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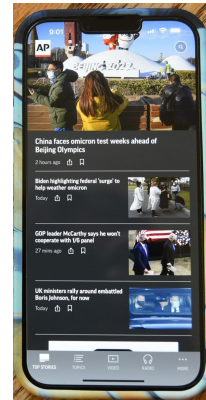
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# Connecting

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Colleagues,

Good Friday morning on this Feb. 4, 2022,

Today's Connecting honors the memory of **Emel Anil**, a former AP Ankara correspondent, who died in Ankara, Turkey, on Tuesday after a long illness. She was 78.

Anil took pride on being one of the first women to head an AP foreign bureau, as noted in our lead story shared by colleague **Zeynep Tinaz Redmont**.

"She was a pioneer in AP's foreign service and a highly esteemed colleague, who covered a key region with calm, intelligence and strength for many years," said **John Daniszewski**, AP vice president and Editor at Large for Standards who earlier served as AP International editor in a note to Connecting.

“Her passing is a sadness for her former colleagues in Turkey and for the AP family.”

If you have a favorite memory of working with Emel, please send it along. If you would like to send condolences to her family, you can do so by emailing **Zeynep Tinaz Redmont** at - [ztinaz@icloud.com](mailto:ztinaz@icloud.com)

Hope you have a great weekend – be safe, stay healthy!

Paul



## Emel Anil, one of first women to head an AP foreign bureau, dies at 78

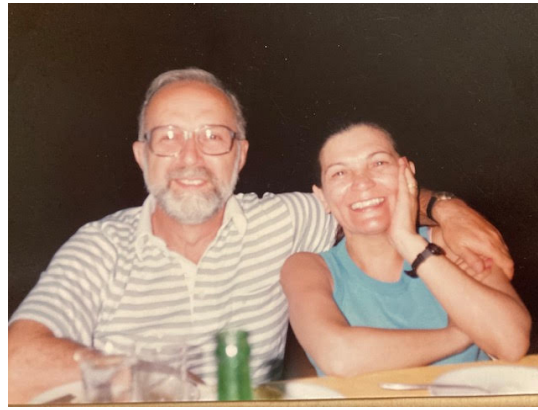


**ABOVE:** Emel in her Ankara office in 1989 and **RIGHT,** Emel with her husband Samim Anil.

Emel Anil, a former AP Ankara correspondent, who took pride on being one of the first women to head a foreign

bureau, died in Ankara on Tuesday after a long illness. She was 78.

A graduate of Swarthmore (Pa.) College, which she completed in three years, she started her career at the English language Turkish Daily News before joining the AP when Nick Ludington opened AP's Ankara office and hired her.



She was brought on board the day Muhammad Kaddafi overthrew Libya's King Idris, who was taking the waters at a Turkish spa, and was immediately thrown into breaking news coverage.

"I can say that her work, starting the day she came (after a nerve-wracking interview with her protective father) repaid the mentoring in spades and made me look good. She was a star," said Ludington.

Anil took over the Ankara office from Ludington, whom she always referred as boss/mentor, when he left in 1973.

"Emel may have been a bantamweight in stature but was a heavyweight journalist. She was the go-to person when foreign journalists visited Turkey, including myself from my base in the control bureau of Rome. Emel had no fear of contradicting generals or tramping through the ruins left by earthquakes." said Victor Simpson, former bureau chief in Rome and her close friend for years.

"I remember how upset she was when NY forced her to remain in Ankara when Turkey was about to launch its invasion of Cyprus. UPI got the scoop when the Turkish fleet left harbour. " Simpson remembered.

"She became a boss/mentor to me some years later and taught me the ABCs of Journalism," said Zeynep Tinaz Redmont, who joined AP Ankara as a reporter and today works as regional business executive for AP.

"So many memories come back to me on this sad day, But I opt to remember a happy one when playwright Arthur Miller travelled to Ankara to put pressure on the generals for their mistreatment of the political prisoners, Miller refused to give interviews but Emel thought of the only decent authentic restaurant where he would land and took her chance and dragged me to a table at the restaurant to find ourselves dining next to Miller."

"Emel Anil has been respected as one of the best representatives of fine AP journalism for decades in Turkey," said Burhan Ozbilici, veteran AP photographer in Ankara hired by Anil some 35 years ago. "An excellent teacher and mentor, a person full of love and compassion for her family and friends, Zeynep and myself maybe the firsts..

Ozbilici won the World Press photo award with the shooting of the Russian ambassador four years ago and had a tribute to Emel Anil then for giving him the opportunity to work for the AP.

In 1980, she transferred for two years to Houston, where her husband Samim was assigned by Bechtel, the construction company. AP rehired her in 1982 to Ankara, where she covered Turkey living through a regime under the iron fist of generals after the coup. She stayed with the AP until the first Gulf War.

She was one of the first foreign bureau chiefs at a time when AP was sued in NY by women for gender discrimination, a case Anil supported at every opportunity and celebrated when a settlement was reached.

After her retirement, Anil moved to Istanbul, working for the Turkish environmental NGO, Tema, becoming a publications advisor and a board member, both for Turkish and international projects and translating four books.

Her favorite quote was: "Where is wisdom lost in knowledge, where is the knowledge we lost in information?" she told her Swarthmore alumni magazine.

Besides her husband Samim, she is survived by two daughters, Elif and Ela, and three grandchildren.

## New-member profile: Tim Sullivan

**Tim Sullivan** ([Email](#)) – I started my career as a reporter in the early 1990s, first as a raw novice at the Chambersburg, PA Public Opinion, a little Gannet paper, then made coffee and sorted mail as a New York Times clerk in their DC bureau. I went from there to the Fort Worth Star Telegram, but with my girlfriend (now my wife) living in New York City, I eventually moved to the city without a job. In late 1993 I was hired by the AP, where my jobs in New York ranged from the city bureau to the thankfully defunct Special Services to the International Desk. In 1997 we moved to Abidjan, in the Ivory Coast, a base to cover more than a dozen countries across West Africa. My work there often focused on conflict, but I worked hard to paint a more rounded picture of a fascinating and little-understood part of the world. I did a Nieman Fellowship in 2001-2002, then headed to New Delhi.



I spent the next 17 years based in India. I started as the South Asia correspondent, then later did two stints as bureau chief and eventually became the roving Asia correspondent, covering everything from Myanmar's turbulent politics to North Korea, which became an obsession.

With our kids getting older, we moved back to the U.S. in late 2019. We wanted a smaller city after so long in New Delhi, and moved to Minneapolis. I'm on the

Enterprise Team (though I regularly help out the Minneapolis bureau when they need a hand), where I have the wonderful freedom to chase stories just about anywhere.

## Tribute to Mike Cochran both lovely, lively

**Evan Ramstad** ([Email](#)) - It was a great joy to read John Lumpkin's tribute to Mike Cochran in Thursday's Connecting. It was both lovely and lively.

I was supposed to move to New York business news in the spring of 1993 when the Branch Davidian story broke. And we delayed and delayed my departure. Finally, all agreed it was time for me to move. And then on the very day I was supposed to fly out, the raid and fire happened. I had gone out to run some errands and I came back to my apartment to a sign the movers tacked up on the wall: "Call your office. Don't go to NY." And I called in and then came in to help rewrite and edit well into the night. And the next day, John or someone told me to work with Mike to write a hefty tick-tock for a weekender on what all had happened over 51 days. Mike and I formed a plan in which I crafted diary-type entries of turning point moments. And in my head all I could think was, "How are we ever going to stitch all this together?" And by gosh, on Thursday morning, Mike showed me a top that was amazing. And then we wove all those dates and entries into a cohesive 2,000 or so words. It ran in two takes later that day or maybe on Friday. And that was my last work in the Dallas bureau. I flew up to NY that Friday and started in business news the next Monday.

I probably shouldn't have felt the anxiety that I did in that moment. I knew he could turn out incredible feature stories. But cranking together a narrative like that in such a couple of days is a skill very few people possess. It's almost 30 years later, and I'm still amazed by that.

### *Connecting series:*

## Filling the void created by retirement

**Gene Herrick** ([Email](#)) - What is retirement?

As I have reported before, I went to work when I was eight-years-old, following the death of my father.

I started carrying the Columbus (Ohio) Dispatch at age eight, picking up my bundle at the front door of the Opio Penitentiary, and also helping the driver carry other bundles to the inside of the pen.

In the evenings, after school, I would fill construction lanterns with kerosene, and/or, paint my grandfather's fence at the little restaurant he owned/lived in the middle of the industrial section, which had a real-live lumber yard across the street, and the penitentiary one block away.

Then there was school, and work in an insurance company, and at night setting pins in a bowling alley.

At age 16, I applied, and was accepted to work for The Associated Press. After 28 of the most wonderful years of my life, I had to take early retirement. From that, I went to work for the first non-profit agency dealing with Developmental Disabilities. Then to state government for one year in the Developmental Disabilities department.

My family and I moved to a beautiful lake near Roanoke, Virginia, where I was invited to take over a little Sheltered Workshop for the Mentally Disabled (I renamed it the Developmental Center).

Oh there were moves, and new work challenges, and a return to Rocky Mount, Va., where I have served on the Boards of Directors of many non-profit community agencies. I tell you all of this as a foundation of my work experiences before I finally "Quit," except for one board position, which I just retired from at age 95 1/2.

However, following such a wonderful "Work-related career," I am now "Resting." Ha, ha.

Now I spend almost all of my time writing, and getting published, books I have written, and am writing. In many ways, I spend more time on this, as versus watching TV, or drinking beer. I often awaken at 4 A.M., and start writing, until about 5 P.M.

I have written three books prior to this period, and recently have written four more - three at the publisher; and one in the works. Also, one more, as a picture book, which is headed to the publisher today.

So, as you can see, there "Hain't" no moss in my retirement - and thank God there isn't.

Stiff fingers don't feel good, but that doesn't matter. God has been good to keep me going.

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**Malcolm Ritter** ([Email](#)) - Readers concerned about filling a void when they retire might benefit from practical advice found in books like:

Click [here](#) – and [here](#).

## **AP's Matt Lee Grills State Dept. Spox on Russia/Ukraine: An Accusation Is Not Evidence, "I Remember WMDs In Iraq"**

**Posted By Tim Hains**  
**Real Clear Politics**

Associated Press reporter Matt Lee and others at Thursday's briefing failed to get evidence for the Biden administration's claim that Russia is planning a "false flag" event to justify an invasion of Ukraine from State Department Spokesman Ned Price.

Matt Lee asked: "You said 'actions such as these suggest otherwise,' meaning they are not going to go ahead with talks. What actions are you talking about?"

"The fact that Russia continues to engage in disinformation," Ned Price said.

"You've made an allegation that they might do that. Have they actually done it?"

"What we know is what I just said. They've engaged in this activity."

"Hold on a second," the reporter said. "What activity? What activity? ... Made what report public?"

Read more [here](#). Shared by Carl Robinson.

## More Memories of Audie Murphy



**ADDISON, Texas \_ AP retiree Diana Heidgerd, on Feb. 2, 2022, took this selfie in front of an ex-farmhouse once owned by Texas native, war hero & movie star Audie**

**Murphy. The Dallas-area site later became a fine-dining restaurant and remains a tourist destination for fans of Murphy, who died in a 1971 plane crash.**

**Diana Heidgerd ([Email](#))** - I was very pleased to read the feature about Texas native, World War II hero and later movie star Audie Murphy in Monday's Connecting and immediately recalled his ties to a place not far from where I live in Dallas.

The story brought up memories of an ex-farmhouse that historians say Murphy, a Medal of Honor recipient [Army - Medal of Honor Recipients - U.S. Military Awards for Valor](#), once owned, according to a nonprofit educational foundation that lists such properties and includes a photo of [this 1930s structure](#).

I knew the site as a fine-dining restaurant called Dovies, a steakhouse-type eatery that hosted fancy parties while offering a bit of nostalgia about Murphy, who died in a 1971 plane crash in Virginia.

My husband and I had dined at Dovies. I also recall attending a wedding reception there.

The restaurant closed several years ago.

After reading Monday's article about Murphy, I was wondering how the site was holding up. So on Wednesday I headed to the suburb of Addison.

The house is still standing, but with a few broken and boarded-up windows. A flagpole remains outside the structure. I believe there used to be some type of historical plaque about Murphy posted at the site, but it's now long gone.

Standing outside also made me think about how various schools and government buildings ended up being named for Murphy, in Texas and maybe in your community, too. [Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans' Hospital | VA South Texas Health Care | Veterans Affairs](#)

So thank you to ye olde Connecting editor for including this week's feature on the venerable World War II combat soldier.

I'd really be interested in hearing about or seeing – in Connecting – any other examples of Murphy's legacy that you might like to share, more than 50 years after his death.

## Eugene Burns' descent to the USS Oklahoma

By Chris Carola  
For World War 2 on Deadline

*Editor's note: We're changing things up today with our first-ever guest post. This story comes courtesy of former Associated Press reporter Chris Carola. Thanks to Chris for*



*sending it our way!*

Not long after last month's 80th anniversary of the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, I got around to reading *Descent Into Darkness*, a book that was recommended to me several years ago by a World War II researcher who specializes in MIA cases. The book includes an encounter the author had with an Associated Press reporter who had a storied career during WWII only to die years afterward when he was attacked by a street mob during a military coup in the Middle East.

*Descent Into Darkness* is the late Navy Cmdr. Edward C. Raymer's 1996 memoir of his wartime duties as a salvage diver working on American warships sunk or damaged in Pearl Harbor during the Dec. 7 attack. He was the first to conduct a salvage dive on the USS Arizona just weeks after it sunk with more than 1,100 crewmembers aboard. Later, he and his fellow divers moved on to other ships, including the USS Oklahoma, which had capsized, entombing the bodies of more than 300 crewmembers.



Soon after the Oklahoma was righted and drydocked in late 1943, Raymer was ordered by his commander to give Honolulu-based AP correspondent Eugene Burns a tour of the battered battleship. Two years earlier, Burns was the first eyewitness to report the Dec. 7 bombing while it was still underway when, using a drug store's telephone, he got through to AP's San Francisco bureau on three separate calls before U.S. military authorities cut off all civilian communication between Hawaii and the U.S. mainland.

Read more [here](#). Chris is a frequent contributor to Connecting.

## Connecting wishes Happy Birthday



*On Saturday to...*

[Richard Boudreaux](#)

[Mike Doan](#)

[David Liu](#)

## Stories of interest

### ***NBC Opens Olympics With ‘Worst Hand Imaginable’***

(New York Times)

**By John Koblin**

Last year, NBC Sports executives called the Tokyo Olympics their most challenging undertaking ever.

Now that experience is starting to look like a cakewalk.

For this month's Winter Games in Beijing, NBC confronts an even trickier mix of challenges, threatening to diminish one of the network's signature products and one of the last major draws to broadcast television.

The list of headaches is long: an event nearly free of spectators, draining excitement from the arena and ski slopes; the threat of star athletes testing positive for Covid, potentially dashing their Olympic dreams; and the vast majority of its announcers, including Johnny Weir and Tara Lipinski, offering color commentary from a network compound in Stamford, Conn., instead of China.

The rising political tensions between the United States and China, including over China's human rights abuses, add a troubling cloud to a typically feel-good spectacle.

Read more [here](#).

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### ***CNN exec's ouster rattles prominent staff at pivotal time*** (AP)

**By DAVID BAUDER**

NEW YORK (AP) — The abrupt ouster of CNN chief executive Jeff Zucker because of a workplace relationship has left some prominent employees feeling angry and uncertain about the direction of their network at a pivotal moment.

The company is about to undergo a corporate ownership change, launch a paid streaming service and replace its most popular on-air host at a time of slumping ratings.

It became clear Thursday that Zucker's exit after nine years as CNN's leader was anything but voluntary.

Zucker said he was leaving for violating corporate policy by not disclosing the nature of his relationship with his second-in-command, Allison Gollust. But he was reportedly given no choice by WarnerMedia CEO Jason Kilar, who characterized the change as his decision at an emotional meeting with CNN Washington staff members Wednesday night. The Associated Press obtained an audio recording of that meeting.

Read more [here](#).

**AND...**

## ***CNN Probe Eyes Jeff Zucker's Ties to Andrew Cuomo***

(Rolling Stone)

By **TATIANA SIEGEL**

In relationships, timing is everything. And the timeline on Jeff Zucker and Allison Gollust's coupledness is not only off by more than two decades, say sources who have worked with the pair — the CNN power couple also repeatedly lied about their relationship to their corporate bosses.

According to CNN president Zucker's Feb. 2 resignation memo to staff, the romantic relationship — which marked a flagrant violation of corporate policy given that Gollust, the network's top communications executive, was a direct report to Zucker for most of her nine-year tenure there — began sometime in the past two years. Gollust said in that same memo: "Jeff and I have been close friends and professional partners for over 20 years. Recently, our relationship changed during Covid. I regret that we didn't disclose it at the right time." Added Zucker: "The relationship evolved in recent years."

Read more [here](#).

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## ***Media barred from Justice Gorsuch talk to Federalist Society***<sub>(AP)</sub>

By **MARK SHERMAN**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Justice Neil Gorsuch is speaking this weekend to the conservative legal group that boosted his Supreme Court candidacy, in a session at a Florida resort that is closed to news coverage.

Gorsuch is billed as the banquet speaker Friday at the Florida chapter of the Federalist Society's annual meeting, which is being held at the Walt Disney World Resort in Lake Buena Vista.

The schedule on the organization's website notes, "The banquet is closed to press."

Neither the Federalist Society nor the Supreme Court immediately offered any explanation.

The two-day meeting also will feature former Vice President Mike Pence and Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, as well as a session billed "The End of Roe v. Wade?" that will be moderated by a federal judge appointed by former President Donald Trump. The high court is weighing a major rollback of abortion rights, and could overrule the 1973 Roe decision.

Read more [here](#).

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## ***Can Russia Win the War of Public Opinion Over Its Aggression in Ukraine?*** (Columbia)

By Thomas Kent

Russian propaganda is on the defensive in the current crisis in Ukraine. We should never underestimate the Kremlin's ability to bounce back, but for the moment the Kremlin seems to be at an information disadvantage.

The crux of Moscow's problem is that, for most Westerners, Ukraine has long been out of the news. After Russia's 2014 invasion and Ukraine's bit role in Donald Trump's pantheon of enemies, Ukraine largely disappeared from the West's consciousness.

It never disappeared from Russia's. Vladimir Putin remained obsessed with Ukraine, furious over what he viewed as the West's hijacking of a Texas-sized territory that had almost always been under Moscow's control. For the last seven years, the Kremlin has constantly rung alarm bells about an imminent military threat from Ukraine. Its foreign propaganda has never let the subject go.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Paul Colford. (Tom Kent is a Connecting colleague and former AP vice president for Standards and International editor.)

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## ***Is There a Market for Saving Local News?*** (New Yorker)

By CLARE MALONE

"The Cleveland Press, dead at 103." That was WEWS Cleveland's proclamation on June 17, 1982, the day the paper—which the former mayor Carl Stokes once wrote had determined every mayor from 1941 to 1965—made its last print run. A decades-long slide in the power of the area's local media followed. These days, the Cleveland press writ large is, if not dead, then seriously ill. In May, 2020, the Cleveland Plain Dealer closed its newsroom after a round of crippling layoffs, and cleveland.com took over

the paper—which is now put out only four days a week in print—with sixty-four “journalists and content producers” running the show. Plucky independent publications, along with public radio and local TV news, still exist, of course, but the depletion of the legacy newspaper was an undeniable blow to the region’s news ecosystem.

Cleveland is like many areas of the country in that respect: as the local-news business becomes less sustainable, residents find themselves more reliant on national media sources, if they are receiving quality news at all.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Sonya Zalubowski.

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## ***Reporter who broke gender barrier in NHL locker rooms dies*** (AP)

WALTHAM, Mass. (AP) — Robin Herman, a gender barrier-breaking reporter for The New York Times who was the first female journalist to interview players in the locker room after an NHL game, has died. She was 70.

Her husband, Paul Horvitz, told the newspaper Herman died Tuesday at their home in the Boston suburb of Waltham, Massachusetts, from ovarian cancer.

“Robin was a Swiss Army Knife reporter. She covered fires and AIDS, gold madness in the Diamond District and Iran hostages, homelessness and hippie communal living,” the former Times editor recalled in a series of tweets Thursday as condolences and remembrances poured in on social media.

Herman was a hockey reporter covering the New York Islanders when she and another female reporter were allowed to interview players in the locker room — as their male counterparts were commonly permitted to do — following the 1975 All-Star Game in Montreal.

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

# Today in History - Feb. 4, 2022



## By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Feb. 4, the 35th day of 2022. There are 330 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 4, 1783, Britain's King George III proclaimed a formal cessation of hostilities in the American Revolutionary War.

### On this date:

In 1789, electors chose George Washington to be the first president of the United States.

In 1801, John Marshall was confirmed by the Senate as chief justice of the United States.

In 1861, delegates from six Southern states that had recently seceded from the Union met in Montgomery, Alabama, to form the Confederate States of America.

In 1913, Rosa Parks, a Black woman whose 1955 refusal to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama, city bus to a white man sparked a civil rights revolution, was born Rosa Louise McCauley in Tuskegee.

In 1945, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin began a wartime conference at Yalta.

In 1974, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst, 19, was kidnapped in Berkeley, California, by the radical Symbionese Liberation Army.

In 1976, more than 23,000 people died when a severe earthquake struck Guatemala with a magnitude of 7.5, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

In 1977, eleven people were killed when two Chicago Transit Authority trains collided on an elevated track.

In 1997, a civil jury in Santa Monica, California, found O.J. Simpson liable for the deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

In 1999, senators at President Bill Clinton's impeachment trial voted to permit the showing of portions of Monica Lewinsky's videotaped deposition.

In 2004, the social networking website Facebook had its beginnings as Harvard student Mark Zuckerberg launched "Thefacebook."

In 2020, thousands of medical workers in Hong Kong were on strike for a second day to demand that the country's border with China be completely closed to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus; the territory reported its first death from the virus and the second known fatality outside China.

Ten years ago: Republican presidential front-runner Mitt Romney cruised to a decisive victory in the Nevada caucuses. Green Bay quarterback Aaron Rodgers won the 2011 Associated Press NFL Most Valuable Player award in a landslide. Florence Green, who had served with the Women's Royal Air Force and was recognized as the last veteran of World War I, died in King's Lynn, eastern England, at age 110.

Five years ago: The Justice Department appealed a judge's order temporarily blocking President Donald Trump's refugee and immigration ban, saying it was the "sovereign prerogative" of a president to admit or exclude aliens in order to protect national security. Running backs LaDainian Tomlinson and Terrell Davis and quarterback Kurt Warner were elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

One year ago: Former President Donald Trump rejected a request from House Democrats that he testify under oath at his second Senate impeachment trial. A fiercely divided House tossed Republican Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene of Georgia off both of her committees, an unprecedented punishment that Democrats said she'd earned by spreading hateful and violent conspiracy theories. A voting technology company, Smartmatic USA, sued Fox News, three of its hosts and two former Trump lawyers – Rudy Giuliani and Sidney Powell – for \$2.7 billion, for allegedly conspiring to spread false claims that the company helped "steal" the presidential election. Johnson & Johnson asked U.S. regulators to clear the world's first single-dose COVID-19 vaccine. Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers issued a new statewide mask order after the Republican-controlled Legislature repealed his previous mandate. (The state Supreme Court would strike down the mask mandate nearly two months later.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor Jerry Adler is 93. Former Argentinian President Isabel Peron is 91. Actor Gary Conway is 86. Actor John Schuck is 82. Rock musician John Steel (The Animals) is 81. Singer Florence LaRue (The Fifth Dimension) is 80. Former Vice President Dan Quayle is 75. Rock singer Alice Cooper is 74. Actor Michael Beck is 73. Actor Lisa Eichhorn is 70. Football Hall of Famer Lawrence Taylor is 63. Actor Pamelyn Ferdin is 63. Rock singer Tim Booth is 62. Rock musician Henry Bogdan is 61. Country singer Clint Black is 60. Rock musician Noodles (The Offspring) is 59. Actor Gabrielle Anwar is 52. Actor Rob Corddry is 51. Singer David (dah-VEED') Garza is 51. Actor Michael Goorjian is 51. TV personality Nicolle Wallace is 50. Olympic gold medal boxer Oscar De La Hoya is 49. Rock musician Rick Burch (Jimmy Eat World) is 47. Singer Natalie Imbruglia (em-BROO'-lee-ah) is 47. Rapper Cam'ron is 46. Rock singer Gavin DeGraw is 45. Rock singer Zoe Manville is 38. Actor/musician Bashy, AKA Ashley

Thomas, is 37. Actor Charlie Barnett is 34. Olympic gold medal gymnast-turned-singer Carly Patterson is 34. Actor Kyla Kenedy (cq) (TV: "Speechless") is 19.

## Got a story or photos to share?

Connecting is a daily newsletter published Monday through Friday that focuses on retired and former Associated Press employees, present-day employees, and news industry and journalism school colleagues. It began in 2013 and past issues can be found by clicking Connecting Archive in the masthead. Its author, Paul Stevens, retired from the AP in 2009 after a 36-year career in Albany, St. Louis, Wichita, Albuquerque, Indianapolis and Kansas City.

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:

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

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