issues and hold government accountable, and this piece does just that. Excellent work using public records to help get the real story to the citizens.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Columbian Progress	Staff	Holiday Tornado	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	Madison County Journal	Michael Simmons	Sulphur Springs Park	

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		Weekly C	1st Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Ray Mosby	Sharkey_takes_initial_step	This is the kind of piece that separates investigative reporting from normal reporting. This series has intrigue, a good back story, and unexplained, unnamed forces working against a community's progress. It's well written, clear and straight forward.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Ted Carter	Apartment zoning targets minorities, lawsuit says	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Ted Carter	Payday lender investigation	
		Weekly C	4th Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Ted Carter	Tort Reform: After 10 years	
<b>4</b>	<b>PLANNED SERIES</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Emily Le Coz	Special Education - The Clarion-Ledger	A deep, powerful, important and richly reported inspection of the state's problems in educating kids with disabilities. There were many takeaways from this series. That there was a multimedia element was important. The many bites of this series could be consumed in a lot of ways. Great work.
		Daily A	2nd Place	Daily Journal	Chris Kieffer, Bobby Harrison	Game Changer? -- Series on Common Core	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	Staff	Building a new normal	

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		Daily A	4th Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Staff	Lost to the storm - The Clarion-Ledger	
		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Staff	Hunger in the Pine Belt	Excellent reporting, with visual support second to none in this category. Fine work.
		Daily B	2nd Place	Vicksburg Post	Josh Edwards	Freedom Summer	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Vicksburg Post	John Surratt	Warren Countys Rural Water	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Bryn Stole, Bob Darden	Freedom Summer: 50 Years Later	Thorough and well researched with many personal accounts. Stories about the Freedom group's trip to the Democratic National Convention and the cop / store owner wrongly accused of dragging a pregnant woman were standouts.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Bolivar Commercial	Andy Collier	Travel ball giving; Local high school, college; Overuse injuries; Hatcher, Boggs have	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Bolivar Commercial	Courtney Warren	A Day in the Life	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Mississippi Press	Warren Kulo	The Pscamore Files	Well done. Good information, and well presented.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Lamar Times	Zach Jones	Lamar County park partners	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Northside Sun	Katie Eubanks	MCEDA's airport study, secrecy questioned	
		Weekly B	1st Place	Southern Sentinel	Tina Campbell Meadows, Lena Mitchell	Shaping the Future	



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		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Columbian Progress	Adam Prestridge, Mark Rogers & Buster Wolfe	Faces of Cancer	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Magee Courier	Donna McLean	Family mounts, Dyslexia making, Dyslexics seek	
		Weekly C	1st Place	Chickasaw Journal	Floyd Ingram, Crissy Bland, Lisa Voyles	Teen Preg Pages	Clearly the winner in this class. A thorough investigation into a local problem in a county that leads the state that leads the nation. Thorough, personal, well thought out, well written, backed with statistics and graphs. Topped by a solid personal column. Any newspaper - large or small - would be proud of this effort.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Frank Brown	State of gaming in Mississippi	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Ted Carter	Business Person of the Year	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Petal News	Zack Jones	Earthworx/wastewater treatment project	
	<b>5 SPORTS NEWS STORY</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Riley Blevins	Death unites rivals	A really fine piece of writing, rich with details and perspective, mixing both solid news reporting with the emotion of a tragedy. Very well done.
		Daily A	2nd Place	Daily Journal	Brandon Speck	MHSAA denies allegations	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	Brad Locke	Wrap him in Maroon & White	

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		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Stan Caldwell	Rules of the Road	Good in-depth story on transfers
		Daily B	2nd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Josh Troy	Coach's résumé questioned	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Hattiesburg American	Jason Munz, Ed Kemp	Sadler hiring	
		Daily B	4th Place	Enterprise-Journal	Ethan Levine	A formal (re)introduction	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Meridian Star	Drew Kerekes	Cut corners	Very thorough profile piece about what drives this coach. Writer gets coach to open up about his approach. Article is well-researched with his background in playing and coaching. Quotes from players offer a nice perspective.
		Daily C	2nd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Chris Whitaker	Family Face-Off	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Meridian Star	Drew Kerekes	It's only a test	
		Daily C	4th Place	Delta Democrat Times	Chris Whitaker	General's Last stand	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Josh Mlot	Paths converge	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Sea Coast Echo	Joseph W. Gex	Pohl perfects the trifecta	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Lamar Times	Josh Mlot	Joining forces	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Carthaginian	Jacob O. Grimes	Hatch returns to lead Rebelettes	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Local athletes honored during	Superior message to all readers by supreme athlete. Well written, keeps reader interested to see what's next.

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		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Yazoo Herald	Taylor Hawkins	Students protest in favor of Woolfolk	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Columbian Progress	Buster Wolfe	MLB draftee	
		Weekly C	1st Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Frank Brown	Sanderson Farms Championship: Making noise at new home	Most interesting lede graph in the group. Made me want to keep reading. Solid story.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Becky Gillette	Quapaw Canoe runs into turbulent waters	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Coach Craig Walker given award	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Supporters hope to light up home of softball teams	
	<b>6 SPORTS COLUMN</b>	Daily A	1st Place	Daily Journal	John L. Pitts	Life; Anything; Triple crown	This entry showed the broadest perspective and most consistently good voice. The California Chrome piece stood out as the best piece of the entire category.
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Riley Blevins	Riley Blevins Columns	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	Brad Locke	Cristil; Rivalry; Omaha	
		Daily A	4th Place	Daily Journal	Logan Lowery	Prescott; Build it; Destiny	
		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Jason Munz	Loss to MSU; Tyndall, McGillis Ready for Action; Time Now for USM	Good, entertaining and informative columns
		Daily B	2nd Place	Hattiesburg American	Ben Sutton	Battle Between Change, Tradition; Nice Guy Finished First; Brighter Days Ahead	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Ernest Herndon	Trotlining	

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		Daily C	1st Place	Delta Democrat Times	Chris Whitaker	Chris Whitaker Sports Columns	The clear-cut winner in this category. Columns covered a variety of issues. Writer makes good points in playoffs column (a higher seed going on the road? That's nuts!). Other two show how personal battles play out in the coaches' efforts with their teams.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Davis Potter	Sports column - Davis Potter, Sports Editor	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Bill Burrus	Dogs' five-week run; CWS monkey now off; NFL commish fumbled	
		Daily C	4th Place	The Bolivar Commercial	Andy Collier	Change good for Rebels, Mississippi the place, DSU teams still in control	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Josh Mlot	Cruel, cruel fate; Sore but satisfied; Thoughts on cruelty	Giving facts while setting the mood with each article. Not getting to fancy while at the same time painting a picture that almost makes you feel like you are there. Enjoyed!
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Carthaginian	Jacob O. Grimes	Jacob O. Grimes column	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	Grenada Star	Chuck Hathcock	Best Sports Column	
		Weekly A	4th Place	Monroe Journal	Melissa Meador	On and Off the Field	

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		Weekly B	1st Place	New Albany Gazette	Donica Phifer	The Extra Point - Aug. 1	excellent subjects well addressed. She makes her point every time.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Yazoo Herald	Taylor Hawkins	Sports Columns	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Itawamba County Times	Scotty Nichols	CFB Playoff	
		Weekly B	4th Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Area basketball teams War Eagles deserve My wife was right	
	<b>7 SPORTS FEATURE</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Michael Bonner	Hard knocks on field, in life - The Clarion-Ledger	The top three in this category were all stellar for their writing, but this piece best told a story, richly detailed and colorfully described. Outstanding journalism.
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Michael Bonner	The Making of Dak Prescott - The Clarion-Ledger	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Riley Blevins	Life after death	
		Daily A	4th Place	Daily Journal	Logan Lowery	Daktoberfest	
		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Stan Caldwell	Bridging Gap	Good story about a female assistant coach and breaking the gender gap
		Daily B	2nd Place	Hattiesburg American	Jason Munz	Need to Help	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Vicksburg Post	Ernest Bowker	New Lease on Life	
		Daily B	4th Place	Vicksburg Post	Ernest Bowker	Vicksburg Strong	

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		Daily C	1st Place	The Meridian Star	Drew Kerekes	Always a fighter	This story stood out in a very competitive category. The writer effectively mixed comments from the coach with players and others to show his battle. He also provided a good overview of the medical challenges he faces.
		Daily C	2nd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Chris Whitaker	Blue Devil Brothers	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Daily Leader	James Covington	BA honors Dickerson with a special ceremony	
		Daily C	4th Place	The Meridian Star	Drew Kerekes	All in the family	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Josh Mlot	Born Again	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Lamar Times	Josh Mlot	Derailed	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Lamar Times	Josh Mlot	All dressed up	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Charlie Smith	Coaches share at least 1 thing: success	
		Weekly B	1st Place	Stone County Enterprise	Jody O'Hara	Guns, gators and great times	Feature is unique, Also the father/daughter aspect of it. To me it stands out from your everyday sports feature.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Magee Courier	Marlan Jones	Pennies pave way	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Chronicle	James Pugh	Chasing Dreams Early	
		Weekly B	4th Place	The Itawamba County Times	Scotty Nichols	Dozier	

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		Weekly C	1st Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	West Tally players invited 'Down Under'	
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Cascilla club hosts state youth raccoon championships	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Gazebo Gazette	Joseph W. Gex, II	Simpson sets record	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Gazebo Gazette	Maurice Singleton	Regen McGee	
<b>8</b>	<b>GAME STORY</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Michael Bonner	Making themselves at home	This was the cleanest piece of writing that included a good lead with all the basic elements of a good gamer.
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Hugh Kellenberger	Kept in check	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	John L. Pitts	Gum Tree 10K	
		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Stan Caldwell	Braley Leads Warriors	Good interesting story telling the behind the scenes story
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Jake Martin	Mound of honor	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Hattiesburg American	Jason Munz	Victory	
		Daily B	4th Place	The Natchez Democrat	Matt Sigler	Fight to the end	

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		Daily C	1st Place	The Meridian Star	Reed DeSalvo	Wallace, Walton lead way	Story eloquently captures the emotion of a rivalry game. Writer does a nice job setting in context of this season and history. Well-crafted interweaving game action, quotes and statistics.
		Daily C	2nd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Chris Whitaker	Irish find gold in 1A title	
		Daily C	3rd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Chris Whitaker	Nelson Lifts Simmons to Win	
		Daily C	4th Place	The Meridian Star	Drew Kerekes	Tide rolls to a win	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Josh Mlot	11 is heaven	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Carthaginian	Jacob O. Grimes	Game Story	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece	Wildcats top Trojans again	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece	Flags fly against Trojans	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Columbian Progress	Buster Wolfe	Eagles host Mize in South semifinals	Unsung hero angle at start kept me reading. I think something not directly related to the game provides a great lead. Obviously writer has a close connection with team to get that information
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Columbian Progress	Adam Prestridge	Cougars victorious over Parklane	



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		Weekly B	3rd Place	Madison County Journal	Tyler Cleveland	Germantown falls to 9-time state champion Pearl	
		Weekly C	1st Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Tigers advance on improbable comeback	Needs more from the players, and less game play by play at the start. Don't bury the important stuff.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	West Tally comes up just short in wild shootout	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Ray Mosby, Natalie Perkins	Repeat	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Conservative	Reggie Ross	Jags top Tigers in rival showdown	
9	<b>GENERAL INTEREST COLUMN</b>	Daily A	1st Place	Daily Journal	M. Scott Morris	Love's patient ... Remembering a gentleman ... Swastikas, Yellow Stars...	The columnist understands the importance of a strong lede to grab the attention of the reader -- and then understands the importance of outstanding writing to follow that strong lede.
		Daily A	2nd Place	Daily Journal	Leslie Criss	Leslie Criss columns	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Billy Watkins	Billy Watkins - General Interest Column	

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		Daily B	1st Place	The Commercial Dispatch	William Browning	Outtakes	A set of ridiculously good columns that cover the spectrum from heart-wrenching to hilarious. Awesome writing in each column. The columnist also proves you don't have to write 1,000-word columns to make an impact.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Commercial Dispatch	Slim Smith	Slimantics	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Vicksburg Post	Josh Edwards	Reference Point	
		Daily C	1st Place	Picayune Item	Dart Spiers	General Interest column, look for Staff Column on the right side of page.	Outstanding columns -- especially the "Toxic Relationship" piece, which held a surprise in its final paragraph. This columnist understands how to convey humor and, well, fun, in his work.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Daily Leader	If More than 3 names type: Staff	Mother-in-law, Cops, Black Friday	
		Daily C	3rd Place	Picayune Item	Debra Howell	Look for "Staff Column" on the right side of the page	

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		Weekly A	1st Place	The Mississippi Press	Warren Kulo	Warren Kulo column	The columnist has his finger on the heartbeat of his community -- and it shows in these remarkable columns. Every newspaper in America should be so lucky to have such a dedicated columnist.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Northside Sun	Lottie Boggan	Keeping up with Lottie	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	Laurel Leader-Call	Sean Murphy	Do you believe in miracles?	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Columbian Progress	Adam Prestridge	Hot off the Press: 12/27; 5/22 & 12/18	I must have been a fly on the wall for the events Mr. Prestridge writes about, at least it felt that way. Not only easy to read, but I couldn't put it down.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Columbian Progress	Mark Rogers	Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood: 4/5; 5/3 & 9/30	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	Stone County Enterprise	Jody O'Hara	Jody O'Hara	
		Weekly B	4th Place	Winston County Journal	Hanna McCain	Hanna McCain	
		Weekly C	1st Place	Mississippi Business Journal	David Dallas	Savoring thanksgiving; Mission hemp possible; big money football	Consistently good writing, interesting subjects, varied, and not totally personal in nature. This represents what a good general columnist should strive to create.

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		Weekly C	3rd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Ross Reily	Downton Abbey, How much is it worth; state film industry	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Baldwin News	Brenda Daher	Magnolia Musings by Brenda Daher	
<b>10</b>	<b>COMMENTARY COLUMN</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Sam R. Hall	Sam R. Hall - Commentary Column	Strong opinions supported by solid arguments.
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	Paul Hampton	Commentary Columns by Paul Hampton	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	Lloyd Gray	Lloyd Gray columns	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Kevin Cooper	Commentary columns - Kevin Cooper	Kevin Cooper's columns on Natchez Regional Medical Center are powerful and persuasive. He writes with insight and authority, holding stakeholders of this community hospital to account for their mismanagement.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Commercial Dispatch	Slim Smith	Slimantics	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Vicksburg Post	Josh Edwards	Reference Point	

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		Daily C	1st Place	The Oxford Eagle	Alyssa Schnugg	Commentary Column - Alyssa Schnugg, Staff Writer	This columnist has a unique talent of connecting with the reader on a human level -- especially with teaching the reader to not accept everything as it is. The neuter column was spot on, too, and not at all preachy like some columnists would attack the issue.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Tim Kalich	State lax; Mary Brown victim; A trumped-up grievance	
		Daily C	3rd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Jon Alverson	Commentary Column	
		Weekly A	1st Place	Laurel Leader-Call	Mark Thornton	Justice does not mean predetermined outcome	The columnist does an outstanding job in these three pieces of standing up for what's right in his community, explaining the role of newspapers (even in this digital age) and making his readers feel important. These columns are head and shoulders better than the rest in this category.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Lamar Times	David Gustafson	Summertime thoughts; TV station out of line; You've come a long way	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Charlie Smith	Charlie Smith	

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		Weekly B	1st Place	The Yazoo Herald	Jason Patterson	Jason Patterson's commentary columns	Jason deals with serious issues in a way that everybody can understand. I couldn't put it down.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Magee Courier	Pat Brown	Ignorance of the law, Simpson County legal system, Finding justice	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Magee Courier	If More than 3 names type: Staff	Schools are wrong to limit, School board take the challenge, Smell whatever you like	
		Weekly C	1st Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Ray Mosby	Different Drummer	Terrific writing style, very accessible. Great insight and explanations. You feel like you know this writer when you read his work.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Ross Reily	Ruskey given shaft, EPA historical background, Madison health care	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	David Dallas	Tater don't know; Who in the hell; Fight on Chris McDaniel	
<b>11</b>	<b>FEATURE STORY</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Billy Watkins	Back in the pulpit	This story was so richly compelling and so beautifully told that it left me in both chills and tears, the sure sign of a winner. A sensational and powerful chapter from the edge of understanding.

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		Daily A	2nd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Michael Bonner	Their final moments	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Billy Watkins	Adoption remains a dream - Billy Watkins	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Vershal Hogan	Not alone	Excellent reporting and writing. A must read start to finish.
		Daily B	2nd Place	Hattiesburg American	Mary Lett	A Servant's Heart	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Hattiesburg American	Emily Ham Price	Hattiesburg woman is Saintsational	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Ruth Jensen	Filming 'Ode'	Writer does a good job of tying all the moving parts together in this sprawling and interesting retrospective about what was clearly a large cultural event in the community.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Alyssa Schnugg	Renovations to old Abbeville School almost complete	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Meridian Star	Ida Brown	Daleville furniture maker incorporates wine barrels in his craft	
		Daily C	4th Place	Delta Democrat Times	Tom Bassing	Strike City still speaks to laborer's courage and change it brought	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Beth Bunch	Little dog lost	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	Laurel Leader-Call	Mark Thornton	Queen of the Gridiron	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	Laurel Leader-Call	Sean Murphy	Meth to Mend	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Scott County Times	Chris Allen Baker	Rainer chooses unique career	

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		Weekly B	1st Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	America Revisited	
		Weekly B	2nd Place	Clarke County Tribune	Cindy Baxley	Fallen Soldier honored by young son	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Star Herald	James Phillips	A Hidden Jewel	
		Weekly C	1st Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Wally Northway	Stevens and Ward ad campaign gets attention	Very well written story on attorneys and advertising on TV, something that's usually a lethally boring combination. But with a touch of humor from them, and from the author, it became a winner.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Petal News	Beth Bunch	In memorial	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Petal News	Beth Bunch	Uncle Hokum	
		Weekly C	4th Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Ted Carter	Pat Thomasson: MBJ's Businesswoman of the Year	
<b>12</b>	<b>GENERAL NEWS PHOTOGRAPH</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Sun Herald	John Fitzhugh	Fallen officers	
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	John Fitzhugh	Krewe of Diamonds	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Sun Herald	Tim Isbell	Soldier remembers his father	
		Daily A	4th Place	The Sun Herald	Amanda McCoy	Remembering their sacrifice	
		Daily B	1st Place	Enterprise-Journal	Daniel Lin	Washed clean	Crystal-clear and captivating images show strong emotion on the inmates' faces.



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		Daily B	2nd Place	Vicksburg Post	Justin Sellers	War Birds-top photo	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Matt Williamson	Trooper laid to rest	
		Daily B	4th Place	The Natchez Democrat	Ben Hillyer	Home is where the hugs are	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Oxford Eagle	Bruce Newman	A veteran's salute	Well composed and rendered shot that captures the sentiment of the aging veteran.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Tim Kalich	More snow may fall tonight	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Meridian Star	Paula Merritt	Ice Bucket Challenge	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Lisa McNeece	2nd Annual Egg Bowl Run	Excellent photograph and fun for fans of both teams. Tells a good story well.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	Dedicated	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The South Reporter	Sue Watson	Queen and escort - Pilgrimage	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Yazoo Herald	Jason Patterson	More Fun Than Taking the Stairs	
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Chronicle	James Pugh	Life or death	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Chronicle	Jason Niblett	Polar Express	
		Weekly B	4th Place	The Chronicle	James Pugh	Major flood imminent	
		Weekly C	1st Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Fair fun (top photo)	While this seems like more of a feature photo than a general news photo, the work is good, and it is nice to see a full cutline. Good work.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Frank Brown	The wait continues	

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		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Hanging on for dear life	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Parading for Dr. King (bottom picture)	
<b>13</b>	<b>SPOT NEWS PHOTOGRAPH</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Sun Herald	Justin Mitchell	Hancock County wreck	
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	John Fitzhugh	Missing girl	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	Thomas Wells	Thunderstruck	
		Daily A	4th Place	The Sun Herald	Amanda McCoy	When the wind hit	
		Daily B	1st Place	Vicksburg Post	Justin Sellers	Breaking Loose-bottom photo	Excellent photo documenting the capture of a violent fugitive as police pull him from the woods. Photographer Justin Sellers was in the right place at the right time -- the split second officers made the grab.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Commercial Dispatch	Birney Imes	Storm journal	
		Daily B	3rd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Sam Gause	Life savings gone	
		Daily B	4th Place	Vicksburg Post	Justin Sellers	Fire Destroys Two Homes	

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		Daily C	1st Place	The Meridian Star	Brian Livingston	Standoff comes to violent end	A powerful and yes a disturbing image that included an editor's explanation. The eyes of the man shot by police in an armed standoff are haunting. The frame includes the man's gun on the ground nearby. It's a news photo I'll remember for a long time.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Andy Lo	Itta Bena man killed	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Andy Lo	Storm soaks city	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Neshoba Democrat	Jim Prince	Railroad	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece	Calhoun City and Derma Firemen	Excellent photo...tells the story and is of great quality as well. Top notch work.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	Grenada Star	Nanette Laster	Spray from fire hoses creates a rainbow	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	Laurel Leader-Call	Sean Murphy	Killed over \$30	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Nathan Kraatz	Body found in Sunflower River	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Columbian Progress	Mark Rogers	Homes, fields burn	
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Columbian Progress	Mark Rogers	Teen killed in accident mourned	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Yazoo Herald	Jason Patterson	Officer survives crash	

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		Weekly B	4th Place	Stone County Enterprise	Jody O'Hara	Drug sweep nets four suspects	
		Weekly C	1st Place	The Baldwyn News	Jason Collum	Traffic Tie-Up	A really well composed shot of a relatively common event. The shot has movement, people working, and traffic in the background to help tell the story.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Natalie Perkins	Ice_sulptures_owl	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Prentiss Headlight	Holley Cochran	Several injured in three-car accident on Hwy 13 South	
<b>14</b>	<b>SPORTS FEATURE PHOTOGRAPH</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Sun Herald	Tim Isbell	Golfer and clouds	
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	John Fitzhugh	Pascagoula fans	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Sun Herald	John Fitzhugh	Wingman day	
		Daily A	4th Place	Daily Journal	Lauren Wood	What a Day!!!	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Brittney Lohmiller	Happy tears	Loved the emotion on the player's face. Pulls you in and grabs your attention.
		Daily B	2nd Place	Hattiesburg American	Eli Baylis	Flag Football	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Daniel Lin	Fight night	
		Daily B	4th Place	The Natchez Democrat	Thomas Graning	South State celebration	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Oxford Eagle	Bruce Newman	Emotional loss	Great photo of two opposing players after an emotional game
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Bruce Newman	Turning of the Tide	



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15	SPORTS ACTION PHOTOGRAPH	Daily A	1st Place	Daily Journal	Thomas Wells	FLYINGHIGH	
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	Amanda McCoy	Punch	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	Thomas Wells	Touchdown Cody Core	
		Daily A	4th Place	Daily Journal	Lauren Wood	State Football	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Ben Hillyer	Diving for the win	Good photo showing both players
		Daily B	2nd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Chuck Barnes	State champs	
		Daily B	3rd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Ben Hillyer	Storm warning	
		Daily B	4th Place	Vicksburg Post	Justin Sellers	Beechwoods Ephraim Reed	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Oxford Eagle	If More than 3 names type: Staff	Omaha bound	Great moment that captures several ranges of emotion in the photo
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Bruce Newman	Aaron Greenwood scores	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Andy Lo	Mustangs avenge loss to rival	
		Daily C	4th Place	The Meridian Star	Paula Merritt	Wildcat landmark	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Chuck Lick	Duncan fingertips	Excellent sports photograph in every way. Clear, emotional...great!
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Lamar Times	Matt Bush	Snow cone catch	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The South Reporter	Ronnie Day	Potts Camp's Hayley Davis reaches for the tag	
Weekly A	4th Place	Laurel Leader-Call	Josh Nichols	South State champs			
Weekly B	1st Place	The Star Herald	Stan Beall	Kosy defeats Louisville	Just an fantastic football picture with the helmet and the ball loose and everything else. Well above all the other entries.		

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		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Benito Jones	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Skyler McLain slides safely into home plate	
		Weekly B	4th Place	The Yazoo Herald	Taylor Hawkins	Close Call	
		Weekly C	1st Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Charleston's Kelvin Thomas runs	Nice capture at the peak of suspense. Lighting is good, and the action is stopped, something not always easy under high school football lights. Cropping is good.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Baldwin News	Bob Tapp	Bearcats Cruise into the playoffs	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	West Tally quarterback LaCedris Tenner	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Baldwin News	Bob Tapp	High School Basketball	
<b>16</b>	<b>FEATURE PHOTOGRAPH</b>	Daily A	1st Place	Daily Journal	Adam Robison	Another look	
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	John Fitzhugh	Camp Able	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Sun Herald	John Fitzhugh	Mississippi Power Co. training	
		Daily A	4th Place	Daily Journal	Lauren Wood	TOUCHDOWNS FOR TORNADO RELIEF	
		Daily B	1st Place	Vicksburg Post	Josh Edwards	Cub Scouts Get Soggy-top photo	
		Daily B	2nd Place	Hattiesburg American	Eli Baylis	Brown Bag Concert	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Hattiesburg American	Eli Baylis	Giving Hope	

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		Daily C	1st Place	The Oxford Eagle	Bruce Newman	A float mimics	Wonderful moment captured at its best point. Photographer had great anticipation of what might happen and executed it very well.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Meridian Star	Paula Merritt	The Messiah	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Daily Leader	Katie Williamson	Rodeo Roping	
		Daily C	4th Place	The Oxford Eagle	Bruce Newman	Sunday soul	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Charlie Smith	Director's 2nd role is as new father	Photo tells the whole story and does so with good composition and excellent clarity. Top notch.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece	Nearly 20,000 acres	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Lamar Times	Beth Bunch	Oh, Christmas Tree	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	High on grass	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Star Herald	James Phillips	Window Panes	Really liked the photographer's composition and timing on this one.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Saving a horse by riding a cowboy	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Lawnmower pulling event	
		Weekly B	4th Place	The Itawamba County Times	Adam Armour	In Stitches	
		Weekly C	1st Place	The Petal News	Staff	Navy Seabee	This is a wonderfully shot that is perfectly time. Good work!
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Petal News	Chloe Rouse	PSD Homecoming	



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		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Eyes on the prize	
		Weekly C	4th Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Natalie Perkins	Ice_sulptures_bear	
<b>17</b>	<b>PICTORAL SERIES</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Sun Herald	Amanda McCoy	Shoe Shiner	
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	Amanda McCoy	Colors That Run	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	Adam Robison	The man behind the chair	
		Daily A	4th Place	Daily Journal	Thomas Wells	HUNTING FOR ARTIFACTS	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Ben Hillyer	Moonlight musicians	Great work, best of a competitive category.
		Daily B	2nd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Daniel Lin	sawdust and splinters	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Daniel Lin	Making a splash on the 4th	
		Daily B	4th Place	Hattiesburg American	Eli Baylis	Tornado	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Meridian Star	Paula Merritt	Soldier laid to rest	Images capture well the mood of a somber event. Faces, as always, tell the true story. Juxtaposition of images in flag photo was an excellent choice.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Bruce Newman	Fire prevention week	Photographer turned what could've been a routine assignment into something more. Wonderful images of the kids in fir gear. Dominant photo was the best in this competition.

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		Daily C	3rd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Andy Lo, Bryn Stole	Ride keeps growing; Bikes, Blues & Bayous	Nice variety of shots from different parts of the race really helped this entry. High-angle lead image on photo page put the event into perspective.
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Lee Cave	OGHS First Day	Great work! Easily tells the story and the layout's use of the photographs was outstanding! Top notch!
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece	The Journal's Instagram Photos	Loved this idea and the photos were outstanding!
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Nathan Kraatz, Andy Lo, Charlie Smith	What a show!	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Lamar Times	Matt Bush	Going for the jugular	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Storms leave definite mark on county	Nice volume of pictures gives one a sense of what happened across the countryside
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Whistle Stop serves	Pictures show event well. If you were there, you were probably in the paper or knew someone who was.
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Toys for Bo a colorful happening	Like the color and the pictures from the event
		Weekly B	4th Place	Winston County Journal	If More than 3 names type: Staff	Tornado Aftermath	Photos show tragic aftermath of storm and emotional shot was the lead picture.

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		Weekly C	1st Place	Chickasaw Journal	Floyd Ingram	Houlka Attendance Center fire	Nice work on this page!
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Petal News	PSD Homecoming 2014	Chloe Rouse	Nice photos, nice design. Good work.
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Petal News	Beth Bunch	Dr. Seuss birthday	There are some very nice shots here. Try to avoid any posed, staged photos on pages like these.
		Weekly C	4th Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Sarah Dill Reily	Walking the red carpet	While many of the photos on this page are posed and staged, it is still kind of a neat page and the design is nicely done.
<b>18</b>	<b>PHOTO-STORY COMBINATION</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Sun Herald	Amanda McCoy and Anita Lee	Miracle Baby	
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	John Fitzhugh, Patrick Ochs	Clarence Kennedy	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Sun Herald	Amanda McCoy, Justin Mitchell	Survival Story	
		Daily A	4th Place	Daily Journal	Adam Robison and Riley Mannin	Pugilist in the pulpit	
		Daily B	1st Place	Enterprise-Journal	Amelia Camurati and Daniel Lin	one-eyed wonder	Got me too! Wonderful story of itself, but excellently told and illustrated.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Vershl Hogan, Sam Gause	Rescued from the deep	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Vicksburg Post	Justin Sellers	Family Tradition	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Meridian Star	Paula Merritt, Michael Stewart	No doubts	Overall great coverage of the damage caused by a tornado and the families impacted by the storm.

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		Daily C	2nd Place	The Meridian Star	Brian Livingston	Prayer for an end to violence	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Ruthie Robison, Andy Lo	School spirit	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Josh Mlot, Chuck Lick	Skipping school	Breathtaking photography along with a story that gives all the information the reader could ask for. Terrific combination!
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece & Lisa McNeece	Charcoal Artist	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Sea Coast Echo	Geoff Belcher	Never Surrender	
		Weekly A	4th Place	Grenada Star	Nanette Laster and Galen Holley	Photo Story Combination	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Columbian Progress	Mark Rogers	Fire and Ice	This story and all of its accompanying pictures tell a completed story about a weather event that affected the entire community and region.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	Winston County Journal	Staff	Tornado 1	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	New Albany Gazette	Angie Barmer, J. Lynn West	Biodiesel plant fire	
		Weekly B	4th Place	Southern Sentinel	Tina Campbell Meadows	Man of Steel	
		Weekly C	1st Place	The Petal News	Beth Bunch	Playing tag	Nice photos that play well with the article.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Charleston finishes as state runner-up	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Petal News	Beth Bunch	Time will tell	

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		Weekly C	4th Place	The Petal News	Zach Jones	Taste this	
19	PERSONALITY PORTRAIT	Daily A	1st Place	Daily Journal	Adam Robison	"Bud" Welch	A striking portrait that displays humanity and life and doesn't require words to tell the story. This had the most strength of the group.
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	Tim Isbell	Patriotic home	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	Thomas Wells	Justin Clifton	
		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Eric J. Shelton	USM Student	
		Daily B	2nd Place	Vicksburg Post	Justin Sellers	Warren Central Alums	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Daniel Lin	Honoring those who served	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Meridian Star	Paula Merritt	Citizen of the Year	Studio shots have to be almost perfect to be interesting. This one is.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Bruce Newman	Smitty Smith	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Bruce Newman	Rae Drewrey	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Chuck Lick	Hammett graffiti	Stunning work with color and contrast. Everything about the photo makes you feel the personality of the player!
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece	Leo "Bud" Welch	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Charlie Smith	Hard work	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Lamar Times	Matt Bush	Hope and heartbreak	

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		Weekly B	1st Place	The Columbian Progress	Adam Prestridge	Doleac making name in Nashville	I like the setting of this photograph and the way the subject is framed in it.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Itawamba County Times	Adam Armour	Parent of the Year	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Columbian Progress	Adam Prestridge	Arthurene Myers	
		Weekly B	4th Place	The Clarksdale Press-Register	Troy Catchings	Veterans salute flag	
		Weekly C	1st Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Disappointing end to season	Strong image full of emotion...even though you can't see the subject's face, you know they are hurting.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Petal News	Staff	Liquor store troubadour	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Petal News	Zach Jones	Get your licks in	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Petal News	Chloe Rouse	Waffle House welcome	
<b>20</b>	<b>GRAPHIC</b>	Daily A	1st Place	Daily Journal	Thomas Wells	Finacial Planning	The best conceptual image in the category. Though not technically a graphic, it does sell the story very well by design.
		Daily A	2nd Place	Daily Journal	Thomas Wells	All eyes on Mississippi football	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Sun Herald	Derek Johnson	Cruisin' the Coast map	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Commercial Dispatch	Peter Imes	The Port: Six and counting	
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Ben Hillyer	Lost in the crowd	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Vicksburg Post	Staff	Have You Seen Me	

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		Daily B	4th Place	The Natchez Democrat	Ben Hillyer	Changing names	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Bolivar Commercial	Caroline Laster	Spotlight cover	Striking, appropriate and beautifully designed. Nice work.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Bolivar Commercial	Caroline Laster	Delta State University	
		Daily C	3rd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Sarah Kramer and Leanne Hughes	Breaking Greenville	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Charles Corder	Front Page: April, August, September	Clean and consistent presentation from the sports promo to the use of art and headlines at the bottom of the page. Good to see use of large photo as dominant art.
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	Hattiesburg Waste Water	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Northside Sun	Wanda McCain, Katie Eubanks	Mississippi Alcohol Beverage Control By the Numbers	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	Soccer formations	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Northside Sun	Anthony Warren and Katie Eubanks	How Does Jackson Stack Up	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Yazoo Herald	John Sullivan	2014 in review	Love it! What a great idea.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Columbian Progress	Adam Prestridge & Wright Nichols	County residents spot bear	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Winona Times	Amanda Sexton Ferguson	On the move	

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		Weekly C	1st Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Frank Brown	MBA turns 125	Love it! This is very easy to read and really works. The readership must have been very happy with these pages.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Frank Brown	Hole-by-hole look at Sanderson Farms Championship	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Frank Brown	Mississippi's Tech 21	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Petal News	Staff	A Petal looks at 40	
<b>21</b>	<b>EDITORIAL CARTOON</b>	All Divisions	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Marshall Ramsey	Marshall Ramsey Cartoons	
		All Divisions	2nd Place	The Lamar Times	Ricky Nobile	A Golden Year	
		All Divisions	3rd Place	The Magee Courier	staff	school board	
<b>22</b>	<b>FRONT PAGE</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Staff	Front Pages - The Clarion-Ledger	You got me with the roses. A nicely-laid out tribute to the tornado victims is one families, friends and the community will keep for a long time.
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	Nate Thurman	March 9, 2014	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	Staff	Daily Journal front pages	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Commercial Dispatch	Matt Garner	December -- Front Page	Winner of an extremely close and competitive category with compelling design, content and art.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	Mar 15, April 20, April 27 front pages	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Matt Williamson	Front pages March 16, Aug. 5, Dec. 10	



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		Daily B	4th Place	Vicksburg Post	Staff	March 2014 Front Page	
		Daily C	1st Place	Greenwood Commonwealth	Charles Corder		
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Meridian Star	Staff	The Meridian Star front page	
		Daily C	3rd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Tom Bassing	Front Pages	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	031314, 040314, 082814	Lamar Times -- Intriguing local stories, and I really like the clean design with appropriate use of white space. The photos really "pop" and complement the copy like it should.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Sea Coast Echo	Geoff Belcher and Dwayne Bremer	for Love, for Life	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Neshoba Democrat	Jim Prince and Staff	The Neshoba Democrat Front Page	
		Weekly A	4th Place	Grenada Star	Staff	Best Front Page	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Columbian Progress	Staff	Front Page - 12/13; 8/28 & 11/22	Columbian Progress - Lots of entry points to pull readers into more stories and features inside. Good use of color and graphics to complement the stories.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Chronicle	Jason Niblett	Front page The Chronicle	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Yazoo Herald	Jason Patterson, Jamie Patterson	Yazoo Herald front pages	
		Weekly B	4th Place	The Star Herald	James Phillips	The Star-Herald	

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		Weekly C	1st Place	The Baldwin News	Jason Collum	Baldwyn News-Front Page	The design here is simple and, in many cases, elegant. You guys take chances when you need to, but you also show great restraint. Nothing is over-designed. Great job! The "Safe and Happy Holidays" package is really, really good!
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Ross Reily, Tacy Rayburn, Frank Brown	Front page	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Petal News	Staff	The Petal News	
		Weekly C	4th Place	Chickasaw Journal	Floyd Ingram Justin Whitmore	FRONT PAGE (Date)	
<b>23</b>	<b>EDITORIAL PAGE OR SECTION</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Staff	Editorial Pages - The Clarion-Ledger	Excellent voice and perspective in a solid and consistent presentation. The variety was interesting and the points well-made. I though the prison editorial was exemplary in its power.
		Daily A	2nd Place	Daily Journal	Staff	Daily Journal editorial and op-ed pages, 3 days	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	Nov.2, Aug. 17, Oct. 12 editorial pages	Best of the bunch by a mile. These editorial pages shine with local perspectives and a good balance of content.
		Daily B	2nd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Jack Ryan	Nov. 4	

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		Daily B	3rd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Jack Ryan	Nov. 13	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Tim Kalich	Editorial Page February, March, November	Strongly worded and well-reasoned opinions in editorials and columns set this entry apart. My Two Cents is also an interesting feature that further engages readers who might not wish to author a full letter.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Don Whitten	Oxford Eagle Opinion Page	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Meridian Star	Michael Stewart	The Meridian Star, Editorial Page or Section	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Northside Sun	Wyatt Emmerich	Northside Sun	Good, clean design, good color and lots of local, community voices. It's clear this newspaper is dedicated to making sure it provides space as a forum for the community, not just a space for editorials and letters to the editor.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Carthaginian	staff	editorial page or section	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Charlie Smith	Editorial Pages - The Enterprise-Tocsin	
		Weekly A	4th Place	Grenada Star	Staff	Best Editorial Page	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Itawamba County Times	Charlotte A. Wolfe	Editorial page	Clean layout, nice mix of content.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Clarksdale Press-Register	staff	Clarksdale Press-Register Editorial pages	

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		Weekly B	3rd Place	New Albany Gazette	T. Wayne Mitchell	Feb. 26, 2014, April 16, 2014, May 28, 2014	
		Weekly C	1st Place	Chickasaw Journal	Floyd Ingram Justin Whitmore	EDIT PAGE	
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	OPINIONS	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Ray Mosby, Natalie Perkins	EditorialPage_November	
<b>24</b>	<b>EDITORIALS</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Sam R. Hall	TCL Editorials	Courageous writing by the editorial board, especially on the T.I. piece. You get the feeling from reading these editorials the board is more interested in doing what is right than in trying to sell out to the public. Kudos.
		Daily A	2nd Place	Daily Journal	Lloyd Gray	Politics drives talk ... UM's struggles with race ... Tupelo's records policy	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Sun Herald	Tony Biffle	Editorials by Tony Biffle	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Kevin Cooper	Editorials - Kevin Cooper	Outstanding editorials by a newspaper that understands its responsibility to hold government responsible. Newspapers around the nation should read these editorials to learn how to serve their communities.

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		Daily B	2nd Place	Hattiesburg American	Lici Beveridge	Church milestone; Council and mayor need to get along; Judge should rule	
		Daily B	3rd Place	The Commercial Dispatch	Slim Smith	Editorials	
		Daily C	1st Place	Picayune Item	Jeremy Pittari	Editorials, Listed as "Our Opinion" at the top of the page.	Well-written, concise editorial pieces that get to the point without superfluous content. Well-done.
		Daily C	2nd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Jon Alverson and Tom Bassing	Editorials	
		Daily C	3rd Place	Picayune Item	Alexandra Hedrick	Editorials, Listed as "Our Opinion" at the top of the page.	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Carthaginian	Waid Prather	editorials	Three very authoritative columns
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Charlie Smith	Editorials - Enterprise-Tocsin	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Panolian	John Howell	Neighborhood watch, welcome, skyview	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Neshoba Democrat	James Prince	Editorials	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Yazoo Herald	Jason Patterson	Editorials	Clear, to the point, well written with no ambiguity.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	Madison County Journal	Michael Simmons	Lost Rabbit/Lake Warnock/Honk Honk	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	New Albany Gazette	T. Wayne Mitchell	Broaden Horizons, Toyota Expansion, Pass on the Deviled Eggs	
		Weekly B	4th Place	The Columbian Progress	Adam Prestridge	Our View	

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		Weekly C	1st Place	Chickasaw Journal	Floyd Ingram	EDITORIALS	Clear, concise, well written.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Ted Carter	Trouble over Farish, JRA evolving, Losing with house money	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Ray Mosby	Editorial_RayMosby	
<b>25</b>	<b>SPORTS PAGE OR SECTION</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Staff	Sports Section - The Clarion-Ledger	This is what I'd want my sports section to be.
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	Staff	Oct. 8, 2014	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	John L. Pitts and staff	Sports pages	
		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Staff	Hattiesburg American Sports Section	Nice section. Good-looking pages.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	Dec. 6, Sept. 20, May 17, May 18, May 19 sports sections	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Vicksburg Post	Staff	Sports Section	
		Daily B	4th Place	Enterprise-Journal	Ethan Levine, Josh Troy	Sports Page March 16	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Oxford Eagle	Davis Potter, Jake Thompson	Oxford Eagle Sports Section	Very thorough of Ole Miss football, which of course is huge in Oxford. Game coverage was thorough and impressive. Photos/layout are strong, too. Nice use of info graphics. High school sports are included although not emphasized as much. I would have liked to have seen some pages from other times of the year to see how coverage looks then.
		Daily C	2nd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Chris Whitaker	Sports Section	

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		Daily C	3rd Place	The Meridian Star	Drew Kerekes, Reed DeSalvo	The Meridian Star sports page or section	
		Daily C	4th Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Bill Burrus	Sports Page or Section: October, July, November	
		Weekly A	1st	The Lamar Times	Josh Mlot	012314, 110614, 112714	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Neshoba Democrat	Steve Swogetinsky and Angie Griffing	The Neshoba Democrat Sports Page	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Scott County Times	Chris Allen Baker	Sports Page	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The South Reporter	Staff	SportsReport -- from The South Reporter	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Columbian Progress	Staff	Sports Page or Section: 9/6; 7/10 & 10/30	great photos, crisp action, and plenty of white space makes the pages inviting
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Star Herald	Staff	Star-Herald Best Sports Page	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	Southern Sentinel	Kedrick Storey, Tina Meadows	Sports Page Nov, 5, 12, 19	
		Weekly B	4th Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Oct. 2 Oct. 9 Nov. 6	
		Weekly C	1st Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin	Sports Pages, Aug. 28, Oct. 16 and Nov. 6	Good use of photos and graphics to compliment stories. Overall solid sports pages.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Natalie Perkins	SportsPage_May	
<b>26</b>	<b>LIFESTYLES PAGE OR SECTION</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Staff	The Clarion-Ledger - Features Section	
		Daily A	2nd Place	Daily Journal	Living staff	Living, Food and Scene	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Sun Herald	Staff	April 18, 2014	

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		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Staff	Hattiesburg American Lifestyle Section	Good looking sections packed with variety of reads.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	Lifestyle sections	
		Daily B	3rd Place	The Commercial Dispatch	Matt Garner	Lifestyle page or section -- October	
		Daily C	1st Place	Delta Democrat Times	Sarah Kramer	Accent Section	This entry stands out as a true community news section, from front pages dedicated to local subjects to two pages of photos submitted by readers from FrogFests, Rotary functions or awards dinners. This is a wonderful clearinghouse for news about clubs, nonprofits, local theater and award-winners. Well done.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Meridian Star	Ida Brown	The Meridian Star Lifesyle sections	Well designed covers and lots of local or locally generated content inside. Good use of guest submissions.
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Alyssa Schnugg	Lifestyles section - Oxford Living	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	071014, 100214, 101614	I love all of these entries. The story and photo packages are great with lots of variety for readers. Even the calendar of events is easy to read. Great job!



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		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Neshoba Democrat	Angie Griffing	The Neshoba Democrat Lifestyles Page	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Carthaginian	staff	lifestyles	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Panolian	Rita Howell	Panola People	
		Weekly B	1st Place	Madison County Journal	Staff	Madison County Journal Lifestyles	The Madison County Journal was the clear winner in this category. There was a strong presence of community news, good quality photos, striking color and an appealing design that carried through on the inside and back pages. I truly enjoyed reading and that's what you want from your readers.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	Southern Sentinel	TINA CAMPBELL MEADOWS, JOYCE BROCK	LIFESTYLE SECTION	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Star Herald	Nancy Green, James Phillips	Lifestyles from Star-Herald	
		Weekly C	1st Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Krista McFerrin	Krista McFerrin	
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Natalie Perkins	LifestylePage_October	
<b>27</b>	<b>SPECIAL SECTION</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Annie Oeth	Discover Metro-Jackson - The Clarion-Ledger	
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Staff	High School Football Preview - The Clarion-Ledger	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Jerry Mitchell	Freedom Summer - The Clarion-Ledger	

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		Daily A	4th Place	The Sun Herald	Staff	The Guide to Gulf Coast Living	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	Profile 2014	In a difficult category because it was such varied entries, this one stood out. Not only was it filled with terrific reporting and photography, but it was a wonderful concept deftly organized and designed. An outstanding piece of work of which any newspaper would be proud.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	Cathedral MHSAA Class 1A State Championship	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Staff	Perspective 2014	
		Daily B	4th Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	Football 2014	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Staff	Profile 2014	Greenwood Commonwealth -- great collaborative product that rivals the big media coverage
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Staff	Egg Bowl Extra 2014: Who Rules the State?	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Daily Leader	Staff	Gridiron	
		Daily C	4th Place	The Oxford Eagle	Staff	FYI: Newcomer's Guide to Oxford 2014	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The South Reporter	Staff	Holly Springs Pilgrimage	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Neshoba Democrat	The Neshoba Democrat Staff	Neshoba Central Softball Champions	

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		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Neshoba Democrat	The Neshoba Democrat Staff	Celebrating 20 years	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Scott County Times	Staff	Profile 2014	
		Weekly B	1st Place	Southern Sentinel	JOYCE BROCK, TINA CAMPBELL MEADOWS	VIBE	
		Weekly B	2nd Place	Clarke County Tribune	Cindy Baxley and Jennifer Bozeman		
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Wayne County News	Staff		
		Weekly B	4th Place	New Albany Gazette	Staff		
		Weekly C	1st Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Deer Creek Pilot	Great Delta Bear Affair	
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin, Krista McFerrin		
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin, Krista McFerrin		
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin, Krista McFerrin		
<b>28</b>	<b>MAGAZINE PERIODICAL</b>	Daily A	1st Place	Daily Journal	Ellie Turner & staff	Mud & Magnolias	
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Annie Oeth	VIP Jackson	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Commercial Dispatch	Stacy Clark	Catfish Alley	A very clear winner. This entry provided the broadest marriage of good ideas, a sense of its place and appealing visuals.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	Natchez the Magazine	

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		Daily C	1st Place	The Daily Leader	Staff	Brookhaven Magazine - Feb/March, April/May, June/July	Very well designed magazine with great photography and stories. I feel like it really catches the flavor of Brookhaven's citizens
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Staff	Leflore Illustrated	
		Daily C	3rd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Staff	Delta Focus	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	PineBeltSPORTS: The Magazine	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Neshoba Democrat	The Neshoba Democrat Staff	Neshoba Magazine (Summer/Winter)	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	Signature Magazine	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Panolian	Staff	Batesville and Beyond: The Magazine	
		Weekly B	1st Place	New Albany Gazette	Staff	New Albany Magazine April 25 and New Albany Magazine Nov. 21	
		Weekly B	2nd Place	Madison County Journal	Price Rosson	Madison County Magazine	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Chronicle	Staff	The Chronicle Magazine	
<b>29</b>	<b>DESIGN</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Sun Herald	Staff	Oct. 28-30, 2014	
		Daily A	2nd Place	Daily Journal	Copy desk	Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal	

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		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	Design submissions	“The Natchez Democrat was the clear winner with its well presented pages and clean format. Photographs and other entry points were well used to break up the copy, and the mix of fonts helps the reader navigate from one story to the other. I especially liked their “Top 3” feature on the bottom of the Region page; it was eye catching without overpowering the main art on the page.”
		Daily B	2nd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Staff	June 8-9-10	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Vicksburg Post	Staff	Design	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Meridian Star	Helen Reynolds	The Meridian Star, design	
		Daily C	2nd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Staff	Design	
		Daily C	3rd Place	Picayune Item	Staff	Design	
		Daily C	4th Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Staff	Design: June 8-10	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Sea Coast Echo	Geoff Belcher and Jason Platz	Design ONE	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	The Lamar Times	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Scott County Times	Staff	Design	
		Weekly B	1st Place	Southern Sentinel	TINA CAMPBELL MEADOWS	BEST DESIGN-HARD COPY	

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		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Star Herald	James Phillips	The Star-Herald	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	Madison County Journal	Tyler Cleveland, Godfrey Jones, Michael Simmons	Madison County Journal	
		Weekly B	4th Place	Clarke County Tribune	Jennifer Bozeman	Design	
<b>30</b>	<b>HEADLINE</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Staff	Headlines - The Clarion-Ledger	These headlines do exactly what they're supposed to do: grab readers' attention. Very witty, very smart and fun to read.
		Daily A	2nd Place	Daily Journal	Jeff Roper	Trojan horse; Dudy calls; Marshall law	
		Daily A	3rd Place	Daily Journal	John L. Pitts	State of bliss; Heir Jordan; Uncommon Core	
		Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Robyn Jackson	Raising Spirits; Hattiesburg Woman is Saintsational; Branching Out	These playful headlines leap off the page and linger in readers' minds long after the stories have been put aside. Witty wordplay that stays true to the news.
		Daily B	2nd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Matt Williamson	A dogged breed; A nose for people; Azalea Fest needs one thing	
		Daily B	3rd Place	Hattiesburg American	Emily Ham Price, Erin Kosnac	Pride and Joye, Turning in Her Keys, A nice day for Pi wedding	

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		Daily C	1st Place	Picayune Item	Staff	Deep Freeze, Winter Worryland, After Action	This headline writer knows how to grab attention of readers -- in useful and clever ways. This writer also proves that you don't need seven to nine words to get your point across in a headline. Great job.
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Greenwood Commonwealth	Charles Corder	Eyes on Iles; McDaniel: He's liberal; Cochran: He's lying; 'Help' director to take 'Heat'	
		Daily C	3rd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Jonathan Scott	Headlines - Jon Scott	
		Weekly A	1st Place	Laurel Leader-Call	Sean Murphy and Mark Thornton	Moonshine and Meth	
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	Bucket list, Lights Cam-era, Slice of Life	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	Laurel Leader-Call	Mark Thornton and Sean Murphy	Duped about Dubyah	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Columbian Progress	Adam Prestridge	'Mini Pearl' priced/Mowing down cancer/Educational Sweep	
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Columbian Progress	Mark Rogers	Trash talks raise stink/City sees the light/Leave it to beavers	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	A stab at love Burning Love Love cuts like a knife	
		Weekly C	1st Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Ray Mosby	Headline	Clever. Very clever. And original. And appropriate to the story. Well done.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Frank Brown	Headlines: Dude, don't do it	

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		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Petal News	Beth Bunch	Bit by bit, Residents don't waffle, Right up his alley	
		Weekly C	4th Place	The Baldwin News	Staff	TBN-Headlines	
<b>31</b>	<b>LEDE</b>	Daily B	1st Place	Hattiesburg American	Ed Kemp	Waiting game, Doors opening, USM fans home to roost	Strong, sprightly ledes that made this reader grin.
		Daily B	2nd Place	The Natchez Democrat	Vershal Hogan		
		Daily B	3rd Place	The Commercial Dispatch	William Browning		
		Daily C	1st Place	Delta Democrat Times	Tom Bassing	Golf without costs	
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Alyssa Schnugg		
		Daily C	1st Place	The Oxford Eagle	Staff	Oxford Eagle web site	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Beth Bunch	A Legacy, Little Dog Lost, Open for Business	Lamar Times: Beth Bunch Her ledes draw you in, and you're five or six paragraphs into the story before you even realize it.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Lamar Times	Josh Mlot	Aces are Wild, Field General, The Long Road	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Nathan Kraatz	Lede: Nathan Kraatz, Enterprise-Tocsin	
		Weekly A	4th Place	The Enterprise-Tocsin	Charlie Smith	Driver flees after violent crash, Fisher processor creating 100 jobs, Spies? Tickets?	



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		Weekly B	1st Place	Southern Sentinel	Tina Campbell Meadows	Lede	These are great ledes. They really pull you into the stories. Good quality writing. I can almost taste those Pear Preserves and feel Tippah Lake lapping at my feet!
		Weekly B	2nd Place	The Columbian Progress	Adam Prestridge	Lede	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	Jaguars drop heartbreaker State Bound War Eagles take eight inning	
		Weekly C	1st Place	The Petal News	Chloe Rouse	Right up his alley, Waffle House welcome, Mudd Shack Pottery	I think I tasted the waffles while reading, but couldn't decide if I should make some pottery or go bowling next!
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Petal News	Beth Bunch	Time will tell, Legacy of service, Uncle Hokum	
		Weekly C	3rd Place	Deer Creek Pilot	Deer Creek Pilot	LEDE_1	
<b>32</b>	<b>WEBSITE</b>	Daily A	1st Place	Daily Journal	Staff	djournal.com	
		Daily A	2nd Place	The Sun Herald	Staff	Sun Herald's website	
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Staff	Website - The Clarion-Ledger	
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	natchezdemocrat.com	
		Daily B	2nd Place	Vicksburg Post	Staff	The Vicksburg Post website	

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		Daily B	3rd Place	Hattiesburg American	Staff	Hattiesburg American website	
		Daily C	1st Place	The Oxford Eagle	Staff	Oxford Eagle web site	
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece	calhoun county journal	Great website design with news stories updated daily, plus an e-edition, plus locally-produced videos. Love it. Also has active Twitter and Facebook handles that link back to stories on the site.
		Weekly A	2nd Place	The Lamar Times	Staff	HubCitySPOKES	
		Weekly A	3rd Place	Monroe Journal	Monroe Journal staff	www.monroecountyjournal.com	
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Columbian Progress	Staff	Website	The website is very easy to navigate to find the latest news, plus the option of an e-edition. While the news feed needs to be updated more regularly, the newspaper does have a robust Twitter and Facebook following with ongoing conversations that fill the gaps between publications and web updates.
		Weekly B	2nd Place	Madison County Journal	Staff	Madison County Journal	
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Wayne County News	Paul Keane	www.thewaynecountynews.com	

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		Weekly B	4th Place	The Star Herald	Staff	The Star-Herald	
		Weekly C	1st Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Staff	www.msbusiness.com	If you visit this site for information, there is no shortage of it from the first landing page through. Well organized, very businesslike.
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	Clay McFerrin, Krista McFerrin	Sun-Sentinel website, www.tallahatchienews.ms	
<b>33</b>	<b>DANIEL M. PHILLIPS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AWARD</b>	ALL NEWSPAPERS	1st Place	The Commercial Dispatch	Staff	Mayor, council violated open meetings laws	Kudos to the Columbus Dispatch for keeping a close eye on the way council members conduct public business and winning a preliminary judgement that an open meetings law was not followed.
		ALL NEWSPAPERS	2nd Place	The Yazoo Herald	Jason Patterson	You can't hide public information just because it's embarrassing	
		ALL NEWSPAPERS	3rd Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece	Executive sessions only hide the truth	
<b>34</b>	<b>COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD</b>	ALL DAILIES	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff	You asked-Please Fix	
		ALL DAILIES	2nd Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Jerry Mitchell, Kate Royals, Emily Le Coz	Hard Look at Hard Time	

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		ALL DAILIES	3rd Place	The Meridian Star	Terri Ferguson Smith, Michael Stewart	City to Drain Long Creek Reservoir	
		ALL WEEKLIES	1st Place	The Sea Coast Echo	Geoff Belcher	Darkness to Light	
		ALL WEEKLIES	2nd Place	The Neshoba Democrat	The Neshoba Democrat Staff	Breast Cancer Awareness	
		ALL WEEKLIES	3rd Place	The Star Herald	Staff	Trick or Treat on the Square	
<b>35</b>	<b>GENERAL EXCELLENCE</b>	Daily A	1st Place	The Clarion-Ledger	Staff		
		Daily A	2nd Place	Daily Journal	Staff		
		Daily A	3rd Place	The Sun Herald	Staff		
		Daily B	1st Place	The Natchez Democrat	Staff		
		Daily B	2nd Place	Hattiesburg American	Staff		
		Daily B	3rd Place	Enterprise-Journal	Staff		
		Daily C	1st Place	The Meridian Star	Staff		
		Daily C	2nd Place	The Oxford Eagle	Staff		
		Daily C	3rd Place	Delta Democrat Times	Staff		
		Weekly A	1st Place	The Lamar Times	Staff		
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece & Lisa McNeece		
		Weekly A	3rd Place	The Sea Coast Echo	Staff		
		Weekly B	1st Place	The Columbian Progress	Staff		

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		Weekly B	2nd Place	Madison County Journal	Staff		
		Weekly B	3rd Place	The Yazoo Herald	Staff		
		Weekly C	1st Place	Mississippi Business Journal	Staff		
		Weekly C	2nd Place	The Petal News	Staff		
		Weekly C	3rd Place	The Sun-Sentinel	The Conservative Staff		
	<b>J. OLIVER EMMERICH EDITORIAL EXCELLENCE AWARD</b>	Overall		The Natchez Democrat	Kevin Cooper	No Excuse for Seator's Days Away	Timely, to the point, thrusts that should prompt politicians to do the right thing. Keep up the good work.
	<b>Photo of the Year</b>	Overall		Calhoun County Journal	Joel McNeece	Calhoun City and Derma Firemen	
	<b>Bill Minor Award - General Reporting</b>	Overall		The Clarksdale Press Register	Jesse Wright	Shields' attacker sentenced to 79 years	
	<b>Bill Minor - In-Depth/Investigative Coverage</b>	Dailies		The Clarion-Ledger	Jerry Mitchell, Kate Royals, Emily Le Coz	Hard look at hard time - The Clarion-Ledger	
	<b>Bill Minor - In-Depth/Investigative Coverage</b>	Weeklies		Madison County Journal	Michael Simmons	Airport Investigation	