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Colleagues,

CONNECTING - It's all about us!

Or at least it is meant to be. Stuff about us and our lives and memories from our careers and the great company we worked for, or continue to work for, is what most of you say is your favorite part of Connecting. Many enjoy the industry information and story links, but what Connecting provides that no other medium can is a focus on one another and our lives. It trumps all else.

So with the start of the new year, let me encourage you to share with me and your Connecting colleagues – who now number around 300, and growing steadily – things about you. A new book, an honor, a favorite AP memory, a volunteering story, whatever comes to mind that you think the rest of our group would enjoy seeing and learn from. This includes the active-duty AP folks among us whose presence we really appreciate.

The memory of **Don Beman** shared by **Ted Anthony** in yesterday's newsletter is a great example. **Linda Deutsch's** recollection of her first day at work, on her 47th AP anniversary, is another. (Tell me, does she hold the world record for most bureau chiefs worked with – 11?)

And while you're at it, let me know how we can make Connecting more valuable in the coming year. I would really appreciate your thoughts. (There is no truth to the ugly rumor, by the way, that I will soon be establishing a pay wall.)

So here is a request in that vein:

### **They say it's your birthday!!!**

Facebook does it. So does Mike Allen's Politico Playbook. So why not Connecting?

We'll start a new feature this year – successful only if you're willing – to recognize the birthdays of members of Connecting. **To get it started, send me an email with your birth date (month and day). And you'll get a Happy Birthday recognition on your special day or birthday week from Connecting. Send to me at [stevenspl@live.com](mailto:stevenspl@live.com) in this format – Date, Your Name (Example: Dec. 5, Paul Stevens).**

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Connecting colleague **Bob Meyers** wrote to say he "particularly enjoyed the links to the stories about Dave Martin, a larger than life character with a big heart. I think his 334 area code was the only one that editors in the State Photo Center would try to pick up quickly as he always had a good story or a joke and asked about your children by their names."

**Ron Edmonds** shares the attached link honoring Dave in a wonderful way in today's Alabama Media Group newspapers.

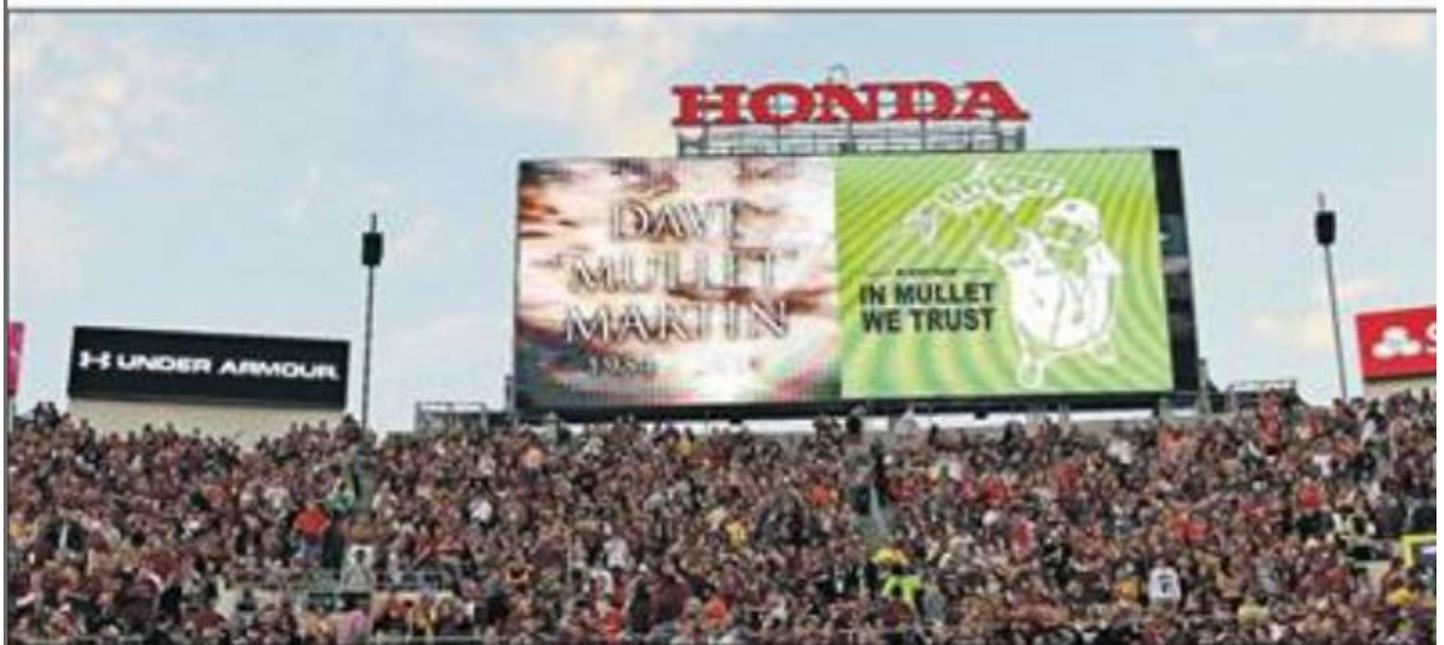
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# State

**TUSCALOOSA**  
**UA geologist picked for presidential award**  
President Barack Obama has named University of Alabama geologist Samantha Hansen as one of the recipients of the Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers, according to The Associated Press. The awards recognize scientists and engineers in the early stages of their independent research careers. The University of Alabama said Hansen is using energy signals from earthquakes to better understand how the Transantarctic mountain range was formed across Antarctica.

**MONTGOMERY**  
**198,000 Alabamians could get subsidies**  
A new report says about 198,000 uninsured Alabamians are eligible for federal subsidies to purchase health insurance under the new federal health care law. The report by the Kaiser Family Foundation says that number represents 30 percent of Alabama's 660,000 residents without insurance. The report also says about 191,000 people, or 29 percent of Alabama's uninsured, fall into a coverage gap because Alabama is not expanding its Medicaid program under the federal law.

**MONTGOMERY**  
**Supporters say inmate protests**  
A Dothan minister who works with nonviolent protests have spread to The Associated Press. The Rev. J. L. Moore, director of The Ordinary People Society, began last week at St. Clair and now include Elmore and Donaldsonville. Inmate protests in the institutions are not jobs because of concerns about overcrowding, and small pay.



A tribute to Associated Press photographer Dave Martin on the scoreboard at the Rose Bowl before the NCAA BCS National Championship college football game between Alabama and Florida State Monday, in Pasadena, Calif. (AP/David L. Phillips)

CONNECTING ALABAMA

# Photographer never settled

## Captured moments of pride, shame

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Three decades ago I met Dave Martin in an old abandoned warehouse in Tusculum. He dropped in as I was surrounded by some Ku Klux Klan members upset that I had followed them from a rally into the warehouse.

Lucky for me, Martin had followed me following the guys in the white sheets.

As I remember it, the lead KKK member was screaming at me, saying really unkind things and threatening to beat me up. Then a series of bright flashes began sporadically lighting up the dark, dirty old room. The flashes were from Martin's camera, and they caused the Klan to flee for a nearby door, cussing and yelling all the way.

The flashes had left my eyes blurry, but I remember the next words I heard.

"Like ... roaches, afraid of the light"

It was Martin. We walked outside, and I remember Martin had a grin and another pithy comment as he looked at what I'm sure was my athen but unbruised face.

"I thought maybe I'd get a shot of one of them knocking



Dave Martin, a longtime Associated Press photographer based in Montgomery, died after collapsing on the Georgia Dome field at the Chick-fil-A Bowl on Dec. 31, 2013. Martin was 59. (Mark Almond/malmond@al.com)

the s--- out of you." At that, we both started laughing.

I thought about that day New Year's morning when I awoke to the sad news Martin had died in the early hours of the new year from an apparent heart attack. He had col-

lapsed on the artificial surface of the Georgia Dome at the end of the Chick-fil-A Bowl game between Texas A&M and Duke.

The place and cause of his death has struck me as ironic because there wasn't an artificial bone in Martin's body. Until that night, the man's heart had never failed him, not in his renowned work for The Associated Press over 30 years or in the way he treated people.

Martin — known to his many friends as "Mullet" — spent most of his professional life connecting so many of us not just in Alabama, but to others across the South, country and the world.

Somebody once said a picture is worth a thousand words. That's what Martin's photos did. They told stories of Alabamians, of Southerners, of Americans and sometimes of those outside this land through images that caught moments in ways words almost never can. He shot the lamoca, the infamous, the successful and the failed among us, along with terrible moments of disaster and wonderful moments of joy in a body of work ranging three decades.



Texas A&M coach Kevin Sumlin is dunked in the closing seconds of a 52-48 win over Duke in the Chick-fil-A Bowl, in Atlanta. One of the last photos taken by Dave Martin. (AP Photo/Dave Martin)

In a USA Today story on Martin's death, Jay Reeves, a Birmingham-based AP correspondent, described his colleague Mullet best: "He was so driven to tell stories through pictures that he'd do most anything it took to be in the right spot to get the best photo. ... He came away with a beautiful photo because he wasn't willing to settle for ordinary." Over the years, I ran into

Martin covering storms, politics, government and day-to-day events.

Each meeting found him just like that first one all those years ago in that warehouse: a pro at his craft, a funny and irreverent guy who was deeply human in the best way we can be.

Chuck Dean is connecting Alabama through the stories

told by its people — sometimes about themselves, sometimes about their neighbors, sometimes about the places they call home. Share your stories, or introduce us to people we should connect with. Reach out on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram using #connectAL, email cdean@al.com or send Chuck a not at 2201 Fourth Ave. N., Birmingham AL 35203.



Dave Martin photographed Cindy Hewitt of Panama City Beach, Fla., wading through floodwaters on Sept. 3, 1998. Hewitt was anxious to find her boat which was parked along the Panama City Beach coast. Hurricane Earl did little wind damage but heavy rains caused some flooding. (AP)



In this April 11, 2004 Dave Martin photo, Phil Mickelson celebrates after winning the Masters golf tournament at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga. (AP)



In this June 12, 2010 Dave Martin photo, crude oil from the BP Deepwater Horizon spill is seen inside a wave as it washes ashore in Orange Beach, Ala. (AP)

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**Bob Meyers** shared the attached YouTube story interviewing one-time AP Photographer Peter Bregg (and Canadian Press photographer of Teheran fame). This discusses a photo exhibition displaying his 1973 coverage of Pierre and Margaret Trudeau's visit to China. <http://youtu.be/eVqvIAIggRY>

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AP photo chief **Santiago Lyon** is quoted extensively in this interesting piece from Time Magazine Lightbox:

### **From the front lines, regional photographers make all the difference**

<http://lightbox.time.com/2014/01/06/from-the-front-lines-regional-photographers-make-all-the-difference/#1>

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**Jim Romenesko** shares the latest from CareerCast.com, which named newspaper reporter the worst job of 2013. A new list is out that claims newspaper reporting is the eighth most stressful job – even more stressful than police officer and taxi driver. PR executives – said to be sixth most-stressed – and reporters make the list “because of tight deadlines and scrutiny in the public eye.”

### **Most Stressful Jobs of 2014**

1. Enlisted military personnel (84.72 stress score)
  2. Military general (65.54)
  3. Firefighter (60.45)
  4. Airline pilot (60.28)
  5. Event coordinator (49.93)
  6. Public relations executive (48.52)  
Average median salary: \$54,170  
Projected job growth: 21%
  7. Corporate executive (47.46)
  8. Newspaper reporter (46.75)  
Average median salary: \$35,870  
Projected job growth: -6%
  9. Police officer (46.66)
  10. Taxi driver (46.18)
- The Most Stressful Jobs of 2014

The link: <http://www.careercast.com/jobs-rated/most-stressful-jobs-2014>

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### **Carson Walker Named AP's Dakotas News Editor**

<http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/carson-walker-named-aps-dakotas-news-editor-21437999>

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### **Has Google Demolished the Newspaper Industry? (Bob Daugherty)**

<http://goodereader.com/blog/digital-publishing/has-google-demolished-the-newspaper-industry>

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### **'Click farms' earn millions selling social media status**

<http://www.bostonglobe.com/business/2014/01/06/selling-social-media-clicks-becomes-big-business/VJ4v6WE1qqojqqAn6o6TcK/story.html>

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### **Newspaper carrier saves former mayor from cold**

<http://www.poynter.org/latest-news/mediawire/235337/newspaper-carrier-saves-former-mayor-from-cold/>

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### **40 years at a great newspaper**

<http://www.latimes.com/local/la-me-cap-times-20140106,0,172223.column#axzz2piho9oeX>

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### **Biography Casts Critical Light on Fox News Chief**

[http://www.nytimes.com/2014/01/08/business/media/biography-casts-critical-light-on-fox-news-chief.html?pagewanted=all&\\_r=0](http://www.nytimes.com/2014/01/08/business/media/biography-casts-critical-light-on-fox-news-chief.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0)

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### **Reuters gave this Syrian kid a camera. Seven months later he was dead**

[http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2014/01/07/the\\_stringer\\_molhem\\_barakat\\_reuters\\_syria#sthash.9ngMNQGz.dpbs](http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2014/01/07/the_stringer_molhem_barakat_reuters_syria#sthash.9ngMNQGz.dpbs)