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## Bush Continues Gay Slur; Laura Bush Attacks Too

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At campaign rallies today, Bush again made his subtle anti-gay jibe that Dick Cheney may not be the prettiest face, etc. etc. Even more galling, **Laura Bush** spoke on stem-cell research and had the nerve to accuse Kerry of playing on the desperate hopes of families who have a loved one suffering from a degenerative disease.

"But I know that embryonic stem-cell research is very preliminary right now, and the implication that cures for Alzheimer's are around the corner is just not right. And it's really not fair to people who are watching a loved one suffer with this disease," said Luara per the AP.

First, she should avoid that just "around the corner" slogan since it's already boomeranging back on Bush. Second, she's got gall. Bush refuses to back basic medical research because of his own narrow religious beliefs -- keeping potential life-saving advances a dim if not impossible dream -- and the candidate who says science should decide where research dollars go, not narrow fanatic ideology, is the one who is more compassionate to families suffering from Parkinson's? Please.

P.S. By the way, it's okay for Laura Bush to oppose serious stem-cell research, even based on her religious beliefs (though since that's the only basis, it should always give a thinking person pause in a free society). What I strongly object to is her attack claiming Kerry is being less compassionate. That's unfair. She's the one who wants her personal religious beliefs impede medical progress so she's the one who has explaining to do. Instead of doing that, she attacks Kerry? Absurd.



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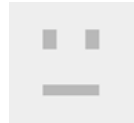
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