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Excerpts from Thanksgiving columns from around the country



"Locally, I have seen residents unite to prepare and recover from hurricanes over and over again. Not only that, but this community has often opened its doors to other communities wracked by hurricanes' death and destruction.

"Imagine if people approached hurricanes the same way they approach COVID-19. 'Hurricanes happen every year; what's the big deal?' 'No need to prepare; it's just the liberal media trying to scare us again.' 'Hurricane death rates are miniscule; they are no worse than the flu.' 'That Democratic governor can't tell me to evacuate.' ...

"I'm not having Thanksgiving dinner with Mom and other family members this year not because I don't love them but because I do." -- **Keith Magill, executive editor, Houma (Louisiana) Today.** [READ MORE](#)

"This has not been the easiest year to find things to be thankful for, but we still found some bright spots. As we prepare for Thanksgiving 2020, members of The Daily Advertiser newsroom share what they're thankful for — big or small." -- **The Daily Advertiser, Lafayette, Louisiana** [READ MORE](#)

Remaining thankful: Readers share their holiday plans --**The Roanoke Times** [READ MORE](#)

"This week as Americans we celebrate Thanksgiving again. Many of our prayers remain the same: for providence, wisdom, gratitude, protection, mercy, peace, harmony, tranquility and union. And that is good, because a people that prays together — in their own ways— for such vital things is stronger because of it." -- **Jon K. Rust, publisher, Southeast Missourian** [READ MORE](#)

"I realize 2020 has been a large pile of unpleasant stuffing for the most part, but allow me to take a minute to tell you about some of the things I appreciate. ... Newspapers: Shameless plug, but newspapers are still one of the best bargains in history. We give you local sports and news, national and world news, incredible photos, comics, puzzles and weather, and all for about the cost of a soft drink each day. Don't whine about having to pay to read stories online, either. You aren't paying for news. You're paying (a paltry amount) so the dedicated folks who sell ads, write stories, edit stories, take photos, design pages and then deliver the newspaper to your door or your computer 365 days a year can pay their bills and maybe even support your business." **Jack Stallard, sports editor, Longview (Texas) News-Journal** [READ MORE](#)



**Happy Thanksgiving from the staff
at America's Newspapers!**

Local Journalism Sustainability Act

Your continued efforts are paying off!

In October and November, 13 representatives from six states added their names to the list of cosponsors of H.R. 7640, the Local Journalism Sustainability Act, bringing the total to 78. America's Newspapers is asking members to continue reaching out to their legislators to ask them for their support of this important bill.

CEO Dean Ridings says: "We are seeing support for the tenets of this legislation continue to grow."



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Industry appointments

New reporters join The News to help tell Greenville's story

Greenville News

Steve Bruss, executive editor of The Greenville News in South Carolina, says the paper now has 11 full-time reporters in Greenville covering the community. "If you

include our newsrooms in Anderson and Spartanburg, across news and sports we have more than 30 reporters and photojournalists covering our corner of South Carolina."

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Opinion: Missourians deserve open government

An opinion column published yesterday in The Missouri Times is calling on the state legislature to ensure open and transparent government by enabling Missourians to join hearings virtually. "The legislature is not exempt from needing to change with the times and the reality of the pandemic," the column states.

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Scripps Howard Awards to accept entries for 2020 journalism starting Dec. 1

With an aim to recognize more impactful local reporting, a new subcategory is being introduced this year within the Investigative Reporting category: Investigative Journalism Local/Regional, honoring news organizations that address a region- or market-specific issue.

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