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BRADEN BUYS YATES CENTER NEWS

(Yates Center News) Stewart Braden has purchased the Yates Center News from Chris and Catherine Faimon. The Faimons will continue to own and operate the Coffey County Republican. Braden, who is Catherine Faimon's brother, moved to Burlington in April 2000 to work with his sister and brother-in-law at the Republican. For the past two years, Braden has also operated a home-based Web site business.

"It's refreshing to work with such an experienced staff in this welcoming county community," said Braden.

Braden and Catherine Faimon's parents, Randall and the late Rozanne Braden, were publishers of the News from 1995 to 1999. Prior to that, the family lived in Oberlin where they owned and operated community newspapers in northwest Kansas.

TOPEKA CAPITAL-JOURNAL REACHES SETTLEMENT WITH EDITOR

(Topeka Capital-Journal) A settlement has been reached in the wrongful discharge of a longtime Topeka Capital-Journal editor, who was forced to resign last June, then later filed a complaint with the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Terms of the settlement are confidential.

The case involves former managing editor Anita Miller Fry, who left the newspaper June 22. She had worked at The Capital-Journal for 28 years. After her departure, Miller Fry, filed a complaint against The Capital-Journal and its Augusta, Ga.-based parent company, Morris Communications, alleging age discrimination, sexual discrimination, retaliation and violations of the Equal Pay Act.

Miller Fry was offered an opportunity by current Capital-Journal publisher Mark Nusbaum to rejoin the newspaper staff, but she chose not to return. She is now employed by Stormont-Vail HealthCare. Nusbaum became publisher in Topeka in September.

"Having Mark return to Topeka as the publisher of The Capital-Journal means that the newspaper will once again have some great community ties and involvement," Miller Fry said. "I wish him the best in creating a new team to lead the paper to greatness."

Miller Fry was forced to resign by former Capital-Journal executives after the newspaper ran an article written by a freelance reporter that was edited by Miller and other editors at the paper. The story included information fabricated by the source of the story that later came to light after an investigation by the newspaper that Miller helped conduct.

KPA UNVEILS COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER TUNE-UP SERVICE

Kansas Press Association is offering a new service for member newspapers. Through the new Community Newspaper Tune-Up program, Tom Eblen will come to your office - after critiquing copies of your newspaper - to share his ideas with your staff on fine-tuning the content, design and other aspects of the paper.

Eblen, who is editorial consultant for KPA, retired as general manager and news adviser for KU's student newspaper. He has worked as editor and general manager of the Fort Scott Tribune, and as city editor and managing editor of The Kansas City Star.

The service is free, but newspapers are responsible for Eblen's travel, lodging and meal expenses. To request

a tune-up session for your newspaper, contact Emily Bradbury in the KPA office at (785) 271-5304 or ebradbury@kspress.com.

LAST CHANCE: FREE LEGISLATIVE REPORTING SEMINAR

Registrations are still being accepted for KPA's Legislative Reporting seminar - scheduled from 1 to 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28, at the KPA office in Topeka. The free seminar will include two topics: "How to Report on the Legislature from Outside Topeka" by Tom Eblen, and "VoteTracker Training" by Kevin Yowell. An optional tour of the Statehouse will be offered following the seminar.

To register, contact Emily Bradbury in the KPA office at (785) 271-5304 or ebradbury@kspress.com.

CHICAGO PARTNERSHIP OFFERS FREE ETHICS ADVICELINE FOR JOURNALISTS

The Center for Ethics and Social Justice at Loyola University Chicago, in partnership with the Chicago Headline Club of the Society for Professional Journalists, has opened up its Ethics AdviceLine as a free service to journalists nationwide.

The Ethics AdviceLine for Journalists is staffed by experts in ethics who are trained and assisted by veteran journalists. Over the past few years the service has provided help to approximately 300 journalists. The purpose of the AdviceLine is to help guide reporters and editors through ethical dilemmas.

The AdviceLine can be contacted toll-free at 866-DILEMMA, or requests for advice may be submitted online at www.ethicsadviceforjournalists.org.

KANSAS PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATORS CONTEST OPEN TO MEMBERS, NONMEMBERS

Kansas Professional Communicators is accepting entries in its annual competition until Friday, Jan. 28. Categories include news writing, feature writing, sports, editorial, specialty writing, design, graphics/illustration, photography, advertising, public relations, Web sites, books and more.

Fees are \$9 per entry for members and \$12 for nonmembers. First-place state entries advance to national competition. Nonmembers winning first at the state level must join the National Federation of Press Women to compete nationally.

Contest entry forms, guidelines and category information are available online at www.kansasprofessionalcommunicators.org. Entries should be mailed to: Flint Hills Press Women, P.O. Box 34, White City, KS 66872.

UPCOMING KPA EVENTS

Jan. 27
Deadline for Awards of Excellence entries
Or, download entry packet at www.kspress.com

Jan. 28
Reporting on the Legislature - FREE!
Topeka

Feb. 10
Board Meeting
KPA office in Topeka

Feb. 17
Leadership Academy
Hutchinson

Feb. 17
Ad Composition - flier attached!
Great Bend

Feb. 18
Ad Academy - flier attached!
Great Bend

NAMES IN THE NEWS

Amy Eck has been named managing editor of the Ellsworth County Independent/Reporter. Eck most recently worked as editor and publisher of The Phillips County Review. She earned a bachelor's degree in communication with an emphasis in journalism from Fort Hays State University. She also earned a master's degree in communication from FHSU.

Matt Clark has been named editor of the Girard Press. He replaces Mark Schremmer who has been named news editor of the Pittsburg Morning Sun. Both newspapers are owned by Morris Communications and managed by Publisher Stephen Wade. Schremmer had been at the Press since November 2003. Clark had been news editor of the Morning Sun since July 2004.

Emily Miller has joined the Eudora News staff as a reporter. She graduated in 2001 from Ricks College in Rexburg, Idaho, where she studied broadcasting. She was a reporter and on-air host for a public radio station that served portions of Idaho, Montana and Wyoming before going to work in 2002 for the Standard Journal in Rexburg. Miller and her husband moved to Lawrence in June 2004.

Erinn R. Barcomb has joined The Ottawa Herald staff as pagination editor. A native of Wichita, Barcomb is a 2001 graduate of the University of Kansas. She most recently worked for the Eudora News.

Mary Lou Conrod, who has been an advertising sales representative for the Winfield Daily Courier more than 50 years, has retired. Conrod began working at the newspaper in 1950.

The Dodge City Daily Globe has launched a redesigned Web site. As part of the redesign, the newspaper will operate two sites: dodgeglobe.com, which will be dedicated to news content, and dodgecity.com, which will function as a community portal linking visitors to local organizations. Future plans include a Web-based system for ordering classified ads and subscriptions. La Estrella, the Globe's Spanish-language newspaper, will also be posted online at dodgeglobe.com.

MEMBER MARKETPLACE

Member newspapers may place free 35-word classifieds in the Member Marketplace. Additional words are 50 cents each. Ads will run four weeks in KPTW and four weeks on the KPA Web site. E-mail your ad to info@kspress.com or fax to (785) 271-7341.

FOR SALE

Risograph copier with interchangeable ink cartridges (black, red, green, blue and purple). \$250, you haul. Contact Stephanie in the KPA office at (785) 271-5304 or info@kspress.com. First opportunity goes to member newspapers.

ADVERTISING OPENINGS

Sales opportunity! Need experienced print advertising sales professionals, full time, full benefits. We need a couple of honest, hard-working retail advertising sales professionals to help us grow our cluster of daily, weekly and shopper publications located in Wyandotte, Johnson and Leavenworth counties. For more information call David at 1-800-521-1447 or send resume to chroniclepublisher@sbcglobal.net.

NEWSROOM OPENINGS

Award-winning, locally-owned newspaper seeks news editor to cover progressive community located 45 miles northwest of Salina. Candidates should have strong reporting skills and be willing to work some nights and weekends. Responsibilities include writing features, some page design, writing weekly column and managing local freelance writers. The Lincoln Sentinel-Republican offers a competitive salary, paid vacation/sick leave and opportunities for advancement. Send resume, cover letter, references and at least three work samples to: John Baetz, P.O. Box 67, Lincoln, KS 67455 or e-mail to john@lincolnsentinel.com.

Comp. Manager, Northeast Kansas: Fast-paced, deadline and customer-driven environment, managed efficiently. Organizational, communication, problem-solving skills, strong management and teambuilding skills. Strong design, hardware and software skills. Full benefits. Send resume Nekspub@aol.com.

The Dodge City Daily Globe, an 8,000-circulation morning daily located in southwest Kansas, has an opening for a full-time reporter/page designer. Job duties include general assignment and beat reporting, and being part of the night page design rotation. Experience with QuarkXPress and newspaper design preferred. Send resume and clips to Rick Druse, managing editor, Dodge City Daily Globe, 705 Second Ave., Dodge City, KS 67801. Further inquiries or questions can be e-mailed to richard.druse@dodgeglobe.com.

The Kansas City Star is seeking a reporter with up to 15 months experience for an anticipated suburban expansion. Job term is up to 3 years. \$24K, benefits. E-mail kknowles@kcstar.com.

The Kansas City Star is seeking an assistant editor/designer with up to two years of experience for an anticipated suburban expansion. \$30K, benefits. E-mail kknowles@kcstar.com.

Large weekly in Southeast Nebraska seeks reporter-photographer. Skills required: outgoing, energetic, self-motivated, self-confident person to write hard news and feature stories, take pictures, manage circulation, layout pages, misc. office duties. Must have working knowledge of Pagemaker and Photoshop programs. Must be able to withstand newspaper pressure and deadlines. Semi-flexible hours. VOICE NEWS-your hometown newspaper. E-mail resume to voicenews@inebraska.com or mail to: Box 148, Hickman, NE 68372 or call 402-792-2255 for info.

The Osawatomie Graphic, a 3,000-circulation weekly in Osawatomie, is looking for a talented, aggressive reporter who wants to grow as a journalist. We are looking for someone who is a self-starter, is deadline-driven and is a strong, versatile writer who can handle anything from a council meeting to a feature story. Experience is preferred, but not necessary – we are willing to cultivate young talent. Photography skills are a plus, and we're looking for someone with plenty of pagination experience. Promotions from within have poised us to accomplish great things. The Graphic is an award-winning newspaper that received 18 awards in the Kansas Press Association contest last year, including seven firsts and the award for general excellence. We are located on the southern edge of the Kansas City-metro area in a region poised for growth. We offer a competitive salary and good benefits. Our newspaper group was recently purchased by the News-Press Gazette Co., based in St. Joseph, Mo., increasing opportunities for upward mobility. Send a cover letter, resume and at least five clips showing the range of your abilities to Jennifer McDaniel, editor, Osawatomie Graphic, PO Box 99, Osawatomie, KS 66064. Or send an e-mail to jmcdaniel@graphic-online.com. Please put your name and "reporter applicant" in the subject field. Application deadline is Jan. 19.

Sports Editor. The semi-weekly Holton Recorder (located 30 minutes north of Topeka on U.S. Highway 75) has an immediate opening for a sports editor. We're looking for the right person to carry on our tradition of quality sports coverage and photography. Send resume and clips to: Holton Recorder, c/o David Powls at P.O. Box 311, Holton, KS 66436.

Wanted: A reporter who can combine news and feature writing on our education, small-community and general assignment beats to create some of our most compelling coverage. A full time job for an energetic, driven writer who enjoys telling the stories of ordinary people. Minimum requirements: bachelor's degree in journalism or related field or the professionally equivalent experience. Ability to handle multiple projects is a must. The Ottawa Herald is a 6,000 circulation daily Monday-Friday p.m., Saturday a.m. in growing northeastern Kansas. Interested candidates should send a resume and work samples to: Gordon Billingsley, Managing Editor, The Ottawa Herald, 104 S. Cedar, Ottawa, KS 66067 or Gordon@ottawaherald.com.

West central Kansas newspaper group seeks sports and news editors for challenging opportunities. Send resumes to Main Street Media, 115 W 5th, Larned, KS 67550 or e-mail to birddog@pawnee.kscoxmail.com.

The Wichita Business Journal is looking for a passionate, hard-working reporter who loves breaking exclusive news and wants to be read by decision-makers in the state's largest city. You'll work M-F, have weekends free and work for the country's largest chain of business publications, American City Business Journals. And you'll be offered a wage competitive with the daily. If you're committed to doing outstanding work, contact Editor Bill Roy at broy@bizjournals.com, or send resume and clips to Bill Roy, 110 S. Main, Ste. 200, Wichita, Kansas, 67202.

MANAGEMENT OPENINGS.

Publisher needed for daily newspaper (under 10,000 circ.) located in Beatrice, Nebraska. The Beatrice Daily Sun is a Lee Enterprises newspaper. Seeking highly motivated individual to grow operation. Ideal candidates will possess a strong newspaper background, motivational and interpersonal skills and be able to lead a management team toward a common goal. Excellent opportunity for advertising professional. Sales background preferred and shopper history a plus. A strong community-customer focus essential. Competitive salary, annual bonus and excellent benefits package provided to the right candidate. Applications will be accepted online at hr@journalstar.com or mail a resume to Lincoln Journal Star, Attn: Human Resources, Beatrice Publisher, 926 P Street, Lincoln, NE 68508.

Publisher wanted. Opportunity for individual with strong advertising background and management skills to head up this six-day daily newspaper in El Dorado. As publisher your responsibilities would include all facets of the business. Knowledge of web press plant operation helpful. Excellent compensation package includes base plus quarterly performance bonus, available health and life insurance, 401(k) and flex spending plans. Apply to Richard (Chip) Watson, regional manager, cwatson@bignickel.com.