**D4185 DEAD ZONE (USA, 6/16/2002- ) [TV SERIES]**

**Scars (2/16/2003)**

**Credits:** director, Armand Mastroianni; writer, Craig Silverstein; story, Grant Rosenberg.

**Cast:** Anthony Michael Hall, Gerald McRaney, Sean Patrick Flannery, Rick Tae.

**Summary:** Johnny Smith discovers that incumbent Congressman (and Vietnam veteran) Harrison Fisher is concealing the truth about a raid in which he participated as a Navy SEAL in Vietnam decades earlier. Although he was decorated for his actions, Fisher knows the operation was nothing more than a massacre of civilians and although he was not in command, has carried his guilt for thirty years. Johnny decides to support Fisher anyway because his opponent is fundamentally corrupt and accepting bribes from timber interests even before the election has taken place.

**Wheel of fortune (6/26/2002)**

**Credits:** director, Robert Lieberman; writer, Michael Piller.

**Cast:** Anthony Michael Hall, Nicole Deboer, Rick Tae.

**Summary:** After six years in a coma following a near-fatal car accident, Maine school teacher Johnny Smith (Hall) awakens to find he has the gift of second sight. He can see glimpses of the past and future of individuals with whom he has physical contact. One of the doctors attending Johnny is Tran Chi Duc (Tae), a young Vietnamese American. When Tran examines Johnny, Johnny is struck by a vision of a six-year-old Tran being separated from his mother during the fall of Saigon. Johnny senses Tran's mother is still alive despite the doctor's insistence that she was killed by Communist mortar fire. Repeat visions show Johnny that it was a woman dressed like Tran's mother who was actually killed. Tran eventually travels to Ho Chi Minh City where he is able to reunite with his mother.

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