

Letters

Homophobia likened to racism, sexism as social injustice

Dear Editor:

This letter is in vehement protest to the bigotry expressed in last week's letter from Ms. Thomson. Such prejudicial attitudes in complete ignorance to the facts are prime examples of the social injus-

tices encouraged by closed-minded and fearful individuals. These persons become even more dangerous to the democratic fabric of America if they represent an organization that professes to stand for love, truth, and equality.

Homophobia is a form of social

injustice just as surely as is racism or sexism. It is even more threatening to the structure of America when one realizes that people like Michael Lissaur believe that education stops with the "book learning." Worse yet, Ms. Thomson is an EDUCATION MAJOR. God help our children, whose minds could be warped and withered by just such superior, supremacist opinions. I am a mother of two and if I found a person with such prejudices was teaching my kids, they would be removed from that class at once.

Such erroneous views of people as human beings are revolting. With an attitude like that the future of American bigotry stands secure—some legacy for our kids.

It is sad and scary that Ms. T. attempts to use the Bible verses, out of context, to validate her claims that GOD considers homosexuality as an abomination. Though I worship the same God as

Ms. T., I see God as love, and as one who assured those who inquired that only TWO laws or rules for life are important out of ALL the orders He gave the Jewish people. These two laws were, 1. Love your God with all your heart.... 2. Love your neighbor as yourself. No other laws are necessary for the person who follows this statement—the rest comes easy.

The laws and rules in the Old Testament were reflections of a particular culture, in a specified time in history. All the rules were for the one purpose of turning the insignificant, small tribes of Israel into a multitude of peoples. Ms. T. uses one verse to incite other pseudo Ku Klux Klanners against ten percent of the U.S. population. Yes, if by some quirk of fate, Ms. T., you happen to have ten friends, one of them is gay—be assured heshe won't care to share that piece of information with you.

You suggest, Ms. T., that the

Women's Center take note of heterosexual problems, now who do you think has been at the head of the march against violence toward women, rape, awareness, all social injustices, and choice for all human beings everywhere? Perhaps you would like to take part in these programs and get involved in the issues, either heterosexual or homosexual.

Many of my personal friends are gay, many of my personal friends are heterosexual—some are men, some are women, some are very old, some very young, in a variety of colors. What is the big deal? But I will say that I defend their right to speak out on any issue. That leaves me the right to agree or disagree, but never to condemn their opportunity to be heard.

As Martin Luther King expressed it, "We must all live together as brothers (sisters), or we will all perish together as fools."

Linda Watson

McTechnopop rejected

Dear Editor:

I would like to address a subject that, through careful investigation and numerous inquiries, I have found to be the instigator of many a barroom brawl. No, it is not some trifle about Greek activities; nor is it something which is limited to the Palouse area. This is the kind of high-powered stuff that started the last revolution: should the cheese on McDonald's new McDLT be on the hot side or on the cool side?! In their "new and improved" (?) technopop commercials, the happily clapping consumers know where the beef is and know where the

'LT' is, but the rappin' restaurant-goers fail to mention where the cheese goes. Supposedly, this burger was selected from the McFood laboratories to give people a McChoice. What kind of choice is it when the folks with McPower callously cast aside the consumers' right to a burger with melted cheese just so their cloned employees can mass-produce the McDLT without thought.

In this country where freedom of choice is so all-important, I choose Wendy's.

Christopher S. Carr

Volunteers needed

Dear Editor:

We at the Disabled Student Services again need volunteers to read for visually impaired students. This involves volunteering an hour each week to read textbooks into a cassette recorder at our office.

If you are interested in helping, contact Nancy Chapman, 461 Holland Library, 335-1566 — and thanks!

Nancy Chapman
Disabled Student Services

Burglars more respected than Kirk

Dear Editor:

Several letters have noted with disdain that an ex-WSU cheerleader, Kathleen Kirk recently scammed an easy \$353,791 for taking a harsch dive. I looked back to my jock days and could not remember even once when I picked myself up from a basketball court, or soccer field and limped over to the coach or ref and bitched him out for allowing me to take a dive, as if he could have stopped it. Such irrational thoughts do not occur to rational people.

Kirk's lawyer says he thought the "jury was very fair" and Kirk had "a very legitimate case." If you wonder why, it is because he made at least \$70,000 or more.

WSU lawyer Sally Savage says a decision for appeal has not been made yet. What? Surely she jests! I could not have left the court house without having filed it. Certainly she does not have to consult with higher ups, isn't the attorney general where the buck stops? I would even volunteer an amicus curiae brief, short and to the point: Would Kirk's ankle and elbow be any less broken had a supervisor been present to watch her break them? Nope.

Kirk's suit was as frivolous as some guy in Spokane saying he will sue the state because he was shot during an armed robbery, or relatives of KAL flight 007 who tried to sue Boeing as if Boeing had

the power to stop the Russian military from blasting 007 out of the sky, or some losers that sue tobacco companies after they have chosen to smoke for many years. These are all examples of get rich quick schemes. I have more respect for burglars and racketeers.

With the irrational thought that rules our country nowadays, I am surprised that Ronald Reagan has not sued Hinkley's parents. They are "responsible" for their kid's existence and if he had not existed Reagan and press secretary Brady would not have been shot. I would not doubt it if insurance companies begin advertising Tort Liability Insurance to rip you off some more.

Chuck Church

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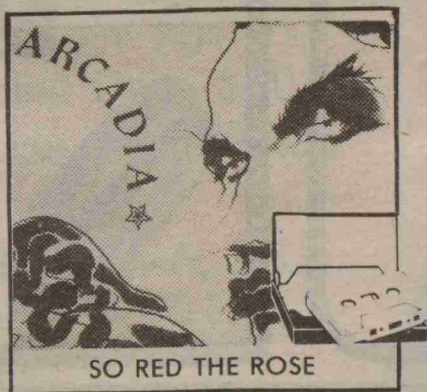
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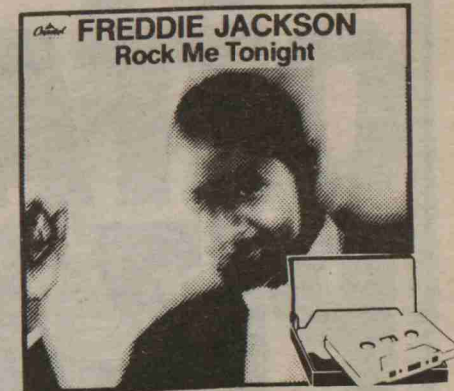
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