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Freelance Journalist

Specializing in pop culture, community news, parenting, and personality profiles. Contributor to:

The Boston Globe	Patch.com (weekly parenting column)
Bowling Green State University Magazine	Reform Judaism Magazine
Jewish Journal of Greater Los Angeles	TVGuide.com
Los Angeles Downtown News	Yale Alumni Magazine

Staff Writer

The Blade, Toledo, Ohio (1998-2010)

Circulation: 118,000 daily, 144,000 Sunday

- *Columnist (2008-2010)*
Authored “Random Samples,” a bi-weekly Features column using pop culture and quirky local people and events in search of more universal truths.
- *Features general assignment reporter (2004-2010)*
Reported on a wide range of pop culture, lifestyle, arts and entertainment issues, and wrote restaurant reviews. Produced video and posted to Twitter.
- *Higher education reporter (2000-2004)*
- *Suburban bureau reporter (1999-2000)*
- *Night police reporter (1998-1999)*

Other contributions have included travel articles, book reviews, sports stories, and general interest/opinion columns. Addressed groups as part of Blade speakers bureau.

Awards Received honors from Ohio Society of Professional Journalists, Press Club of Cleveland, and Association for Women in Communication (Toledo chapter)

Skills Final Cut, iMovie, iWeb, SoundSlides, Garage Band, WavePad audio editing

Professional Organizations Los Angeles Press Club, Society of Professional Journalists, Yale Alumni Journalism Association

Education **Yale University**, New Haven, Conn. — B.A., English, 1998
Editor-in-chief of The Yale Herald
Graduated *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa