They went for 18 hours!

By Eddie Lee Richardson  
Staff Writer of the Week

On Feb. 15 over two hundred Pacific students began an eighteen-hour, once in a lifetime experience. These students volunteered their Saturday, and much of their Sunday to help out the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation. The third annual Dance for a Chance raised $12,750 and was a huge success thanks to yearlong efforts on behalf of co-chairs Lindsey Garland of Delta Delta Delta, Delta Delta Sorority, and Joe Takeuchi of Sigma Chi Alpha Colony. The event was started two years ago as a way to promote unity between all organizations on campus and a means of supporting the fight against AIDS/HIV. Close to one million people in the United States have AIDS or HIV, many of whom are college age or younger. Because such a large segment of the population that has AIDS or HIV is under the age of 21, it is especially significant that members of many Greek and non-Greek organizations put aside their petty differences to support this tremendous cause. “It was great to see everyone laughing together and dancing together, we had a blast,” said sophomore, Lauren Swanson of Tri Delta.

In addition to video presentations on the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation, Eric Nies of MTV’s “Real World” and early 90’s “The Grind,” and Kim Webster of ABC’s “The West Wing,” entertained participants. “The presenters brought an interesting element to the night, I was glad to hear them speak, and enjoyed meeting both of them,” said sophomore Robert Foote-Jones of Omega Phi Alpha.

Although the event was comprised of educational speakers and quasi celebrities it is entitled “Dance for a Chance,” and people did back their thang up. Senior Laketha Walker of Grace Covell, and sophomore Lauren Silva of Tri Delta went head to head when Eric Nies and an eager crowd chose them as the evenings best booty-shakers. “It was a lot of fun participating in the dance off, but the most important part of the night was raising money,” said Silva. When the smoke cleared and the crowd finally hushed Walker came up victorious leaving Nies and many other bystanders panting for more. “After four years of being at Pacific it’s about time somebody recognize that J. Lo ain’t got nothing on this,” said Walker.

By 10 a.m. on Sunday morning the remaining survivors were excited but ready for a nap. Although there were only a few score dancers left by the time awards were announced, the payoff of raising so much money was undoubtedly worth it. Next year’s turn out is expected to be even larger than this years and with another group of awesome students dedicating time and energy it will surely rock the house.

Upcoming ASUOP election: Go and vote!

The Associated Students of the Pacific (ASUOP) are holding an upcoming election that few are aware about. Starting March 4 through the 6 there will be polling stations where you can elect your representatives for the 2003-2004 school year.

There are several positions still open and we encourage the student body to get involved. Voting is also an important part of getting involved. For those of you who did not vote during our presidential or state elections here is your opportunity.

Thus far, prospects for positions are as follows:

- President/ Vice President
  - Matthew Olson/
  - Jenise Heston
- Attorney General
  - Suzanne Mangum
- Senator-at-Large
  - Stephanie Ellis
- Senator from Bernard School of Education
  - NO CANDIDATES
- Senator from College of Pacific
  - NO CANDIDATES
- Senator from Pharmacy and Health Sciences
  - Darren Fujimoto
- Senator from School of Engineering
  - NO CANDIDATES
- Senator from School of International Studies
  - Sarah Bulley
  - Angie Carrillo
- Senator from Conservatory of Music
  - NO CANDIDATES
- Senator from Eberhardt School of Business
  - Naomi McVey
- Senator from Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
  - Darren Fujimoto
- Senator from School of Engineering
  - NO CANDIDATES
- Senator from School of International Studies
  - Sarah Bulley
  - Angie Carrillo

To better inform Pacific students with their representatives, look for profiles on our candidates in the next issue of The Pacifican. If you are interested in filling one of these positions, contact ASUOP at 946-2233 and ask about how you can be a Write-In Candidate.

Tune into “The 45th Annual GRAMMY Awards” on Sunday night.

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Cambodian flag presented to Pacific

The Cambodian flag donated to Pacific was handmade in Cambodia.

By Jemily Ancheta
Staff Writer

Tuesday February 4, 2003
at 11:00 a.m. a small group of people gathered at Bechtel, the department of International Studies to witness a momentous event here at Pacific. Donna Chelsire, a resident in Stockton, represented the Cambodian community of Stockton. She was introduced around Campus and was amazed by all the flags that were presented at Pacific.

The flag will be hung within the International Studies building to represent all Cambodians here at Pacific. The flag was made by the hands of Polly Kheiw's mother in Cambodia.

"We wanted all Cambodians at Pacific to feel a sense of togetherness with everyone at Pacific and we thought that the flag will hopefully gap that bridge," said Polly Kheiw.

The idea of the flag being given to Pacific began as Prince Sreyvouth of Cambodia came to Pacific in September for a luncheon. As he was introduced around Pacific's campus he entered the Bechtel International Studies building and was amazed by all the flags that were represented at Pacific. Although he was amazed by it he was also disappointed to see that the Cambodian flag was not there. He felt that there were a great amount of Cambodia's here at Pacific and that they should be represented and recognized. So he asked Kheiw to have a flag made and he hung at Pacific's International Studies building to represent all Cambodians.

Thin Rim a Cambodian student at Pacific said, "I feel more part of the school now that the flag is here. It will also help restore the Cambodian identity."

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Hoping the flag at Pacific will hopefully help Cambodians have a sense of belonging here at Pacific and in part of the Cambodian Community. Little by little Pacific is coming more diverse with students and we are all gaining a little sense of every culture. It is a benefit to help recognize Cambodians here at Pacific.

Sohat Sorn, a Cambodian, who is a resident in Stockton said, "This event has made me feel the spirit of Cambodia."

What Pacific is doing is such a small thing but it is great."

Award-winning war documentary showing

The never-before-told story of the U.S. Army's 1st and 2nd Filipino Infantry Regiments, made up of more than 7,000 immigrants and sons of immigrants will be shown in the award-winning documentary, "An Untold Triumph," at University of the Pacific. The two screenings will be on Saturday, Feb. 22 from 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. in the Rotunda of the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

Pacific's Jacoby Center for Community and Regional Studies is sponsoring the documentary screenings because of the high regard for Filipino regiments in America and Philippine history will take place from 1-3 p.m. in the Wendall Fine Center, Room 140.

"An Untold Triumph" is narrated by actor Lou Diamond Phillips made its world premiere on Nov. 4 2002 at the Hawaii International Film Festival, where it won coveted "Blockbuster Audience Award". The documentary will be broadcast on PBS stations this year where it is planned to reach millions of viewers.

Engineering Graphics Using AutoCAD 2002: Tue/Thur. February 25-27 and March 4-6, 5:30-9:30 pm (Anderson #107) 1 extended education unit $150

Overview of Buddhism: Sat. March 1, 9am-5:30pm and Sun. March 2, 9am-5pm (WPC #219) 1 extended education unit $155

Jane Austen on the Big Screen: Sat. March 22, 9am-5:30pm & Sun. March 23, 9am-5pm (WPC #140) 1 extended education unit $140

The Art of Tai Chi Chuan: for the Beginner: Sat/Sun., March 22-23, 8am-4pm (Callison Hall) 1 extended education unit $120

World Faith: Al-Islam: Fri. March 28, April 4 & 11, 4-10pm and Sat. March 29 & April 5, 8am-5pm (WPC #122) 2 extended education units $190

Buddhism and Martial Arts In Cinema: Sat. March 29, 9am-5:30pm & Sun. March 30, 9am-5pm (WPC #140) 1 extended education unit $140

Walt Whitman Poetry Slam Weekend: Sat/Sun., March 29 & 30: 9am-6:30pm (WPC #219) 1 extended education unit $145

To register, call 946-2424 or stop by the Center for Professional & Continuing Education, Burns Tower, 5th Floor. Students may charge to student account.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Feb. 20—Faculty Soapbox Series: Lester Deanes

Feb. 20, 21 (8 p.m.), Feb. 22 (5 p.m.)—"Vagina Monologues" in the Long Theater. $10 for general admission and $7 for Pacific students.

Feb. 20—Campus Safety Walk. Meet in front of Burns tower at 8 p.m.

Feb. 20—AASU Pacific Hour Event Freestyle Thursday Hip-Hop in the McCaffrey Center @ 12 p.m.

Feb. 20—Historian Runoko Rashidi to speak in the Buck Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 21—AASU Formal: "A Night in Black Satin" in Raymond Great Hall at 6 p.m. $20 per person which includes dinner, a guest speaker and dancing.

Feb. 21—The University Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Professor Nicolas Waldvogel, will perform music by Haydn, de Falla and a viola concerto by Takeminicu featuring Madeline Prager at 7:30 p.m. in Faye Spanos Concert Hall. Tickets are $6 for general admission, $4 for seniors and free for Pacific students.

Feb. 22—NSBE Quiz Bowl in WPC 140 at 8 a.m.

Feb. 22—Black Greek Letters Comedy Showcase at Faye Spanos Concert Hall at 8:30 p.m. General admission is $10 (portion of proceeds going to Stockton's San Joaquin Boys Choir). For more ticket information call 932-3406.

Feb. 23—Sacramento Kings Game at 3:30 p.m. Contact ASUOP for more information at 946-2233.

Feb. 24—Phi Beta Sigma Frat. Inc./ESBSA Career Panel in the Regents Dining Room at 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 26—Jazz at the Summit-Pacific Sextet at 8:00 p.m. in the Summit Café.
By Angelo Richards
Staff Writer

Three Tamil Tiger rebels in Sri Lanka killed themselves last week when they blew up their boat. The three were found smuggling antiaircraft guns and hundreds of rounds of ammunition into the country. Defense officials were having two European inspectors search the boat when the explosion happened; however, the inspectors escaped safely. Officials do believe that all three rebels are dead. The explosion happened just hours after the fifth peace talk with Berlin.

In Madrid, Spain, a Greek captain of the sunk oil tanker Prestige was let out of jail after paying a three million dollar bond. The captain had been charged with an environmental crime and disobeying Spanish authorities. Apostolos Mangouras was captain of the ship that was carrying 70,000 tons of crude oil. It seems as though 10,000 tons seeped to the bottom of the ocean about 130 miles off the Spanish Northwest coast. Mangouras was still on board the ship two days after the spill before he was arrested on suspicion. Fishermen are still collecting oil from the spill.

The play Nord-Ost reopened in Moscow, Russia this weekend. But this was not just any old play. The last time the musical was on stage at the Dubrovka Theater, 700 people were held hostage by a group of armed Chechens. Major Yuri Luzhkov said that the show was a symbol that people will live normal lives despite threats. The crowd was full of political officials, Russian celebrities, and past hostages, who gave the performers a standing ovation. The reconstruction of stage pieces alone from the hostage incident was $75,000.

On Saturday, February 8, Thailand reopened its border with Cambodia after a week of shut down. The closing was due to anti-Thai rioters who torched the Thai embassy in Phnom Penh. But the government decided to open the 500 mile border again because of economic reasons. As expected, thousands of Cambodians rushed into Thailand to stock up on food and necessities, for it is too expensive in their own country. Thailand is okay with the opening right now, but expects full compensation for the burning.

Brazillian President Luiz da Silva has been in office for only a month. In that time he has impressed foreign statesmen, financial investors, and the majority of his citizens; surprisingly the only people who are not behind him right now are legislators of his own party (Worker’s Party). His plan for economic growth and social justice in Brazil has many legislators concerned; they feel it will hurt the working class financially which will ruin the goal of their party.
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NEWS

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Finding out there's an internship for people like you: priceless

cds (this year alone): $300

vintage rock posters: about $40 each

frame for concert ticket stubs: $13

used turntable: $20

guitar pick necklace: $.75

Letter from neighbor complaining about music: $0

Apply for a summer internship with Interscope/Geffen/A&M Records at mastercard.com. You could be sent to Nashville, where you'll spend five weeks teaming from industry bigwigs. You might even be flown to LA to work on the Jurassic S album Power in Numbers. There are some things money can't buy. For everything else there's MasterCard.*
When "Star Wars" comes alive

By Jacquelyn Archambault
Guest Writer

Your favorite movie, "Star Wars" is just about to start. You have your bowl of popcorn, favorite soft drink and candy and your favorite chair. You aim the remote towards the television set and turn it on only to see, "This just in: breaking news from Fox. President Bush declares war on Iraq. The war has started. This just in: Bush has declared war!"

If you think "Star Wars" is just supposed to be a movie, think again. The empire who strikes first is not the rebel base, nor is it Darth Vader's fully operational Battle Station. Star Wars is a real-life weapon defense plan consisting of a U.S. governmental proposed arsenal of National Missile Defense Weapons (NMD). This was started by and promoted through defense contractors and President Ronald Reagan in the 1980s. The government has spent decades testing and launching missiles; however, this project still remains a theory, while taxpayers have spent approximately $120 billion in supporting this plan. Meanwhile, while the Pentagon continues to test the plan, current costs rise to over $60 billion trying to deploy the missile defense system. The Star Wars legacy is chalked full of big budgets with little progress to show for this theory. In Reagan's speech in June of 1987, he said, "Tear down this wall."

Yes, the wall came down and subsequently the Soviet Union collapsed; however, Star Wars was never firmly established as a fully functional and working program. Yet taxpayers still foot the bill for a realistic plan or fully operational test.

French President, Jacques Chirac quoted in "The New York Times" in December of 2000 said, "If you look at world history, ever since men began waging war, you will see that there's a permanent race between sword and shield. The sword always wins. The more improvements are made to the shield, the more improvement are made to the sword. We think that these [anti-missile] systems are just going to spur sword-makers to intensify their efforts."

Kofi Annan, U.N. Secretary General of the U.N. said in August of 2001, "Within the scientific community there is widespread skepticism that such [NMD] systems could ever work effectively. Real concern [lies in] that the deployment could lead to a new arms race, set bad nuclear disarmament and STARNETS role.

"Vanity Fair" responds to letter

Editors apologize for Dame Edna's comments

By Elizabeth Vigil
Editor-in-Chief

I am writing to the Pacific community to show them the great power of the pen. In last week's issue of "The Pacifican," I wrote an editorial regarding the comments Dame Edna, a columnist for "Vanity Fair," made to the Spanish speaking community. Prior to that editorial, I sent the editors of "Vanity Fair" a very lengthy e-mail expressing my rage and concern. In response to my e-mail they sent me, as well as others who responded, this letter:

"Dear Reader:

We are writing you to relay our distress at the reaction a column in the February issue of "Vanity Fair" has caused you and others within the Latin community in the United States and elsewhere, and to explain the reasoning behind our decision to publish the column, the effect of which has been the exact opposite of what we intended. Our intent, in short, was to mock the very ethnic stereotypes that some have accused us of reinforcing.

Dame Edna Everage is a fictitious character created and portrayed by the Australian entertainer and author Barry Humphries. Edna is a caricature of a certain type of small-minded, socially ambitious, vaguely upper-class person. Those familiar with Dame Edna's performances understand that her politically incorrect and often insulting utterances are meant as a parody of backward attitudes Humphries finds irritating or offensive.

When we hired Barry Humphries two years ago to write a satirical advice column in Dame Edna's name, we did so on the comedic premise that Dame Edna is the last person on Earth that anyone would go to for sound advice. In stark contrast to a serious advice columnist, Dame Edna takes her questioners' worst assumptions and runs with them. When, for instance, in the same column that has caused so much con-
Do not drill in Alaska

By Teresa Schour
Guest Writer

Remember Exxon Valdez? Yes, one of the worst envi­
ronmental catastrophes of all time. Dying birds soaked in oil. Sea otters froze after the spill. They could no longer keep them warm. All of these things happened, and could once again.

On Jan. 14 this year, government scientists declared that oil patches left are still releasing toxins that harm sea life in Alaska. At the same time, the government is making another attempt to start oil drilling in Alaska’s Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR). In his proposed budget, submitted to congress on Feb. 3, President George W. Bush calls to open the refuge to drilling and begin leasing tracts in the refuge to oil companies in 2005.

In view of impending war with Iraq, a good idea. Also, not a bad idea if your name is George W. Bush. Calls to open the refuge to drilling and begin leasing tracts in the refuge to oil companies in 2005.

The Arctic Refuge is among the most complete, pristine and undisturbed ecosystems on Earth. It is a unique wilderness in northeast Alaska and home to 130 species of birds, grizzlies, musk oxen, wolves, arctic foxes, wolverines, eagles and polar bears.

However, the area in question, where drilling would occur, is the coastal plain of the Refuge. That according to Rep. Cliff Stearns, Fla. is “a frozen desert with few signs of life.”

This is a bold statement considering that this coastal plain is not only home to the wildlife mentioned above, but also the birthing and nursery grounds for the 135,000 member porcupine caribou herd, one of the hemisphere’s largest caribou herds. This herd travels hundreds of miles from the U.S. and Canada to the plain - a spectacle that reminds us of the enormous buffalo herds that once wandered along the Great Plains. And they have no alternative - much like the people whose lives depend upon them. Without the caribou, the native Gwich’in people would lose their source of food and clothing as well as their cultural identity.

According to a statement of the Sierra Club, a national environmental group, this fragile coastal plain is the last five percent of the entire North slope of Alaska that is not available to oil and gas exploration. To put it in another way, about 95 percent are already open.

Drilling in the refuge would mean hundreds of miles of roads and pipelines, blocking the movement of wildlife, toxic wastes contaminating wetlands, rivers stripped of millions of tons of gravel needed for construction, living quarters for thousands of workers, air pollution and the constant noise of equipment.

In short, drilling would destroy the fragile ecological balance of the Arctic Refuge. What for? To fuel our cars a few months longer?

The United States possess three percent of the world’s oil reserves. We consume, however, 25 percent of world-wide production. To put it in a different way: American people constitute seven percent of the world population, but use up one-third of the energy produced worldwide.

Something is going wrong here. Environmentalists believe that the oil extracted from the region would only last around six months. The U.S. Geological Survey estimates that there is a 50 percent chance of finding a nine month’s supply of oil. No matter who you believe, the resources will not last forever, neither will those of other countries.

Sooner or later, we will have to start seriously thinking about ways of producing renewable energy.

Why not now and make future generations a priceless present?

Once you start drilling, there is no way back. Pandora’s Box will be open, and the complex ecosystem will start changing. It does not have to take another spill to make sure that this unique region will never be the same again.

Don’t you think so? Probably you do. Most of us would nod now, feel a little concerned, and go on with our lives. But that is the problem, because we are the people who use all that energy. Keep that in mind. The next time you fill your car’s giant fuel tank with gas, or your family’s fourth car. Maybe the next time I ask you to walk instead of drive with me to S-Mart you will not call me crazy.

We may only be able to help in small ways, but awareness of the problem is the first step. Preserving the world’s last precious pieces of wilderness is important. As the Sierra Club puts it: “Drilling in the refuge would be as shortsighted as damming the Grand Canyon for hydroelectric power. It would be as foolhardy as burning the Mona Lisa to keep you warm.”

Eliminating the dividend

By Kristen Hess
Guest Writer

Opinions run deep in the hearts of many Americans that know what President Bush is doing to our economy. Since Bush has only proposed his tax cut, it is not in effect yet. So, you still have a chance to pick a side.

But, before you do, remember that Bush revealed his stimulus program on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2003 to virtually eliminate 100 percent of the dividend “stock” tax, which he says will bring in upwards of $600 billion in 10 years to boost our economy.

This tax cut is all about stock. When you invest in stock, you are doing it for a few reasons. One, you have a lot of extra cash flow and putting it into stock is a great way to boost your interest. Two, you have a retirement plan through your job and probably do not know that mutual funds invested your money into stock. Three, when you were 13 you got what looked to you as a crappy gift from your uncle; a few shares in a no-name company. Or four, you are poor, you have no retirement plan and you do not have an uncle.

Stockholders pay 20 percent. The increments of the tax get larger when you make more money. Thanks to an interview with Professor Keefe, an economics teacher here at Pacific, I got a tax explanation. His example: If you make $10,000, you do not make you pay a tax. When you make $60,000, you could pay a 25 percent dividend tax, and when you make $300,000 a year you could pay a 39 percent of the dividend tax.

What Bush is trying to propose is to eliminate the tax you pay on stock, making it zero percent. The poor will not be getting a check, the middle class will see they are making more money, but the elite class will definitely see more dollar signs.

When the rich do not pay dividend tax, they will see their stock prices go up, and for this tax cut to work, they have to spend money in the economy. Being the top 10 percent of our total population puts the pressure on the rich to spend. In an article by Kashif S. Mansori he said, “Those wealthy families are exactly the ones least likely to spend the extra money. That’s why the effect on the economy will be tiny.”

Does this look like a rich person’s pay off tax plan? “Bush is not for the middle class,” said Nicole Goulart, a sophomore at Pacific. She agrees with those that oppose this tax because it is too much of a hand out to elite and corporate America. Sophomore Brenna Doyle saw some good in this long-term plan. She said, “If there is a tax cut that happens over many years, people are more likely to feel safe enough to spend their money.”

If Bush wants the gross domestic product (GDP) to grow, then why did he pick this tax on stock dividends? He says he wants to help the working citizens; he wants to create more jobs and raise the GDP. This tax cut is not the most efficient way to do it. Bush needs to aim the money to the middle class directly if he wants to create more jobs, and there are better tax cuts available that would raise GDP. There is a way that Bush would ever say he is trying to help the wealthy. But Keefe said it best: “If he was trying to change the dividend tax to favor the rich, he did a good job.”
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By Jacki Evans
Staff Writer

Free speech is on trial

Ideally we like to believe that we do our part to help "humanity." We donate canned food during the holiday season and do not mind donating old clothes to the Salvation Army. We feel as though we have gone a little further in our way to help the "greater good." We can be confident that someone is going to eat the canned soup we donated to the homeless shelter or wear the jacket we took down to the Goodwill. But what if you could not be sure that your good intentions really helped a person in need? In a case before the Supreme Court this month, the nine justices will have to decide how far the First Amendment goes in protecting those who take advantage of your generosity. In doing so, they will influence the way we as Americans help those in need.

In late November of 2001, the Supreme Court of Ill. heard and decided the case of The People of the State of Illinois vs. Telemarketing Associates, Inc. Telemarketing Associates, a professional fundraising organization hired by several non-profit organizations, has collected donations and consequently not that donors that only 15 percent of donations actually went to charity. In short, if Telemarketing Associates collected $10, the people in need the starving, homeless, sick and needy would only see a fraction of that money.

The attorney general claims that this is fraudulent and I agree.

However, the Illinois Supreme Court does not agree. They claim that by requiring a specific percentage of donations to go to charity they limit the freedom of speech of individuals. While I usually am particularly passionate about guaranteeing constitutional rights, especially the first amendment, I have no sympathy for Telemarketing Associates Inc. The Illinois Supreme Court affirms there was no violation, but I feel violated! As a matter of fact, I feel ripped off, fooled and deceived.

In a busy world where there are not enough hours in the day, people hardly have time to breathe, let alone donate hours of their time to charitable organizations. But, while we may not have the time to help, we at least recognize the significance of homeless shelters for homeless, battered women and children, soup kitchens and blood banks. Therefore, in an effort to "do our part," we donate money, the bread of life, for these organizations. But, if we as Americans cannot even donate money to charity without it slipping into the hands of corrupt corporations why should we do anything at all?

I think that is the real question. What the Supreme Court decides in March will determine how others react to opportunities to "do our part." While not every donation collector is fraudulent, or is attempting to deceive me, how will I know the difference? And if I cannot tell the difference, will I still donate? The answer to the question is "no!"

The Supreme Court is doing more than just deciding a freedom of speech case; they are influencing how I view the world and what I and every other American will do to help.

non-proliferation policies and create new incentives for missile proliferation. I trust that states will weigh these factors very carefully before embarking on a path that could jeopardize the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty and reduce, rather than enhance, global security.

At present, Bush has formerly confirmed that he will move ahead with the missile defense system despite some concerns from our NATO allies. The President has stated in the past that he intends to deploy. Bush has done his best to fulfill two of his campaign promises, which were to deploy the NMD and reduce the U.S. nuclear arsenal. Some believe however, that continuing with the Star Wars Missile Defense Plan will actually destroy the chances for elimination of nuclear weapons.

There are approximately 36,000 nuclear weapons in the world. Thousands of these are on a hair-trigger alert and more than one-third of these are ready to launch at a moments notice, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. No wonder it is reasonable to realize that many are wary to start a war with Iraq. The U.S. is still trying to figure out just how many nuclear and biological weapons Saddam Hussein holds in his hands.

Of course, according to the President, the game with Saddam is over, and if we have to go it alone, so be it. Is this really wise? Maybe the President has already gone so far that with the majority vote and public pressure he has to let his "yes" mean yes, and his "no" mean no.

Luke Skywalker once said to his father Darth Vader, "I have to save you," where after, Vader tells his son, "You already have Luke, you already have."}

Maybe, by Iraq watching the actions and good faith of a loving and trusting country, we may eventually win this misguided land over. It is only too bad that this line of thought can only be attributed to euphoria. Unlike the fairy tale of the evil father turning back from his ways, Iraq has unfortunately gone too far, and we can only pray for the humble citizens of this afflicted country.
Better living through TV

George Foreman’s

Big Book of Grilling, Barbecue, and Rotisserie

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Better living through TV

By Shane Circis
Staff Writer

If you happen to be an insomniac television junkie like me, chances are you have seen your fair share of infomercials. For those of you who do not know, infomercials are commercials which spend a half-hour or even a full hour of airtime to tout the latest knick-knack that promises to simplify your life, enhance your sex appeal and keep you more entertained than a barrelful of chain-smoking monkeys.

Ostensibly programs, rather than commercials, infomercials are often hosted by a way-overzealous pitchman and his bubbly, attractive female co-host, who will spend the bulk of the airing doing their damndest to convince you, Mr. and Ms. Consumer, that the product in question is the best thing since sliced bread. I am such a pushover, that the product in question is the best thing since sliced bread. I am such a pushover, that the product in question is the best thing since sliced bread.

He-Man," but I do remember commercials for "Legos" featuring "Zack, the Lego Maniac." And do not get me started on those jingles and catch phrases the old "Chi-Chi-Chi Chia!" line, is permanently etched on a couple of my brain cells that could most definitely be put to better use.

That is what you get for growing up immersed in a consumer-culture.

This is where Lou Harry and Sam Stall figure in. Their book, "As Seen on TV: 50 Amazing Products and the Commercials That Made Them Famous" is a wonderfully kitschy trip down our corporate-manufactured collective memory bank. The book compiles a wide range of bric-a-brac that ranges from the sublimely ridiculous to outright ludicrous to surprisingly useful. I had serious flashbacks of 80s Saturday mornings with the book’s coverage of products like "Mr. Microphone" and the "Pocket Fisherman" (which, surprisingly, is still on the market).

Several familiar faces make cameo appearances in the book. Some include the Godfather of infomercials, Ron Popeil—even if the name does not sound familiar I will bet dollars to donuts that most of you have seen his face in connection with one of his dozens of TV spots for the latest Ronco (Ron-co, get it?) product. Smiling George Foreman makes an appearance in the section about the Lean, Mean, Fat-Reducing Grilling Machine. Ladies’ man Richard Simmons shows up in the fitness section. Even Matthew Lesko, the guy with the crazy question-mark suits, appears in the "Get Rich Quick!" chapter. Whew.

If I was a more cynical man, I would question the notion of basing a book on television commercials many of us would sooner forget. If I was more jaded, I would suggest that this book is yet another cog in the machinery of soulless consumerism which threatens to rob us of our identity. I, however, am not cynical or jaded. This book is lots of fun. You will find it at Barnes and Noble in the Television and Film section. One caveat: last time I was there, I saw only two or three copies and you know what that means. Act now! Do not delay! Supplies are limited!!! Thank you very much.

Having been thoroughly brainwashed by television advertising since childhood, I now count memories of cheesy TV commercials as part of my nostalgic trip down memory lane.

I recall the ads that would air during "Thundercats" and "Transformers" better than I remember the shows themselves. I cannot think of a single episode of, say, "Transformers" where a missile destroyed a city. Most memorable was the ad for "Mr. Microphone" which featured a voice over by the voice of the animated character, "Mr. Microphone," saying, "I’m the best thing since sliced bread."

By Stephanie Segien
Sports Editor

Tired of those late night runs to Viva Burrito? Jack in the Box is just not cutting it anymore? The thought of a McDonald’s Big Mac makes you nauseous? Me too!

While Stockton has an endless array of unhealthy fast food restaurants, sometimes you just want some chicken wings.

My group of friends and I have an obsessive chicken wing fetish. We constantly crave the juicy buffalo goodness, but always seem to be disappointed in our pursuit for the perfect wing.

As a result, I have found a restaurant that sells eight different types of wings. You have to check this place out.

I immediately grabbed my keys and headed for the nearest exit in pursuit of finding the ultimate wing joint. When I arrived at the Wing Stop, my eyes lit up and I realized that my fast food preferences were about to make a drastic change.

The Wing Stop is located on the corner of March and West Lane across from Mountain Mike’s Pizza and is open from 4 p.m. to midnight daily. Want wings to-go? No problem! Call ahead and pick-up your scorching hot wings in just 16 minutes. The menu is very reasonably priced and offers all the flavors you desire.

You can choose between eight delicious flavors of wings including original hot, Cajun, atomic, mild, teriyaki, lemon pepper, Hawaiian barbecue and garlic parmesan. My favorite combination is the original hot and the Cajun. Use extreme caution when ordering the atomic wings because they could potentially burn a hole through the roof of your mouth. I am speaking from experience.

Also, Wing Stop has six different beers on tap and a fridge full of imports to quench your wing-induced thirst. This is a great environment to sit down with a group of friends and watch the big game over a beer and wings. I swear that somewhere there is some unwritten law that beer, chicken wings and sports belong together. The Wing Stop is an endless Superbowl party and provides its customers with quality chicken wings.

So, if you love chicken wings as much as I do, check out the Wing Stop. I might see you there!
Question of the week
Will the anti-war protests have any influence over whether or not we go to war with Iraq?

“Not at all. The decision has already been made; we’re going to war.”
-Nick Chow, Graduate student

“No, the majority of our population is too apathetic about the war to make a difference.”
-Georgette Rodarakis, News Editor

“I don’t think so. I think Bush has made up his mind to take the US into a war with Iraq.”
-Jenny Young, Sophomore

“No, despite protests, the steps toward war haven’t showed any signs of slowing.”
-Alex Pagonis, Senior

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File and smile! Or forget and regret ;(
By Suzanne Shenk  
Staff Writer

It is that time of year! "The 45th Annual GRAMMY Awards" will commence in Madison Square Garden, the first return to New York since 1998. On Sunday, Feb. 23, you can witness history in the making on CBS beginning at 8 p.m. (ET/PT).

Newcomers and respected veterans alike will engage in captivating performances and compete for the coveted statuettes.

"This year's nominations reflect the diversity and eclecticism that make music our universal language," said Recording Academy President Neil Portnow.

One of the highest honors, Album of the Year, includes a well-rounded assortment of artists from the appealing raps of Eminem and Nelly, to the fresh jazz/pop vocals of Norah Jones, to the country-twanged Dixie Chicks and lastly, Bruce Springsteen's inspiring Sep. 11 tribute album.

Up for Record of the Year are Vanessa Carlton ("A Thousand Miles"), Eminem ("Without Me"), Norah Jones ("Don't Know Why"), Nelly featuring Kelly Rowland ("Dilemma") and Nickelback ("How You Remind Me").

A favorite category, Best New Artist, includes such newcomers as Ashanti, Michelle Branch, Norah Jones, Avril Lavigne and John Mayer. Artists achieving five "GRAMMY" nods each include Ashanti, Norah Jones, Avril Lavigne, Sheryl Crow, Eminem, Raphael Saadiq and Bruce Springsteen.

Two new categories emerge in the addition of Best Contemporary R&B Album and Best Urban/Alternative Performance where artists such as Brandy, Faith Evans, India.Arie and Erykah Badu make an appearance.

An impressive list of artists has signed onto the "GRAMMY" lineup this year. Performers most recently announced include Eminem, Sheryl Crow with Lenny Kravitz, a tribute to Joe Strummer and the Clash featuring Elvis Costello, Tony Kanal (No Doubt), Bruce Springsteen and Steve Van Zandt, and a "GRAMMY" Legend Award honor to the Bee Gees with a performance by *NSYNC.

Other slated artists include Coldplay with members of the New York Philharmonic, Faith Hill, Norah Jones, Nelly with Kelly Rowland, Ashanti, Dixie Chicks, Vanessa Carlton, Avril Lavigne, John Mayer, No Doubt, James Taylor and Yo-Yo Ma.

Check out www.grammy.com for continuous "GRAMMY" coverage.
By Tara Reinhordt
Staff Writer

It is February and the weather is already changing. This means more time outside in the sun. There is nothing like those first days in the sun when you remember how good it feels when you skin soaks up those rays. It is also the time when we start to think about less clothes, barbecues and slurpees. We will soon be wishing that we were outside rather than in class.

This nice weather also means that it is the start of baseball season. Not only do we have the pleasure of following our favorite pro-team, but we can also enjoy our own baseball team here at Pacific. They have started their season already and it looks like it could be a good one. With the new freshman and some transfers the team has gotten a facelift that may lead them to a winning season.

All the team needs now is the support of its fans. And who would not like to go spend an afternoon watching a game? For one, the games are absolutely free for students. The majority of their games are on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, in the afternoons and evenings. I strongly suggest making a day out of it. It is very simple to make an afternoon game a fun outing with friends.

First off get a hold of your friends and get them to come. Then on your way to the game stop can also enjoy our own baseball team here at Pacific. They have started their season already and it looks like it could be a good one. With the new freshman and some transfers the team has gotten a facelift that may lead them to a winning season.

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- Table Tennis Tournament – Thurs. Feb. 13
- Outdoor Soccer Leagues – ongoing opna Feb. 19
- Fitness Challenge – 3rd March
- Complete Schedule available in Recreation Office Main Camp

Sport Clubs: Home Games
- Men’s Lacrosse – Sat. Feb 8 – Brookside Field – 1pm
- Men’s Rugby – Sat. Apr 15 – Zanderman Field – 1pm
- Women’s Lacrosse – Sat. Feb 8 – Zanderman Field – 1pm

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Junior Evan Bishop is up to bat. Come out and support our baseball team this weekend in their five-game series against Coppin State University.

Your fair skin, put on some sunscreen, and bring your sunglasses, or you will not be able to watch the game.

Now all you have to do is go to the game. Sit and enjoy the food and the game all while getting some much-needed sun. If you want to really into it look up the team on the Internet that way you know who is up to bat. If this does not sound like enough fun then try to gamble or place little bets throughout the game between your friends.

So the next time a game falls on a sunny day, you know what to do. Make the most of it and enjoy a baseball game at Pacific.

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"The Recruit" is thrilling
An inside look into the secret world of the CIA

By Beau Davies
Staff Writer

First it was with "No Way Out" in 1987, then with "13 Days" in 2001 and now Roger Donaldson has established himself as one of the best directors in the political thriller with his newest movie "The Recruit." Taking an all-star cast with Al Pacino, Colin Ferrell and Bridget Moynahan, and a creative storyline, the film sends you on a series of twists and turns and into the heart of the Central Intelligence Agency. Al Pacino plays the senior instructor Walter Burke. There could not have been anyone better cast for the part. Burke's character is a strong, silent type whose every look commands respect.

His recruit is a computer genius from MIT named James Clayton (Colin Ferrell) who desperately wants to find out the truth behind his father's real life. Driven by this void in his life, Clayton joins the CIA on the promise that he will find out everything he wants to know about his father if he makes it through training camp. This is where the movie gets interesting.

Clayton is taken to "The Farm," the small hideaway in the middle of the woods, where the CIA sends their top recruits to be trained. The Farm has a tough, rugged, "Tigerland" feeling to it, which ironically Ferrell is no stranger to.

Here is where the recruits go through a series of mind games, play with cool gadgets, and the audience gets to look through what seems to be a window into the heart of the CIA.

"The Farm" is not just a bunch of young tough guys blowing up cars and jumping out windows, it is also the setting for our love story. When they first arrive at "The Farm," Clayton immediately locks eyes with the stunning Layla (Bridget Moynahan) and his sights are quickly set on wooing her, as well as making it through camp.

This was not just the typical damsels in distress/knight in shining armor love story; Donaldson did a good job not making the love story part of the plot too cheesy. The focus on the movie was not saving her from the bad guy, she was just part of the equation.

Overall the movie followed the typical guidelines for an action/thriller, but had enough of its own twists and turns to keep you interested. Al Pacino and Colin Ferrell were able to give the movie a more realistic feel together. It may not be the most intellectual movie out there, but it is very entertaining.
“Cry” draws a line in country

By Paula Krueger
Staff Writer

As the music industry’s biggest day rounds the corner, otherwise known as “The GRAMMY’S,” critics are casting their predictions on who the lucky winners will be. One of the various nominees is the talented country music singer Faith Hill. Calling her a country singer, though, may be stretching it a bit. Her latest album “Cry” seems to linger more in the realm of pop.

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Kowloon Café

By Sarah Nakaji
Staff Writer

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"Daredevil" is a marvel

By Elizabeth Vigil
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Ben Affleck and Jennifer Garner battle it out in “Daredevil.”

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Softball comes out swinging for the fence

By Krystine Ongbongan
Staff Writer

Saturday was a great day for spectators, as there were three Pacific teams in action. The softball team came out of the weekend 3-4, splitting against Santa Clara and demolishing Saint Mary's.

The doubleheader against Santa Clara started off on Saturday with a bang, while the softball game was beginning with the national anthem; the pep band was playing some sort of jungle melody at the water polo game. It was quite amusing, but that did not put off junior Jennifer Dacre.

Dacre was pitching a no-hitter into the top of the seventh inning with two outs, when Santa Clara's first baseman Tracie Hall got lucky and hit a homerun. That homerun won the game for Santa Clara with a final score of 1-0.

Their second meeting was not so lucky for Santa Clara, the Tigers started off early, by scoring first in the first and then scoring three more in the third inning. Senior Barbara Moody was the most successful Tiger of the game with three RBIs and she was also two for three at bat. The Tigers went on to win the game, 5-1.

The Sunday doubleheader against Saint Mary's was delayed due to weather and was instead played on Monday.

The extra day did not help Saint Mary's, as the Tigers swept the Aggies in both games, 6-3 in the season's final game of the weekend's wins.

The team will be playing for the next few weekends, including the NFCA Leadoff Classic in Columbia, Mo., from Feb. 21 until Feb. 22. They will also play at Worth Invitational, at Eastern Michigan, in Flint, Mich., from Feb. 28 to March 3, and then they will head to Fla. for the USF Speedo Tournament from March 6-9. The Tigers next home game will be against Long Island University-Steinman on March 16.

Volleyball surges ahead over rival Long Beach State

By Ryan Andress
Staff Writer

The ninth-ranked men's Tigers volleyball team turned the tables on sixth-ranked rival Long Beach State. The Tigers fought off match point in game four, then rallied to beat Long Beach State (30-25, 27-30, 25-30, 31-29, 17-15) Feb. 12 at the Spanos Center.

"It seemed like a struggle for both teams to be consistent," Wortmann said. "And we were really on the ropes in game four."

Yes, the Tigers were down but certainly not out. The 49ers led 2-1 in games and 29-27, but Pacific freshman Brian Edwards served four consecutive points to secure the victory.

"That was great. It just rejuvenated us," Wortmann said. "Everybody all of a sudden got a sparkle in their eye."

Sean Rodgers had 16 kills and nine blocks for Pacific, Aaron Wachtfogel had 22 kills and Chris Tamas had 61 assists. Scott Touzinsky had 29-27, but Pacific freshman Aaron Wachtfogel, who tallied 13 kills while hitting .524. Senior Martin Berntsen added 12 kills and sophomore, while Mauricio Brizuel added 10 kills. Senior setter Chris Tamas led with three RBIs and she was also two for three at bat. The Tigers went on to win the game, 5-1.

The surging Tigers were led by senior Aaron Wachtfogel, who tallied 13 kills while hitting .524. Senior Martin Berntsen added 12 kills and sophomore, while Mauricio Brizuel added 10 kills. Senior setter Chris Tamas led the way with 45 assists and nine digs. Sophomore libero Mike Gawlik added nine digs.

The Tigers hope they can keep up their momentum throughout the rest of the season.

Water Polo has a tough game with UC Davis

By Krystine Ongbongan
Staff Writer

Those crazy girls in swimsuits in the middle of inter, otherwise known as the water polo team, had a rough Saturday.

Ken with the pep band there to support them, they could not tally it together for a win. With only two girls on the roster, the team put into more power to win.

Those girls played well, but could not win. The team was instead played on Monday, at noon.

With nine saves, goalkeeper Julie Ross did her best to hold them off, but the strength of the Aggies along with poor officiating, got the best of the Tigers. The Aggies went on to score more in the next three quarters, while the Tigers could only score one more in the fourth to end the game 2-7. The loss this weekend puts the Tigers to 1-4 for the season.

The Pacific Water Polo team will be at the UC Davis Tournament next weekend, and then look ahead to their next home game, March 28 versus San Jose State, at 4 p.m.
Women's Basketball

It was not so much that Pacific finally played differently on the road. The Tigers simply played the way they have played much of the last month to beat Cal Poly 71-58 on Saturday night in San Luis Obispo.

It was the first road win for Pacific since Dec. 21 and first in Big West play.

"There's just a big change in how we're playing, period," said coach Craig Jackson. "Except for the Santa Barbara game, we've played well and Santa Barbara was a tough game. We'd handed them their only conference loss and they were playing at home. They were fired up. That was the toughest game we've been in and they played well. And Santa Barbara's a good team. They took LSU to triple overtime (Saturday)."

The Tigers were blown out by the Gauchos 10 days earlier, but were in winning form in Mott Gym.

They held the team leading the conference in offensive rebounds to nine and limited the 3-point threats to 1-of-12 from beyond the arc. Cal Poly (9-12, 5-6) shot 20.8 percent from the field in the first half and 32 percent for the game.

The Tigers finished with a 45-32 rebounding edge.

Pacific (9-13, 6-5) was as strong at the offensive end as it was at the defensive end.

The Tigers went inside without hesitation, got fouled often and shot 80 percent from the line, hitting 28-of-35 shots.

Forward Vanessa Dupont led the way with 15 points. Guard Nancy Dinges scored 12 and Gillian d'Hondt finished with 11.

The Tigers, who have won four of their last five games and have not lost a Big West game at home, play host to Long Beach State on Thursday and UC Irvine on Saturday.

Men's Tennis

The Pacific men's tennis team earned a 4-0 victory over host UNLV to claim the UNLV Spring Invitational title on Sunday, Feb. 16. The Rebels had won the tournament each of the previous seven years. With the victory, Pacific improved to 5-1 on the season and UNLV fell to 1-3.

Pacific claimed a 1-0 advantage after doubles play as the Tigers claimed doubles wins at the No. 2 and No. 3 positions. In singles action, the Tigers won in straight sets at the No. 4, No. 5, and No. 6 positions to clinch the match. The remaining three matches were then halted.

Pacific returns to action with a non-conference match at Portland on Friday, Feb. 21, at 1 p.m.

Pacific (4) at UNLV (0) at Las Vegas, Nevada

SINGLES
1. Arnar Sigurdsson (Pacific) vs. Henner Nehles (UNLV) - Did Not Finish
2. Maack /Sigurdsson (Pacific) vs. Joel Kielbowicz (UNLV) - Did Not Finish
3. Michael Duong (Pacific) vs. Aviram Salomon (UNLV) - Did Not Finish
4. Vincent Kubler (Pacific) def. Milos Blagojevic (UNLV) 6-2, 6-1
5. Nicolas Otte (Pacific) def. Joel Kielbowicz (UNLV) 6-4, 6-2
6. Maxime Lacroix (Pacific) def. Ryan Barber (UNLV) 6-0, 6-2
7. Maack /Sigurdsson (Pacific) def. Kielbowicz / Salomon (UNLV) - Did Not Finish
8. Tyler Black /Duong (Pacific) def. Barber /Blagojevic (UNLV) 8-1

DOUBLES
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WOMEN'S TENNIS

The Pacific Women's Tennis defeated UC Riverside 4-3 on Sunday, Feb. 16 at the Hal Nelson Tennis Courts.

With the victory, the Tigers improved to 2-4 overall, 1-1 in Big West Conference matches. UC Riverside falls to 2-4 on the season, 0-1 in Big West matches.

After UC Riverside won the doubles point, four Tigers won their singles matches, with sophomore Urska Dvorsek clinching the victory for the Tigers with a two-set victory over UC Riverside's Carolyn Mitchell.

PACIFIC 4, UC RIVERSIDE 3

Singles
1. Michelle Beyronneau (UCR) def. Katharina Heil (Pacific) 7-5, 5-7, 6-2
2. Viktoria Hizo (Pacific) def. Casey Cross (UCR) 6-0, 3-6, 6-2
3. Natalia Kostenko (Pacific) def. Kelley Takeshita (UCR) 7-5, 6-2
4. Urska Dvorsek (Pacific) def. Carolyn Mitchell (UCR) 6-4, 6-4
5. Jaimee Bremer (Pacific) def. Miranda Lagac (UCR) 6-4, 6-2
6. Kristina Schuster (UCR) def. Jessica Beauchene (Pacific) 6-2, 3-6, 6-2

The week in review

in the final eight minutes of the game as the Tigers tried to mount a comeback. All seven points were from the line as well, meaning the Mustangs were without a field goal during this stretch of the game.

Traveling to Long Beach might be just what this team needs. The last time the two teams met, Pacific trampled the 49ers by 33 points to begin a three-game winning streak.

In fact, of the next four Tiger opponents, the Tigers have lost to only UC Irvine. The other three teams (Long Beach State, Cal State Fullerton and UC Riverside) are already notches on Pacific's belt so far this year.

Even Irvine looks beatable. This should give Pacific some real motivation to climb back in the saddle again. There is no reason the Tigers cannot win all of their next four games.

The Tigers have shown what they are capable of this season, but it seems as though when they fall behind early they have trouble keeping up. To beat UC Irvine, the Tigers will not be able to fall behind early as they did the last time the two teams met.

If the Tigers come of the gate with intensity they will take care of Irvine and the next three games that are approaching. Good team basketball is the key. The Tigers are at their best when everyone helps and at least four players score in double digits. We will see what happens in this now crucial
Rain shortens race at the Daytona 500
By Ryan Andress
Staff Writer

The real race was against the weather.

Rain played a pivotal role in NASCAR's biggest race of the year the Daytona 500. At the end of the day, Michael Waltrip won the race when the sanctioning body called the Daytona 500, 91 laps before the standard finish.

NASCAR pushed the start of the race up almost 30 minutes in an effort to get as many laps in as possible. But with black clouds hovering, crew chiefs were forced to gamble on gas-only pit stops or taking tires in a chess match with the weather.

Waltrip, who took two tires on his final pit stop, raced for a chance to run for the lead by pushing past Jimmie Johnson on a restart on lap 106.

But caution came right back out when defending race winner Ward Burton wrecked, and before the field could go green again, heavy rain began to fall for the second time and NASCAR stopped the event.

Waltrip waited out a decision while sitting on the pit box with his wife, the cars covered in tarps sitting idle on pit road.

"If it's an official race and I won it, I don't even care if it rains," he said during the delay. "If it's an official race and I won it, I don't even care if it rains," he said during the delay.

Calling the race was not a popular decision, especially for those denied a chance to run for the win during the delay. Drivers called for the race to resume during the delay, to no avail.

"They don't stop the Bowl or the World title because of rain," Dale Jarrett said. "We might all look this down the road, affecting this race because of the biggest race and if it's a day or two to finish, we need to run 500 miles."

The Daytona 500 was shortened by 91 laps due to poor weather conditions in the Sunshine state.
The new NBA trend: Skipping college ball

The brightest stars in the NBA went straight from college to the pros. Is this choice becoming even more popular due to their success? Check it out!

By Elaine Goeders
Staff Writer

Kobe Bryant, Los Angeles Lakers
2002-2003 Stats:
- Points per game: 29.8
- Rebounds per game: 7.10
- Assists per game: 6.5

- A member of the 2000, 2001 and 2002 Los Angeles Lakers championship teams
- Was named MVP of the 2002 All-Star Game after tallying 31 points, 5 rebounds and 5 assists
- Won the Nestle Crunch Slam Dunk during the 1997 NBA All-Star weekend
- Made his NBA debut at the age of 18 years, 2 months and 11 days old, becoming the youngest player ever to appear in an NBA game
- Selected by "USA Today" and "Parade Magazine" as the National High School Player of the Year as a senior at Lower Merion High School

Tracey McGrady, Orlando Magic
2002-2003 Stats:
- Points per game: 30.5
- Rebounds per game: 6.8
- Assist per game: 5.0

- Voted a starter at the 2002 NBA All-Star Game
- Captured the NBA's Most Improved Player Award 2001-2002
- Tied a franchise playoff record with 42 points
- Named the "USA Today" Player of the Year and the North Carolina state Player of the Year by "The Associated Press" after his senior year at Mount Zion Christian Academy

Kevin Garnett, Minnesota Timberwolves
2002-2003 Stats:
- Points per game: 22.5
- Rebounds per game: 13.0
- Assist per game: 5.7

- MVP of the 52nd Annual All-Star Game in 2003
- Six-time NBA All-Star Selection
- 2-time selection to the All-NBA First Team
- 2001-02 All-NBA Second Team
- Named to the 1999-00 NBA All-Interview Second Team
- 3-time selection to the NBA All-Defensive First Team
Tigers fall short of consecutive sweeps

By Adam Ringer
Staff Writer

The Tigers fell short of completing their second consecutive series sweep by falling to the Portland Pilots (1-5) on Saturday. The Tigers (7-3) did manage to take two out of three games over the weekend behind strong pitching and timely hitting.

In Friday’s game, junior Matt Peña followed his eight-inning performance from a week ago by pitching a complete game and silencing the Pilots bats. Peña allowed six hits and only one run along with eight strikeouts to earn his second win of the season.

In the third inning, junior Octavio Amezquita lead things off by hitting a double to left center. After advancing to third on a ball in the dirt, junior Evan Bishop came through with an RBI single to right field.

The Tigers scored one last time in the eighth inning when sophomore Nick Sekiya doubled to left field. Senior Adam Alverson was then hit by a pitch bringing to the plate Amezquita who ripped a pitch to left for the go ahead RBI. “Being V-Day and all, we felt like we had to come out and do something special for the ladies,” said Alverson.

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THE SILENT EPIDEMIC
The Dangerous “Choice” Virus

I was 18 years old when I got pregnant. Since I had already enlisted in the Air Force, I thought I had to have an abortion in order to make something out of my life.

My best friend drove me to the abortion clinic. It was like an assembly line. When the ultrasound was being done I asked to see it. But this wasn’t allowed (so much for “an informed decision”). Then I asked how far along I was. I was told I was nine-and-a-half weeks pregnant. That hit me hard. I started doubting, and wanted to talk to my friend, but I wasn’t allowed to.

When it was my turn the nurse told me that I was going to feel some discomfort, like strong menstrual cramps. The truth is that the abortion was more pain than I’ve ever felt in my life. It felt like my insides were literally being sucked out of my body. Later I went into shock.

After the abortion, I tried to make up for it by trying to get pregnant again. I wanted my baby back. I never got pregnant again. I don’t know if I ever will.

Bulimia. I felt that no one had punished me for what I had done so I was punishing myself. I became obsessed with women who were pregnant. My life was in shambles! I was suffering from post-abortion trauma.

When I was 21 years old I received help from a woman who was involved with pro-life activism. I went through a program called “Conquerors.” Not only did I experience forgiveness, I was also challenged to help others. I answered the challenge!

I started sidewalk counseling. There is a healing process that comes from getting involved in the pro-life movement. I talk to youth groups and students and share my testimony. To them, and to you, I plead, “Please don’t make the same mistake I did.”

—Michelle C.
REPRODUCTIVE RACISM
By Akua Furlow

The vision of Planned Parenthood, founded in 1916 by Margaret Sanger, became the working arm toward eugenic goals. The stated vision was "reproductive freedom" for the wealthy white families and "birth control" for everyone else. While these terms have become synonymous, the original intent was not. The organization most responsible for the bigoted concepts of "Social Darwinism" was the American Eugenics Society. Founded in the early 1920's, this organization was an American arm of the British Eugenics Society which likewise embraced the white supremacy doctrine. Both organizations were based on the principles of survival of the "fittest" as taught by Charles Darwin's first cousin, Francis Galton, who described eugenics as "The science of improving stock...to give the more suitable races a better chance of prevailing speedily over the less suitable." The Society's stated purpose was..."to spread eugenic teaching and bring parenthood under the domination of eugenic ideals." Galton ranked white Northern and Eastern Europeans (Anglo-Saxons) as the superior "race" and all other racial groups as "inferior."

The American Eugenics Society fostered the Jim Crow laws of the South, the anti-Semitic doctrine that encouraged Nazi Germany during the Jewish Holocaust, and supported South African Apartheid. At a 1940 Birth Control League of America (later named Planned Parenthood) conference, Henry Pratt Fairchild, a leading American eugenicist, and Planned Parenthood board member said, "These two great movements, eugenics and birth control, have now come to such a thorough understanding and have drawn so close as to be almost indistinguishable."

Some have argued the significance of these historical facts by simply saying Sanger's association with the eugenic community was a strategic alliance to gain support for her birth control movement. Yet evidence shows there was more than a long term relationship between the American Eugenics Society and the Federation of Planned Parenthood. Historical documents prove that Planned Parenthood acted as the willful arm of this white supremacy group and even developed a plan, the Negro Project, as a propaganda program to infiltrate the black community posing "birth control as family planning" which would focus on the "health benefits" of child spacing.

Many Planned Parenthood "clinics" are intentionally located near large minority populations. It is improbable that this was in response to Sanger's desire to help poor women. Sanger said that charity was..."extortion from the wealthy given to those who should have never been born" and called poor families "human weeds."

Today, racial targeting by Planned Parenthood has resulted in a disproportionate number of minorities obtaining abortions and other birth control "services". Seeking the "services" of Planned Parenthood for reproductive health issues is as ludicrous as going to a Klu Klux Klan rally asking for advice on building race relations.

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Test Your Abortion I.Q.

1. On January 22, 1973 the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion through which month of pregnancy?
   A) 3rd month B) 4th month C) 6th month D) 9th month

2. Since abortion was legalized in 1973 the number of pre-born babies' lives extinguished by surgical abortion alone is:
   A) 6 million B) 20 million C) 33 million D) 43 million

3. About what percentage of pregnancies end in abortion?
   A) 15% B) 22% C) 33% D) 47%

4. What age group has the greatest number of abortions?
   A) 15-19 B) 20-24 C) 25-29 D) 30-34

5. Over 10 million black children have been aborted since abortion was legalized. This is what fraction of the present black population in the U.S.?
   A) 1/8 B) 1/5 C) 1/3 D) 1/2

6. According to a 1998 report by the Centers for Disease Control, how many late-term (>21 weeks of pregnancy) are performed annually?
   A) 3,700 B) 1,200 C) 8,000 D) 12,400

7. What percentage of teen pregnancies end in abortion?
   A) 30% B) 35% C) 38% D) 40%

8. What percent of abortions performed in the U.S. are repeat abortions?
   A) 30.5% B) 40.2% C) 47% D) 60.7%

9. What percent of women who have had abortions experience suicidal tendencies?
   A) 45% B) 62% C) 70% D) 77%

10. A developing baby's heart begins to beat at:
    A) 21 days B) 30 days C) 45 days D) 60 days

For the answers, turn to page 10.
“A Person’s A Person...”

Fertilization
The sperm joins with the ovum to form one cell. This one cell contains the complex genetic makeup for every detail of human development—the child’s sex, hair and eye color, height, skin tone, etc.

Month One
The first cell divides and cell division continues in an orderly fashion as the newly formed individual travels down the Fallopian tube to the uterus. There are over 100 cells present when this tiny embryo (the blastocyst*) reaches the uterus 7 to 10 days after fertilization. Foundations of the brain, spinal cord and nervous system are already established, and on day 21 the heart begins to beat in a regular fashion. Muscles are forming, and arms, legs, eyes and ears have begun to show. The embryo is 10,000 times larger than the first cell.

*The blastocyst is the stage at which many researchers want to destroy the embryo in order to harvest stem cells. Stem cells are the building blocks of life.

Month Two
Brain waves can be detected and the brain is controlling 40 sets of muscles as well as the organs. The jaw forms, including teeth buds in the gums. The eyelids seal during this time to protect the baby’s developing light-sensitive eyes, the stomach produces digestive juices, and the kidneys begin to function.

Month Three
Unique fingerprints are evident and never change. The baby now sleeps, awakens, and exercises her muscles by turning her head, curling her toes, and opening and closing her mouth—often sucking her thumb. She breathes amniotic fluid to help develop her respiratory system. By the end of the month all the organs and systems of her body are functioning.

Month Four
By the end of this month the baby is 8 to 10 inches in length and weighs about 1/2 pound. Her ears are functioning and she hears her mother’s heartbeat, as well as external noises. The mother begins to feel the baby’s movement. Life-saving surgery has been done on babies at this age.

Month Five
The baby is about 12 inches long. If a sound is especially loud, she may jump in reaction to it. Babies born prematurely at this stage of development often survive, thanks to advances in neonatal medicine.

Month Six
Oil and sweat glands are functioning. The baby’s delicate skin is protected in the amniotic sac by a special ointment called “vernix.”

Month Seven
The baby’s brain has as many cells as it will have at birth. The pre-born child uses the four senses of vision, hearing, taste, and touch. She can now recognize her mother’s voice.

Month Eight
The skin begins to thicken, with a layer of fat stored underneath for insulation and nourishment. The baby swallows a gallon of amniotic fluid per day. She often hiccups.

Month Nine
The baby is getting ready to be born. Of the 45 generations of cell divisions before adulthood, 41 have taken place in the womb. Only four more will take place before adolescence. In terms of development, we spend 3/4 of our lives in the womb.
The late Dr. Jerome LeJeune, M.D., Ph.D., one of the world’s foremost authorities in the field of genetics, taught us much about the intricacies of the beginning of human life.

Dr. LeJeune called that very first cell, the fertilized egg, “the most specialized cell under the sun.” He explained that the fertilized egg contains more information about the new individual than can be stored in five sets (not volumes) of the Encyclopedia Britannica (if enlarged to normal print). No other cell will ever again have the same instructions as those in the life of the individual being created.

In the words of Dr. LeJeune, “Each of us has a very precise starting point which is the time at which the whole necessary and sufficient genetic information is gathered inside one cell, the fertilized egg, and this is the moment of fertilization. There is not the slightest doubt about that…”

—World renowned geneticist, the late Dr. Jerome LeJeune

Dr. Jerome LeJeune, who resided in Paris, France, was a medical doctor, a Doctor of Science and a professor of Fundamental Genetics for over 20 years. Dr. LeJeune discovered the genetic cause of Down Syndrome, receiving the Kennedy Prize for this discovery and, in addition, received the Memorial Allen Award Medal, the world’s highest award for work in Genetics. Dr. LeJeune died on April 3, 1994.

The Science of Fetology has advanced to the point that it can now be determined within three to seven days after fertilization if the new human being is a boy or a girl.

When Dr. LeJeune testified in a Tennessee Court in 1989 as to the humanity of seven frozen embryos he held the court spellbound with the following visual/audio reference to man’s “symphony of life.” He explained that if you were to buy a CD on which a Mozart symphony had been recorded and insert it in a player, what is being reproduced is the movement of the air that transmits to you the genius of Mozart. Accordingly, LeJeune further explained, “It’s exactly the same way life is played. On the tiny mini-cassettes, which are our chromosomes, are written various parts of the opus which is for [a] human symphony, and as soon as all the information necessary [is brought together]…to spell the whole symphony this symphony plays itself; that is, a new man is beginning his career…as soon as he has been conceived, a man is a man.”

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No Matter How Small

—Dr. Suess

What Do You Think?

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Does Post Abortion Syndrome (PAS) exist?

Yes, much research has been done on this issue. Even representatives of Planned Parenthood, an organization that has historically denied the legitimacy of post abortion traumatization and the idea that abortion involves a human death experience, have affirmed that women can have a variety of emotions following an abortion (grief, depression, anger, guilt, relief, etc.). “It is important to give her the opportunity to air these feelings and be assured that her feelings are normal. The counselor can also help by letting the woman know that a sense of loss or depression following an abortion is common, due to both the end of the pregnancy as well as the physical and hormonal changes that occur after a pregnancy is over.”

What causes PAS?

Dr. Martha Shuping, a psychiatrist with more than ten years experience in helping women with post abortion issues, offers this explanation:

At least 70% of women having an abortion say they believe it is immoral. But they choose against their conscience because of pressure from others and their circumstances...It is precisely because so many women who abort are acting against their consciences and maternal instincts that the psychological impact of abortion can be so profound.

What are some of the symptoms of PAS?

Guilt is ever present in many guises, along with regret, remorse, shame, lowered self-esteem, insomnia, dreams and nightmares, flash backs, anniversary reactions. There often is hostility, and even hatred, toward men. This can include her husband, and she may become sexually dysfunctional. Crying, despair and depression are usual, even at times with suicide attempts.

Recourse to alcohol and/or drugs to mask the pain is frequent, sometimes leading to sexual promiscuity.

How about Specific Studies?

For further reading, and statistics on aborted women, obtain the books: Aborted Women Silent No More by David C. Reardon, Ph.D. and Victims and Victors by D. Reardon, J. Makimaa and A. Sobie. For more information go to: www.humanlife.org/afterabortion.

Another insightful text is “Forbidden Grief: The Unspoken Pain of Abortion”. This book documents the testimonies and tells the stories and shares the insights that psychotherapist Theresa Burke has learned from the men and women who came to her because they hurt inside after abortion. To order, Contact: Dr. Theresa Burke 1 877 HOPE 4 ME; thurke@net-thing.net.

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COMMON ABORTION METHODS

Suction Aspiration
The abortionist inserts a hollow plastic suction tube into the dilated cervix. The uterus is emptied by a high-powered suction machine. The baby's body is torn as he/she is being pulled through the hose.

Dilatation and Evacuation
Used after 12 weeks. Once the cervix is dilated considerably further than in first trimester abortions, the abortionist inserts a narrow forceps that resembles a pliers. This instrument is needed because the baby's bones are calcified, as is the skull. The abortionist inserts the instrument into the uterus, seizes a leg or other part of the body and, with a twisting motion, tears it from the baby's body. The spine is snapped and the skull crushed. Body parts are then reassembled and counted to make certain that the entire baby has been removed and that no parts remain in the womb.

Partial-birth Abortion
After three days of preparations, the abortionist places an ultrasound transducer on the mother's abdomen and locates the child's legs and feet. The abortionist then uses a large forceps to grasp one of the baby's legs. He pulls firmly, forcing the child into a feet-down position.

Using his hands instead of forceps, the abortionist delivers the baby's body in a manner similar to a breech birth. The baby's head remains inside the birth canal.

The last step involves using surgical scissors to pierce the child's head at the base of the skull. The abortionist forces the scissors open to enlarge the skull opening. He/she then inserts a suction catheter into the brain and vacuums out the child's brain tissue with a machine 28 times more powerful than a household vacuum.

Ru486 - Mifeprex
Mifeprex blocks the action of the hormone progesterone, which is needed to maintain the lining of the uterus providing oxygen and nutrients for the embryo. Without it, the baby dies. Mifeprex is used in conjunction with the drug Cytotec (misoprostol) which is taken two days after Mifeprex, causing uterine bleeding (sometimes profuse), strong contractions, and expulsion of the baby.

The pregnant woman first visits the abortionist to obtain three Mifeprex pills, returns two days later to receive misoprostol, and a third time to verify that the abortion is complete. The failure rate of this method is about 8% if the pills are taken within 7 weeks and up to 25% at 8-9 weeks. If the baby survives the abortion, there is an extremely high risk that he or she will suffer mental and/or physical birth defects from the Cytotec.

What is the governing force behind the abortion industry?
Money. It is a very lucrative business, the largest unregulated industry in our nation. The product, abortion, is skillfully marketed and sold to the woman at a crisis time in her life.

Do clinics give women all the facts?
No. In my experience, the clinic personnel denied the personhood of the child and the pain caused by the procedure. Every woman has two questions, "Is it a baby?" and "Does it hurt?" The personnel always answered, "NO," lying to secure the consent of the woman and to collect her money. Women were told that we were dealing with a "product of conception" or a "glob of tissue". They were told that there would be only slight cramping, whereas, in reality, an abortion is excruciatingly painful. I know because I had one.

How did you dispose of an aborted baby?
In our clinics we used a heavy duty garbage disposal.

What complications did you witness?
In the last 18 months I was in the business, we were completing over 500 abortions monthly and killing or maiming one woman out of 500. Common complications include perforations or tears in the uterus. Many of those result in hysterectomies. The doctor might cut or harm the urinary tract, which then requires surgical repair. A complication that is rarely publicized is one in which the doctor perforates the uterus and pulls the bowels through the vagina, resulting in a colostomy. Some of them can be reversed, others must live with the colostomy for the remainder of their lives.

Why did you get out of the business?
I finally realized that we weren't helping women—we were exploiting them.

This text is from an interview with Carol Everett, a former director of four abortion clinics and owner of two in the Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas area. To order the compelling video, audio or written testimony of numerous other former abortion providers, please call ProLife Action League, 773-777-2900.
It sounds almost patriotic. Our great American freedoms: To speak my piece, to peaceably assemble, and to practice the religion of my choice. How can these freedoms be equated with the freedom of a woman to abort her unborn baby? We might as well be “pro-choice” on graffiti, kiddie porn, and prostitution.

Women are breaking through the glass ceilings everywhere, surpassing the number of men in college, in law and medical schools. Just look at sports—basketball, soccer, hockey, and wrestling. We’ve come too far to reduce a woman’s “right” to mean the “right to abortion”.

Simple tissue isn’t bursting with life, with stem cells that some researchers would kill for, with a beating heart and fingerprints, with enough DNA to fill five sets (not volumes) of Encyclopedia Britannica if the micro-miniature language were enlarged to standard-sized print.

Does your value depend on the degree someone wants you? Let’s be honest. A child is a child. How could any baby be called unwanted when there are over one million couples waiting, hoping, and praying for a chance to adopt an infant?

Many young women believed this until it was too late. The book Lime 5 documents over 200 cases of women injured or killed by legal, so-called “safe” abortion (see www.prolife.com for details). An aborted baby, the potential for cervical cancer, the possibility of becoming infertile, so Where’s the safe part?

As tragic as the loss of any life is, there were 39 maternal deaths in 1972, the year prior to the legalization of abortion by the Roe v. Wade decision. This number pales in comparison to today’s carnage. (see “interview with an insider” pg. 5)

What if the U.S. citizens had been willing to accept this justification for tolerating slavery? As it is, our “land of the free” offers limited, selective freedom. Our youngest, most vulnerable citizens are still slaves to their mothers’ life or death whims.

It was the beginning of my junior year in high school. I was excited, looking forward to another year of diving, gymnastics, and track. But this excitement quickly ended when I realized I was pregnant.

When the pregnancy was confirmed, my mind went racing. I was terrified! The idea of having an abortion was never a consideration for me. I could not live with the realization that I was responsible for taking the life of my child—a death because of my actions.

I knew I could love and care for a child, but when I stopped thinking about myself, and thought about what was best for my child, I knew adoption was the right decision. I was sixteen at the time. I wanted to go back to school for my senior year and wanted to participate fully, in sports etc. I wanted to go on to college.

I chose to do an independent open adoption. Through this process I was able to select from among the prospective adoptive parents. I had the opportunity to establish a personal relationship with them as well as to develop a lasting friendship. The more I got to know them the more excited I was about placing my baby with this couple. They had so much love and security to offer my child. They were there with me in the hospital when my son was born.

Many tears were shed throughout the nine months and during the hospital stay. But, they were not all tears of sadness. I miss my son very much. I think about him every day and a smile comes to my face. I thank the Lord that He led me to two such special people to be adoptive parents for my child.

It has been several years since my son was born. He now has an adoptive sister. I keep in contact with the family through letters and pictures. I can’t begin to explain the feelings of pride and contentment that I experience when I see the smile on his face.

I am now a junior in college majoring in paralegal studies. Relinquishing my child was the hardest decision I will ever have to make but I’m more confident than ever that it was the right one.

—Lisa O.

To meet couples who hope to adopt, go to www.adoption.com or call this toll free number for a free video: 1-800-236-7843.
**Does Abortion Increase Your Risk of Breast Cancer?**

Even one abortion increases the risk of getting breast cancer later in life.

Estrogen is the hormone that turns a girl's body into a woman's body at puberty. Actually, there is a whole class of similar steroids, estrogens, which can stimulate the growth of the breasts and other female tissues. The most abundant and important estrogen secreted by a woman's ovaries is called estradiol.

How estradiol, or estrogens in general, relate to breast cancer risk has to do with their role in the growth of breast tissue. It is estradiol which makes the breasts grow to a mature size at puberty, and which makes them grow again during pregnancy. The cells in the breast which are responsive to estradiol are those which are primitive, or undifferentiated. Once terminally differentiated into milk-producing cells, breast cells can no longer be stimulated to reproduce.

It is the undifferentiated cells which can give rise to cancerous tumors later in life. If a woman therefore has gone through some weeks of a normal pregnancy, and then aborts, she is left with more of these cancer-vulnerable cells than she had in her breasts before she was pregnant...

In contrast, a full term pregnancy results in full differentiation of the breast tissue for the purpose of milk production, which leaves fewer cancer-vulnerable cells in the breasts than were there before the pregnancy began.

Most miscarriages occur in the first trimester, and over 90% of these are characterized by abnormally low maternal estradiol levels (quantities that do not exceed non-pregnant levels). Thus, miscarriages generally have been found not to increase the risk of breast cancer.

Excerpts from an article by Dr. Joel Brind Ph.D., an endocrinology specialist. For the complete research and Dr. Brind's responses to those who deny the link, check out www.humanlife.org/breastcancer.

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**Abortion Increases a Woman's Risk of Developing Breast Cancer**

![Graph showing risk of breast cancer after abortion](Image)

A woman's average risk of developing breast cancer

Source: 1994 study by Dr. Janet Dating of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Institute, Seattle, Washington. Graph by Oregon Right to Life.
Substituting Sex For Love

By Tom Chambers,
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Cynthia Brantley and Leland Elliot, co-authors of the study "Sex on Campus: The Naked Truth About the Real Sex Lives of College Students," said of college students, "They want to be in love. They're looking for relationships, and in the context of this, they're having a lot of sex."

In their study, Brantley and Elliot note that 80 percent of college students are sexually active, and 60 percent engage in casual sex. Fifty-five percent of those studied admitted to having unsafe sex, and 21 percent said they never use a condom because they "didn't care."

However, 92 percent of college students say they are seeking a "real" relationship—they say that love is more important than sex.

On today's campuses sex is anything but taboo—it is practically a given. The remaining 20 percent who are not sexually active are looked down upon and often laughed at. They are seen as young, naive and—a personal favorite—lacking self-confidence. When even among friends it is found that someone hasn’t had, or doesn’t have, sex, their peers ask, "What's wrong with them?"

The real question should be, "What's wrong with everyone else?"

Putting all of the dangers of disease aside, sex is no substitute for the real relationship the vast majority of students claim to desire. Sex will not fill that need, and certainly will not result in anything that lasts. It is not a foundation for love.

If it was, then the average number of partners would be lower than 6.4, and disease would not be as prevalent as it is today.

And that seems to be the real problem. The greatest threat to college students is not the contraction of herpes, syphilis or AIDS. It's that young people are replacing love with sex.

In conversations with friends about this very subject, the question has been raised, "How can you know you really love someone if you haven’t had sex with them?" That question is also morphed to include the experience side of things: "How do you know you’re with the right person if you haven’t had sex with someone else?" As if to say we need to compare people sexually to find the one we "love."

It's sad to think that's all love has become. That love culminates itself in that short span of passion. That the crux of a real relationship hangs on sex.

It's sad because it is so empty. Do you really love someone when all they are is a body to have sex with? Do you really feel loved when that's all you are? Surely, many of you reading this are objecting, starting your sentence with, "Yeah, but..."—and that's because you don’t.

As was said before, sex is no foundation for love. That’s why relationships based on sex don’t last.

Many times when a woman has a baby, she is more likely to want to continue that relationship. If you really want to be in a relationship with someone, and you can't have sex with them, then that's probably not the real reason you love them.

If you're with someone else, and you don't want to have sex, that's probably not the real reason you love them.

For someone who really loves you, sex is not a substitute for love. It's not a foundation for love. It's not a real relationship.

Answers to Abortion I.Q. Quiz (from page 3)
**A Mother Speaks**

"Tim, I think I'm pregnant." It was New Year's Eve. My boyfriend sighed deeply, his gaze remaining fixed on the TV. He then muttered something that made me feel already deserted. I felt a sour lump in the back of my throat. Yes, I was pregnant, and I was scared!

I knew from firsthand experience how tough it is raising a child as a single mother. I already had a 2-year old daughter, Jennifer, from an earlier unsuccessful marriage. When my pregnancy was confirmed, Tim's non-committal response to my distress and his move to Chicago, 400 miles away, left me despondent and convinced that abortion was the "easy way out." I was already struggling financially with one child. How could I raise two?

I felt desperately alone. I often cried myself to sleep. I decided to confide in a couple of college professors who collected money to fly me out of town to have an abortion. Now I was obligated to go through with it. Still, I agonized!

I was summoned to the room where the abortions are performed. I could hear a woman sobbing hysterically in the recovery room. That memory haunts me still.

As the doctor was examining me, prior to performing the abortion, he suddenly stopped and said to the nurse, "Get her out of here! She's too far along!" Relief instantly washed over me! How odd! I had thought I wanted an abortion but now felt instantly relieved to know I was still pregnant.

I decided to use every ounce of courage I could muster to deal with my pregnancy. My ambivalence turned into love for my unborn daughter, Melanie.

It took energy and creativity to support the three of us.

During the first year of Melanie's life, she attended classes with me. When my daughters were preschool age and in daycare, I obtained a job as bookkeeper for the daycare center they attended. If they needed a hug, they could come into my office and get one.

Other means of support included: Renting rooms to students; teaching evening classes at the community college; and operating a typing business out of the dining room of my student housing which, again, enabled me to be with my children while working.

My two daughters inspired me to do great things. They never stood in the way of my career. I finished my degree; then I went on to get my Master's and Ph.D. Besides being a proud mother, I am happily married, a published author, a motivational speaker, and a part-time musician.

When we endure something tough, our character and self-esteem are strengthened. Many women who have confessed to me that they've had abortions have discovered that the "easy way out" is just an illusion. Some are in abusive relationships. Some are on anti-depressants. Others just seem detached from life. Some sadly remember their aborted child's "would be" birthday each year.

I cannot promise that it will be easy. I can only promise that the anguish will pass and there are people who will help you through this trying time. One day you will look back on the birth of your child, and know that you did the right thing.

Sincerely,

Dr. Angela Woodhull

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**A Father Speaks**

I was a participant in two abortions with my ex-wife...It has been six years since the last abortion, nine since the decision for the first one. Every time I see children of the approximate age of the two lost ones, I cry, no matter where...church, the mall, the park, the library. I want to call their names, Michelle, Danielle, Stephen, William. Their legacy is gone. Their beauty unfinished, nullified by a decision to which I agreed...I have gone from pro-choice to pro-child."

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**A Successful Student Speaks**

"I was fifteen when I found out that I was pregnant. I had been with my boyfriend (now my husband) for only a year; he was eighteen and in his freshman year at college, I was only a sophomore in high school. I was going to have an abortion, but I decided not to go through with it; I was more terrified of what would happen to me during the procedure than to giving birth; I decided to keep her. I gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Taylor. I graduated from my high school with a 3.85 GPA; and now am attending college, where I made it on the Dean's List last semester, and am majoring in psychology. I want to let people know that just because you become pregnant and have a child does not mean that you can't accomplish the things you always wanted to do; or fulfill your goals. Having a child makes it a lot more difficult, but it is so fulfilling. I still cry when I think that I could have taken such a precious thing away, her life.

I do not believe that I have the right to take a life, nor do I believe that a child should suffer because of someone's irresponsibility. If a fifteen-year old girl can take responsibility, and strive and achieve her goals and dreams, anyone can. Thank you for your time."

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Feedback from a student in Michigan, 1999
"I swore never to be silent whenever and wherever human beings endure suffering and humiliation. We must always take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormenter, never the tormented. Sometimes we must interfere when human lives are in danger, when human dignity is in danger."

—Elie Weisel
Survivor of the Nazi Holocaust