WALTER SCOTT ASKS...

Jessica Alba

The latest venture from the 30-year-old actress and mother of two is the eco-friendly, Web-based baby products firm the Honest Company (honest.com).

Where did the idea for the Honest Company come from? I did research when I was pregnant with my first daughter and was horrified by the chemicals in products, even those meant for babies. I would have to go to 50 different places just to get my house and my kid clean. I thought moms needed one place that curated safe items that are affordable and stylish.

Has motherhood changed the way you view your career? Work takes a backseat. Before, I'd have two weeks off around Christmas, but I never really did birthdays, or I'd be working in a country that didn't celebrate certain holidays. Now it's about family and capturing those moments. When I do work, it's fun and I take some risks.

Are you still feeling pressure to be a sex symbol? That's how I was marketed; I never put much effort into it. I don't really care. I never did.

Does being 30 feel different? Oh yeah, I am way more secure than I was in my 20s.

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Chris Meloni

Q: What are Chris Meloni's plans now that he's left Law & Order: Special Victims Unit?
A: The actor, 50, who ended his run on SVU last year after 12 seasons, returns to TV this summer as a regular on the HBO series True Blood. He'll play what executive producer Alan Ball has called "an ancient, powerful vampire who holds the fate of the show's two leading men" in his hands." As for big-screen projects, Meloni plays a general in the Superman reboot Man of Steel, due summer 2013.

Is Donald Trump's hair real?
---Linda Simon, Las Vegas

Yes, according to the tycoon himself. "It may not be pretty, but it is mine," Trump, 65, has said. In a recent attempt to prove naysayers wrong, he let Barbara Walters tug his coif on TV. And how does he maintain his awesome mane? He told Rolling Stone that he washes with Head and Shoulders, air-dry, then combs.

Steve Silverstone, left, and Tyler

Q: Are Alicia Silverstone and Liv Tyler half-sisters?
---Betty Luster, Edmond, Okla.
A: Though both Silverstone, 35, and Tyler, 34, have half-siblings, they are not related to each other. They did, however, appear as best friends in the risqué music video for 1993's "Crazy" by Aerosmith, the band fronted by Liv's father, Steven Tyler.

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