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The Foster Conference, put on by the College of Communications, will take place on Mar. 3 in the HUB auditorium.

Speaker Connie Schultz, is one of the journalists who will be speaking at the Fosters Conference this up coming week. In 1993, Schultz became a Pulitzer finalist for her feature writing series, "The Burden of Innocence."

Schultz then suspended her columns in 2006 to help her husband, Sherrod Brown, run a successful campaign for U.S. Senate. During and after the campaign, Schultz wrote two books titled, "Life Happens," and "And His Lovely Wife: A memoir from the Woman beside the Man."

Schultz mainly wrote for the Plain Dealer in Cleveland, Ohio. However, before settling down at the Plain Dealer, Schultz was a freelance writer for 15 years. She takes the woman's approach to her stories, and focuses on the underdog and underprivileged. "I like to use the column for those who need a voice," Schultz said in a profile on the Batten Medal Web site. "I have no interest in the privileged. They have plenty of people to speak for them."

Connie Schultz will speak mostly to students of the College of Communication, but it is open to the public and the admission is free. The speech will take place in the HUB auditorium on Mar. 3, at 7 p.m.