

TELL GATEHOUSE MEDIA TO PRESERVE OUR LOCAL NEWS

The ability of your local daily newspaper to function as a reliable source of information and a watchdog over local government and institutions is under siege by the paper's corporate owner.

This newspaper's parent company -- GateHouse Media, which is part of the publicly traded New Media Investment Group -- has laid off and failed to replace so many workers that news-gathering operations here and across the country are struggling.

THINGS MAY GET EVEN WORSE

A proposed merger between GateHouse and another national newspaper chain -- Gannett Corp. -- would cut \$300 million more from the combined company's operations nationwide. Included would be \$115 million in specific cuts to "newspaper operations," according to New Media.

Gannett stockholders are considering approving this proposal.

The NewsGuild-CWA, a labor union that represents workers at some of GateHouse's newspapers, cares about preserving journalism at all newspapers and media outlets.

Please take these steps to show support for the hard-working journalists at your local newspaper as they try to preserve the quality of local journalism.

- 1** Use this online link <http://bit.ly/preservelocalnews> to send an email to GateHouse CEO Mike Reed telling him to hold the line on corporate greed and put local journalism first.
- 2** "Like" our union on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/NewsGuild/> and follow our union on Twitter at https://twitter.com/news_guild
- 3** Follow our Twitter feed on the GateHouse-Gannett merger at <https://twitter.com/PreserveNews>

If you are interested in gaining a legally protected voice in your workplace, email organize@newsguild.org or, to have a confidential conversation with an organizer, contact Stephanie Basile at (201) 787-6035 and learn how unionizing can enhance job security, boost pay and reduce anxiety in an ever-changing media landscape.

"Our liberty depends on freedom of the press, and that cannot be limited without being lost."

-- Thomas Jefferson