



# Hal Buell

## Speaks at Delaware Photographic Society

February 24, 2019 - 2:00 pm

Cokesbury Village

Auditorium C

726 Loveville Road

Hockessin, DE 19707

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**Hal Buell**, former head of the Photography Service at the Associated Press and Judge for the 2019 Wilmington International Exhibition of Photography presents his interactive program “**Publish or Don’t Publish – You Are the Editor**” on Sunday, February 24 at 2:00 PM, in Cokesbury Village’s Auditorium C, 726 Loveville Road, Hockessin, DE 19707.

Have you ever asked, “Why did they print this picture?” Photographs that touch the deep emotions of viewers have prompted severe comment from readers to editors since photography was invented. Those who viewed Mathew Brady’s Civil War pictures on the wall of his studio were horrified. And today readers are quick to comment vigorously when the media publishes harsh photos either online or in print. Readers and editors debate on the slippery slope where the right to know and an invasion of privacy clash. Veteran photo editor Hal Buell has handled many such pictures over his half century career in news photography. In this presentation he offers the audience their chance to call the shots to Publish or Don’t Publish photos from disasters, crime scenes, of sexual content and other subjects that have sparked controversy. He provides the background of the story then asks, “Will you print this picture?” After the vote Buell describes what happened at the time of publication. This is an audience participation presentation sure to offer a stimulating look at ethics and taste in the world of photojournalism.

Hal Buell has covered stories in 35 countries during his AP career and headed the wire services photo operation for 25 of his more than 40 years with AP. During Buell’s tenure as head of the AP picture service, AP staff won 12 Pulitzer Prizes, plus other national and international awards for photography. He has authored numerous books, including *MOMENTS: The Pulitzer Prize-Winning Photographs* and was a two-time member of the jury that selects the winning photos for the Pulitzer Prizes.

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