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**LETTERS** TO THE EDITOR

syndicated column "Savage Love," I want to ask you to please pull your heads out of your asses. Dan Savage is a rather conservative, albeit gay, columnist who has brought wide insight to brave discussion about otherwise taboo topics regarding sexuality. His writing is both comic and educational to those who would otherwise have nowhere to turn for advice. Dan has been in a committed relationship for a long time, and he and his spouse have adopted a child to raise as their own.

Ultimately, Savage's advice preaches respect between consenting adults. He lends a hand when it comes to advice regarding technique to those too dim to figure it out for themselves. To ask *EW* to censor itself because of this one column on the back page is ludicrous and bigoted. If you don't want to read about human sexuality, don't read his column. But to insinuate your prudish, conservative head-in-the-sand mentality on the rest of us is downright despicable and far dirtier than anything ever written in "Savage Love."

Perhaps you should try to control others less and learn more about niche sexual appetites without ridiculing them. As the Bible says somewhere, "Judge not, lest ye be judged."

Jonathan Seraphim  
Eugene

to reach our vulnerable population of homeless.

I was called to assist a man who was upset that he would have to wait five to six weeks to get glasses. English is his second language, and he had a stroke last fall, so it was difficult to understand his story, but he really wanted someone to listen. By the end of our time together, he had an initial eye exam and the offer for an opportunity for a free full exam as well as a voucher for free glasses. He left the event with a smile on his face and his dignity intact.

I sat down next to an elder in the entrance area; he was eating a muffin. I mentioned there was lunch ready for him inside. He said "Really?" I offered to show him where it was. Later that day I walked up to this gentleman and asked him how his day was going. He said great, and he asked if I wanted to hear a poem. I accepted his offer, and he recited one while we stood. It was a great poem. He asked if I wanted to hear a love poem. Of course I said yes. He prefaced each poem with philosophy on life and wisdom on the insight of human nature. His love poem "The winds of love" brought me to tears. We hugged. In his words, "I think we just made each other's day!" He was right: what a gift.

June Sedarbaum  
Eugene

**PROJECT A GIFT**

Feb. 8 was a great day for our community! I had the honor of participating in Project Homeless Connect, an all day event that overshadows all other attempts

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