

Premarital Sex Does Have Its Disadvantages

By Misty Ebert, wife of the Rev. Ron Ebert,
Pastor of Bonus Baptist Church

Many teenagers and young adults are now playing this game packaged neatly under the title of sexual freedom. The rationale sounds very plausible: After all, why should you be restricted by the hangups of the past generation? Why should you not enjoy this greatest of life's pleasures? Now certainly, illicit sex is not a new phenomenon; this activity has been with us for a few thousand years. However, immorality has never been embraced as right and proper in America until now. "Bed today, wed tomorrow—maybe" is the cliché practiced.



MISTY EBERT

My husband and I counsel with many teenagers and young adults in our ministry. Based on this experience, I submit the following:

In the first place and contrary to modern social mores, there is no such thing as sexual freedom or the so-called "no strings attached" relationships. Perhaps the most severe result of promiscuity is the effect it has on the emotions and personality of those involved. They cast their innocence and wholeness into oblivion—never to be the same again.

Both persons participating in this most intimate activity are effected emotionally, psychologically, and morally. This effects one's overall self-esteem. Especially the woman's self-esteem, more so than the man's. The double standard is still very much prevalent today. No matter what the girl's reasons were for going all the way, the end result is the same—the girl gets "laid" (if you will permit me to use the modern term) and the word gets around. Another example of the double standard is the "unwed" mother. She is put down and written off-labeled in the community. Whereas, the young man is hardly ever mentioned. Her reputation is smeared, not his. What is wrong with being innocent and wholesome? Who sets the precedent that you have to be and do like everyone else? Is it the elusive "they"? Listen, young people, IT IS O.K. TO BE DIFFERENT!

There is one thing that has not changed: When a young man is ready to marry, he quickly changes his specifications. Suddenly, he wants someone he knows he can respect and trust.

In the second place, venereal disease has reached epidemic proportions. How do you know who has slept with whom?

In the third place, most of us would agree that God created everything. Even paraphernalia involved in this activity. He also set rules and guidelines to be followed, and I might add-for our own good. Premarital sex is just plain SEX. It is not the making love that God had in mind when he created it. There is a difference! Would you not want the best this activity had to offer? Ecstasy can be achieved only within the confines so designated by the creator. After all, He did write the book, you know.

In the fourth place, illegitimate pregnancies and their accompanying heartache are common in most high schools and universities. I imagine each one of us knows someone personally that has experienced this very thing. No contraceptive is 100% safe. However, most of these pregnancies are results of unplanned moments of sexual passion.

Is it fair to play with God's physics? Of course, we have been given our free will to do whatever we so desire. Should a pregnancy occur, is it fair to consider aborting the life of another human being conceived out of a moment's passion or marry someone you really do not love? You cannot blame God, as some do, and say he is punishing you. It is not God's will for this to happen to anyone! Nature is rather careless about whom it allows to become mamas and papas. The qualifications are

ELMS District UIL Competition



The following Eagle Lake Middle School students placed at District U.I.L. contest at Elms College in Brenham on March 26, 1982. They are: front row, left to right, Joel Medina, second in 5th and 6th grade number sense; Kevin Bendy, Dominique Isehower, Jennifer Matthews and Rensie Balas, first place fifth grade picture memory team; back row, l. to r., Valerie Bengie, second in 7th and 8th grade number sense; Darlene

Stancik, third in 7th and 8th grade spelling; Laura Appelt, first in 7th and 8th grade spelling; Sally Strube, first in 5th and 6th grade ready writing; Naylia McTear, member of first place 5th grade picture memory team. Patrons of the Rice School District express their congratulations to the winners and look forward to even bigger and better achievements in 1983. - ELMS Photo.

Last Rites Held For Leona Powell

Final rites were held at the Greater Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Eagle Lake at 11:00 a.m. Monday, March 29th for Mrs. Leona Walker Powell, affectionately known to friends as "Nina."

Leona Darling Minnie Berry Beverly was the first of six children born to Jake and Georgia Beverly. She was born August 13, 1888. She was converted and joined the St. James Baptist Church at an early age. During her teen-age life, the family moved to Eagle Lake and there she united with the Friendship Baptist Church and was a willing and faithful worker.

She and Robert Boyd were united in marriage and to this union were born two children. She later married George Walker and to this union was born one child; and then she married Stafford Powell.

In 1944, she united with the Greater Mt. Olive Church and was active in church auxiliaries and societies, always ready to do what was needed.

She died Wed., Mar. 24th, 1982 at 11:15 a.m. in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

Surviving are a daughter and son-in-law, Nannie and Sylvester Castle of Eagle Lake; a granddaughter and grand-son-in-law, Christina and Eugene Moody of

Nebraska City, Neb. 68410.

Arrangements were by Penn Company Funeral Home of Eagle Lake.

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HOSPITAL News Notes

Patients (April 5)

Eagle Lake: Cora Reese, Augustine Ramirez, Thomas Waddell, Henry Kretschmar, Mandy Thomas, Frankie Scholm, Erna Stern, Lucy Samora, Robert Black, Jose Ugarte, Sr.

Columbus: Alfred Brandt, from Alletton; Pete Gonzales, Elizabeth Walker, from Garwood; Otto Danklefs, Odessa Hinton, from East Bernard; Damiana Tovar, from Weimar; Jerry Hayek, from Sheridan; Dorothy West, from Glidden; Rose Marie Tello, from Sweeney; Andrew Lee, from Lissie; Donna Langston and Baby Girl.

Dismissals

Eagle Lake: Elma Sutton, Anna Roeh, Charles Powell, Mary Horton, Nelda Reyes and Baby Girl; April Hemphill, Mary Ann Sims, Willie B. Christal, A. B. Cone, Mary Berna, Annie Owens, Noe Belmaras, Lucille Cleveland, Louise Spillinger, Patricia Fields and Baby Girl; Kenneth Norris, Elvira Cuellar, Shawana Shorter.

Columbus: Caridad Lopez, Jane Elizabeth Burtchell, Lena Collins, Elizabeth Duvall, and Baby Girl, from Alletton.

Midland: McGehee, from Hal lettsville; Alvin Fuller, from Altair; Hester Walker, from Sealy; Alecia Johnson and Baby Girl; from Lissie; Howard Wiese, Doris Beisel; from Pattison; Sharon Paben; from Cat Spring; Grace Goebel, Alois Frenzel; from Wallis; Mary Lee Lewis; from Liberty; Carol Griffin; from Egypt; Lafayette Godsey; from Garwood; Herbert Popp; from Belleville; James Cunningham.

Sheriff Jim Broussard reports to the Voters of Colorado County

I would like to take this opportunity to outline some more of my feelings about seeking to remain Sheriff of Colorado County.

As I stated before, I am not a politician; however, I am a worker and manager.

I also stated that I would meet as many of you as time would permit; however, my prime responsibility is to make sure the Sheriff's Office is operating in your behalf.

I am sure that there are some of you wondering why I do not go around at family functions and pass out cards and do some politicking. The fact is, when I am having an outing, I would be bringing our family together by going around and taking up their time together with political speels. I make as many functions as I possibly can, and I support all of them. I was doing this before I became a candidate for sheriff and I will continue to do so. I make these functions to show my interest and support of our community.

I feel the best way to ask for your vote and support is to give you service and prove to you that I am qualified to be your Sheriff.

I am seeking your vote and support on my record and accomplishments since I have been Sheriff. I hope that I have performed in such a manner that you will allow me the opportunity and privilege of serving you in the future.

I am asking you for your vote and support in retaining me as your Sheriff. I am available at any time to discuss any problem you may have or to listen to any suggestions you may have that will assist in better serving our community. Please remember this office belongs to the people of Colorado County and I have just been given the privilege of supervising the functions of that office.

I ask that you allow me the opportunity and privilege to continue serving you. Your vote and support is appreciated.

Jim Broussard
Sheriff, Colorado County

Also happy grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hoffman of Nade and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Meitzner of Eagle Lake.

The mother is the former Phyllis Hoffman of Nade.

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Of The
Rice Consolidated Independent School District:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for electing me to the Board of Trustees, Position No. 3.

I am honored to be a part of our fine school system and look forward to the challenge of serving as trustee.

Respectfully,
Reggie Brisco

(Pol. advt. paid by Reggie Brisco, Box 219, Sheridan, Texas 77479)

Vaccination For Brucellosis Is Urged

Commissioners of the Texas Animal Health Commission are launching a statewide program aimed at encouraging livestock producers to vaccinate their animals for brucellosis control.

Vaccination is a key element of the Texas brucellosis control program. We can build up immunity in the Texas cattle population by vaccination of all eligible heifers," John Armstrong, Kingsville, chairman, Texas Animal Health Commission, explained.

He noted these are other advantages for vaccination:

1. Vaccinated cattle can move more freely in accordance with brucellosis regulations;
2. Vaccinated cattle have more value.

Financial assistance is available. You should contact your veterinarian or area Texas Animal Health Commission office for details, Armstrong said.

The program to encourage vaccination is a part of the ongoing efforts of the TAHC in this phase of the Texas brucellosis program. Recently, a statewide committee, made up of several livestock

organizations, recommended that the TAHC pursue an educational program among livestock producers and the general public informing them of the economic advantages of vaccination.

Vaccination ages for heifers as official vaccinates are 4 to 12 months of age. A one-time vaccination is normally sufficient for the life of the animal. Bulls are not vaccinated. The reduced dosage of Strain 19 vaccine is recommended.

Jerome Waliguras Become Parents Of Daughter Mar. 30

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome L. Waliguras of Garwood are the happy parents of their first child, a baby daughter born at 5:12 p.m. Tues. March 30th in the Gulf Coast Medical Center in Wharton.

The little lady has been named Shanna Kay. She weighed seven pounds and eleven ounces and measured twenty-one inches in length at birth.

Material grandmother is Mrs. Rose Laco of East Bernard and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ben Waliguras of Garwood. The mother is the former Sandra Laco of East Bernard.

Friends in the community learned with regret of the death of Mrs. Joe (Mary) Anders of Schulenburg, the mother of Mrs. V. J. (Elizabeth) Kana of Eagle Lake and a sister of Mrs. Ada Ward, also of Eagle Lake. Mrs. Anders passed away in the Youens Memorial Hospital in Weimar on April 1st.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, April 3rd from the St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Schulenburg with the Rev. Arnold Anders, a nephew of the deceased, officiating. Burial was in the St. Rose of Lima Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers were: Phil Kana, Jim Shaw, Robert Cernoch, Alvin Winkler, Gary Senger and Bill Stelling.

Assisting in the funeral services were the Rev. Jim Barlow and the Rev. Benton Thurmond.

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Surviving are: a daughter, Mrs. V. J. (Jiggy) Kana of Eagle Lake; a son, Billy Anders of San Antonio; four sisters, Mrs. Annie Heinrich, Mrs. Ada Ward, Mrs. Selma Schram, and Miss Alvina

Winkler; a brother, Henry Winkler; four grandchildren; five great grandchildren; and other relatives and friends. Her husband and one grandson preceded her in death. Sympathy is extended to the family in the loss of this loved one.

Rotary Has Program On Energy From ARCO

Eagle Lake Rotarians and guests enjoyed an informative narrated slide film presentation by ARCO on "Energy For Our Time" at the club's meeting on Wednesday of last week.

Melburn Sibbey was program chairman for the meeting and introduced Linda Kruter, representative of the Atlantic Richfield Company who presented the program.

She commented on the need for use of sources of renewable energy and the growing importance of solar energy. Kruter stated that one-third of the world has no electricity at this time and five percent of the citizens in the United States do not enjoy the use of electrical energy.

"The solar energy program received a setback recently when President Reagan cut by 60% the allocation for research and development of solar energy," said the speaker.

She pointed out the great potential of Photovoltaic processes being developed to harness the energy of the sun and to make it into a useable energy resource. She added however that at this time the cost of electricity produced by the Photovoltaic process is running high, about \$10 per kilowatt as compared to 5 per kilowatt by other present day energy sources.

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Nita Kay Dye To Wed Michael Everett Crow In Houston July 17



Nita Kay Dye and Michael Everett Crow join with their parents in announcing their engagement and approaching marriage. Nita is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorell Howard Dye of Houston, former residents of Eagle Lake. Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Everett Crow of Pasadena.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Rice High School and is employed with Houston Construction Co., Inc. as field office manager.

The groom-to-be is a graduate of the University of Houston and is employed with Massey-Graves, Mechanical Contractors.

The wedding is planned for July 17, 1982 in Bear Creek Baptist Church in Houston.

Mother Of Mrs. Kana Passes Away

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In Adult Education Class In Rice CISD

Region Science Fair Apr. 21-23

The annual El Campo Regional Science and Engineering Fair has been set for April 21-23. The event is co-sponsored by the El Campo Lions and El Campo Independent School District.

Science fair finalists from schools in a thirteen county area will set up their exhibits on Wednesday, April 21, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the El Campo High School Gym, or Thursday, April 22 from 7:00-9:00 a.m.

Two Grand Award winners will be selected from the Senior Division (grades 9-12) to compete in the International Science and Engineering Fair in Houston.

The fair is open to the public for free viewing Friday, April 23 from 8:45 a.m. until the Awards Ceremony at 8:00 p.m.

Participating in the Adult Education Classes at Eagle Lake Middle School in the 1981-82 year were: seated in front, left to right, Maria Trevino, Elvira Ramon and

Troy Marulla; standing, left to right, Baby Darnell, teacher's aide; Mary Frybert, Elizabeth Hodge, Joseph Prescott, Leroy Aldridge, teacher Marie Arge and Ignacio Posada. - ELMS Photo.

46 Attend Adult Classes In Rice CISD

Adult Education classes in the Rice Consolidated Independent School District were held at Eagle Lake Middle School from September 9th through March 31st. The classes met on Monday and Wednesday nights from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

There were some 46 students who registered during the year. Several look and passed their G.E.D. Of those, two are pictured

above: Mary Frybert and Elizabeth Hodge.

Graduation exercises were held March 31st at the E.L.M.S. library with Eagle Lake Middle School Principal David Mims as speaker. Several family members were present when certificates were presented.

A party for all attending was held afterward. New classes will begin next September.

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