

State journalists honored at Oklahoma SPJ awards banquet

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The Oklahoma pro chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists honored the best journalistic work in the state at its annual awards banquet Saturday, April 30, at the Hilton Southern Hills in Tulsa. Veteran journalist Dr. Terry M. Clark was honored with the chapter's highest honor, the Lifetime Achievement Award.

Clark is director of the Oklahoma Journalism Hall of Fame and a professor of journalism at the University of Central Oklahoma where he was journalism chairman for 19 years until 2009. He teaches writing, editing, photography and blogging courses.

Clark has 20 years experience in the newspaper industry, beginning as news editor of the Clarinda (Iowa) Herald-Journal before working at the Duncan Banner as area editor. He was editor and publisher of the Waurika News-Democrat from 1974 to 1986.

He worked part time as copy editor at The Oklahoman and most recently as a reporter at the Oklahoma City Journal Record.

As a free-lance journalist, Clark's work has been published in Persimmon Hill, Oklahoma Today, Editor and Publisher, the Oklahoma Publisher, the Oklahoma Observer and Publishers Auxiliary. He writes a monthly column "Clark's Critique" for the Oklahoma Press Association's Oklahoma Publisher and conducts workshops for Oklahoma professional journalists and writers. His radio show, Coffee with Clark, on KCSC-FM, morphed into his blog, Coffee with Clark, which won the state best blog writing award.

He has won numerous statewide awards in writing, photography and editing. His research interests focus on community journalism and his hobbies include watercolor landscape painting.

Clark earned a doctorate degree in mass communication from Oklahoma State University, a Master of Arts degree in journalism from the University of Iowa, and a bachelor of arts degree in English from the University of Central Oklahoma.

Griffin Communications' Oklahoma Impact Team was awarded the First Amendment Award. The mission of the Oklahoma Impact Team is to provide balanced and in-depth coverage of issues and events that impact a broad range of Oklahomans: from the use of federal stimulus funds in Oklahoma, to travel expenses of state lawmakers, to questionable environmental regulations. Comprising the team are Amy Lester, Jennifer Loren, and Alex Cameron. Lester is an Oklahoma City-based reporter, who has been widely recognized for her detailed and incisive investigations at the State Capitol. Loren, based in Tulsa, is an award-winning reporter with a passion for uncovering corruption and holding public officials accountable. Cameron, the head of the team, is a veteran reporter, driven to empower citizens through education. OIT reports air statewide on News9, Newson6, CW-19 and the Radio Oklahoma Network.

Ramòn Chávez, a journalism professor at the University of Oklahoma Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication and the Oklahoma Institute for Diversity in Journalism was honored with the Teacher of the Year award.

A former city editor at the El Paso Herald-Post, a former student who nominated Chavez wrote that his unique blend of humor, passion and stage presence reach students in deep, personal ways.

Chavez worked as a reporter at the Seattle Times and the Yakima Herald-Republic, the Albuquerque Tribune, the Miami Herald and the Sioux Falls Argus Leader. He is a two-time winner of teaching awards from the

Poynter Institute for Media Studies and has taught at San José State

University, the University of Texas at El Paso, the University of Colorado, and at the University of South Dakota, where he served as chairman of the journalism department.

Chavez's teaching and research interests include writing, editing, ethics, history, the ethnic press, and multi-cultural communication.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Newsletter: first, Lisa Tullier and Shari Hawkins, The Connection, Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation; second, Ben Davis, Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation; third, Oklahoma Department of Transportation; honorable mention, Laura Knoll, KGOU.

Promotional Material: first, Adam Cohen and Jenny Lee, OMRF; second, Rose State College PR/Marketing; third, Marie Kadavy, Northwestern Foundation, Inc.; honorable mention, Lance Meek, Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation.

Annual Report: first, Kinsey Crocker, Anglin Public Relations; second, Scott McNeill, J. Adam Calaway, Broderick Stearns, Jackie Kelley and Kathleen Shannon, The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation; third, Rose State College PR/Marketing; honorable mention, Adam Cohen and Jenny Lee, OMRF.

Press Release Writing: first, Oklahoma Department of Transportation; second, Kinsey Crocker, Anglin Public Relations; third, Greg Elwell, OMRF; honorable mention, Heather Sarles, Otoe-Missouria Tribe.

General Writing: first, J. Adam Calaway, The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation; second, Shari Hawkins and Adam Cohen, Findings, OMRF; third, Natasha Goodell, Pulse Alumni Magazine; honorable mention, Nancy Hermann, Intermission, Tulsa Performing Arts Center.

PR Publication Cover: first, Scott McNeill, Broderick Stearns and Doug McAbee, The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation; second and third, Oklahoma Tourism & Recreation Department; honorable mention,

Katy Livingston, Nancy Hermann and Nancy Bizjack, Intermission, Tulsa Performing Arts Center.

Best PR Publication: first, Oklahoma HUMANITIES Magazine; second, J. Adam Calaway, Scott McNeill, Broderick Stearns, Doug McAbee and Jackie Kelley, The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation; third, The Magazine of Oklahoma City University School of Law, Damon Gardenhire, Nathan Gunter and Whitney Porch; honorable mention, Andrea Crews, Greg Summers, Micah Holmes, Ben Davis and Daniel Griffith, Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation.

RADIO

General News Reporting: first, Logan Layden, KGOU; second, David Meyer, KCCU; third, Michael Cross, KOSU; honorable mention, Ted Riley, KCCU.

Sports Reporting: first, John McGuire, KOSU; second, David Meyer, KCCU; third, Brian Hardzinski, KGOU.

Feature: first, Joe Wertz and Jim Johnson, KGOU; second, David Meyer, KCCU; third, Kurt Gwartney, KGOU; honorable mention, Michael Dean, Oklahoma Historical Society.

Investigative Reporting: first, Michael Cross, KOSU; second, Gail Banzet, KOSU.

Election Reporting: first, Michael Cross, KOSU; second, David Meyer, KCCU; third, David Meyer and Kurt Gwartney, KGOU/KCCU.

Interview/Talk Show: first, Ted Riley, KCCU; second, Brian Hardzinski, Zach Messitte, Joshua Landis, Suzette Grillot and Mike Boettcher, KGOU; third, Kurt Gwartney, KGOU; honorable mention, Brian Hardzinski, Zach Messitte, Joshua Landis, Suzette Grillot and Scott Gurian, KGOU.

Newscast: first, John Durkee, KWGS-FM; second, Kurt Gwartney, KGOU; third, Brian Hardzinski, KGOU.

Best Reporting Portfolio: first, David Meyer, KCCU; second, Michael Cross, KOSU; third, Gail Banzet, KOSU; honorable mention, Brian Hardzinski, KGOU.

TELEVISION

General News Reporting: first, Craig Day and Todd Ruffin, KOTV; second, Russ McCaskey and Johnny Thomason, KJRH-TV; third, Noah Geld and Deana Silk, KJRH-TV; honorable mention, Bob Sands and Aaron Byrd, OETA.

Spot News: first, Mike Morgan, Jim Gardner, Cody Crouch, Marika Lorraine and Travis Shutton, KFOR-TV; second, Mason Dunn, Ken Kilbourn, Adrianna Iwasinski, Greg Blackwood, Kirsten McIntrye, Ed Murray and Kelly Ogle, KWTV; third, Darren Brown and David D. Young, KWTV.

Special Program, Documentary or Series: first, Rich Fuller, Darrin Hill, Blake Podhajsky and Steven Webber, Outdoor Oklahoma; second, Bryan Eckert, Mark McBride, LeAnne Taylor and Amy McRee, KWTV/KOTV; third, Christi Mitchell, Bill Perry, Dave Tamez, Boots Kennedye, Randy Hayes, Collin Fowler, Leon Smith, Jeff Morava, Chuck Dutrow and Joel Beasley, OETA; honorable mention, Mickie Smith, Jessi Crino and Dick Pryor, OETA.

Feature: first, Toby Rowland, KWTV; second, Joleen Chaney, KFOR-TV; third, Noah Geld and Deana Silk, KJRH; honorable mention, Meg Corn, KSBI.

Human Interest: first, Meg Alexander and Joe Busch, KFOR; second, Lance West and Kevin Josefy, KFOR; third, Craig Day and Bobby Cox, KOTV; honorable mention, Rusty Surette and Brandon Mowry, KWTV.

Investigative Reporting: first, Amanda Taylor, Rich Kriegel and Courtney Clevenger, KWTW; second, Rusty Surette, Brandon Mowry, Gan Matthews and Bo Turner, KWTW; third, Anita Blanton, KOCO.

Sports Reporting: first, Ed Murray and David D. Young, KWTW; second, Toby Rowland and Steve McGehee, KWTW; third, OK Sports Wrap, KSBI.

Weather Reporting: first, Gary A. England, Michael Armstrong, Kelly Ogle, Mason Dunn and Jed Castles, KWTW; second, Chris Cordt, Marla Carter, Dan Threlkeld, Brian Voris, Jason Grubbs and Al Jerkens, KJRH.

Consumer Reporting: first, Amanda Taylor, Rich Kriegel and Courtney Clevenger, KWTW; second, Amanda Taylor, Rich Kriegel and Courtney Clevenger, KWTW; third, Lance West and Joe Busch, KFOR.

In-Depth Enterprise Reporting: first, Amy Lester and Greg Blackwood, KWTW; second, Cathy Tatom and Edwin Wilson, OETA.

Criminal Justice Reporting: first, Christi Mitchell, OETA; second, Rusty Surette and Brandon Mowry, KWTW; third, Joleen Chaney, KFOR; honorable mention, Breanne Palmerini and Daniel Thomas, KJRH.

Election Reporting: first, OETA; second, Justin Wilfon, KJRH; third, Lori Rasmussen and Pius Mburu, OETA.

Government Reporting: first, Ali Meyer and Joe Busch, KFOR; second, Amy Lester and Greg Blackwood, KWTW; third, Lori Rasmussen, Bob Sands, Cathy Tatom, Aaron Byrd, Pius Mburu and Tim Carson, OETA.

Health Reporting: first, Anita Blanton, KOCO; second, Joe Busch and Linda Cavanaugh, KFOR; third, Kirsten McIntyre and Kasi Kennedy, KWTW.

Diversity Coverage: first, Anita Blanton, KOCO.

Video Editing: first, Christi Mitchell, OETA; second, Brandon Mowry, KWTW; third, Brandon Mowry, KWTW.

Newscast: first, Kelly Ogle, Amanda Taylor, Katie den Daas and Dan Klopfenstein, KWTW; second, Chris Cordt, Marla Carter, Dan Threlkeld, Brian Voris, Jason Grubbs and Al Jerkens, KJRH; third, OETA Oklahoma News Report, OETA.

Videography: first, Brandon Mowry, KWTW; second, Brandon Mowry, KWTW; third, David D. Young, KWTW; honorable mention, David D. Young, KWTW.

Best Reporting Portfolio: first, Amy Lester, KWTW; second, Lance West, KFOR-TV; third, Rusty Surette, KWTW; honorable mention, Craig Day, KOTV.

Best Video Portfolio: first, Kasi Kennedy, KWTW; second, Brandon Mowry, KWTW; third, David D. Young, KWTW; honorable mention, Daniel Lapham, OETA.

ONLINE

Online Writing: first, Karlie Tipton, Routes; second, Charles Ward, OUDaily.com.

Breaking News Coverage: first, Tulsa World.

Special Report/Enterprise: first, Matt Baker and Mike Maddox, Tulsa World; second, Joy Jenkins, Jim Langdon, Katy Livingston, Andy Wheeler and Ben Goodman, TulsaPeople.

Blog: first, Mike Strain, Tulsa World; second, Matt Cauthron, TulsaPeople; third, Wayne Greene, Tulsa World.

Multimedia: first, Matt Patterson, The Oklahoman; second, Susan Simpson, The Oklahoman; third, Jenefar DeLeon, Todd Pendleton, Paige Dillard, Grayson Cook, Nick Tankersely and Linda Lynn, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, Hailey Branson-Potts, Routes.

Video Journalism: first and second, Adam Wisneski, Tulsa World.

Slideshow: first, Sarah Phipps, The Oklahoman; second, John Clanton, The Oklahoman.

Web Design: first, Jenny Lee, Shari Hawkins and Danny Smith, OMRF; second, Damon Gardenhire, Nathan Gunter and Vu Nguyen, Oklahoma City University School of Law; third, CapitolBeatOK.com, CapitolBeatOK; honorable mention, Tulsa World, Tulsa World.

Online Community Engagement: first, Oklahoma City Thunder, Dan Mahoney, Oklahoma City Thunder; second, TulsaWorld.com, Tulsa World.

Best News Website: first, NewsOK.com; second, TulsaWorld.com; third, TulsaPeople.com; honorable mention, CapitolBeatOK.com.

Best Company/Org Website: first, Damon Gardenhire, Nathan Gunter and Vu Nguyen, Oklahoma City University School of Law; second, Oklahoma City Thunder, Ron Matthews, Thunder.nba.com.

MAGAZINE

Feature Writing: first, Oklahoma City Thunder, Chris Silva, Thunder Magazine; second, Ben Fenwick, Oklahoma Today; third, Kent Anderson, OKC Downtown Monthly.

News Writing: first, Joy Jenkins, Andrea Leitch and Morgan Phillips, TulsaPeople; second, Joy Jenkins, Kayte Spillman and Kristi Eaton, TulsaPeople; third, Heidi Rambo Centrella and Kelley Chambers, OKCBiz/Tierra Media Group; honorable mention, Sarah Clough Chambers, OKCBiz/Tierra Media Group.

Column Writing: first, Patrick B. McGuigan, Perspective Magazine; second, Oklahoma Today; third, Oklahoma Today.

Profile: first, Brian McDowell, TulsaPeople; second, Oklahoma Today; third, Rod Lott, OKCBiz/Tierra Media Group; honorable mention, Kent Anderson, Slice Magazine.

Reader Service: first, Michael Bergin, Outdoor Oklahoma Magazine; second, Oklahoma Today; third, OKCBiz/Tierra Media Group; honorable mention, Reina Owens, NCommon Magazine.

Feature Photography: first, K.O. Rinearson, Edmond Monthly; second, Shannon Cornman, OKCBiz/Tierra Media Group; third, Oklahoma Today; honorable mention, Michael Cooper, This Land.

Photo Story/Essay: first, Oklahoma Today; second, Oklahoma Today; third, Michael Bergin, Outdoor Oklahoma Magazine; honorable mention, Kevin Paul, Nichols Hills News.

General Photography: first, Tony Stizza, Slice Magazine; second, Dennis Leach, This Land; third, Michael Cooper, This Land; honorable mention, K.O. Rinearson, OKC Downtown Monthly.

Page Design: first, OKCBiz/Tierra Media Group; second, Scott O'Daniel, NW Style; third, Scott O'Daniel, OKC Downtown Monthly; honorable mention, Jessica Epperson, Norman Living.

Illustration/Graphic: first, Brad Gregg, OKCBiz/Tierra Media Group.

Cover: first, K.O. Rinearson and Scott O'Daniel, OKC Downtown Monthly; second, Scott O'Daniel, OKC Downtown Monthly; third, Jen Hoppa and Katy Livingston, Bartlesville Magazine.

Best Reporting Portfolio: first, Joy Jenkins, TulsaPeople; second, Oklahoma Today; third, Kristi Eaton, TulsaPeople; honorable mention, Kelley Chambers, OKCBiz/Tierra Media Group.

Best Magazine: first, TulsaPeople; second, Michael Mason, This Land.

NEWSPAPER – DIVISION A, circulation 25,000 and up

Investigative Reporting by an Individual: first, Omer Gillham, Tulsa World; second, Michael Baker, The Oklahoman; third, Nolan Clay, The Oklahoman.

Investigative Reporting by a Team: first, Ginnie Graham, Gavin Off, Michael Overall, Sonya Colberg, Paul Monies, Ann Kelley and Vallery Brown, Tulsa World; second, Omer Gillham, Curtis Killman and Gavin Off, Tulsa World; third, Michael Baker, Vallery Brown, John Estus and Paul Monies, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, John Estus, Paul Monies and Brian Dean, The Oklahoman.

In-Depth Enterprise by an Individual: first, Nolan Clay, The Oklahoman; second, Mike Averill, Tulsa World; third, Ann Kelley, The Oklahoman.

In-Depth Enterprise by a Team: first, Erik Tryggestad, Bobby Ross Jr., Lynn McMillon, Amanda Jordan and Joy McMillon, The Christian

Chronicle; second, Kim Archer and Gavin Off, Tulsa World; third, Ginnie Graham and Mike Averill, Tulsa World.

Government Reporting: first, Scott Cooper, Ben Fenwick and Grant Slater, Oklahoma Gazette.

second, Sean Murphy and Tim Talley, The Associated Press; third, P.J. Lassek and Brian Barber, Tulsa World.

Election Reporting: first, Scott Cooper, Oklahoma Gazette; second, Sean Murphy, The Associated Press; third, Ken Raymond and John Estus, The Oklahoman.

Spot News: first, The Oklahoman; second, Michael Overall, Jerry Wofford, Michael Smith and James D. Watts Jr., Tulsa World; third, Ken Raymond, The Oklahoman.

Feature Writing: first, Justin Juozapavicius, The Associated Press; second, Ron Jackson, The Oklahoman; third, Ken Raymond, The Oklahoman.

Personal Column: first, Brandon Dutcher, Oklahoma Council of Public Affairs; second, John Stancavage, Tulsa World; third, Ginnie Graham, Tulsa World; honorable mention, Lillie-Beth Brinkman, The Oklahoman.

Editorial/Commentary: first, Nathan Gunter, Oklahoma Gazette; second, Wayne Greene, Tulsa World; third, Bill Bleakley, Oklahoma Gazette; honorable mention, Erik Tryggstad, The Christian Chronicle.

General News Reporting: first, Ken Raymond, The Oklahoman; second, Justin Juozapavicius, The Associated Press; third, Michael Baker, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, Michael Baker, The Oklahoman.

Special Project: first, Tulsa World Sports Staff; second, Tulsa World; third, Tulsa World Business Staff.

Criminal Justice Reporting: first, Scott Cooper, Oklahoma Gazette; second, Michael Baker, The Oklahoman; third, Michael Kimball, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, Bobby Ross Jr., The Christian Chronicle.

Diversity Coverage: first, Rob Collins, Oklahoma Gazette; second, Jenni Carlson, The Oklahoman; third, Vallery Brown, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, Ginnie Graham, Tulsa World.

Education Reporting: first, Vallery Brown and Julie Bisbee, The Oklahoman; second, Sara Plummer, Tulsa World; third, Andrea Eger and Gavin Off, Tulsa World; honorable mention, Shannon Muchmore, Tulsa World.

Health Reporting: first, Kim Archer and Rhett Morgan, Tulsa World; second, Sonya Colberg, The Oklahoman; third, Cary Aspinwall, Tulsa World.

Science, Technology & Environmental Reporting: first, Hailey Branson-Potts, The Oklahoman; second, Murray Evans, The Associated Press; third, Ted Parks, The Christian Chronicle.

Business Reporting: first, D.R. Stewart, Tulsa World; second, Scott Cooper and Ben Fenwick, Oklahoma Gazette; third, Bryan Painter, The Oklahoman.

Business Feature: first, Natalie Mikles, Tulsa World; second, Robert Evatt, Tulsa World.

Entertainment Feature: first, Rob Collins, Oklahoma Gazette; second, Cary Aspinwall, Tulsa World; third, Becky Carman, Oklahoma Gazette; honorable mention, Gene Triplett, The Oklahoman.

Arts Criticism: first, Rod Lott, Oklahoma Gazette; second, Kim Brown, Tulsa World; third, Michael Smith, Tulsa World.

Leisure Writing: first, Ben Fenwick, Oklahoma Gazette; second, Rod Lott, Oklahoma Gazette; third, Dave Cathey, The Oklahoman.

Sports Reporting: first, Jenni Carlson, The Oklahoman; second, Susan Hylton and Bill Haisten, Tulsa World; third, Jake Trotter, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, Bill Haisten, Tulsa World.

Sports Feature: first, Matt Baker, Tulsa World; second, Luke Atkinson, Oklahoma Gazette; third, Darnell Mayberry, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, Bobby Ross Jr., The Christian Chronicle.

Sports Column: first, Jimmie Tramel, Tulsa World; second, Jimmie Tramel, Tulsa World; third, Berry Tramel, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, Jenni Carlson, The Oklahoman.

Feature Photography: first, Mike Simons, Tulsa World; second, Cory Young, Tulsa World; third, Nate Billings, The Oklahoman.

Sports Photography: first, Bryan Terry, The Oklahoman; second, Nate Billings, The Oklahoman; third, Chris Landsberger, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, Stephen Pingry, Tulsa World.

General Photography: first, Sarah Phipps, The Oklahoman; second, John Clanton, The Oklahoman; third, Matt Barnard, Tulsa World; honorable mention, Cory Young, Tulsa World.

Story/Photo Essay: first, Adam Wisneski, Tulsa World; second, Mike Simons, Tulsa World.

Spot News Photography: first, Paul Hellstern, The Oklahoman; second, Matt Barnard, Tulsa World; third, Mike Simons, Tulsa World.

Best Photographic Portfolio: first, Sarah Phipps, The Oklahoman; second, Mike Simons, Tulsa World; third, Nate Billings, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, Chris Landsberger, The Oklahoman.

Page One Layout and Design: first, Tim Chamberlin and Robert Neal, Tulsa World; second, Tim Chamberlin and Steve Reckinger, Tulsa World; third, Caroline Duke, The Oklahoman.

Feature Page Layout and Design: first, Matt Clayton, The Oklahoman; second, Chris Schoelen and Todd Pendleton, The Oklahoman; third, Matt Clayton, The Oklahoman.

Use of Graphic Illustration: first, Todd Pendleton, The Oklahoman; second, Steve Boaldin and Todd Pendleton, The Oklahoman; third, Susan Cyrus, Tulsa World; honorable mention, Steve Weigl, Oklahoma Gazette.

Headlines: first, Amanda Fite, Tulsa World; second, Pat Gilliland, The Oklahoman; third, Tom Maupin, The Oklahoman; honorable mention, Dave Cathey, The Oklahoman.

Best Reporting Portfolio: first, Michael Overall, Tulsa World; second, Erik Tryggestad, The Christian Chronicle; third, Scott Cooper, Oklahoma Gazette; honorable mention, Ginnie Graham, Tulsa World.

Best Newspaper: first, Tulsa World; second, Oklahoma Gazette; third, The Oklahoman.

NEWSPAPER DIVISION B, circulation less than 25,000

Investigative Reporting by an Individual: first and second, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record.

In-Depth Enterprise by an Individual: first, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record; second, Johnna Ray, The Shawnee News-Star; third, Debi DeSilver Terry, The Express-Star; honorable mention, Tyler Silvy, The Daily O'Collegian.

In-Depth Enterprise by a Team: first, Ethan Hendricks and Whitney Knight, Pioneer; second, Rachel Petersen, Leo Kelley, James Beaty, MJ Brickey, Amy Johns, Kevin Harvison and Kandra Wells, McAlester News-Capital; third, Hailey Branson-Potts, Meredith Moriak and Charles Ward, The Oklahoma Daily.

Government Reporting: first and third, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record; second, Jeanne Grimes, The Express-Star.

Election Reporting: first, Debi DeSilver Terry, The Express-Star; second, third and honorable mention, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record; honorable mention.

Spot News: first and third, John A. Small, Johnston Co. Capital-Democrat; second, Gloria Trotter, The Countywide & Sun; honorable mention, O'Collegian Staff, The Daily O'Collegian.

Feature Writing: first, April Wilkerson, The Journal Record; second and third, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record; honorable mention, Whitney Knight, Pioneer.

Personal Column: first, Patrick B. McGuigan, The City Sentinel; second and third, John A. Small, Johnston County Capital-Democrat; honorable mention, Ray Lokey, Johnston County Capital-Democrat.

Editorial/Commentary: first, Patrick B. McGuigan, The City Sentinel; second, Mike McCormick, The Shawnee News-Star; third, Ray Lokey, Johnston Co. Capital-Democrat.

General News Reporting: first, Rachel Petersen, McAlester News-Capital; second, Brianna Bailey, The Journal Record; third, Rachel Petersen, McAlester News-Capital; honorable mention, John A. Small, Johnston Co. Capital-Democrat.

Criminal Justice Reporting: first, Brianna Bailey, The Journal Record; second, Ricky Maranon, The Oklahoma Daily; third, Rachel Petersen, McAlester News-Capital.

Diversity Coverage: first, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record; second, Charles Ward, The Oklahoma Daily; third, Patrick B. McGuigan and Stacy Martin, The City Sentinel.

Education Reporting: first, Holly Wall, Tulsa Business Journal; second, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record; third, Patrick B. McGuigan, The City Sentinel; honorable mention, Patrick B. McGuigan and Stacy Martin, The City Sentinel.

Health Reporting: first, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record; second, April Wilkerson, The Journal Record; third, Stacy Martin, The City Sentinel.

Science, Technology & Environmental Reporting: first and second, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record; third, April Wilkerson, The Journal Record.

Business Reporting: first, Stacy Martin, The City Sentinel; second, Holly Wall, Tulsa Business Journal; third, Charles Ward, The Oklahoma Daily.

Business Feature: first and honorable mention, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record; second, April Wilkerson, The Journal Record; third, James Beaty, McAlester News-Capital; honorable mention.

Entertainment Feature: first, Nathan Poppe, The Daily O'Collegian; second, Joshua Boydston, The Oklahoma Daily; third, James Beaty, McAlester News-Capital; honorable mention, Alex Ewald, The Oklahoma Daily.

Arts Criticism: first, James Beaty, McAlester News-Capital; second, Danniell Parker, OCCC Pioneer.

Sports Reporting: first, Charles Ward, The Oklahoma Daily; second, Patrick B. McGuigan, The City Sentinel.

Sports Feature: first, Ryan Stewart, The Daily O'Collegian; second, Charles Ward, The Oklahoma Daily; third, Lenzy Krehbiel-Burton, Bristow News and Record-Citizen; honorable mention, Adam Kemp, The Daily O'Collegian.

Sports Column: first, Kevin Harvison, McAlester News-Capital; second, Jayson Knight, McAlester News-Capital.

Feature Photography: first, Kevin Harvison, McAlester News-Capital.

Sports Photography: first, Ed Blochowiak, The Shawnee News-Star; second and third, Kevin Harvison, McAlester News-Capital; honorable mention, Katy Reynolds, Northwestern News.

General Photography: first, Kevin Harvison, McAlester News-Capital; second, Robin Dorner-Townsend, The City Sentinel; third, Valarie Case, Northwestern News.

Story/Photo Essay: first, Robin Dorner-Townsend, The City Sentinel; second, Kevin Harvison, McAlester News-Capital; third, Patrick B. McGuigan, The City Sentinel.

Spot News Photo: first and third, Kevin Harvison, McAlester News-Capital; second, Debi DeSilver Terry, The Express-Star.

Best Photo Portfolio: first, Kevin Harvison, McAlester News-Capital.

Page One Layout and Design: first, Crystal Herber, Northwestern News, Northwestern News; second, Lee Vincent, The City Sentinel; third, Kathryn Clark, The Daily O'Collegian.

Feature Page Layout and Design: first, Amanda Alfanos, The Campus; second, Kandra Wells, McAlester News-Capital; third, Charles G. Burns, Northwestern News.

Use of Graphic Illustration: first, Tanner Mark Yeomans, Northwestern News.

Headlines: first, Tanner Mark Yeomans, Northwestern News; second, Brandi Bunch, The Southeastern.

Best Reporting Portfolio: first, M. Scott Carter, The Journal Record; second, Johnna Ray, The Shawnee News-Star; third, Stacy Martin, The City Sentinel.

Best Newspaper: first, The Countywide & Sun; second, The City Sentinel; third, Tulsa Business Journal; honorable mention, The Bigheart Times.