

Ed displays his death wish

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News came out last week which has a lot of women, especially feminists, in an uproar. It's something which could negate many of the advances that women have made and set the whole female population back a few years. What was the big news?

Women are getting dumber.

A report which came out last week stated that SAT scores for women have dropped of late. This is something that I have suspected for quite a while but was never able to confirm until now.

Now don't get me wrong. I have nothing against women and certainly could never be called a chauvinist (well, almost never). But women today do things which seem to prove over and over again that their level of intelligence is not keeping up with that of their male counterparts. What is it exactly that they do, you ask? Consider this:

1) They go out with men- Everyone knows that most men are lying, conniving, cheating, no-good-for-nothing (except earning money) animals. In spite of this, women continue to date, sleep with, and even marry many of us. Granted, there aren't many good substitutes, but the fact remains that if I were a

woman, I wouldn't go out with me.

2) They read "People" magazine-

This is probably the most pathetic magazine in existence today. No other tabloid uses as much sensationalism and "dirty laundering" to sell its issues. Their writers have as much insight as a fifth grader on crack and their movie reviewers know as much about film as they do about the Bushmen of the Kalihari (which is nothing). The only thing that is more brainless than this magazine is the people who read it. Men, on the other hand, read much more interesting and informative mags. I, for example, read "Hustler," "WWF Magazine," "Official Detective," and "The Weekly World News."

3) They watch "Roseanne"-

This fat, ignorant, sad excuse for a human being has become rich and famous as a result of women faithfully watching her show every week. Aside from being obnoxious, she is also sexist and very unfunny. The only thing more annoying than watching Roseanne is sitting in a stall with nothing else to read except a week-old copy of the Collegian. Men, on the other hand, prefer to watch quality television programming such as baseball, football, "The Hollywood Squares," and Cher videos.

4) They know nothing about history or geography-

If you questioned one hundred women, ninety-nine of them would tell you that Kansas is a country in Central America and that the Mexican-American War is currently being fought between American border guards and illegal Mexican aliens. This makes playing Trivial Pursuit with women a lot of fun because even if they somehow manage to get all their "pies," you can keep giving them blue or yellow as a final question, knowing they'll never get it right. Well, I should take that back. I once played with a girl who got a history question right. She was from Philadelphia and happened to know that the Liberty Bell was located somewhere in that city.

I could go on, but I think you get the picture. If this downward trend in women's SAT scores continues, we men might one day be able to call all the shots in our relationships, like we used to be able to do before the 1970s. We might even be able to convince women that they really do belong at home, cooking, cleaning and raising children (like they once did). So c'mon, guys. Encourage your little sisters to not study. Help them with their math homework but give them the wrong answers. Let them watch MTV and "Roseanne" twenty-four hours a day. Subscribe to "People." The future of male world dominance depends on us. Let's go for it.

Take my advice: Freshmen need lots of help

by Rob Farnham
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Having actually been a college freshman several more times than most people, I feel that I am eminently qualified to offer advice to first-year students. After all, practice allegedly makes perfect (though you couldn't prove it by my GPA).

Yes, I've experienced the triumphs and tribulations of that initial semester over and over again. Why? Because I just can't get enough Byzantine bureaucracy and institutional paternalism to suit me anywhere else but college. Anyway, I'd like to share some of my insights, such as they are, with you young'uns at Behrend. For starters:

•Everyone else here went to high school, too. So find other topics of conversation besides what an awesome stud/love goddess/superstar-jock/fearless-leader/party machine you were back at Podunk Central. No one wants to hear about it. Get on with your life.

•Consider majoring in a real subject. If you've been talking for fifteen or more years and reading and writing for at least ten, communications courses should seem thoroughly redundant to

you. A business degree may actually get you an entry-level job, if any of your relatives own companies that are hiring. But if you major in, say, English, you can know that, though terminally unemployable, you may at least be a fairly interesting conversationalist.

•Your advisor, wonderful human being that he or she may be, doesn't want to see you. Helping you set a course for your life is just too much responsibility; they just sign forms. Therefore, attempt to get an advisor who meets one of these two criteria: Frequently on campus with extensive office hours and lots of pens, or possessed of a signature that you can easily forge.

•Before sending your hate mail to the author of "Love Rob" (no relation), actually finish reading his column. Doing so would tend to clear up many misunderstandings. Also keep in mind that a sense of humor (and irony) comes in very handy when attempting to interpret Mr. Prindle's work.

•You may believe, now that you've entered college, that you will be treated like an adult. You are very much mistaken. There are officials on this campus who (continued on page 10)

PARENTS & FAMILIES WEEKEND FRIDAY • OCTOBER 6 THROUGH SUNDAY • OCTOBER 8, 1989

FRIDAY • OCTOBER 6

4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Registration - Reed Union Building, Winter Garden (First Floor)

6:00 p.m.
Welcoming Reception - Reed Union Building, Winter Garden (First Floor)

7:00 p.m.
50s Dinner (\$6.75/person. Tickets pre-ordered and available at registration on a first-come, first-served basis. Students on a meal plan may use meal cards.) - Reed Union Building, Wintergreen Cafe (Second Floor)

9:00 p.m.
Cultural Event: "Four Guys Standing Around Singing" - Reed Union Building, Lecture Hall (Second Floor). The "Four Guys Standing Around Singing" have been wowing Chicago audiences for over a year with their unique four-part a cappella sound. They are seen nationally in a McDonald's television commercial and heard on various regional and national radio shows. Sponsored by the Student Programming Council (Admission Free)

10:00
Bonfire, Pep Rally

10:30 p.m.
Student Programming Council Movie: Mississippi Burning - Reed Union Building, Lecture Hall (Admission Free)

SATURDAY • OCTOBER 7

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Registration - Reed Union Building, Winter Garden (First Floor)

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Campus Tours - depart on the hour from the Registration Table, Reed Union Building Winter Garden

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Picnic (\$5.00/person. Tickets pre-ordered and available at registration on a first-come, first-served basis. Students on a meal plan may use meal cards.) - Wilson Picnic Grove

2:00 p.m.
Men's Varsity Soccer Match. Penn State-Behrend vs. California University of Pennsylvania - Soccer Field

5:30 p.m.
Reception for Parents, Families and Students. Sponsored by Dr. John M. Lilley, Provost and Dean, and Mrs. Gerrie Lilley - Reed Union Building, Winter Garden

6:30 p.m.
Candlelight Dinner (\$7.00/person. Tickets pre-ordered and available at registration on a first-come, first-served basis. Students on a meal plan may use meal cards.) - Reed Union Building, Wintergreen Cafe (Second Floor)

8:00 p.m.
Debate - Morton Kondracke, Senior Editor of The New Republic vs. William Rusher, Publisher of The National Review. Topic: "The Bush Report Card" - Erie Hall (Admission Free)

10:00 p.m.
Student Programming Council Movie: Mississippi Burning - Reed Union Building, Lecture Hall (Second Floor)

SUNDAY • OCTOBER 8

9:30 a.m.
Brunch (\$5.25/person. Tickets pre-ordered and available at registration on a first-come, first-served basis. Students on a meal plan may use meal cards.) - Reed Union Building, Winter Garden (First Floor)

11:00 a.m.
Cultural Event: Zagat-Feldman Duo, Violin and Cello. Joanne Zagat, violinist, and Leonard Feldman, cellist have been on the faculty of the Penn State School of Music since 1962 and have gained international prominence as artists - Reed Union Building, Winter Garden (First Floor)

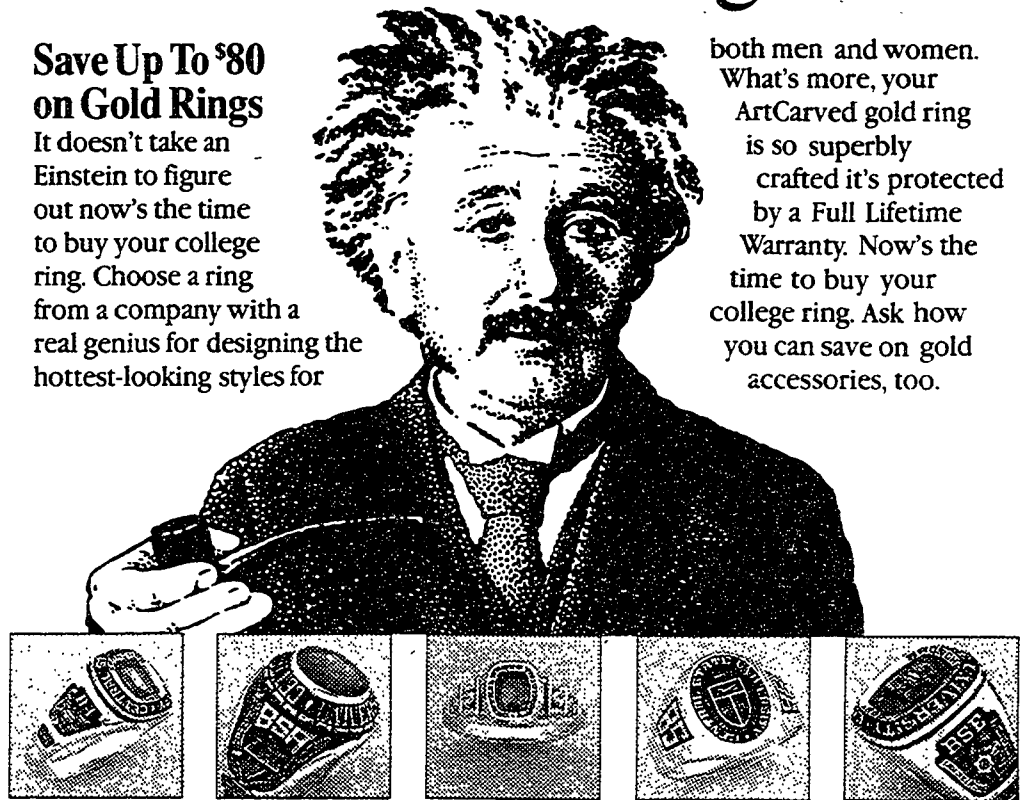
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