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# Iowa Newspaper Association Bulletin

president's report

### C.N.A. send \$3.3 million to Iowa newspapers

### **BECKY MAXWELL**

2018 INA SERVICES COMPANY PRESIDENT CENTERVILLE DAILY IOWEGIAN

he mission of the INA Services Company is to advance the economic well-being of Iowa newspaper enterprises primarily through, research, promotion and advertising sales. INA Services Company does business under the branded name Customized Newspaper Advertising, CNA. The team at CNA, is driven to increase sales, manage expenses and provide excellent customer service to members and clients. The team works as an extension of your sales staff as a member newspaper of the Iowa Newspaper Association.

In 2019, Customized Newspaper Advertising ended the year with total gross sales of \$7,146,488. This number includes sales into Iowa, Wisconsin, and other states' newspapers, digital advertising, classified and small space display network advertising.

Display advertising, defined as advertising that is placed by CNA staff into print or digital newspaper products across the state or country totaled \$6,155,615. This includes more than \$3.3 million sent specifically to Iowa newspapers, which was 11 percent over 2019 budget projections!

National political advertising totaled \$750,000 in 2019 and was placed in several states across the country. Iowa newspapers received more than \$695,000 in political and advocacy advertising this past year. This activity was driven by the Iowa Caucus and political candidates. Moving into 2020, we will continue to see strong sales in this category!

In addition to the success in political advertising, Iowa newspapers had many wins in other categories of display advertising including sales from the Iowa Department of Public Health, Iowa Gambling Program and the Iowa State Fair. Also, the online category continues to grow with 12 percent of all sales into Iowa newspapers in 2019



Becky Maxwell

being placed online and in high impact inventory positions. This category continues to grow as advertisers target hyper-local online readers.

CNA continues to be a leader nationwide in newspaper print and digital sales sending more than \$2.1 million to other states. CNA also continued its

partnership with Wisconsin Newspaper Association and works as their sales arm increasing overall gross sales and commission for CNA.

With all the activity this year, it's also important



### **VISION STATEMENT:**

Customized Newspaper Advertising (CNA) is your smart source for **Print** + **Digital** media planning and placement. We specialize in trusted media options that reach your target.

to mention the support staff at CNA known as the media team. This team is made up of four media buyers including a media director. The media staff collectively placed more than 13,400 orders in 2019 which includes placements for digital, inserts, print and networks. In addition, the CNA team transitioned to a new CRM system that streamlined the network and display department creating a more cohesive processing system.

CNA continues to focus on the classified and small space newspaper networks in Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin. Gross sales into these products totaled \$990,833 in 2019. This is down 22 percent to 2018 sales and down 21 percent to budget. Revenue from these sales primarily support the association in its sales efforts into Iowa Newspapers. This year, the department saw many challenges including staff retention and loss of larger recruitment accounts. In addition, sales

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### CALENDAR of EVENTS

### **EVENTS**

**INA Legislative Reception** *February 5, 2020* Peace Tree Brewing Co.

Iowa Newspaper Association Convention & Trade Show February 5-7, 2020 Des Moines

### **WEBINARS**

The Management Tips of Media Sales Superstars Friday, February 21

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from other press associations continue to decrease and were down by more than 47 percent this year.

Recruitment advertising accounts for 23 percent of all network advertising. With the increase of digital recruitment, CNA continues to see this category decrease in the print networks. However, CNA is now also offering digital products to offset the losses, and this will be a major focus in 2020.

CNA also continued its partnership with the Michigan Press Association in selling and administering the statewide networks of Michigan. Hoosier (IN) State Press Association and Ohio Press Association also provide higher commission for any network sales. CNA will continue to focus on these additional opportunities to drive sales up and keep CNA a national leader in network sales.

More than 250 Iowa newspapers participate in either the classified or small space display networks. Participating newspapers have an opportunity to sell this unique product in their markets and make 50 percent commission on any sale. Sales into the newspaper networks from member newspapers totaled more than \$47,000 in 2019. If your newspaper is interested in joining your colleagues in these programs, visit www.inanews.com/inadownloads.



### FEBRUARY 5, 2020 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

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### **MARRIOTT DETAILS:**

Do you have questions on how to get to the Marriott Hotel for Convention, when to arrive, or what to do when you get there? This should clear it all up.

### PARKING

Valet parking at the hotel is a flat rate of \$25 (plus tax) per night per vehicle. Unlimited in and out privileges are available for overnight guests. For those guests not spending the night, an hourly rate is available.

### Current parking charges are:

0-8 hours - \$13 (plus tax)

8+ hours - \$25 maximum

Oversized vehicles: \$35 (all vehicles 6'3" or higher, these vehicles include but no limited to any work van or passenger van. Chevy 2500 model and up, Ford F-250 (super duty and up), GMC Sierra 2500 and up, Ram 1500 (all except base model), any vehicles with custom lifts.

Des Moines has recently launched a new parking strategy for downtown to manage parking to support area businesses and a changing 24-7 downtown with a mix of uses.

The purpose is to increase available parking in downtown by adding more on-street parking spaces, creating FREE parking areas, and changing rates and expanding times at the parking meters and parking ramps to create a system that is simple and fair for residents, business owners, employees, and visitors. Visit <u>http://www. parkdowntowndesmoines.org/</u> for rates, locations and additional information on city parking.

### **DRIVING DIRECTIONS:**

(The Marriott is on the corner of 7th and Grand Ave.)

### From the North

Take 135 South to 1235 West. Take the 3rd Street exit. Follow 3rd Street until Grand Ave and take a right. Go down Grand Ave just past 7th Street and take a left into the hotel.

#### From the South

Take 135 North to 1235 East. Take the 3rd Street.Exit and turn right. Follow 3rd Street until you come to Grand Ave. Go down Grand Ave just past 7th Street and take a left into the hotel.

#### From the East

Take 180 West to 1235 West. Take the 3rd Street exit. Follow 3rd Street until Grand Ave and take a right. Go down Grand Ave just past 7th Street and take a left into the hotel.

### From the West

Take 180 East to 1235 East. Take the 3rd Street exit and turn right. Follow 3rd Street until you come to Grand Avenue. Go down Grand Ave just past 7th Street and take a left into the hotel.

Check in at the Marriott is 4 p.m. (If you arrive earlier, ask at the first floor bell stand to have your luggage stored.) Check out time is noon.



Find all the details you need for a smooth trip to next week's convention

HOTEL FACILITIES:

Indoor pool, exercise room, gift shop, hair salon/barber shop (by appt only), room service, Rock River Grill and Tavern, Mash & Marrow, skywalk access to many downtown locations.

### **BANQUET TABLE RESERVATION REMINDER!!**

### RESERVATION FEE: \$150

Fee includes two bottles of wine delivered to your table.

Don't want to wait in line or make a mad dash to the closest table when the doors open at the Awards Banquet Friday evening during the INA Convention? Reserve a table today for your group of 10!

Table reservations can not be made during the Convention or just prior to the Awards Banquet. Reservations **MUST** be made in advance.



Tables can only be reserved for groups of ten. If you do not

have a group of ten, feel free to talk to other newspapers to see if you can put together a group of ten. \*Please note that reserving a table does not guarantee a front-row seat. Reserved tables will be scattered throughout the ballroom.

To reserve a table at the Awards Banquet Friday, February 7, 2020 during the 2020 INA Convention, please fill out the form included in this week's Bulletin and return to the INF by **January 30, 2020.** 

\*Completing this form does not register you for the convention; you must also submit a convention registration form.

### **ATTENTION NETWORK PARTICIPANTS**

Please update your bookmarked link to receive your weekly network ads! www.inanews.com/inadownloads

This link also provides media kits and order forms.



### What do I need to know about contracting with carriers as independent contractors?

INA Legal Hotline Attorney Joe Quinn has this advice: "I would recommend that the newspaper have a solid contract clearly identifying the relationship as that of independent contractor. More importantly, they need to actually operate as an independent contractor relationship.

The paper shouldn't control anything but the outcome. The carrier should be responsible for all tools of the trade. If possible the carrier should be responsible for his profit or loss. There are many different entities that may have a stake in whether the carrier is an employee or a contractor such as the IRS or the Department of Labor. This would also include a work comp carrier as it wants to make sure they are charging a premium for a person who may make a claim alleging to be an employee.

One thing the paper might want to do is be sure they are offering insurance coverage as required by lowa Code sec 92.23. This should help support the position that they are truly treating it as an independent contractor relationship.



Do not believe in miracles - rely on them.

### **FREE MEMBER EXCHANGE**

### ▼ HELP WANTED

**COMMUNITY EDITOR.** You're more than an editor. You are the Globe Gazette's "face" in Osage, Iowa. The Globe Gazette seeks an experienced reporter who's ready to be a community leader. This position will be based out of our Mason City office and will cover Mitchell County and its largest community, Osage – including local government, education, public safety and whatever interesting news comes your way.

The successful candidate thrives on independence – they just want to be turned loose on the community to meet new people and find out what's important to our audience there. They'll be skilled at developing sources, sussing out the news from government documents and writing amusing features about people of interest. If you're a journalist who needs institutional reporting for find your stories, this isn't the job for you.

Big, big plus to the person who has done lots of Facebook Lives and has shot their own photos on occasion. Send a resume and five of the clips that best represent what you love to write.

The North Iowa Media Group is a division of Lee Enterprises, a leading provider of high quality, trusted, local news and information, and a major platform for advertising, with daily newspapers, rapidly growing digital products and nearly 300 weekly and specialty publications serving 49 markets in 20 states. Lee's local media organizations generate more than 70 million monthly web visits and have a total circulation of 0.8 million daily and 1.1 million Sunday. Lee's markets include St. Louis, MO; Lincoln, NE; Madison, WI; Davenport, IA; Billings, MT; Bloomington, IL; and Tucson, AZ. Lee Common Stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol LEE. For more information about Lee, please visit www.lee.net. Drug free and Equal Opportunity Employer

- **PART-TIME ADVERTISING SALES REPRESENTATIVE.** The Northwood Anchor and Manly Junction Signal, newspapers in Worth County, are seeking a part time advertising sales representative, with potential for other opportunities. We offer a job with a flexible schedule, working with a small team to support several local communities, their businesses and their newspapers. Questions or resumes may be emailed to kris@nwdanchor.com.
- **SENIOR STAFF WRITER.** The Des Moines Business Record is seeking a full-time journalist to cover economic development in Greater Des Moines. The right candidate will join our experienced staff to lead the Business Record's coverage of the people, issues and trends affecting the business community as the region continues to grow and transform. The position requires a strong writer who can develop a beat and write in-depth analysis pieces on a variety of business topics for our weekly print edition, website, enewsletters and specialty magazines. This person must function with a great deal of autonomy, building sources on his/her beats and managing his/her story schedules. Apply at www.businessrecord.com/hiring. 0129

### **FOR SALE**

- NEW LISTING! Profitable weekly newspaper, Winfield Beacon/ Wayland News, for sale, Winfield, IA. Covers 4 communities/3 school districts. If interested contact: robin.therme@gmail. com or 319.400.6363
- **Considering a sale of your newspaper but not sure where to start?** Iowa's newest media broker, Scenic Trail Media Brokers, LLC, is here to help you. Scenic Trail Media Brokers will work with you in every step of the process to properly market your newspaper to help you attract the right buyer for your property. We'll work with you until the final closing to make sure you get top dollar. Call Ryan Harvey today at 515-689-1151 or reach him by email at scenictrailmediabrokers@ gmail.com for more information.
- The Red Oak Express is searching for a working Kirk Rudy KR211-215 labeling machine with a KR211 labeling head and a KR215 labeling base. Please contact Tess at tessnelson@ redoakexpress.com or 712-623-2566 if you have one to sell in good condition.
- Two weekly newspapers, including one in county seat community. Progressive communities. City, county, school legals. Located in southwest Iowa. Contact: Weekly Newspapers, Iowa Newspaper Association, 319 E. 5th St., Des Moines, Iowa.
- **Profitable group of three small weekly newspapers** for sale in South Dakota, two in Black Hills. If interested write to: S.D. Newspapers c/o Iowa Newspaper Association, 319 E. 5th St., Des Moines, IA 50309.
- **IN NEED OF NEW LISTINGS.** This could be the right time to sell! \*Appraisals-Consultations-Brokerage services\* Your full service broker, News Brokerage of Iowa, dtappnewsbrokerageofiowa@gmail.com, 319-350-2770.
- Two Weekly Newspapers: Great opportunity for first-time owner or company seeking to expand to West Central Iowa. Can be purchased individually or as a pair. Great community support; city, county, school legals. Contact WCIA, Iowa Newspaper Association, 319 E. 5th St., Des Moines, Iowa.
- **County seat weeklies** with top line revenues at \$1.4M. Over \$200k in cash flow. This listing won't last long. Please call today--Edward Anderson, Broker--National Media Associates--417-338-6397 or email: brokered1@gmail.com
- **Client looking to purchase a small weekly lowa newspaper.** Sellers contact Dave Tapp of News Brokerage of Iowa, dtappnewsbrokerageofiowa@gmail.com, 319-350-2770.
- If you are considering a purchase, look no further! I have strong, profitable properties available across the state just waiting for owner operators or corporations. Just listed: Looking to be your own boss? Look no further! This small, profitable southern lowa weekly is just waiting for you. Aggressively priced to move. Just listed: Rare opportunity to buy this profitable eastern lowa weekly as current longtime owner ready to slow down. Located in a progressive community near larger communities. Perfect opportunity for an add-on to existing business or as a hands-on, stand alone business. Motivated seller: Small but mighty! Perennial award-winning eastern lowa community weekly is now available. Aside from newspaper, the business has a strong social media and on-line presence. Book of digital printing business also available for extra cost. Perfect opportunity for an add-on to existing business or as a hands-on, stand alone business. Retirement awaits: Profitable northwest lowa weekly newspaper available for sale with or without real estate. Weekly newspaper group: Owner looking to retire making this highly profitable, privately held group of

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- 2020 INA Convention & Trade Show brochure
- 2020 INA Convention & Trade Show banquet table reservation form
- The Management Tips of Media Sales Superstars

### local & personal

**Dustin Kass,** a member of the **Dubuque Telegraph Herald** Editorial Department for more than seven years, has been named the newspaper's managing editor, effective this month.

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lowa weekly newspapers available for the first time in decades. The group features a strong staff with a centralized graphics department. Perfect add-on for a current group, or great opportunity for a hands-on owner. All inquiries to any property are strictly confidential. For more information contact: Ryan Harvey, Broker, Scenic Trail Media Brokers, LLC, at 515-689-1151 or by email at scenictrailmediabrokers@gmail.com

Former editor/reporter (now retired) seeks part-time work involving reporting, editing, or proofreading(or combination thereof) for your fine publication. I have extensive experience covering city council, school boards, sports of all types, county board, and/or any type of hard news. I can also write features on any subject. I would work from home via my cell phone, internet and computer and I've had many years of experience doing my job this way. I would be an independent contractor and I would be very flexible. I would be able to work nights and weekends since some contacts wouldn't be available during day-time hours. Advertising sales: I also have extensive experience in advertising sales for newspapers, shoppers, TMC products, and websites. I actually enjoy a combination of writing and sales. Full-time possible: My wife also has experience in sales and writing. If you wanted the equivalent of full-time (remote) we could become a full-time team for you. The Best Movie of all time was His Girl Friday, a great comedy about the newspaper business. Please call Glenn Schreiber, 515-570-5709 (cell) or e-mail me at schreiberglenn@gmail.com.

View and submit ads on the Internet at www.INAnews.com. Students and professionals may also submit their resumés for online viewing.

There is no charge for most of these ads. They are a free service to INA active (newspaper) members only. The name of the newspaper in the ad must be the same as published in the current INA Directory.

If you are trying to help an employee relocate, please send us the ad information on your letterhead, rather than having the employee write us. We will not run ads for persons living in a member's town without first clearing the ad with the publisher.

Please have copy to the INA office no later than noon on Monday. The INA will make the determination of whether an ad qualifies for free or paid publication. If payment for an ad is not enclosed with the ad, the INA will require payment in advance before the ad will be published.

Ads for products or services which could be marketed for a profit may be published for a fee of \$10 per insertion, paid in advance, with a 40-word maximum.

Recruitment (help wanted) ads for positions in states other than Iowa may be published for a fee of \$25 per insertion, with a 100-word maximum.

For more information, contact Cicely Gordon at cgordon@inanews.com.



# 2020 CONVENTION & TRADE SHOW

### FEBRUARY 5-7, 2020 • DES MOINES, IA

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Distinguished Service, Young Iowa Journalists, Investigative Reporters and 50 Year Club

#### **TRADE SHOW**

Featuring dozens of exhibitors with the latest and greatest products and services!

#### **EXCITING KICK-OFF PRESENTATION**

Deadra Stanton will make you laugh until you cry, inspire you to enjoy life, laugh at life's situations and most of all... "Don't Shoot Skinny Rabbits".

#### **LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION**

Join your peers and legislators from across lowa for an informal reception Wednesday evening. This is a great opportunity to share drinks, hors d'oeurvres and ideas with the lawmakers that represent your district.

#### STUDENT/PROFESSIONAL NETWORKING LUNCHEON

12 minute roundtable recruitment opportunity to network with students eager to learn about starting a career in journalism.

#### PUBLISHERS SESSION & IDEA EXCHANGE

Free drinks to help get the ideas flowing!

#### WALL OF WINE & BEER

Attendees have an opportunity to win wine and craft beer while fundraising for the Iowa Newspaper Foundation.

#### PRESIDENTIAL RECEPTION

Socialize and snack with your peers from newspapers across the state.

# **2020** IOWA NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION CONVENTION & TRADE SHOW DES MOINES MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN | FEBRUARY 5-7, 2020

### PROGRAM

Make sure your newspaper is ready to face industry challenges by taking advantage of this terrific programming line-up!

### **DRIVE EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT**

### Linda Ramey-Greiwe, LRG Consulting

The session will use True Colors® personality profiling to understand people's communication and temperament with specific focus on understanding the personality profiles to create more customized communication. Improving communication within organizations increases employee engagement.

### **TOOLKIT FOR COLLABORATION**

### Sumi Aggarwal, Reveal (Center for Investigative Reporting)

In this session, we'll talk about collaborations and highlight the Local Labs to date (in New Orleans, San Jose and New Jersey) and the in-depth reporting that has resulted. We'll also discuss lessons learned and tactical tools to launch investigative collaborations in their own communities.

### **COACH TO ENGAGE MILLENNIALS**

### Linda Ramey-Greiwe, LRG Consulting

The session will explain who Millennials and Generation Z are and how communication and coaching drive their engagement and impact in the workplace. We will use the personality profile insights gained in the first session to customize how to deliver feedback.

### **SPEED ROUND ROBIN**

Industry Professionals Topics include: EDMS, FOIA, legislative update, open meetings and malware security.

### KICK-OFF SPEAKER DON'T SHOOT SKINNY RABBITS!

### Deadra Stanton, Creative Communications

Before we can grow professionally, we need to learn to survive personally. As the pace of change quickens every day, we sometimes end up chasing too many skinny rabbits. When we do this we lose our energy and our focus on what's really important.

### **PUBLIC AFFAIRS COVERAGE TIMELY & RELEVANT**

### Jim Pumarlo, Newsroom Strategies

Coverage of local governing bodies remains a primary responsibility of community newspapers. But newsrooms must change their approach if they are to engage readers - put more focus on previewing the meetings and report on government actions in terms of the practical impact on readers.

### **DON'T BE AN AVERAGE JOE/JOSEPHINE**

### Kelly Wirges, ProMax Training & Consulting

This session compares the difference between an average and top performer; explaining their day-to-day actions, clients and prospect interactions, as well as their strategies and execution of plans. Most importantly, this session underscores the outcomes produced by top performers and how to easily incorporate their successful techniques.

### **16 DIGITAL TRENDS IN 60 MINUTES**

### Tyson Bird, Texas Highways Magazine

Bring your notebook and a few pens because this rapid-fire session will cover a lot of topics in a short time. We'll go over what's working — and what's not — in digital news so you can be prepared to act, pass and think about all that's happening in the digital world.

### KEYNOTE PRESENTATION NEWSPAPERS IN REALITY AND FICTION - ONE WRITER'S JOURNEY Joseph LeValley, Author

Prior to becoming an author, Joe was fortunate to find success in three different careers: journalism, health care, and music. Joe was a reporter-photographer for lowa newspapers for seven years. During that time, he wrote thousands of articles ranging from breaking news to feature stories to personal columns.

### **FINDING TIME FOR EDITORIAL PROJECTS**

Jim Pumarlo. Newsroom Strateaies

Most newsrooms find it a full-time job just to keep up with day-to-day and week-to-week activities. That should not deter you from pursuing special projects. This session will expand the definition of special reports and identify ways to pursue these projects within your regular reporting.

### SCHEDULE

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

5:30 p.m. - Legislative Reception @ Peace Tree Brewing Company 317 E Court Avenue, Des Moines

### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6**

- 11 a.m. Student/Professional Networking Luncheon pre registration required
  - 1:45 4:15 p.m. Concurrent Educational Sessions
- 4:30 p.m. Annual Meeting & Publishers' Idea Exchange

5:30 p.m. - Convention Reception

8:30 p.m. - INA President's Celebration

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8 a.m. - Convention And Trade Show Open free continental breakfast

9 a.m. - "Don't Shoot Skinny Rabbits" with Deadra Stanton, Creative Communications

10:30 a.m. - Concurrent Educational Sessions

12 p.m. - Past Presidents' Luncheon

1:45 - 4:30 p.m. - Concurrent Educational Sessions

5 p.m. - Awards Reception

6 p.m. - Awards Banquet

### Register and learn more at www.INAnews.com/convention!

### ICMA SESSIONS

These outstanding sessions designed with college students in mind are also open to all INA members:

### **ADOBE EDITING TIPS**

Matt Clark, Meredith Corporation

Learn from a top industry professional some easy and quick editing tips for Adobe Premiere, plus effective editing and post-production workflows for approaching different projects. Cutting-edge gear and technology will also be shared during the session.

### **ADDRESSING OBJECTIONS IS AS EASY AS 1-2-3**

### Kelly Wirges, ProMax Training & Consulting

Getting objections during the sales process is expected; however, it can be one of the most frustrating aspects of selling. This session introduces an easy, three-step process to lower resistance and gain agreement that can be put to work immediately.

### **INSTAGRAM TIPS FOR STORYTELLING**

### Tyson Bird, Texas Highways Magazine

This hands-on session will go beyond posting photos on Instagram to help you develop strategies for engaging your audience and telling stories on the visual platform. Be prepared for lots of examples of Instagram content from newspapers of many size. Please bring a cell phone with an Instagram account.

### **CREATING CAMPAIGNS THAT SELL**

### Kelly Wirges, ProMax Training & Consulting

Creating advertising messages that cut through the clutter is a daunting task. This session shares the methods of developing campaigns that capture attention and create consumer action. Topics include effective messaging to demographic groups, common advertising errors and tips to developing messages that deliver results.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY: ADDING VALUE TO YOUR PAPER**

### Brendan Hoffman. International Photoarapher

With more than a decade of experience photographing for major international publications around the world, Brendan Hoffman recently returned to the United States to spend several months working at the Daily Freeman-Journal in Webster City, Iowa. Applying the principles of social practice art, Hoffman used his role at the paper to promote visual literacy and storytelling, dialogue about journalistic practice and representation, and advocate for the importance of local media.

### **CREATING THE PERFECT PODCAST FOR YOUR AUDIENCES**

### Kate Payne & Clay Masters, Iowa Public Radio

Few people do podcasts better than Iowa Public Radio's Kate Payne and Clay Masters. And they're here to tell you how to make your own podcasts that will interest your community.

### **BEHIND THE STORYTELLING OF "SAVING BRINTON"**

### Andrew Sherburne, Northland Films

Andrew Sherburne, codirector of the award-winning documentary, "Saving Brinton" will share his experiences from the project. In this deep dive session, hear about all that goes into making an award-winning documentary.

### **NONPROFIT NEWS**

### Kathie Obradovich, Iowa Capital Dispatch & Suzanne Behnke, IowaWatch

With journalists continuing to struggle with ways to make their work profitable, some are turning to non-profit models to sustain news reporting. Hear about how organizations find funding and fulfill their public-service missions.

### FIRST AMENDMENT WEEKS

Brian Steffen, Simpson College & Julie Roosa, Iowa State University The First Amendment isn't just for journalists but for everyone. Yet polls show most Americans area remarkably uninformed and lacking understanding about the five freedoms protected in the amendment.

### **SPEAKERS**

### **SUMI AGGARWAL** REVEAL (Center for Investigative Reporting



Sumi Aggarwal is an award-winning journalist and communications professional. She spent nearly a decade at CBS News' "60 Minutes," where she produced a wide variety of stories, including an investigation into a 50-year-old civil rights-related murder, a historical story about an Egyptian double agent, a profile of Tabasco

and a deep dive into new scientific findings on the effects of sugar. She has worked as a booking producer at the "Today" show and led executive communications for Google's search and maps teams. Aggarwal was an adjunct professor at the City College of New York, where she helped establish the broadcast journalism curriculum. She has also worked at a number of local television stations and papers in California and Oregon.

### **TYSON BIRD** TEXAS HIGHWAYS MAGAZINE



Tyson Bird is a journalist with a background in digital design and development who is passionate about helping local media excel in the ever-changing digital world. As a product strategist and project designer for GateHouse Media, he's helped newsrooms create longform stories, launch on new platforms and build online brands. A

graduate of Ball State University, he has also worked as a page designer for CNHI and digital designer for The Spokesman-Review.

### **BRENDAN HOFFMAN** INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER



Brendan Hoffman is a National Geographic photographer, former Fulbright Scholar, and multimedia artist. Since 2014, he has been based in Kyiv, Ukraine, where he extensively covered the 2013-14 Maidan protests in Kyiv and war in eastern Ukraine, primarily on assignment for The New York Times and Getty Images.

For the past several months, Brendan has been living in Webster City, Iowa, working as an in-house photographer for the Daily Freeman-Journal and well as teaching a series of free photography workshops for newspaper staff, contributors, and community members.

Brendan recently completed his first assignment for National Geographic Magazine, traveling the length of the Indus River in China, India, and Pakistan.

### **JOSEPH LEVALLEY** AUTHOR



Prior to becoming an author, Joe was fortunate to find success in three different careers: journalism, health care, and music. Joe was a reporter-photographer for lowa newspapers for seven years. During that time, he wrote thousands of articles ranging from breaking news to feature stories to personal columns.

He served for more than 30 years as an executive in Iowa hospitals and its largest statewide health care network. He was project leader on numerous expansions of services and facilities, including more than half a billion dollars worth of hospitals, clinics and other medical facilities. He assisted many lowa hospitals in developing strategic plans and was a frequent public speaker on health care policy.

business advocacy organization. He remains active in the newspaper industry through his consulting, speaking and custom training.

**JIM PIMARLO** 

NEWSROOM STRATEGIES

### LINDA RAMEY-GREIWE LRG CONSULTING



Linda Ramey-Greiwe is the Brand Market Leader for IUPUI. In this role she leads the marketing strategy for a large university located in Indianapolis, serving over 30,000 students. In addition to her current marketing leader role, Linda owns a sales and marketing strategy consulting

Jim Pumarlo spent 27 years working at small daily

newspapers in International Falls and Red Wing,

Minn. He served as editor of the Red Wing Republican

Eagle for 21 years. He resigned in December 2003

and currently is director of communications at the

Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, the state's largest

business, LRG Consulting. Linda focuses on helping businesses and nonprofits clarify their goals and then builds innovative marketing and sales strategies to help organizations achieve success.

### **DEADRA STANTON** CREATIVE COMMUNICATIONS



Deadra Stanton, owner and presenter for her company Creative Communications, has been a teacher of English, Speech, and Theatre for over 31 years. She is an honor graduate of Mankato State University in Mankato, Minnesota and recently earned her Masters in Education from St. Mary's University. With majors in Speech

Communications, Theatre Arts, and Business Administration, she brings a diverse background to the podium.

### **KELLY WIRGES PROMAX TRAINING & CONSULTING**



For over 30 years, Kelly Wirges has assisted media companies increase sales and revenue in all facets of business. In her career, she has enjoyed positions in sales, marketing and management and has been a partner at an advertising agency focusing on small business development. In 1993, she founded ProMax Training &

Consulting, Inc. ProMax develops practical, customized solutions that help companies retain, develop and align talent with business strategies.



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### **2020** IOWA NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION CONVENTION & TRADE SHOW DES MOINES MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN | FEBRUARY 5-7. 2020

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IOWA NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION

| WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5<br>5:30-7:30 p.mLegislative Reception<br>Offsite Location: Peace Tree<br>Brewing Co.<br>Share drinks and hors<br>d'oeuvres with legislators from<br>your district.<br>THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6 |   | FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7         8-9 a.m.         Registration & Trade Show Open         **Free continental breakfast in Trade Show served until 9 a.m.         9-10:10 a.m.         Kick-off "Don't Shoot Skinny Rabbits"         Deadra Stanton, Creative Communications         10:10-10:30 a.m.       Refreshments in Trade Show |   |  |  |   |                                     |
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|  |   |  |   |  |  |   | 10:30-11:45 a.m CONCURRENT SESSIONS |
|  |   | 11 a.m1:30 p.m. Student/Professional<br>Networking Luncheon - pre<br>registration required<br>12 minute roundtable<br>recruitment opportunity to   |   | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0  | Public Affairs Coverage Timely & Relevant<br>Jim Pumarlo, <i>Newsroom Strategies</i><br>Don't Be an Average Joe/Josephine<br>Kelly Wirges, <i>ProMax Training &amp; Consulting</i> | Adobe Editing Tips - ICMA<br>Matt Clark, <i>Meredith Corporation</i><br>Creating the Perfect Podcast for Your<br>Audiences - ICMA<br>Kate Payne & Clay Masters, |                                     |
|  | network with students eager to<br>learn about starting a career<br>in journalism. Roundtables<br>followed by pizza lunch. | 11:45 a.m12 p.m  | 16 Digital Trends in 60 Minutes<br>Tyson Bird, <i>GateHouse Media</i><br>Break  | Iowa Public Radio  |  |   |                                     |
| 1:30-1:45 p.m Break<br>1:45-2:45 p.m CONCURRENT SESSIONS   |   | 12-1:30 p.m  | -1:30 p.m Past Presidents' Awards Luncheon<br><i>"Newspapers in Reality and Fiction – One Writer's Journey"</i><br>Joseph LeValley  |  |  |   |                                     |
| Drive Employee Engagement<br>Linda Ramey-Greiwe,<br>LRG Consulting   |   | Distinguished Service Awards, 50-Year Club Awards, Jay P. Wagner Prize for Young Journalists<br>1:30-1:45 p.m  |   |  |  |   |                                     |
|  | <b>Toolkit for Collaboration</b><br>Sumi Aggarwal,<br><i>Reveal (Center for</i><br><i>Investigative Reporting)</i>        | 1:45-2:45 p.m  | CONCURRENT SESSIONS<br>Finding Time for Editorial Projects<br>Jim Pumarlo, Newsroom Strategies<br>Addressing Objections is as Easy as 1-2-3<br>Kolly Wirese Der Mey Training & Consultion | Behind The Storytelling of "Saving<br>Brinton" - ICMA<br>Andrew Sherburne, <i>Northland Films</i>        |  |   |                                     |
| 2:45-3:15 p.m Break<br>3:15-4:15 p.mCONCURRENT SESSIONS  |   |  | Kelly Wirges, <i>ProMax Training &amp; Consulting</i><br>Instagram Tips for Storytelling<br>Tyson Bird, <i>GateHouse Media</i>  | Nonprofit News - ICMA<br>Kathie Obradovich, <i>States Newsroom</i><br>& Suzanne Behnke, <i>IowaWatch</i> |  |   |                                     |
|  | Coach to Engage Millennials<br>Linda Ramey-Greiwe,<br>LRG Consulting  | •  | Ice Cream Break in Trade Show   |  |  |   |                                     |
| Speed Round Robin<br>Industry Professionals  |   | 3:30-4:30 p.m  | CONCURRENT SESSIONS Suds and Sodas Roundtables  |  |  |   |                                     |
| 4:15-4:30 p.m Break  |   | 0<br>0<br>0  | Creating Campaigns That Sell<br>Kelly Wirges, ProMax Training & Consulting  |  |  |   |                                     |
| 4:30-5:30 p.m.   | Annual Meeting &<br>Publishers' Idea Exchange   | •  | Photography: Adding Value to Your Paper<br>Brendan Hoffman, International Photograph  | er   |  |   |                                     |
| 5:30-7:30 p.m.   | Convention Reception  | 5-6 p.m  | Awards Reception  |  |  |   |                                     |
| 8:30-10:30 p.m INA President's Celebration   |   | 6 p.m  | Awards Banquet<br>Heritage Club Presentations, Young Iowa Journ<br>Iowa Better Newspaper Contests winners, New  |  |  |   |                                     |

For additional information about each session and presenter as well as hotel accommodations, visit www.INAnews.com/convention.

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| Early Bird Discount: Registrations postmarked<br>by January 30 or delivered to INA by 4:30<br>p.m., January 30 will receive reduced rates on<br>convention registration. | Name of Newspaper |                  |  |  |  |
|--|-------------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| • \$85 for 1st Registrant by January 30 (\$95 after January 30)  | Mailing Address   | ( )              |  |  |  |
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