



47. Multimedia Storytelling

Open Division

First Place

Sarasota Observer

The secret life of recycling

Brynn Mechem

Second Place

Florida Weekly

The loneliness epidemic

Staff

Third Place

The Independent Florida Alligator

'It never gets easier': A year after Parkland, communities grieve and the state debates

Kelly Hayes and Josephine Fuller



45. Online Breaking News Coverage

Open Division

First Place

Orlando Business Journal

Epic Universe breaking news coverage

Richard Bilbao

Second Place

Largo Leader

Two sisters charged in 2015 death of elderly father

Suzette Porter

Third Place

The Miami Times

SAT Scores debacle

Felipe Rivas and Carolyn Guniss



44. Website Excellence

Open Division

First Place

Longboat Observer

Longboat Observer/yourobsERVER.com

Longboat Observer Staff

Second Place

Orlando Business Journal

OBJ Website

Third Place

Navarre Press

navarrepress.com

Navarre Press Staff



Final List of Winners

43. Overall Graphic Design

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press
Overall Graphic Design
Richard Williams

Second Place

Sumter County Times
Sumter County Times
Brenda Locklear and Brian LaPeter

Third Place

The Herald-Advocate
Overall Graphic Design
Staff

Division B

First Place

The Baker County Press
Overall graphic design
Jessica Prevatt

Second Place

Jacksonville Record & Observer
Overall Graphic Design

Third Place

Orlando Business Journal
OBJ Graphic Design
Jim Carchidi and Samantha Gut

Division A

First Place

Southwest Orange Observer
Southwest Orange Observer: Overall Graphic Design

Second Place

Sarasota Observer
Sarasota Observer Overall Graphic Design
Carol Parker and Melissa Leduc

Third Place

The Coastal Star
Coastal Star overall design sept oct nov
Staff



Final List of Winners

42. Front Page Makeup

Division C

First Place

The Gadsden County Times
Front page makeup
Scott Bryan

Second Place

Boca Beacon
Boca Beacon
Marcy Shortuse

Third Place

Navarre Press
Navarre Press Front Page Makeup
Navarre Press Staff

Division B

First Place

Jacksonville Record & Observer
Front Page Makeup
Monty Zickuhr

Second Place

West Orange Times & Observer
West Orange Times & Observer: Front Page Makeup

Third Place

Business Observer
Front Page Business Observer
Betsy Alvarez and Nicole Thompson

Division A

First Place

Clearwater Beacon
Front page collection
Logan Mosby

Second Place

Southwest Orange Observer
Southwest Orange Observer: Front Page Makeup

Third Place

Largo Leader
Front page collection
Chris George



Final List of Winners

41. Page Design

Division C

First Place

The Madison Enterprise-Recorder
Super Blood Wolf Moon
Shane Mathews

Second Place

Suwannee Democrat
All-Area pages
Jamie Wachter

Third Place

Navarre Press
The Brew Scientist
Dickie Williams

Division B

First Place

News-Leader
Artrageous Artwalk
Robert Fiege

Second Place

Longboat Observer
The worst intersection on the beach?
Carol Parker

Third Place

Orlando Business Journal
OBJ Page Design
Samantha Gut

Division A

First Place

Palm Coast Observer
Ride 'em, cowboy
Hailey McMillan

Second Place

The Coastal Star / Artspaper
Tracy Season Preview
Tracy Allerton

Third Place

East County Observer
Pipe dreams
Melissa Leduc



Final List of Winners

40. Informational Graphic

Division C

First Place

Monticello News

Firefighter

Kate Frizzell

Second Place

The Madison Enterprise-Recorder

Marijuana (weed) THC Vs. Hemp CBD

Shane Mathews

Third Place

Madison County Carrier

Ladder 1

John Willoughby and Shane Mathews

Division AB

First Place

Orlando Business Journal

Orlando Infographics

Samantha Gut

Second Place

Florida Weekly

mean streets

Scott Sleeper

Third Place

The Baker County Press

Building boom

Jessica Prevatt and Joel Addington



Final List of Winners

39. Best Headline

Division C

First Place

The Madison Enterprise-Recorder

BEER FOR THE PEOPLE

Rick Patrick

Second Place

Madison County Carrier

Not calf bad

Emerald G. Parsons

Third Place

Monticello News

Catch of the day

Ashley Hunter

Division B

First Place

Business Observer

Veggie Tales; Move That Bus; Wrist and Reward

Mark Gordon

Second Place

Orlando Business Journal

OBJ Top Headlines

Cindy Barth, Ryan Lynch, Jim Carchidi, Susan Lundine

Third Place

West Orange Times & Observer

Best Headline: West Orange Times & Observer

Division A

First Place

Southwest Orange Observer

Best Headline: Southwest Orange Observer

Second Place

Sarasota Observer

The wrong note; After further review . . . ; Walk this way

David Conway

Third Place

The Laker/Lutz News

'Clear the Shelters' Is a howling success

Matt Mistretta



Final List of Winners

38. Sports Column

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press

Brian Out Loud: Florida High School Athletic Association

Brian Lester

Second Place

Nassau County Record

Basketball Puts Hilliard on Map

Amanda Ream

Third Place

The Herald-Advocate

Staik Out

Tom Staik

Division AB

First Place

Sarasota Observer

Meat the team

Ryan Kohn

Second Place

Venice Gondolier Sun

Games Greatest Reward

Mark Seiden

Third Place

The Apopka Chief

Rookie Rolson comes through

John Peery



Final List of Winners

37. Sports Page or Section

Division C

First Place

Madison County Carrier

2019 Class 1A State Basketball Champions/Cowboys honored at Smith Mansion

Shane Mathews, Lindsey Lawson, Rick Patrick

Second Place

Suwannee Democrat

Suwannee Democrat

Third Place

The Gadsden County Times

Sports Section

Scott Bryan

Division B

First Place

West Orange Times & Observer

Best Sports Section: West Orange Times & Observer

Jessica Eng and Troy Herring

Second Place

The Apopka Chief

Apopka Chief sports

Staff

Third Place

Venice Gondolier Sun

Venice Sports

Division A

First Place

The Coastal Star

NCAA, COCO, OUTDOORS

Willie Howard and Brian Biggane

Second Place

Southwest Orange Observer

Best Sports Section: Southwest Orange Observer

Jessica Eng and Troy Herring

Third Place

Palm Coast Observer

PCO sports

Ray Boone



Final List of Winners

36. Sports Spot News Story

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press

Raider boys weightlifting team wins first state title in program history

Brian Lester

Second Place

Boca Beacon

2019 Gasparilla Island Kids Classic Tarpon Tournament: A record-breaking day!

Marcy Shortuse

Third Place

Suwannee Democrat

A big deal

Jamie Wachter

Division B

First Place

Venice Gondolier Sun

State title

Vinnie Portell

Second Place

The Baker County Press

Mays: Inexperience bites the Cats

Kevin Upright

Third Place

Ormond Beach Observer

Time for a rematch

Ray Boone

Division A

First Place

Palm Coast Observer

So close

Ray Boone

Second Place

Sarasota Observer

Champs at last

Ryan Kohn

Third Place

Southwest Orange Observer

Awesome at Arnie's

Troy Herring



Final List of Winners

35. Sports Feature Story

Division C

First Place

Suwannee Democrat
It meant everything
Jamie Wachter

Second Place

The Herald-Advocate
TKO: 'I Died And They Brought Me Back'
Tom Staik

Third Place

The Hernando Sun
In their corner: Shaquille's Boxing Club, Operation Turnaround
Donna Snapp

Division B

First Place

The Apopka Chief
Former Blue Darter picked by Dolphins
John Peery

Second Place

The Baker County Press
More than a game
Kevin Upright

Third Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
Man of the People
Vinnie Portell

Division A

First Place

Southwest Orange Observer
Do or do not. There is no try.
Troy Herring

Second Place

Palm Coast Observer
For the fallen
Ray Boone

Third Place

East County Observer
The art of winning
Ryan Kohn



Final List of Winners

34. Sports Photo

Division C

First Place

Chiefland Citizen
Stormy debut for Indians
Sean Arnold

Second Place

Williston Pioneer Sun News
State Champs (Celebration)
Sean Arnold

Third Place

Williston Pioneer Sun News
No. 38
John Webb

Division B

First Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
Wideman Windmill
Tim Kern

Second Place

News-Leader
Pride to open inaugural season
Beth Jones

Third Place

Perry News-Herald/Taco Times
Bulldogs senior receiver Rob Glanton
Aaron Portwood

Division A

First Place

The Coastal Star
Surfing the storm
Jerry Lower

Second Place

The Laker/Lutz News
The perfect assist from dad
Christine Holtzman

Third Place

Palm Coast Observer
Opening day
Ray Boone



33. Portfolio Photography (Robert J. Ellison Memorial Award)

Division C

First Place

Riverland News
RLN Portfolio Photography JB
Jeff Bryan

Second Place

Navarre Press
Portfolio Photography by Jamie Gentry
Jamie Gentry

Third Place

Riverland News
RLN Portfolio Photography JM
Julie Mancini

Division B

First Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
The nature of Venice
Adam Hutchinson ****Winner: Robert J. Ellison Memorial Award****

Second Place

West Orange Times & Observer
Portfolio Photography: Troy Herring
Troy Herring

Third Place

Orlando Business Journal
OBJ Photojournalist Jim Carchidi
Jim Carchidi

Division A

First Place

East County Observer
Jay Heater
Jay Heater

Second Place

Southwest Orange Observer
Portfolio Photography: Troy Herring
Troy Herring

Third Place

The Coastal Star
Tim Stepien portfolio
Tim Stepien



Final List of Winners

32. Photo Series in One Issue

Division C

First Place

Riverland News
Cracker Days
Julie Mancini

Second Place

Sumter County Times
Seminole battle comes to life
Martin Steele

Division B

First Place

Gulf Breeze News
Girls' swim wins Academic state title
Jason Thompson

Second Place

Longboat Observer
Protecting the waterfront
Sten Spinella

Third Place

News-Leader
Little St. Simons Island is a great place for a field trip
Pat Foster-Turley

Division A

First Place

Palm Coast Observer
Paving project
Paola Rodriguez

Second Place

The Laker/Lutz News
86-year-old woman scratches skydiving off her bucket list
Christine Holtzman

Third Place

Florida Weekly
Honor them
Chris Tilly



Final List of Winners

31. Reader-Generated Photo

Division C

First Place

Nassau County Record
Warriors Sting Yulee Hornets
Brian LaCross

Second Place

Madison County Carrier
A beautiful sunset
Christie Riley

Third Place

The Madison Enterprise-Recorder
Little Madison Coe
Gina Rutherford

Division AB

First Place

New Pelican
Pelican
Dick Francis

Second Place

News-Leader
Waterspout
Richard Gaaney

Third Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
Venice baseball
Lisa Guscette



Final List of Winners

30. Feature Photo

Division C

First Place

Riverland News
Airborne Shuffle
Jeff Bryan

Second Place

Cedar Key Beacon
In for a landing
Suzette Cook

Third Place

The Calhoun-Liberty Journal
It's Gone

Division B

First Place

The Apopka Chief
Grab-and-go lunch
John Peery

Second Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
Head's up
Joseph John Orchulli II

Third Place

West Orange Times & Observer
Blood, Sweat and Tears
Troy Herring

Division A

First Place

Southwest Orange Observer
Caped crusade
Troy Herring

Second Place

The Coastal Star
Joe Z
Rachel O'Hara

Third Place

East County Observer
White pelicans make pit stop in Lakewood Ranch
Jay Heater



Final List of Winners

29. Spot News Photo

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press

Bears close Navarre Park for a nap

Jamie Gentry

Second Place

Riverland News

Old-Fashioned Fun_A

Jeff Bryan

Third Place

Boca Beacon

Auld lang syne!

Marcy Shortuse

Division AB

First Place

Palm Coast Observer

The Clearing

Ray Boone

Second Place

East County Observer

A soldier's welcome home

Liz Ramos

Third Place

Perry News-Herald/Taco Times

Bicyclist injured in Hwy 19 crash

Angela Castelucci



Final List of Winners

28. Special Issue, Section or Supplement

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press
Visitors Guide

Second Place

Boca Beacon
Tarpon Times
Daniel Godwin and Marcy Shortuse

Third Place

The Herald-Advocate
Back To School
Staff

Division B

First Place

Business Observer
Top Entrepreneurs

Second Place

Business Observer
40 under 40

Third Place

The Apopka Chief
Art & Foliage
Staff

Division A

First Place

Largo Leader
Welcome Back
Lee Zumpe, Logan Mosby, Chris George

Second Place

Largo Leader
Just for Women
Logan Mosby

Third Place

The Independent Florida Alligator
Who is Gainesville?



Final List of Winners

27. Community History

Division C

First Place

The Hernando Sun
Seminole impacts on the Nature Coast
Rocco Maglio and Julie Maglio

Second Place

The Gadsden County Times
SAVING HISTORY
Scott Bryan

Division B

First Place

West Orange Times & Observer
Where the streets have your names
Amy Quesinberry

Second Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
Veterans
Don Moore

Division A

First Place

Miami New Times
The 1526 Project: Horrors in Florida's Black History You Didn't Learn in School
Jess Nelson

Second Place

Florida Weekly
The American Legion at 100
Roger Williams

Third Place

The Independent Florida Alligator
Who is Gainesville?
Josephine Fuller, April Rubin, Paige Fry



Final List of Winners

26. Best Obituary

Division C

First Place

The Gadsden County Times
Prominent doctor dies
Scott Bryan

Second Place

Boca Beacon
Bud Konheim
Marcy Shortuse

Third Place

The Herald-Advocate
Dr. Elver Myron Hodges
Tom Staik

Division B

First Place

The Apopka Chief
Former publisher of newspaper dies
John Peery

Second Place

Belleair Bee
Customers, coworkers remember well-loved waitress
John Guerra

Third Place

Ormond Beach Observer
David Hood
Jarleene Almenas

Division A

First Place

Florida Weekly
The lives they led
Evan Williams

Second Place

The Coastal Star
Vet Obit
rich pollack, Mary Thurwachter, Arden Moore

Third Place

Southwest Orange Observer
An indelible mark
Amy Quesinberry



Final List of Winners

25. Outdoor & Recreation

Division C

First Place

Cedar Key Beacon
Catch and release
Suzette Cook

Second Place

The Hernando Sun
Hunt for Burmese Python
Toby Benoit

Third Place

Riverland News
Divers Fees
Jeff Bryan

Division B

First Place

Longboat Observer
Four-court press
Eric Garwood

Second Place

Perry News-Herald/Taco Times
Locals protest trout rule change
Mark Viola

Third Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
Urban Forest
Bob Mudge

Division A

First Place

Anna Maria Island Sun
Duck hunting near preserves questioned
Cindy Lane

Second Place

Florida Weekly
All cycled up
Roger Williams

Third Place

The Laker/Lutz News
86-year-old woman scratches skydiving off her bucket list
Christine Holtzman



Final List of Winners

24. Agricultural & Environmental Reporting

Division C

First Place

The Hernando Sun
Managing the Withlacoochee State Forest
Alice Mary Herden

Second Place

Boca Beacon
Flying monkeys do exist: an afternoon well spent with bats
Sue Erwin

Third Place

Chiefland Citizen
Thousands of insects flock to tree in Chiefland
Suzette Cook

Division B

First Place

The West Volusia Beacon
Saving Lake Helen's namesake/What does it take to save a lake?
Eli Witek

Second Place

Longboat Observer
How much? From where?
Eric Garwood

Third Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
New farming
Betsy Calvert

Division A

First Place

Florida Weekly
Bad Critters
Roger Williams

Second Place

The Coastal Star
Sargassum
Cheryl Blackerby

Third Place

Miami New Times
Stormwater Pumps Pollute Biscayne Bay
Jessica Lipscomb



23. State & Local Tax Reporting (The TaxWatch Award)

Open Division

First Place

East County Observer

Stormwater solutions

Pam Eubanks ****Winner: The TaxWatch Award****

Second Place

Navarre Press

LOST: Are we getting what we paid for?

Jamie Gentry

Third Place

Longboat Observer

New beach plan in the works

Eric Garwood



Final List of Winners

22. Business Reporting

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press

Homes in demand

Jamie Gentry

Second Place

The Calhoun-Liberty Journal

A new way to harvest timber

Teresa Eubanks

Third Place

Chiefland Citizen

Closed doors for some mean opportunities for others

Suzette Cook

Division B

First Place

Jacksonville Record & Observer

How they sold Maple Street

Karen Brune Mathis

Second Place

The Apopka Chief

Business damaged

John Peery

Third Place

Orlando Business Journal

Orlando Tourism Industry Coverage

Richard Bilbao

Division A

First Place

Miami New Times

The Last Days of the Electric Pickle, Wynwood's Longest-Running Nightclub

Jose Duran

Second Place

Largo Leader

Largo development group calls for mulligan after Topgolf-style project scuttled

Chris George

Third Place

The Coastal Star

iPIC files

Mary Hladkey and Jane Smith



Final List of Winners

21. Local Government Reporting

Division C

First Place

Riverland News
Crowd Control
Jeff Bryan

Second Place

The Herald-Advocate
Water Main Bursts; Wauchula Goes Dry As Water Main Breaks, Again
Tom Staik

Third Place

Chiefland Citizen
Miss Betty
Sean Arnold

Division B

First Place

Orlando Business Journal
Orlando Local Government Coverage
Cindy Barth and Ryan Lynch

Second Place

Jacksonville Record & Observer
JEA: What's Next
Mike Mendenhall

Third Place

Longboat Observer
Longboat sued over website's ADA access
Eric Garwood

Division A

First Place

The Coastal Star
Delray City managers
Jane Smith and Rich Pollack

Second Place

Miami New Times
Brenda Snipes Became a National Curiosity After a Puzzling Midterm Election
Jessica Lipscomb

Third Place

Anna Maria Island Sun
Coquina Tree Removals
Joe Hendricks



Final List of Winners

20. Roads and Transportation

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press
FDOT's Choice for Navarre
Jamie Gentry

Second Place

The Gadsden County Times
Bridge 'structurally deficient'
Scott Bryan

Third Place

Nassau County Record
Detour Irks Residents
Kathie Colgrove

Division B

First Place

Ormond Beach Observer
Crossing hazard
Wayne Grant

Second Place

Longboat Observer
The worst intersection on the beach
Eric Garwood

Third Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
Rockets, driverless cars in future
Bob Mudge

Division A

First Place

Florida Weekly
Crash
Roger Williams

Second Place

Miami New Times
Brightline and Tri-Rail Have Killed Dozens
Meg O'Connor

Third Place

The Coastal Star
Boynton red Light cameras
Charles Elmore



Final List of Winners

19. Faith and Family Reporting

Division C

First Place

Sumter County Times

Spreading the word; Evangelist was looking for a place to get high ...

Brenda Locklear

Second Place

Riverland News

Survivors share their stories: Leaning on faith, family, friends

Sean Arnold

Third Place

Madison County Carrier

Thigpen ministers in Romania

Mickey Starling

Division B

First Place

Ormond Beach Observer

Roo

Jarleene Almenas

Second Place

Gulf Breeze News

A Ray of Hope/Helping other youth overcome

Glenda Caudle

Third Place

The Apopka Chief

Apopka pastor lives out his faith

John Peery

Division A

First Place

The Miami Times

Largest Convention

Carolyn Guniss

Second Place

East County Observer

Still precious after 50 years

Pam Eubanks

Third Place

Palm Coast Observer

Love at drug court

Ray Boone



18. Arts, Entertainment & Review Reporting

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press

Putting Navarre's art on the map

Jamie Gentry

Second Place

Heritage Florida Jewish News

Local author's first published novella wins an international book award

Jeff Gaeser and Christine DeSouza

Third Place

Jefferson County Journal

Mafia Pizza

Ashley Hunter

Division B

First Place

Business Observer

Hallmark Movies

Grier Ferguson

Second Place

Orlando Business Journal

Orlando Business of Theme Parks

Richard Bilbao

Third Place

Venice Gondolier Sun

Venice Theatre grows up

Kim Cool

Division A

First Place

Florida Weekly

Behind the curtain

Roger Williams

Second Place

The Coastal Star / Artspaper

Points Beyond

Jan Engoren

Third Place

The Coastal Star / Artspaper

Norton Musuem

Gretel Sarmiento



Final List of Winners

17. Health, Medical & Science Reporting

Division C

First Place

Jefferson County Journal
Medicine on the riverbanks of the Amazon
Ashley Hunter

Second Place

Boca Beacon
The truth about 'flesh-eating' bacteria in our waters ... if you don't feel safe going to the beach, read this
Raymond James

Third Place

Boca Beacon
So much more than a breast cancer survivor
Sue Erwin

Division B

First Place

The Baker County Press
Fentanyl kills 6 in 2.5 years (copy)
Joel Addington

Second Place

The Apopka Chief
Robotic surgery being performed
Teresa Sargeant

Third Place

Gulf Breeze News
Writing his own story/Man hope surgery staves off pancreatic cancer
Glenda Caudle

Division A

First Place

Florida Weekly
Weed at Work
Evan Williams

Second Place

Sarasota Observer
How many steps? Reaching Fitbit Nirvana
Brynn Mechem

Third Place

Palm Coast Observer
Mental health crisis
Jonathan Simmons



Final List of Winners

16. Education Feature

Division C

First Place

Jefferson County Journal
Homeschooling in Jefferson County
Ashley Hunter

Second Place

Nassau County Record
Students Earn Career Skills
Kathie Colgrove

Third Place

Boca Beacon
Remembrances ... four things I learned from teaching
Dean Laux

Division B

First Place

Jacksonville Record & Observer
Building the Workforce
Max Marbut

Second Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
Education after fighting cancer
Victoria Villanueav-Marquez

Third Place

The West Volusia Beacon
Want to find the International Space Station? Ask a fifth-grader
Anthony DeFeo

Division A

First Place

Florida Weekly
Teachers flee
Roger Williams

Second Place

Sarasota Observer
Protect and serve
Brynn Mechem

Third Place

East County Observer
Students bring history to life
Liz Ramos



Final List of Winners

15. Education News

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press

Growth and new school

Jamie Gentry

Second Place

Suwannee Democrat

Elementary School Reconfiguration

Mike Jones and Jamie Wachter

Third Place

The Madison Enterprise-Recorder

District finances in trouble

John Willoughby and Savannah Reams

Division B

First Place

The West Volusia Beacon

Fights, arrests plague DeLand Middle School

Eli Witek

Second Place

Ormond Beach Observer

Seabreeze fights

Jarleene Almenas

Third Place

Venice Gondolier Sun

Growing Pains

Greg Giles

Division A

First Place

East County Observer

Wiggle room

Liz Ramos

Second Place

Miami New Times

Florida Teachers Repeatedly Misuse Guns, but Lawmakers Want to Arm Them Anyway

Jessica Lipscomb

Third Place

Southwest Orange Observer

Relief within reach

Danielle Hendrix



Final List of Winners

14. Feature Story: Non-profile

Division C

First Place

The Herald-Advocate
Sanctuary For Sandra
Jennifer McConkey

Second Place

Heritage Florida Jewish News
A most unusual reunion 75 years later
Jeff Gaeser and Christine DeSouza

Third Place

Navarre Press
A different kind of graduation
Jamie Gentry

Division B

First Place

Longboat Observer
Meet the Mannings
Nat Kaemmerer

Second Place

Venice Gondolier Sun
Love intersects
Audrey Blackwell

Third Place

West Orange Times & Observer
Goodbye is the goal
Danielle Hendrix

Division A

First Place

Florida Weekly
Ten Minutes in Paradise
Staff

Second Place

Southwest Orange Observer
Come One, Come All
Tim Freed

Third Place

The Banner
Gabriel
Brittany Carloni



Final List of Winners

13. Feature Story: Profile

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press

A mother's house of love

Gail Acosta

Second Place

The Gadsden County Times

Clarion call

Scott Bryan

Third Place

Williston Pioneer Sun News

Boys to Men

Carolyn Ten Broeck

Division B

First Place

The West Volusia Beacon

"We have not given up on Earl. We just don't know what to do."

Barb Shepherd and Anthony DeFeo

Second Place

Perry News-Herald/Taco Times

Cmdr. David Greist: A Veteran in the Sky

Caitlyn Burchett

Third Place

Business Observer

Chris Tomasso, First Watch

Mark Gordon

Division A

First Place

Miami New Times

Cancer, Diabetes, and Glaucoma Can't Stop Restaurateur Richard Hales

Zachary Fagenson

Second Place

Florida Weekly

Clyde

Mary Wozniak

Third Place

Clearwater Beacon

Remembering Woodstock: Original Woodstock performer, Melanie, takes the stage in Safety Harbor

Tiffany Razzano



Final List of Winners

12. In-Depth Reporting (Non-Investigative)

Division C

First Place

The Wakulla News
"FHP hit wrong house"
William Snowden

Second Place

The Madison Enterprise-Recorder
What's that smell?
Rick Patrick

Third Place

The Herald-Advocate
School Financial Crisis
Tom Staik

Division B

First Place

Longboat Observer
Red tide
Observer Staff

Second Place

Orlando Business Journal
Eyesore on I-4
Jack Witthaus

Third Place

The West Volusia Beacon
Blood on the boulevard
Anthony DeFeo, Barb Shepherd, Eli Witek

Division A

First Place

Florida Weekly
Uninsured
Evan Williams

Second Place

Sarasota Observer
Affordable housing
Staff

Third Place

The Coastal Star
Rich Pollack Septic series
Rich Pollack



11. Investigative Reporting (Claudia Ross Memorial Award)

Division C

First Place

Boca Beacon

Two deaths investigated on island in past few weeks, No one wants to wake up in the morgue

Marcy Shortuse

Second Place

The Gadsden County Times

Past is present

Scott Bryan

Third Place

The Calhoun-Liberty Journal

BPD Officer charged, Officer's son arrested

Division B

First Place

Orlando Business Journal

A permanent address

Matthew Richardson, Denise Hicks, Cindy Barth, Jack Witthaus, Richard Bilbao, Ryan Lynch

****Winner: Claudia Ross Memorial Award****

Second Place

The West Volusia Beacon

The Case of Quentin Wyche

Eli Witek

Third Place

Venice Gondolier Sun

New hospital set for region

Bob Mudge

Division A

First Place

Florida Weekly

Where will they go

Evan Williams

Second Place

Miami New Times

A Miami-Based Jail Health-Care Company Profits While Patients Die

Brittany Shammas

Third Place

The Miami Times

The Swindler Files

Nyamekye Daniel



Final List of Winners

10. Breaking News Story

Division C

First Place

Chiefland Citizen

Diver Down!

Mark Berryman

Second Place

Riverland News

Wreck Leaves Three Dead

Jeff Bryan

Third Place

The Calhoun-Liberty Journal

Nephew charged in stabbing

Teresa Eubanks

Division B

First Place

Key West Citizen

Officials may lose jobs in aftermath of murder case

Tim O'Hara

Second Place

Jacksonville Record & Observer

City, Khan reach deal on Lot J development

Mike Mendenhall

Third Place

Longboat Observer

Ringling reconsiders

Eric Garwood

Division A

First Place

The Coastal Star

Dorian

Staff and Ron Hayes

Second Place

Palm Coast Observer

Death in jail

Jonathan Simmons

Third Place

Sarasota Observer

Deal reached to keep YMCAs open

Brynn Mechem



09. General News Story (Gwen Stevenson Memorial Award)

Division C

First Place

The Herald-Advocate

Naked Man Dies After Stealing, Crashing Sheriff's Truck

Tom Staik

Second Place

The Calhoun-Liberty Journal

Coach and wife killed

Third Place

Madison County Carrier

Fireworks Fiasco

John Willoughby

Division B

First Place

The Baker County Press

Fentanyl kills 6 in 2.5 years

Joel Addington

Second Place

The Baker County Press

A greater power

Mike Anderson

Third Place

West Orange Times & Observer

Contamination sends recyclables to landfills

Eric Gutierrez

Division A

First Place

Miami New Times

The Nightmare in the Bahamas Is Far From Over

Zachary Fagenson **** Winner: Gwen Stevenson Memorial Award ****

Second Place

Florida Weekly

Aid Delayed

Evan Williams

Third Place

Florida Weekly

Hunger Here

Karen Feldman



08. First Amendment Defense (Jon A. Roosenraad Award)

Open Division

First Place

The Gadsden County Times

Public records are for the public

Scott Bryan ****Winner: Jon A Roosenraad Award****

Second Place

Winter Haven Sun

Prez vs. Press: it's nothing new

S.L. Frisbie

Third Place

Sarasota Observer

Why we protect our content online

Kat Hughes



07. Serious Column (Sally Latham Memorial Award)

Division C

First Place

The Gadsden County Times

An apology is appropriate instead of politics as usual

Scott Bryan

Second Place

Boca Beacon

Pearl Harbor: Should we have known?

Dean Laux

Third Place

Jefferson County Journal

Cerebral Palsy Awarenesss Month

Ashley Hunter

Division B

First Place

News-Leader

Singles left out of affordable housing equation and solutions

Pamela Bushnell

Second Place

Clay Today

July 11 -- BCC was prudent to push school board, sheriff's office for more details

Don Coble

Third Place

News-Leader

Don't be intimidated

Peg Davis

Division A

First Place

East County Observer

Death of a hero

Jay Heater ****Winner: Sally Latham Memorial Award****

Second Place

Palm Coast Observer

Mowing proposal

Brian McMillan

Third Place

The Coastal Star

Leming PBSO

Mary Kate Leming



Final List of Winners

06. Humorous Column

Division C

First Place

Riverland News

RLN HUMEROUS COLUMN JB

Jeff Bryan

Second Place

Boca Beacon

Remembrances ... the ole swimmin' hole

Dean Laux

Third Place

Chiefland Citizen

If you think this is funny... you might be a Baptist

Mark Berryman

Division B

First Place

The West Volusia Beacon

Learning something in Deltona

Tanner Andrews

Second Place

Longboat Observer

While you were out

Eric Garwood

Third Place

The Baker County Press

Pleasantly waiting for arrivals at JIA

Robert Gerard

Division A

First Place

Miami New Times

We Ranked Each 2020 Candidate by How Sweaty They Got in Miami Weather

Jerry Iannelli

Second Place

Anna Maria Island Sun

Florida flotsam washes up on European beaches

Cindy Lane

Third Place

East County Observer

Not so moderate to fair traffic

Jay Heater



05. Original Local Editorial Cartoon

Open Division

First Place

Boca Beacon

Hortoons

Dave Horton

Second Place

The Baker County Press

Solar farmers

Ed Hall

Third Place

Venice Gondolier Sun

Venice Gondolier Sun

Ron Bates



Final List of Winners

04. Editorial Award

Division C

First Place

The Gadsden County Times

To move forward ...

Scott Bryan

Second Place

Navarre Press

A win for the citizens of Santa Rosa County

Gail Acosta

Third Place

Riverland News

RLN Editorial JB

Jeff Bryan

Division AB

First Place

Venice Gondolier Sun

Venice Gondolier Sun

Second Place

Longboat Observer

The Lido mob wins

Third Place

Perry News-Herald/Taco Times

Striking a balance between good news and bad



Final List of Winners

03. Editorial Page

Division C

First Place

The Gadsden County Times

The Gadsden County Times

Scott Bryan

Second Place

Riverland News

RLN Editorial Page

Jeff Bryan

Third Place

Navarre Press

Time is money and Santa Rosa's wasting it; Point/Counter point

Navarre Press Staff

Division AB

First Place

Venice Gondolier Sun

Venice Gondolier Sun

Nathan Lane and Bob Mudge

Second Place

The Miami Times

The Miami Times Editorial Page



02. Community Service

Open Division

First Place

Sumter County Times

Community saves Grant's Home

Brenda Locklear

Second Place

Florida Weekly

Honor Them

Chris Tilley, Roger Williams, Glenn Miller

Third Place

Florida Weekly

The loneliness epidemic

Simone Cuccurullo, Melanie Bell, Vandy Major, Eric Raddatz, Betty Wells, Chelle Walton



Final List of Winners

01. General Excellence

Division C

First Place

Navarre Press
April 18 & April 25
Navarre Press Staff

Second Place

Sumter County Times
Sumter County Times

Third Place

Suwannee Democrat
Suwannee Democrat

Division B

First Place

Orlando Business Journal
Orlando Business Journal weekly print edition
Staff

Second Place

West Orange Times & Observer
West Orange Times & Observer: General Excellence

Third Place

Jacksonville Record & Observer
General Excellence

Division A

First Place

Sarasota Observer
Sarasota Observer General Excellence
Sarasota Observer Staff

Second Place

Florida Weekly
Florida Weekly general excellence
Staff

Third Place

Palm Coast Observer
PCO's best
Staff



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Final List of Winners

2020 Florida Weekly Newspaper Contest Sweepstakes Winners

Division A – Florida Weekly

Division B – Venice Gondolier Sun

Division C – Navarre Press