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I am extremely disappointed with Benjamin Pimentel's brand of journalism. Is this how he props up his candidate, Barack Obama? Shame on Benjamin Pimentel! He attacks people and make up "imaginary conversations". Lumping the former POTUS Bill Clinton with PGMA and Mike Arroyo just shows what kind of irresponsible and biased-brand of reporting he practices.

Former President Bill Clinton, despite his mistakes, had given this country one of the best economies we have ever experienced. We thanked him for it – Mr. Pimentel should, too. People remember the good years of peace and prosperity under his administration and we hope to get the same under Hillary's leadership and presidency.

In the months that I've volunteered for Hillary Clinton for President, I have personally witnessed the Clintons' tremendous popularity. People have moved on and you should, too, Mr. Pimentel! Wherever Bill Clinton goes especially here in California, people listen to his enlightening and educational speeches minus the rhetoric we get from your candidate Senator Obama.

Yes, we need inspiration, we need change, we need to turn the economy around, we need to end the war, and we need to provide universal medical care. Yes, these will come in due time with Hillary Clinton in the White House. This is not hearsay nor made up, Mr. Pimentel. Do you know that when I volunteered at the recently-concluded California State Democratic Party Convention where Bill Clinton was among the dignitaries invited to speak, everybody listened to his speech. He was not just warmly received by the Democratic delegates, but greatly applauded. In fact, half of the convention (venue) suddenly became empty after he left the venue.

After Bill Clinton spoke, he came down from the stage to shake hands with some of the delegates and volunteers. What I witnessed blew my mind: some delegates wearing OBAMA t-shirts, bedecked with OBAMA hats and pins were aggressively pushing their way to the front to shake Bill Clinton's hand and to take his photos. That's how "HOT" Bill Clinton is even among your candidate's supporters. I wonder if they still are after they heard the former POTUS speak not just eloquently, but with SUBSTANCE.

At the Oakland/Club44 Hillary Rally where I was a team captain last year, more than 13,000 people came to listen to Hillary's great ideas and "Solutions for America". And yes, there were Caucasians and African-Americans wearing Obama t-shirts who came to listen to her, too just after they've attending the opening of Obama's campaign office in Oakland across the street.

I helped with the Asian-Americans Pacific-Islanders' registration at the Hillary's San Jose rally before the California Democratic Primary last February and witnessed once again how the former First Lady effectively communicated her aspirations for this country from memory.

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Hillary Clinton has gone through a lot of crises (both of them had) and yet their family is still intact. Hillary came up standing strong, always dignified, and a lot wiser to become New York's senator. She has the education and experience to lead this country and yes, on DAY ONE. Hillary Clinton is the best qualified presidential candidate not just for the Democratic Party, but for the country as a whole.

I help co-manage the San Jose phone banking operations into other states for Hillary Clinton. I don't get paid for my efforts; all I want is a better country and a peaceful world. With Hillary Clinton at the helm, there is HOPE.

Mr. Benjamin Pimentel, please do yourself and your readers a favor: print this letter and visit [www.hillaryclinton.com](http://www.hillaryclinton.com) for more information.

If anybody wants to volunteer for Hillary Clinton in the San Francisco Bay Area especially in Silicon Valley, please email me at [loretoqd@yahoo.com](mailto:loretoqd@yahoo.com).

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Bill Clinton & Gloria Arroyo: Scandal Duo of the Class of '68

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If it were not for other pressing matters, Bill Clinton and Gloria Arroyo would probably be looking forward

This year is the 40th anniversary of Georgetown University's Class of 1968. The class homecoming a

That's too bad. They were stars of the class.

Clinton and Arroyo, who were classmates from 1964-66, share the distinction as two of only three Ge

Then again, the two also have reasons for skipping the party. Not just because he's campaigning for hi

But they may decide not to show up because Bill and Gloria also have been at the center of some of th

Clinton was the star of arguably the most bizarre sexual fiasco in the history of American politics. I'll s

Even more damaging in the eyes of many were his presidential pardons including the one he granted t

And Gloria Arroyo? Why waste space here. Just Google "Hello Garci," "Jocjoc Bolante," "NBN," "Mike

You can just imagine idle chit-chat at the Georgetown reunion parties about the two powerful, controver

"He did what with the cigar with the intern in the Oval Office?"

"Her voice got turned into a ring tone? And she was asking an election official about winning by how m

There might even be a class poll on who should have been voted "most likely to get mired in an embar

Arroyo spent only two years of college at Georgetown. She finished her undergraduate studies at Assu

"In our time, [Georgetown] was one of the good schools, and it produced three presidents," she said a

And she clearly has shared a special friendship with Bill Clinton. During his 1994 visit to the Philippines

"I'm glad you are all right," Clinton was quoted in news reports as telling Arroyo as they warmly shook h

Arroyo responded, "Of course I had to be well enough to get up and meet my former classmate."

It would be fascinating to drill down on the kind of political education they shared at Georgetown. For

Bill Clinton was the kid from Hope, Arkansas who overcame a hard life and used what is undoubtedly

Instead, Monica Lewinsky and the other scandals have ended up also defining his legacy. Even Hillary

Gloria Arroyo, daughter of a former president, was a respected academic and opposition fighter during

Instead, Arroyo will be remembered as the as the leader who presided over one of the most scandal-ric

In any case, Clinton and Arroyo will likely not get a chance to swap political war stories at the Georgeto

But that could also change.

If Hillary Clinton wins the American presidency and Arroyo survives this latest crisis in Manila, then m

And as the two couples are enjoying their private moments together, Hillary might even ask Gloria Arroyo

"Oh, gee, Hillary, just keep on top of the issues, your cabinet and your allies," Gloria would respond. "C

Hillary would nod, but then quickly add, "Yeah, well, I learned that a long time ago, sister."

If Hillary triumphs, Bill Clinton would also take on a new and unusual role as the United States of Ame

"So Mike, what's it like to be First Gentleman?" Bill would ask. "Got any tips, buddy?"

"Oh, it's lotsa fun, Bill," Mike Arroyo would say. "Plenty of perks, not too many back-breaking responsib

Bill Clinton would give him a questioning look. Mike would shrug his shoulders. They would stare at each

Then they would both burst out laughing. # # #

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