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Colleagues,

Good Thursday morning - and here's to the new month of June!

"Fake news has finally made its way into the AP Stylebook."

That's the compelling lead from **Kristen Hare** of Poynter.org on the release Wednesday of the 2017 edition of the Associated Press Stylebook and Briefing on Media Law.

Kristen, a Connecting colleague, went on to write in [her story](#)

The 2017 edition of the Associated Press Stylebook and Briefing on Media Law came out Wednesday, and the latest version includes a number of changes that show both the evolution of language and the times we live in.

For instance, there's a new entry on fact checks and fake news. Here's the first half of it:

fact checks, fake news

Holding politicians and public figures accountable for their words often requires reporting or research to verify facts that affirm or disprove a statement, or that show a gray area.

Fact-checking also is essential in debunking fabricated stories or parts of stories done as hoaxes, propaganda, jokes or for other reasons, often spread widely on the internet and mistaken as truth by some news consumers.

The term fake news may be used in quotes or as shorthand for the modern phenomenon of deliberate falsehoods or fiction masked as news circulating on the internet.

However, do not label as fake news specific or individual news items that are disputed. If fake news is used in a quote, push for specifics about what is meant. Alternative wording includes false reports, erroneous reports, unverified reports, questionable reports, disputed reports or false reporting, depending on the context.

In all cases, the goal of fact-checking is to push back on falsehoods, exaggeration and political spin. Be specific in describing what is false and back up those descriptions with facts.

Read more [here](#).

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In Wednesday's edition of Connecting, I provided an incorrect link for the AP Was There story on Three Mile Island. [Click here](#) for the correct link. Apologies.

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Debut of 2017 AP Stylebook

The 2017 Stylebook debuts today (Wednesday) with nearly 200 new and revised entries and a new data journalism chapter.

Hundreds of AP style fans have already received their books because they signed up for automated annual delivery.

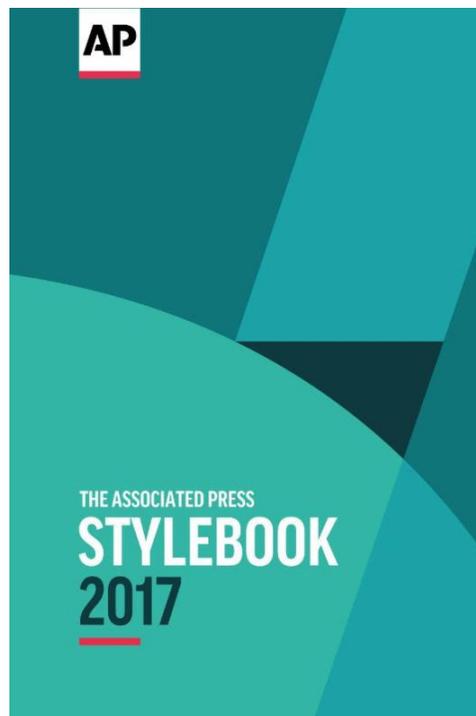
The 2017 Stylebook reflects additions and changes made throughout the year on AP Stylebook Online, such as new guidance announced in March on the use of "they" as a singular, gender-neutral pronoun in some cases.

Among the changes to the 2017 Stylebook are:

A new entry on fact checks and fake news, providing guidelines on fact-checking politicians and public officials. The entry also advises not to use the label of fake news on individual news items that are simply disputed; instead, be specific about what is meant.

New guidance on the use of cyberattack, stating the term is routinely overused.

A new entry on gender, which includes subentries for cisgender, intersex and gender nonconforming, among other terms, and revisions to LGBT/LGBTQ making both terms acceptable.



A new entry on addictions and revised drug-related entries, including guidance to avoid words like abuse, problem, addict and abuser in most uses.

A new entry saying that esports is acceptable in all references to competitive multiplayer video gaming.

A revised entry recommending the use of Walmart (not Wal-Mart) when writing generally about the company, including Walmart stores.

Expanded data journalism guidance is included in a new chapter of the 2017 edition, and is available starting today on Stylebook Online.

Data journalism has become a staple of reporting across beats and platforms, no longer reserved for specialists. Government agencies, businesses and other organizations all communicate in the language of data and statistics. To cover them, journalists must become conversant in that language.

About 600 pages, the AP Stylebook is widely used as a writing and editing reference in newsrooms, classrooms and corporate offices worldwide. Updated regularly since its initial publication in 1953, the AP Stylebook provides fundamental guidelines for spelling, language, punctuation, usage and journalistic style. It is the definitive resource for journalists.

[Click here](#) for information on ordering the new stylebook.

Nieman: The AP Stylebook now includes new guidelines on data (requesting it, scraping it, reporting on it, and publishing it)

It's fitting that, in a year when the Panama Papers investigation won the 2017 Pulitzer Prize for explanatory reporting (the entire leaked data set for that investigation totaled 11.5 million documents adding up to 2.6 terabytes), the Associated Press is releasing its updated 2017 Stylebook with a new chapter on data journalism.

"Government agencies, businesses and other organizations alike all communicate in the language of data and statistics," the AP said. "To cover them, journalists must become conversant in that language as well."

Here are a few of the AP's data journalism recommendations:

Read more [here](#). Shared by Bob Daugherty.

AP veterans gather to honor dean of Missouri managing editors on his retirement



Gathered at Murry's in Columbia to salute Jim Robertson. Front row, from left: Connie Farrow, Jim Robertson and Debbie Robertson. Second row, from left: Kia Breaux, former Tribune Publishers Andy Waters and his father Hank Waters, Peg Coughlin, former Tribune Publisher Vicki Russell; back row, from left: Cliff Schiappa, Paul Stevens, Randy Picht, Scott Charton.

By **SCOTT CHARTON**

Until Wednesday, Jim Robertson of the Columbia Daily Tribune was the dean of Missouri managing editors. When he walked out of the newsroom to embark on his retirement after 30 years as M.E., he left a legacy of excellent community journalism, a host of journalists who learned under his tutelage, and a career-long commitment as an outstanding AP member.

AP veterans gathered in Columbia on Tuesday to salute Jim and his wife Debbie and thank him for his long friendship with AP, including two terms as president of the Missouri APME. In 2015, Jim served as president of the Missouri Press Association, among many leadership roles he has played in journalism and in community volunteer service. On behalf of the AP, retired Central Division Vice President Paul Stevens presented Jim with an inscribed bust of Mark Twain, and AP Midwest Director Kia Breaux read a letter of tribute from Executive Editor Sally Buzbee, who wrote:

"Member editors such as you have enabled the AP to thrive and continue its mission of informing the world. You left a remarkable legacy at the Tribune during your 36 years as an editor. Your work mentoring and guiding dozens of young journalists will help shape the future of the industry for years to come."

Buzbee, a University of Kansas alum, a proud Jayhawk, added a postscript to Robertson, a graduate of historic archrival Mizzou: "I won't hold the fact that you are a Tiger against you!"

Jim's byline appeared several times each week as he edited TribTalk, a popular print and online sounding board for Tribune readers. On Wednesday, his last posting was a reflection. [Click here](#) for a link.

Jim says he plans to relax with his wife Debbie, enjoy their grandkids and keep up his life-long habit of newspaper readership, as a consumer and citizen.



Connecting mailbox

Never interviewed anyone who could reach across table and kill me with one punch

Doug Richardson (Email) - NPR's David Greene had an interesting interview this morning with Mike Tyson, who is promoting a book about his trainer, Cus D'Amato. Tyson seemed pretty laid back until Greene asked him about the rape case from 1991-92. Mike reverted to his old self. He was clearly agitated and denied twice that he had committed rape. He then complained that Greene had even raised the issue. As the Associated Press reporter who covered Tyson's indictment, conviction, appeal and imprisonment, I would just say: Deal with it, Mike. A jury found you guilty, the Indiana Supreme Court rejected Alan Dershowitz's appeal on your behalf and you spent three years in prison. Remember that? That said, hearing Tyson's voice, with its sing-song cadence and slight lisp, brought back a lot of memories of those days. I sat across the table from Tyson the day he was indicted and asked him, point blank, if he had raped the beauty contestant. I have interviewed Presidents and world leaders, but never anyone who could reach across the table and kill me with one punch. Tyson snarled at me, and his handlers acted like they were about to jump me. Tyson's response, one of the great quotes I ever heard: " I didn't rape that woman. I love women. I respect women. My mother was a woman."

The Tyson case has provided me with endless stories. First, the serious one. The Louisville Courier-Journal took my report of the indictment, which did not include the name of the alleged victim, and inserted her name, based on court documents the C-J obtained on its own. The C-J did attach a note at the end of the article, saying that its policy on naming victims of rape was different from that of the AP. That was back in the day when Geneva Overholser and her acolyte, Michael Gartner, had decided that rape victims should be identified in news reports. Needless to say, this set off quite a debate about an issue so serious that even big Lou Boccardi and AP headquarters weighed in on the issue, an important one, about what members could do with our copy.

But also, the comic element of this story. One of the great joys of covering this story: getting to know Don King. On the day Tyson was indicted, Don pulled me aside to give me a quick lecture on his experience with the criminal justice system. "Douglas, if indictments was convictions, I'd be doing a 100 years. God Bless, America."

One of Don's other rules of public life, which I now use in my public relations career: " Douglas, the only bad news is your obituary."

And one last scene: Back on my beat as a political reporter, I was running through the Indianapolis airport for a drop-in by Pat Buchanan, who was a candidate in the 1992 Indiana Republican primary for president. Suddenly, a booming voice: "Douglas, my man!" It was Don. He had been out at the prison to visit Tyson and was waiting for his

flight. I asked Don to come with me to Buchanan's gate. When we got there, and the candidate walked out, King elbowed his way to the front and raised his fists for Buchanan, a former Marine boxer. Nobody remembers what Pat said that night, but everyone who paid attention saw the photo of Pat Buchanan and Don King, holding their fists up, like sparring partners.

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Part of me has been Tony Adams ever since

Joe Galu ([Email](#)) - I fully agreed with the suggestion that 'focus' is all important in news writing (see Wednesday's Connecting), but it helps with my therapeutic fiction. I am relentlessly focused, although I occasionally indulge myself in a section that looks, sounds and feels like I've wandered off the map only to bring it back into focus.

I tend to write 4,000-word short stories under my legal DBA of Tony Adams, which pays tribute to The AP's Toni Adams in my own weird way.

I was doing phone work for the Democratic Assembly Campaign Committee -- 'hi, give your name, and I'm calling on behalf of ...' It always went, 'Hi, this is Joe Galu'. 'Who, Who?' Always two 'who's. My next call I opted for the more easily understood, "Hi, this is Tony Adams, and I'm calling on behalf ..."

So I went to the County Clerk, paid my \$25 or \$30 and received a legal Doing Business As for Tony Adams. Part of me has been Tony Adams ever since.

I sing karaoke (not well) as Tony too, but I can read music and I employ all those 18 years of speech lessons. We have two 'th's' in English -- voiced and unvoiced. We say 'with' unvoiced. But the song, is 'With or without you' with the 'th's' voiced. I sang 'Smoke Gets in Your Eyes' and the line 'I am without my love' and voiced the 'th'. Weeks later, a vastly better singer did the song and voiced it the way I had. I was very happy to be imitated.

More trivia: Judi Garland sang, 'Somewhere', when she sang 'Somewhere Over the Rainbow'. She was told by someone to add the 'h' sound the first time she sang it and sang it that way for the rest of her life.

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Council Grove Republican sold to Oklahoma couple; believed to be smallest city in country with a daily newspaper

The Council Grove Republican, associated with the McNeal family since the 1930s, has sold to David Parker of Enid, Okla., effective July 1.

Sale of the Republican, published continuously the past 145 years since the first issue on Aug. 24, 1872, was announced Thursday by Craig McNeal, president of Council Grove Publishing Company, Inc.



Craig McNeal (left) and his late father Don McNeal. File photo

Parker said there will be no changes at the newspaper in terms of staff, the paper design will remain the same and the newspaper will continue to be published daily.

The new owner announced he is searching for an editor.

Read more [here](#). Council Grove's population in 2014 was estimated at 2,105.

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Joyed to see story on Frank McCullough

Peggy Walsh (Email) - What a joy to see the story on Frank McCullough (Wednesday's Connecting). As bureau chief in San Francisco visiting Frank was always a treat. He's a fascinating guy, a huge presence and has a great love of people.

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Covfefe kerfuffle: Trump's fancy keyboard antics couldn't have come at a worse time (CNBC)

Marty Steinberg

([Email](#)) -

President Donald Trump's fancy fingering in a post-midnight - and now deleted - tweet has stirred up a kerfuffle.

Those who saw the presidential tweet at 12:06 a.m. ET Wednesday say it began: "Despite the constant negative press covfefe ..." About six hours later, the tweet was deleted, and the link says:

Sorry, that page doesn't exist!

Read more [here](#).

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More of your stories of hostile confrontations as a reporter

Henry Bradsher ([Email](#)) - On the subject of hostile confrontations encountered as a reporter, my first one was with a governor who physically ejected me from his office with angry denunciation of my articles.

After getting out of the Air Force, I worked for a few months in 1955 for one of my hometown newspapers, The Morning Advocate in Baton Rouge (now just The Advocate since the afternoon paper folded). I took the job on the understanding that I was hopefully waiting to be hired by The AP (because I wanted to become an AP foreign correspondent).

During that time, the U.S. Army proposed to hold Exercise Sagebrush, maneuvers by 85,000 troops from Camp Polk (named for a Confederate general killed in action in 1864). This was one of three temporary army bases established in Louisiana during

World War II. All were closed later, but Polk was reopened for training during the Korean War, then again closed.

Louisiana's governor, Robert F. Kennon, advocated Sagebrush. He said it would bring money to an impoverished western part of the state. And, he contended, permitting the maneuvers would mean that the Pentagon would turn the camp into a fort, a permanent installation of benefit to the state as a whole.

The maneuvers would involve large-scale deployment of mechanized equipment across farm and forestry land outside Camp Polk's perimeter. From friends, I learned of concerns about possible damage from such equipment, particularly from forestry people with extensive plantings of pine in the area. Whether the state would allow the maneuvers became not only an economic issue but also a political one. I convinced Advocate editors to send me to the area to look into this, producing several articles about both the concerns and hopes of financial benefits.

After my articles appeared, Kennon reiterated his support. He had his spokesman claim a promise from the Eisenhower administration that enabling the maneuvers would mean a permanent fort. Skeptical, I arranged for the Advocate's Washington stringer to check with the Pentagon. He was told flatly that the Defense Department had not made any commitment.

The day this disavowal was published, I went to the governor's office seeking comment. Waiting for the press spokesman, I was standing by a secretary's desk in an outer office when Kennon came out of his private office on some other business. I had not expected to talk to him personally, but, taking advantage of the opportunity, I introduced myself and began to ask him a question. Before I could finish, he became angry, obviously recognizing my name from the newspaper articles. "I'm not going to talk to you," he said. Sticking his face up close to mine, he added more loudly, "You're just causing trouble."

Then he grabbed me by the shoulder and pushed me backwards. Stumbling a little, I managed to turn, and he then pushed me again toward the door. I left.

The maneuvers were held; the forestry industry and farms survived. But Polk was closed again in June 1959. With the Vietnam War heating up, it opened yet again in September 1961 with Louisiana's heat and humidity preparing soldiers for Southeast Asia.

It stayed open, although not becoming a permanent fort until October 1968. More soldiers were shipped to Vietnam from Polk than any other American military base. Now the site of the armed forces' Joint Readiness Training Center, it has continued to prepare soldiers for the many American conflicts since then.

The Next Page: Turning my war correspondent's journal into a book helped me complete my mission, writes Bob Dvorchak

By **BOB DVORCHAK**

In the **Pittsburgh Post-Gazette**

I went through an out-of-body experience my first night in Iraq, looking down on a helmet-wearing figure digging a hole to sleep in while awaiting the start of the main invasion that would come before dawn. It was 26 years ago, but it seems like yesterday and always will. War leaves a permanent mark even on those carrying notebooks.



I learned the skill for excavating such a humble resting place during Army basic combat training in 1973, but the necessity of shoveling out one for real had never been required until I went through war with an infantry regiment of the 82nd Airborne Division during Operation Desert Storm, in which a U.S.-led coalition liberated Kuwait from Iraq.

Because it's scooped out in a hurry, it's called a hasty. The dimensions are roughly 6 feet long, 3 feet wide and about 18 inches deep, enough to get the occupant under the surface. The soil is stacked along the northern length to block the wind and, because the belligerent host country promised to fight back an invasion, the wall might block shrapnel from incoming artillery. In the event of a direct hit, however, no protection would suffice. But all the Army has to do is shovel the dirt back on top of you because you have dug your own hasty grave.

Stuff gets real at the foxhole level when circumstances demand that you accept your own death and make peace with yourself. And even if you climb out unscathed from a hasty grave, the internal changes are forever. The old you stays in that grave and a different person emerges. At least that's how the light came on for me that night. And when I think back on it, the Apostle Paul had his epiphany one country over two thousand years earlier.

Read more [here](#).

APME announces the 2017 awards honoring excellence and innovation in journalism

New York - Watchdog journalism that saved lives, exposed bias, held government officials accountable and shed light on hidden practices earned top honors in the 2017 Associated Press Media Editors Awards.

The Chicago Tribune earned the grand prize in Public Service for "Dangerous Doses," which exposed pharmacies that were dispensing drug combinations that could cause harm or death, APME announced Wednesday. "This high-impact project wins first place because of its journalistic sophistication, its novel approach and because it changed rules and laws governing pharmacists and their training," judges said.



The Sarasota Herald-Tribune and Springfield (Ill.) State Journal-Register also received top honors in Public Service. The Herald-Tribune documented significant racial inequities across Florida in sentencing; the State Journal-Register led a collaborative statewide effort to show the impact of the state budget stalemate.

The Charleston Post and Courier won the grand prize for work advancing the principles of the First Amendment. The newspaper found that police across the United States have stockpiled huge databases with personal information from millions of Americans who simply crossed paths with officers.

Other First Amendment winners were the Quad-City Times, which successfully pushed city leaders to stop doing the public's business in small groups behind closed doors, and the Peoria Journal Star, which battled to obtain a police officer's report about her colleagues' and supervisors' misuse of on-the-clock time.

Read more [here](#).

Welcome to Connecting



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Stories of interest

New York Times Will Offer Employee Buyouts and Eliminate Public Editor Role

The New York Times offered buyouts to its newsroom employees on Wednesday, aiming to reduce layers of editing and requiring more of the editors who remain.

In a memo to the newsroom, Dean Baquet, the executive editor, and Joseph Kahn, the managing editor, said the current system of copy editors and "backfielders" who assign and shape articles would be replaced with a single group of editors who would be responsible for all aspects of an article. Another editor would be "looking over their shoulders before publication."

"Our goal is to significantly shift the balance of editors to reporters at The Times, giving us more on-the-ground journalists developing original work than ever before," they said in the memo.

In a separate memo, Arthur Sulzberger Jr., the publisher, said the company would be eliminating the position of public editor, which was established to receive reader complaints and question Times journalists on how they make decisions. Liz Spayd, the current public editor, will leave The Times on Friday.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Sibby Christensen.

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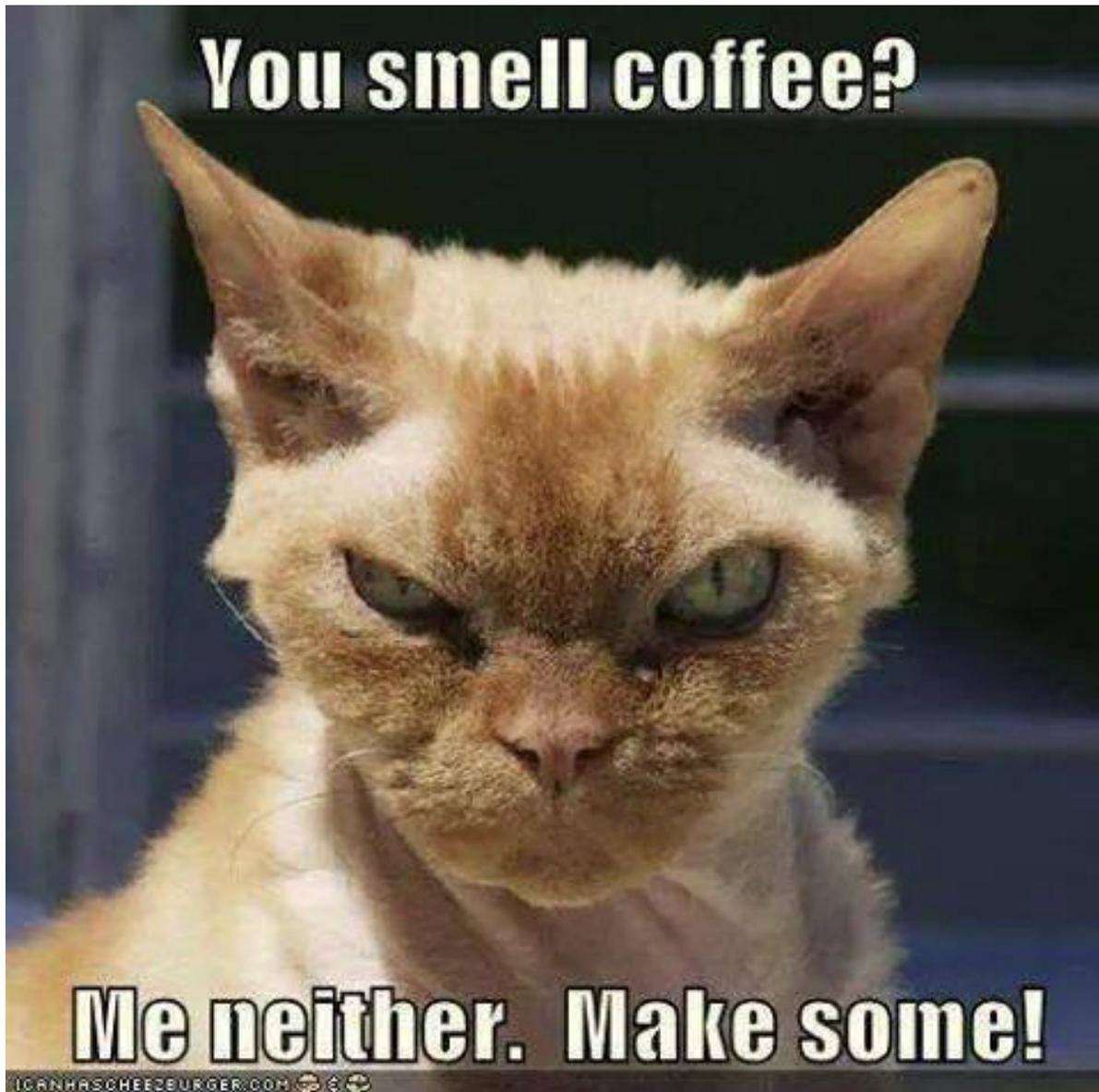
The New York Times is eliminating the position of public editor; here's the Sulzberger memo

(Nieman)

Does The New York Times really need to pay a public editor when everyone on Twitter will happily criticize Times articles - including Liz Spayd's - for free? Apparently, it has decided it doesn't: Michael Calderone first reported for The Huffington Post Wednesday that the Times is eliminating the public editor position. "Elizabeth Spayd, a former Washington Post managing editor who was named the paper's sixth public editor last year, was expected to remain in the position until summer 2018." She had served in it for less than a year.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Bob Daugherty.

The Final Word



Journalists of the World - Rejoice!

Boost Your Workouts With Caffeine, Even if You Chug Coffee Daily (New York Times)

Caffeine improves athletic performance. This is a truth almost universally acknowledged in exercise science.

But scientists, coaches and athletes also have thought that to gain any performance boost from taking caffeine before an event, an athlete had to abstain from the stuff for days or weeks before a big event.

A new study published in the Journal of Applied Physiology intimates, however, that these ideas about caffeine and performance are out of date and that someone can swill coffee every day and still get a caffeine performance buzz when needed.

Caffeine is, of course, one of the world's most popular mind-altering substances, used by millions of us to jump-start our sluggish morning brain function and goose alertness throughout the day.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Michael Rubin.

Today in History - June 1, 2017



By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, June 1, the 152nd day of 2017. There are 213 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

It was 50 years ago today - June 1, 1967 - that the Beatles album "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" was released, as was David Bowie's debut album, eponymously titled "David Bowie."

On this date:

In 1792, Kentucky became the 15th state.

In 1796, Tennessee became the 16th state.

In 1813, the mortally wounded commander of the USS Chesapeake, Capt. James Lawrence, gave the order, "Don't give up the ship" during a losing battle with the British frigate HMS Shannon in the War of 1812.

In 1868, James Buchanan, the 15th president of the United States, died near Lancaster, Pennsylvania, at age 77.

In 1917, the song "Over There" by George M. Cohan was published by William Jerome Publishing Corp. of New York.

In 1927, Lizzie Borden, accused but acquitted of the 1892 ax murders of her father, Andrew, and her stepmother, Abby, died in Fall River, Massachusetts, at age 66.

In 1943, a civilian flight from Portugal to England was shot down by Germany during World War II, killing all 17 people aboard, including actor Leslie Howard.

In 1957, Don Bowden, a student at the University of California at Berkeley, became the first American to break the four-minute mile during a meet in Stockton, California, in a time of 3:58.7.

In 1977, the Soviet Union formally charged Jewish human rights activist Anatoly Shcharansky with treason. (Shcharansky was imprisoned, then released in 1986; he's now known by the name Natan Sharansky.)

In 1980, Cable News Network made its debut.

In 1997, Betty Shabazz, the widow of Malcolm X, was severely burned in a fire set by her 12-year-old grandson in her Yonkers, New York, apartment (she died three weeks later). The Chicago Tribune published a make-believe commencement speech by columnist Mary Schmich (shmeech) which urged graduates to, among other things, "wear sunscreen" (the essay ended up being wrongly attributed online to author Kurt Vonnegut).

In 2009, Air France Flight 447, an Airbus A330 carrying 228 people from Rio de Janeiro to Paris, crashed into the Atlantic Ocean with the loss of everyone on board.

Ten years ago: The FDA warned consumers to avoid using toothpaste made in China because it might contain a poisonous chemical used in antifreeze. Kidnapped British journalist Alan Johnston appeared in a videotape posted on an Islamic website, the first time he was seen since being abducted nearly three months earlier in Gaza. (Johnston was freed July 4, 2007.) Assisted suicide advocate Jack Kevorkian walked out of a Michigan prison, where he'd spent eight years for ending the life of a man suffering from Lou Gehrig's disease.

Five years ago: A judge in Sanford, Florida, revoked the bond of the neighborhood watch volunteer charged with murdering Trayvon Martin and ordered him returned to jail within 48 hours, saying George Zimmerman and his wife had misled the court about how much money they had available when his bond was set at \$150,000. (George Zimmerman was ultimately acquitted of the murder charge; Shellie Zimmerman pleaded guilty to perjury and was sentenced to a year's probation and community service.) The U.N.'s top human rights body voted overwhelmingly to condemn Syria over the slaughter of more than 100 civilians; Syria's most important ally and protector, Russia, voted against the measure by the U.N. Human Rights Council in Geneva. Johan Santana pitched the first no-hitter in New York Mets history in an 8-0 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals.

One year ago: After killing his estranged wife in a Minneapolis suburb, a former UCLA student drove from Minnesota to Los Angeles, where he shot and killed his former professor before taking his own life. Ken Starr resigned as Baylor University's chancellor, a week after the former prosecutor who'd led the investigation of the Bill Clinton-Monica Lewinsky scandal was removed as the school's president over its handling of sexual assault complaints against football players.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Richard Erdman is 92. Singer Pat Boone is 83. Actor-writer-director Peter Masterson is 83. Actor Morgan Freeman is 80. Actor Rene Auberjonois (oh-behr-juh-NWAH') is 77. Opera singer Frederica von Stade is 72. Actor Brian Cox is 71. Rock musician Ronnie Wood is 70. Actor Jonathan Pryce is 70. Actress Gemma Craven is 67. Blues-rock musician Tom Principato is 65. Country singer Ronnie Dunn is 64. Actress Lisa Hartman Black is 61. Actor Tom Irwin is 61. Singer-musician Alan Wilder is 58. Rock musician Simon Gallup (The Cure) is 57. Country musician Richard Comeaux (River Road) is 56. Actor-comedian Mark Curry is 56. Actor-singer Jason Donovan is 49. Actress Teri Polo is 48. Basketball player-turned-coach Tony Bennett is 48. Actor Rick Gomez is 45. Model-actress Heidi Klum is 44. Singer Alanis Morissette is 43. Actress Sarah Wayne Callies is 40. TV personality Damien Fahey is 37. Pop singer-songwriter Brandi Carlile is 36. Actor Johnny Pemberton is 36. Actress-writer Amy Schumer (TV: "Inside Amy Schumer") is 36. Tennis player Justine Henin is 35. Actor Taylor Handley is 33. Actress Willow Shields is 17.

Thought for Today: "The past is our only real possession in life. It is the one piece of property of which time cannot deprive us; it is our own in a way that nothing else in life is. In a word, we are our past; we do not cling to it, it clings to us." - Grace King, American author (1852-1932).

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:

- **Second chapters** - You finished a great career. Now tell us about your second (and third and fourth?) chapters of life.
- **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.
- **Most unusual** place a story assignment took you.

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