

Editorial: A Bald-Faced Truth

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Editorial written by an 18 year old on the perils of experiencing hair loss at a young age. We were so impressed with this article that we included it in our Newsletter this month. When you have 15 free minutes of uninterrupted time, check it out. For some of you, "I know exactly what he's talking about!" will be on the tip of your tongue the entire time... Rejection from girls "...girls [in high school] tended to be suspicious of guys who might treat them with dignity, and instead opted for apes in basketball jerseys. I'll just wait til college where the girls will be more mature and will go out with someone who won't slap them around. Just as I started to meet girls with a modicum of self-respect, the shower drain started clogging up with my fleeing hair."

The unpleasant emergency first-time visit to the nearest hair transplant office which sheer panic has lead many of us to "The office was in a classy old building...but that is where the character ended. It had all the charm of a metal detector. I was accosted by a woman in a power suit....she outlined the progression of my hair loss with a neon yellow highlighter. It was so bizarre that it had to be the way things were done in a new and cruel world beyond my understanding...."

The desperation which followed "I walked away from the office on the verge of tears. I had not only been humiliated, but there appeared to be no hope for my ailing hair. I had felt helpless many times in my life up until that point but I don't think I ever truly knew the meaning of the word until that walk home."

The ensuing decision to give in rather than fight is recounted articulately and with an off-tone humor that makes reading it a bittersweet experience. We know many of our users are in the 18 to 25 age range, and despite its length, this article, written for an online "Zine" web site, will be well worth the time and effort to read.

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