



America's  Newspapers  
**SENIOR LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE**  
THE ROOSEVELT HOTEL | NEW ORLEANS, LA

*Conference Agenda: Subject to change*

**Sunday, October 16**

- 3-5 p.m. America's Newspapers Board of Directors Meeting
- 6-7 p.m. **OPENING RECEPTION**

**Monday, October 17**

- 8-9 a.m. **BREAKFAST** (Foyer)  
*Sponsored by The Daily Wire*
- 9-4:30 p.m. **GENERAL SESSION**
- 9-9:30 a.m. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**  
**Nat Lea**, president, America's Newspapers  
President and CEO, WEHCO Media
- THE STATE OF LOCAL NEWSPAPERS:  
WHAT ADVERTISERS REALLY THINK**  
**Gordon Borrell**, CEO, Borrell Associates
- Borrell will unveil the results of Year Two of this critical research on local advertising markets. Learn how local newspaper advertisers feel about the effectiveness of their advertising and future spending plans. Inform your strategy for identifying targets to grow your business.*
- 9:30-10:15 a.m. **A FOCUS ON REVENUE, Part 1**  
**A REVENUE PLAN FOR THE FUTURE:  
WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE?**  
**Discussion leaders:**  
**Alan Fisco**, president and CFO, The Seattle Times Company  
**Cameron Nutting Williams**, regional publisher and CRO,  
Ogden Newspapers  
**Bob Woodward**, publisher, TH Media/Telegraph Herald, and vice  
president, Woodward Communications

*The discussion will be prompted by survey questions.*

10:15-10:45 a.m.

**BREAK WITH SPONSORS**

10:45-11:30 a.m.

**DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION**

**Speakers to be announced**

11:30-11:45 a.m.

**ADVOCACY UPDATE**

**Danielle Coffey**, EVP/general counsel, News/Media Alliance

**Dean Ridings**, CEO, America's Newspapers

*An update on the latest advocacy issues*

11:45 a.m. -

**SOLUTIONS PARTNER SHOWCASE**

12:15 p.m.

*Two successful case studies from newspapers working directly with our Solutions Partners. Learn what's working for them and how new technologies and programs can translate to revenue or efficiencies for your organization.*

12:15-1:45 p.m.

**AWARDS LUNCH**

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**PRESENTATION OF THE E&P PUBLISHER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Announced by:

**Mike Blinder**, publisher, Editor & Publisher

**PRESENTATION OF THE INLAND LEADERSHIP AWARD**

Announced by:

**Marc Wilson**, chairman emeritus, TownNews

**PRESENTATION OF THE CARMAGE WALLS COMMENTARY PRIZE**

Announced by:

**Lissa Walls Cribb**, CEO, Southern Newspapers, Inc.

**PRESENTATION OF THE FRANK W. MAYBORN LEADERSHIP AWARD**

Announced by:

**Nat Lea**, president and CEO, WEHCO Media

1:45-2:30 p.m.

**LIFE IN COMMUNITY MARKETS**

**Discussion leaders:**

**Jeremy Gulban**, CEO, CherryRoad Media, Inc.

**James Paxton**, president and CEO, Paxton Media Group

**Heidi Wright**, COO, EO Media Group/The Bulletin

*CEOs from smaller community newspaper markets discuss how they are responding to the changing market dynamics and economic challenges,*

how these changes differ from larger markets and what the industry overall can learn from their efforts.

2:45-3:15 p.m.

### SOLUTIONS PARTNER SHOWCASE

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3:15-3:45 p.m.

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3:45-4:30 p.m. **A FOCUS ON REVENUE, Part 2**  
**REVENUE EVOLUTION**  
**Discussion leaders:**  
**Beth Bowers**, senior director, revenue, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution  
**Paul Kasbohm**, CRO/SVP, StarTribune, Minneapolis  
**Nancy Meyer**, president and publisher, Houston Chronicle

*Newspapers of all sizes are diversifying their revenue from the traditional print and digital efforts. From video production to events and other non-traditional programs, this session will focus on the ones that are working and how newspapers of all sizes can make it happen.*

5-5:15 p.m. **TRANSPORTATION TO MARDI GRAS WORLD**

5:30-7 p.m. **RECEPTION AT MARDI GRAS WORLD**

**DINNER ON YOUR OWN**

## **Tuesday, October 18**

8-9 a.m. **BREAKFAST** (Foyer)

9 a.m. - Noon **GENERAL SESSION**

9-9:15 a.m. **AMERICA'S NEWSPAPERS BUSINESS MEETING**  
Election of Officers and Directors

9:15-10 a.m. **DEALING WITH THE ECONOMIC CHALLENGES**  
**Discussion leaders:**  
**Brad Ward**, CEO, TownNews  
**Francis Wick**, CEO, Wick Communications

*2022 has brought a fresh set of economic obstacles to newspapers, following what were already challenging years. This discussion will focus on how newspapers are dealing with increases in raw materials, rising distribution costs, labor shortages, recruiting difficulties and other operational factors impacting the business. Ideas generated by this session alone should pay for the cost of the meeting.*

10:15-10:45 a.m. **SOLUTIONS PARTNER SHOWCASE**

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10:45-11:15 a.m.	<b>REFRESHMENT BREAK WITH SPONSORS</b>
11:15 a.m.-Noon	<p><b>CHALLENGES IN HIRING AND RETAINING NEWSROOM EMPLOYEES</b>  <b>PJ Browning</b>, publisher, The Post and Courier, Charleston  <b>Mark Lane</b>, president, WEHCO Newspapers</p> <p><i>Most every newspaper is challenged in recruiting and retaining newsroom talent. How do we change the landscape?</i></p>
Noon	<b>LUNCH ON YOUR OWN</b>
1:30-4 p.m.	<b>BONUS SESSION AT THE OFFICES OF THE TIMES-PICAYUNE</b>
1:30-2:30 p.m.	<p><b>TRACK 1:</b>  <b>BRANDING CHALLENGES &amp; OPPORTUNITIES</b></p> <p><b>TRACK 2:</b>  <b>CREATING DIGITAL SALES EXPERTS</b></p>
2:30-3 p.m.	<p><b>TRACK 1:</b>  <b>NEWSLETTER SPRINTS</b></p> <p><b>TRACK 2:</b>  <b>EVOLVING DIGITAL PRODUCT PORTFOLIO</b></p>
3-4 p.m.	<b>LEVERAGING YOUR LOCAL CULTURE TO DRIVE REVENUE</b>
4-5 p.m.	<b>CLOSING RECEPTION</b>