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Colleagues,

Good Friday morning on this the 30th day of August 2019,

Join me in congratulating Connecting colleagues and Associated Press retirees **Terry Anderson** and **Nick Ut** on news of their recognition as Fellows of the Society, the highest professional honor awarded by the Society of Professional Journalists.

SPJ recently announced that they along with **Maria Ressa** and, posthumously, **Jamal Khashoggi**, will be honored for extraordinary contribution to the profession of journalism at the Fellows of the Society at the SPJ's Excellence in Journalism 2019 conference, in San Antonio, Sept. 5-7.

The first Associated Press honoree for the award was **Howard Blakeslee**, New York science writer, in 1950 - two years after it began. Other AP honorees who also are Connecting colleagues - **Walter Mears, Lou Boccardi, Peter Arnett, Tom Curley** and **Linda Deutsch** - as well as our Connecting colleague **Jerry Ceppos**, former dean at the Manship School of Mass Communication, Louisiana State University, who previously worked for the San Jose Mercury News and its then-owner, Knight Ridder Inc., for 33 years.

Other past AP honorees were **Kent Cooper, Keith Fuller, Wes Gallagher, Alan Gould, Byron Price** - as well as **Paul Miller** (Gannett Newspapers and AP president) and **Burl Osborne** (AP and the Dallas Morning News).

Have a great Labor Day holiday weekend!

Paul

Anderson, Khashoggi, Ressa and Ut named SPJ Fellows of the Society

INDIANAPOLIS - The Society of Professional Journalists recognizes Terry Anderson, Maria Ressa, Nick Ut and, posthumously, Jamal Khashoggi, as Fellows of the Society, the highest professional honor awarded by SPJ, for extraordinary contribution to the profession of journalism.

"The theme of our Fellows awards this year is 'courage.' Faced with daunting challenges to our profession, from rising political repression to the deliberate spreading of misinformation, we are being challenged to stand up for our principles," said J. Alex Tarquinio, SPJ national president.

"These four journalists embody everything that is good and true and necessary about our profession. While SPJ is inducting them as Fellows of the Society, our organization's highest honor, we are the ones who will be honored to be in the company of such brave, heroic journalists," Tarquinio said.

Anderson, Khashoggi, Ressa and Ut will be honored as Fellows of the Society at the Excellence in Journalism 2019 conference, in San Antonio, Sept. 5-7. During the President's Installation Banquet on Sept. 7, they (and a representative of Khashoggi) will each receive a jeweled key and plaque for their contributions. Tickets for the President's Banquet are still available.

Earlier on Saturday during EIJ19, Anderson, Ressa and Ut will participate in the session "Fine Fellows, Future Focus: SPJ Fellows ponder what's next for journalism," 4:30-5:30 p.m. in Lone Star F at the Grand Hyatt in San Antonio.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Bill McCloskey.

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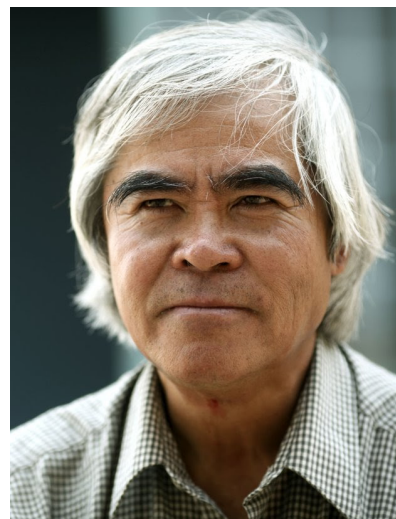
From the SPJ news release, on Terry Anderson:



Terry Anderson is a former foreign correspondent and professor of journalism. He was a radio, TV and newspaper journalist before joining the Associated Press, where he was assigned to locations in Tokyo, Johannesburg and Beirut. During the Lebanese civil war, he was kidnapped by radical Shiites and was held for 6 years, 9 months, before being released. Anderson is the founder and co-chair of the Vietnam Children's Fund, which has built more than 50 schools in Vietnam. In addition, he is honorary chair of the Committee to Protect Journalists and created the Father Lawrence Jenco Foundation with a \$100,000 endowment to honor and support people who do charitable and community service projects in Appalachia. The foundation honors his late prison companion and mentor, the Rev. Lawrence Martin Jenco. Anderson has also taught journalism and diversity at the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism, Ohio University's Scripps School of Journalism, the University of Kentucky, Syracuse University and the University of Florida.

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From the SPJ news release, on Nick Ut:



Nick Ut is a retired photojournalist with the Associated Press, where he worked for 51 years. During his time with AP, Ut covered the war in Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam and won the Pulitzer Prize for Spot News Photography and World Press Photo of the Year for his June 8, 1972, photo "The Terror of War" depicting children fleeing from a napalm bombing on their village, including a naked 9-year-old girl Kim Phuc. Ut, who eventually relocated to Japan for the AP, went on to report in Los Angeles, where he covered wildfires, riots, earthquakes, the O.J. Simpson trial and other news events. He was honored by the SPJ Greater Los Angeles chapter with a lifetime achievement award in 2009.

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Connecting mailbox

A '-30-' is on his headstone



Ed Williams ([Email](#)) - Love your memories (in Thursday's Connecting), Paul. By the way I already have my headstone in place. At the bottom of the headstone is "-30-". The guy at the funeral home said it made no sense to him, but whatever the customer wants!

And I am wondering - how many other editors across the country have -30- on their tombstones?

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Norm, meet Adolphe; Adolphe, meet Norm



Norm Abelson (left) and Adolphe Bernotas

Adolphe Bernotas ([Email](#)) - After many months of teasing each other about a reunion, these ex-AP pals reunited Tuesday at Norm Abelson's home in Wells, Maine. The impetus in part was Connecting.

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Lots of memories tied up in these AP pins



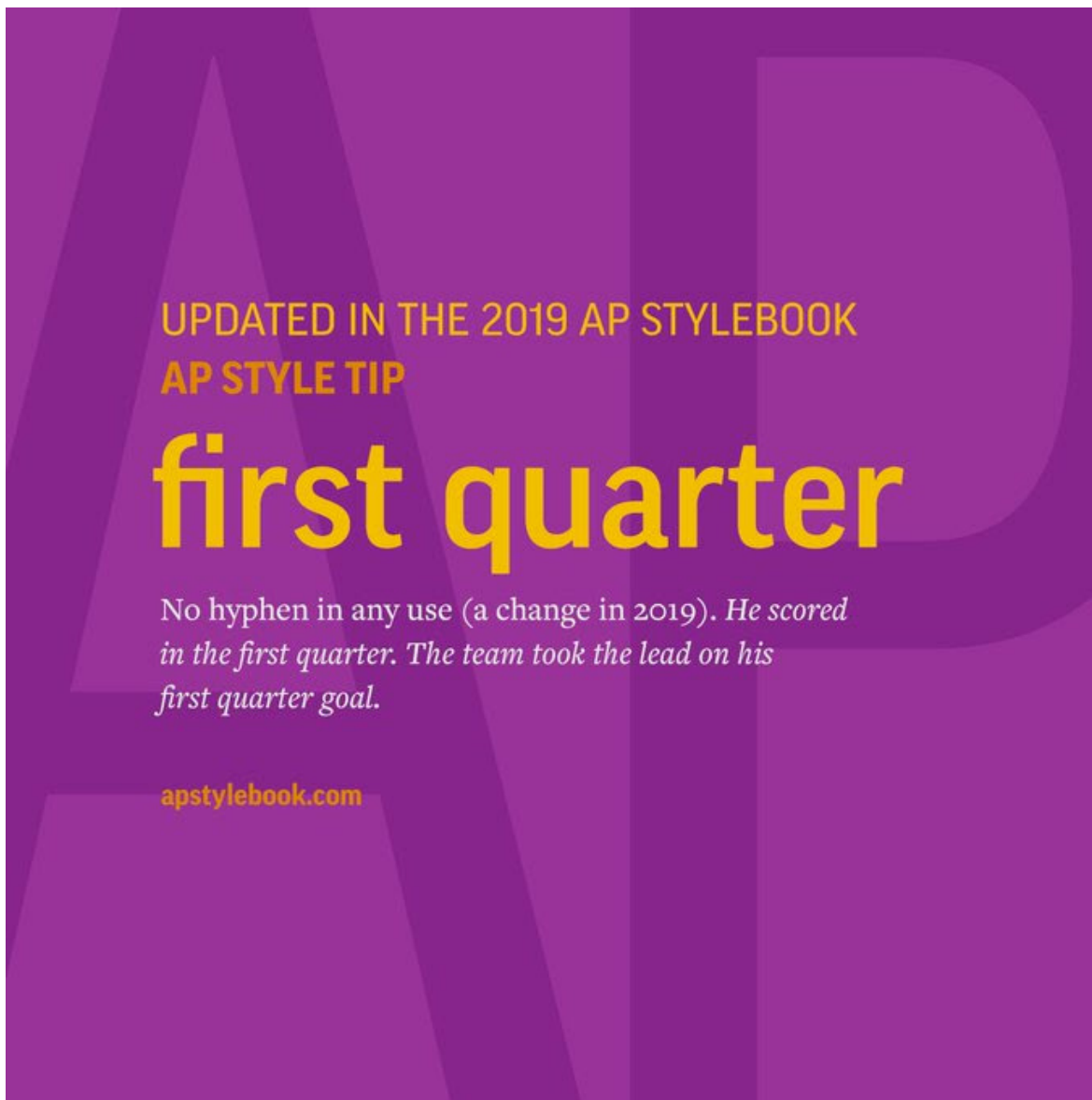
Bud Weydert ([Email](#)) - I've come across a bunch of leftover AP pins from special events such as the RNC/DNC and Olympics, etc. I'm planning to send them back to New York in the near future. Once I've done that and if AP tells me they will be making them available to current and former staff, I'll let you know so you can make the Connecting readers aware should any of them want to add to their collections.

In the meantime, here is a photo of my final pin collecting project. It has taken a while to put it together, the hardest part being to decide which pins to include. Those on the Olympic rings are all Olympic pins while those on Associated Press are from other events such as political conventions, super bowls and world cup.

AP Stylebook Changes Hyphen Guidance, Ushering In Total Chaos

By **KYLE KOSTER**, The Big Lead

Everything was going just fine on a sleepy Wednesday afternoon and then the AP Stylebook had to go and upset the apple cart with an Earth-shattering news bomb. Apparently, the long-standing practice of inserting a hyphen in a compound modifier was re-examined and deemed unnecessary if the modifier is "commonly recognized as one phrase, and if the meaning is clean and unambiguous without the hyphen."



UPDATED IN THE 2019 AP STYLEBOOK
AP STYLE TIP

first quarter

No hyphen in any use (a change in 2019). *He scored in the first quarter. The team took the lead on his first quarter goal.*

apstylebook.com

So say goodbye to first-half run and hello to first half run. One looks objectively worse than the other, but apparently the Associated Press is fine with this. When we talk about trying times for the media, this is what we talk about.

This is all probably small potatoes to the reader. But hyphenating words when they need to be hyphenated is a habit that will be impossible for journalists of a certain age to stop doing. And that's a good thing because the presence or absence of them is one of the clearest indicators of the quality of writing and editing for a given piece.

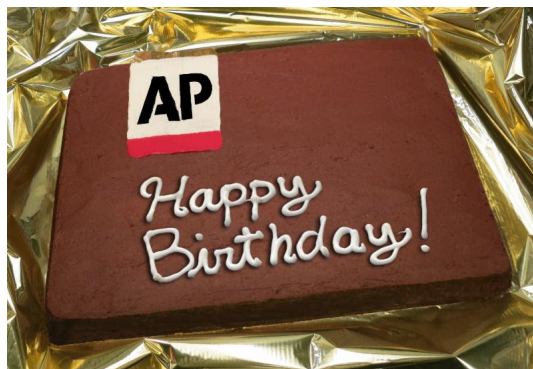
Hyperbole and morphing into Chicken Little does not come naturally. Yet one cannot help but wonder at how much chaos this is going to unleash as the definition put in place is certainly open to interpretation. There will be so many terse back-and-forth discussions in newsrooms and Slack channels as this new practice is adopted and, invariably, people are going to lose their cool.

Dark times ahead, folks. Dark times.

I'd be remiss if I didn't make a plea here for everyone to think about the hyphens that have served so bravely through the years. Their sacrifice was not in vain.

Click [here](#) for a link to this story. Shared by Scott Charton.

Connecting wishes Happy Birthday



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Stories of interest

China expels Wall Street Journal reporter over coverage of Xi's family (Washington Post)

By Gerry Shih

BEIJING - China effectively expelled a Wall Street Journal reporter from the country, one month after the newspaper published a report detailing allegations that a cousin of Chinese leader Xi Jinping was involved in high-stakes gambling and potential money laundering in Australia.

Chinese authorities told the Journal on Friday it would not renew press credentials for Chun Han Wong, a Singapore national who has covered Chinese politics out of the paper's Beijing bureau since 2014. Those credentials expired Friday.

China sometimes withholds or refuses visas to punish international news organizations for what the ruling Communist Party perceives as unfavorable coverage. But the decision amounted to the first time in recent memory that the Chinese government has effectively turfed out a reporter from the Journal, a publication generally known for incisive but evenhanded coverage of the country.

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

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A quick guide to avoiding hoaxes and false news about Dorian (or any other hurricane)

(Poynter)

By Cristina Tardáguila

On Wednesday, Hurricane Dorian was approaching Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands as a category 1 storm. American meteorologists forecasted it would become a category 2 and hit Florida a few days later.

Just like any other life-threatening natural phenomenon, strong winds are usually felt on social media long before they really affect people's life. Hurricanes, just like floods or earthquakes, are commonly surrounded by hoaxes and might trigger the sharing of false information.

To prevent this, the International Fact-Checking Network has built a quick guide that not only can be applied to Hurricane Dorian, but also to any other storm in the near future.

The five points listed below can also serve fact-checkers around the globe who are not on Hurricane Dorian's path but will need to report about it.

Read more [here](#).

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In Merger Run-Up, GateHouse Is Closing Papers in Stuttgart, Helena (Arkansas Business)

By **KYLE MASSEY**

In the run-up to a \$1.4 billion merger with Gannett that would create the nation's biggest newspaper chain, GateHouse Media Inc. is closing two Arkansas papers, the Stuttgart Daily Leader and the semi-weekly Helena World.

In an article posted on the websites of both papers, GateHouse officials said they were talking with local parties potentially interesting in owning the papers.

GateHouse, based in suburban Rochester, New York, counts 11 Arkansas properties among its 150 dailies and 500 weeklies nationwide, and its decision to close two Arkansas publications with more than a century's service to their communities held true to a long history of corporate cost-cutting.

Cost pressures grew after GateHouse, which closed a half-dozen Arkansas publications a year ago, announced the deal for Gannett, publisher of USA Today, on Aug. 5.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Scott Charton.

Today in History - August 30, 2019



By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Aug. 30, the 242nd day of 2019. There are 123 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 30, 1967, the Senate confirmed the appointment of Thurgood Marshall as the first black justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

On this date:

In 1862, Confederate forces won victories against the Union at the Second Battle of Bull Run in Manassas, Virginia, and the Battle of Richmond in Kentucky.

In 1945, U.S. Gen. Douglas MacArthur arrived in Japan to set up Allied occupation headquarters.

In 1963, the "Hot Line" communications link between Washington and Moscow went into operation.

In 1983, Guion (GY'-un) S. Bluford Jr. became the first black American astronaut to travel in space as he blasted off aboard the Challenger.

In 1986, Soviet authorities arrested Nicholas Daniloff, a correspondent for U.S. News and World Report, as a spy a week after American officials arrested Gennadiy Zakharov, a Soviet employee of the United Nations, on espionage charges in New York. (Both men were later released.)

In 1989, a federal jury in New York found "hotel queen" Leona Helmsley guilty of income tax evasion, but acquitted her of extortion. (Helmsley ended up serving 18 months behind bars, a month at a halfway house and two months under house arrest.)

In 1997, Americans received word of the car crash in Paris that claimed the lives of Princess Diana, her boyfriend, Dodi Fayed (DOH'-dee FY'-ehd), and their driver, Henri Paul. (Because of the time difference, it was August 31 where the crash occurred.)

In 2002, With just hours to spare, baseball averted a strike; it was the first time since 1970 that players and owners had agreed to a new collective bargaining agreement without a work stoppage.

In 2005, a day after Hurricane Katrina hit, floods were covering 80 percent of New Orleans, looting continued to spread and rescuers in helicopters and boats picked up hundreds of stranded people.

In 2007, in a serious breach of nuclear security, a B-52 bomber armed with six nuclear warheads flew cross-country unnoticed; the Air Force later punished 70 people.

In 2012, Mitt Romney launched his fall campaign for the White House with a rousing, personal speech to the Republican National Convention in Tampa, Florida, proclaiming that America needs "jobs, lots of jobs."

In 2017, the former Hurricane Harvey completed a U-turn in the Gulf of Mexico and rolled ashore for the second time in six days, hitting southwestern Louisiana as a tropical storm with heavy rains and winds of 45 miles an hour. Floodwaters began to recede in Houston, where thousands of homes were flooded.

Ten years ago: Voters in Japan ousted the country's conservatives after more than a half century of rule and put the untested Democratic Party of Japan in control. The space shuttle Discovery docked at the international space station, delivering a full load of gear and science experiments. Chula Vista, California, came up big late to win the Little League World Series, defeating Taoyuan, Taiwan, 6-3.

Five years ago: The U.S. military said fighter aircraft and unmanned drones had struck Islamic State militants near Iraq's Mosul (MOH'-sul) Dam. Under cover of darkness, 40 Filipino peacekeepers escaped their besieged outpost in the Golan Heights after a seven-hour gunbattle with Syrian rebels. The St. Louis Rams cut Michael Sam, the first openly gay player drafted in the NFL.

One year ago: A Los Angeles man was arrested and charged with making a series of phone calls threatening to kill journalists at The Boston Globe for what he allegedly called "treasonous" attacks on President Donald Trump. (Robert Chain later pleaded guilty to seven counts of making threatening communications; he is scheduled for sentencing in September.) The president told Congress that he would be canceling pay raises that were due in January for most civilian federal employees, citing budget constraints.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Elizabeth Ashley is 80. Actor Ben Jones is 78. Actor John Kani is 77. Cartoonist R. Crumb is 76. Olympic gold medal skier Jean-Claude Killy (zhahn-KLOHD' kee-LEE') is 76. Comedian Lewis Black is 71. Actor Timothy Bottoms is 68. Actor David Paymer is 65. Jazz musician Gerald Albright is 62. Actor Michael Chiklis is 56. Actress Michael Michele is 53. Country musician Geoff Firebaugh is 51. Country singer Sherrie Austin is 48. Rock singer-musician Lars Frederiksen (Rancid) is 48. Actress Cameron Diaz is 47. Rock musician Leon Caffrey (formerly w/Space) is 46. TV personality Lisa Ling is 46. Rock singer-musician Aaron Barrett (Reel Big Fish) is 45. Actor Raul Castillo is 42. Actor Michael Gladis is 42. Rock musician Matt Taul (Tantric; Days of the New) is 41. MLB pitcher Adam Wainwright is 38. Tennis player Andy Roddick is 37. Singer Rachael Price (Lake Street Dive) is 34. Rock musician Ryan Ross is 33. Actress Johanna Braddy is 32. Actor Cameron Finley is 32.

Thought for Today: "Greatness is not measured by what a man or woman accomplishes, but by the opposition he or she has overcome to reach his goals." - Dorothy Height, American civil rights activist (1912-2010).

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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