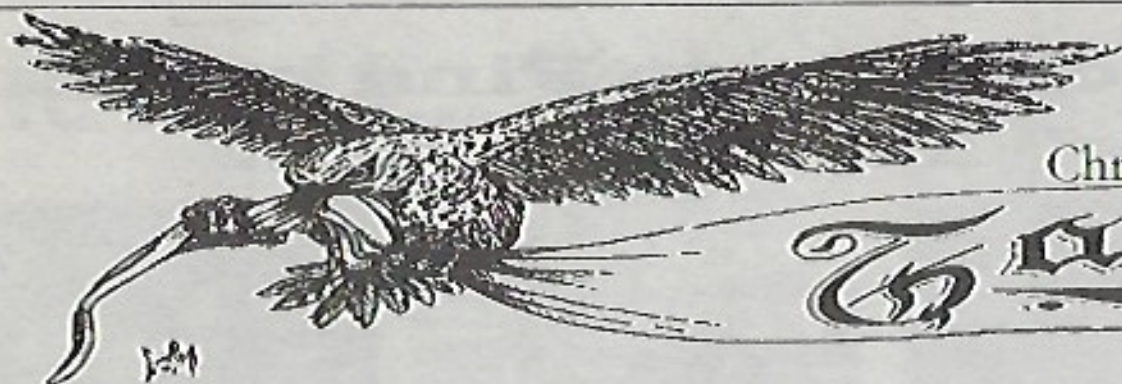


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A Friend in Life . . . A Love in Memory . . . An Angel Forever

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We can't begin to describe the effect that Sharmelia Jeffries had on our lives. She was so beautiful and loving, and it still seems like yesterday she sent us a goofy text message, that said "Nite girlie" with some sort of picture.

"Sharmy," as we knew her, was always laughing. No matter how good or bad the joke was, she would laugh. She was good for that, just ask her friend Jenny Lee. We loved her smile which showed all her bright 32 teeth and we'll miss seeing that in class everyday. Her smile would always warm our hearts regardless of our mood. In a way, her smile brought us closer together, and we'll never forget that gift she gave us.

Sharmelia moved many people in different ways. One of the people that she

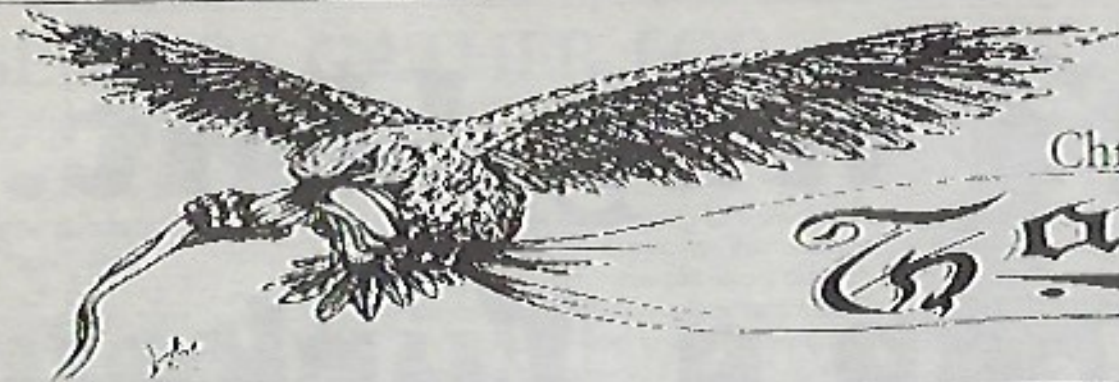
absolutely beautiful and I couldn't believe the things that were coming out of her mouth. If people could only love their friends the way I love Sharmelia, then they too could be there for their friends in their time of need to help them triumph over obstacles the way Sharmelia and I guided each other through that difficult night.

She will be truly missed by lots of people. She had one of the purest souls I've ever known and I am certain that she's still here watching over us and building our stairways to Heaven. Sharmelia lives on in my heart and I know that her love still lives in the hearts of the hundreds of people that she graced with her presence.

During the Kairos I retreat, Sharmelia was one the student rectors. She did an amazing job. While on retreat, I seized the opportunity to open up to her and share my darkest secrets with her. I told her literally all my problems and was



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Davis Terminated: Arnold Takes Office

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On October 7, 2003, over 7 million Californians flocked to the polls to participate in the momentous and historic recall of Governor Gray Davis.

In a mad dash to rally voters for either support of Gray Davis or "yes" on the recall, the candidates boosted their campaign during the week before the event. Early polls indicated that a majority supported the recall; their top choice being Republican actor-turned-politician Arnold Schwarzenegger. This despite all the intense scrutiny he endured about various illicit interactions. At the same time, independent candidate Arianna Huffington pulled out of the race but not



Mouth of Brothers Silenced?

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News Editor

Conspicuously absent from the sidelines of Christian Brothers' sports games is a longstanding, tried and true source of Falcon Pride — the MOB. The

anne Holmes, at a neighborhood gas station. Apparently, a stranger approached Mrs. Holmes as she stood refueling her car while donning a Christian Brothers MOB t-shirt. The stranger warned her not to wear the t-shirt as it had gang connotations.

Mr. Barsanti investigated the issue and

for the young ladies" as well as the student body as a whole.

The student body appears less than enthused over the administration's stance so far on this issue. Various athletic teams and Student Council have expressed concern over the lack of a student cheering section since it is an important source of student spirit.

"I don't think it's necessary to change the name; it has to be taken way out of context to be seen the way the administration is looking at it," stated ASB Rally Chairman Stephen Caselli, the student council member responsible for overseeing student spirit. "I think the MOB is a great, easy way to unite all the CB students," he continued, "and it can only get stronger if the administration [supports] it, which they should."

The administration maintains, however, that it has no intentions of removing a student cheer and spirit organization from the stands. "We can still have a cheering section," reassured Mr. Barsanti, "but only one not named MOB." The dean continued to explain that the administration has considered a variety of alternatives to the MOB, including designating an area of the gymnasium