## FIRST CALL FOR ENTRIES



## 2008 PAT TAGGART AWARD FOR TEXAS NEWSPAPER LEADER OF THE YEAR

## INFORMATION AND RULES FOR NOMINATIONS

The Pat Taggart Award for Texas Newspaper Leader of The Year is awarded annually to a publisher or newspaper executive who has provided:

- Outstanding service and accomplishments for his or her newspaper.
- Exceptional service to the newspaper business, accomplished through an association or as an individual.
- Exemplary service to the community, city, state or nation to reflect credit upon the newspaper industry.

Nominees should, at the time of their nomination, hold an executive or management position with a TDNA member newspaper. In addition, nominees should have demonstrated leadership qualities in the management, business, production, advertising, circulation or news operations which best emulate those demonstrated by Pat Taggart during his 50 years in the newspaper business.

## Submission:

Nominations should be made in writing and should include biographical background information, along with supporting documents explaining the reasons why the nominee should be the recipient of the award. No limitations are placed upon the length of such information submitted, but conciseness and clarity are suggested.

Artistic qualities of the nomination submissions (such as the use of artwork, photographs, etc.) will not be considered in the selection of the award recipient. There shall be no restrictions regarding who may submit nominations. The TDNA board of directors may, if it chooses, submit nominations.

The Pat Taggart Award was established in 1977 and has become one of the highest honors in Texas journalism. Pat Taggart rose from the ranks of the Fentress Newspapers to president of the group and gave exceptional leadership to the newspaper business. Active in TDNA, SNPA, ANPA, and other newspaper-related organizations, he served on numerous local and state service organizations. He died in 1990.

Send your entries postmarked no later than <u>January 15, 2009</u> to:

Pat Taggart Award Selection Committee

Texas Daily Newspaper Association

718 West Fifth Street, Ste. 200

Austin, Texas 78701

Previous winners are listed on the back of this form