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Georgia Press Association honors winners in editorial, advertising contests

JEKYLL ISLAND, GA. - The Georgia Press Association honored the winners of the 2024 Freedom of Information Award and the 2024 Better Newspaper Contest on Friday at the Jekyll Island Club during the group's 137th annual convention. Winners in GPA's Better Newspaper Advertising Contest were honored Thursday.

The True Citizen of Waynesboro won the prestigious Freedom of Information Award for doing the most during 2023 to uphold the principles of the First Amendment and to protect the public's right to know. The True Citizen was honored specifically for its work to get the city of Keysville, Ga., to provide information to the public regarding construction of a water well and funding for the project The judge wrote of the newspaper's effort: "The staff of The True Citizen serves as a fine example of the outsized impact that public records make in raising the level of government service. No matter the size of the community, freedom of information brings accountability. Keysville might only be 350 people, but they deserve open, honest government as much as any Atlantan. Gritty, vigorous reporting. All the entrants were strong."

Judging for the award was done by the University of Georgia's Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication. "Public institutions must know that if they keep secrets, the local newspaper will battle them, in court. And that they won't back down," said the judge for the award.

One journalist was honored as winner of GPA's Emerging Young Journalist Awards. Journalists younger than 30 with less than five years of experience writing professionally for a newspaper are eligible. The winner was Kelby Hutchison of the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer.

Editor Frank Scandale wrote of Hutchison: "As a journalist less than two years into his first professional job, he works hard to keep the important daily news in front of readers, while working with me, his editor, to develop more contextual stories on issues such as the illegal drug trade, federal pornography crackdowns, rise in

gun violence, particularly in our minority community, and the plight of homeless veterans, a national problem told locally by Kelby through miltary events, social struggles in the city and one-on-one conversations with the vets themselves.

"Kelby approaches each day as an opportunity to better inform his audience about the essential information affecting their lives."

The photograph chosen as the Photo of the Year was taken by Steve Schaefer/John Spink of The Atlanta Journal-Constitution of a burning police car. The photo won the spot news photo award for Divison A. All first-place winners in photo categories are considered for Photo of the Year.

Winners in the Georgia Press Association contests were honored for their outstanding achievements in newspaper journalism and advertising. Entries were judged in six divisions based on circulation. The daily divisions are Division A (circulation of 8,000 or more) and Division B (circulation less than 8,000) Weekly divisions are Division C (circulation of 3,800 to 15,000), Division D (weeklies with circulation of 2,000 to 3,799), Division E (circulation less than 2,000) and Division F (all weekly newspapers of more than 15,000 in circulation and all associate media members of GPA).

There were 509 awards presented in 42 categories to 78 newspapers in the editorial contest. There 2,293 total entries in the contest. There were 120 awards presented in 17 categories to 30 newspapers in the ad contest. There were 449 total entries in the advertising contest. Judging for both contests was done by members of the Texas Press Association in February and March.

Better Newspaper Contest winners by category are:

General Excellence:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News,

Division A: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal,

Division A: 3rd Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution,

Division B: 1st Place, The Valdosta Daily Times,

Division B: 2nd Place, Rome News-Tribune,

Division B: 3rd Place (tie), Athens Banner-Herald,

Division B: 3rd Place (tie), The Courier Herald, Dublin,

Division C: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald,

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe,

Division C: 3rd Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro,

Division D: 1st Place, The Dahlonega Nugget,

Division D: 2nd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville,

Division D: 3rd Place, The Jones County News, Gray,

Division E: 1st Place, The Moultrie Observer,

Division E: 2nd Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville,

Division E: 3rd Place, The Clinch County News, Homerville,

Division F: 1st Place, Appen Media Group Inc.,

Division F: 2nd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe,

Division F: 3rd Place, The Augusta Press

Layout and Design:

Division A: 1st Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Staff;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Staff;

Division A: 3rd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Kristen Hansen and Madison Lee;

Division B: 1st Place, The Albany Herald, Alex Dunn and Justin Griffin;

Division B: 2nd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Heather Koon, Eli Boorstein and Madison Lee;

Division C: 1st Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Josh Lurie;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Eatonton Messenger, Josh Lurie;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Staff;

Division D: 1st Place, Morgan County Citizen, Madison, Staff;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, John Bynum;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Jones County News, Gray, Josh Lurie;

Division E: 1st Place, Clayton News, Jonesboro, Madison Lee, Larry Pitts and Alex Dunn;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Berrien Press, Nashville, Staff;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Polk County Standard-Journal, Cedartown, Jeremy Stewart and Alex Dunn;

Division F: 1st Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Karen Webster;

Division F: 2nd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Staff;

Division F: 3rd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Staff;

Sports Section or Pages:

Division A: 1st Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Staff;

Division A: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Staff;

Division A: 3rd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Will Hammock;

Division C: 1st Place, The Cherokee Tribune, Canton, Griffin Callaghan;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Brendan Koerner;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Press-Sentinel, Jesup, Staff;

Division D: 1st Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Eligha Roper;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Jones County News, Gray, Brad Harrison;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Staff;

Division E: 1st Place, The Tifton Gazette, Staff;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Moultrie Observer, Staff;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville, Lance McCurley;

Lifestyle Coverage:

Division A: 1st Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Staff;

Division A: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Madison Lee and Damon Poirier;

Division A: 3rd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Madison Lee and Damon Poirier;

Division B: 1st Place, Daily Citizen-News, Dalton, Staff;

Division B: 2nd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Staff;

Division B: 3rd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Andrew Shearer;

Division C: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Staff;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Eatonton Messenger, Staff;

Division C: 3rd Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Josh Lurie;

Division D: 1st Place, The Jones County News, Gray, Debbie Lurie-Smith;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Staff;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Jackson Herald, Jefferson, Staff;

Division E: 1st Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville, Bailey McCully;

Division E: 2nd Place, Jackson Progress-Argus, Staff;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Moultrie Observer, Staff;

Division F: 1st Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Staff;

Division F: 2nd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Staff;

Division F: 3rd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Staff;

Editorial Page:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Staff;

Division A: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Staff;

Division A: 3rd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Staff;

Division B: 1st Place, Rome News-Tribune, Staff;

Division B: 2nd Place, Daily Citizen-News, Dalton, Staff;

Division B: 3rd Place, The Albany Herald, Staff;

Division C: 1st Place, The News Observer, Blue Ridge, Staff;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Press-Sentinel, Jesup, Staff;

Division C: 3rd Place, Thomasville Times-Enterprise, Jill Holloway and Mike Meeks;

Division D: 1st Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Staff;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Staff;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Oglethorpe Echo, Staff;

Division E: 1st Place, The Moultrie Observer, Staff;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Clinch County News, Homerville, Staff;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Champion, Decatur, John Hewitt;

Headline Writing:

Division A: 1st Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Kristen Hansen;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Staff;

Division A: 3rd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Staff;

Division B: 1st Place, The Albany Herald, Jennifer Brown and Kristen Hansen;

Division B: 2nd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Staff;

Division B: 3rd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Staff;

Division C: 1st Place, LaGrange Daily News, Staff;

Division C: 2nd Place, Pickens County Progress, Jasper, Staff;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Rebecca Leftwich;

Division D: 1st Place, Monroe County Reporter, Forsyth, Staff;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Staff;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Jones County News, Gray, Josh Lurie;

Division E: 1st Place, The Moultrie Observer, Staff;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Catoosa County News, Ringgold, Staff;

Division E: 3rd Place, Walker County Messenger, Lafayette, Don Stilwell and Alex Dunn;

Community Service:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, Rome News-Tribune, John Bailey;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Asia Ashley, Kasmira

Smith and staff;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Elizabeth Crumbly;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, The Augusta Press, Staff;

Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, The News Observer, Blue Ridge, Glenn Harbison;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, Monroe County Reporter, Forsyth, Staff;

Religion Writing:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Jake Busch;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Taylor Cooper;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Hunter Riggall;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, Monroe County Reporter, Forsyth, Will Davis;

Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, Thomasville Times-Enterprise, Jill Holloway;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Kandice Bell;

Local News Coverage:

Division A: 1st Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Staff;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Staff;

Division A: 3rd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Staff;

Division B: 1st Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Staff;

Division B: 2nd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Staff;

Division B: 3rd Place, Daily Citizen-News, Dalton, Staff;

Division C: 1st Place, The Press-Sentinel, Jesup, Staff;

Division C: 2nd Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Josh Lurie;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Cherokee Tribune, Canton, Staff;

Division D: 1st Place, White County News, Cleveland, Staff;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Jones County News, Gray, Debbie Lurie-Smith;

Division D: 3rd Place, Manchester Star-Mercury, John Kuykendall;

Division E: 1st Place, The Moultrie Observer, Staff;

Division E: 2nd Place, Clayton News, Jonesboro, Anthony Rhoads;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville, Bailey McCully;

Division F: 1st Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Staff;

Division F: 2nd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Staff;

Education Writing:

Division A: 1st Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Vanessa McCray;

Division A: 2nd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Curt Yeomans;

Division A: 3rd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Jake Busch;

Division B: 1st Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Brittanye Blake;

Division B: 2nd Place, The Albany Herald, Alan Mauldin;

Division B: 3rd Place, Rome News-Tribune, John Bailey;

Division C: 1st Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Stephen Milligan;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Daily Tribune News, Cartersville, Marie Nesmith;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Press-Sentinel, Jesup, Drew Davis;

Division D: 1st Place, The Oglethorpe Echo, Cassidy Hettesheimer;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Oglethorpe Echo, McCain Bracewell;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Keith Murden;

Division E: 1st Place, The Moultrie Observer, Kasmira Smith;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Tifton Gazette, Davis Cobb;

Division E: 3rd Place, Jefferson Reporter/News & Farmer, Louisville, Parish Howard;

Division F: 1st Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Shelby Israel;

Division F: 2nd Place, The Augusta Press, Stephanie Hill;

Division F: 3rd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Amber Perry;

News Photograph:

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Division A: 1st Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Staff;
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Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Terry Dickson;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Augusta Chronicle, Katie Goodale;

Division B: 1st Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Shane Thomas;

Division B: 2nd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Joshua L. Jones;

Division B: 3rd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Joshua L. Jones;

Division C: 1st Place, Pickens County Progress, Jasper, Max Caylor;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Rebecca Leftwich;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Deborah Stewart;

Division D: 1st Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Keith Murden;

Division D: 2nd Place, White County News, Cleveland, Samantha Sinclair;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Oglethorpe Echo, Sidney Chansamone;

Division E: 1st Place, The Tifton Gazette, Becky Taylor;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Moultrie Observer, Connie Southwell;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Moultrie Observer, Kevin C. Hall;

Spot News Photo:

Division A: 1st Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Steve Schaefer and John Spink;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Terry Dickson;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Augusta Chronicle, Katie Goodale;

Division B: 1st Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Payton Towns III;

Division B: 2nd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Ethan Garrett;

Division B: 3rd Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Rodney Manley;

Division C: 1st Place, The Covington News, Phillip B. Hubbard;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Clay Neely;

Division C: 3rd Place, LaGrange Daily News, Tommy Murphy;

Division D: 1st Place, Monroe County Reporter, Forsyth, Will Davis;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Berrien Press, Nashville, Gaile Bailey;

Division D: 3rd Place, Franklin County Citizen Leader, Lavonia, Gillian Raese;

Sports Photograph:

Division A: 1st Place, The Augusta Chronicle, Katie Goodale;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Derrick Davis;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Brunswick News, Sebastian Emanuel;

Division B: 1st Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Shane Thomas;

Division B: 2nd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Joshua L. Jones;

Division B: 3rd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Steven Eckhoff;

Division C: 1st Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Brett Fowler;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Tammy McCracken;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Northeast Georgian, Cornelia, Tom Askew;

Division D: 1st Place, Morgan County Citizen, Madison, Josiah Connelly;

Division D: 2nd Place, Franklin County Citizen Leader, Lavonia, Shane Scoggins;

Division D: 3rd Place, White County News, Cleveland, Mark Turner;

Division E: 1st Place, Quitman Free Press, Jamon Williams;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Clinch County News, Homerville, Jason Williams;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Tifton Gazette, Becky Taylor;

Division F: 1st Place, The Augusta Press, Nathaniel Jones;

Division F: 2nd Place, Augusta Good News, Mike Adams;

Division F: 3rd Place, Augusta Good News, Mike Adams;

Sports Feature Photograph:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Derrick Davis;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Derrick Davis;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Augusta Chronicle, Katie Goodale;

Division B: 1st Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Shane Thomas;

Division B: 2nd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Shane Thomas;

Division B: 3rd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Joshua L. Jones;

Division C: 1st Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Cassie Jones;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Brett Fowler;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Clayton Tribune, Enoch Autry;

Division D: 1st Place, Franklin County Citizen Leader, Lavonia, Shane Scoggins;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Elberton Star, Mark Wells;

Division D: 3rd Place, Morgan County Citizen, Madison, Josiah Connelly;

Division E: 1st Place, The Journal, Buena Vista, Richard Harris;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Journal, Buena Vista, Ben Dodds;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Polk County Standard-Journal, Cedartown, Jeremy Stewart;

Division F: 1st Place, Augusta Good News, Mike Adams;

Division F: 2nd Place, Augusta Good News, Mike Adams;

Division F: 3rd Place, Augusta Good News, Mike Adams;

Special Issues: Division A: 1st Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Staff;

Division A: 2nd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Eli Boorstein and Jon Gallo;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Brunswick News, Staff;

Division B: 1st Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Clay Reynolds;

Division B: 2nd Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Staff;

Division B: 3rd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Staff;

Division C: 1st Place, Calhoun Times, Staff;

Division C: 2nd Place, Thomasville Times-Enterprise, Jill Holloway and William Huff;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Daily Tribune News, Cartersville, Staff;

Division D: 1st Place, Donalsonville News, David Maxwell;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Staff;

Division D: 3rd Place, The True Citizen, Waynesboro, Staff;

Division E: 1st Place, The Clinch County News, Homerville, Staff;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Champion, Decatur, Jay Phillips;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Millen News, Staff;

Division F: 1st Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Staff;

Division F: 2nd Place, Rough Draft Atlanta, Collin Kelley, Rico Figlioini and Keith Pepper;

Division F: 3rd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Staff;

Feature Photograph:

Division A: 1st Place, The Telegraph, Macon, Jason Voorhees;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Augusta Chronicle, Katie Goodale;

Division A: 3rd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Robin Rayne;

Division B: 1st Place, Rome News-Tribune, Mills Fitzner;

Division B: 2nd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Joshua L. Jones;

Division B: 3rd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Mills Fitzner;

Division C: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Rebecca Leftwich;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Press-Sentinel, Jesup, Baylor Ray;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Northeast Georgian, Cornelia, Zach Taylor;

Division D: 1st Place, The Elberton Star, Rose Scoggins;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Eligha Roper;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Matt Aiken;

Division E: 1st Place, The Journal, Buena Vista, Richard Harris;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Mitchell County Enterprise-Journal, Christi Simpson;

Division E: 3rd Place, Jefferson Reporter/News & Farmer, Louisville, Parish Howard:

Division F: 1st Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Amber Perry;

Division F: 2nd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Randy Lewis;

Division F: 3rd Place, Augusta Good News, Mike Adams;

Photo Essay:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Derrick Davis;

Division A: 2nd Place, Savannah Morning News, Richard Burkhart;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Brunswick News, Derrick Davis;

Division B: 1st Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Payton Towns III;

Division B: 2nd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Joshua L. Jones;

Division B: 3rd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Steven Eckhoff;

Division C: 1st Place, The Eatonton Messenger, Ian Tocher;

Division C: 2nd Place, The News Observer, Blue Ridge, Glenn Harbison;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Press-Sentinel, Jesup, Davontay Wilson;

Division D: 1st Place, The Jones County News, Gray, Brandy Round;

Division D: 2nd Place, Franklin County Citizen Leader, Lavonia, Gillian Raese;

Division D: 3rd Place, White County News, Cleveland, Staff;

Division E: 1st Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville, Bailey McCully;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville, Bailey McCully;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Champion, Decatur, Jay Phillips;

Division F: 1st Place, Augusta Good News, Mike Adams;

Division F: 2nd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Cecil Schneider and Keith Seivers;

Division F: 3rd Place, Augusta Good News, Mike Adams;

Best Use of Graphics and Illustration:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Terry Wilson and Derrick Davis;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Philip Clements;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Kristen Hansen;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Karen Webster;

Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Tabitha Graham;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, White County News, Cleveland, Samantha Sinclair;

Serious Column:

Division A: 1st Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Kyle Dominy;

Division A: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Dick Yarbrough;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Dean Poling;

Division C: 1st Place, The Press-Sentinel, Jesup, Dink NeSmith;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Stephen Milligan;

Division C: 3rd Place, The News Observer, Blue Ridge, Glenn Harbison;

Division D: 1st Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Matt Aiken;

Division D: 2nd Place, Monroe County Reporter, Forsyth, Joe Evans;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, David Zunker;

Division E: 1st Place, The Clinch County News, Homerville, Len Robbins;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Blackshear Times, Gregory T. O'Driscoll;

Division E: 3rd Place, Newton Citizen, Covington, Dave Belton;

Division F: 1st Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Carl Appen;

Division F: 2nd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Pat Fox;

Division F: 3rd Place, The Augusta Press, Joe Edge;

Humorous Column:

Division A: 1st Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Dick Yarbrough;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Dean Poling;

Division C: 1st Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Brent Carroll;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Daily Tribune News, Cartersville, Randy Parker;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Clay Neely;

Division D: 1st Place, Monroe County Reporter, Forsyth, Steve Reece;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Elberton Star, Rose Scoggins;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Molly Ann McLean;

Division E: 1st Place, Times Journal Post, Brandy Ledbetter;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Blackshear Times, Jason Deal;

Sports Column:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, Marietta Daily Journal, John Bednarowski;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Becky Taylor;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Daily Citizen-News, Dalton, Daniel Mayes;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, The Clinch County News, Homerville, Len

Robbins;

Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, The Press-Sentinel, Jesup, Dink NeSmith;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, The Northeast Georgian, Cornelia, Lang Storey;

Investigative Reporting:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Staff;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Danny Robbins,

Carrie Teagarden and Lois Norder;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Brittanye Blake;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Staff;

Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, The Champion, Decatur, Christine Fonville;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, The Northeast Georgian, Cornelia, Matthew

Osborne;

Best Photo Gallery on a Newspaper Website:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, Savannah Morning News, Richard Burkhart;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Joshua L. Jones;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Savannah Morning News, Staff;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, The Oglethorpe Echo, Cassidy Hettesheimer;

Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, LaGrange Daily News, Daniel Evans;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Clay Neely;

Newspaper Website:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Staff;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Brian Clark;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Staff;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, The Cherokee Tribune, Canton, Brian Clark and

Lindsay Moscarello;

Division D: 2nd Place, Morgan County Citizen, Madison, Staff;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, The Oglethorpe Echo, Staff;

Best Web Photo:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, The Telegraph, Macon, Jason Voorhees;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Robin Rayne;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Daily Citizen-News, Dalton, James Swift;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Clay Neely;

Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, The Oglethorpe Echo, Caleb Rollins and Sidney

Chansamone;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, The Moultrie Observer, Kevin C. Hall;

Lifestyle/Feature Column:

Division A: 1st Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Dean Poling;

Division A: 2nd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Holley Calmes;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Brunswick News, Gordon Jackson;

Division C: 1st Place, Times-Courier, Ellijay, Whitney Sherrill;

Division C: 2nd Place, Pickens County Progress, Jasper, Angela Reinhardt;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Dede deMarks;

Division D: 1st Place, The Elberton Star, Rose Scoggins;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Amanda Prochaska;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Tifton Gazette, Davis Cobb;

Division F: 1st Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Rob Moody;

Division F: 2nd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Gary Pichon;

Division F: 3rd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Ann Pike;

Feature Writing:

Division A: 1st Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Curt Yeomans;

Division A: 2nd Place, Columbus Ledger-Enquirer, Mark Rice;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Brunswick News, Lauren McDonald;

Division B: 1st Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Wayne Ford;

Division B: 2nd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Andrew Shearer;

Division B: 3rd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Elizabeth Crumbly;

Division C: 1st Place, Calhoun Times, Cat Webb;

Division C: 2nd Place, Douglas County Sentinel, Douglasville, Derrick Mahone;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Press-Sentinel, Jesup, Drew Davis;

Division D: 1st Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Matt Aiken;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Elberton Star, Rose Scoggins;

Division D: 3rd Place, Morgan County Citizen, Madison, Patrick Yost;

Division E: 1st Place, The Blackshear Times, Gregory T. O'Driscoll;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Polk County Standard-Journal, Cedartown, Jeremy Stewart;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Braselton News, Ben Munro;

Division F: 1st Place, The Augusta Press, Scott Hudson;

Division F: 2nd Place, The Augusta Press, Liz Wright;

Division F: 3rd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Melissa Lowrie;

Enterprise Story:

Division A: 1st Place, Savannah Morning News, Latrice Williams, Nancy Guan and Adam Van Brimmer;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Augusta Chronicle, Miguel Legoas;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Brunswick News, Michael Hall;

Division B: 1st Place, Daily Citizen-News, Dalton, James Swift;

Division B: 2nd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Wayne Ford;

Division C: 1st Place, Pickens County Progress, Jasper, Angela Reinhardt;

Division C: 2nd Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Maureen Stratton;

Division C: 3rd Place, Houston Home Journal, Perry, Brieanna Smith;

Division D: 1st Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Lee Becker;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Lee Becker and Michael Prochaska;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Elberton Star, Rose Scoggins;

Division E: 1st Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville, Greenberry Moore;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville, Greenberry Moore;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville, Greenberry Moore;

Sports Coverage:

Division A: 1st Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Chad Bishop;

Division A: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, John Bednarowski;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Brunswick News, Sebastian Emanuel;

Division B: 1st Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Marc Weiszer;

Division B: 2nd Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Clay Reynolds;

Division B: 3rd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Shane Thomas;

Division C: 1st Place, LaGrange Daily News, Ethan Strang;

Division C: 2nd Place, Thomasville Times-Enterprise, William Huff;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Eatonton Messenger, Trey Norris;

Division D: 1st Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Stuart Steele;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Justin Hubbard;

Division D: 3rd Place, White County News, Cleveland, Mark Turner;

Division E: 1st Place, Walker County Messenger, Lafayette, Scott Herpst;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Moultrie Observer, Jessi Flowers;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Tifton Gazette, Becky Taylor;

Sports Feature Story:

Division A: 1st Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Will Hammock;

Division A: 2nd Place, Savannah Morning News, Dennis Knight;

Division A: 3rd Place, The Brunswick News, Derrick Davis;

Division B: 2nd Place, Daily Citizen-News, Dalton, Daniel Mayes;

Division B: 3rd Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Clay Reynolds;

Division C: 1st Place, Augusta Good News, Charmain Z. Brackett;

Division C: 2nd Place, LaGrange Daily News, Ethan Strang;

Division C: 3rd Place, Houston Home Journal, Perry, Clay Brown;

Division D: 1st Place, The Jackson Herald, Jefferson, Staff;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Elberton Star, Mark Wells;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Oglethorpe Echo, Staff;

Division E: 1st Place, The Tifton Gazette, Becky Taylor;

Division E: 2nd Place, Clayton News, Jonesboro, Staff;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Champion, Decatur, Jay Phillips;

Magazine Product:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Lindsey Adkison and staff;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Staff;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Staff;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, Morgan County Citizen, Madison, Staff; Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, Thomasville Times-Enterprise, Staff;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Staff;

Magazine Story:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Skyler Heath;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Lindsey Adkison;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Clay Reynolds;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Hank Segars; Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Jackie Kennedy;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, The Moultrie Observer, Brooke Hulsey;

Magazine Commentary:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Faith Farrell; Division DAILY: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Blue Cole; Division DAILY: 3rd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Keith Murden;

Magazine Cover Design:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Tamara Gibson and Terry Wilson;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Priscilla Boudreau and Terry Wilson;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Kristen Hansen; Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Sandy Hiser and Misha Benson;

Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Josh Lurie; Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, The Post-Searchlight, Bainbridge, John Wells;

Magazine Photography:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Leigh Lofgren;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Pamela Dabrowa;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, The Jones County News, Gray, Michael S. Grace;

Magazine Business Feature:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Skyler Heath;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Larry Hobbs;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, The Brunswick News, Lindsey Adkison;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, The Moultrie Observer, Katherine Russell; Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, The Moultrie Observer, Kasmira Smith;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Lynn Hobbs;

Magazine Themed Issue: Division DAILY: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Staff:

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Staff;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Thomasville Times-Enterprise, Staff;

Multimedia Journalism:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Ryon Horne and Tyson Horne;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Matt Kempner, Ryon Horne and Tyson Horne;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Savannah Morning News, Richard Burkhart;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, The Cherokee Tribune, Canton, Trevor Williams;

Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, The Oglethorpe Echo, Elizabeth Rymarev and Olivia Wakim;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, The Post-Searchlight, Bainbridge, Ethan Reddish;

Editorial Cartoonist:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, Morgan County Citizen, Madison, Reed Allen; Division DAILY: 2nd Place, Monroe County Reporter, Forsyth, Merry Harris; Division DAILY: 3rd Place, Pickens County Progress, Jasper, Dwight Henderson;

Editorial Writing:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Staff;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Jim Zachary;

Division A: 3rd Place, Rome News-Tribune, John Bailey;

Division C: 1st Place, The Augusta Press, Staff;

Division C: 2nd Place, LaGrange Daily News, Staff;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Northeast Georgian, Cornelia, Matthew Osborne;

Division D: 1st Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Michael Prochaska;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Jackson Herald, Jefferson, Mike Buffington;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Staff;

Page One:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Staff;

Division A: 2nd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Madison Lee and Kristen Hansen;

Division A: 3rd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Philip Clements;

Division B: 1st Place, Rome News-Tribune, Heather Koon;

Division B: 2nd Place, Daily Citizen-News, Dalton, Staff;

Division B: 3rd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Nadia Harris;

Division C: 1st Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Josh Lurie;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Eatonton Messenger, Josh Lurie;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Chris Bridges;

Division D: 1st Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Staff;

Division D: 2nd Place, White County News, Cleveland, Staff;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Jones County News, Gray, Josh Lurie;

Division E: 1st Place, Henry Herald, McDonough, Kristen Hansen and Madison Lee;

Division E: 2nd Place, Jackson Progress-Argus, Staff;

Division E: 3rd Place, Walker County Messenger, Lafayette, Don Stillwell, Alex

Dunn and Jennifer Brown;

Division F: 1st Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Staff;

Division F: 2nd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Staff;

Division F: 3rd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Staff;

Breaking News Writing:

Division A: 1st Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Curt Yeomans;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Michael Hall;

Division A: 3rd Place, Columbus Ledger-Enquirer, Kelby Hutchison;

Division B: 1st Place, The Griffin Daily News, Karen Gunnels;

Division B: 2nd Place, The Valdosta Daily Times, Kasmira Smith;

Division B: 3rd Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Rodney Manley;

Division C: 1st Place, The Eatonton Messenger, Lynn Hobbs;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Clay Neely;

Division C: 3rd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Chris Bridges;

Division D: 1st Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Michael Prochaska;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Michael Prochaska and Caitlin Farmer;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Michael Prochaska;

Division E: 1st Place, Jackson Progress-Argus, Sharon Dowdy Cruse;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville, Lynn Hobbs;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Journal, Buena Vista, Richard Harris;

Division F: 1st Place, The Augusta Press, Staff;

Division F: 2nd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Hayden Sumlin;

Division F: 3rd Place, The Augusta Press, Susan McCord;

Magazine Human Interest Story:

Division DAILY: 1st Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Skyler Heath;

Division DAILY: 2nd Place, The Courier Herald, Dublin, Kyle Dominy;

Division DAILY: 3rd Place, The Brunswick News, Michael Hall;

Division WEEKLY: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Jackie Kennedy;

Division WEEKLY: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Staff;

Division WEEKLY: 3rd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Patrick Graham;

Business Writing:

Division A: 1st Place, The Telegraph, Macon, Gautama Mehta;

Division A: 2nd Place, Savannah Morning News, Nancy Guan, Latrice Williams and Adam Van Brimmer;

Division A: 3rd Place, Columbus Ledger-Enquirer, Brittany McGee;

Division B: 1st Place, The Albany Herald, Carlton Fletcher;

Division B: 2nd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Adam Carey;

Division B: 3rd Place, Athens Banner-Herald, Andrew Shearer;

Division C: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Kandice Bell;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Eatonton Messenger, Ian Tocher;

Division C: 3rd Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Maureen Stratton;

Division D: 1st Place, The True Citizen, Waynesboro, Shellie Smitley;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Dahlonega Nugget, Staff;

Division D: 3rd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Michael Prochaska and Caitlin Farmer;

Division E: 1st Place, The Polk County Standard-Journal, Cedartown, Jeremy Stewart;

Division E: 2nd Place, Jefferson Reporter/News & Farmer, Louisville, Parish Howard;

Division E: 3rd Place, The Champion, Decatur, Kathy Mitchell;

Division F: 1st Place, The Augusta Press, Skyler Andrews;

Division F: 2nd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Amber Perry;

Division F: 3rd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Wayne Tidwell;

Advertising contest winners by category are:

Real Estate:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, DeLoach Sotheby's Family Graduates;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Phoebe Hoaster: The Lighthouse of Golden Isles Real Estate;

Division C: 1st Place, The Press-Sentinel, Jesup, Jesup Housing Outlet;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Josh Parker — The Home Store;

Division D: 1st Place, The Berrien Press, Nashville, Dogwood Place Condominiums:

Division D: 2nd Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Remax Living;

Division F: 1st Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Ansley Real Estate;

Division F: 2nd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Georgia Views Realty;

Motor Vehicle:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Golden Coast Golf Carts;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, SSI Cars + Classics;

Division C: 1st Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Walton Collision;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Lee's Collision Center;

Health Care:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Coastal Eye Care Trunk Show '23;

Division A: 2nd Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Sterling Estates;

Division C: 1st Place, The Eatonton Messenger, Putnam General Hospital;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Walton Dental Care;

Division D: 1st Place, The Jones County News, Gray, Gray Family Health;

Division D: 2nd Place, Donalsonville News, Rejoice Run Event;

Food:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Wolf Island The Reel Deal;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, The Carvery - A Pop Up Restaurant;

Division B: 1st Place, Times-Georgian, Carrollton, Local Ties;

Division B: 2nd Place, Times-Georgian, Carrollton, Smokin' Pig BBQ;

Division C: 1st Place, The Covington News, Whistle Post Tavern;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Campton Restaurant;

Division E: 1st Place, Rockdale Citizen, Conyers, Rudyboo's;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Leader-Tribune, Ft. Valley, Lane Southern Orchards;

Division F: 1st Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Community Burger;

Division F: 2nd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Barnyard Spirits;

Service/Institutional:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Coastal Home Veterinary Services;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Southern Strut Dancers;

Division B: 1st Place, Rome News-Tribune, Walker's Tree Service;

Division B: 2nd Place, Times-Georgian, Carrollton, Prestige Stoneworks;

Division C: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, H.E.L.P. Spay/Neuter Clinic;

Division C: 2nd Place, Statesboro Herald, Renasant Bank;

Division D: 1st Place, Donalsonville News, Indians Brag Ad;

Division D: 2nd Place, Donalsonville News, The Woolfork;

Division E: 1st Place, Rockdale Citizen, Conyers, Cardinal Cleaning;

Division E: 2nd Place, Rockdale Citizen, Conyers, State Farm;

Division F: 1st Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, JF Maxwell Heating and Air Conditioning;

Division F: 2nd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Big Canoe Animal Rescue;

Home Furnishings and Appliances:

Division A: 1st Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Britt's Flooring;

Division A: 2nd Place, Thomasville Times-Enterprise, Cardinal Lane;

Division D: 1st Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Northeast Georgia Gutters and Garage Doors;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Baldwin Bulletin, Milledgeville, Macon Bedroom & Mattress;

Division F: 1st Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Paul Martin Interiors;

Division F: 2nd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Appalachian Mountain Woodworks:

Apparel, Jewelry & Accessories:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Joseph Jewelers;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Noble House Jewelry Shop;

Division C: 1st Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Everlasting Bridal;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Horizon Investments;

Division D: 1st Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Masada Leather;

Division D: 2nd Place, Donalsonville News, Bishop Jewelers;

Non-Traditional:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Coastal Cuisine '23;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Annual Wellness Directory;

Division C: 1st Place, Statesboro Herald, My People, My Places magazine; Non-Traditional:

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Cutest Calendar Ever 2024;

Division D: 1st Place, The Leader-Tribune, Ft. Valley, Community Calendar;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Jones County News, Gray, 2023 Jones County Community Guide;

Miscellaneous:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Wood Smoke Floral Custom Guitar SoGlo Guitar Gallery;

Division A: 2nd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Generations Expo;

Division C: 1st Place, Thomasville Times-Enterprise, Thomasville Antiques Show;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Social Circle Ace Home Center:

Division E: 1st Place, The Clinch County News, Homerville, Congratulations Tucker graduation ad;

Division E: 2nd Place, Quitman Free Press, Peacock Center Car & Truck Show Swap Meet;

Online Banner Ad:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Keep calm and read the Doc;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Daily Double Digit Pledge;

Division C: 1st Place, The Covington News, Brietistic;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Coweta Community

Foundation Coweta Fest;

Full-Color:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Congratulations Southern Strut Dancers!;

Division A: 2nd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, Kids Expo;

Division B: 1st Place, Times-Georgian, Carrollton, Martin & Hightower;

Division B: 2nd Place, Times-Georgian, Carrollton, Carrollton Evening Sertoma;

Division C: 1st Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, White's Pools;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Covington News, Nitro 2 Go Beverage;

Division E: 1st Place, The Leader-Tribune, Ft. Valley, Wade Yoder Storage Buildings;

Division E: 2nd Place, Quitman Free Press, Brooks County Farmers Market;

Newspaper Promotion:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Join the Business Card Directory;

Division A: 2nd Place, Gwinnett Daily Post, Lawrenceville, GDP Podcast;

Division C: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Gift Wrapping on the Square;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Holiday Pet Photo Contest;

Division D: 1st Place, Donalsonville News, Design N Ad Contest;

Division D: 2nd Place, Donalsonville News, The gift that keeps giving ...;

Division E: 1st Place, Quitman Free Press, Advertising in the Free Press works!;

Division E: 2nd Place, Rockdale Citizen, Conyers, RNC House Ad;

Division F: 1st Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Meet the Press;

Division F: 2nd Place, Appen Media Group Inc., Support Local Journalism;

Special Section:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Coastal Illustrated+Home - The Dog Days of Summer;

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Friday Night Lights (Tik-Tok Concept);

Division C: 1st Place, Lake Oconee News, Greensboro, Masters Week 2;

Division C: 2nd Place, Statesboro Herald, Community Pride 2023;

Division D: 1st Place, Donalsonville News, Christmas edition;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Jones County News, Gray, JCHS Football Preview 2023;

Division E: 1st Place, The Berrien Press, Nashville, The Rebel Pigskin Preview;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Clinch County News, Homerville, The Panther Preview;

Classified Section/Page:

Division C: 1st Place, LaGrange Daily News, LaGrange Daily News Classifieds;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, The Newnan Times-Herald Classifieds;

Division D: 1st Place, The Jones County News, Gray, Jones County News Classifieds;

Division D: 2nd Place, The Clinch County News, Homerville, The Clinch County News Classifieds;

Signature Page:

Division A: 1st Place, Marietta Daily Journal, Mother's Day Group Page;

Division A: 2nd Place, Rome News-Tribune, Cave Spring Sig Page;

Division C: 1st Place, The Covington News, Discover Downtown Covington;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Eatonton Messenger, Gators Season Congratulations;

Division D: 1st Place, The Georgia Post, Roberta, Halloween;

Division D: 2nd Place, Donalsonville News, Go Indians!;

Division E: 1st Place, The Leader-Tribune, Ft. Valley, Excellence in Action -- Education Appreciation;

Division E: 2nd Place, The Berrien Press, Nashville, Congratulations on a great season!;

Small Page Ad:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, THE Greatest Sustainable Resource (NIE - GP Cellulose);

Division A: 2nd Place, The Brunswick News, Happy 40th! Account Exec Kasey Rowell!;

Division C: 1st Place, The Newnan Times-Herald, Lisa's Creperie Mother's Day;

Division C: 2nd Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, Spencer's Jewelers;

Division E: 1st Place, The Leader-Tribune, Ft. Valley, Attention Men! Valentine's Boxes;

Division E: 2nd Place, Quitman Free Press, State Farm Bubba Highsmith;

Advertising Campaign:

Division A: 1st Place, The Brunswick News:

Division A: 2nd Place, Douglas County Sentinel, Douglasville, Player of the Week; Advertising Campaign:

Division D: 1st Place, The Oconee Enterprise, Watkinsville, Hardigree Wildlife Sanctuary Campaign;

Division D: 2nd Place, Quitman Free Press, Animal Adoption;

Division F: 1st Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Premier Indoor Comfort Systems LLC;

Division F: 2nd Place, Smoke Signals, Big Canoe, Blinds by Design;

Ad Idea of the Year Daily:

Daily Division: 1st Place, The Brunswick News, Wolf Island The Reel Deal; Weekly Division: 1st Place, The Walton Tribune, Monroe, White's Pools;