



Lee Enterprises Appoints Mattoon-Charleston Publisher

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MATTOON, Ill., Aug 21, 2002 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Carl Walworth, 41, has been appointed publisher/editor of the Mattoon Journal Gazette and Charleston Times-Courier.

The announcement was made today by Linda Lindus, Lee Enterprises group publisher for central and southern Illinois.

"We are pleased to announce the appointment of Carl as publisher and editor for the newspapers. He is native to the area and has a deep affection for and understanding of the region served by both the Journal Gazette and Times-Courier," she said. "Carl's experience and his positive attitude will make for a smooth transition."

Walworth has been employed by the Journal Gazette and Times-Courier for 17 years, from 1983 to 1988 and again since 1990. He has worked for both newspapers as a sports reporter, sports editor, general assignment reporter and Mattoon city reporter. He was appointed city editor in 1998. From 1988 to 1990, he was managing editor for the Newton-Press Mentor.

Walworth is a 1983 graduate from the University of Illinois with a bachelor's degree in journalism. He completed work toward a master's degree in economics at Eastern Illinois University, where he also taught in the journalism department from 1994 to 1996.

He is board chairman of the Mattoon Community Food Center, has been a volunteer tutor in the literacy program operated through Lake Land College for about 10 years, serves on the literacy advisory board, and is a member of the board that is working to build new Junior Football League fields in Mattoon. He is a member of Investigative Reporters and Editors.

He and his wife, Kathie, have two children, Brody, 15, and Kelli, 13. His parents, Maurice and Eula, also reside in Mattoon.

Walworth succeeds Dave Simpson, who recently took an editor's position at the North Platte Telegraph in Nebraska.

The Journal Gazette and the Times-Courier are among 45 daily newspapers owned by Lee Enterprises. They joined Lee in April, along with 14 other daily newspapers acquired from Howard Publications. Lee, which is based in Davenport, Iowa, also owns more than 175 weekly newspapers and specialty publications, along with associated online services. Lee's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol LEE. More information about Lee is available at www.lee.net.

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