
Times Facts

Sharon joined the *Times* in 1996 as a sports copy editor, and she went on to become an assistant sports editor who supervised beats, including the Tampa Bay Lightning, NASCAR, the Tampa Bay Devil Rays, the Olympics and investigative pieces. In 2001, she became the Sideshow columnist and copy editor for the revamped daily entertainment page, 2B. In 2005, she became a full-time writer, covering entertainment, fashion and pop culture for the *Times* and its alternative daily paper, **tbt**-*Tampa Bay Times*.

Talking Points

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Sharon has appeared numerous times on local television and radio. In the 1980s, she did sports interviews for a weekly news show produced for local television by the *Centre Daily Times* in State College, Pa.. She was co-host of a seasonal weekly TV show on Penn State sports. She also did color commentary and interviews for select TV broadcasts of Penn State women's basketball games.

Education

Sharon has a journalism degree with certification in broadcasting from Penn State University.

Background

Sharon's journalism career began in 1982 as a sports writer for the *Centre Daily Times* in State College, Pa., where she covered high school and Penn State sports. Her other jobs have included writing and editing news, sports and features for the Associated Press in bureaus in Minnesota and Sioux Falls, S.D.; news copy editing at the *Contra Costa Times* in Walnut Creek, Cal.; and sports copy editing at the *St. Paul Pioneer Press* in Minnesota.

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