



108th PPA Convention March 22-24

Discover Childress

PPA's 2018 convention starts Thursday, March 22, in Childress with a reception at the Childress County Heritage Museum where you can learn more about the history of the area while renewing old friendships and making new ones.

Improve Your Skills

Get more out of Adobe Photoshop Friday morning as **FRED ANDERS** with the TPA Mobile Lab teaches you tricks and shortcuts to help make your photographs the best they can be!

In the Sunshine

PPA Hall of Famer and attorney **DON RICHARDS** will give an overview of Open Meetings and Open Records rules in Texas to help you hold your local officials accountable.

An Eye on Success

Author, photographer, and former Childress Economic Development Director **RUSSELL GRAVES** will be our guest at Friday's lunch as he talks about his journeys through Texas and his experience with economic development.



The Big Story

Reporting on friends and neighbors isn't always easy as emotions can run high. Canadian Record publisher and PPA Hall of Famer **LAURIE EZZELL BROWN** will discuss covering big news events in a small town from devastating wildfires to the tragic and mysterious disappearance of local high school student.

Hall of Fame

PPA honors two area journalists Friday night joined by World Champion Tie-Down Roper **STRAN SMITH**, who gained national fame in the rodeo arena but is best known for the hardships he's overcome.



More Money!

The best idea is often a borrowed one. Bring your best revenue idea in circulation, ad sales, or special section for our roundtable discussion of how to improve the bottom line.

AND ALSO FEATURING: *The PPA All Stars, & the 2017 Better Newspaper Contest Winners!*

Hall of Fame Ballot Deadline: March 2 • Hotel Deadline: March 9 • Registration Deadline: March 9

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PPA SILENT AUCTION SUPPORTING PPA SCHOLARSHIPS

Please bring items for the Silent Auction to be held Friday, March 23. Proceeds fund our PPA Scholarships!

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CONVENTION SIGN-UP DEADLINE: MARCH 9, 2018

PANHANDLE PRESS ASSOCIATION

2018 Hall of Fame Ballot

Each paid member of the Panhandle Press Association receives one Hall of Fame ballot and may **vote for up to two nominees**. Please mark your choices and return to the address below by **MARCH 2, 2018**. Winners will be announced during the annual convention at the Hall of Fame Banquet on Friday, March 23, 2018, in Childress.

Jim Hudson

James R. Hudson, better known as Jim Hudson, assumed the position of publisher of The Perryton Herald after his father's death in 1991. He actually began his career at the age of 9, working in the mail room of The Ochiltree County Herald when the Hudson family purchased control of the newspaper in 1959. Later when the name changed to The Perryton Herald in 1962, Jim became one of the first newspaper carriers. He earned a BBA in 1973 from the University of Texas at Austin. After a stint in Houston working for Mustang Tractor & Equipment Co, he returned to The Perryton Herald as general manager in 1985. Jim meant so much to so many, serving his community, the Panhandle Press Association (president 1987-88), the West Texas Press Association and the Texas Press Association (president 1993-94). At the age of 63, Jim died on May 26, 2014.

Ron Carr

Ron Carr was born October 15, 1939, in Hillsboro. He graduated from Hillsboro High School and later entered into the United States National Guard. Ron had a very successful travel agency in Dallas, and worked for Braniff Airlines. But, one of his greatest business achievements was when he purchased the Friona Star newspaper from the Ellis family. As owner and publisher of the Friona Star, he was a large part of many lives in Friona and Parmer County. Ron was a dedicated newspaper man and worked hard to cover his community and local school. His weekly "Out Here" column, featuring Ron's take on the events of the day, was a PPA award winner. His dry wit, banter and love for Marilyn Monroe are legendary. Ron passed away on November 6, 2017, at the age of 78.

**Please return your ballot in one of your company envelopes
Roger Estlack, PPA Secretary, PO Box 1110, Clarendon, TX 79226
MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 2, 2018.**



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February 16, 2018

PPA Members:

Following discussion at the 2017 business meeting and upon the affirmative vote of the Board of Directors on January 13, 2018, an amendment to the Panhandle Press Association Bylaws will be considered at this year's convention during the business meeting. The vote will be held during the business meeting at 11 a.m. March 23, 2018, at the Clarendon College Childress Center, 1902 Ave. G NW Suite 1, Childress, Texas.

**Panhandle Press Association
2018 Annual Meeting Notice of Proposed Bylaw Amendment**

Amend Article IV, Section 3 — Associate Membership, subsection "B.", as follows:

B. Associate members shall be entitled to all privileges of membership in the Association, ~~except~~ *including, within the sole discretion of the Board,* participation in official business, voting and holding office.

NOTE: This amendment is intended to provide the PPA Board of Directors the discretion to allow for Associate Members to have greater participation in the Association, including voting and holding office, if Directors determine it would be in the best interests of PPA.