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The Press Club Of Metropolitan St. Louis

Media Hall of Fame Inducts 35 Media Professionals

Bob Costas (center) is welcomed into the inaugural television Hall of Fame, by **Tom Eschen**, vice chancellor, University Development, University of Missouri St Louis and **Alice S. Handelman**, vice president, Press Club of Metropolitan St. Louis and a member of National Federation of Press Women, St. Louis section. Handelman serves on the Advisory Board of the Media Halls of Fame.

The television hall is one of the three Media Halls of Fame at St. Louis Mercantile Library at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. The event, which honored 35 media professionals by inducting them into the Media Halls of Fame, was emceed by KSDK (Channel 5) sportscaster Frank Cusumano. It was held at the Renaissance Grand Hotel on June 10 where Handelman presented the 12 Print Hall of Fame inductees. Costas has been on the air for the NBC network since the early 1980s. Prior to joining NBC, he was a play-by-play announcer for the



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Spirits of St. Louis of the American Basketball Association, worked at KMOX Radio and was briefly employed by the CBS network. Tom Eschen and Frank Absher, adjunct professor of communications at St. Louis University and local radio historian, worked together to merge the newly created television and print halls with the existing St. Louis Radio Hall of Fame.



Dr. John J. Pauly (left) Honored with President's Award from **Bob Cohn**. Photo by *Bill Greenblatt*

Press Club Honors Dr. John Pauly

Board member **Dr. John J. Pauly** (right) receives the **President's Award** from Bob Cohn at the June Press Club board meeting for his many years of service to the club and outstanding contributions to media communication in the St. Louis metropolitan area.

Pauly, a communications professor at St. Louis University, is moving to Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin where he will be dean of the J. William and Mary Diederich College of Communication and the William R. Burleigh and E. W. Scripps Professor. Pauly will be responsible for the academic and administrative leadership of the college, which will benefit in the coming years from a gift of \$28 million from alumni J. William and Mary Diederich.

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Press Club Awards Student Scholarships

A Press Club funded \$1,000 Journalism Foundation scholarship was given in 2005 to **Robert Grant** who will be receiving his Master's degree in journalism in December of 2006. Grant is a graduate student in the Science and Environmental Reporting Program at New York University. Before moving to New York, he taught biology, ecology, and human anatomy and physiology at Southwestern Illinois College in Belleville, Illinois and at Saint Louis University, where he continues to teach courses on-line. He attended high school at O'Fallon Township High School in O'Fallon, Illinois, obtained a Bachelor's degree in biology from Montana State University, and a Master's degree in marine biology from the College of Charleston, South Carolina. He hopes to write in mainstream science magazines or newspapers, using his expertise in ecology and environmental science to communicate important scientific ideas to a wide audience.



Three 2006 Press Club Internship Scholarships winners were recently announced. They are **Sarah Mae Thiele** (right) of Webster University, who will be interning in the coming academic year and is also interning with the Press Club this summer, **Jerome Boettcher** (center) of Northwest Missouri University, who is interning with the *West End Word*, and **Schalene Houston** (left) of Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, who is interning with Channel 10, City of St. Louis. Each of these communication students will receive \$500 scholarships to assist with their expenses, while interning.



A \$1,000 scholarship was awarded this spring through the Mathews-Dickey Boys' and Girls' Club "The Sky's the Limit" program for graduating high school women, who show promise, aptitude, and need.

Patrice Cox of Pattonville High School received the scholarship funded by the Press Club. She will attend the University of Missouri-Columbia.



Three Press Club Members Receive NFPW Quest Award

Among the eight communicators honored at the National Federation of Press Women-Missouri Affiliate's 25th annual Virginia Betts White Quest Award Luncheon this spring were three Press Club members: **Verna Green Smith, Ph.D.**, **Linda Matz Mantle**, and **Cynthia Frohlichstein**. The award recognizes individuals whose performances reflect an enduring quest for the highest standards of professional ethics and excellence. Dr. Smith received the Lifetime Achievement Award. Proceeds from the luncheon provide scholarships for journalism students.

Take a Look at our Website!

You will find The Press Club of Metropolitan St. Louis website at www.stlpressclub.org, so check it out. To get to the Media Guide and Membership Directory link, key in the user name: `pressclub` — and, you will also need to know the password. **Only members are entitled to receive the password**, which will be emailed back to you when you email your request to: stlpressclub@logan.edu or stlpartlow@sbcglobal.net

Members, please email corrections and changes for future update information.

2006 Press Club Forums Inform and Entertain

“**Current Issues in Media Law**” was the topic for the May 24th forum co-sponsored by the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis. A panel presentation focusing on subpoenas to media; attempts to prosecute the media; and issues of access to government information featured **Benjamin Lipman** (center), member, Lewis, Rice & Fingersh, L.C.; **Sylvester Brown** (right), columnist, St. Louis Post-Dispatch; and **S. Richard Gard, Jr.** (left), president and publisher of Legal Communication Corp. The luncheon, held atop the Laclede Gas Building in the Lawyer’s Club dining room, was well attended by Press Club and Bar Association members. *Photo by Claudia Burris*



R. J. Matson (left), editorial cartoonist for the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, was the Press Club’s special guest at our April 27th “happy hour” gathering at C.J. Muggs. Matson shared stories and answered questions about his career and experiences in an informal and conversational setting. (Photo) Members had a hearty laugh as he showed the cartoon he created during the Clinton sex scandal. *Photo by Glenda Partlow*

An audience of over 70 met at Schlafly’s Tap Room for the February forum, “**The Rebirth of the Other Downtown**”, co-sponsored by the Press Club and the Locust Business District (LBD). Insights on the latest development, renovation and preservation efforts in the Locust business and loft district, which links downtown, St. Louis University, Harris-Stowe University and Grand Center were given. Pictured are panelists: (left to right) **Michael McMillan**, alderman, St. Louis City; **Julius Hunter**, vice president of communications for St. Louis University; **Bob Cohn**, Press Club president; and **Jassen Johnson**, commissioner, Locust Business District. The reopening of Locust as a two-way street was announced at the event. *Photo by Glenda Partlow*



“**The State of Radio Today**” forum March 30th at Webster University’s library drew a capacity crowd of members and communication students. **Frank Absher**, (standing) St. Louis radio historian, columnist, and journalism instructor, moderated a lively discussion between panelists, **Bernie Hayes**, Webster communications instructor and author of *The Death of Black Radio*, **Dave Ervin**, vice president and general manager of KMOX Radio; **Mike Anderson**, former St. Louis radio personality and performer and editor/publisher of STLMedia website; and **Annette Bevel**, general manager of WILY/WRXX. *Photo by Claudia Burris*

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Press Club to Honor Russ Mitchell at 50th Anniversary Annual Meeting in December

Russ Mitchell, Anchor of *The WeekendCBS Evening News with Russ Mitchell* and native St. Louisian, will be honored with a Press Club Lifetime Achievement Award at the Press Club's 50th Anniversary celebration and annual meeting slated for Wednesday, December 13th.



Upcoming Luncheon Forums

August 16, Wednesday
“Health Care Reporting”
Channel 9, KETC-TV
3655 Olive St.

September 21, Thursday
“The Strategic Plan for the
St. Louis Public Schools”
**St. Louis Board of
Education Building,**
811 N. 11th Street

October 25, Wednesday
“Preserving Our Club’s History”
Main St. Louis Public Library
1301 Olive St.