

People's questions about sex: 'Where can I learn how?'

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My recent columns on sex have struck a sensitive public nerve and have made many people write letters to me who have never written anyone before. In many of the letters are inquisitive and indicate what others think about this popular but often hidden topic. I have decided to share some of them in my next two columns with you. Comments follow the letters.

Dear Dr. Faulkner:
 I have read your column for years, but I was shocked to find you writing about sex. Do you really think a newspaper is the proper place to write about sex?
 Mrs. T., Sacramento, Calif.

Dear Mrs. T.:
 Name every human activity that you can think of. Now tell me which one is participated in by doctors, lawyers, young, old, rich, poor, black, white, beautiful and not-so-beautiful. It is to have sex. And it is rather beautiful that we know so little about this most important topic. The newspaper provides information about drugs, death and depression; it is the best place for writing about sex. The more informed we are, the better we understand and cope with the situation, be it employment, buying an automobile, family difficulties or sex. Perhaps one of the reasons for childhood pregnancy and venereal disease is lack of knowledge. I want to contribute to an improved society by writing about sex in a decent, intelligent manner. Read my columns, enjoy them and learn.

Dear Dr. Faulkner:
 My basic problem is finding out how to have sex and satisfy my friend. How do I get information about techniques for having sex? In other words, what do I do when I engage in intercourse?
 Mrs. J., Portland, Ore.

Dear Joan:
 Your library is full of pertinent, helpful material. Also, your physician can provide you with materials that are easy to understand and technically accurate. I encourage you to attend the education classes at the

credited colleges will give you the information that you desire.

Dear Dr. Faulkner:
 I am incarcerated and have been locked away from society for almost five years. During that time I have been driven to engage in sex acts with other inmates, but I don't consider myself to be any kind of homosexual. Do you think I am? K.R., Folsom.

Dear K.R.:
 It is not possible for me to make a personal evaluation of you without a counseling interview. However, the designation of homosexual is not necessarily attached to a person who, due to unusual circumstances, is pressured to relieve pent-up sexual frustrations through incidental unconventional acts in the only available circumstance. One's sexual desires and involvement in normal circumstances usually determine how one is categorized.

Dear Dr. Faulkner:
 Would you please recommend a sex therapy clinic for me and my husband? We are having some of the kinds of problems that you described in your article. He has difficulty reaching climax, and, as a result, he is afraid to have sex and I am becoming frigid. Please help. Betty, Michigan.

Dear Betty:
 Recommending a sex therapy clinic is quite a risky business because of the fraud and incompetence associated with many of them. Quackery in the sex therapy business is possible because no such counselor needs to obtain a license. Thus, anyone can put up a shingle and advertise himself/herself as an expert. A bad experience with a clinic can make the problem worse, cause you to lose confidence in therapy and drive you away from any effort to solve your problem. Here is my advice to you: Consult your physician, who will diagnose your problem and, because of his experience with similar problems, refer you to a capable professional counselor; consult your local medical services, which can refer you to a competent counselor and direct you away from the phonies, and seek guidance from your church

counselor, who is likely to have counseled others with problems similar to your own.

Many people have made fortunes from other people's problems, and no amount of skepticism on your part is too much. Although legitimate sex

therapists can, indeed, help you, you would be wise to do careful, thorough research into the credentials of anyone who promises you fantastic success.

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Marable

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for the 1990s, the Lavi," says Hunter.

Such extensive ties help to explain why some American Jewish leaders were reluctant to become involved in the Free South Africa Movement demonstrations this winter. But the fact that "Israelis have trained South Africans in everything from naval construction to counterinsurgency techniques" must be addressed by Americans who maintain unquestioned support for Israel's policies while at the same moment offering moral condemnations of the brutalities of the apartheid regime.

Black Americans are not immune from criticism on these grounds. For nearly a decade, the Rev. Leon Sullivan has pushed the so-called "Sullivan Principles" concept, which sets racial standards for U.S. firms doing business with apartheid.

In theory, the signatories of the Sullivan Principles attempt to

humanize the barbarism of the system by promoting desegregated workplace facilities, mandated equal pay for jobs and training non-whites for "supervisory, administrative, clerical and technical jobs."

But, according to Sullivan's own annual reports, progress along such lines is at best marginal. In the 1983 report, it was noted that white employees filled 94 percent of all new managerial posts, and that non-white workers "lost ground steadily in clerical/administrative programs over the last three years."

About three-fourths of all unskilled workers in firms signing the Sullivan Principles were Africans, while only 0.3 percent were white. Two percent of all managers were black; 97 percent were white. Clearly, the strategy of reform-from-within makes about as much sense as trying to convince Hitler passively to give

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up fascism.

There are also hundreds of Afro-American artists and athletes who have performed in South Africa during the past decade, obtaining huge fees to entertain white audiences. Their presence legitimizes the regime, providing tactical support and comfort to the opponents of black freedom.

Just a short list of these entertainers includes: Tina Turner, Aretha Franklin, Eartha Kitt, Johnny Mathis, Stephanie Mills, Della Reese, Betty Wright, the Staple Singers, Ray Charles and Nikki Giovanni.

Throughout the United States, blacks have organized to boycott the performances and records of all artists -- black and white -- who have profited from apartheid.

The system of tyranny in South Africa is crumbling and, within the next decade, will fall before the forces of democracy. What

we do inside the United States can speed up that inevitable process.

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Jacob

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should be to ensure that the children of the poor get quality education that prepares them for the demanding world in which they must function as independent, responsible citizens.

Tuition tax credits are a diversion that will not further that goal.

John Jacob is president of the National Urban League.

Open Line

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Neighborhood Cafeteria, located on the first floor of the Reynolds Health Center Building on 10th Street.

The organization is chartered as a non-profit, and its purpose is to work as a liaison between the neighborhoods and the city government. It also informs citizens about developments that affect individual neighborhoods in Winston-Salem.

Velma Hopkins, manager of the cafeteria, says, "We're just a grassroots organization. Nobody is somebody as far as we're concerned."

Anyone who wants to get involved in the organization should

call Velma Hopkins at 723-2736 for additional information.

Q: Can the U.S. Government copyright work or information that was created using taxpayers' money?

A: Don Leach of the U.S. Copyright Office says that the U.S. Government does not hold any copyrights. However, the government does copyright artwork used on official materials like stamps and money.

"The U.S. Postal Service holds the copyright on the artwork on the recently released Mary McLeod Bethune stamp, but the stamp is not copyrighted," he said.

Police

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Hunter's murder and initial eyewitness reports involved two persons. But after Hunter's arrest, Jefferson said, she said the police just stopped look-

ing for Hemmings in January. In mid-February, the police received a warrant to test blood and saliva samples from Jeffrey Lee Mitchell, Hunt's brother.

Mitchell has stated to the press and to the press more than once that he and Hunt spent the day together on Aug. 10, 1983, when the murder occurred.

According to the State Bureau of Investigation, results of blood and saliva samples taken from Mitchell don't match any found on Jeffrey Sykes' body. The results of the Mitchell test

should be available next week, said Bill Reingold, the assistant district attorney helping District Attorney Donald K. Tisdale prepare the case.

Alderman Larry Little, who has criticized the police's handling of the case and has worked to help defend Hunt, said he expects that those tests will not place Mitchell at the scene, either. According to Little, a copy of Mitchell's blood bank transfusion record from North Carolina Baptist Hospital lists his blood type as A positive.

Sykes was blood type O, according to SBI lab reports, and the only blood type found on her body was type O. Hunt is blood type B. Therefore, neither Hunt nor Mitchell could have been involved, said Little.

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