

## Lee Selects Christopher Rush as New Coos Bay Publisher

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COOS BAY, Ore.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 26, 2015-- Lee Enterprises (NYSE: LEE), a leading provider of news, information and advertising in 50 markets, has named Christopher Rush publisher of *The World* in Coos Bay, Oregon. Rush, 53, joins *The World* from the *Bartlesville Examiner-Enterprise* in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, where he has been publisher since 2011.

"Chris Rush is a well-rounded and experienced publisher with extensive leadership experience in both news and advertising," said Vice President of Consumer Sales and Marketing Nathan Bekke. "He's a great fit for *The World* and the community of Coos Bay."

In addition to publisher of the *Examiner-Enterprise*, Rush also served as editor from 2011 to 2013 and then as advertising director. His 23-year career includes three years as publisher and editor of *The Daily World* in Aberdeen, Washington and eight years as managing editor at the *Examiner-Enterprise* from 2001 to 2008.

"I'm thrilled for the opportunity to lead an already outstanding local newspaper like *The World*. I'm eager to get to work, meet with people in the community and begin the process of putting down roots," Rush said.

"I'm looking forward to serving the readers and advertisers on the south Oregon coast with a variety of excellent editorial products and services — both in print and online."

Rush has served on several boards of directors including the Bartlesville Chamber of Commerce, the Salvation Army of Bartlesville and the Bartlesville Rotary Club. He is a former member of the Aberdeen Rotary Club and past president of the Bartlesville Kiwanis Club.

Rush is a graduate of Oklahoma State University and also holds a Master of Education from the University of Central Oklahoma. He and his wife, Sheryl, have two adult children.

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