



STAUNTON VA 'NEWS LEADER' CUTS JOBS

The News Leader

The Staunton, Virginia *News Leader*, a Gannett newspaper, cut five employees this week, part of the parent company's plan to eliminate 1,400 jobs. In December 2008, the *News Leader* laid off 10 employees and eliminated 5 vacant positions. In March, it outsourced its printing, eliminating 23 jobs. The paper has also implemented two one-week unpaid furloughs. The *News Leader* now employs 50 people. The *News Leader* is a daily newspaper owned by Gannett Company, serving Staunton, Virginia and the surrounding areas. The paper was founded in 1904 by Brigadier General Hierome L. Opie as *The Evening Leader*.

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