



BENNIFER AND ME

How I fell in love with Ben Affleck and Jennifer Lopez, twice.



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I have been in shambles. Truly a devastated soul. Will I ever fully recover from such undeniable heartbreak? "Inside Edition," my favorite prime time gossip show, has been removed from its original time of 6 p.m. Now if I want to hear about the latest celebrity gossip and sensationalized news I have to watch the far worse "People Magazine Show" (or "PMS" as I call it). I have already sent a strongly worded email to KCTV5 requesting that it be returned to its proper place, but seeing as that was months ago, I doubt that they will adhere to my demands.

For those unaware of the wonders of "Inside Edition," it's a televised gossip show hosted by the great Deborah Norville. Nearly every weekday at 6 p.m. for the past decade, I have watched the gang confront corrupt televangelists, lying physics and learn what Garth Brooks has been doing. It is truly a splendid show, but now it's gone and all I have left is trash.

The "PMS" is a bizarre version of "Inside Edition," almost as if the showrunners of "PMS" took the concept of "Inside Edition" and decided to mangle and corrupt it. It is true evil.

With that being said, I still watch the "PMS." I know, I am a total hypocrite, but a man's gotta do what he's got to do, and this man has got some opinions on the Ben Affleck and Jennifer Lopez's second marriage to each other.

Back in 2002 actor Ben Affleck and singer-turned actor Jennifer Lopez met on the set of the movie "Gigli" and immediately fell in love with each other -- it was true romance. As hype for "Gigli" grew, so did their relationship, and after a divorce and a music video, the two finally tied the knot in 2003 and they became Bennifer.

Despite all the glitz and glamor, time was tough for the newlyweds. Paparazzi outlets like TMZ made it to where their life became public for all to see. Despite this set back, the two were determined to stick together, they were soul mates after all. But then something terrible happened, "Gigli" released.

The New York times in its review wrote,

"[Lopez] threatens the apparent ringleader with baroque martial-arts torture, which involves gouging out the eyes and also removing that part of the brain that stores visual information, so that the victim will not only be blind but will also lose all memory of what he has seen. Having seen "Gigli," I must say that the idea has a certain appeal."

NYT was not alone in feeling this as the film was panned by critics and general audiences alike. Reception to the film was so bad, that as of writing this, "Gigli" sits as the 66th largest box office bomb in cinema history.

The movie was such a disappointment that it started to create a rift in Bennifer's relationship, and soon thereafter they divorced. The two's marriage lasted a glorious 10 months.

They were meant for each other, and in a matter of months they separated. It truly makes you wonder about what could have been. And wonder I did, since my birth I have often found myself pondering about how we, collectively as a population, could get them back together.

As time passed it seemed that all hope had been lost, but then a miracle happened. This last summer, after collectively five different divorces and nearly two decades of longing for each other, they got remarried. Very little is known publicly about the two's recent marriage, and if I had to guess that's probably for the best.

In a perfect world I would have learned this joyful story for the lips of one Deborah Norville on "Inside Edition," but instead I had to learn about from the emotionless beings that host "PMS." However, I feel that I have learned an important lesson in the Bennifer saga.

If Bennifer can get their relationship to work despite the obstacles, then so can I overcome the problems that be. That is why I have decided to continue my campaign to bring back "Inside Edition." I highly encourage you, dear reader, to join me in this crusade for a better world, because if Bennifer can rejoin after two decades, then we as a community can assemble together for this honorable goal. Consider this a call to action.

