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Ray Bradbury interview and Lena Horne obit are among articles featured in the July 2010 anthology of Choice Magazine Listening

Port Washington, NY -- The New York Times report in May about the passing of legendary singer and actress Lena Horne and an interview with renowned writer Ray Bradbury from The Paris Review are just two of the selections featured in the most recent release of Choice Magazine Listening, a bimonthly anthology of audio magazine articles for the visually and physically impaired.

The current anthology includes material from ten publications including *The New Yorker, The Iowa Review, Gourmet, National Geographic, Atlantic Monthly, Smithsonian, New York Times Style Magazine, The New York Review of Books, McSweeney's, and Commentary.* It also features an audio interview from the final broadcast of Bill Moyers' Journal.

"We always try to feature an eclectic selection of articles that will cover a broad range of interests," said Sondra Mochson, editor-in-chief of CML. "We thought the *New York Times* revealed many previously unknown details about Ms. Horne's life that our listeners might enjoy hearing. And we couldn't resist The Paris Review's interview with Ray Bradbury, especially when he spoke of how he got his college education by spending three days a week inside a library.

"But perhaps my favorite article in this collection," Ms. Mochson continued, "was Wendall Jamieson's column from the New York Times, 'Warning: Don't read the Warning' in which he parodies pharmaceutical advertisements. It was very funny but also quite poignant."

About Choice Magazine Listening:

Choice Magazine Listening is a free audio anthology for a special audience of blind, visually impaired, physically disabled, or dyslexic subscribers. CML was created in 1962 by the non-profit Lucerna Fund to offer the best of contemporary magazine writing, completely without charge, to adults unable to read standard print. CML selects and records memorable writing from approximately 100 leading magazines. Every other month, this unique, free service offers its subscribers eight hours of outstanding unabridged articles, fiction and poetry read by professional voices and produced on four-track cassette tapes.

The required four-track player is provided free of charge by the Library of Congress through its Talking Book program, which is available to those who are unable to read because of visual or physical handicap. In addition to four-track tapes, Choice Magazine Listening is also available to download, free of charge, onto a computer through the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress (NLS). The new digital talking book machines, which are needed in order to listen to the downloaded material, are being distributed by the NLS. To find out more, please go to nlsbard.loc.gov and click on "BARD Application Instructions."

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