Daniel Pearl, journalist

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Contact the Daniel Pearl Foundation

- Jan. 23: Foundation & family's first anniversary press release
  WSJ first anniversary story
- Nov. 3: Daniel Pearl Fellowship launched
- SAJA Daniel Pearl Award for Outstanding Reporting on South Asia:
  2003: Richard Behar, Fortune > SAJA press release
- Learn about Oct 10's Daniel Pearl Music Day
- July 17, 2002: Judea Pearl's open letter to the people of Pakistan
- June 14, 2002: Collection of Daniel's writings released
- May 28, 2002: Announcing the birth of Adam D. Pearl, son of Daniel and Mariane
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Press Coverage

Key Developments starting Jan. 23, 2002
(new editorials in opinion section below)

AP’s timeline

2003 items

Feb. 23: Congregation B’nai Jeshrun memorial service

Feb. 11: WSJ look at murder probe

Jan. 26: Time.com on Who Killed Daniel Pearl?

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WSJ first anniversary story

Oct. 20
NJ school dedicated to Pearl's memory

Oct 10
Birthday marked with concerts worldwide

Sept. 17
Pakistan Police link killer to al Qaeda

Aug 12
Pearl's body buried in hometown

Aug 7
Pearl's body begins journey home

July 17
Judea Pearl’s open letter to the people of Pakistan

July 15
Four convicted in Pearl case; Saeed gets death sentence

WSJ: Pakistani Judge Convicts 4 Men of Kidnapping and Killing Pearl

LAT: Leader in Murder of Reporter Gets Death Sentence

USAT: Four convicted, one sentenced to death in Pearl case

Read articles about Saeed

July 10
AP: Trial ends; verdict set for July 15

Tributes

• DanielPearlFoundation.org

• Tributes sent to SAJA
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• WSJ message board

• Legacy.com guest book

• OpinionJournal.com: Mariane Pearl's statement

• London memorial service: Gautam Naik
  Report by Jon Oatis on London memorial service

• LA memorial service: LAT report

Media Tributes

• SAJA president Jyoti Thottam

• Marianne Murdock’s art tribute

• London Memorial Service: Gautam Naik

• Harvard/Poynter: Jennifer 8. Lee

• Poynter: Mona Khanna

• Index on Censorship: Salil Tripathi

• LAT: School friends pay tribute

• LATimes: Al Martinez tribute

• Ellsworth American: Stephen Fray tribute

• National Review: John O’Sullivan - India & Danny Pearl

• Poynter: Roy Peter Clark tribute

• AP: Friends pay tribute

• Poynter: Editors pay tribute

• Time: Profile

• E&P: Journalists rally around WSJ

• MSNBC: Jonathan Alter

Stories BY Daniel Pearl

WSJ selection of his stories

1994: Page 1 violin story

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Resources
SAJA Roundup: Daniel Pearl

June 18
NYT: Judea Pearl on son's video

June 11
WSJ: Tunku Varadarajan criticizes Boston newspaper's use of Pearl photos

May 28
AP: Lawyers granted copy of death video

May 23
AP: Description of Pearl's journey with captors

May 16
CNN: Pakistani police they have found Pearl's body

May 15

Death Videotape
CBS: Dan Rather defends decision to air tape
AP: Pearl family upset by CBS decision to show death video
Boston Globe: Defendants unmoved by tape

May 13
WashPost: Trial marred by defendant's threats

May 10
LAT: Father wins LSE prize, donates to Daniel Pearl Foundation

May 5
PakNews: Supreme Court dismisses motion to move case

April 22
LAT: LA Memorial Service
WashPost: Taxi Driver Testifies in Pearl Case

April 21

NYT: Mariane Pearl essay

AP: New judge for Pearl trial
Hindustan Times: New judge for Pearl trial

April 12

BBC: Musharraf accused of contempt in Pearl case

Background on Pearl

- Legacy.com: His life story
- Time.com Person of the Week
- BBC profile
- Stanford Alumni News (Pearl's alma mater)
- Newsweek: A Reporter Under the Gun
- WNYC On the Media: Ex-CIA agent says Pearl is no spy
- ABCNews profile of Mariane Pearl

Collections of Pearl Info

- DanielPearlFoundation.org
- DanielPearl.Newstrove.com
- Pearl STORIES on Yahoo
- Pearl EDITORIALS on Yahoo
- Pearl PHOTOS on Yahoo
- Yahoo slideshow
- Poynter/Jim Romenesko's Media News
- Committee to Protect Journalists

Background on Sheik Omar Saeed, chief suspect

Current Situation

- Newsday: A committed Jehadi
- Reuters: Suspect threatens America
- Reuters: Saeed arrested
- Earlier: CNN reports Saeed wired Mohd Atta $100,000
- ABC: From Chess to Jihad
- AP: Profile of kidnapping suspect Sheik Omar Saeed
- Boston Globe: More on Saeed (& Pearl)
- Indian Express: Jehad's poster boy
- Independent: More on Saeed
April 5

- WashPost: Trial Delayed in Pearl Case

April 4

- WashPost: Covering the New War:

March 29

- AP: April 5 trial date set

March 19

- CNN: Larry King interview with Mariane Pearl

March 18

- PBS Lehrer Newshour: Mariane Pearl interview

March 14

- AP: US indicts Saeed
  - FindLaw.com: Link to indictment PDF

March 13

- Newsweek: Feds to indict suspect

March 12

- DanielPearlFoundation.org site launched
  - Reuters: Suspect threatens America

March 11

- Times of India: Did Pearl stumble upon ISI secrets?
  - LATimes: Report on Los Angeles memorial service

March 8:

- Previous Saeed Stories
  - Harper's: Excerpts from Saeed's Diary
  - Indian Express: Excerpts from Saeed's dairy
  - Indian Express: Hostages' statements
  - CNN: Saeed wired Mohd Atta $100,000
  - Frontline: Saeed connection to Mohd. Atta
  - Rediff: Saeed & Atta
  - Rediff: More Saeed & Atta
  - Hindustan Times: More on Saeed

South Asia News Sources

- Various Pakistani Newspapers
- Various Indian Newspapers
- BBC South Asia section
- Rediff

Reporting in South Asia

- SAJA List of U.S. correspondents in South Asia
- SAJA Stylebook: "Learn to Tell Your Hindi from Your Hindu"
- Hamid Mir, Daily Ausaf: Why Pakistan is so dangerous for journalists
- SF Chron: Dangerous situation in Pakistan
- Mohd. Bazzi of Newsday discusses encounter with Pakistani militants + audio clips discussing covering Pakistan
- Bob Woodruff, ABCNews: "Déjà Vu"
- Scott Baldauf, Christian Science Monitor: Shaky bond between militants and reporters
- Molly Moore, WashPost: "Reporters are now watching out for each other" AUDIO
- Ben Wedeman: "We have no plans to leave Karachi or Pakistan"
- Boston Globe in Nov. 2001: Indo-Pak affects war coverage
- 1998 PBS interview with Kenneth Cooper, WP South Asia bureau chief
- Reporting in South Asia will be discussed in detail at
NY Daily News: Sarah Kendzior - What They are saying about Pearl

March 7:

* CNN: Musharraf's comments on Pearl

March 5:

* London Memorial Service: Gautam Naik
SAJA.org: Report by Jon Oatis on London memorial service
* WashPost: Preparations for trial

March 1:

* UPI: Two die in attempt to free militants

Feb. 28:

* Boston Globe: Problems with case
* Reuters: Suspect moved after threat

Feb 27:

* NYT: Pakistan willing to eventually hand over suspect
* CNN: Connine Chung sees tape and reveals content

Feb 26:

* CNN: Mariane Pearl's interview

Feb 25:

* NYT: Focus now on intelligence unit
* Newsweek: Saeed was secretly indicted in 1994
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- Boston Globe: The Al Qaeda connection
- USAT: Officials fear video will be sold in Pakistan

Feb 24

- LAT: Mansoor Ijaz op-ed - "More than Pearl was lost"
- WashPost: Jim Hoagland - Murder in a Dark Place

Feb 23

- CNN: Suspect says Pearl killing was part of larger plot
- WashPost: Details of tape
- Mercury News: Former kidnap victim recounts his tale

Feb 22

- OpinionJournal.com: Mariane Pearl's statement
- WSJ story on death
- WashPost: details of tape delivered to US consulate

Feb 21

- WSJ confirms Danny's death
- Bush statement
- CPJ statement
- CNN story
- MSNBC story
- Pakistan News Service statement

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See background stories on Sheik Omar Saeed, chief suspect

Feb 19

- Newsday: Mohd. Bazzi discusses encounter with Pakistani militants + audio clips discussing covering Pakistan
- USAToday: Prosecutor discusses case
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Feb. 18

- Cinci Inquirer: Terri Anderson's thoughts

Feb 16

- WashPost: Pearl kidnapping a warning, suspect says

Feb 15

- AP: Accomplice sought

Feb 14

- Reuters: Mariane Pearl makes new appeal
- AP: Officials believe Pearl is still alive
- Reuters: Paper confident Pearl is alive, despite Saeed's statement in court
- Earlier: CNN 2001 report - Saeed wired Mohd Atta $100,000

Feb. 13

- AP: Saeed silent on Pearl
- Reuters: Musharraf "reasonably" sure Pearl is alive
- Guardian: Lamb - Pearl's kidnapper nearly got me too
- WashPost: More on Saeed arrest

Feb. 12

- Reuters: Saeed arrested
- CNN: Saeed says Pearl is alive
- IE: US official rules out India role
- Earlier: Musharraf suggests India involved
- BBC: Three suspected remanded

Feb. 11
• LA Times: Little progress in Pearl case
  
  Reuters: Search widened for kidnappers

Feb. 9

• Paknews: Kidnapping to cloud Musharraf visit

Feb. 8

• Reuters: Pakistani police have 14 suspects in custody
  
  CBS: Police had been hopeful of Wednesday release
• Buffalo News: How media is covering the kidnapping
• EP: Reporters search for Pearl despite risks

Feb. 7

• LA Times: "Definitive signs" Pearl is alive, police say
  
  Boston Globe: More on Saeed & Pearl

Feb. 6

• AP: Profile of kidnapping suspect Sheik Omar Saeed (see Saeed section in adjacent column)
• AP: Clues in kidnapping e-mail
• LA Times op-ed: Khwaja, Sehbai & Ijaz - "True Muslims would release Pearl at once"
• CNN: Police believe Sheik Omar Saeed holding Pearl
• Boston Globe: Militants holding Pearl
• WNYC On the Media: Ex-CIA agent says Pearl is no spy
• NY Observer: A look at WSJ's strategy

Feb. 5

• 6:30 pm NY time / ABC: Pakistani police make arrests
  
  4 pm NY time / AP: Police say they are closing in on suspects
  
  Wash Times: Media praise for Pearl gamble
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Feb. 4

- **AP/BBC:** Mariane Pearl appeals to kidnappers
- Robert Fisk: Please release my friend
- UPI: New lead in case
- CNN: "Reliable Sources" discusses case
- Newsweek: A Reporter Under the Gun
- AFP: Key suspect identified
- NYT: Police make little progress (registration req’d)

Feb. 3 (all times New York time)

- 8 pm - CNN: New appeals for his release
- 3:48 pm - Reuters & Fox News report that the body found is NOT Pearl’s; WSJ foreign editor John Bussey confirms it is NOT Pearl

[Feb. 3 / 3 pm EST: News organizations report that Pearl found dead in Karachi. But body found is NOT Pearl's; see above]

- Rediff: Pakistani police make arrests

Feb. 2

- CNN: WSJ believes Pearl is alive
- Guardian: Low-profile group linked to kidnap

Feb. 1

- CNN: Conflicting reports of Pearl's fate
- BBC: WSJ asks for release

Jan. 31

- BBC: US rules out talks
- CNews: Mohd. Ali askes for release

Jan. 30

- ABCNews: Profile of Mariane Pearl
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- Reuters: Threat to kill Pearl
  Jan. 29

- Newshour: Reporters discuss situation
  Jan. 27

- Reuters: Police question five over kidnapping
  Jan. 25

- Dow Jones: WSJ reporter missing

Editorials & Opinion
Some samples (see bigger list)

After his death was confirmed

- NY Daily News: Sarah Kendzior - What They are saying about Pearl
- National Review: John O'Sullivan - India & Danny Pearl
- WashPost: Richard Cohen - Why Pearl Died
- WashPost: Jim Hoagland - Murder in a Dark Place
- SF Chron: G. Pascal Zachary -- The meaning of Pearl's death
- LAT: Mansoor Ijaz op-ed - "More than Pearl was lost"
- WSWS: The killing of Daniel Pearl

During the kidnapping

- Guardian: Lamb - Pearl's kidnapper nearly got me too
- Weekly Independent: Hamid Mir - Pakistan has never been a safe place for journalists
- LA Times op-ed: Khwaja, Sehbai & Ijaz - "True Muslims would release Pearl at once"
- Christian Science Monitor: Benazir Bhutto on a chameleon ally in Pakistan
SuppliesInvestor.com: Jude Wanniski - Farrakhan Appeals
Counterpunch: Susan Block - Blowback & Pearl
The Hindu: About Danny Pearl
Boston Globe: A Deadline of Dialogue
Christian Science Monitor: A Pearl of Justice
WashPost: A Senseless Kidnapping - Joe Davidson
The News International (Pakistan): The Danny Pearl Affair
NYT: Terry Anderson: Pearl's Kidnappers Won't Win
Dawn (Pakistan): A Kidnap Mystery
Pravda (Russia): Pearl is caught in a game between India and Pakistan
Daily Star (Lebanon): Journalist's Kidnapping is Wrong All Around
The Oregonian: The Lost Pearl
WashTimes: Free Daniel Pearl
Rediff (India): The kidnapping of Daniel Pearl
See more editorials

Statements by Paul Steiger, managing editor

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Multimedia

Marilyn Greene, World Press Freedom Committee
"This kind of move earns the condemnation of the world" VIDEO
Helen Cooper, colleague of Daniel Pearl
"Killing Danny will achieve nothing for their cause" AUDIO
Lehrer Newshour story AUDIO & VIDEO

Miscellaneous Statements

Manjeet Kripalani, Business Week Mumbai bureau chief
My heart is breaking. Danny is one of six of us foreign correspondents in Bombay, and we all keep in active touch with each other. He was the last person to take a poor risk, especially because he and Mariane are so much in love, he would never do anything to jeopardize their happy lives. He's a very mild kind of person, sweet and kind. Someone betrayed him.

We are contacting our sources here in India for information on Danny. But meanwhile, can you urge every reporter you know, especially the ones in Washington covering the White House and attending the daily briefings, as also all reporters in Islamabad who attend the foreign press daily briefings, to ask EVERY SINGLE DAY about Danny's disappearance? We have to keep up the heat and create a terrible stink so that Danny stays on everyone's radar screen every single day until he is found.

We must help. Somebody should protest loudly - we should. We are losing our own in large numbers, and we are not paid to die.

Regards,
Manjeet
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