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Colleagues,

Good Friday morning!

And you thought Connecting's recent infatuation with manual typewriters was over. Au contraire!

Our lead story in today's issue arrived in Ye Olde Connecting Editor's mailbox - no, not my computer's Inbox but the U.S. Postal Service mailbox outside our house. I

didn't do a double Mouse click to open it. I used a letter opener to retrieve a letter from the envelope.

Welcome, **Sister Donalda Kehoe** and your trusty, beloved Royal 440 manual typewriter to our Connecting gang. A native of Waterloo, Iowa, she entered the convent in 1945, 10 days after the end of World War II, and has been in the Sisters of St. Francis of Dubuque, Iowa, order for 73 of her 91 years. She lives in the order's Clare House in Dubuque.

Sister Donalda was attracted to Connecting by the rash of manual typewriter stories submitted by many of you that were featured in a number of issues of late and pointed out to her by her niece, **Jan LaMantia Hoeman**, a longtime friend of Linda and me.

We lead with her story - and include an example of one of her favorite things to do on a typewriter - create an acrostic (OK, I had to look up the word too!).

If you would like to drop a note to Sister Donalda, she does have an email address - donaldak@osfdbq.org But if you would like to stay on her good side, pull out your manual typewriter and drop her a note at: Clare House, [3340 Windsor Avenue, Dubuque, IA 52001-1300](#).

Have a great weekend!

Paul

As communications devices get smaller by the day, I stick with my manual typewriter. Here's why...



Sister Donalda Kehoe - Jan put you in touch with someone who still uses a manual typewriter. Not only do I use one, I have all but become identified with it as a conversation piece in an era when communication devices are getting smaller day-by-day.

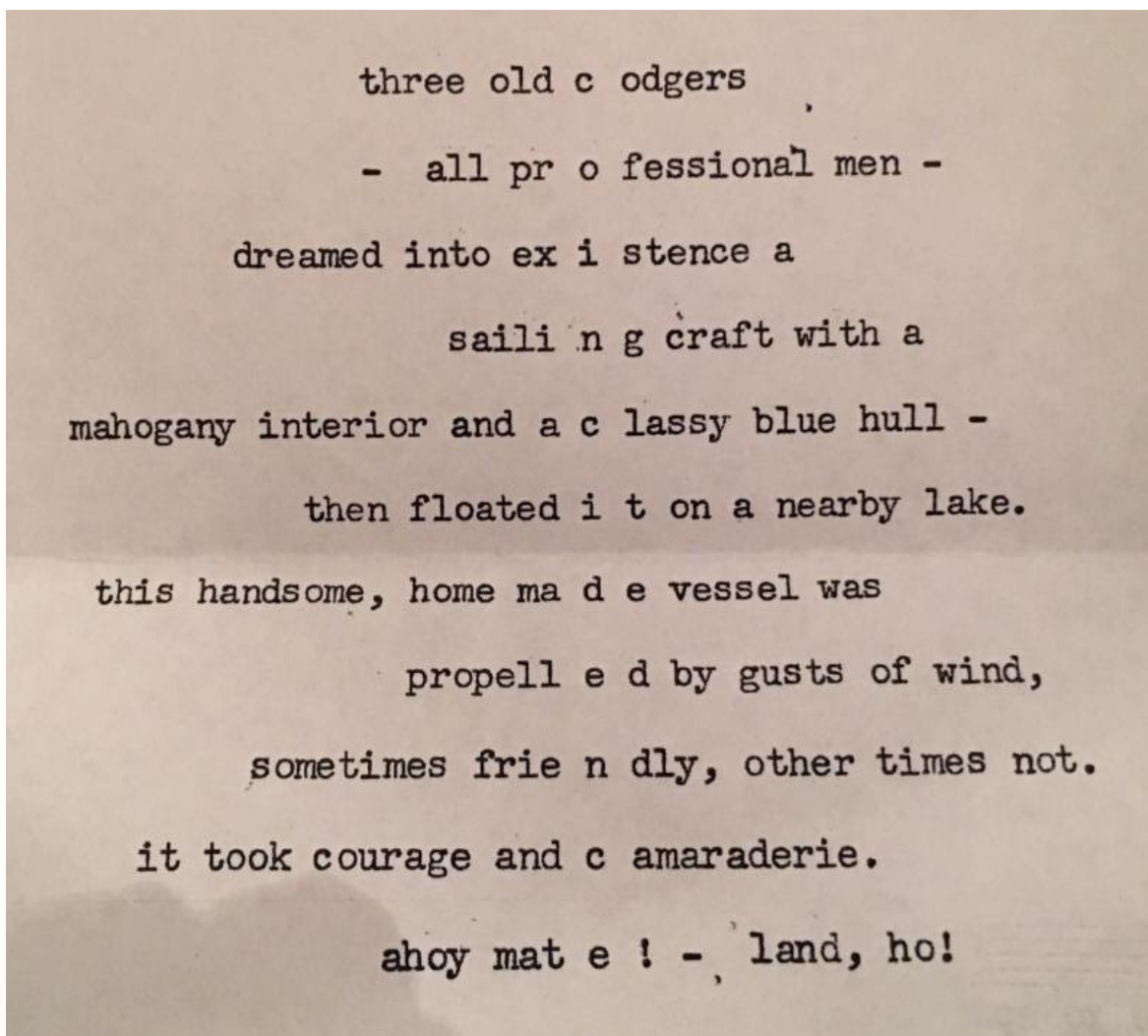
"Why?" you ask. In a spirit of simplicity, I prefer using things that do not require energy other than my own. Why I used a flat-bottomed canoe on the backwaters of the Mississippi River, why I choose not to have a TV or radio in my bedroom, and why I don't even wear a watch. But I am always on time! The manual typewriter and I think at the same speed, and we are comfortable with each other.

When one has an interest in something, it is always easy to find that item in print, sez I. It was fun to read, a few years ago, that Russia was looking for 20 typewriters for their important documents, so that hackers could not get into special information. \$730 was the price they were willing to pay for each. I threatened to have Security Service outside my room where the typewriter is, lest something might happen to it!

The O'Toole Office Supply Company on Main Street in Dubuque keeps typewriter ribbons for my use, so I can keep on typing. One of the maintenance workers on the staff has been able to address any problems with the typewriter so far. It has been years since any of the keys or rollers balked or caused me any trouble. The following verse does not apply to the likes o'me:

Xvxn though my typxwritxr's old
It works wxll xxcxpt for onx kxy
I'vx wishxd many timxs
That it workxd pxrxfctly.
Trux, thxrx arx 42 kxys that function.
But only onx hxrxd not working
Makxs thx diffxrxnce.

One thing a manual typewriter does easily is create a type of acrostic. I like words and have fun using an acrostic for a lot of special messages. I start by assuming a person likes to hear his/her name spoken, or see it in print. It is a convenient way for me to write a short note that is concise and eye-catching.



This acrostic (above) was written in fun after Robert R. Winkler (whom I deal with "professionally" via correspondence, because of mutual interest in stamps) told of himself and two other men who built a sail boat.

Like Emily Dickinson, I write as much for my own enjoyment and amusement, as I do to keep correspondence open.

Now, Paul, you have information to add to your already bulk of stories about typewriters, right up there with Tom Hanks, Andy Rooney, David McCullough ...

Best wishes from a Royal Fan.

Connecting mailbox

A big change coming in AARP supplemental Medicare policy

Darrell Christian ([Email](#)) - For anyone who has AARP as a supplemental Medicare policy, a big change is coming that would effectively eliminate one of the most popular benefits in 2019. It will no longer include Silver Sneakers or health clubs. The only replacement being offered is 50% off memberships at health clubs nowhere near us. Then when we call those places they say they have no intention of being in the plan. Other benefits being touted by UHC already have been in effect for years or are worthless. We are trying to rally people to call and object before it is too late. So far most other plans cover health clubs 100%. Anything you can do to spread the news and stop this clawback of benefits will be helpful. Thanks.

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Gene Herrick has been an AP hero for me

Jim Bagby ([Email](#)) - Re the Gene Herrick profile in Monday's Connecting, this guy has been an AP hero for me even though we've never met. Aside from always being impressed with his accomplishments as they were detailed over the years - who could not be? - his start is a lesson for all.

His 50-cent per-hour beginning brought to mind my first job (other than a paperboy) as a supermarket sacker/stock boy at 75 cents an hour. Other than it taught a teenager much about the relationship of labor and management, I have few fond memories of that job. But I stuck with it long enough to convince my newspaper editor father he could put in a good word for me at his shop, and I began the summer after finishing high school as the cubbest of cub reporters at the Norman (Okla.) Transcript.

And like Herrick, I loved everything about it - even making up the Monday society page on Saturday's when the society editor was off.

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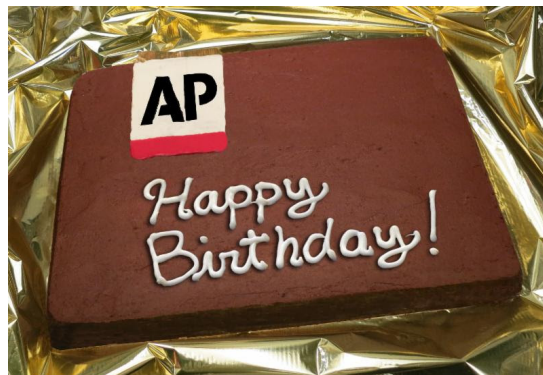
Connecting butterfly shot



Jack Ronald ([Email](#)) - This is a shot of a female orange sulfur butterfly at a wildflower that Connie and I came across on a hike Sunday.

Figured it might lighten things up after an intense news week.

Connecting wishes Happy Birthday



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Welcome to Connecting



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Stories of interest

Poll: News Media's Credibility Plunges

By The Associated Press

The news media's credibility is sagging along with its revenue.

Nearly two-thirds of Americans think the news stories they read, hear and watch are frequently inaccurate, according to a poll released Sunday by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press. That marks the highest level of skepticism

recorded since 1985, when this study of public perceptions of the media was first done.

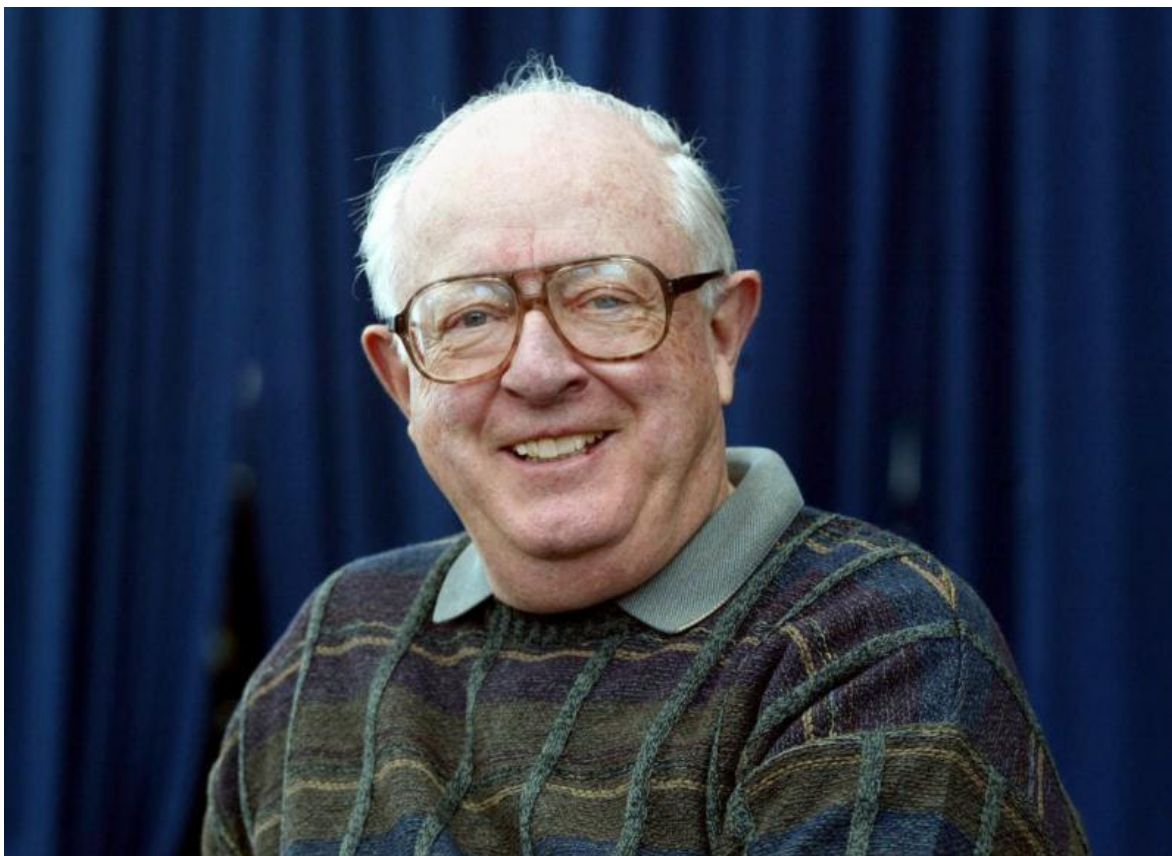
The poll didn't distinguish between Internet bloggers and reporters employed by newspapers and broadcasters, leaving the definition of "news media" up to each individual who was questioned. The survey polled 1,506 adults on the phone in late July.

The survey found that 63 percent of the respondents thought the information they get from the media was often off base. In Pew Research's previous survey, in 2007, 53 percent of the people expressed that doubt about accuracy.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Adolphe Bernotas.

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Dave Anderson, Award-Winning Times Sportswriter, Dies at 89 (New York Times)



Dave Anderson in 2003. A New York Times sports columnist for more than three decades, he was one of the few sportswriters to win a Pulitzer Prize for

commentary. Credit - Barton Silverman/The New York Times**By Richard Goldstein**

Dave Anderson, a sports columnist for The New York Times for more than three decades and the recipient of a Pulitzer Prize for commentary, an award rarely bestowed on a sportswriter, died on Thursday in Cresskill, N.J. He was 89.

His death, at an assisted living center, was announced by his son Stephen. Mr. Anderson had lived for many years in Tenafly, N.J.

Growing up in Brooklyn, where Dodger ballplayers were idolized by many a youngster, Mr. Anderson channeled his love for sports in a different direction.

"My heroes were sportswriters: Frank Graham, Jimmy Cannon, Red Smith, Arthur Daley, W. C. Heinz," he told the Shirley Povich Center for Sports Journalism in 2014. (Povich was an award-winning sportswriter for The Washington Post.)

Mr. Anderson wrote for his high school and college newspapers and got his first newsroom job at 16, in the mid-1940s, when he was hired as a messenger by The New York Sun, where his father worked in advertising sales.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Claude Erbsen.

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Jeff Flake's Big Moment, in Black and White

(Washingtonian)



WRITTEN BY EVY MAGES | PHOTOGRAPHED BY EVY MAGES

Washingtonian photographer Evy Mages was in the room Friday when US Senator Jeff Flake forced a delay on the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh for the Supreme Court. Later, Mages found that viewing the photos in black-and-white underlined the drama of the moment.

Read more [here](#).

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Tronc changing name back to Tribune Publishing (Chicago Tribune)

By Robert Channick, Contact Reporter

Chicago Tribune

Tronc, the parent company of the Chicago Tribune, is changing its name back to Tribune Publishing Co.

The Chicago-based company, which also owns the Baltimore Sun; Hartford Courant; Orlando Sentinel; South Florida's Sun Sentinel; the New York Daily News; the Capital Gazette in Annapolis, Md.; The Morning Call in Allentown, Pa.; the Daily Press in Newport News, Va.; and The Virginian-Pilot in Norfolk, Va., announced the decision Thursday. It ends a more than two-year run with the much-derided corporate moniker of Tronc.

The name change will take effect after the market closes Tuesday. Beginning Wednesday, the company's stock will trade on the NASDAQ under the new ticker symbol TPCO.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Len Iwanski.

The Final Word

Alan Abel - Prankster who launched a campaign to clothe animals with the slogan 'a nude horse is a rude horse' (The Daily Telegraph)



Abel with his Sina 'manifesto'; his other hoaxes included a bogus wedding with an Idi Amin lookalike Credit: AP

ALAN ABEL, who has died aged 94, was for decades an indefatigable prankster, hoaxer and deviser of stunts, spoofs and fake news, though many in the US media, which regularly fell for his tricks, regarded him as an all-too-public menace.

He began his career, if that is the right term, in the 1950s, by when he had had spells as a jazz drummer, stand-up comic and manure salesman. Posing as a golf professional, he convinced executives with Westinghouse, the electrical machinery corporation, to adopt ballet positions to improve their game.

His most celebrated wheeze came to him in 1958 after he saw the reactions of others stuck in a traffic jam caused by a cow and bull mating in the road. Campaigning under the slogan "A nude horse is a rude horse", the Society for Indecency to Naked Animals (Sina) fought a moral crusade to clothe the beasts of the field and domestic pets.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Craig Armstrong.

Today in History - October 5, 2018



By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Oct. 5, the 278th day of 2018. There are 87 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 5, 1983, Solidarity founder Lech Walesa (lek vah-wen'-sah) was named winner of the Nobel Peace Prize.

On this date:

In 1829, the 21st president of the United States, Chester Alan Arthur, was born in North Fairfield, Vermont.

In 1931, Clyde Pangborn and Hugh Herndon completed the first non-stop flight across the Pacific Ocean, arriving in Washington state some 41 hours after leaving Japan.

In 1947, President Harry S. Truman delivered the first televised White House address as he spoke on the world food crisis.

In 1953, Earl Warren was sworn in as the 14th chief justice of the United States, succeeding Fred M. Vinson.

In 1958, racially-desegregated Clinton High School in Clinton, Tennessee, was mostly leveled by an early morning bombing.

In 1969, the British TV comedy program "Monty Python's Flying Circus" made its debut on BBC 1.

In 1984, the space shuttle Challenger blasted off from the Kennedy Space Center on an 8-day mission; the crew included Kathryn D. Sullivan, who became the first American woman to walk in space, and Marc Garneau, the first Canadian astronaut.

In 1988, Democrat Lloyd Bentsen lambasted Republican Dan Quayle during their vice presidential debate, telling Quayle, "Senator, you're no Jack Kennedy."

In 1989, a jury in Charlotte, North Carolina, convicted former P-T-L evangelist Jim Bakker (BAY'-kur) of using his television show to defraud followers.

In 1999, two packed commuter trains collided near London's Paddington Station, killing 31 people.

In 2001, tabloid photo editor Robert Stevens died from inhaled anthrax, the first of a series of anthrax cases in Florida, New York, New Jersey and Washington.

In 2011, Apple founder Steve Jobs, 56, died in Palo Alto, California.

Ten years ago: Republican vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin defended her claim that Barack Obama "pals around with terrorists," referring to his association on a charity board a few years earlier with 1960s radical Bill Ayers. Obama accused John McCain's campaign of trying to distract votes with "smears" rather than talking about substance.

Five years ago: In a stealthy seaside assault in Somalia and in a raid in Libya's capital, U.S. military forces struck out against Islamic extremists who had carried out terrorist attacks in East Africa, snatching Abu Anas al-Libi, allegedly involved in the bombings of U.S. embassies 15 years earlier. (Al-Libi has since pleaded not guilty to the embassy bombings.) A monster truck went out of control at an "Extreme Aeroshow" in Chihuahua, Mexico, killing eight people and injuring ten times as many. Wladimir Klitschko (VLAD'-uh-meer KLICH'-koh) retained his WBA and IBF heavyweight titles, unanimously outpointing previously undefeated Alexander Povetkin in Moscow.

One year ago: Hollywood executive Harvey Weinstein announced that he was taking a leave of absence from his company after a New York Times article detailed decades of alleged sexual harassment against women including actress Ashley Judd. The National Rifle Association and the White House expressed support for controls on "bump stock" devices like those that apparently aided the gunman behind the Las Vegas attack; the NRA later said it was opposed to an outright ban on the devices. California Gov. Jerry Brown signed legislation extending protections for immigrants living in the United States illegally; police in California would be barred from asking people about their immigration status or taking part in federal immigration enforcement activities.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Glynis Johns is 95. College Football Hall of Fame coach Barry Switzer is 81. Rhythm-and-blues singer Arlene Smith (The Chantels) is 77. Singer-musician Steve Miller is 75. Sen. Benjamin L. Cardin, D-Md., is 75. Rock singer Brian Johnson (AC/DC) is 71. Blues musician Rick Estrin is 69. Actress Karen Allen is 67. Writer-producer-director Clive Barker is 66. Rock musician David Bryson (Counting Crows) is 64. Astrophysicist-author Neil deGrasse Tyson is 60. Memorial designer Maya Lin is 59. Actor Daniel Baldwin is 58. Rock singer-musician Dave Dederer is 54. Hockey Hall of Famer Mario Lemieux is 53. Actor Guy Pearce is 51. Actress Josie Bissett is 48. Singer-actress Heather Headley is 44. Pop-rock singer Colin Meloy (The Decemberists) is 44. Rock musician Brian Mashburn (Save Ferris) is 43. Actress Parminder Nagra (pahr-MIHN'-da NAH'-grah) is 43. Actor Scott Weinger is 43. Actress Kate Winslet is 43. Rock musician James Valentine (Maroon 5) is 40. Rock musician Paul Thomas (Good Charlotte) is 38. Actor Jesse Eisenberg is 35. TV personality Nicky Hilton is 35. Actress Azure Parsons is 34. Rhythm-and-

blues singer Brooke Valentine is 33. Actor Kevin Bigley is 32. Actor Joshua Logan Moore is 24. Actor Jacob Tremblay is 12.

Thought for Today: "The usefulness of a meeting is in inverse proportion to the attendance." - Lane Kirkland, American labor leader (1922-1999).

Got a story or photos 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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