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Colleagues,

Good Thursday morning on this the 14th day of November 2019,

Congratulations are in order for one of our Connecting colleagues, **Pablo Martinez Monsivais**, who has just been named assistant chief of bureau for photography in the AP's Washington bureau.

In his 21-year AP career, Pablo was part of a Pulitzer Prize-winning team and has forged a career that has spanned four presidencies and taken him to all 50 states and more than 70 countries. His email - pmonsivais@ap.org

Hope it's a great day!

Paul

Pablo Martinez Monsivais named Washington assistant chief of bureau for photography



Washington Bureau Chief **Julie Pace** on Wednesday announced a key appointment, sending this memo to her staff:

I'm very happy to let you know that **Pablo Martinez Monsivais** is our new assistant chief of bureau for photography in Washington. This is a well-deserved promotion for Pablo and completes our cross-format leadership team in the bureau.

Pablo has been an integral part of the AP photo staff for more than two decades. He joined the AP in 1998 as a photographer in Washington, forging a career that has spanned four presidencies and taken him to all 50 states and over 70 countries.

Following the Sept. 11 attacks, Pablo embedded with the 101st Airborne during deployment into Afghanistan, and in 2003, was part of President George W. Bush's surprise Thanksgiving visit to Baghdad. He has covered major sporting events including the World Series, NBA Finals and NHL Stanley Cup in addition to World Cup Soccer, NCAA and MLS tournaments.

With fellow AP photo staff, he won a Pulitzer Prize for Feature Photography for coverage of President Bill Clinton's impeachment and has received awards from World Press Photo, the White House News Photographers Association and the National Association of Hispanic Journalists. He is a founding member of Iris Photo Collective, with whom he recently received a Knight Foundation grant for projects documenting Haitian and Cuban communities.

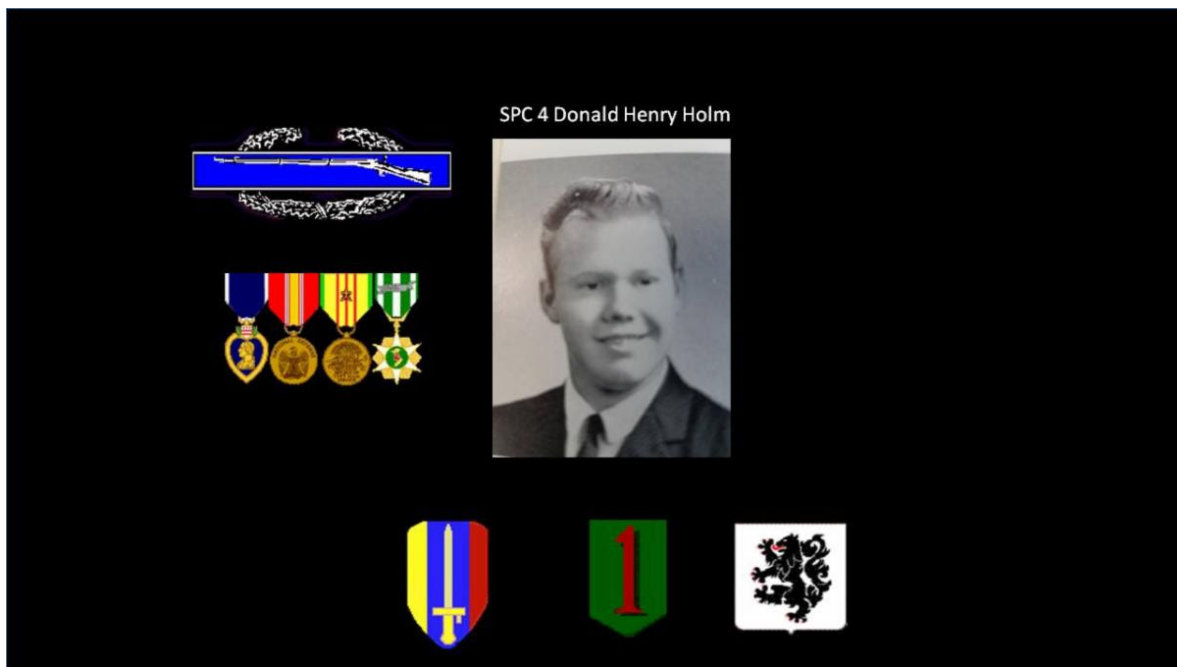
Prior to the AP, Pablo worked as a staff photographer for the Chicago Sun-Times. He is a graduate of Columbia College Chicago and was honored as the Alumni of the Year in 2009. He lives in Washington with his wife Jessica and son Luca.

Pablo is a talented photographer, a smart and generous colleague and a natural leader who will make our coverage of the nation's capital and national politics stronger.

Please join me in congratulating Pablo on this new role.

Click [here](#) for a link to this story.

The power of social media on display



Paul Stevens ([Email](#)) - I experienced firsthand the power of social media in a Spotlight column I wrote for my hometown newspaper, The Messenger of Fort Dodge, on the 16 servicemen from Webster County, Iowa, who died in the Vietnam War.

Through two Fort Dodge sites on Facebook, I was able to identify relatives and friends of 11 of those men and interviewed them for the story. And when there was an error discovered after the story appeared Sunday, the sites helped result in an important correction that impacts the family of one of the veterans.

One of the photos of the 16 men that was used with my story misidentified a soldier, Army Spec. 4 Donald Henry Holm. It was actually a photo of one of his high school classmates and not Holm, who was killed on Nov 18, 1967, in Binh Long, South Vietnam, at the age of 23. That photo and the other 15 published with the column came from the Vietnam Memorial Virtual Wall web site, maintained in Washington. The errant photo identified on the site as Holm was instead a classmate whose photo was right next to his in the 1962 high school yearbook. Someone years ago erroneously submitted the wrong photo for Holm to the Memorial Virtual Wall and it has been on the site since - until the error was discovered Sunday by one of his classmates when she saw it used with my Spotlight.

The Messenger ran a correction Tuesday morning but more importantly, those who operate the Vietnam Memorial Virtual Wall were sent the correct photo to place on his page on the site. The power of social media and an attentive reader.

A Kansas newspaper friend, Jim Cook, called it "the best story I've ever read of social media serving the social good. Well done by all concerned." Added Patrick Casey, "That's the kind of error I'd be thrilled to correct."

Millions watched opening of Trump hearings, how many heard?



Members of the media set up to cover the House public impeachment hearings Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2019, on Capitol Hill in Washington. With the bang of a gavel, House Intelligence Committee Chairman Adam Schiff will open the hearings into President Donald Trump's pressure on Ukraine to investigate political rivals. (AP Photo/Jacquelyn Martin)

By DAVID BAUDER

NEW YORK (AP) - Millions of Americans likely saw the House's first day of open impeachment hearings on President Donald Trump on Wednesday. The open question is how many actually heard it.

For six hours, career diplomats George Kent and Bill Taylor sat before Congress and answered questions. But from the immediate media response, it was hard to shake the sense that the proceedings didn't pierce partisan gridlock or pre-set opinions.

"There was not even the slightest hint that any Republican is taking the evidence that they were given ... and reconsidering," Fox News Channel's Chris Wallace said at the hearing's conclusion.

ABC's George Stephanopoulos admitted, "part of me is wondering, what do facts matter anymore in these debates?"

All three networks - ABC, CBS, NBC - bumped regularly scheduled programming for the hearing. CNN and MSNBC aired the hearings. PBS and Fox broadcasting streamed coverage and left it up to local affiliates to decide whether to carry it.

Read more [here](#).

Connecting mailbox

How would Ben Olan handle rush of sports statistics today?

Arnold Zeitlin ([Email](#)) - I was thinking of Ben Olan (see Wednesday's Connecting on his death) just the other day, when I was overwhelmed by the statistics pouring across my TV screen during a NFL game. During my brief stint in Sports in New York from 1956-8, I remember Ben as the statistics man. I wondered how he would deal in this modern sports era with the rush of statistics that sometimes obscures the most important statistic of all - which team won the game. My condolences to Ben's family.

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Is there anything Gene Herrick doesn't remember?

Robert Dobkin ([Email](#)) - I couldn't help being amused by Gene Herrick's account of his football coverage in Tuesday's Connecting when he recalled a particularly

snowy Wisconsin weekend decades ago. He wrote, "I actually followed a snowplow into Green Bay, I shall always remember that weekend." I ask, is there anything Gene doesn't remember? I continue to marvel at his recall in vivid detail of his storied career he frequently shares in Connecting.

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Salute to Vietnam veterans - greatest of their generation



Joe Galloway ([Email](#)) - Two days before my 78th birthday Wednesday. Told the audience of nearly 500 Vietnam War veterans that they may not be The Greatest Generation by but by God they are the greatest of THEIR generation... Photo from Monday Veterans Day speech at JetBlue Stadium in Fort Meyers, Fla. Photo by Sandrine Silverman of Vietnam War Commemoration.

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Getting that earpiece just right



Connecting colleague **Kii Sato**, Asia-Pacific deputy news director for storytelling and photos, left, helps photo editor Mark Baker with his earpiece during a Tokyo 2020 press briefing tour, Oct. 21, 2019, in Tokyo. Journalists from around the world were given a tour of some of the Tokyo Olympic venues. (AP Photo/David J. Phillip)

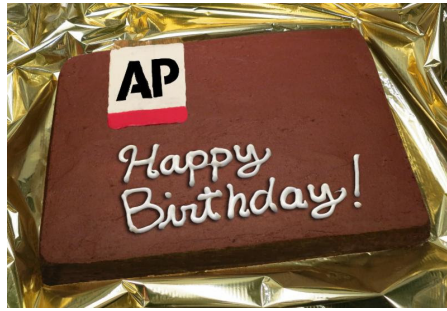
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Spotted in Bologna, Italy



Shared by Kevin Walsh

Connecting wishes Happy Birthday



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Stories of interest

President Trump urges Turkish strongman to call on a 'friendly' reporter (Washington Post)

By Erik Wemple

Media critic

In a news conference Wednesday afternoon, President Trump and Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan faced reporters from their respective countries on the issues of the day. Trump called on his favorite news outlets - One America News

Network (OAN) and Fox News - and proceeded to give unsurprising answers about the impeachment hearings that just started on Capitol Hill. "Are you talking about the witch hunt, is that what you mean?" he said.

Yet Trump has a knack for making news via small talk - stray chatter that often exposes carefully cultivated ignorance about the world around him. Or the words betray an authentic authoritarian streak, as the case may be: As Erdogan went about choosing a reporter from whom to take a question, Trump provided some color commentary: "A friendly person from Turkey, please. Friendly. Only friendly reporters - we like to see. There aren't too many of them around," he said.

During his nearly three years in office, Trump has often ruffed about "nice" coverage and its apparent paucity in his official life. In a memorable quote in an interview with the New York Times, he said, "I came from Jamaica, Queens, Jamaica Estates, and I became president of the United States. I'm sort of entitled to a great story - just one - from my newspaper."

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

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Journalists' New Kind of Expose: Uncovering Their Salaries (Bloomberg)

By GERRY SMITH

(Bloomberg) -- Dozens of media employees have begun sharing a spreadsheet detailing salaries at different publications, seeking to shed light on pay disparities that could help some workers get a raise.

The spreadsheet, whose creator is unknown, lists the title, company, salary, years of experience and job duties at a wide range of media organizations, including the New York Times, BuzzFeed, the Wall Street Journal, CNN, Vice and Conde Nast. Journalists also can list their gender identity and ethnicity.

"Talking about how much or how little money you make feels taboo, and it shouldn't," said a message at the top of document, which was reviewed by Bloomberg News. Saying that the website Glassdoor doesn't provide enough information, the spreadsheet text declares: "Knowledge is power."

Read more [here](#). Shared by Doug Pizac.

Related, from the Columbia Journalism Review - click [here](#). Shared by Adolphe Bernotas.

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Museum is unique part of local history; Special event celebrates it and all area veterans (Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau)

By JON K. RUST

On Saturday night, Nov. 16, at the Arena Building in Cape Girardeau, area military veterans will be the guests of honor at a celebration and fundraising dinner for the Stars and Stripes National Museum in Bloomfield, Missouri. It promises to be an evening of patriotic spirit, tribute to service members and American red, white and blue fun, featuring the full Jerry Ford Orchestra and his "Andrew Sisters." If you are a veteran - or family member of a veteran - and would like to attend, thanks to the generosity of sponsors they have a seat for you at no cost as long as tickets remain.

One of the organizers, Jim Martin of Perryville, Missouri, tells me the best way to pick up your free tickets is by stopping by the Arena Building during office hours and showing evidence of service. Or, take the chance seats are still available and be there Saturday night as the doors open around 6 p.m. (If no table seats remain, there are likely to be bleacher seats along the side.)

Meanwhile, all are welcome to the celebration, and a few tickets remain for purchase. For more information, visit www.donorbox.org/spirit-of-democracy or call (573) 568-2055.

Delivering the keynote will be Gov. Mike Parson, a veteran who served six years in the U.S. Army. Featured speaker is veteran and current Stars and Stripes newspaper publisher Max Lederer. Other dignitaries include Lt. Gov. Mike Kehoe, former Lt. Gov. Peter Kinder, Rep. Jason Smith and others.

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

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McClatchy's half-billion-dollar pension shortfall threatens liquidity crisis (Sacramento Business Journal)

The McClatchy Co., publisher of the Sacramento Bee and other newspapers, said its employee pension plan was underfunded by \$535 million as of March, creating "a significant liquidity challenge" for the company next year.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Kevin Walsh.

Today in History - November 14, 2019



By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Nov. 14, the 318th day of 2019. There are 47 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 14, 1972, the Dow Jones Industrial Average closed above the 1,000 level for the first time, ending the day at 1,003.16.

On this date:

In 1862, during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln gave the go-ahead for Maj. Gen. Ambrose Burnside's plan to capture the Confederate capital of Richmond; the resulting Battle of Fredericksburg proved a disaster for the Union.

In 1907, two renowned children's authors were born: William Steig (styg) ("Shrek") in New York, Astrid Lindgren ("Pippi Longstocking") near Vimmerby, Sweden.

In 1910, Eugene B. Ely became the first aviator to take off from a ship as his Curtiss pusher rolled off a sloping platform on the deck of the scout cruiser USS Birmingham off Hampton Roads, Virginia.

In 1940, during World War II, German planes destroyed most of the English town of Coventry.

In 1943, Leonard Bernstein (BURN'-styn), the 25-year-old assistant conductor of the New York Philharmonic, made his debut with the orchestra as he filled in for the ailing Bruno Walter during a nationally broadcast concert.

In 1965, the U.S. Army's first major military operation of the Vietnam War began with the start of the five-day Battle of Ia Drang. (The fighting between American troops and North Vietnamese forces ended on Nov. 18 with both sides claiming victory.)

In 1969, Apollo 12 blasted off for the moon.

In 1970, a chartered Southern Airways DC-9 crashed while trying to land in West Virginia, killing all 75 people on board, including the Marshall University football team and its coaching staff.

In 1986, the Securities and Exchange Commission imposed a \$100 million penalty on inside-trader Ivan F. Boesky and barred him from working again in the securities industry.

In 1996, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin (BURN'-uh-deen), the senior Roman Catholic prelate in the United States and leader of Chicago's 2.3 million Catholics, died at his

home at age 68. Singer Michael Jackson married his plastic surgeon's nurse, Debbie Rowe, in a ceremony in Sydney, Australia. (Rowe filed for divorce in 1999.)

In 1997, a jury in Fairfax, Virginia, decided that Pakistani national Aimal Khan Kasi (eye-MAHL' kahn KAH'-see) should get the death penalty for gunning down two CIA employees outside agency headquarters. (Five years later on this date, Aimal Khan Kasi was executed.)

In 2004, Mahmoud Abbas, successor to Yasser Arafat, escaped unharmed when militants firing assault rifles burst into a mourning tent for the deceased Palestinian leader in Gaza, killing two security guards.

Ten years ago: President Barack Obama, on a mission to repair America's global standing, told Asian countries during a speech in Tokyo that he was determined to engage them as equal partners in the economy, diplomacy and security.

Five years ago: Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel announced the Pentagon would spend an additional \$10 billion to correct deep problems of neglect and mismanagement within the nation's nuclear forces. During his visit to Asia, President Barack Obama mounted a warm show of support for Myanmar's opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi (ahng sahn soo chee), appearing with the democracy activist on the back porch of her lakeside home.

One year ago: Chris Stapleton won four awards, including those for male vocalist, song and single of the year, at the Country Music Association Awards, but Keith Urban took home the top prize, entertainer of the year. Jacob DeGrom of the New York Mets easily won the National League Cy Young Award despite winning just 10 games during the season on a struggling team; the American League award went to Blake Snell of the Tampa Bay Rays, who had pitched fewer innings than any other starting pitcher who had won the award.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Kathleen Hughes is 91. Former NASA astronaut Fred Haise is 86. Jazz musician Ellis Marsalis is 85. Composer Wendy Carlos is 80. Writer P.J. O'Rourke is 72. Britain's Prince Charles is 71. Rock singer-musician James Young (Styx) is 70. Singer Stephen Bishop is 68. Blues musician Anson Funderburgh is 65. Pianist Yanni is 65. Former U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice is 65. Former presidential adviser Valerie Jarrett is 63. Actress Laura San Giacomo (JEE'-ah-koh-moh) is 58. Actor D.B. Sweeney is 58. Rapper Reverend Run (Run-DMC) is 55. Actor Patrick Warburton is 55. Rock musician Nic Dalton is 55. Country singer Rockie Lynne is 55. Pop singer Jeanette Jurado (Expose) is 54. Retired MLB All-Star pitcher Curt Schilling is 53. Rock musician Brian Yale is 51. Rock singer Butch Walker is 50. Actor Josh Duhamel (du-MEHL') is 47. Rock musician Travis Barker is 44. Contemporary Christian musician Robby Shaffer is 44. Actor Brian Dietzen is 42. Rapper Shyheim is 42. Rock musician Tobin Esperance (Papa Roach) is 40. Actress Olga Kurylenko is 40. Actress-comedian Vanessa

Bayer is 38. Actor Russell Tovey is 38. Actor Cory Michael Smith is 33. Actor Graham Patrick Martin is 28. NHL forward Taylor Hall is 28.

Thought for Today: "The world cares very little what you or I know, but it does care a great deal about what you or I do." [-] Booker T. Washington (1856-1915).

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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