

the county's MLK celebration. The fact that he opposed gay marriage is a shame, and it's my guess that this decision had much to do with his religious views. With or without religion, there are good people and bad people. But religion sure can make good people behave badly!

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SAVAGE SOAPBOX

Before folks start ranting about Mr. Savage's column, maybe they should take the time to read some of his past writings. In my humble opinion, he is a very dedicated and passionate activist, not only for gay rights, but for straight rights as well. When the Family Research Council was citing the evils of distributing the HPV vaccination to women (all women, not just young girls), it was big gay Dan that got his ass up on the soapbox. He brought awareness to lazy people like me, who skip the articles and go straight to the sex column. And don't even get me started on his great life's work, humiliating that neo-conservative Rick Santorum (Google it and see what happens).

I would be honored to be Dan's fag hag.
Aubonney Wood
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WILL OF THE PEOPLE

The war in Iraq has been a disaster from the beginning, and it has only gotten worse. There's no reason to believe that any number of American troops there would ever solve the problems that we have caused!

And then, while our soldiers have been in Iraq "protecting our freedoms," the Bush government has been systematically ransacking the constitutional rights of U.S. citizens. The latest example of this that we know about is the self-proclaimed presidential option of opening private, first-class mail.



Dan Savage turned neo-conservative Rick Santorum's life upside-down

We don't need the troops protecting us in Iraq; we need the troops to protect us here in the U.S.

Sens. Wyden and Smith and Rep. DeFazio must do the right thing — the moral thing — and take whatever steps are within their power as our elected representatives to stop the war in Iraq. This is also a political mandate. As evidenced by the November election and most recent polling results, bringing the troops home is clearly the will of the American people.

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