#### Mather Economics

#### Symposium – Opening Session

November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014



## Symposium – Differences from a typical conference

- Invitation only
- No sponsors or vendors
- It is about you, not us
- Sharing of good ideas
- Cross-industry attendance
- Implementation focus



#### Symposium – Why are we hosting it?

- To facilitate industry transformation
- To share good ideas and best practices
- To promote thought leadership from inside and outside the industry

#### Symposium – Who is here?

- U.S. News Media companies: Cox, Gannett, McClatchy, MediaNews Group, Tribune, GateHouse, Advance, Wehco, BH Media, CNHI, Sandusky, Swift, Belo, Harris, Kruger, Southern Community Newspapers
- International News Media companies: Axel Springer, Norran, Otavamedia, Sanoma
- Independent Media companies: Toronto Star, San Diego Union Tribune, Columbus Dispatch, North Jersey Media Group, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Seattle Times, Spokesman Review, Albuquerque Journal, Newsday, Erie Times, Tyler Morning Telegraph, Bangor Daily News
- Industry Associations: Newspaper Association of America, Inland Press
  Association
- Non-news media companies: Meredith Magazines, IHG, ESPN, Linemakers, Global Mobile, Moblico, The Atlantic



#### Symposium – What will be presented?

Monday

- Embracing change Transitioning to new business models
- Leveraging customer data to drive business strategy
- Best practices in growing subscription bases
- Programmatic advertising Separating fact from fiction
- Customer loyalty programs and targeted offers
- Customer lifetime value (CLV)
- Content strategies and programming
- Revenue budgeting and forecasting



## Symposium – What will be presented?

Tuesday

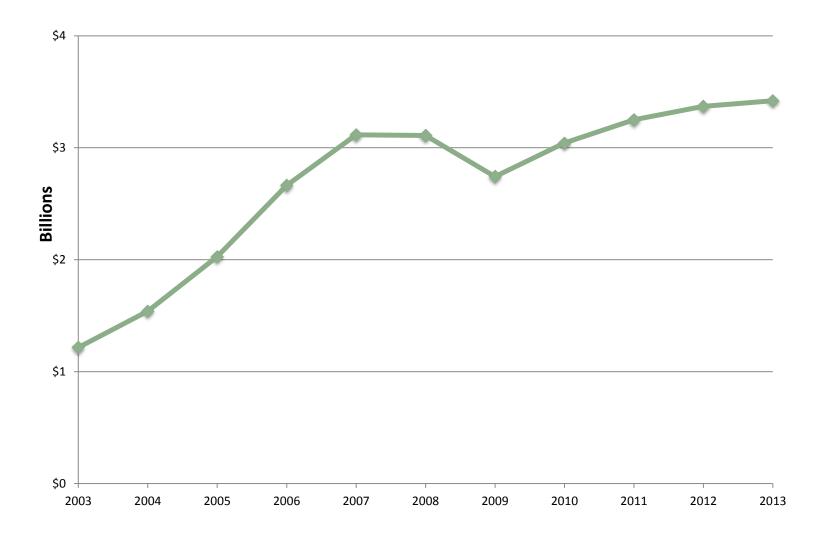
- Bundling and packaging of content to maximize revenue
- Driving digital strategies using customer behavior and demographic data
- Key metrics in benchmarking
- New ideas and best practices to maximize revenue streams



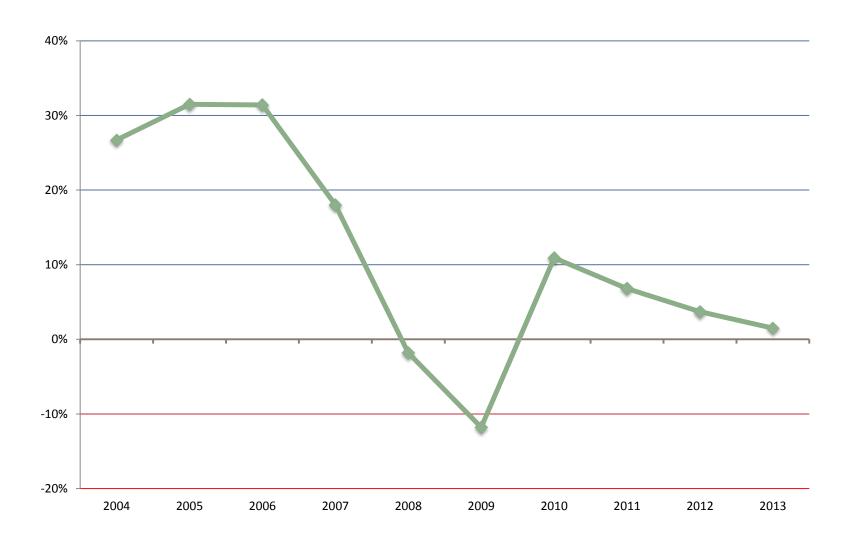
The Challenge Ahead



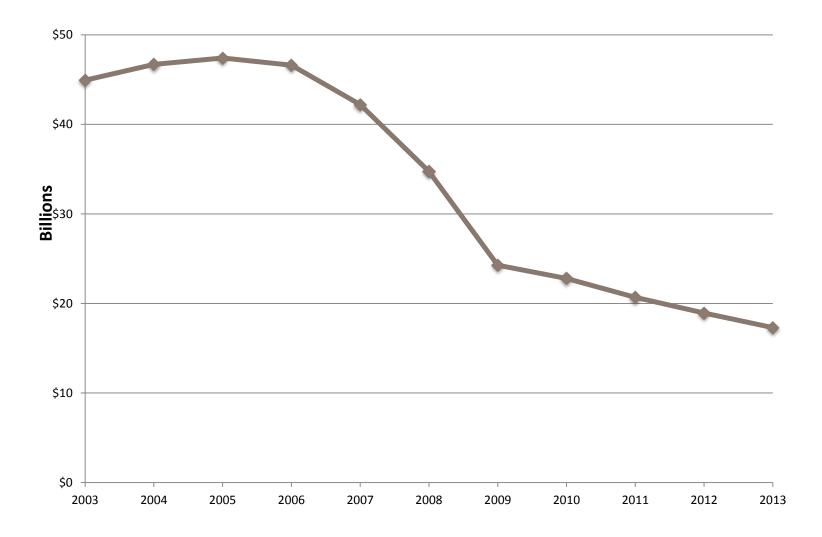
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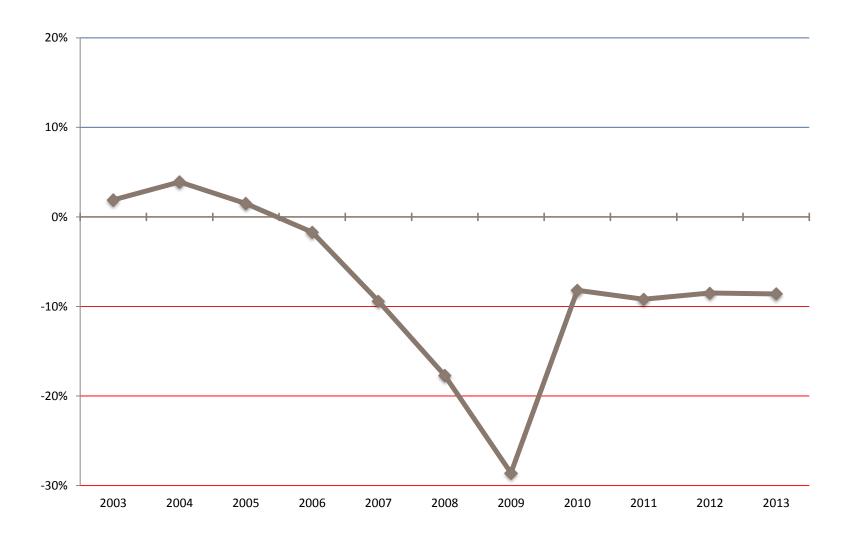
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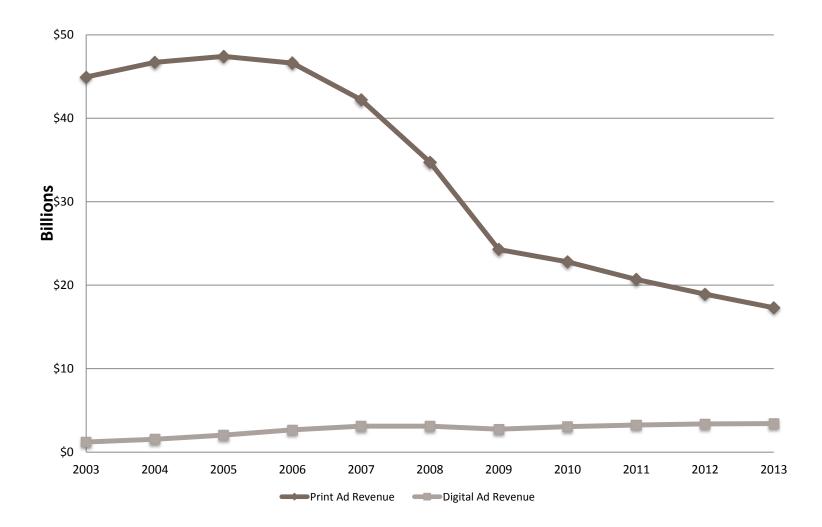
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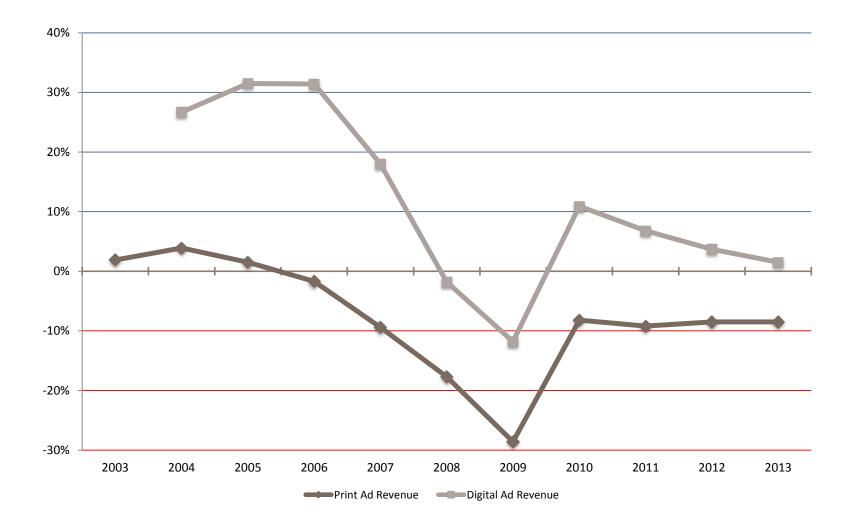
#### Print advertising revenue data represented in percentage changes 11



## Print and digital advertising revenue by year 2003 to 2013



#### Advertising revenue data represented as percentage change by year <sup>13</sup>



## U.S. Newspaper Industry Revenue by Category in 2013

2013 Revenues	\$ Billions	% Change
Total Revenue	\$37.59	-2.60%
Advertising Revenue	\$23.57	-6.50%
Newspaper Print	\$17.30	-8.60%
Digital Advertising	\$3.42	1.50%
Direct Marketing	\$1.40	2.40%
Niche/Non-Daily	\$1.45	-5.80%
Circulation Revenue	\$10.87	3.70%
New/Other Revenue	\$3.15	5.00%
Source: NAA		

# Print advertising revenue is only one source of print related revenue experiencing downward pressure

- Pre-print insert and Total Market Coverage (TMC) revenue
- Print home delivery revenue
- Print single-copy revenue
- Niche print product revenue
- Commercial printing revenue
- Commercial distribution revenue

Key Question:

Can growth in digital advertising (including mobile) and digital-only subscription growth offset declining print-related revenue loss?

# mather:

- Diversify sources of revenue while the print economics support transition to the new business model
- Per Jim Moroney at Dallas Morning News:

"We will accomplish this goal by further diversifying our sources of revenue in two ways:

- Organically through a dedicated, staffed and funded sustaining innovation process.
- Through acquisition by having a dedicated, staffed and funded business development process."



#### Newspaper





Lewis beats White Sox for 1st career shutout The Dallas Morning News The new Red River rivalry Budget is short \$79M No turning back











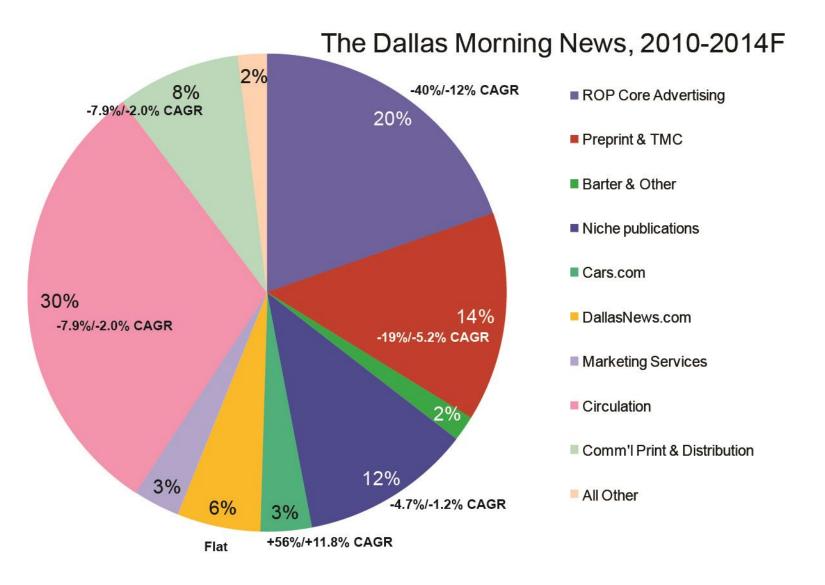






## Dallas Morning News Composition of Revenue in 2014

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## Composition of Revenue in 2014 – Dallas Morning News

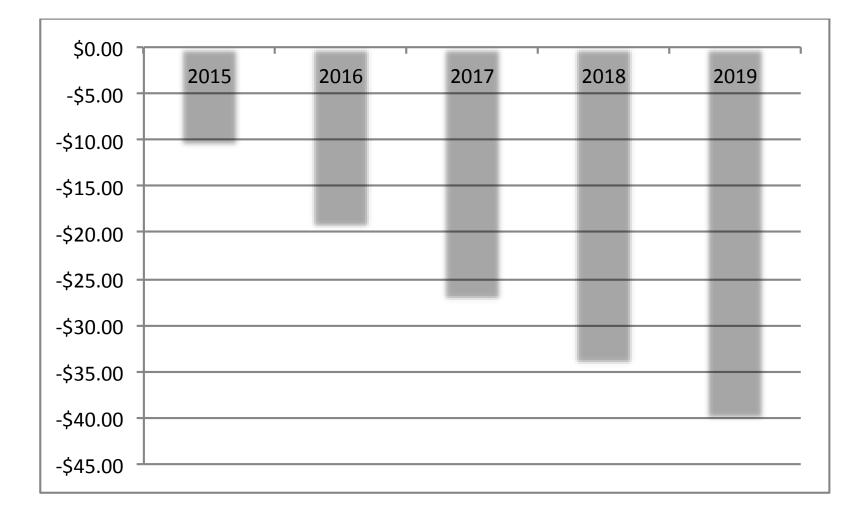
	%	CAGR
Declining		
ROP / Print	20.0%	(12.0%)
Preprint and TMC	14.0%	(5.2%)
Total	34.0%	(8.2%)
Sustaining		
Niche Publications	12.0%	(1.2%)
Circulation	30.0%	(2.2%)
Commercial Print and Distribution	8.0%	(2.0%)
Total	50.0%	(1.9%)
Growth		
Cars.com	3.0%	11.8%
Dallasnews.com	6.0%	1.0%
Marketing Services	3.0%	5.0%
Total	12.0%	Growth



## Revenue Gap – 5 Year Projection, \$39.5 Million

	%	CAGR	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Declining								
ROP / Print	20.0%	(12.0%)	\$56.47	\$49.69	\$43.73	\$38.48	\$33.87	\$29.80
Preprint and TMC	14.0%	(5.2%)	\$39.53	\$37.47	\$35.53	\$33.68	\$31.93	\$30.27
Total	34.0%	(8.2%)						
Sustaining								
Niche Publications	12.0%	(1.2%)	\$33.88	\$33.48	\$33.07	\$32.68	\$32.29	\$31.90
Circulation	30.0%	(2.2%)	\$84.71	\$82.84	\$81.02	\$79.24	\$77.49	\$75.79
Commercial Print and Distribution	8.0%	(2.0%)	\$22.59	\$22.14	\$21.69	\$21.26	\$20.83	\$20.42
Total	50.0%	(1.9%)						
Growth								
Cars.com	3.0%	11.8%	\$8.47	\$9.47	\$10.59	\$11.84	\$13.23	\$14.80
Dallasnews.com	6.0%	1.0%	\$16.94	\$17.11	\$17.28	\$17.45	\$17.63	\$17.81
Marketing Services	3.0%	5.0%	\$8.47	\$8.89	\$9.34	\$9.81	\$10.30	\$10.81
Total	12.0%	Growth	\$271.06	\$261.10	\$252.25	\$244.43	\$237.56	\$231.58
				-\$9.96	-\$18.81	-\$26.63	-\$33.49	-\$39.47

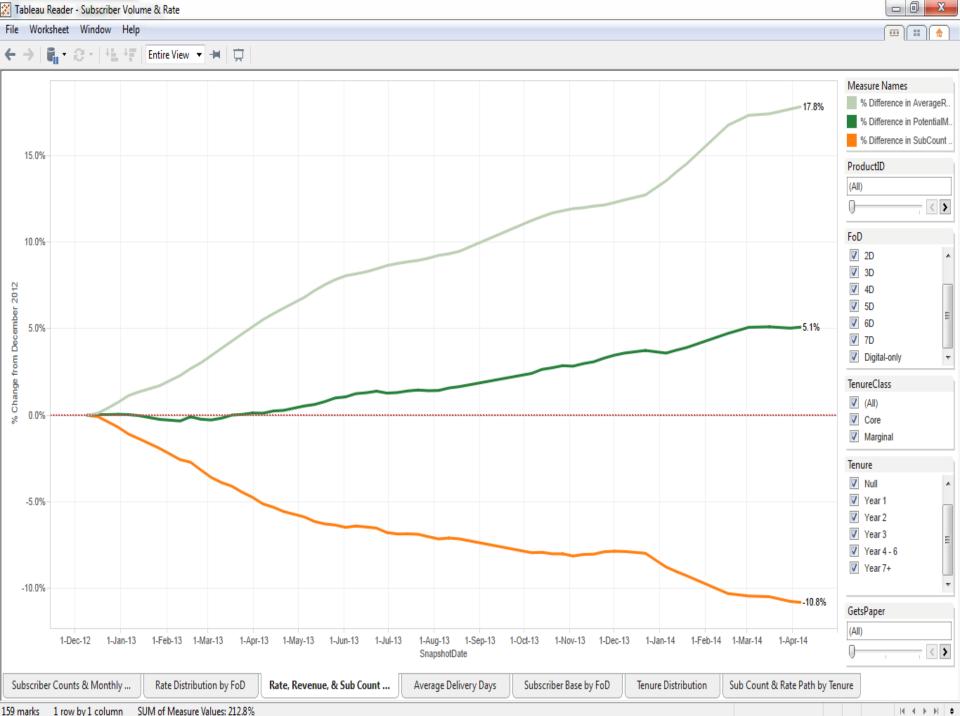




## Revenue diversification and growth opportunities....

- First-party targeted digital advertising inventory
- Time-based digital advertising
- Geo-targeted mobile advertising
- Syndication of content; white-labeling of content
- Targeted product development
- Digital advertising yield management

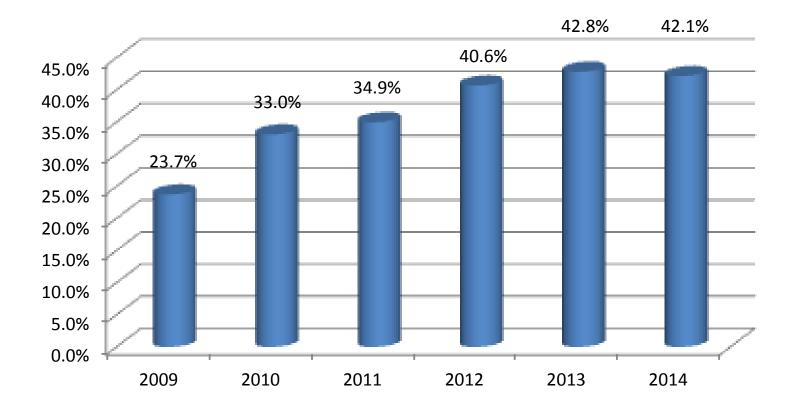




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Contribution margin from circulation operations 2009 – 2014 reflect focus on operating margins and customer profitability

#### **Circ Contribution Margin 2009-2014**



#### Conclusions from industry overview

- New media companies have advantages: Brands, Newsroom, Distribution networks, Community relationships
- Diversity revenue leveraging your brand, community, 'halo effect' from quality journalism
- Utilize economics from existing business models and products during transition



## Takeaways from the symposium

- Implementable, innovative ideas "one good idea will more than pay for the trip"
- Share the good, the bad, and the ugly
- We will not post slides or share information that is not for public consumption
- Mather is in a unique position in the industry
  - We are grateful for your trust
  - We will collaborate on innovation and implementation
  - We are invested in your success



#### Introduction of Key Note Session

- Amy Glennon, Publisher, Atlanta Journal Constitution
- Bruce Fike, President, Linanne Enterprises LLC