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Colleagues,

Here are some items of interest.

First, welcome to our newest Connecting members: Linda Deutsch and Jim Suhr.

Few people on Connecting have the long history of AP Communications that Bud Weydert possesses, so I asked him if he could assemble a listing of multigenerational families in the AP from the technical side as part of our Connecting series on AP's family ties.

Bud retired in 2009 as Director of Special Events after 35 years with AP. His brother Phil was a technician and then Operations Manager in NYC before moving to The New York Times as the Communications Manager for its Syndication Sales operation. Joe started as a temporary utility-man in East Brunswick where he became a technician before moving to the Kansas City bureau. He had nearly 23 years with AP. Attached are two photos – one is of Joe, taken on his birthday last March, about six weeks before he passed away unexpectedly. The other is of his four older brothers and was taken at his memorial service in Mason City, IA.





They are, from left to right, Terry, Bud, Phil and Brian.

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## **Here is Bud's roundup:**

Paul:

Your comments about the Hamrick and Stevens families working for AP started me thinking about not just multiple generation families but also multiple family members. Following is a list I've put together of those in the technology department, however, I'm sure it isn't all inclusive.

I apologize in advance for any misspelled names, etc. I'm basically doing this from memory and I'm sure you know what happens to us as we get older. Someone once told me just what that was but I can't seem to remember what they said.

Hopefully those with better memories than mine who read Connecting will be able to expand upon it.

### **Adamson:**

George was an operator and his son, Rick, was a technician. Both worked in the Cleveland, OH bureau and retired from there.

### **Barry:**

Don was the COC in Boston for many years. His son, Jeff, started as a technician there and then moved to Miami some years later.

### **Bradshaw:**

Virgil (Brad) was the Deputy Director of Communications under Dave Bowen. His son Pat was a COC, mostly in Indianapolis, before finally transferring to New York City from where he retired. His son John worked for a short time in East Brunswick when the technical center was located there and his son-in-law, Michael Murphy, started in East Brunswick and moved to Denver where he was a senior technician for several years. His father, F.K. Bradshaw, is listed in the union seniority list as an automatic operator in Kansas City for more than 35 years.

### **Carter:**

Tom was an automatic operator and his brother, Roy, was a technician. Both worked in the Kansas City bureau.

**Cintron:**

Manny his ex-wife Anne, their son Gary and their daughter Charlene all worked for AP at 50 Rockefeller Plaza. Manny was an automatic operator and Anne was a switchboard operator. Gary started as a wirephoto operator there before moving to Miami as a technician and Charlene was a console operator in the markets department.

**Colburn:**

Bob was the COC in Portland, OR. His son, Brian, was a field technician there for many years. I'm not sure but think he may have actually replaced his Dad as COC at some point after he retired.

**Coston:**

Dennis worked for AP for forty years to the day. He started on July 28, 1969 and retired on July 27, 2009. Coincidentally, we both started and ended our AP careers in the same month and on the same day, just starting in different years. Dennis' last assignment was managing the technology of AP's worldwide satellite system. His brother Doug was the COC in Milwaukee for several years before moving to East Brunswick and then Maine as a technician.

**Craigmile:**

Todd is the technology manager in Columbus, OH. His brother, Jeff, was a technician in Peoria, IL.

**Dajany:**

Fuad was an automatic operator working in the pre-VAX era markets department. His son, Kalil, also worked in NYC. I'm not sure which department but I think he was in programming.

**Goergen:**

Ray retired from AP as COC in Philadelphia where he spent the majority of his career although he did spend two years in NYC running AP's SATNET subsidiary. His son Rich was an AP technician for several years before resigning. His son-in-law, Bob Keller, is currently working in NYC as the US Support Manager.

### **Hall:**

Bob was the communications executive in Kansas City who managed AP's Carrier Transmission System (CTS) department. His son, Russ, was a senior technician there for several years before transferring to either Phoenix or Albuquerque.

### **Helling:**

Bernd was a longtime staffer in the East Brunswick engineering department. His daughter, Alex, worked in the production department there for a couple of years.

### **Hogan:**

Jerry and his younger brothers Tom and Dan all worked for the AP, first in East Brunswick and then Cranbury when the technical center was moved there. Jerry worked as a technical service manager for special events and was with AP for more than 25 years. His brother Tom was a technician for a few years, leaving to start what became a very successful real estate business in New Jersey. Dan started as a technician in CTC and became a field engineer in the electronic darkroom department.

### **Hudson:**

Ray was a Technical Service Manager in East Brunswick until 1975 or 1976 when he moved to Columbus, OH as COC where he remained until he retired. His son, Kevin, was a technician in the Columbus bureau for many years and remains based there. Last I knew he was working with corporate finance overseeing purchases of new equipment and working with the respective vendors to insure their products meets the AP needs for which they are being purchased.

### **Jones:**

Brothers Mike and Wes were technicians in Pleasanton, CA when communications was located there and the news/photo office was in San Francisco. Believe Mike is a technical manager, still in CA, while Wes is the technology manager in Phoenix.

### **King:**

Brothers Arthur and William were wirephoto operators in NYC. William became a technician before leaving AP.

### **Koenigsberg:**

Lisa and Eric, sister and brother, were wirephoto operators in NYC.

**Kramsky/Leader:**

Gary Kramsky was a manager in the CTC Network Operations Center (NOC) and his cousin, Steve Leader, was an ACOC in NYC.

**Kiernan:**

John, Director of Global Facilities Network and Telecom, and his brother Pat, Global Technology Asset Manager, both work in the AP technical center in Cranbury, NJ. Both have been with AP for more than 20 years.

**Knox:**

Bill Knox was the COC in Little Rock. His son, Craig, was an AP technician there for many years. His brother, Bob, was a technician in Richmond.

**Lottman:**

Dave was a technician in CTC and his brother, Jeff, worked in the warehouse.

**MacDonald:**

Bob was a long time technical service manager in the East Brunswick technical center. His daughter Sue, and her husband Jim, also worked there, Jim as a technician and Sue in the administration area.

**Martin:**

Betty was the CTS confidential secretary for almost 20 years. Betty's son, Brad, started as a copy boy in the Kansas City bureau and has held several AP positions over the past 43 years. His current assignment is as Senior Manager, Operation Control Center based in the Kansas City Technical Center which was established there in 1991.

**Masucci:**

Bill was a personnel executive in New York City. His son, Bob, was an AP technician in the NYC shop before moving to a field assignment where he was responsible for Westchester, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk and Staten Island counties of New York. I believe he retired from that position just a few years ago.

**Morgan:**

Clay was an automatic operator and his son, Bill, was a copyboy. Both worked in the Kansas City Bureau.

**Mundt:**

Herb was a manager in the Personnel Department in NYC before moving to Kansas City where he retired after many years as the Chief of Communications for Kansas and Missouri. While I don't know their names, I understand he had a brother, sister and nephew who also worked for AP.

**Myricks:**

Brothers Reggie and Kevin were project managers in CTC.

**O'Connell:**

John was a long time NYC staffer whose last assignment was as NYC COC. His sons, James and John, Jr. and his daughter Corrine all worked for AP at one time or another. James was a technician in NYC for a short time before moving to California. Corrine worked in Communications Administration for a few years. I believe she resigned a short time after getting married. John, Jr. worked as an NYC senior technician for many years before leaving the technology department to join administrative services where he helped coordinate all of the moving around departments did at AP headquarters.

**Percival:**

Russ was a communications executive who managed the AP's technical staff in the NYC markets department before he transferred to the Kansas City technical center. His brother, Harold, was a technician in Oklahoma City. Their cousin, Jenelle Stamper, started with AP in NYC and then transferred to Kansas City as COC when Dave Young retired.

**Procida:**

Lou and Tony are cousins. Tony was a technician and ACOC in Philadelphia before moving to the Cranbury Technical Center where he ultimately resigned. Lou started as a technician in NYC and is currently working in a technology management assignment in the CTC NOC.

**Sabol:**

Greg was a technician in NYC. His brother, Jeff, was a technician, I believe in Charleston.

**Sadowski:**

Brothers Leo and Bernie were both AP technicians. Leo worked in bureaus in Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and New Jersey and Bernie worked in the East Brunswick production department. Leo also worked as what was called a traffic bureau chief (TBC) in Newark, NJ for a few years.

**Schlueter:**

Bernie worked in the East Brunswick production department. I believe his last assignment was in the engineering department. His son Jim was a technician there.

**Sharpe:**

Ed Sharpe retired from AP as the COC in Atlanta, a position his son-in-law, Ronnie Williams, ultimately held after being a senior technician there for many years.

**Sloan:**

Dave Sloan was the COC in Los Angeles and I believe he's still there. His brother Dan was a senior technician in the same bureau until he left AP to join the Los Angeles Times.

**Stephens:**

Larry Stephens was the COC in WDC for many years. His nephew Charles (Eddy) Williams' last assignment with AP was as COC in Dallas.

**Swann:**

Lloyd was the Senior Technical Services Manager in East Brunswick for many years. Toward the end of his career he moved to the COC assignment in Louisville from which he retired. His son-in-law, Bob Osborne, was a technician in that same bureau.

**Thomas:**

Russ was the COC in Los Angeles for a number of years before going back to being a technician. His brother, Bob, was a technician in Las Vegas.

**Turner:**

Frank was the COC in Raleigh and his son, Larry was a technician there.

**Van Sickle:**

Everett was the TBC in Omaha. Jim was the COC in New Orleans for many years before moving to Pleasanton, CA where he retired. I believe they were father and son but I can't confirm that.

**Wood:**

Les was in charge of the AP technical center when it was in St. Louis, MO and moved with it to New Jersey in about 1972 when the technical center and the New York City production department were combined in East Brunswick under Bradshaw. His son, Mike, was a technician in Texas.

**Young:**

Dave was the COC in Des Moines, Chicago and Kansas City from which he retired. His brother, Tom, started as a technician in Kansas City and is now the Lead System Administrator in the technical center located there.

During my early days with AP I once heard a NYC membership executive comment about how the AP and its members were woven together by AP's not-for-profit news cooperative structure. I think another meaningful part of the AP fabric and its family atmosphere was the fact that many of its employees were just that, family.

Cheers,

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**AP Editors: Morsi Overthrow Can Be Described As 'Coup'**

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