Oconee Heritage Center announces Outdoors Photo Contest winners

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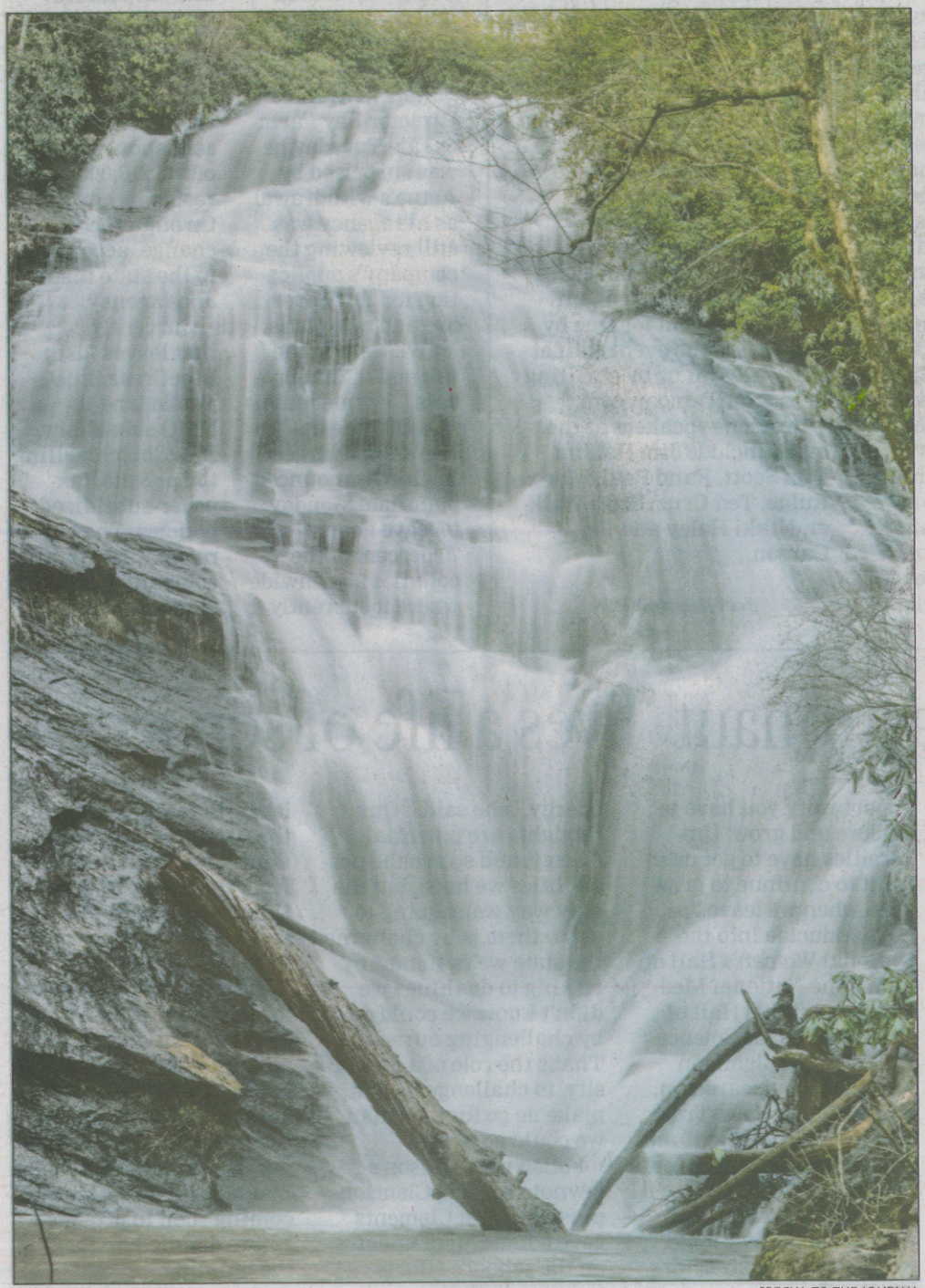
WALHALLA — Russell Carlson's submission "King Creek Falls" took top honors in the Oconee Heritage Center's 2016 Oconee Outdoors Photo Contest. The winners were announced Saturday by OHC.

Kara Johnson's photo "The Magic of Lake Becky" took second place, while Matt Robinson's "Golden" garnered third place.

Johnson's "The Magic of Lake Becky" also won the People's Choice Award, which was voted on by the public through Facebook and in person at the Oconee Heritage Center.

A panel of local dignitaries and photography experts determined first, second and third places. Judges were asked to award points for composition, creativity and relevancy to the Oconee outdoors theme.

Photographers were asked to submit photographs that exhibit the "exquisite character of Oconee County's outdoor life," according to a news release from OHC.



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Russell Carlson's "King Creek Falls" garnered first place in the Oconee Heritage Center's 2016 Oconee Outdoors Photo Contest. The second- and third-place photos will appear in future editions of The Journal.