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### **Big Pharma's Shameful Secret**

#### By David Evans, Michael Smith and Liz Willen

Oscar Cabanerio has been waiting in an experimental drug testing center in Miami since 7:30 a.m. The 41-year-old undocumented immigrant says he's desperate for cash to send his wife and four children in Venezuela. More than 70 people have crowded into reception rooms furnished with rows of attached blue plastic seats. Cabanerio is one of many regulars who gather at SFBC International Inc.'s test center, which, with 675 beds, is the largest for-profit drug trial site in North America.

Most of the people lining up at SFBC to rent their bodies to medical researchers are poor immigrants from Latin America, drawn to this five-story test center in a converted Holiday Inn motel. Inside, the brown paint and linoleum is gouged and scuffed. A bathroom with chipped white tiles reeks of urine; its floor is covered with muddy footprints and used paper towels.

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# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

or all finalists see pages 29-35 7 p.m. Dinner

Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa - welcoming remarks

7:45 p.m. Silent Auction Closes

7:50 p.m. Show Begins

**FEATURES** 

Print Reporter, Columnist or Editor of the Year (Newspapers under 100K)

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#### **Tribute to Larry Attebery and Otis Chandler**

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LARRY KING

DAVE LOPEZ



Warren Olney, Radio Journalist of the Year Warren Olney, To the Point, News Bureau\* Warren Olney, Which Way, L.A.?, Talk/Public Affairs\*

Claude Brodesser, The Business, Entertainment Journalist of the Year (Matt Holzman, producer)

Joe Morgenstern, Film Reviews, Entertainment Reporting/Criticism

Sarah Spitz, "Tim Hawkinson: Creating Art with Moving Parts, "Radio Feature; Use of Sound

Diana Nvad, The Score: "Bonds Could Save Baseball," Sports

Jon Kalish, Rabbi Abulafia's Boxed Set, **Documentaries** 



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### FROM THE **PRESIDENT**



Anthea Raymond

ELCOME, as the Los Angeles Press Club honors the best in Southern California journalism. As you'll see, we have a long tradition—but we are not traditional. We've always served journalists. Now we're linking to the larger community. We're reaching out, rethinking how journalists relate to the world around

Take our latest move, in September 2005, to Los Feliz and the Center for Inquiry across from Barnsdall Park. It's centrally located—with a comfortable theater and easy parking that makes programs and meetings a breeze. We are the only local journalists' group with such a versatile venue.

Our location has attracted foundation officials, politicians, filmmakers, writers, students, small business owners, and the elderly to our programs this year. And the goodwill from our landlord (and sometime programming partner) Center for Inquiry West is key.

Of course, the Press Club hasn't forgotten our core group—journalists. We work with the Society of Professional Journalists, the Radio Television News Association, American Women in Radio and Television. New America Media. and others to fight for freedom of expression, access, and diversity. We're well-known for our vigilance toward the Brown Act, and plan to stay active on Sunshine issues. We're now helping to redefine how LAPD Press Credentials are issued. Stay tuned for more on that.

But first and foremost, enjoy and appreciate tonight's dinner. It requires thousands of hours of work by board members and other volunteers—and our dynamic Executive Director Diana Ljungaeus. In her three years on staff, she's shown the rest of us the importance of persistence and vision in bringing the Press Club back to full health. Kudos to her and all who've come through again and again.

And how about you? Consider getting involved, by organizing programs, tending bar or joining the board of directors.

Cheers

And her Kaymond

### The Year in Review



Former Los Angeles Times editor Bob Baker belts out a tune with rockers Blue Cube at this year's Valentine's Day party at the Press Club headquarters in Hollywood.

Ruth and Judea Pearl, the parents of Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl, visit with Los Angeles Times columnist Patt Morrison, immediate past president of the club.



Edina Lekovic makes a point about the Mohammed cartoon censorship controversy at the club's "Censorship: Cowardice or Good Taste," discussion in May.

THE LOS ANGELES Press Club hosted a whirlwind of events both serious and social in 2006. It made news when heroic Mexican anti-corruption journalist Jesus Blancornelas was honored with the Daniel Pearl Award. The grand opening of the club's spacious new Hollywood headquarters, at the Center for Inquiry, attracted a huge turnout in August. Since relocating, the 400-member club has hosted a popular calendar of programs overseen by Executive Director Diana Ljungaeus. Local journalists attend heated panels delving into subjects ranging from the Black Dahlia murder mystery to the rise of science journalism. At the Center's Steve Allen Theater, the club even hosted a rock 'n roll performance by crooner and former Los Angeles Times editor Bob Baker.

The LA Press Club continues to thrive, even as press clubs in other cities struggle in a difficult environment. Now led by board president and award-winning radio journalist Anthea Raymond, the club is committed to offering new avenues to explore journalism and its impact on Southern California.



National Public Radio President Kevin Klose is interviewed by Alex Ben Block, former editor of Television Week, about the rise of radio news at a Press Club forum.



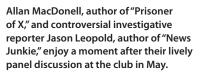
Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa joins corruption-fighting Tijuana journalist Jesus Blancornelas and Associated Press courtroom reporter Linda Deutsch at the 2005 Press Club awards, where the two veteran journalists were honored.



Los Angeles Press Club would stop functioning without volunteers like Derek Olson and Jamie Spielvogel.



**Executive Director Diana Ljungaeus beams** about the move to the new headquarters at 4773 Hollywood Boulevard.





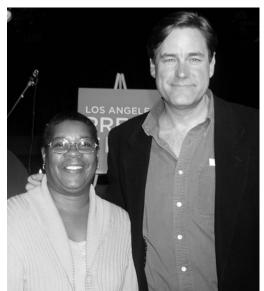
Jesus Blancornelas—proud 2005 Daniel Pearl Award



Donald H. Wolfe, author of "The **Black Dahlia** Files," spoke at the club in January about his fascinating experiences uncovering Mafia ties to the Black Dahlia murder.



Ernesto Flores proposes to his fiancé on the spot after winning the club's August, 2005 raffle prize—a diamond engagement ring donated by Robbins Brothers.

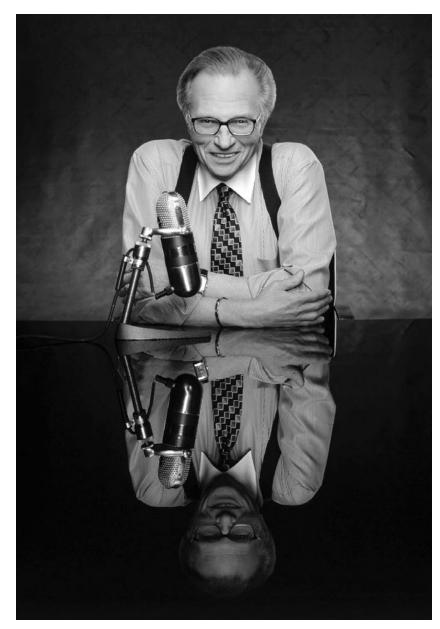


Jack Hamann, author of "American Soil," with Beverly Evans, daughter of Luther Larkin, who was unjustly accused of the World War II-era lynching of an Italian POW. They spoke at the club in February.





# Larry King— "Why, Who, What"



BY TED JOHNSON

N A SHOW just before Memorial Day, Larry King wrapped up an hour with Donald Rumsfeld—in which the defense secretary was asked about everything from Iraq to national security to the new CIA chief with one final, off the cuff question.

Do you watch "American Idol"? Rumsfeld laughed. "Heck, no!"

Few other talk hosts deploy such a freewheeling style—and few would have been able to snag the controversial Rumsfeld as a guest. Approaching his 50th year in broadcasting, King has become an institution not just for his potpourri of subjects, from politics, foreign affairs, entertainment and sports; but for his common sense way of interviewing. He asks the questions that an everyman would ask, a curiosity that comes across not as prying but as polite query.

As recipient of this year's President's Award, King is being honored for a career that has in cluded more than 40,000 interviews, from Malcolm X to L. Ron Hubbard to Madonna, and most recently figures including former President Bill Clinton, actress Elizabeth Taylor, author James Frey and "Deep Throat" Mark Felt. "Larry King Live," launched in 1985, is CNN's highest-rated program.

"I could describe it as short questions, to the point," King, 72, says of his style. "I never mean to embarrass. I am there to learn. I don't want to know the answers that the guests are going to give. I don't like pre-interviews. I like to be surprised. And I am curious about a wide range of topics. I would never want to do a show that is just politics or just entertainment or just sports. I like it all."

The father of five children and married to singer/actress Shawn Southwick-King, King was particularly outspoken after a heart attack in 1987, which led him to found the Larry King Cardiac Foundation, raising millions to help pay for heart procedures for nearly 60 children and adults.

Born Larry Zeiger to Russian immigrants who settled in Brooklyn, N.Y., King recalls being engrossed in the "who, what, where, when" since a very early age.

"I would drive people nuts," he says. "The bus driver: 'why are you driving a bus?' I was always

curious. I didn't have to be mean."

recounted a story in interviews of how he worked as a mail clerk for Associated Merchandising Corp., located in the same building as New York's WOR, and he would ride the elevator up to the station's and ask questions. floor just to be around the announcers.

job opportunities were more plentiful there. He got a job with a small station, WAHR in Miami Beach, jockey when one of the announcers quit.

was nervous on radio.

"They had just given me my new name, Larry 1994 interview with Marlon Brando. King, and I had all of my music prepared and noththink of a thing to say. And I saw the whole thing, that dream I had had since childhood, evaporating. And the general manager of the radio station, the music kept playing, he kicked open the door to the control room and said, 'This is a communications whether it is Rumsfeld or an insurance agent. 'Why,

"And what I did was I turned on the mike and I told the audience what I was going through. I told short answers. Because of his age, Felt was difficult. them this was my first day on the air. I told them how I never thought I would be nervous but I am nervous. I even told them that the general manager had kicked open the door. What I discovered was that if you are honest to your audience, if you take them into your situation, you can never be nervous."

The owner of a well-known Miami restaurant, Pumpernik's, took notice of the a.m. show and invited King to start a talk program from his eatery. No one was booked; he would just walk up to people and interview them. "Out of nowhere Bobby Darin walked in," he says. "He hadn't heard the show, and was entertaining across the street in the Deauville, and he was the first famous person I interviewed."

Guests such as Danny Thomas and Jimmy Hoffa followed, and by 1960 King had been approached to start his own TV show. "The first night on TV, they that?" had me in a swivel chair, and I kept swiveling. You could smoke then on television, so I smoked. The Miami Herald criticized the show by saying, 'It is a swiveling smoke screen."

The kinks were worked out, and the show drew Broadcasting also became an early pursuit. He's a loyal audience. He went national in 1978 with Mutual Radio's "The Larry King Show," an overnight program that not only allowed King to interview guests for several hours, but for listeners to call in

The "open phone America" format was adapted At 22, he left for Miami, having heard that radio to his nightly CNN talk show, which quickly became one of the network's signatures. Some of his programs became part of broadcast lore: The 1993 and in 1957 they gave him a shot as a morning disc NAFTA debate between Al Gore and Ross Perot, a 1995 hour on the Middle East peace process with The first show, he says, also was the last time he PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, King Hussein of Jordan and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin; and a

Only once, he says, has he been intimidated by ing came out of my mouth," he says. "I just couldn't a guest, and that was only for about five minutes. "Frank Sinatra," he says. "Because I used to watch him at the Paramount. And he didn't do interviews. He was hard to get. He agreed to do it and then after that it was a breeze. It is just the same premise who, what. Why do you do what you do?"

Particularly challenging are guests who give

"Obviously he has some dementia," King says. "All I could do there was the best I could. Obviously it was not easy. He gave short answers. He did not think in the abstract. On the other hand, this interview is going to be in the Smithsonian, and you realize, of course, that no one is ever going to see him again. And if any one wants to refer to it, 50 years from today, they are going to pull up the story of Watergate and they are going to show Mark Felt and that is going to be it. There is nothing else to show."

As hard as the interview was, in querying Felt about the mechanics and motivations behind his actions, King did manage to slip in a question about the man who played him in the movie, "All the President's Men," Hal Holbrook.

KING: "Follow the money. Did you ever say

FELT: "No. I don't recall ever saying that." We all would have wanted to ask it. too.

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### Larry Attebery: Gentleman, Newsman



ORMER LOS ANGELES Press Club president Larry Attebery was, in the words of one of his colleagues, "polite but aggressive."

The gentlemanly newsman, who died on May 5 at age 73, was one of only a handful of Los Angeles reporters who seem to have covered just about every major event in '70s, '80s and '90s, including elections, LAPD corruption and the Simpson trial.

After a successful career in Chicago radio and TV, the Windy City native moved to Los Angeles in 1968, serving as the morning drive co-anchor of KNX all-news radio. Five years later he moved to KTTV to as an investigative

reporter for the "On Target" team, and the next year he was promoted to principal anchor. He became vice president and news director of the station in 1983.

His longest tenure was as senior correspondent for KCOP-TV from 1988 to 2001. During that time, he won the Edward R. Murrow Award for his series of reports on the beleaguered Belmont Learning Center, in what would be one of many prestigious honors he earned throughout his career.

TV news reporter Hal Eisner, who worked with Attebery at KTTV and KCOP, perhaps put it best to the Los Angeles Times: "He was a very familiar person to all in Los Angeles for a very long time."



for courage and integrity in journalism

## Kevin Sites -On Site

BY JILL STEWART

T 43, YAHOO'S "Hot Zone" war correspondent Kevin Sites has reported on, and been the subject of, more controversy than a typical war journalist experiences during an entire career.

He is the recipient of the Daniel Pearl Award for Courage and Integrity in Journalism, given by the Los Angeles Press Club in consultation with Judea and Ruth Pearl, parents of the Wall Street Journal

to launch his news journal (http://hotzone.yahoo. com), where he plans in a single year to cover all of

Sites was tapped by Yahoo! last September

An old woman stands in front of a funeral pyre on the banks of



the roughly three-dozen armed conflicts identified globally by the International Institute for Strategic Studies. His most recent assignment, as of press time, was in troubled Sri Lanka.

The multi-media program Sites produces includes print reports, still photography, live video and audio—all gathered using an ingenious array of technology stuffed into a single backpack.

His Los Angeles-based senior producer, Robert reporter assassinated by terrorists in Pakistan in Padavick, formerly of CNN and NBC News, says, "If he'd been in the Middle East or Africa, some place closer to California, he would be there to receive the Daniel Pearl Award. But he couldn't make it from a remote place in Asia. This award for Kevin is just a huge honor, and it shows that we are on people's minds."

While things have gone surprisingly well from a technical standpoint, Padavick worries about Sites' safety—he was surrounded in the Sudan by "nerve-wracking anarchy." Padavick does, however, see ample rewards in Sites' coverage. The most disturbing was a piece on a child bride in Afghanistan, given up at age four to a family who "tortured her for years," Padavick says. She escaped, and Sites discovered her in an orphanage transformed into "a girl with so much poise beyond her years that Kevin was floored." After it ran, Sites received 16,000 e-mails, and another 8,000 reactions appeared on Hot Zone's comment board.

Sites has been a lightning rod for controversy since he blazed into the public conscience in November of 2004 after he videotaped a U.S. Marine shooting an already-wounded Iraqi insurgent in a Fallujah mosque. Then an NBC correspondent, Sites was eviscerated by some as a traitor to U.S. troops, but praised by others as an impartial journalist.

The embattled Sites later defended himself on his blog, www.kevinsites.net, saying, "I never got



an angry email from the unit I was with nor from Marine battlefield commanders who, though, saddened by the incident, knew I reported with fairness and context."

His work continued to draw strong reaction as he reported from the Colombian drug wars, Haitian slums, Pakistan-Afghanistan borderlands, Iranian religious communities in Tehran and grim surgery wards on both sides of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

In a Jewish Review article in March, Sites said public reaction to online reporting, including his own, tends to be "very vitriolic"—a response he welcomes for providing a "self-correcting mechanism," but says can also discourage "reason and dialogue."

The past four years have been a rocket ride

for the sometimes-college lecturer raised in rural Geneva, Ohio, who got his start as a photographer at his town newspaper at age 15. Politically active after college (he holds a master's degree from Northwestern's Medill School of Journalism), he worked on Gary Hart's presidential campaigns in the 1980's, later worked for cable and local news, and covered the Afghanistan war for the alternative weekly, The New Times of San Luis Obispo.

As a CNN correspondent, he and his team were captured while trying to be first into volatile Tikrit during the U.S. invasion of Iraq. Threatened with death by the Fedayeen militia controlled by Saddam Hussein, the CNN team was released thanks to the efforts of a Kurdish translator traveling with them.

Things have changed dramatically since his Photos by Kevin Sites

Kevin Sites records a standup from inside the remains of a building in Grozny, Chechnya.

Some families too poor to afford houses on dry land live on their fishing boats on Dal Lake in Srinagar, Indiancontrolled Kashmir.

Inset: During a rare break in reporting, **Kevin Sites conducts** an interview from his London hotel room with a journalism class in Texas.

At the Red Security Museum in northern Iraq, housed in a former Iraqi intelligence facility of the same name, museum guide Hamid Ibrahim stands in front of a display depicting the torture that occurred there.

Twelve-year-old Gulsoma lives in a Kabul orphanage. When her father died, her mother gave her away to a new family in an arranged marriage. Gulsoma was just four. For years the family beat and tortured her, until Gulsoma finally escaped and made it to the police with a neighbor's help. Despite her horrific past, Gulsoma displays strength and hope far beyond her years.





Kevin Sites interviews a Sudan People's Liberation Army commander in Rumbek, south Sudan.

A villager in the town of El Dificil, Colombia, where paramilitaries operating in the area recently laid down their arms.

bosses at CNN ordered Sites to suspend his "war blog" three years ago, with a CNN spokesman explaining to USC Annenberg's Online Journalism Review at the time, "We do not blog."

Last fall, Sites bucked tradition again, signing onto Hot Zone. At the time, Yahoo! said he would cover conflicts "typically left uncovered or under-reported by mainstream news organizations." The job came with an even more unusual four-part credo: "transparency" in his reporting process so online users can see him overcoming real-time problems in the field; "vulnerability" as Sites experiences the same dangers to which his interview subjects are exposed; "empathy" as Sites pursues local sources regardless of what they believe; and "solutions" provided to his readers, who are given online links to organizations working in war-torn areas.

Few journalists could work under such non-traditional conditions, but Sites has made a career of defying tradition. Today, he usually works without a safety net, traveling solo and relying on high-definition digital cameras and satellite modems to get his stories out—with help from Los Angeles producer Padavick, associate producer Erin Green, formerly with C-SPAN and NBC, and researcher Lisa Liu, formerly with Radio Free Asia.

"Kevin was in the Sudan, in a very difficult and remote place, then after a short break he was heading to Fallujah, and he tells me, 'Man I think I have malaria. I have night sweats,' Padavick recalls. "Before I could ask him if he was taking his medication he was saying, 'I have my next story set up, tomorrow,' and he was off and running. It reinforces the point that we are doing this without bureaus or contacts along the way."

Yahoo! describes the brand of journalism Sites is practicing as "a nexus of backpack journalism, narrative story-telling techniques, and the Internet."

Perhaps. But for millions of online users who have seen his work and images, both terrible and beautiful, the untraditional risk-taker Kevin Sites is practicing journalism in its most unfettered form.



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### Otis Chandler

A prince who earned his crown BY PATT MORRISON



Otis Chandler striding ✓ through The Times' newsroom was like sighting a griffin: a creature of mythology, halflion and half-eagle. In his perideas as dissonant as Valvoline and Sparkletts: a believer in that most democratic of instruments, a free and fair press—the only business mentioned in the Con-

stitution—and an heir to that most regressive of institutions, he's not coming back." an absolute monarchy.

ness monarchs, and every story told of kings and queens could be told of him: the gifted and golden prince, the formidable queen mother urging him on, the contentious and jealous family nipping at his flank.

His kingdom was Southern California. As owners and operators of the Los Angeles Times, his family had virtually ruled it for nearly 100 years, enriching itself as the region prospered under its marching orders.

Otis was a child of his name and his city, but he was also a child of the age. He became publisher in 1960, the year that John F. Kennedy was elected president.

The paper he inherited was so lousy that humorists made a joke of it. The city he was born in was sneered at like some beautiful but stupid starlet, wanting in substance, room. He was Shane and Frederick Barbarossa, rescuers culture, taste and history.

He professionalized the newspaper, hiring collegeeducated writers who could cover beats—science, politics, the bold social and racial changes of the 1960s—with sophistication and judgment, not with the gee-whiz hokum or the vituperative boosterism of the old L.A. Times.

Mass and class, he said, was the paper's mission.

The paper was a responsibility; the Chandler family image was, I suspect, a burden. Otis spent lavishly to create a great American newspaper and didn't hurt himself financially by it. But it seemed to me as if he were laundering a family fortune earned in some part through decades of robber-baron deals "in an age," wrote historian Kevin Starr, "unbothered by later niceties regarding conflict of interest."

When the Tribune Co. took over the Times in 2000, I wrote about the passing of the Chandler dynasty and its mixed legacy. I quoted Balzac-

that behind every great fortune there is a crime, and that the greatly fortunate Chandlers stood accused of their criminal portion: vicious union-busting, water theft, political manipulation. Otis sent me a kind thank-you note.

He was an imperfect hero, as even princes are. He abdicated the publisher's throne as a fairly young man, son, Otis stitched together two beset by family pressures and diverted by personal

> As the paper suffered declines and setbacks, the Golden Age of Otis took on a deeper luster. One editor got so weary of reporters complaining that Otis would never have done this or that, he finally snapped, "Otis has gone surfing, and

But he did, once, in 1999, after the paper's new leaders Chandler was the fourth generation of a dynasty of busicut a secret profit-sharing deal that had Times' journalists unwittingly writing pieces for a promotional advertising issue about Staples Center.

> It was the same kind of conflict of interest that had besmirched his forebears' reputations. Otis drafted a barbed rebuke to the "executives in the top two positions" whose "unbelievably stupid and unprofessional handling" had perpetrated a "scandal" and a "fiasco" that amounted to the "most serious threat" to The Times in his half-century of being "associated" with the paper.

It was read aloud to the newsroom staff, and young reporters who had never so much as laid eyes on him cheered. Otis had left the building, but not the newspaper. His much-photocopied picture went up all over the newscome back to save us once more.

His image is still here and there in the newsroom, and in one other place.

Since Otis left, The Times has had seven publishers. But in the lobby, there are only four bronze busts of publish-

ers: his great-grandfather's, his grandfather's, his father's and his own. There will be even more publishers, but not, I suspect, more bronzes. The last of the Chandlers broke the mold.

This article was reprinted from the Los Angeles Times. Patt Morrison is a Times columnist and host of the daily KPCC talk show "Patt Morrison." She is a former president of the Los Angeles Press Club.



# Dave Lopez Likes Telling It Like It Is

BY SANDY COHEN

EARING A SUIT and tie, CBS2 News reporter Dave Lopez chased a live turkey around its pen until he caught the unwieldy bird. It was one of the veteran newsman's more unusual features.

"I'm not big on animals," he says, not mincing

Lopez, 58, tells it like it is. His straight-ahead style has made him a stalwart presence in Southern California television news for 34 years.

His selection as this year's honoree of the Joseph M. Quinn Award for Journalistic Excellence and Distinction is for a career spent covering some of Los Angeles' biggest stories, from the O.J. Simpson trial and Rodney King riots to floods, fires and Lakers championships. He already has been recognized with eight Emmy Awards, seven Golden Mike awards and three Associated Press awards.

"Lopez has made covering Southern California a lifelong commitment," says Los Angeles Press Club President Anthea Raymond. "From his days as a student journalist to the present, he's told stories about the

everyday and the exceptional in our region with enthusiasm and curiosity.

"He's on the street, he's on the road, and his vision of Southern California has shaped ours."

Lopez knew in the fifth grade that he wanted to be a journalist. By the time he was a sophomore at

> South Gate High School, the native Angeleno had started a class newspaper and was freelancing sports stories for the South Gate Press.

Before long, he was covering high school football for the Huntington Park Signal, earning 25 cents an inch for his copy.

While studying journalism at California State University, Los Angeles, Lopez took classes with the Columbia Career School of Broadcasting.

"We got to work in a radio station for a week," Lopez says. "That really put the bug in me. It made me determined to break into radio or TV."

He successfully traded inches for seconds with his transition to television in 1972. He joined CBS2 in 1977 as a general assignment

Since then, he's covered cases from the Hillside Strangler to the Freeway Killer. He

"I've never been anchor-happy ... I know what I'm good at and I like it."



interviewed Bill Clinton and the Pope. He reported from Somalia and Mexico City. He met Muhammad Ali and "chit-chatted" with Ronald Reagan.

only thing I haven't done is a weather report."

Lopez says he can hardly imagine doing any

"This isn't work, this is fun," he says. "It's the the best local TV field greatest way to make a living."

The secret of his success and endurance?

assignment) was going to be last story I'd ever do," Lopez says.

The eldest of eight children, Lopez says he learned from his businessman father how to treat people right and make them comfortable. Comperfect profession.

a niche. I know what I'm good at and I like it."

Lopez has been married to his wife, Elaine, since 1970. They have two children, Tami, 31, and Matt, 29, and a granddaughter, Cassie.

In addition to his professional accolades, Lopez is a favorite of Southern California news-watchers. The Orange County Register called Lopez "the `Star' "You name it, I've covered it," he says. "The TV reporter in Orange County" and readers of the

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media news site Ron Fineman's On the Record voted him reporter.

As a Quinn windistinguished journalists including Ted

Koppel, Dan Rather, Patt Morrison and Edward R.

The Quinn Award was established in 1979 in bined with his natural curiosity, reporting was a the name of Joseph M. Quinn, a former Press Club president and World War II veteran who built City "I've never been anchor-happy," he says. "I found 
News Service and founded the club's awards pro-

> Sandy Cohen is an entertainment writer for The Associated Press.

# Lifetime Achievement...

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### PRESENTERS

#### MAUD ADAMS



of Sweden, Maud Adams started her professional career as a fashion cover girl and became one of the first superlanded a coveted role as a "Bond Girl" in the James Bond thriller "The Man with the Golden Gun," playing opposite Roger DENISE DADOR Moore. The following year, director Norman Jewison placed her opposite James Caan in his futuristic drama "Rollerball."

In 1984, she was once again paired with Roger Moore, playing the title role of "Octopussy" becoming the only actress to twice star in a James Bond movie, but returned thereafter to television as a series regular. Ms. Adams is starring in the new independent film "The Seekers," co-written and produced by Press Club Executive Director Diana Ljungaeus.

Ms. Adams lives in Los Angeles and is married to Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Charles Rubin.

#### ALEX BEN BLOCK



Alex Ben Block is an entertainment industry journalist, author, broadcaster and show business historian. He was The editor of two Hollywood trades, TelevisionWeek, and The Hollywood Reporter, as well as Associate Editor of Forbes, movie critic in Miami, colum- ANA GARCIA nist in Detroit and City Editor/Columnist for the L.A. Herald Examiner. Block is heard as a commentator each week on KPCC-FM's "Call Sheet" and contrib-

utes to the nationally syndicated radio program, "The Advertising Show." Block is author of "OUTFOXED: The Inside Story of America's Fourth Television Network," and the global bestseller, "The Legend Of Bruce Lee." He served for three years as LAPC Executive Director and remains an honorary board member. In 2005, Block produced and co-moderated with Patt Morrison, a journalism forum featuring top industry professionals, "Who Can Be Trusted—A Seminar On Sourcing," in association with the LAPC, the USC Annenberg School of Communications, the Discovery Times Channel and the New York Times.

#### GORDON CLAPP

as Det. Greg Medavoy on "NYPD Blue." Last year, he picked up a Tony nomination for his role as loudmouth instigator Dave Moss in the Tony-winning Broadway revival of David Mamet's "Glengarry Glen Ross." He is also a gifted writer, having won a DOUG KRIEGEL Press Club award along with collaborator Susan Karlin.

You can next catch him in episodes Born in Luleå along the northeast coast of "Deadwood" and "Monk," and the upcoming Clint Eastwood WWII epic "Flags of Our Fathers." This summer, he's off to his native New England to shoot the Dismodels during the 1970s. In 1974, she ney film "The Game Plan" and bask in the glow of the Boston Red Sox.

Los Angeles has been fortunate to have

Denise Dador bringing us her healthful lifestyle features on ABC7 Eyewitness News since the summer of 1998. She is Eyewitness News' weekend morning anchor and health specialist and her "Healthy Living" features air regularly on the 4 and 5 p.m. editions of the newscast. Before coming to KABC, she worked at Fox's KMPH-TV in Fresno. Initially a general assignment reporter, Denise was appointed South Valley bureau chief, and then was

promoted to main anchor of the station's weeknight 10 o'clock news. In 1993, Dador joined the ABC affiliate WXYZ-TV in Detroit, Michigan as health reporter. She was quickly promoted to the station's weekend anchor. Dador acknowledges her grandmother, Sofia Alquizola, as a driving force in her life. "Catch your time and make the most of it" is her grandmother's motto.





Whether it's breaking City Hall pay-toplay scandals or busting perverts filming cheerleaders in Internet scams, Ana Garcia is an award-winning investigative reporter for the "Channel 4 News" and currently also anchors the 6 p.m. News. She has been a longtime Press Club supporter and her hard-hitting reportage has earned the respect of her

Her recent investigative work has

earned her a number of awards, including a local area Emmy Award for Best Hard News Reporter, numerous Golden Mike and Edward R. Murrow Awards. She was also the recipient of an Associated Press Award for Best Investigative Series in California.

Garcia was raised in Queens, New York and is a graduate of Actor Gordon Clapp is best known for his Emmy-winning turn St. John's University in New York where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication. Garcia lives in Los Angeles with her family.

Doug Kriegel is a general assignment reporter for NBC4's "Chan-

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live from New York City on Sept. 11, 2001. Kriegel spent three weeks at the scene in New York providing daily updates on the World Trade Center situation and its aftermath.

As a general assignment reporter for Channel 4, Kriegel has won several awards. In 1986 he won a Golden Mike Award and a Los Angeles Press Club Award for best news reporting for a series that examined special effects used in the movie industry. He was honored with a Los Angeles area Emmy Award for the 1983 news series, "Whatever Happened to Real Men." The series also landed an Associated Press Award for television reporting, best feature in California and the Los Angeles Press Club Award for excellence in television reporting.

#### MARC MARON

Marc Maron is a standup comic, actor, and writer who has morning drive follows his enormously successful run as host of appeared in countless clubs, in film, and off-Broadway and is the author of The Jerusalem Syndrome (based on his one-man show). Mr. Maron is known for his incisive cultural and political commentary, mystical ruminations, and neurotic insights into human nature. Born in New Jersey and raised in Albuquerque, he started his comedy career in the late 1980s in Hollywood, as a doorman at the famed standup venue The Comedy Store. Maron has since lived in Boston, San Francisco, and New York City, where he co-founded possibly the first alternative comedy event, "Eating It," with friend and comedy star Janeane Garofalo

nel 4 News." He was the first Los Angeles newsperson to report at the Luna Lounge. Maron lives in Los Angeles with his comedienne wife Mishna Wolff and four cats.

#### DOUG MCINTYRE



KABC morning show host Doug McIntyre spent 20 years as a television/ screenwriter and producer. McIntyre has written for all of the major television networks, including the hit series Married... with Children, WKRP in Cincinnati. Mike Hammer—Private Eve. and the critically acclaimed PBS series, Liberty's Kids, which earned him a Humanitas Prize Nomination for excellence in television writing. His move to

KABC's number one rated overnight program, Red Eye Radio.

Additionally, McIntyre is a published author, having written for American History Illustrated, LA JAZZ Scene, as well as many other periodicals, His book, Cheap Advice was published by Time/Warner Books in 1995. He is married to actress Penny Peyser and lives in the San Fernando Valley.

#### RUTH AND JUDEA PEARL

Shortly after the death of journalist Daniel Pearl, his parents, Judea and Ruth Pearl, and other members of his family founded the Daniel Pearl Foundation to continue his mission and to promote interfaith understanding.

Judea Pearl, who serves as the foundation's president, is a professor of computer science and statistics at UCLA, and is renowned internationally for his research contribution to artificial intelligence, human cognition and the philosophy

of science. Ruth Pearl serves as the chief financial officer and secretary of the foundation.

#### SAM RUBIN



reporter Sam Rubin is a veteran of the KTLA Morning News, the highest rated locally produced program in the country. He hosts the Emmy-nominated syndicated special Live From The Academy Awards, and Sneaks, a series of movie preview shows produced in conjunction with the Los Angeles Times. A recipient of a Golden Mike Award and other honors, Rubin and is the father of four children.

also reports for Tribune's WGN-TV in Chicago, radio's KNX

#### ANTONIO VILLARAIGOSA



Elected Mayor of Los Angeles in 2005, Antonio Villaraigosa previously served on the LA City Council where he faced many of the same issues that are his focus as mayor: improving education, transportation and economic development in the City of Los Angeles.

In his victory speech, Villaraigosa declared, "I will never forget where I came from."

"Where he came from" includes a

Nationally renowned entertainment long history of involvement in the labor movement. As a teenager he volunteered with the farm workers movement, went on to organize for United Teachers Los Angeles, and later served as President of the American Civil Liberties Union's LA Chapter. In 1994 he won a seat in the California State Assembly, and in 1998 his colleagues elected him Speaker. Some of the landmark legislation he oversaw includes modernization of public schools, an assault weapons ban, and programs to provide healthcare to California children.

He is married to an educator, the former Corina Raigosa,

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### MESSAGE FROM THE **BIG EASY**

BY MICHAEL COLLINS

OBODY LIKES BEING judged by, ing and broadcasting life-saving evacuation say, an editor who wouldn't know a head with a sturgeon.

like being adjudicated because of the Los their employees. Some called for smaller Angeles Press Club's tradition of judging excellence. The Press Club assesses the work done in other cities so that they'll judge the work done by Southland journalists and to prepare for the time when they could submitted to the Southern California Journalism Awards. Reciprocal judging is integral to furthering eminence in our profession, and it assures unbiased critiquing.

chair of the judging subcommittee, and was joined by fellow Press Club volunteer judges Diana Ljungaeus, Anthea Raymond, Matt Welch and Chris Woodyard. Among the press clubs we have judged so far this year were many of the local TV stations were knocked the East Bay Press Club, the Houston Press Club and the Press Club of New Orleans.

couldn't judge us this year for obvious reasons. But despite hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the Press Club of New Orleans decided to continue its 48-year tradition in honoring behind. Floodwaters swamped the buildthe best in Cajun copy. It wasn't easy, however, according to their club president Dominic Massa who is also a news producer at stations suffered varying degrees of damthe CBS affiliate WWL-TV Channel 4.

"While documenting Hurricane Katrina's disastrous impact on a major American city, and the huge rebuilding and recovery lifeline throughout the storm, broadcasting challenges that have followed, journalists and media professionals in New Orleans themselves, on personal and professional levels," Massa told us. "Levee breaches and the flooding that followed have caused many to lose their homes, and all or most of their possessions. Some lost loved ones. Others mocracy in these turbulent, uncharted times. lost their jobs. The feeling of loss remains, even this many months later, while the job fellow New Orleanians continues.

"Before and during Katrina's landfall, local journalists, including the area's TV meteorologists, warned their audience of the massive storm's impending danger, report- than ever."

messages from local and state officials. In great story if it smacked him in the the hours before the storm hit, on Monday, August 29, 2005, local media outlets were But when it comes to awards, we do understandably concerned for the safety of crews to stay in the strike zone (covering what would become the story of their lifetime), while others retreated to safer areas, come back into town to report on the aftermath. While pre-Katrina reports in the Times-Picayune, and years of reports by many TV journalists, had predicted New Or-I was again honored this year to be the leans' worst case hurricane scenario, few of the journalists who covered the scene during those early days could have ever imagined what they would see once that day came.

"Katrina's impact was so severe that off the air. Most maintained a web site presence, transmitting valuable information to Our colleagues from The Big Easy evacuees. The Times-Picayune was forced to evacuate many of its staffers to higher ground because of flooding. Reporting continued from those who could and did stay ings of at least two local TV stations, seriously damaging their facilities, while other age. WWL Radio, with cooperation from its parent company's other local stations and a competing radio chain, remained a to evacuees across the country."

And that's what great journalism is—"a have also experienced the storm's impact lifeline throughout the storm." That's why the Times Picayune won two Pulitzer Prizes this year and that's why some of you will bring home hardware at this year's Press Club honors. You are the lifeline to our de-

You are also a lifeline to your fellow journalists like those in New Orleans. "Thanks of covering the story and its impact on our for doing this... and for all you're doing to help us with our awards program," Massa said, without having to. "You guys have been very valued friends of our club for several years now. We appreciate it more

### CONGRATULATIONS

The Jewish Journal congratulates its finalists in the the 48th Annual Southern California Journalism Awards.

#### **NEWS FEATURE**

#### **Howard Blume**

Two Families' Dreams Were Not Demolished

#### Teresa Strasser

The Evil Stepmother Dies

COLUMNIST Amy Klein Teresa Strasser

#### EDITORIALS

Rob Eshman

Is France Hopeless?

#### **ENTERTAINMENT REVIEWS/CRITICISM/COLUMN**

Tom Teicholz

The Gift of Larry David and Other Chanukah Miracles

#### ENTERTAINMENT FEATURE

Naomi Pfefferman

Face of an Angel, Tongue of a Devil

#### HEADLINE

Shoshana Lewin Morris Mazur Adam Wills Let My People Merlot

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### EDITORIAL CARTOON Steve Greenberg

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### PHOTO ESSAY/single topic Howard Blume

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#### ENTERTAINMENT NEWS OR FEATURE

Tom Tugend

Jerusalem Post

A Jewish Angle for 'The Producers'?

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### NEWSPAPER FEATURE (Over 100K circulation)

Justin Clark, L.A. Weekly,
"Coroner to the Suicide"
Michael Krikorian, L.A. Weekly,
"War and Peace"
Richard Marosi, Los Angeles
Times, "Death and
Deliverance"
David Zucchino, Los Angeles
Times, "The Unvanguished: A

### NEWSPAPER FEATURE (Under 100K circulation)

Cop's Story"

Howard Blume, The Jewish
Journal, "Two Families' Dreams
Were Not Demolished"
Dan Evans, Daily Journal,
"Woman's 2000 Islamic Burial
Provokes Legal Controversy"
Melissa Heckscher, Daily Breeze,
"Apple Powerbook Guy"
Teresa Strasser, The Jewish
Journal, "The Evil Stepmother
Dies"
Claude Walbert, Daily Journal,

"Patrol Officer Goes to Dark

#### **FEATURE PHOTO**

Side"

Stephen Carr, Long Beach Press-Telegram, "Whew!" (plane on fire)
Carolyn Cole, Los Angeles Times, "Hunting for Drugs"
Stephen Georges, Press-Telegram, "Limp Blimp"
Leo Hetzel, Press-Telegram, "Snow Meets the Sea"
Genaro Molina, Los Angeles Times, "Somber Mood"
Raul Roa, San Gabriel Valley Tribune "Natural Selection"

#### **RADIO FEATURE**

Ben Adair, Ayala Ben-Yehuda, 89.3 KPCC, "Voice-over Actor" Rachael Myrow, 89.3 KPCC, "Illegal Employers" Lance Orozco, KCLU, "Hiroshima Survivor" Frank Stoltze, 89.3 KPCC, "Criminal Immigrants" Sarah Spitz, KCRW, "Tim Hawkinson: Creating Art with Moving Parts"

#### ONLINE NEWS STORY, FEATURE, SERIES OR PACKAGE

Jon Gerung, Los Angeles Daily News, 50th Anniversary Interactive of James Dean's Death Gregory Allen Gross, Debbi Farr Baker, Karen Kucher, Tom Mallory, The San Diego Union-Tribune, two reports on Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham

Chris Blatchford, KTTV, "Stanley

#### **TELEVISION FEATURE**

'Tookie' Williams"

Ana Garcia, KNBC 4, "Mennonite Mob"

Jorge Mettey, Univision 34, "15% of the US"

Angela Shelley, California

Connected, "Kids for Real"

Susan Haag, Hal Fishman, KTLA, "Mexican Fighter Squadron 201"

### MAGAZINE FEATURE/ COMMENTARY Nelson Handel, The Walrus,

"Frontiers of Flavour"
Oliver Jones and Cathy Free,
People Magazine, "Castaways"
Theresa Marie Moreau, New Oxford Review, "Justice is Done:
Paul Shanley, Pervert Priest"
Maia Szalavitz, Reason Magazine,
"In Defense of Happy Pills"
Vicki Sheff-Cahan with Johnny
Dodd, People Magazine, "A
Place to Say Goodbye"

#### YEAR (Under 100K circulation)

Jason Armstrong, Daily Journal Ben Baeder and Keith Birmingham, San Gabriel Valley Tribune John Boston, Santa Clarita Valley, The Signal Anat Rubin, Daily Journal Leslie Simmons, Daily Journal

### NEWSPAPER DESIGN (Over 100K)

Tom Gapen, Los Angeles Daily

News; "Iraq War Dead"
Brian Harr, Los Angeles Daily
News, "Pope John Paul
Memorial Section"
Cristina Martinez and Scott
LaFee, San Diego UnionTribune, "Howabunga"

### NEWSPAPER DESIGN (Under 100K)

Daniel Kacvinski and Carvin Knowles, The Jewish Journal, "My Iraq"

#### **RADIO USE OF SOUND**

Queena Kim and Laura Belous, 89.3 KPCC, "Water on the Border" Jordan Davis, 89.3 KPCC, "Olvera Street Posadas" John Rabe, 89.3 KPCC, "Counting Crows" Ilsa Setziol, 89.3 KPCC, "Arroyo Toad"

### Moving Parts" IN-HOUSE OR CORPORATE

Hawkinson: Creating Art with

Sarah Spitz, KCRW, "Tim

Jim Perry, Los Angeles Fire Fighter

#### **MAGAZINE DESIGN**

**PUBLICATION** 

Gary King, Venice Paper, "August 2005"

#### ONLINE DESIGN AND LAYOUT

Martha Hernandez, Variety.com Christine Palma, 89.9 KXLU FM, EchoInTheSense.com Clint Stenson, Los Angeles Times, TheEnvelope.com Clare Sup, Los Angeles Times, LATimes.com J. Craig Williams, Independent, MayItPleaseTheCourt.com

### DESIGNER OF THE YEAR (Print or Online)

Christine Palma, 89.9 KXLU (Echo in the Sense)

#### NEWSPAPER INVESTIGATIVE/ SERIES (Over 100K)

Jeffrey Anderson, L.A. Weekly,

"L.A.'s Underground Power Broker"

Scott Glover and Matt Lait, Los Angeles Times, "A Case of Doubt"

Jason Felch and Ralph Frammolino, Los Angeles Times, 
"Lavish Perks, Looted Treasures Inside the Art World"
Robin Fields, Evelyn Larrubia and Jack Leonard, Los Angeles Times, "Guardians for Profit"
Marcus Stern of Copley News Service, San Diego Union-Tribune Staff and Copley News Service Staff, "Rep. Randy 'Duke' Cunningham's \$2.4 million in Bribes"

#### NEWSPAPER INVESTIGATIVE/ SERIES (Under 100K)

Marshall Allen and the Pasadena Star-News, "Turmoil at the Local Red Cross" Cindy Chang, Pasadena Star-News, "Asians in San Gabriel Valley" Chip Jacobs, Los Angeles CityBeat, "Money Train" Jenny Marder, Long Beach Press-Telegram, "The Meth Menace"

#### **RADIO INVESTIGATIVE/SERIES**

KPCC News Department,

"Illegal Immigrants: Benefit or Burden?" Michael Linder, KNX 1070, "Ibogaine - Drug Series" Rachael Myrow, 89.3 KPCC, "Surf n'Turf: Port Issues Series" John North, KNX 1070, "The Rush to Ruin: Profile of a Compulsive Gambler" Rob Schmitz. 89.3 KPCC, "China

#### TELEVISION INVESTIGATIVE/ SERIES

Trade Mission"

Chris Blatchford, KTTV, "Biggie Smalls" David Goldstein, KCBS/KCAL, "Danger in The Rearview Mirror" David Goldstein, KCBS/KCAL

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Ana Garcia, KNBC, "Tow Truck Pirates"

Jorge Mettey, Univision 34, "And, Was it Worth it?"

Lynette Romero, KTLA, "Falsely Accused, Wrongly Convicted"

#### MAGAZINES NEWS/ INVESTIGATIVE

Vickie Bane, People Magazine, "How They Got Scott"

David Evans, Michael Smith and Liz Willen, Bloomberg News, "Big Pharma's Shameful Secret"

Theresa Marie Moreau, New Oxford Review, "Justice Is Done"

### NEWS BUREAUS AND CORRESPONDENTS, INVESTIGATIVE/SERIES

David Evans, Michael Smith and Liz Willen, Bloomberg News, "Big Pharma's Shameful Secret"

Oliver Jones and Cathy Free, People Magazine, "Castaways"

### PHOTOJOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

Francine Orr, Los Angeles Times Damon Winter, Los Angeles Times

#### TELEVISION REGULARLY SCHEDULED NEWSCAST (35 minutes or less)

KCBS News Team, CBS 2 News at 11

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KNX 1070, "Southern California's Morning News" (11/10/05) KCSN 88.5 FM, "10/27/05"

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Christine Palma , KXLU Los Angeles 88.9 FM, EchoInTheSense.com Ben Sullivan, ScienceBlog.com

### WEBSITE, NEWS ORGANIZATION

Tim Cavanaugh, Reason Online CBS2 / KCAL 9 Web Team, KCBS TV / KCAL TV, CBS2.com Joel Sappell, Los Angeles Times, LATimes.com Variety.com Staff, Variety, Variety.com

### TELEVISION JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

Ana Garcia, KNBC 4 David Goldstein, CBS2/KCAL 9

#### NEWSPAPER ENTERTAINMENT REVIEWS/CRITICISM/COLUMN (Over 100K)

Carina Chocano, Los Angeles Times, Carina Chocano on Film Jonathan Gold, L.A. Weekly, Counter Intelligence Doug Harvey, L.A. Weekly Christopher Hawthorne, Los Angeles Times, Christopher Hawthorne on Architecture Ella Taylor, L.A. Weekly

#### NEWSPAPER ENTERTAINMENT HARD NEWS (Over 100K) Claudia Eller and Sallie

Hofmeister, Los Angeles Times, "Viacom In Talks" James and Chris Gaither, Los Angeles Times, "New CEO at Disney" Lorenza Munoz and Sallie Hofmeister, Los Angeles Times, "Adelphia and Porn" Richard Verrier, Claudia Eller, James Bates, Sallie Hofmeister, Meg

### NEWSPAPER ENTERTAINMENT FEATURE (Over 100K)

Brendan Bernhard, L.A. Weekly,
"L'Etranger in a Strange
Land: Michel Houellebecq's
Weekend in L.A"
Robert David Jaffee, L.A. Weekly,
"The Vanishing"
Mark Swed, Los Angeles Times,
"Explosively Original"

#### NEWSPAPER ENTERTAINMENT REVIEWS/CRITICISM/COLUMN (Under 100K)

John Boston, The Signal, "Divorce

for this 'Honeymooners'"
Andy Klein, Los Angeles
CityBeat, "The Blessed,
Accursed Hunter"
Tom Teicholz, The Jewish
Journal, "The Gift of Larry
David and Other Chanukah
Miracles"

#### NEWSPAPER ENTERTAINMENT FEATURE (Under 100K) Steve Appleford, Los Angeles

CityBeat, "The Best of 2
Worlds: System of a Down"
Allessandra Djurklou, Press
Telegram, "Playwright Dawson
—Her Experiences for 'Tea'"
Naomi Pfefferman, Jewish
Journal, "Face of an Angel,
Tongue of a Devil"
Leslie Simmons, Daily Journal,
"Attorney Doubles as Porn
Star"
Peter Zuckerman, Daily Journal,

### Lawyer" ONLINE ENTERTAINNMENT/

"20 Years Later, Still Capote's

NEWS/FEATURE/COMMENTARY
Steve Pond, Los Angeles Times,
Steve Pond Backstage
Confidential

### RADIO ENTERTAINMENT REPORTING/CRITICISM

Ben Adair, 89.3 KPCC, "Sam Stern"
Michael Jackson, KNX 1070
Radio, "Jamie and Ray"
Joe Morgenstern, KCRW FM,
"Film Reviews: Best of 2005"
Anthea Raymond and Loretta
Williams, NPR Los Angeles,
"TV, Film Productions Lured
Back to the United States"
The Satellite Sisters, KABC,
"Entertaining Shelia"

#### MAGAZINES ENTERTAINMENT REVIEWS/CRITICISM/COLUMN (Under 100K)

John Boston, Santa Clarita Valley Living, Santa Clarita Wood columns Matt Welch, Nick Gillespie,

Reason Magazine, "Exploring the Cultural Impact of Free Agency in Sports" Joe Woodward, Poets and Writers Magazine, Career

Profile of Bret Easton Ellis

### MAGAZINES ENTERTAINMENT NEWS OR FEATURE

Nelson Handel, Boston Globe Sunday Magazine, "Misleading Man"

Nelson Handel, Fade In, "Under the Gun"

Lyndon Stambler, Emmy Magazine, "Gray Matters" Lyndon Stambler, Emmy

Magazine, "Delicate Balance" Frank Swertlow, Champ Clark, et al, People Weekly, "Johnny Carson"

#### NEWS BUREAUS AND CORRESPONDENTS ENTERTAINMENT NEWS OR FEATURE

Champ Clark, People Weekly, "The Originals" Lyndon Stambler, Emmy Magazine, "Risk and Reward" Tom Cunneff, People Weekly, "The Greatest Gift" Elizabeth Leonard, Julie Jordan, People Weekly, "Sexiest Man Alive"

### INTERNATIONAL JOURNALISM ENTERTAINMENT NEWS OR FEATURE

Claes Andreasson, Swedish National Public Radio, "Wilhem and Wolly"

Tom Tugend, Jerusalem Post (Israel), "Reporter Hunts for the 'Jewish Angle' at Press Junket for 'The Producers'"

David Willis, BBC-Los Angeles Bureau, "Controversy in Middle America Stirred by the so-called Gay Cowboy Film 'Brokeback Mountain'"

### ENTERTAINMENT JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

Claude Brodesser, KCRW-FM Patrick Goldstein, Los Angeles Times Mary McNamara, Los Angeles Times

### NEWSPAPER SPORTS (Over 100K)

Helene Elliott, Los Angeles Times, "NHL on Its Way Back" Drex Heikes, Los Angeles Times, "The Citadel: Tale of an Underdog" Steve Henson and Tim Brown,

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Los Angeles Times, "DePodesta on the Way Out" David Wharton, Los Angeles Times, "You Think Your Job is Tough?"

David Wharton and Gary Klein, Los Angeles Times, "Inside USC Football"

### NEWSPAPER SPORTS (Under 100K)

Bob Keisser, Long Beach Press-Telegram, "From Coast to Coast"

Bob Keisser, Long Beach Press-Telegram, "What Does Science Want"

Doug Krikorian, Long Beach Press-Telegram, "A Life on the Ropes"

#### SPORTS PHOTO

Keith Birmingham, San Gabriel Valley Tribune, "X-Games" Keith Birmingham, Whittier Daily News, "Blocked Shot" Jeff Gritchen, Long Beach Press-Telegram, "Ice Dog Hit" Hans Gutknecht, Los Angeles Daily News, "Stealing the Ball" Wally Skalij, Los Angeles Times, "Flying Trojans"

#### **TELEVISION SPORTS**

Damon Andrews and Ted Green, KTLA, "Famous Fathers' Sons"

#### **RADIO SPORTS**

Ann Beebe, KMPC 1540, "USC Football: Right Here, Right Now"

Steven Cuevas, 89.3 KPCC, "Little League"

Steve Grad, KNX 1070, "Steve Grad Sports"

Diana Nyad, KCRW, "The Score: Bonds Could Save Baseball" Kance Orozco, KCLU-FM, "Cowboys Camp"

### SPORTS JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

Bill Plaschke, Los Angeles Times T. J. Simers, Los Angeles Times

### NEWSPAPER BUSINESS (Over 100K)

Dean Calbreath, San Diego Union-Tribune, "The Dragon Awakes: Boom Felt Across the Globe" Robin Fields, Evelyn Larrubia and Jack Leonard, Los Angeles Times, "Guardians for Profit"

Peter Gosselin, Los Angeles Times, "The New Deal" Mike Hudsin and E. Scott Reckard, Los Angeles Times, "Workers Say Lender Ran 'Boiler Rooms"

Craig D. Rose and Dean Calbreath, San Diego Union-Tribune, "Addicted to Oil"

### NEWSPAPER BUSINESS (Under 100K)

Kate Berry, Hilary Potkewitz,

Howard Fine, James Nash
and Laurence Darmiento, Los
Angeles Business Journal,
"CEOs Under Siege"

Laurence Darmiento, Los
Angeles Business Journal,
"Philanthropist's Path"

Muhammed El-Hasan, Daily
Breeze, "In Front of the 3 Ball"

Jason Gewirtz, Long Beach Press-Telegram, "QM Relationship Tangled" Erin Park, Daily Journal,

"Coaching Glum Attorneys
Out of Their Misery"

### NEWSPAPER SIGNED COMMENTARY (Over 100K)

Mariel Garza, Los Angeles
Daily News, "Blake Trial Feeling
More Like a B-movie"
Robert David Laffee Los Angeles

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Alan Mittelstaedt, L.A. Weekly, "What You Can't See Can Kill

Sebastian Rotella, Los Angeles



Staff, Los Angeles Business

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Press-Telegram, "The Grand

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Weekly, "Fall Arts Preview"

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The Tavis Smiley Show, PRI, "The Tavis Smiley Show: Stanley 'Tookie' Williams"

Warren Olney, Karen Radziner, Ileana Justus, KCRW, "Which Way L.A.? Commuter Railroad Disaster"

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Tribune, "Family Grieves" **TELEVISION BREAKING NEWS** CBS2/KCAL9 News Team, "La Conchita Landslide" KTLA News Team, "Train Crash"

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"Tragedy on the Rails"

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Carolyn Cole, Los Angeles Times,

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Press-Telegram, "A Suicidal

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Scott Gold, Los Angeles Times, "Katrina and the Aftermath" Ken Lee, Karen Emmons and Courtney Rubin, People Weekly, "New Heroes, New Hope"

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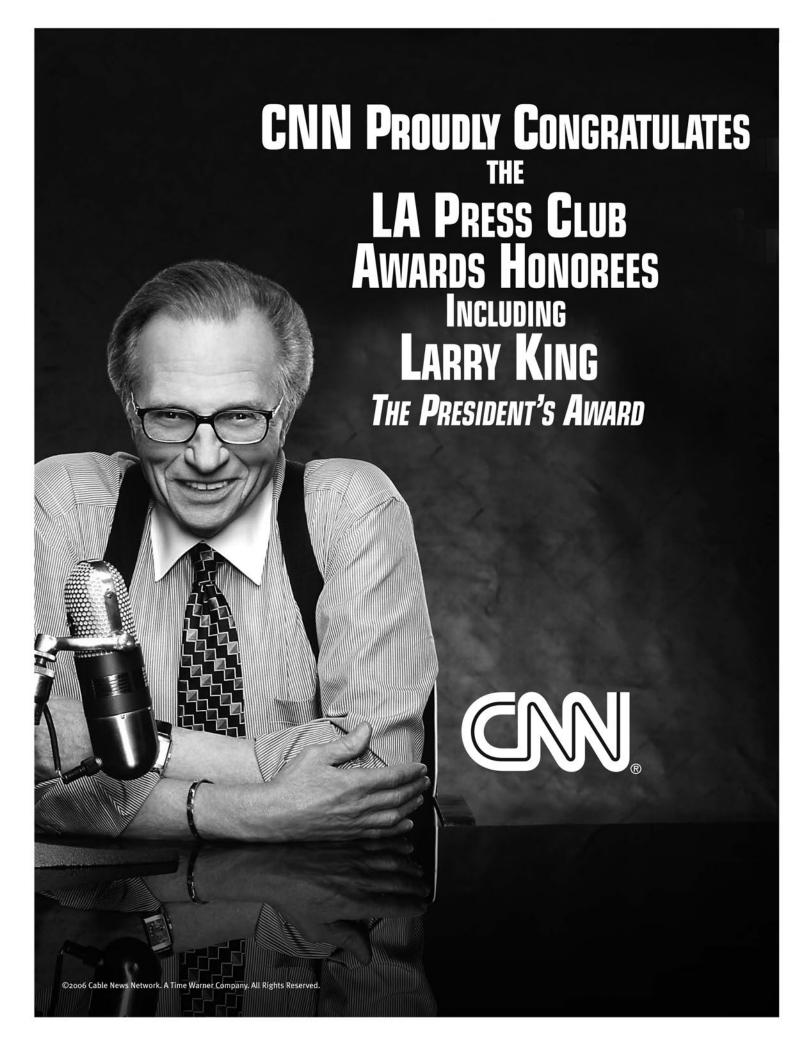
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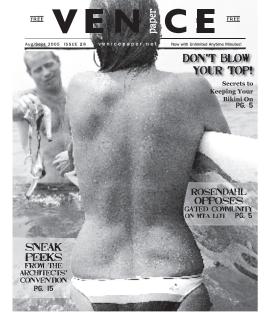
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Anthea Raymond is a newscaster, producer, reporter and editor who has worked for National Public Radio, the BBC World Service, The History Channel, and a variety of local stations including KPCC, KCRW, KFWB and KOCE. She has received journalism awards from the Los Angeles Press Club, the Radio Television News Association, the National Federation of Community Broadcasters, the National

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#### **Diana Ljungaeus**



Diana Ljungaeus is executive director of the Los Angeles Press Club and a veteran journalist with a broad background as a reporter, researcher, scriptwriter and producer. Ljungaeus began reporting at the tender age of 15 and has worked in Sweden, England and, since 1996, in Los Angeles.

Ljungaeus worked as a storyline writer for Walt Disney and is a produced playwright.

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