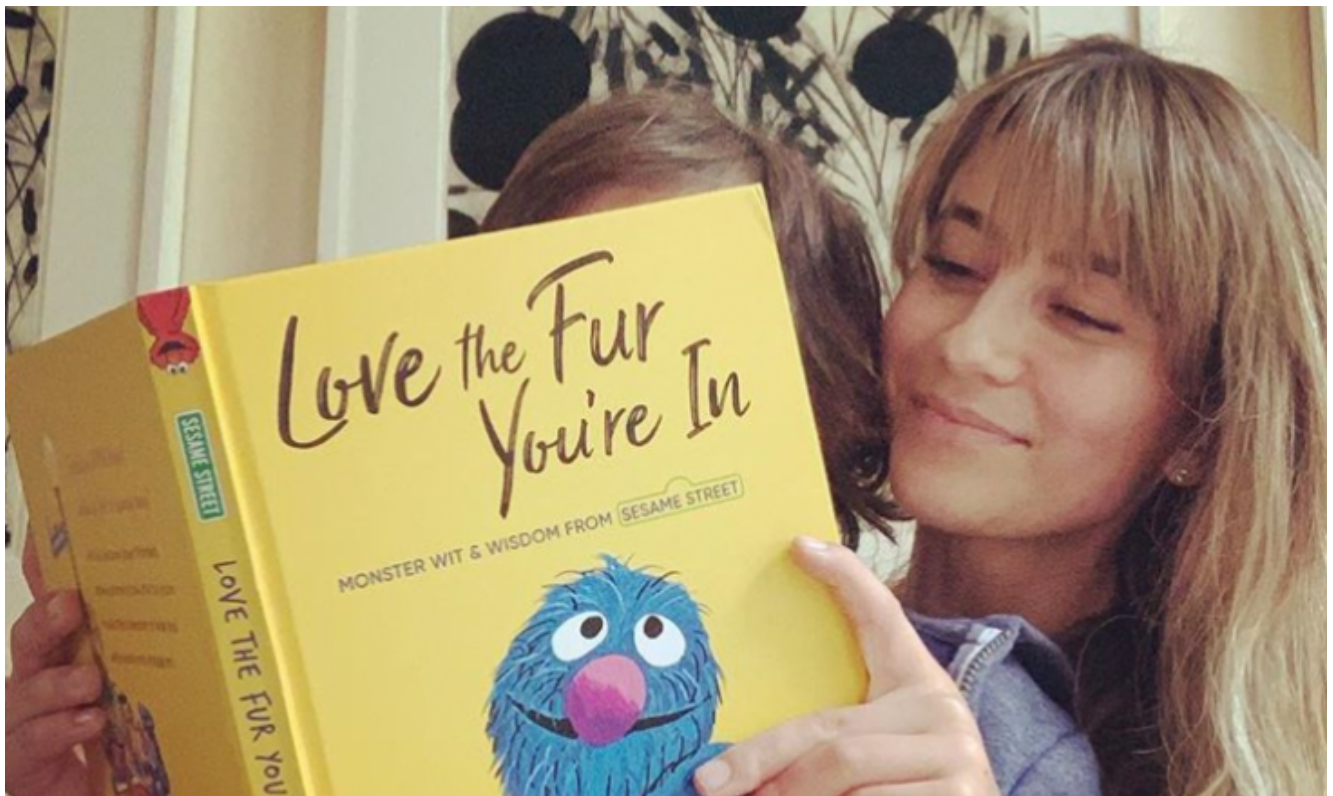


Celebrity News: 'Bachelor' Alum Ashley Spivey Reveals She Suffered a Miscarriage



By Bonnie Griffin

In [celebrity baby news](#), *The Bachelor* alum Ashley Spivey shared her [celebrity pregnancy](#) story of suffering through a miscarriage in what was a “very wanted pregnancy.” According to *UsMagazine.com*, Spivey learned of the pregnancy early on, but the devastating news came only two weeks later when her doctor revealed that “the embryo actually had shrunk and the doctor concluded that [she] was experiencing a miscarriage.”

In celebrity news, Ashley Spivey is dealing with the devastation of a miscarriage. What are some ways to support your partner during pregnancy difficulties?

Cupid's Advice:

Pregnancy difficulties leave broken hearts and scars for both parties in a relationship. Remember to support one another during this devastating time, without trying to find fixes that will only prolong the pain. Cupid has some advice:

1. Understand there is no quick fix: Losing a child or finding out you are unable to get pregnant is a devastating loss for anyone trying to become a parent. When someone we love is in pain, the knee-jerk reaction is to find a way to fix the problem, but there is no quick fix for a loss this painful. Like the loss of any loved one, only time will bring healing, so give yourself and your partner time to grieve and the healing will come naturally.

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2. Do not jump into discussing having other children: When a mother has a miscarriage, to her she just lost a unique child, and that child is irreplaceable. It may seem like telling her that she can always have another baby offers reassurance, but it will likely only add to her pain and frustration. Instead, just support her by showing and telling her that you love her and staying by her side as long as she needs you there.

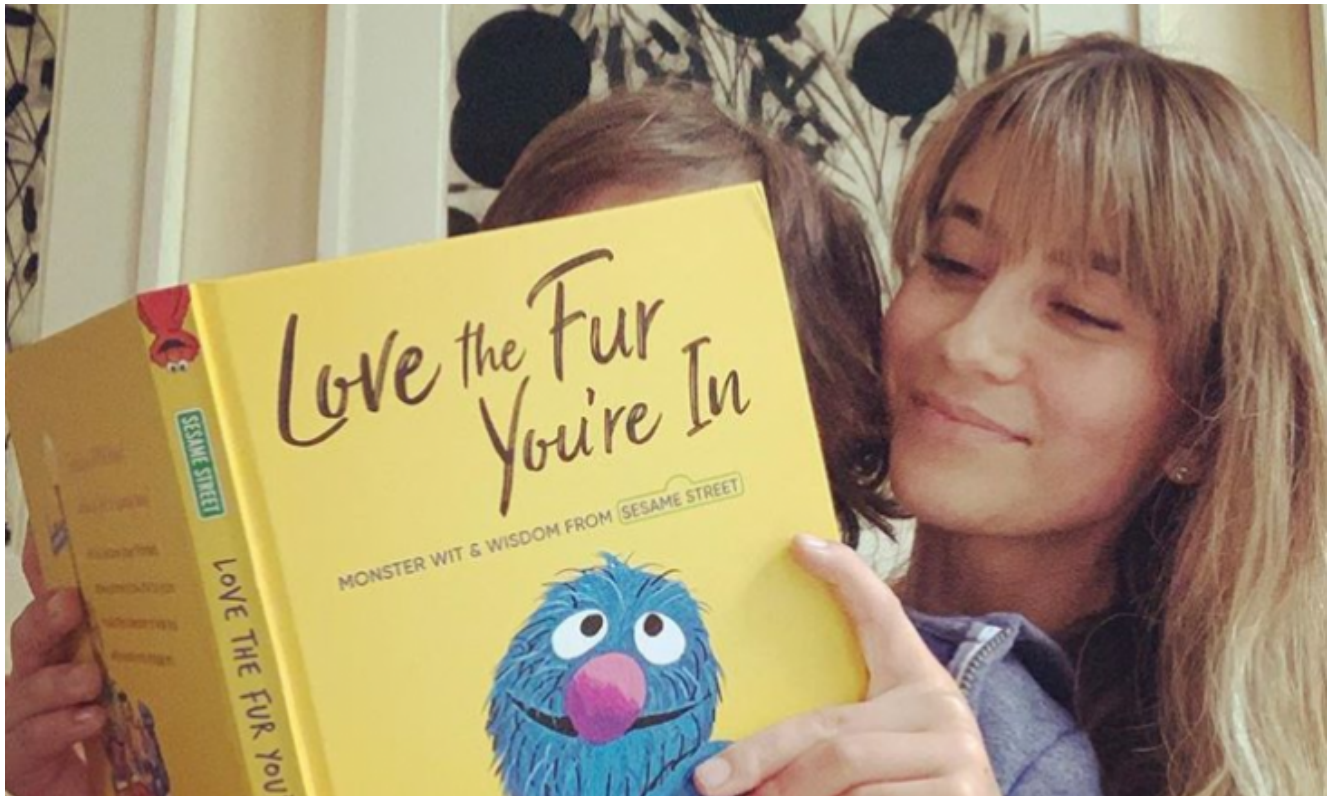
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3. Be supportive and lift her back up: When a woman goes through a miscarriage or learns she is unable to get pregnant and have children, it often leads her to thoughts that she is broken. Whether she expresses this feeling out loud or not, it is common, and she needs her partner to be there for her. Hold her, love her, tell her she is not to blame and that it is not her fault.

Can you think of other ways to support your partner when they are experiencing pregnancy difficulties, or have had a miscarriage? Let us know your thoughts in the comments below.

‘The Bachelor: Women Tell All’ Recap: Old Catfights Resume and Michelle’s Redemption





By Krissy Dolor

Before we get the pleasure of seeing next week's final rose ceremony, we must first cross one last bridge: the infamous "Women Tell All" episode, where both the *Bachelor* in question and his dearly departed bachelorettes reflect (and awkwardly watch back) the ridiculous moments that made them famous.

While it's no surprise that old beef between Raichel and Melissa continued to stew, the night's big shocker was Michelle's – dare we say it? redemption – which, of course, made for excellent television. So without further adieu, let's dig right in to last night's episode:

It started off with a classic Brad Womack and Chris Harrison heart-to-heart, where Brad took another look back at some of the more colorful women on this season (including Madison, who was fangless last night). While he mentioned the usual (Chantal O.'s first impression slap, his first date with Ashley H., how funeral talk with Shawntel N. made him uncomfortable), Chris wanted to know what Brad *really* thought of Michelle. "She has a lot of game," he said. "And that's

coming from a guy that has zero game.” True statement, Brad – but we still adore you!

Next, Chris Harrison announced that yes, ABC will bring us *Bachelor Pad 2* this summer. With the “Bachelor Nation” count toppling 500, it’s no surprise that this *Bachelor* spin-off will continue. Who *doesn’t* want to see former contestants duke it out – again? There’s nothing wrong with some good old fashioned recycling.

But the real drama began when Chris turned the show over to the ladies. The Michelle-bash started instantaneously, and she was called “two-faced” and “shady” by Stacey and Sarah P. (I’m sorry, who are you again?). She was even compared to a “creepy spider” by Jackie, who was one of my early favorites this season. Ashley H. and Madison quickly rushed to a crying Michelle’s defense, who believed she went on the show for the right reasons. Michelle said she was aggressive and grabbed every chance she could with Brad was because she missed her daughter: “If it wasn’t right, I wanted to go home.” Touché.

Taking a break from the Michelle drama, Chris brought Melissa into the hot seat, whose tension with Raichel caused them both to make an early exit during week two. “I genuinely don’t think I initiated any conflict in the house,” said Melissa, as Raichel nearly passed out in her seat, since she believes that Melissa is partly to blame for her demise. After a long and over dramatic rehashing of their dispute, Melissa apologized. Raichel’s classy response? “Of course I’m sorry. I’m not sorry to her, though.” Keeping it real.

But the Michelle drama was far from over. Chris viewed Michelle’s actions as a defense mechanism, and said, “I found you unbelievably entertaining.” She said her comments weren’t meant to be malicious, and that she was trying to be sarcastic and funny: “You have to make light of a situation in an intense situation.” While I have been guilty of a Michelle-bash or two, I wouldn’t have gone so far as to criticize her

parenting skills, which is what Stacey did, making her look like a crazy madwoman. But Meghan said it best: "Monday nights would not have been the same without you." We definitely have to agree there!

Both Ashley S. and Ashley H. (who looks great as a brunette!) tearfully watched their respective parting moments with Brad and reflected on what happened. While Ashley S. wanted closure, Ashley H. said she still had questions about her and Brad's relationship, even at the end of their run, which she regrets. But no worries! Ashley, staying true to her bubbly self, said, "Brad primed me for what is yet to come." Is this a hint of a possible role as the next *Bachelorette*?

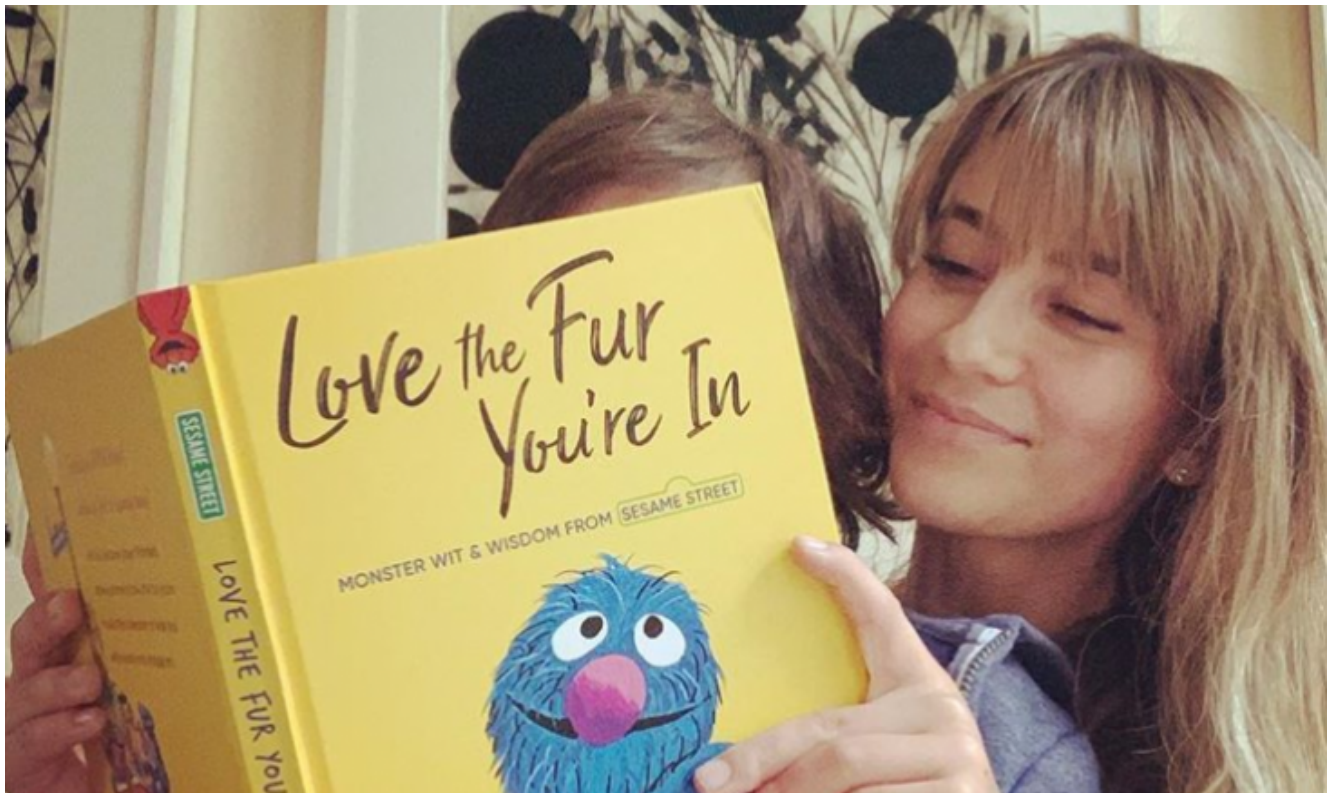
And finally, the moment we were all waiting for – Brad's turn on stage. While Shawntel N. looked beyond miserable, Brad was positively glowing. This is the happiest I've seen him all season, and it was simultaneously unnerving and endearing to watch. He said seeing Ashley S.'s tearful goodbye broke his heart. He called Michelle "his girl forever," and said, "I'll defend you 'til I'm blue in the face." And he still feels that his carnival date with Ashley H. was the best first date he's been on in his whole life.

But I *do* believe Brad gave us a tiny hint as to who he proposed to in South Africa. When Chris brought up the final two women's names, Brad smiled that boyish/giddy smile of his when Emily's name was said. While five out of six of the former *Bachelor Pad* contestants said Brad should pick Chantal O., Michelle said last night that Brad needs someone like Emily. But regardless of who Brad ultimately chose, it seems this woman has given him the fairytale ending he's been searching for after two seasons. "I'm telling you, I'm truly happier than I've ever been," he said. "It has nothing to do with me; it has everything to do with her." Cue collective *Awww*.

And there you have it! What did you guys think of last

night's episode? Let's chat in the comments below. If you haven't already, check out our exclusive article, where we interviewed the former *Bachelor* and *Bachelorette* contestants. Also, visit us daily for more in-depth interviews with them – we'll have something *Bachelor*-related every day until the final rose ceremony!

'The Bachelor' Season 15, Episode 5: Tears and Loathing in Las Vegas



By Krissy Dolor

As we mentioned earlier today, we got a chance to watch last night's episode of ABC's *The Bachelor* with *Bachelor Pad* winner and author of *The Man Code*, David L. Good. The event was at the Village Pourhouse in downtown New York City, and many ladies (and a few gents) came out to talk to David, take pictures, check out his book and watch the fifth episode with him. I have to admit, it was both cool and weird to watch the show with a former contestant – as you guys remember, David was on season 5 of *The Bachelorette* with Jillian Harris. Hearing David's take definitely added a unique perspective. Read on for our recap of last night's episode and his advice for season 15 contestant Brad Womack:

ABC took Brad and the gang to Sin City, where they stayed at the Aria hotel. The first date was a one-on-one with Shawntel (one of David's favorites). Her card read, "Let's end tonight with a bang," – how scandalous! The day started off with a shopping spree in "one of the nicest malls in the world," where this lucky bachelorette was able to buy anything – and I mean *anything* – she wanted. The two ran from store to store, picking out what seemed like everything in sight. Luckily, Shawntel was wearing casual clothes that made it easy for her to try stuff on. "It was so much fun shopping with Shawntel!" exclaimed Brad. Since it was on ABC's budget, I'm sure it was.

Their night ended with a rooftop dinner, where they were finally able to get alone time. But was it romantic? "I have waited so long to talk to Shawntel," Brad said. "And she's telling me that she embalms deceased bodies." Awkward. At least tears weren't shed, like Brad's past one-on-one dates. He gave her a rose and their night ended up with fireworks (get it?).

The group date was next. Brad took Jackie, Emily, Lisa, Marissa, Alli, Chantal O., Britt and Michelle to the Las Vegas Motor Speedway. But wait – isn't there a conflict somewhere?

It's reality TV, of course there is! Not only was Emily's fiancé Ricky a NASCAR driver, he even crashed at this very racetrack. Brad, who didn't know about Ricky's racing past, tried to to makes amends and asked Emily if she wanted to leave. "I feel like a jerk," he said. No kidding.

But since Emily is the most gracious of this season's bachelorettes, she opted to stay and face her past. "Ricky will always be a huge part of my life," she said. "I will always love him." And with that, the southern belle hopped into the car and drove her three laps. "While I'm driving, I'm not thinking about going the fastest – I'm just driving around thinking the first few laps are for Ricky, and the last lap is for me." Cue the tears!

Later, everyone heads to – you guessed it – another rooftop. Alli was upset that Emily dominated Brad's time. Chantal slipped up and mentioned the L-word, which Brad tried not to notice. And Michelle? She's over the tears that the other women are throwing at Brad, and said, "Brad is a man babysitting little girls." Michelle uses her dominatrix power and shows Brad exactly how she feels with a little tongue action behind closed doors. At this part, David laughed and said, "You have to give her credit!" I (grudgingly) agree – she knows what she wants and she's not scared to fight for it.

But despite Michelle's manhandling, Emily received the second rose of the episode, which was no surprise to anyone on the show (or at the bar).

And then it was time for the dreaded two-on-one date, where Brad would have to send one of the two girls home immediately afterward. Crazy eyes Ashley H. and New York nanny Ashley S. battled it out at a rehearsal for Cirque du Soleil's "Viva Elvis" show. Luck would have it that the Ashleys are best friends in the house – they even got matching tattoos in Vegas! After the rehearsal was over, Brad broke the news: "I think you'll make an extraordinary wife," he said to Ashley

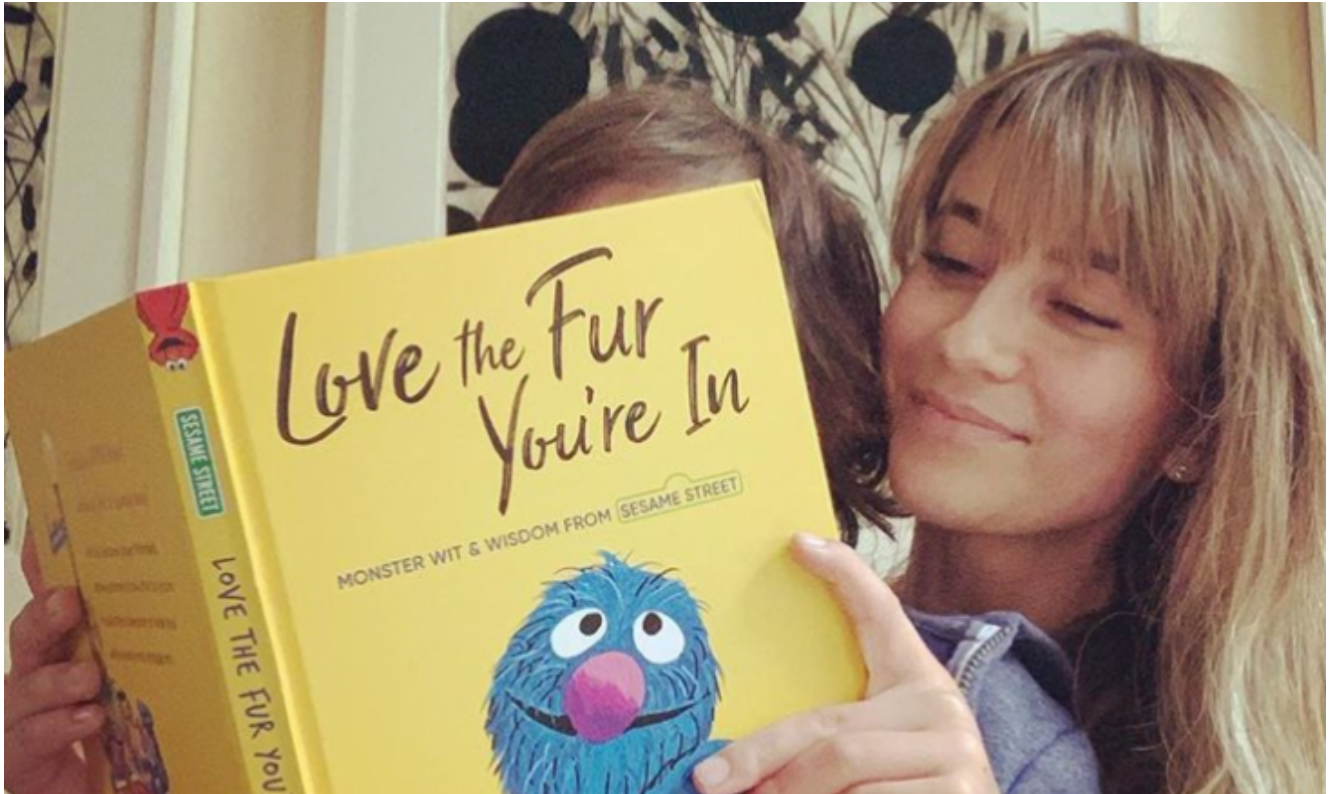
S. “I don’t think you’ll make an extraordinary wife for me.” Ouch. Despite Michelle’s hope that Brad would send *both* Ashleys home, he decided to hang onto dentist-Ashley for a little while longer. Turns out that first one-on-one date trumps first impression rose.

We also said goodbye to Lisa and Marissa – just when I was hoping to get to know them better. Next week, it looks like Brad and the eight remaining women take another trip – this time, to the Costa Rica rain forest. While I tried to pry David for some *Bachelor* secrets (and got no luck – sorry guys!), he *did* offer up some great advice for Brad: “Don’t give into what everybody else wants you to do,” he said. “Stick with your heart like you did the first time. Obviously it worked out – both those other girls are engaged ... I think he’s a little older, a little wiser – I think he’s there for love.” David continued, “At the end of the day, as soon as you’re off that show, in two weeks you’re back to real life, and everybody’s got to deal with that. Everybody was upset; ‘he owes us – he owes us to get married, he was on the show.’ ... He doesn’t owe anybody anything just because he’s on TV.”

Hear, hear! You can see more clips from our interview with David on Vimeo and YouTube. Don’t forget to visit us next week our recap of next week’s episode!

‘The Bachelor’ Season 15, Episode 3 Recap: Fang Girl Walks, Emily Talks and

Michelle Continues to Whine



By Krissy Dolor

Looks like I spoke too soon in judging Madison, *The Bachelor's* resident fang girl. It turns out that yes, one of Brad Womack's 17 remaining bachelorettes left the mansion for good, and I must admit that after last night's episode, I wish that Madison had given herself a chance and stayed. But more on that later.

The first date card, which said, "Let's find our love song," went to Ashley S.. This date was crucial as Ashley S. received the first impression rose during the season premiere. Brad took her to Studio A of Capital Records, where they sang a terrible rendition of Seal's "Kiss From A Rose." And when I say terrible, I mean *God-awful*. However, the couple looked like they were having a blast and were

completely relaxed in each other's company, despite the ear-splitting noise that was coming out of their mouths. "I picked the perfect girl to do this date with," said Brad.

But we all know that Brad (and the producers of ABC) always have a little trick up their sleeves, so phase two of Ashley's date was a serenade from Seal himself. Lucky! The couple canoodled in the corner while Seal reminded us why we're jealous of Heidi Klum. The date ended with a romantic dinner on the rooftop of Capital Records, where (surprise, surprise) Ashley S. opened up to Brad about her father, who died of a brain aneurysm. Ashley told Brad that she "felt like he was here tonight." With Brad being a new man and all, he loved that Ashley opened up to him and gave her the first rose of the night. In fact, he said afterward, "Ashley has far exceeded my expectations...she's the whole package." Is this a possible wife alert?

Ehhh, not so fast. The second solo date recipient was Emily, my personal top-runner, who hadn't yet told Brad about her situation (first love died in a plane crash, found out she was pregnant and has a 5-year-old daughter). Brad took her by private plane (really?) to Santa Marie, Calif. – wine country. Brad hoped this date would open Emily up, but Emily deflected Brad's questions back onto him, which made him upset (and made me feel awkward just watching them). But during dinner – which took place in a candlelit barn – Emily *finally* told Brad everything. She said that her reason for withholding the past was because she wanted Brad to like her as a person and not as someone with "all this stuff." Without the "elephant in the room," as Emily put it, sparks flew, and Brad and Emily shared their first kiss. "The way I feel right now is the way people feel when they begin a future with somebody," said Brad. "I can see Emily being the woman I want to spend my life with," (!!!). One point for Team Emily.

And it seemed that Madison was rooting for Emily, too. Emily

told her story to the girls who didn't go on the group date, which deeply touched Madison, who said she came into the *Bachelor* experience hoping to meet someone and fall in love, but she believed that some girls on the show *needed* to fall in love. At the cocktail party, Madison brought up Emily's story to Brad and said that she was having second thoughts – and then walked off during the rose ceremony. "I would have a really hard time taking a rose from one of these girls, she told Brad. "I'd rather go home tonight." Brad was upset by her decision, but let her go.

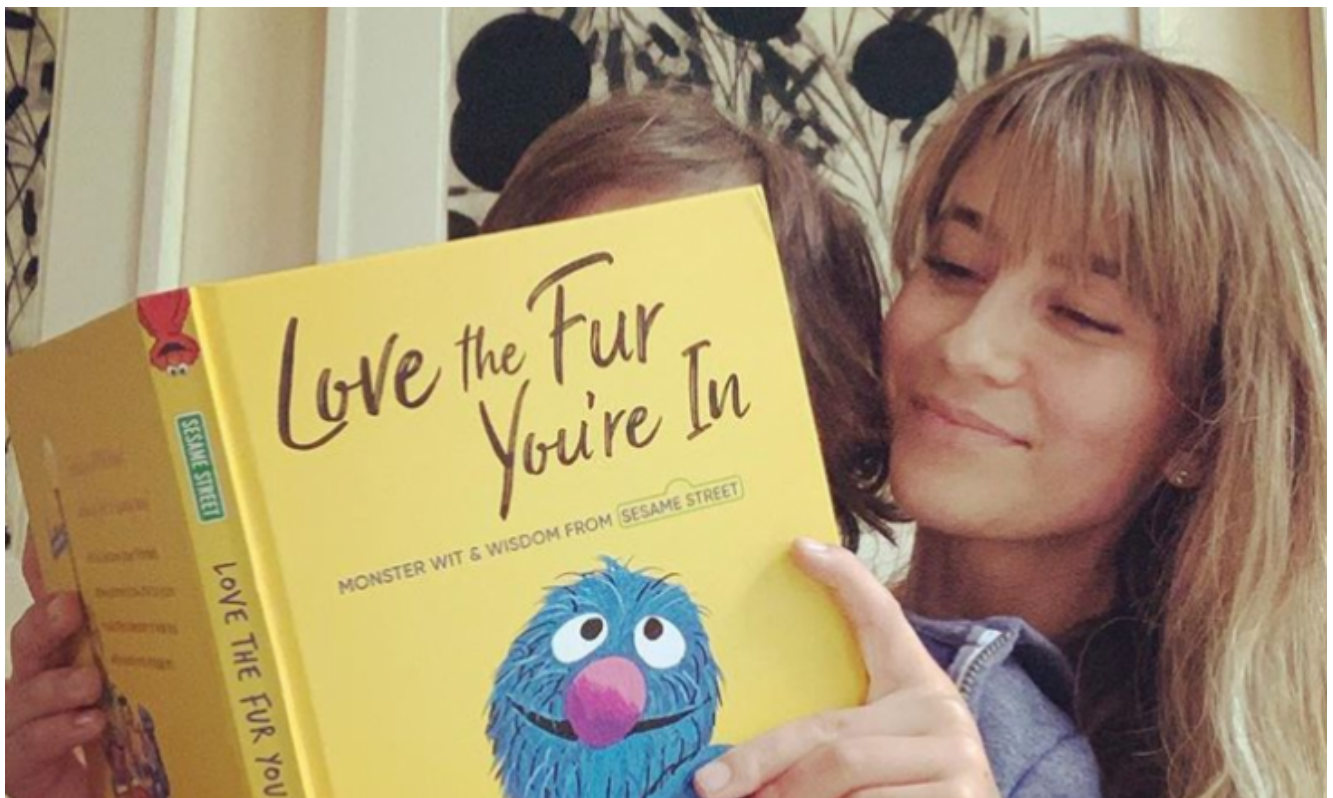
"I really like this Madison so much more," he said. "I think I'm missing out on a hell of a girl." I wonder if Madison regrets her decision. I'm almost hoping she'll make an appearance later in the season, since I dismissed her so early in the game. Also, I think that I am relieved that her fangs are fake.

But the one person I *do* wish would walk off the show (though she won't) is Michelle. Again, I judged too quickly and thought that she'd be good for Brad as an 'older' bachelorette. This couldn't be further from the truth. She's manipulative, catty and loathes the other women. She steals Brad away every chance she gets, lurking in the shadows, vying for his attention while the other women are trying to talk to him. The girl also has a huge problem with either Chantal or Shawntel (or maybe both). Again – while you have to admire someone who knows exactly what she wants, her psycho-eyes are starting to show through and I'm not-so-patiently waiting for Brad to wake up to all of this. Too bad Brad's a nice guy, because he's easily won over by affection or breakdowns, and "likes that she's direct." Sorry Brad, 'direct' and 'obnoxious' are two different things, and Michelle is one step away from the crazy train.

Sorry I didn't talk more about the group date, but you can read more about it on *The Wall Street Journal's* Speakeasy blog. Also, so you can keep track at home, Brad said goodbye

to Kimberly and Sarah P. And next week, it looks like Michelle will dig her claws even further in Brad, while Ashley H., who needed some reassurance from Brad this week, starts to lose it. Can't wait until week four! Remember to visit us next week for more *Bachelor* coverage.

'The Bachelor' Season Premiere Recap: Brad Womack is Back!



By Krissy Dolor

This season of ABC's *The Bachelor* has officially begun, and after last night's episode we can already tell it's going to be a doozy. Brad Womack has spent the past three years soul searching, trying to get his life back on track after his infamous decision to say goodbye to both Jenni Croft and DeAnna Pappas.

"I hit rock bottom," said Brad last night. "I was a broken man."

Brad opened up about his experience in therapy, and found the root of his phobias of commitment – his father's abandonment. And because of this, he said, "I don't know if I've let someone know the real me." Realizing that he's been a closed off-person, Brad has learned that in order for him to truly fall in love is to be vulnerable. And he to wants to prove to America – and most importantly, himself – that he can be a better person.

Regardless of what America thought about Brad before tonight's episode, it's apparent that he's back on *The Bachelor* for the right reasons. He sounded earnest whenever he spoke about trying to prove himself and teared up each time he mentioned his father. When he talked to *Bachelor* host Chris Harrison, Brad often tripped over his words, and seemed genuinely nervous to be back at the mansion again. Fidgety, playing with the back of his head, Brad looked visibly uncomfortable – and even more so when Jenni and DeAnna were brought out to meet him.

This was the moment everyone was waiting for. To see Brad sweating, adjusting the collar of his suit as he stood up to greet those women must have been gratifying for them – and everyone at home. "Now I feel even more like an idiot," Brad muttered as they walked out. In a word, the entire situation was awkward.

"It means the world that you made – that you *both* made the

attempt to come back here," Brad told them. "I failed miserably, and I'm so profoundly sorry."

But he got through it. And so did Jenni and DeAnna (who both look fantastic!). While Jenni was hopeful for Brad, DeAnna was skeptical of the whole thing, and these two women encompassed the thoughts that everyone must be thinking: *Is Brad really ready for this?*

And that was exactly what the 30 bachelorettes were thinking as soon as they walked out of the limo to meet him. In fact, Chantal, who was the first woman out, said, "I have something for you," and proceeded to slap Brad across the face. "This is for every woman in America!" Brad took it well, and Chantal's bold move actually landed her the last rose of the night (kudos!).

While a few girls admitted to Brad that they really didn't know anything about them (and Brad exhaled a sigh of relief each time he heard that), many of the women instantly had their guard up. Lacey looked stricken to see Brad (so no surprise that she didn't receive a rose), but many, including Ashley S., simply wanted Brad to move forward with his life. In fact, Ashley S. received the first impression rose of the night, because she told Brad that she would be his friend no matter what, and friendship is the what he's looking for in a wife. Will this be the love story that she's hoping for? I'm not sure yet ... something about Ashley S. seems contrived.

There was a little cattiness between Renee (no rose) and Alli (rose), after Renee got a little crazy-eyed and repeatedly took Brad away from the other contestants, just to have him stolen back from her (the irony!). And Madison – this one was just plain weird with her fangs and seductive eyes, and I still can't get over the fact that Brad gave her the fourth rose of the night. But for the most part, the girls were gracious – at least, for now.

Southern belle Emily and Rockette Keltie are two of my favorites. And Michelle, as a mother and one of the older women on the show, is a definite contender. Based on the 20 women he picked, Brad is going for a mix of country charm with comforting accents, mature and assertive women who know what they want, and bright-eyed and giddy girls who ooze cute. But I have a feeling Brad will pick a southern gal who is closest to his upbringing as his wife. Not sure which category Madison and those fangs fall into, but I'm hoping she gets off the *Bachelor* train soon.

And there you have it! The scenes from the rest of the season look intense, and we can't wait to see next week's episode. Remember to visit us next week for more *Bachelor* coverage. Want more? Visit PopEater, but we're warning you – possible spoiler alert!