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UCLA Student, Faculty Share in Supreme Court Victory

by Raquelle de la Rocha

A UCLAW student, working with the UCLA Communications Law Program and Professor Charles M. Firestone, recently assisted public interest attorneys on a Supreme Court case which affirmed the rights of government-funded broadcast stations to editorialize.

As part of the clinical aspect of the Communications Law Program, Sally Helppie drafted an amicus brief filed on behalf of the Black Media coalition in the case FCC v. League of Women Voters (104 S. Ct. 3106). The case challenged section 399 of the Communications Act which banned nonprofit public broadcasting stations which receive government funds from broadcasting editiorials. On July 2nd, the U.S. Supreme Court affirmed the District Court's finding that the ban violated the First Amend-

It was about this time last year that Helppie, enrolled in Communications Law Class, asked Professor Firestone for suggestions on a topic for a paper pertaining to the First Amendment. With a degree in journalism and professional experience at a radio station, Helppie already had a keen interest in First Amendment issues, and Professor Firestone's suggestion turned out to be most appropriate.

He mentioned the amicus brief that he was writing for the National Black Media coalition," said Helppie. "He asked me if I wanted to help.'

Helppie jumped at the opportunity and is aware of her good fortune.

I think I happened to be in the right place at the right time. I had an interest in writing on a First Amendment issue and he (Professor Firestone) had the project." Helppie is also thankful to Firestone for his faith in her. "He didn't know me, but he gave me the responsibility. A lot of professors wouldn't do

With the filing deadline rapidapproaching, Helppie worked intensively on research over the Labor Day weekend, and then worked with Firestone in writing the brief. Firestone's help was not only important in constructing the brief; Helppie also considers it an invaluable educational experience.

and he wrote a section. It was very good experience for me because I learned how briefs are put together which, going into the second year, most students don't know about."



Professor Firestone

The brief argued that any restriction on editorializing were ultimately to the detriment of the public. Further, the brief contended that the restrictions were particularly damaging to minorities since by definition they are less represented in the media.

As Professor Firestone points out, the Government wanted to uphold the ban. "The argu-ment there was that (since public broadcast stations) get money from the government ...they didn't want them using the money to be editorializing on controversial issues.'

The original lawsuit was conceived by Tracey Westen in the

"He helped me organize the 1970's when he was director brief, then I wrote a section of the UCLA Communications Law Program. Students in his communications law courses collaborated on the suit, and they convinced the Center for the Law in the Public Interest to take the case. Geoffrey Cowan, now on the faculty of UCLA's Communications Studies Program, was instrumental in the case's development at the public interest law center.

As the challenge of the ban on editorials progressed to the U.S. Supreme Court, others, like Helppie, continued the work on the suit.

Firestone is proud of the reputation the UCLA Com-munications Law Program has earned, a reputation which brings it many opportunities and offers. Recently, for example, the program wrote a brief in the Court of Appeals at the request of the Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Telecommunications. "He could have gone anywhere in the country," says Firestone.

Firestone is also proud of the program's integrity. "We don't take every opportunity we have to get involved. We try to serve the public interest and represent someone who would not otherwise be adequately represented.

The Communications Law Program is now in its eleventh year at UCLA. The program was envisioned by Professor Monroe E. Price as a training and research vehicle.

Centro Celebrates Success

"The program has succeeded beyond my wildest expectations," said Monroe Price in 1980. "It has had a substantial impact on the law school by legitimizing various teaching approaches and making the law school more amenable to experimental ideas, and it has had an impact on students, a number of whose careers have been profoundly affected."

ASSOCIATE DEAN NAMED

Professor Carole Goldberg-Ambrose was recently appointed associate dean of the UCLA School of Law. The appointment was announced by Dean Susan Westerberg Prager.

A member of the School of Law faculty since 1972, Professor Goldberg-Ambrose is a graduate of Smith College and Stanford Law School. She was a visiting professor at Harvard Law School in 1977.

Her teaching and research interests run the gamut from civil procedure and federal jurisdiction to Indian law and sex discrimination.

Goldberg-Ambrose's publications include "The Impact of Procedural Rules on Federal Jurisdiction of the Federal Courts' in the UCLA Law Review "A Dynamic View of Tribal Jurisdiction to Tax Non-Indians" in Law and Contemporary Problems, and "Public Law 280: The Limits of State Jurisdiction over Reservation Indians' in the UCLA Law Review.

PILF Offers Students Opportunities, Grants

By Don Richards President of PILF

The basic philosophy of the Public Interest Law Foundation can be expressed simply: to provide justice for all segments and strata of society. PILF believes everyone has the right to fair treatment under the law; liberty and justice for all are indeed its aims.

PILF provides assistance to law students who share its point of view. In order to provide this help, PILF in turn looks to students and alumni for donations of time and money.

How is the money used? To help law students fund the various projects which advance the cause of equal protection under the law. During the summer of 1984, these projects included a minimum wage clinic; the placement of women inmates in a mother-infant care program; a legal clinic at the Central American Refugee Center; a Workers Compensation manual; and a project to help the homeless in Los Angeles. (Detailed information on these projects is available at the PILF office in room 2467C). Because of the generosity of our donors, PILF was able to fund these projects with \$9,000 in grants.

Sometimes projects such as these come to the attention of governmental agencies or foundations which then continue the funding. When one of our programs leaves the nest and begins

to fly on its own, we feel that we...PILF and all of its supporters and contributors...have helped to improve and change our world.

We also need direct participation of law students who are dedicated and compassionate and have the energy to contribute to PILF. If you are interested, come see us at the PILF office (2467C).

There are many other indirect ways to help us as well. For example, would-be singers, dancers and thespians are invited to audition for Professor Grahams latest way off-Broadway musical, "Songs Without Heart" (if you're tone deaf, have stage fright and two left feet, you can at least buy a ticket and come see the show).

Runners can strut their stuff at our annual 10k Turkey Trot. The winner is awarded a turkey, and your entrance fees contribute to the cause.

During the second semester, PILF is planning a half day seminar entitled "Public Interest Law: Its Means and Uses." This is an educational program which may surpise you. Public interest law is a wide ranging field which touches upon many aspects of our lives and the law (we also need people to help us plan and produce the seminar).

We at PILF are exicited about the future as we have been in the past. Help us make 1984 the best year ever.

by Esteban Corral

This summer Centro Legal de Santa Monica, a community legal service center offered by UCLA law students, celebrated its 10th anniversary by honoring its founding members, Dan Garcia, Larry Garcia and Larry Guevara. Inese former UCLA law students originally established "Centro" while struggling through law school. The fruits of their labor are still borne today.

The highlight of the celebration was the keynote speaker, California Supreme Court Justice, the Honorable Cruz Reynoso. He recognized the achievement of the founding law students and encouraged others to share their academic knowledge in the community. He also encouraged those attorneys present to provide further legal services to their communities. Cruz Reynoso is the only state supreme court justice of latino/chicano heritage. Prior to his appointment to the bench, he was heavily involved in community legal services as director of California Rural Legal Assis-

The event was organized by current Centro participants and community lawyers. The organizers set out to hold an event that would achieve three major goals. "We wanted to reinforce our community support, encourage the latino legal community to provide legal services and reunite former Centro participants in order to renew friendships and re-establish networks," stated Elena Popp, a current board member of Centro Legal.

Merced Martin, former Centro Legal board member and present Executive Director of Westside Legal Services, was delighted with the outcome of the celebration. "This was a very successful event. Many of former law students who participated in Centro attended and the atmosphere was like a reunion. I was very pleased to see that many of them were still involved in the community providing services and were concerned about the ongoings of Centro today."

Many of the guests felt the overall atmosphere was pleasant and encouraging. Some felt that this event both established the ongoing success of Centro itself and re-established friendships, providing more organized energies toward commun-

ity legal services. The student organizers of Centro invite student participation in an ongoing tradition of the UCLA School of Law. Esther Enriques is a third year law student and Centro board member. She believes participation in the program can be very beneficial to law students. "Involvement could enhance interviewing skills, issue spotting skills and discovery techniques," says Enriques.

Centro board member Cesar

Bertaud adds that, while participation can vary from student to student, "most students volunteer during evening clinics every Tuesday and Thursday from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m." Students can also work at Centro for law school credit through the Externship Program, as Bertaud did last Fall. As Bertaud notes, law students are the core of Centro. "Centro will continue being successful as long as student involvement continues.'

Interested students may contact board members Ester Enriques, Cesar Bertaud and Elena Popp for more information.

Law in the Media

"THE CONSTITUTION:
THAT DELICATE BALANCE"
Television Series to Air This
Month

The 13-part PBS series "The Constitution: That Delicate Balance" will air on KCET (Channel 28) this month, featuring experts from the fields of law, business, journalism and government.

The series was produced by Fred Friendly, professor emeritus at Columbia Graduate School of Journalism and past presdident of CBS News. Friendly held seminars on constitutional law for students from the schools of law, journalism and business at Columbia University for twelve years before deciding to produce the television series.

"I view the series as a learning tool," says Friendly. "I'm much more interested in having 1,000 universities, community colleges and high school use the videocassettes of the programs than I am in simply broadcasting the series."

The series centers on the view that the Constitution, as interpreted by the Supreme Court, is has meant different thing over the past 197 years, and gives an historic view of these changes in interpretation.

Some of the key questions posed in program discussions

□National security and freedom of the press: Does the Constitution grant the American public a "right to know"? To what extent can the government withhold information from the public?

☐ Criminal justice: Is everyone entitled to a lawyer? Should a lawyer defend an admittedly guiltly person?

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☐ Crime and punishment: Does overcrowding in our prisions constitute cruel and unusual punishment?

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☐ School prayer and gun control: Does the Constitution permit prayer in public schools? Do people of various states have an explicit right to bear arms?

□Right to live, right to die: Do we have a Constitutional right to die? Do unborn babies have any right under the Constitution?

☐ Affirmative action: Do affirmative action programs create their own form of reverse discrimination?

The series will air Tuesday nights in October, at 10 p.m. on KCET, Channel 28.

YOUNG, GIFTED AND DELINQUENT

Where are the best and brightest of the younger generation? A lot of them are in jail. For example, as many as fifteen percent of the juvenile offenders in Colorado qualify as "gifted" in creativity and intelligence tests. That's five times higher than the general population. According to Professor Kenneth Seeley of the University of Denver, the gifted delinquents scored highest in nonverbal "fluid" thinking, which is an ability which usually goes unrewarded in classroom settings. Seeley believes this lack of reward may alienate street-smart children, leading them to crime as the only outlet for their talents. (Psychology Today, September,

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Does Law School Spell Disaster for Relationships?

I don't buy the rule of thumb about law school being the kiss of death to a relationship. I don't even neessarily think it's all that difficult to maintain a relationship with a law student. What I do think is that, given the intensity of the law school experience, a shaky relationship can be jarred and the flaws dramatically and quickly emphasized. A good relationship, a solid, compassionate relationship between two people can find room to accomodate law school.

On the other hand, I wouldn't want to try dating a law student. The time demands alone would do me in. My wife and I made our initial decision to live together just as first year was beginning. We realized we'd seldom get to see one another in a relaxed, unpressured way otherwise. There are few quiet moments with a law student and we wanted to be able to take advantage of them as they came along.

As a law school mate, I like the instant cameraderie between other mates of lawyers or law students. I enjoy the warm and friendly assumption of shared experience when at a party, the partner of a lawyer or law student smilingly says "Oh yeah, I had to go (am going) through that too..." I think what's being exchanged there is a clear fondness for the experience, particularly, no doubt, in retrospect.

As the husband of a law student, I feel a real sense of participation in law school, an appreciation for what the proc-

appreciation for what the process is really like, who the people are and, in a far more limited way, how the law works. I'm proud of my wife's passion for the philosophy (science?) of law and her excitement in trying to understand it. Far from dreading get-togethers with other

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law students, I enjoy the gossip and shop talk by people so intensely involved in a chosen endeavor. And as I begin to aquire a second-hand feel for certain professors and students and classes, it even makes a certain amount of sense to me. I suppose that within the context of our relationship, while I may not be able to appreciate fully either the difficulties or satisfactions of the law school experience, I am able to share in my wife's enthusiasm and excitement.

I enjoy the vicarious moods and attitudes I go through with my wife. I found myself impatient and frustrated with Graham early on but came to appreciate and feel affection for him towards the end of the year; I miss Deukminier's style and brilliance and agonize over which classes to take and how to schedule them. I have fun learning to attatch classmates' names to an endlessly fascinating array of personality quirks and I always feel sheepish about admiting I can's remember which professor is Civ Pro, which is Crim and which is Torts. We love watching The Paper Chase and smugly pointing out the inaccuracies of the portrayal of law school life, even as we revel in the reflected grandeur of being participants in such a romanticized lifestyle.

The downside to all of this is the panic and self-doubt and frustration the system creates. I am most sympathetic to the dreariness and pain of the macho aspects of the system: the competition, the attitude of "survival of the fittest", the meanness and pettiness and insensitivity that often grows out of this. I find it painful to watch the despair and helplessness accompanying a several week wait for final grades when the fear is of a grade-point lowering score.

The insanity of the weeks leading to finals is, for me, transcendent: I'm only too happy to live my life in a very quiet and small way for a little while, fading cooperatively into the backgroup to which I'm consigned by necessity anyhow. To try to fight for attention or companisionship during this time is to court disaster. During these weeks I just make myself available to listen sympathetically and offer to do whatever lifesustaining, non-law school related chores need to be done

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I have been pleasantly surprised by the warm and hearty welcome to the UCLA Law School which the class of 1987 has received. Everyone at the school has gone out of his or her way to create a healthy, humane and supportive atmosphere in which we can adjust to life as law students.

What exactly such a life will entail will depend on each of us and remains to be seen. For now, I am grateful to all who helped to make our first steps positive ones. Thank you.

JoAnn Cledening Class of 1987

Theft Warning Issued

During the past three years, UCLAW students have been victimized by thefts fom their lockers and backpacks. Although the theft problem hasn't resurrected itself this year, Assistant Dean Barbara Koskela warns students to be aware of our past problems and take precautions.

So far, there has been one theft reported at the law school. Books valued at several hundred dollars were stolen from the Law Review office.

Dean Koskela warns that, although this was the only reported theft thus far, we have had a severe locker theft problem in the past. "I would like to remind students that, with interviewing season coming up, they shouldn't leave suits in lockers, because that was one of the prime targets in the past." Koskela advised students to carry valuables with them or don't bring them to school.

Many students feel more secure using their own lock rather than UCLA issued combination locks. Dean Koskela notes theres is no evidence that non-UCLA locks are any safer; the thieves simply force the locks open and are not using combinations to get into the lockers.

It has been suggested to Dean Koskela that a student organization impliment a "suit check" office during interview season, which she believes would be a great idea. They could charge a nominal fee to store the suits for the day, perhaps one dollar, and the suits would be safer, and neater than those kept in lockers.

Most important, everyone in the law building should watch for and report strangely unfamiliar persons to Dean Koskela's office, the Information Desk or Campus Police. "People shouldn't assume it won't happen to them" warns Dean Koskela. "It's important to take precautionary steps to avoid having things stolen."

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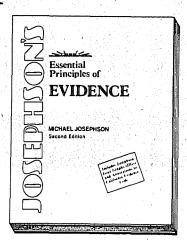
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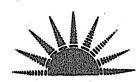
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DOES LAW SCHOOL SPELL DISASTER FOR **RELATIONSHIPS?**

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(trips to the bank, picking up laundry, etc.)

I also have the luxury of being married to a student who is fairly well-suited to law school and is doing reasonably well at it. I can only imagine how much more difficult our relationship might be were whe struggling

to survive.

In the end, then, I think I have many blessings to count, given that my wife is a law student. But after one year of law school and living together and six months of marriage, I feel a cautious sigh of relief coming on. Law school is no more a destroyer of relationships than it is a destroyer of individuals. And as law school is a test of many aspects of an individual's character it is likewise the test of the character of a relationship. So far, our relationship seems to be scoring in the low to mid 80's.

A UCLAW SPOUSE

THE LAW STUDENT'S **EXPERIENCE:**

Being in law school while maintaining a close relationship has caused me to take a big look at myself in a new way. Law school triggers various "fear of performance" neurotic behavior in me; I'm endlessly comparing myself to others in school and coming up short in my own mind and on my professors grade sheet.

My usual response to these moods has been to seclude myself and plunge into a catatonic state in front of the television with a Numero Uno pizza (all the while knowing that it's only contributing to my depression about the weight I've gained since starting law school). But then there's the added element

of my husband. He is genuinely

interested in what happens in my life and therefore, when I get in those "I don't want to do anything and leave me alone" moods, he sweetly asks me what's wrong. I respond by arching back into attack position and staring at him with hollow black shark eyes.

It is just about this time that I begin to think law school and relationships don't mix. It's obvious that no one except a law student knows what its like to feel inadequate, right? When I finally do pull my head out and retract my fangs, I realize that he DOES understand and I find it all works out if I only share my feelings and don't close myself off from him.

And then there is the time problem. I feel guilty when I choose to study instead of going to a social event with my husband. I have made countless schedules for myself to organize my study time to solve this problem. In fact, I've used a lot of study time making schedules. I never follow them. Thank God for Casenotes. But in reality, my only battle is with my own guilt and frustration; my husband and family have always supported me completely and understand the priorities of law school.

Basically, combining law school and marriage has made me change the way I view myself. Unable to work the hours I was accustomed to before law school, I've had to adjust to the loss of being self-supporting and have realized that my selfesteem was greatly decreased by the loss of being financially selfsufficient. The greater difficulty was in accepting the transformation from an A undergrad student to a B student in law school. But through the eyes of my husband, I've been able to see more of myself and see how unhealthy it is for me to wallow in self-disappointment and refocus on thse aspect of life that are really important.

A UCLAW STUDENT

OPINION

Tourney Offers Great Opportunity

By Mark Baute Tournament Director

As many of you already know, Corpus Juris Slamma Jamma '84 is scheduled for October 13th. There have been numerous inquiries about the tournament and we hope that this article can answer those questions as well as provide some "food for

thought"

First Years: Many of you 1L's have yet to discover the "hooping skill" of your various classmates. This, however, is no excuse for the lack of entries from the class of '87. The tournament is not packed with excollege players. The object is to get some desperately needed exercise, drink some beer and dunk a few balls. Thus, there is no need to stay out for fear of getting blown out. Besides, almost every upperclassman wants the opportunity to dunk on a

Second Years: You're struggling to find the job of your choice. Resumes, interviews, etc., are taking up virtually all of your time. Ha! There is no better way to secure a good job than by placing "Corpus Juris Slamma Jamma Participant" on your resume. How could any law firm turn you down?

By placing such a line on your resume you have made up for your lack of "U.C.L.A. Law Review" and your lack of "GPA³90". In fact, some have called "Corpus Juris Slamma Jamma Participant" the ultimate resume equalizer.

As for you law reviewers, rest assured that this tournament has been designed to allow for cite checking and comment writing between games. In addition, the Regents of the University of California have agreed to provide a courtside Lexis Terminal for your convenience. There is really no excuse for non-participation. After all, you can citecheck all year, but Corpus Juris Slamma Jamma happens only once in '84.. The choice is yours

And you moot courters who are worried about time - please note that the tournament is scheduled for two days after the brief due date.

Third Years: You're burned out. Law School has become a mere annoyance, an institution to avoid at all costs. You've decided to go back to the firm you worked at this summer; thus you have no need for interviews and your grades are now 'a non-issue.

For all of you: remember the words of Felix Frankfurther, former Corpus Juris partici-

"Corpus Juris Slamma Jamma taught me honesty, character and integrity. Of course, these traits are virtually useless within the legal profession, but my kids like me a hell of a lot more because of them."

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Can't We Just Be Friends?

by David Berke

Having recently completed a tumultuous, on-again off-again 5 year romance, I feel adequately qualified to make comment on a status near, and not so dear, to my heart: The state of

"being single." When you think of it, the very expression "being single," has a built-in fatalism about it. It implies a condition of incompleteness, an unhappy way-station between pre-pubescence and the expected status quo - that of participating in a

romantic relationship (otherwise known as "being double"). Although the two conditions seem wildly disparate, singles and couples are forever bound in a never ending cycle of envy and disgust. You all know the saying: "The hair always looks blonder on the other side?" Well folks, here's the other side.

Whenever a love affair goes sour, the newly estranged cannot help but notice that the rest

of the world seems happily attached. The sight of a clutching couple weaving down the street like a pair of drunken Siamese twins never fails to precipitate a tidal wave of nausea in the ohso sensitive tummies of the lovelorn. Single people, especially recent additions to the club, require strong doses of sympathy and compassion. This is due to the fact that they tend to engage in all manners of selfdestructive behaviour, everywhere from bobbing for french fries to fondling zucchinis in the produce section. I, for example, went on an eating binge of prodigous portions after my break-up. It got so bad that when I went camping, the bears would see me coming and hide their food in the trees! I've gotten somewhat better now, and am presently hanging out with some good friends in order to

get a little support - that is, at

least until I can get back on my

As the old truism goes, you really do find out who your friends are when the going gets rough. The trouble is, the kind of help that even the most wellmeaning of friends offer is often woefully counter-productive. For example, how many of us "singles" have suffered through countless admonishments concerning the dangers of "rebounding?" Ah, the "rebound theory." It's the brilliant conviction that holds that the very next woman I fall in love with, be it 5 minutes or 5 years from now, will be instantly devalued because she had the misfortune to appear chronologically right after my last romance. Advice of this stature is usually bad enough. But without a doubt, the kind of "assistance" voted most likely to end friendships and drive a single person to drink has got to be the blind date: the wet dream of every aspiring Yenta, and the Stephen King screenplay of any selfrespecting bachelor/ette.

Just why it is that people have such an aversion to being setup with a stranger is really something of a mystery to me. After all, human kinds very progenitors met on a blind date. Don't believe me? Read your Bible sometimes, oh ye of little faith. Exodus, chapter 6, verse 17. "And God said unto Adam -Have I got a girl for you!" You can almost hear the Almighty muttering to himself, "And I thought they'd be soo compatible!" Well, we all know how that one turned out. And, come to think of it, maybe that's why people have such resistance to blind dates.

There are countless other perilous pitfalls facing the modern wallflower, not the least of which has got to be the nearhysterical fear of contracting social disease. Herpes stalks the dating scene like a microsopic Mr. Goodbar. Honestly, it has gotten to the point where people are demanding a notarized medical certificate before they'll even accompany you to the sock hop - let alone to a hop in the sack.

Almost forgotten in this sudden onslaught of new nasties is that venerable old stand by -venereal disease. In the good ol' days, getting a dose put a person on a moral plane equivalent to that of a burrow show in Tiajuana. Nowadays, if perchance your doctor informs you that you've got the clap, you'll probably feel like throwing a party. With the exception of a few mutant strains that eat penicillin for brekkie, contracting V.D. has become as respectable as the common cold. You've got to believe that the day the cure for herpes is discovered, walk outside and you'll have to step over people fornicating in the streets. Meanwhile, when they find the cure for AIDS (and I sincerely hope they do) it probably won't be safe to venture out-of-doors for at least a week.

Medical horrors notwithstanding, the aspect of singlehood that I personally find most distressing is the almost epidemic absence of honesty in the dating scene. Let's face it - most of us who lack love are hitting the mean streets looking for it. But heaven forbid I should express some romantic interest in a similarily situated single! Even the slightest hint of a sexual attraction will initiate that lilting, whining refrain that serves as the bane of every rejected Romeo's existence: the ever-"Can't we just be popular, friends?". Notice the emphasis on the word just. Just friends. As if true friendship wasn't a goal to be worked towards rather than some consolation prize for a frustrated suitor. Why can't we go back to the way we were (like before we met)" or "Can't we just be casual acquaintances until you finally lose interest," have got to be infinitely preferable alternatives. Even the brutally direct approach, for example, "I'd rather brush my teeth with a chainsaw than sleep with a wormboy like you," would go a long way to preventing the further degradation of the concept of friend-

Speaking of friendship, when's the last time you slept with someone who wasn't your friend? Because if you are in the habit of mixing sweat with people you neither know nor care about, you don't need me to tell you how unfulfilling sex can be. Unfortunately, single people assume that a "relationship of some permanence" is the foolproof answer to an endless stream of "Hey baby, what's your sign" romances. As surely as your one-night stand departs as the dawn breaks, I am here to assure you that such is not the case. The road to romantic satisfaction ultimately begins - and ends - from within.

Having chewed grass on both sides of the fence, I can say with all honesty (pardon the expression) that looking for peronal completion via the intimate association with another, is as hopeless a venture as getting John Delorean to testify on his own behalf. Only until we achieve a sense of completeness unto ourselves can we ever hope to succeed in the very difficult task of partnership with another human being. Sublimate a large part of yourSELF to someone else's hopes, needs and desires, and you will succeed only in constructing a self-defeating prophecy. Your lover could die, move, or run away with a struggling welder/dancer from Altoona, Pennsylvania. Where would you be then, except proving that Woody Allen was right; That at least masturbation is sex with someone you love.

Do I sound a wee bit frustrated to you? Don't bet on it sailor. Outrageous fortune aside, I have some faith that honesty will win out in the end. I hope that none of us compromise personal integrity for present inadequacies in the search for love. Believe that you are worth it. I try to, even though the path is littered with innumerable broken promises of "Let's have lunch sometimes." I am enough of a romantic to be patient. I still, however, do get lonely on occasion, and supect that you do as well. So, in the meantime - can't we just be

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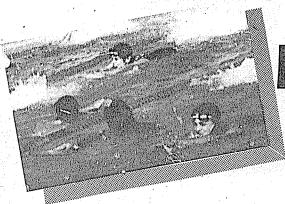
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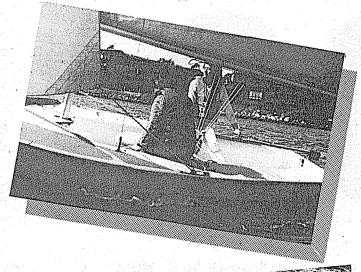
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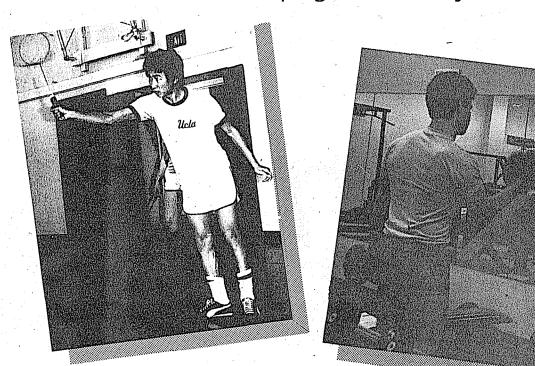
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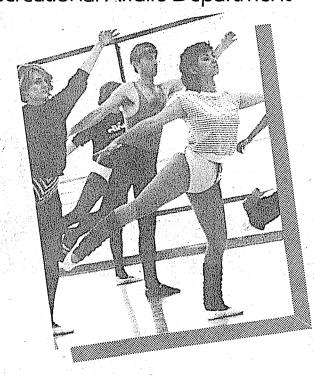


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