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Terry Hunt honored by his AP Washington colleagues

(AP Photos/Andrew Harnik)

Race & Ethnicity editor Sonya Ross recalls a story about Terry.

White House Correspondent Julie Pace talks about working for Terry.

Colleagues,

Good Saturday morning!

Terry Hunt, deputy bureau chief of the AP's Washington bureau, is retiring after a distinguished 46-year career with The Associated Press that included 25 years as chief White House correspondent.

On Terry's last day working in the bureau Friday, colleagues gathered for a farewell party for Hunt (**Email**), whose byline - Terence Hunt - was one of the best known and respected in the history of the AP.

"This will be a big transition for this place," said chief of bureau **Sally Buzbee** in a memo to the staff. "Terry has been a rock, shepherding the spot news report these last few years, and being an important mentor to so many people over the years. He will be missed. But he is, I think it's fair to say, quite excited about his next steps. And he has magnificently done the one thing that marks any true leader: Robustly trained and mentored the people who will carry on the excellence he has exemplified."

Buzbee, who on Thursday was named to be AP's next executive editor, said Hunt had planned to retire earlier this year "but graciously and kindly agreed to stay on to help us get through the presidential campaign. With the election now over, we can't think of any other excuses to hold onto him. We've tried, don't get me wrong! But we've pulled on his kindness too long and he intends to begin seguing into retirement next week..."

Hunt covered four presidents - Reagan, Bush, Clinton and Bush - through Cold War showdowns to the collapse of the Soviet empire, from stunted peacemaking attempts in the Middle East to secret wartime trips to Iraq, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

As AP's chief White House correspondent, he logged hundreds of thousands of miles on Air Force One flying to roughly 90 countries and all 50 states over 25 years. He stood at the Brandenburg Gate as President Reagan demanded, "Tear down this wall, Mr. Gorbachev." He followed President George H.W. Bush to the deserts of Saudi Arabia as Bush marshaled an international coalition for the war to force Iraq to leave Kuwait. He covered Bill Clinton's presidency on a roller coaster of surprises - from recession to the Monica Lewinsky scandal to the impeachment battles.

Hunt was named assistant bureau chief in 2001 but returned to the White House two years later to cover the post-9/11 presidency of George W. Bush, clouded by the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq and the financial meltdown of 2008.

As Bush's presidency closed, Terry left the White House again to lead AP's coverage of the financial meltdown and Great Recession. Three years later, he was named deputy chief of bureau in Washington to help manage AP's largest bureau.

Terry is a 1967 graduate of the University of Kentucky. He began his AP career in Louisville and then moved to Providence, R.I. as correspondent. He transferred to Washington at the height of the Watergate scandal in 1974 and was promptly assigned to the overnight for 14 months, followed by three more years on the desk. By 1980, he was covering the Senate when he was tapped as a two-day substitute reporter on the Reagan campaign trail. He never found his way off the trail again, following Reagan to the White House.

Terry has been inducted into the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame, the UK Hall of Distinguished Alumni and the Hall of Fame of the Society of Professional Journalists' DC Pro Chapter.He is a former president of the White House Correspondents' Association. He was the winner of the Merriman Smith Award for presidential reporting under deadline pressure, and the AP's Gramling Award for reporting excellence.

He lives in Kensington, Md., with his wife, Jeanie Johnson. They have a grown daughter, Emily Hunt Wormald, and a terrific dog named Sammy.

Last year, the Northern Kentucky Tribune wrote about Terry's career in a story by Editor Judy Clabes. Click here to read.

If you have a favorite memory of Terry to share with your colleagues, please send it along.

Well done, Terry Hunt, well done. You make us all proud to be your colleague.

Paul

Connecting mailbox

Fund set up for Ron Kelly's son following car accident

Angie Lamoli Silvestry (**Email**) -It has been a very challenging week for my dear old Associated Press co-worker Ron Kelly, retired from AP's Technology staff, and his family. His son Scott Kelly was in a car accident October 19 and is in the hospital recovering from severe injuries. After surgery and 18 days in the ICU, Scott is awake and has some of his memory. He has a long road of recovery ahead of him.

The family has set up a GoFundMe account and if you would like to contribute toward Scott's medical expenses, **click here** to go to the site.

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Indiana students hear AP's Robin McDowell on Pulitzer series

Joe Coleman(**Email**) - AP investigative reporter Robin McDowell came to Indiana University this week to discuss her work on "Seafood from Slaves," the Pulitzer Prize-winning series that detailed the use of slave labor in the Southeast Asian fishing industry and tracked slave-caught seafood to American dinner plates. She spoke at a breakfast at IU's Hutton Honors College and addressed an auditorium of journalism students in an afternoon session of The Best of International Reporting, a course taught by former Tokyo Bureau Chief Joe Coleman. McDowell, based these days in Minneapolis, told students how the key to the stories' success was the documentation of the slave labor conditions, and the all-important link to the American food system. The series combined classic shoe leather coverage - AP reporters interviewed, photographed and videotaped slaves on an island in Indonesia - with data and computer-assisted reporting that charted the convoluted path of slave-caught fish transported across the Pacific. The reporting, by a four-woman team of McDowell, Esther Htusan, Margie Mason and Martha Mendoza, lead to the release of some 2,000 slaves and won a slew of awards, including the Pulitzer for public service.

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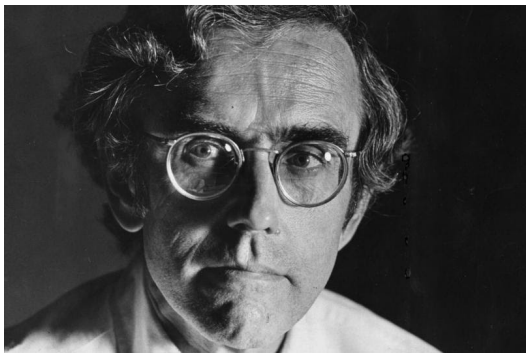
Noted Philadelphia journalist Peter Binzen dies; once worked for AP



Ted Duncombe (**Email**) - I'm passing along the obituary for Peter Binzen, an acclaimed Philadelphia journalist who worked for the AP in New York in the late 1940s. He went on to work for the Evening and Sunday Bulletin, most notably as an education reporter. After the Bulletin folded in 1982, he joined The Philadelphia Inquirer's business department. He also wrote a number of books, including "The Wreck of the Penn Central," a New York Times best seller that examined the ill-fated merger of the Pennsylvania and New York Central railroads. **Click here** for a link to the story, which begins:

Peter Husted Binzen, 94, formerly of Wayne, an astute, thoughtful observer of the news and the personalities he chronicled during a half century as an acclaimed Philadelphia journalist, died Wednesday, Nov. 16, of complications from a stroke at Beaumont at Bryn Mawr.

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A good deal on good journalism books -- or write one for me

Tim Harper (**Email**) - I've long mixed my freelance career with occasional teaching (Marquette, Boston U., Columbia, NYU) that has become more than occasional since joining the CUNY Graduate School of Journalism when it opened 10 years ago. I teach the basics of reporting and writing, serve as the school's writing coach and am the founding editor of the CUNY Journalism Press. http://www.press.journalism.cuny.edu

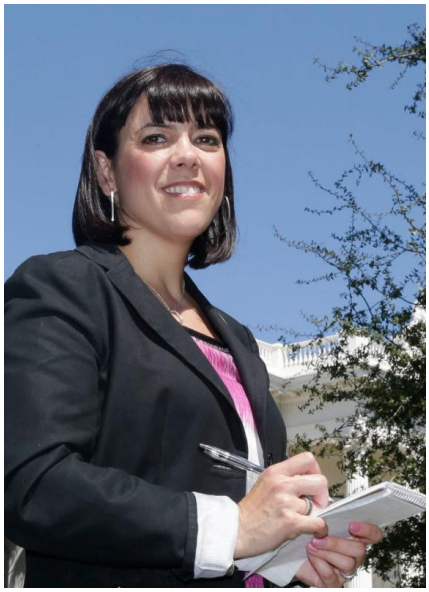
As you'll see, we've done some solid books already -- on how social media reporting came of age in the Arab Spring, the Times lawyer's inside look at the Pentagon Papers for the first time, Wall Street Journal legend Barry Newman's wry how-to on writing features, a bio of jazz critic and First Amendment activist Nat Hentoff, and more. We're a shoestring operation, still a startup, but we've building a good record in publishing books for, by and about journalists and journalism.

From now through Dec. 12. I'd like to offer Connecting colleagues a 25 percent holiday discount on our trade paperbacks -- $15 instead of the usual $20. (Sorry, we can't discount The Illustrated Courtroom, a really extraordinary first-of-its-kind book that we are already selling as cheaply as we can. It's a beautiful gift for anyone interested in journalism, law and/or art.)

And, of course, we'd love to get a proposal for your book. For either ordering books or pitching them, email me at press@journalism.cuny.edu Or just send me a note to say hey. Thanks, everybody.

Juliet Williams named news editor in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Juliet Williams, who as Sacramento correspondent oversaw 2016 California election coverage for The Associated Press, has been named news editor in San Francisco.



The appointment was announced Thursday by Interim West Region Editor Anna Johnson, who oversees news for 13 states. In her new role Williams will supervise AP staff in San Francisco and Fresno, and be responsible for news coverage throughout Northern California.

"Williams is an ambitious journalist who has excelled at accountability journalism and delivering distinctive enterprise," Johnson said. "She will put these skills to use in her new role as she leads the AP's coverage of this dynamic and important region."

Williams was named Sacramento correspondent nearly two years ago after a decade of reporting for AP from the state Capitol. She has covered politics, the Legislature, the governor and education, and has reported extensively on California's $68 billion high-speed rail project.

Her accountability work includes analyzing more than 1,000 California Assembly votes for a story on the chamber's practice of allowing members to alter their votes after they are cast; reporting on California's failure to adequately track teachers accused of sexual misconduct; and an exclusive story detailing how state employees received more than $500 million in special pay for activities such as riding a motorcycle on the job or knowing a second language.

Williams has earned a National Headliner Award and been recognized by the Associated Press Media Editors, the Society of Professional Journalists of Northern California and CapitolBeat. Williams is past president and a board member of the Sacramento Press Club, a nonprofit organization that awards scholarships to aspiring journalists.

Raised in Alberta, Canada, Williams attended the University of Alberta in Edmonton, where she earned a bachelor's degree in political science and English. She also earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of King's College in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Williams started with the AP as a reporter in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 2000 after working at the Calgary Herald.

Click here for a link to this story.

AP BEST OF THE STATES

Bikers gotta stick together: Springsteen rescue goes viral via AP

Having a rock star jump on the back of your motorcycle after you stopped to help him on the side of the road could be a lyric in a Bruce Springsteen song. But it really happened for a group of veterans in New Jersey - and the AP was first to report the story that naturally went viral.

Late Saturday evening, New Jersey News Editor Josh Cornfield (right) had wrapped up a weekend BNS shift when he got a tip that an American Legion post in Freehold, N.J., had posted a photo of one of their members with Springsteen. As it happened, a group from the legion had been out riding after a Veterans Day event when they noticed a stranded biker. Figuring "bikers gotta stick together," they stopped to help.

Turns out, the stranded biker was The Boss.

Recognizing the potential for the story, Cornfield quickly reached out to the legion post to see if he could talk to the guys who had helped Springsteen, and even more pressing, to get permission to use the photo of biker Dan Barkalow and Springsteen.

Within 90 minutes Saturday night, he'd not only published a story but secured rights to the photo. He talked to the bikers, who tried to help Springsteen get his bike going, but then gave him a lift to a local bar and had a beer and friendly conversation until his ride showed up. More than 300 member sites ran with the story, according to NewsWhip. And it ranked No. 8 on AP Exchange, No. 18 in hosted, No. 24 in Big Story and No. 29 in Mobile.

Cornfield's fast work on a Saturday night to ensured getting the story from the men, who later refused to talk to more media after the story took off and their original Facebook post devolved from a fun story about helping a fellow biker from Freehold to stream of political vitriol.

For recognizing the potential news value in this weekend Facebook post and moving quickly to both secure the critical UGC and comment from the bikers, Josh Cornfield wins this week's Best of the States and its $300 prize.

Historic presidential race call followed months of prep, hours of analysis

When Election Day arrived, just about everyone in politics had assumed for weeks that Hillary Clinton would soon be the next president. All it would take was California's trove of 55 electoral votes and a series of easy wins elsewhere to push her past the 270 she would need.

Not David Pace, Stephen Ohlemacher and AP's team of race callers and decision analysts.

They had prepared for months for all contingencies _ including a race that wasn't a blowout but a collection of close races that would demand deep analysis of AP's vote count, exit polls and the history of voting patterns state by state. To call the race

for president before all others, and to do so with the unfailing accuracy the world expects from the AP on Election Day, would require excellence at calling those tight races that go deep into the night.

They did just that. And their call of the assumption-shattering result earns the Beat of the Week.

At 2:29 a.m. on Wednesday, Pace, AP's director of race calling, and deputy decision editor Ohlemacher agreed on the decision to call a winner in nip-and-tuck Wisconsin, and after consultation with Washington Bureau Chief Sally Buzbee, triggered this historic FLASH message:

WASHINGTON (AP) - Donald Trump elected president of the United States.

The race call team had put AP ahead on the news that the billionaire businessman had scored the political upset of a lifetime by 11 minutes over Fox News, 19 minutes over CNN, 23 minutes over CBS and 26 minutes over ABC. NBC was the last network to call the race for Trump, at 3:04 a.m.

AP's feat was a testament to the work the race call team puts into getting ready for Election Day, a process that takes more than a year and involves months of training and practice for the group of more than 40 race callers, analysts and decision editors.

Early in the night, several networks jumped out ahead of AP in calls in some non-battleground states, as they relied on an exit poll that showed Clinton with a slight edge. But Pace and Ohlemacher noticed quickly the early vote count in New Hampshire showed the exit poll was overstating Clinton's lead by a substantial margin. In fact, in many states, she was behind from the start in the vote count. They immediately put the brakes on making race calls using the exit poll alone, forcing the team to perform extra analysis on races that would normally be quick calls.

Over the course of the night, that work allowed the AP to soon surpass the networks. The AP was the first to call several states, including the crucial battlegrounds of Florida and Pennsylvania. It was AP's call of Pennsylvania for Trump at 1:35 a.m., after Pace and his team concluded there weren't enough outstanding votes in Philadelphia or Allegheny counties for Clinton to catch up, that put Trump on the cusp of winning the White House.

Over the next hour, the focus turned to Milwaukee and a question of just how many outstanding early votes were left to be counted there. Some reports said more than

135,000, others put the number at as low as 40,000. The margin mattered in a state Trump ultimately won by roughly 27,000 votes. AP's vote count team, led by Director of Vote Tabulation and Election Research Don Rehill, confirmed it was the lower number.

With a recommendation from Wisconsin race caller Shelley Acoca and decision analyst Ted Bridis in hand, Pace reviewed the numbers a final time with Ohlemacher and Buzbee.

The call was made. The FLASH was filed. Donald Trump was officially the next president of the United States. http://bit.ly/2fGz3OX

"It was a very intense and chaotic night with huge amounts of uncertainty," Buzbee said. "But David, Stephen and their team kept their heads and kept their focus squarely on the facts _ on the real numbers, on hard data. We've never been prouder of the work they do."

In all, the race call team declared 4,778 winners on election night and the day after with only six missed calls _ none in a statewide race. That's an accuracy rate of 99.9 percent, which ties AP's previous best performance, in the 2012 general election. More importantly, this marks the second consecutive national election when AP's accuracy rate for

Top of The Ticket races _ those for president, governor, Senate and US House _ was 100 percent.

For leading the team that delivered a flawless performance on Election Day and called the White House race before all others, David Pace and Stephen Ohlemacher share this week's $500 prize.

OTHER WORK THAT IMPRESSED THE JUDGES:

Bikers' surprise: Helping a broken down Bruce Springsteen

Josh Cornfield

for being first to report that a group of veterans riding home from a Veterans Day event stumbled upon Bruce Springsteen and his broken down motorcycle. The story started as a Facebook post by a local American Legion, but Cornfield talked to two of the riders to confirm the story and got copyright access to a UGC photo that helped it go viral.

http://apne.ws/2eDTH5B

A rare cancer linked to parasites in raw fish is killing some Vietnam vets

Robin McDowell and Margie Mason

for revealing that exposure to liver flukes in raw or poorly cooked river fish may be responsible for a type of bile duct cancer in Vietnam War veterans.

http://bit.ly/2f2tz2B

Members of a group honoring FBI boss have longtime Trump ties

Jake Pearson and Jeff Horwitz

for reporting exclusively that FBI Director James Comey accepted a lifetime achievement award from a nonprofit law enforcement organization whose board includes several people with longtime ties to Donald Trump. Democrats had criticized Comey for injecting himself into the final days of the presidential campaign with his now-concluded review of Hillary Clinton's email practices. http://bit.ly/2gelZ7Z

Take a virtual reality trip on the Navy's $12.9 billion aircraft carrier as it prepares to launch

Steve McMillan, Nathan Griffiths and Steve Helber

for putting together an exclusive virtual reality tour of the Navy's next-generation nuclear aircraft carrier, the USS Gerald R. Ford, as it prepares for launch at Newport News Shipyard in Virginia.

http://bit.ly/2fQuZek

Soccer looks to allow medics to assess concussion on replays

Rob Harris

for reporting that doctors assigned to soccer matches could be allowed to watch replays of collisions next season and have the game stopped to assess the potential for concussions. http://apne.ws/2eYhKr7

Campaign's disdain for civility could leave lasting damage

Adam Geller

for examining the unusually harsh and coarse language used in the presidential campaign, especially by Donald Trump and his supporters, and its potential for long-term harm to the U.S. Quoting authorities on political speech and electoral history, he reported that incivility reached new lows in 2016 and may signal worse to come. http://apne.ws/2eDOyKO

AP breaks story of indicted former Illinois congressman

Eric Tucker

for putting AP ahead with word that former congressman Aaron Schock was being indicted for scheming to profit personally from his federal job. Among other charges, the indictment said Schock bought World Series tickets with campaign donations then resold them at a profit and claimed reimbursement for 150,000 miles that he didn't travel.

http://bit.ly/2fvFhng

AP ahead with news of Janet Reno death

Curt Anderson

for being first to confirm the death of Janet Reno, the first female U.S. attorney general. http://apne.ws/2fVLmd2

Stories of interest

Frustrated and on edge at Trump Tower (Politico)

NEW YORK -- Just before 8 a.m. on Wednesday, a group of about 20 reporters and photographers started arriving in the lobby of Trump Tower at 57th Street and Fifth Avenue in Manhattan, as they have been doing every day since the election.

Here they would spend the next 12 hours, sitting on two metal benches in an area marked off from the rest of the publicly accessible lobby with red velvet ropes, directly across from a bank of elevators that whisks celebrities, campaign staff, Secret Service agents and possible Cabinet picks up to Trump's office and back down to the lobby. All they can do is watch, trying to see who is entering and exiting the elevators, while shouting questions at them as they leave.

Such is the fate of journalists in the early days of the Trump era.

Read more **here**. Shared by Bob Daugherty.

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Reuters cuts news pictures jobs (The Baron)

Reuters is reducing some news pictures positions "due to financial difficulties and reallocating resources".

The reason was stated in dismissal letters delivered to affected photographers, according to a pictures staffer who survived the cull.

The hit list includes photographers in the Americas, Asia, and Europe, Middle East and Africa regions. Some of them have worked for Reuters for decades.

"Nobody has explained the strategy behind the redundancies in pictures at a time when the multimedia push has accelerated in the newsroom," a photographer told The Baron. "It's hard to understand and quite devastating. No criteria for the decision was offered, nor whether these positions were going to be reallocated elsewhere."

Read more **here**.

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Fake News in U.S. Election? Elsewhere, That's Nothing New (New York Times)

HONG KONG - Facebook rumors force a well-known politician to publish proof of his heritage. Fake images show a prominent female leader in a hangman's noose. A politician's aide decries violent crime with a Facebook photo of a girl's corpse - an image that turns out to come from another country.

Another day on social media for Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton and Donald J. Trump? Think again.

Those incidents took place in Indonesia and the Philippines, where social media's outsize place in politics is widely acknowledged, even as that role is coming under sharper criticism in the United States.

Read more **here**.

Today in History - November 19, 2016

By The Associated Press

Today is Saturday, Nov. 19, the 324th day of 2016. There are 42 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 19, 1969, Apollo 12 astronauts Charles Conrad and Alan Bean made the second manned landing on the moon.

On this date:

In 1794, the United States and Britain signed Jay's Treaty, which resolved some issues left over from the Revolutionary War.

In 1831, the 20th president of the United States, James Garfield, was born in Orange Township, Ohio.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln dedicated a national cemetery at the site of the Civil War battlefield of Gettysburg in Pennsylvania.

In 1915, labor activist Joe Hill was executed by firing squad in Utah for the murders of Salt Lake City grocer John Morrison and his son, Arling.

In 1919, the Senate rejected the Treaty of Versailles (vehr-SY') by a vote of 55 in favor, 39 against, short of the two-thirds majority needed for ratification.

In 1924, movie producer Thomas H. Ince died after celebrating his 42nd birthday aboard the yacht of newspaper publisher William Randolph Hearst. (The exact circumstances of Ince's death remain a mystery.)

In 1942, during World War II, Russian forces launched their winter offensive against the Germans along the Don front.

In 1959, Ford Motor Co. announced it was halting production of the unpopular Edsel.

In 1977, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat became the first Arab leader to visit Israel.

In 1985, President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev met for the first time as they began their summit in Geneva.

In 1996, 14 people were killed when a commuter plane collided with a private plane at an airport in Quincy, Illinois. The United States vetoed U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali's bid for a second term. The space shuttle Columbia lifted off with the oldest crew member to that time, 61-year-old mission specialist Story Musgrave.

In 2005, two dozen Iraqi men, women and children in Haditha (hah-DEE'-thuh) were slain by U.S. Marines after a Marine was killed by a roadside bomb. (Eight Marines were initially charged; one was acquitted and six others had their cases dropped. The squad leader, Staff Sgt. Frank Wuterich, received a general discharge under honorable conditions after pleading guilty to negligent dereliction of duty.)

Ten years ago: British authorities said they were investigating the apparent poisoning of Alexander Litvinenko, a former KGB agent who had been critical of the Russian government (Litvinenko died in London four days later of polonium poisoning). Actor Jeremy Slate died in Los Angeles at age 80.

Five years ago: Moammar Gadhafi's former heir apparent, Seif al-Islam, was captured by revolutionary fighters in the southern desert just over a month after his father was killed, setting off joyous celebrations across Libya. British-born Canadian actor John Neville, who'd appeared in the TV series "The X-Files," died in Toronto at age 86.

One year ago: A study by the Pew Research Center found that more Mexicans were leaving than moving into the United States, reversing the flow of a half-century of mass migration. Marcus Ray Johnson, convicted of killing Angela Sizemore, a woman he'd met at a Georgia nightclub, was put to death after losing a last-minute round of appeals. Bryce Harper, 23, became the youngest unanimous MVP winner in baseball history, capturing the NL award despite his Washington Nationals missing the playoffs; Josh Donaldson took the AL MVP, earning the honor after helping boost the Toronto Blue Jays back into the postseason for the first time since 1993. Actor Rex Reason, 86, died in Walnut, California.

Today's Birthdays: Talk show host Larry King is 83. Former General Electric chief executive Jack Welch is 81. Talk show host Dick Cavett is 80. Broadcasting and sports mogul Ted Turner is 78. Singer Pete Moore (Smokey Robinson and the Miracles) is 77. Former Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, is 77. Former Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy G. Thompson is 75. Fashion designer Calvin Klein is 74. Sportscaster Ahmad Rashad is 67. Actor Robert Beltran is 63. Actress Kathleen Quinlan is 62. Actress Glynnis O'Connor is 61. Broadcast journalist Ann Curry is 60. Former NASA astronaut Eileen Collins is 60. Actress Allison Janney is 57. Rock musician Matt Sorum (Guns N' Roses, Velvet Revolver) is 56. Actress Meg Ryan is 55. Actress-director Jodie Foster is 54. Actress Terry Farrell is 53. TV chef Rocco DiSpirito is 50. Actor Jason Scott Lee is 50. Olympic gold medal runner Gail Devers is 50. Actress Erika Alexander is 47. Rock musician Travis McNabb is 47. Singer Tony Rich is 45. Actress Sandrine Holt is 44. Country singer Jason Albert (Heartland) is 43. Country singer Billy Currington is 43. Dancer-choreographer Savion Glover is 43. Country musician Chad Jeffers is 41. Rhythm-and-blues singer Tamika Scott (Xscape) is 41. Rhythm-and-blues singer Lil' Mo is 39. Olympic gold medal gymnast Kerri Strug is 39. Actor Reid Scott is 39. Actress Katherine Kelly is 37. Neo-soul musician Browan Lollar is 34. Actor Adam Driver is 33. Country singer Cam is 32. Actress Samantha Futerman is 29. Rapper Tyga is 27.

Thought for Today: "The facts are always less than what really happened." - Nadine Gordimer, South African Nobel Prize-winning author (1923-2014).

Got a story to share?

Got a story to share? A favorite memory of your AP days? Don't keep them to yourself. Share with your colleagues by sending to Ye Olde Connecting Editor. And don't forget to include photos!

Here are some suggestions:

- Spousal support - How your spouse helped in supporting your work during your AP career.

- My most unusual story - tell us about an unusual, off the wall story that you covered.

- "A silly mistake that you make"- a chance to 'fess up with a memorable mistake in your journalistic career.

- Multigenerational AP families - profiles of families whose service spanned two or more generations.

- Volunteering - benefit your colleagues by sharing volunteer stories - with ideas on such work they can do themselves.

- First job - How did you get your first job in journalism?

- Connecting "selfies" - a word and photo self-profile of you and your career, and what you are doing today. Both for new members and those who have been with us a while.

- **Life after AP** for those of you who have moved on to another job or profession.

- **Most unusual** place a story assignment took you.

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