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### **Calendar of Events**

#### **Events:**

June 23, 2017 NPA/NPAS Board Meetings (11:00am (CST) by conference call)

#### Webinars:

May 3, 2017 Design Between the Ears (newspaper design with readers in mind) - Ed Hanninger 10:00am CST www.newspaperacademy.com

May 4, 2017 Improving Communications Skills - Tim Smith 2:00pm CST www.newspaperacademy.com

May 12, 2017 As a Partner, What Can Facebook do for News Publishers? 10:00 - 11:00am (CST) (PubAux/Online Media Campus)

<u>May 18, 2017</u> Rural Journalism: Tracking Agriculture 1:00 - 2:00pm (CST) (Online Media Campus)

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### A copy of the 2016 Better Newspaper Contest TAB

has been mailed to all NPA member papers, whether you attended convention or not. (Thank you to Darran Fowler, Hastings Tribune for printing this years' TAB!)

## Get all the 2017 NPA press releases for:

\*Master Editor-Publisher Award \*Outstanding Young Nebraska Journalist Awards \*NPA Foundation Scholarship recipients \*Newly elected 2017-18 NPA/NPAS officers & board members \*Omaha World-Herald Community Service & Service to Ag Awards \*NPA Better Newspaper Contest Winners \*Golden Pica Pole Awards

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Watch for the post-convention issue of the Nebraska Newspaper, with highlights, photos, convention award-winners and more.

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### Can you help? NNA (National Newspaper Association) is looking for contest judges

\*Judging is done online and is extremely userfriendly

\*Their Better Newspaper Contest consists of about 1,700 total entries. Judges will be assigned in early May and the deadline to complete the judging will be late May.

\*NNA is also asking for volunteers for the Newspaper & Education Contest. This is a small contest, around 20 entries. Judges will be assigned mid-July and the judging deadline will be Friday, July 29.

Sign up to be a NNA judge here: https://nna.formstack.com/forms/judgenna2017

*Questions? Contact Lynne Lance, <u>lynne@nna.org</u>, or 217-241-1400. Thank you!* 

## Former Falls City Journal publisher, Scott Schock, dies at 68

Retired Falls City Journal publisher and popular columnist Scott Schock died at his home on April 22, 2017, from an apparent heart attack. He was 68.

Scott was with the Journal for 38 years, first as a reporter and photographer in 1976 before being promoted to editor, then publisher. His column, "Off the Cuff," appeared regularly for nearly four decades. Scott retired in 2014, but remained part owner of the newspaper at the time of his death.



In 2007, Scott was named winner of the Nebraska Press Associations' Harpst Leadership Award, which recognizes a newspaper or publisher that best promotes, recognizes or fosters leadership in the community region or state. He also was awarded the Omaha World-Herald's prestigious Francis L. Partsch Award for Editorial Leadership, which included a \$10,000 cash award.

Scott was born and raised in Falls City, and graduated from Northwest Missouri State College in 1970 and taught high school social studies and coached the high school golf team in Moberly, MO, for five years before moving back to Falls City to work at the newspaper.

Scott is survived by his children, Amy (Dave) Meinzer, of Omaha; and Jason (Alicia) Schock, of Falls City; and his father, Bill, of Falls City. He was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy, in 2007. A memorial service was held April 28, 2017, at Dorr & Clark Funeral Home in Falls City.

## Longtime World-Herald artist, Ken Huber, dies at 76

*Omaha World-Herald, Steve Jordon, April 16, 2017* Ken Huber, who spent 40 years at the Omaha World-Herald as an artist, died April 13, 2017, after a battle with cancer.

The Omaha native graduated from Omaha Technical High School. He spent a year in a seminary in Missouri and worked as a Yellow Pages artist before joining The World-Herald in 1961, retiring in 2001.

His work included air-brushing photos, making graphics and maps in pre-computer days, handling photo spreads for Husker football games and processing color photographs as the newspaper increased its use of color printing.

"He was always working hard to make the paper look better and print better," said Allan Tubach, retired art director for The World-Herald. "He was very good, and that carried over to how well he worked with people, too."

Ken is survived by his wife of 54 years, Karen. A celebration of life will be scheduled at a later date.



### National Newspaper Association call for awards nominations - deadline is May 15

Every year, the National Newspaper Association announces the Call for Nominations for the Amos, McKinney & Phillips Awards, which are the highest honors awarded to working and retired newspapermen and women who have exhibited distinguished service to the community press.

#### AMOS AWARD:

The General James O. Amos Award was established in 1938 by E.C. Amos, publisher of The Sidney Daily News, to honor his father, General James O. Amos, a pioneer Ohio journalist and an early-day member of the National Editorial Association.

**NPA members who have received the Amos Award:** 1993 - Jack Tarr, David City; 2008 - Ken Rhoades, Blair; 2012 - Zean Carney, Lincoln.

#### McKINNEY AWARD:

The Emma C. McKinney Award was created in 1966 to honor Emma C. McKinney, co-publisher and editor of the Hillsboro (OR) Argus for 58 years. In 1954 Mrs. McKinney was named dean of Oregon newspapermen and women and in 1957 received the Amos Voorhies Award, the highest state honor that can be awarded to an Oregon newspaper person. Mrs. McKinney was inducted into the Oregon Journalism Hall of Fame in 1982.

#### NPA members who have received the McKinney Award:

1990 - Elna Johnson, Imperial; 2002 - Beverly Pollock, Ogallala.

#### PHILLIPS LEADERSHIP AWARD:

The Daniel M. Phillips Leadership Award was established in 2007 to honor Daniel Morris "Dan" Phillips, an awardwinning writer and photographer who passed away in 2005 at the age of 47.

**NPA members who have received the Phillips Award:** 2008 - Jim Edgecombe, Minden; 2011 - Gerri Peterson, Mullen; 2016 - Chris Rhoades, Blair.

## **Deadline to submit award nominations is May 15, 2017.** For more information and forms: <u>http://www.nnaweb.org/</u><u>contests-awards</u>, or contact Lynne Lance, NNA director of membership & member services, <u>lynne@nna.org</u>.

If life was fair, Elvis would be alive and all the impersonators would be dead.

- Johnny Carson

#### Video Training



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Tim Smith: Sales by Numbers Tim Smith: Time & Territory Management Time Smith: Prospecting that Pays

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Ed Henninger: Ten Surefire Ways to Improve Your Newspaper's Design Ed Henninger: License to Print Money Kevin Slimp: Page & Ad Design Tips for Newspapers

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#### Adobe Illustrator

Kevin Slimp: Introduction to Adobe Illustrator for Designers

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#### Adobe Muse

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#### Adobe Photoshop

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#### **Adobe Creative Cloud**

Kevin Slimp: Learning to Use Tools in Creative Cloud

### Payment for November Election Death Penalty Referendum

Payment for the (Nov. 8 ballot) Death Penalty Referendum that ran in Oct/Nov 2016 will be sent to newspapers from NPAS when the Legislature approves the bill in 2017.

NPA has submitted the necessary documents for payment. This timetable has not changed for 89 years. It is in the state Constitution. Payment from the Nebraska State Treasurer is expected in June 2017.

As soon as NPAS receives payment from the state, newspapers will be paid. If you have questions, contact Carolyn Bowman or Jenelle Plachy at 402-476-2851/ (NE) 800-369-2850.

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## *Kevin Slimp takes a quick look at* **Favorite Apps for Journalists**



In April, I was asked to speak on the topic, "New Tools for Newspapers" at an industryrelated conference in Des Moines, Iowa. Taking the easy way out, I quickly went online

The News Guru

and asked newspaper professionals to share their favorite apps, programs and devices.

I quickly learned editors, designers, photographers, ad reps and other folks at newspapers have definite favorites to help with their daily tasks. Let's examine a few.

#### **Phonto** (free)

Phonto is a simple application that allows users to add text to pictures on their smartphones. Kim Shepherd, Dehi, New York, wrote that she used Phonto for weather updates online. She was even nice enough to send a couple of samples.

One was a photo of a postal carrier trying to deliver mail in the snow, with the words "No Mail Today" in bold red letters over the picture. Another reminded users a state of emergency was in effect for their county.



#### Tout (free)

Several users wrote to tell me about Tout, an application which allows users to record, upload and distribute video using smart phones and tablets.

Michael Smith, Aiken, South Carolina, explained his daily newspaper used Tout to record and upload videos from the field, while an editor examined and approved the material using a desktop version of Tout



#### **Slack** (free)

Nathan Simpson, Shelbyville, Kentucky, was the first to write to me about Slack, an app that allows teams to check of to-do lists while working together on a project.

I did a little research and found examples of sales staffs, designer groups and marketing teams using Slack to keep track of their progress while all working on the same project.

#### Fast Scanner (free)

Kristi Nelson Bumpus, a metro reporter in Tennessee, was the first to comment about scanning software. She noted that her current favorite was Fast Scanner, a free app by Hang Nguyen.

Fast Scanner allows the user to take a pic on their phone, then quickly convert the image to a high-res PDF which can be sent directly from the app via email or messaging.

#### Percent Calculator & Percentage Calculator (free)

Several ad reps wrote in about calculator apps. No one wants to pull out a pen and paper in front of a client to calculate percentages. Two apps, Percent Calculator and Percentage Calculator, were the most mentioned.

#### Adobe Sign (free with Adobe CC)

Adobe Sign is another scanning application with an important twist. Using their fingers, Adobe Sign allows users to sign documents on their phone screens. Documents can be scanned, converted to PDF and signed, all in one sequence.

In addition, Adobe signature is legally binding, compliant with esignature laws around the world.

#### **Instapaper** (free)

Instapaper is a favorite of reporters and researchers who need to search and save information on the Internet. A simple click allows users to save web pages and stories to a phone, tablet or computer. Creating archives of web pages related to a topic is a breeze with Instapaper.

#### **Snapseed** (free)

Snapseed may be the best photo editing application for the phone. Many of the tools available in Photoshop, Lightroom and other editing applications are available from within Snapseed.

Shadows & highlights, dodge & burn, spot repair, tuning and more are available all while working from a phone or tablet.

#### **Camera+** (\$2.99 - \$4.99)

Simply stated, Camera+ is the best app for taking pictures on an iPhone or iPad. For photographers who want total control over their photos and wish to attain the highest quality reproduction, Camera+ is a must-have app.

I use Camera+ almost daily to shoot RAW images on my iPhone 7, which uses dual lenses to produce RAW images. Compared to the camera app that comes built-in with the iPhone, Camera+ produces results which are far superior.

I received dozens of suggestions, which made preparing for my session in Des Moines a snap. If you have a favorite app, I'd love to know about it for future columns. Send me a note at kevin@kevinslimp.com.

Kevin Slimp is CEO of newspaperacademy. com and director of The Newspaper Institute. Contact Kevin at kevin@kevinslimp.com.



## 2017 Nebraska Husker home game football tickets available!

We have a pair of football tickets for each of <u>the following 2017 home games</u>:

September 2 - Arkansas State September 16 - Northern Illinois September 23 - Rutgers October 7 - Wisconsin November 4 - Northwestern November 24 - Iowa (Friday game)

- Cost will be \$121.00 for the pair (per game)
- Seats are in the North Stadium, Section 39, Row 82
- Pre-payment required (MC or VS only, no checks)
- No holding tickets for later payment

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You say you don't have a website? The folks at Courtside Marketing/NPA Digital Hotline can't create a website for you, but they can get give you reasons why you should have one and get you jump-started with a helpful tips.

**To set up your free website review**, call the NPA Digital Marketing Hotline at 402-590-8093, Ext. 702, or email <u>chris@courtside-marketing.com</u>.



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- Staff changes (publishers, managers, editors, advertising contacts)
  - Advertising/color rate changes
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- Publication day change or format changes

#### Thank you!

Reality is the leading cause of stress amongst those in touch with it.

- Lily Tomlin

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## Available through NPA:

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(plus postage)

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Online Media Campus, in partnership with NNA, presents:



# As a partner, what can Facebook do for news publishers?

## Friday, May 12

## 10:00 a.m. CDT • 11:00 a.m. EDT

#### About this program:

If your newspaper company has (or wants) a thriving Facebook page, there are ways to improve reader involvement – and possibly generate revenue from the Page. Chris Thew and Jason White, manager of U.S. news partnerships for Facebook, will get you up to speed on recent changes, including the Facebook Journalism Project, that can build your social media presence and readership and also provide insights into the services that Facebook offers and how they apply to NNA members. While readership is important, monetizing content is a major issue for most publishers. The presenters will go over the current options available to publishers on Facebook, including Instant Articles, Branded Content and more.

#### **Registration fee: \$30 Registration deadline: Monday, May 8** *Registrations submitted after the deadline will be subject to a \$10 late fee.*

### Register now for this webinar at www.regonline.com/FacebookForNewspapers

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## Leading the Discussion:

HOST Stan Schwartz, National Newspaper Association

GUEST STARS Chris Threw & Jason White, Facebook

*PUB AUX LIVE first Thursdays at 11 a.m. EDT/ 10 a.m. CDT* 

#### Questions? Contact Jana Shepherd at 515-422-9051 or jshepherd@inanews.com



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## Rural Journalism: Tracking Agriculture

#### Presented by:

GateHouse Media<sup>\*\*</sup>

**Thursday, May 18** 1:00-2:00 p.m. CDT • 2:00-3:00 p.m. EDT

Registration fee: \$35 Registration Deadline: May 15

#### In this webinar ...

If you're in a rural area, there's a good chance that agriculture is one of the most important topics you can deliver to readers. But where do you start? And how do you keep coming up with relevant ideas? AI Cross from the Institute for Rural Journalism and Community Issues talks about strategies for community papers to attack agricultural issues.

Group discounts are available. Visit our website for more information. Registrations submitted after May 15 are subject to a \$10 late fee. Registration closes midnight May 17.

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#### The presenter...



Al Cross Al Cross is direct

Al Cross is director of the Institute for Rural Journalism and Community Issues, based at the University of Kentucky. He publishes The Rural Blog, Kentucky Health News and

the Midway Messenger. He was a reporter at The Courier-Journal in Louisville for 26 years, the last 15½ as the newspaper's chief political writer. He was national president of the Society of Professional Journalists in 2001-02. His awards include SPJ's top award, the Wells Memorial Key, and the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame.





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