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## Family says TV's 'The Bachelorette' edits out reality

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEDFORD — Reality TV may not be quite as real as it claims.

Ryan Shaeffer, one of the potential mates for "The Bachelorette" Jennifer Schefft, and his parents say the producers of the hit ABC show twisted the family image a bit by editing footage of a visit to Medford.

"It was tough to sit there and watch it and I was pretty upset about it," Shaeffer said.

The footage that aired last week suggested that even the family cat appeared as bored as Schefft when Shaeffer's parents, Barbara and Scott Shaeffer, were shown talking about their recent trip to Thailand, the Sheaffers said.

"They chose to portray me in particular as just babbling on about Thailand," Barbara Shaeffer said. "We hadn't been home from our trip for three days when they showed up. It was on our minds."

The episodes were taped between mid-October and Thanksgiving. Confidentiality agreements forbid anyone involved from revealing any details.

Ryan and Jen went ice skating at "The RRRink," visited the Montessori school run by the Sheaffers, then went to the family's Medford home for a talk and dinner with film crews capturing every moment. It ended with Schefft signing a wall in a kids' bathroom autographed by family visitors for years.

But viewers saw little more than the bored Jen, the bored cat, and Ryan's mother saying "Thailand" every few seconds along with some catty criticism by Jen.

Viewers didn't know the Sheaffers had just returned from their trip or that they talked about several other topics, ranging from Schefft's college life to birthdays, sports and families.

"We actually had a good visit," Barbara Shaeffer said. "She actually was pretty easy to get along with."

Instead, viewers saw Jen making some mean remarks about the family.

"You don't go on TV and diss somebody like that," Barbara Shaeffer said.

Her son agreed.

"Jen could have showed a little more class, especially with a national TV audience," Ryan Shaeffer said.

## IN BRIEF

### Bush asks Congress for \$80 billion to fund wars

WASHINGTON, D.C. — President Bush asked Congress on Monday to provide \$81.9 billion more for wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and for other U.S. efforts overseas, shoving the total price tag for the conflicts and anti-terrorism fight past \$300 billion.

Republicans hope to push the package through Congress by early spring, reflecting both parties' desire to finance U.S. troops in the field and give Iraqis more responsibility following their national elections.

Bush asked lawmakers to pay for the new spending by borrowing the money — which will make huge federal deficits even larger.

"The majority of this request will ensure that our troops continue to get what they need to protect themselves and complete their mission," Bush said in a statement accompanying his request.

He also said the money would help continue the pursuit of terrorists and help the United States "seize the opportunity to build peace and democracy in the Middle East."

About \$77 billion of the total was for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, while about \$5 billion was for aid to U.S. allies. Of the total package for the wars, the vast majority — \$74.9 billion — was for the Defense Department, with other

agencies sharing the rest.

Bush requested \$658 million to build a new U.S. embassy in Iraq that could house a staff of 1,000, plus \$717 million to staff it.

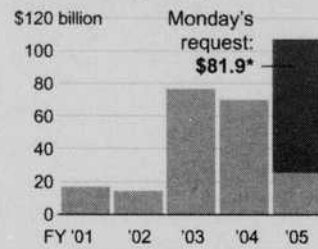
Afghanistan would get almost \$2 billion more for its own reconstruction, including money to build roads and schools, combat illegal drugs and prepare for parliamentary elections.

— The Associated Press

### Bush requests more war funds

President Bush asked Congress for an additional \$81.9 billion on Monday, bringing total war costs past \$300 billion since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

### Supplemental appropriations for Iraq and Afghanistan approved by Congress



\* Proposed; includes funds for other international expenses

NOTE: Includes money to protect U.S. cities and military bases and for rebuilding in Iraq and Afghanistan; fiscal years begin Oct. 1

SOURCE: Congressional Research Service AP

## Makah Tribe applies for a whaling waiver

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SEATTLE — The Makah Tribe is taking a new approach to re-establishing tribal whaling, following six years of court battles in the wake of its first successful hunt in more than 70 years.

By filing an application Monday with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Makah Tribe was set to begin the long and almost unheard-of process of seeking a waiver to the Marine Mammal Protection Act. The 1972 federal law generally outlaws anyone in the United States from killing or harming gray whales and other marine mammals.

The move is one of at least two procedural steps the tribe and NOAA previously fought against in court.

"You get tired of fighting after a while," Makah tribal chairman Ben

Johnson Jr. said Friday. "So now we're going to try it their way for a while."

It would take a long time to complete the process that could lead to more whale hunts, said Brian Gorman, a NOAA spokesman in Seattle.

"The bottom line is we support the tribe's treaty right to hunt whales," Gorman said.

"It's going to be a long process," he added. "I don't think anyone is fooling themselves about that."

The tribe hopes that within two years, all necessary approvals and paperwork will be in place for Makah whalers to legally return to the Pacific's water with a plan to harvest as many as 20 whales over five years.

"We don't expect this to happen overnight," Johnson said. "We just want to go whaling again. Whaling is

our treaty right, and we see it as our way of life."

The Makah tribe considers its centuries-old whaling tradition part of what defines the tribe's unique identity. It is pursuing the hunts for cultural and subsistence purposes.

In June, a three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled for the third time that the federal government must conduct a full environmental assessment and that an exception to the Marine Mammal Protection Act be granted before whaling can resume.

The complex 49-page decision, which included a reference to Herman Melville's "Moby Dick," left the Makahs with the choice of complying with the ruling or appealing to the Supreme Court.


After the appeals court ruling, Wayne Johnson, the tribe's whaling captain during a successful whale hunt in 1999, said the Makahs would continue to press their case under a treaty which — according to tribal lawyer John Arum — makes them the only Indian group in the United States with an explicit treaty right to hunt whales.

"It's another treaty broken by the United States," Johnson said. "I am going whaling again."

Under the ruling, the National Marine Fisheries Service must complete an environmental impact study which shows tribal whale hunts will not hurt gray whale populations.

In addition, the tribe must seek a waiver from a federal law that generally bars the harming of marine mammals.

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