



Coleman Named Publisher in Wichita Falls

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CINCINNATI, April 17 /PRNewswire/ -- Darrell Coleman, vice president and chief financial officer for the Corpus Christi (Texas) Caller-Times, has been named president and publisher of the Wichita Falls (Texas) Times Record News, effective May 8.

Coleman succeeds Lynn Dickerson, who has resigned as president and publisher in Wichita Falls to become publisher of The Modesto (Calif.) Bee. Dickerson's appointment also is effective May 8.

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"Darrell Coleman has extensive experience in all newspaper business operations -- production, accounting, circulation, advertising, planning and budgeting," said Alan M. Horton, senior vice president of newspapers for Scripps. "He's smart, engaging, energetic and a team player, builder and leader. He inherits a strong team molded and led so well by Lynn Dickerson. With Darrell's help, the team in Wichita Falls will not miss a beat."

Stephen W. Sullivan, who oversees the Times Record News and several other Scripps newspapers, said, "We're very fortunate to have an executive like Darrell Coleman, who grew up in Wichita Falls, ready to step in. Darrell has been invaluable as chief financial officer at the Corpus Christi Caller-Times and his successful track record in the variety of positions he has held gives him a breadth of newspaper experience."

Coleman, 44, has been vice president and chief financial officer for the Caller-Times since 1994. He also served as chief financial officer for Harte-Hanks Newspapers from 1994 until the group was acquired in 1997 by Scripps.

Coleman began his newspaper career as an accountant at the Times Record News in 1978. In 1984 he became financial director of the Del Rio (Texas) News-Herald and two years later was named group controller for the Harte-Hanks Southern California newspapers, based in San Diego.

In 1987, Coleman was named group controller of Harte-Hanks Community Newspapers in suburban Dallas. Two years later he was named operations director for the Dallas newspapers, responsible for finance and circulation. In 1991 Coleman moved to the Anderson (S.C.) Independent-Mail as vice president of finance, and a year later became the newspaper's vice president of operations for finance and production.

Coleman is a 1979 graduate of Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, where he earned a bachelor's degree in business administration.

Dickerson has been publisher and president of the Times Record News since 1996. Prior to that she had served four years as publisher and president of the Harte-Hanks Community Newspapers in suburban Dallas. She began her newspaper career as an advertising sales account executive with the Hourma (La.) Daily Courier in 1980.

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