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*Annual Gala*

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## *7:00 pm Welcome & Dinner*

Master of Ceremonies ..... Cal Thomas  
Nationally Syndicated Columnist and  
Fox News Channel Channel contributor

Invocation ..... Rev. Robert A. Sirico  
President, Acton Institute

Pledge of Allegiance ..... Richard D. Eckburg  
MRC Trustee

## *8:15 pm Let the Ceremony Begin*

## *10:00 pm Dessert Reception*



## *Distinguished Panel of Judges*

Tony Blankley ★ Neal Boortz ★ L. Brent Bozell III  
William F. Buckley, Jr. ★ Steve Forbes ★ John Fund  
Sean Hannity ★ Laura Ingraham ★ Mark Levin  
Rush Limbaugh ★ Mary Matalin ★ Robert Novak  
Kate O'Beirne ★ William Rusher ★ Cal Thomas  
Walter Williams ★ Thomas Winter

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## MRC DISHONOR #1

### Slam Uncle Sam Award

Presented by LARRY KUDLOW, host of CNBC's *Kudlow & Company* and CEO of Kudlow & Co., LLC.

#### NOMINEES

Nina Totenberg ..... NPR *Inside Washington*  
Andrea Mitchell ..... NBC *Nightly News*  
Chris Matthews ..... MSNBC's *Hardball*

## MRC DISHONOR #2

### Cindy Sheehan Media Hero Award

Presented by LARRY KUDLOW, host of CNBC's *Kudlow & Company* and CEO of Kudlow & Co., LLC.

#### NOMINEES

Christ Matthews ..... MSNBC's *Hardball*  
David Gergen ..... U.S. News  
Rick Kaplan ..... MSNBC

## MRC DISHONOR #3

### Send Bush to Abu Ghraib Award

Presented by TONY BLANKLEY, *Washington Times* Editorial Page Editor and political columnist

#### NOMINEES

Jack Cafferty ..... CNN's *The Situation Room*  
Keith Olbermann ..... MSNBC's *Countdown*  
Nancy Giles ..... CBS's *Sunday Morning*

## MRC DISHONOR #4

### Aaron Brown Memorial Award for Stupidest Analysis

Presented by TONY BLANKLEY, *Washington Times* Editorial Page Editor and political columnist

#### NOMINEES

Mary Mapes ..... formerly of CBS News  
Ted Turner ..... CNN  
Harry Smith ..... *CBS Early Show*

## MRC DISHONOR #5

### I'm Not a Political Genius But I Play One on TV Award

Presented by MARK LEVIN, WABC Radio Talk Show Host

#### NOMINEES

Rosie O'Donnell  
Kathy Griffin  
Alec Baldwin

## Quote of the Year

Cal Thomas, L. Brent Bozell III, Tony Blankley,  
Mark Levin and Larry Kudlow  
~ Audience Participation

*A Tribute to the American Military*

Presented by L. Brent Bozell III, Founder and President, MRC



## *A Special Tribute to the American Military*

"I can't begin to describe how much I appreciate all the support that y'all give us defenders of peace. As a three-time [Operation Iraqi Freedom] vet and soon to be four-time, I know first hand how much the support and love from home back in the US helps us soldiers continue the good fight and work damn hard to make sure that we can make it home to you. Thank you for everything and I will continue fighting for our rights until everyone comes home."

Sargent Timothy Marfell,  
USA, San Antonio, TX

Sergeant Marfell and his fellow service members need our thanks and support now more than ever. Our national freedoms are under attack. The American military have made great sacrifices and will continue to do so until peace is established around the world.

Our soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines and Coast Guardsmen are the bravest in the world. These are our modern day heroes in an age lacking heroes. Most Americans support the military and it is time that we yell louder than the naysayers. Freedom is not free.

Tonight the Media Research Center is humbled and honored to salute America's military. Our many prayers are with you and your families.

## *Congressional Host Committee*

Sen. Conrad Burns  
Sen. Elizabeth Dole  
Sen. Chuck Grassley  
Sen. Trent Lott  
Rep. Todd W. Akin  
Rep. Roscoe G. Bartlett  
Rep. Joe Barton  
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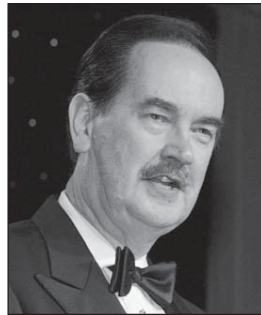
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Special thanks to Eagle Publishing, Inc. for donating copies of the book, *The West's Last Chance: Will We Win the Clash of Civilizations?*, by Tony Blankley.

## *The Master of Ceremonies* ★★★★★★★★★★

### **Cal Thomas**

Cal Thomas is one of the most highly regarded voices on the American political scene. With a twice-weekly column appearing in nearly 600 newspapers nationwide, he is America's most widely syndicated op-ed columnist, and recently celebrated 21 years in syndication. He is a contributor to the Fox News Channel.



## *This Evening's Presenters* ★★★★★★★★★★



### **Tony Blankley**

Tony Blankley served as press secretary to then Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, Newt Gingrich. His knack for appetizing soundbites (which he calls "poor-man's poetry") and sound political strategy made him one of Washington's premiere sources of ideas and insights. He appears regularly on *The McLaughlin Group*, CNN's *Late Edition with Wolf Blitzer*, as well as CNBC's *Hardball with Chris*

*Matthews*, *Rivera Live*, *The News with Brian Williams* and MSNBC. He is a weekly political columnist and the Editorial Page Editor for the *Washington Times*. Tony also served President Reagan as a speechwriter and senior policy analyst. He is one of today's leading media commentators.

### **Larry Kudlow**

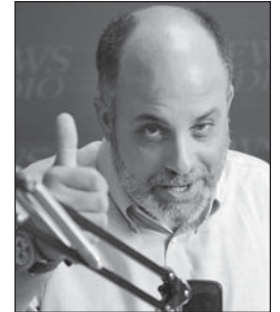
Lawrence Kudlow is CEO of Kudlow & Co., LLC, an economic and investment research firm in New York City. He is host of CNBC's *Kudlow & Company*, which airs nightly, and also an economics commentator for CNBC. Larry is a nationally syndicated columnist and a contributing editor of *National Review* magazine. He is the author of *American Abundance: The New Economic and Moral Prosperity*. Larry formerly served



as chief economist for a number of Wall Street firms and during President Reagan's first term, he was the associate director for economics and planning in the OMB, where he was engaged in the development of the administration's economic and budget policy.

### **Mark Levin**

Mark Levin is one of the most-listened to local radio talk show hosts in the nation. His radio show, on WABC in New York City, skyrocketed to #1 on the AM dial in his first 18 months on air. He is also one of the top new authors in the conservative political arena. His book *Men in Black* (2005) quickly climbed to #4 on the *New York Times* bestseller list. He is one of America's preeminent conservative commentators and constitutional lawyers and has appeared on hundreds of television and radio programs.



### **L. Brent Bozell III**

Lecturer, syndicated columnist, television commentator, debater, marketer, businessman, publisher and activist, L. Brent Bozell III, 49, is one of the most outspoken and effective national leaders in the conservative movement today.

Founder and President of the Media Research Center, Mr. Bozell runs the largest media watchdog organization in America. Established in 1987, the MRC has made "media bias" a household term, tracking it daily and printing the compiled evidence biweekly in its well-known *Notable Quotables*, which also releases an annual *Best of NQ* edition selected by a nationwide panel of judges active in the news industry. His most recent book, *Weapons of Mass Distortion: The Coming Meltdown of the Liberal Media*, was released in July of 2004.

In 1998, Mr. Bozell launched CNSNews.com – Cybercast News Service, an online news service with an emphasis on investigative journalism. CNSNews.com has become a major Internet news source with a full staff of journalists in its Washington, DC, metro bureau, with other correspondents around the world.

Founder and President of the Parents Television Council, Mr. Bozell leads the only Hollywood-based organization dedicated to restoring responsibility to the entertainment industry.

# MEDIA RESEARCH CENTER

The News Analysis Division of the Media Research Center is dedicated to documenting, exposing, and neutralizing liberal media bias. It has done this relentlessly and effectively for the last 18 years, making it America's most reliable and respected media watchdog.

The work of the News Analysis Division is unprecedented. The Division records up to 40 national news programs every day, and each day its team of analysts closely monitor the major networks (CBS, NBC, ABC), cable news networks, and news discussion programs. Their story summaries and transcripts are filed in the MRC's specialized News Tracking System



database. From there, the documented examples of liberal bias are further analyzed by the Director of Media Analysis, Director of Research, and the Vice President of Research, who then select, daily, the most important examples of bias for publication on the MRC Web site and in MRC publications, such as *Media Reality Check*, *Notable Quotables*, *Special Reports*, *CyberAlerts*, as well as in press releases and announcements.

Since its inception in 1987, the MRC has recorded and archived news programming on videotapes. With the introduction of the DVD (digital video disk) and DVR (digital video recording) technology, the Center decided to fully convert its entire taping system to DVR in 2004. The MRC's archive holds 37,000 videotapes, which are being converted to digital video disks, and 8,000 DVDs. The complete archive, as of December 2004, totaled 247,000 hours of programming, the largest broadcast news archive in the world. No other organization operates such a massive and easily accessible archive.

The MRC's Free Market Project (FMP) is the only organization in the world dedicated to the unique challenge of correcting misconceptions in the media about free enterprise. The FMP staff documents how both news and entertainment media portray various business and economic issues, and works to educate the media about the principles of free enterprise.

The MRC's *Times Watch Project* ([www.TimesWatch.org](http://www.TimesWatch.org)) works to hold the *New York Times* accountable for its content by compelling it to provide balanced coverage or forfeit its reputation and status as the "nation's newspaper."

CNSNews.com - Cybercast News Service is the MRC's official Internet news operation dedicated to providing "The Right News. Right Now." CNSNews.com operates bureaus in Washington, D.C., Jerusalem, and the Pacific Rim. The news service also employs the use of "stringers" in the U.S., across Europe and the rest of the world. The Web site currently averages more than 77,000 visitors per weekday.

**All video footage for tonight's program is from the MRC's News Archive. The awards video presentation was produced by Tim and Leeza Donner of *Horizons Television*.**

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