

Mother who came for fresh start causes problems for daughter

DEAR ABBY: My mother, "Belle," had me when she was 16. All my life I have been her best friend. I think she made it that way so she wouldn't have to deal with having a child. Belle has always abused alcohol and drugs. She was also married several times over the years. I don't think she ever really grew up. My childhood was spent being shuffled from one family to the next. About a year ago, Belle got into trouble (again) and had nowhere to live. I am married with two young children. We live about three hours away from her "trouble." I invited her to come and stay with me so she could have a fresh start.

Well, Belle's driver's license was suspended because of past trouble, so I cart her around everywhere. She's still up to her same old tricks, parading men in and out, drinking, drugs, etc. This has caused many fights between me and my husband. I have reached the end of my rope. I don't want to just write Belle off because she's my mother. But I really don't want anything more to do with her. All she does is cause heartache for my children and me.

—MY MOTHER'S KEEPER
DEAR MOTHER'S KEEPER: Recognize that you are your CHILDREN'S mother, not your mother's. Having an adult in the house who abuses alcohol and drugs and "parades men in and out" creates an unhealthy atmosphere for your little ones. So give Belle an ultimatum: Get clean and sober immediately and forgo the gentlemen callers, or leave. This may seem cold, but unless you put your foot down, nothing will change.

Now that you are finished reading this, check your phone book for the nearest meeting of Adult Children of Alcoholics. It's a group that was created specifically for individuals like you who were raised in alcoholic or dysfunctional households. They can help you to stop making your mother's problems your own. If they're not in your phone book, e-mail them at [info\(at\)adultchildren.org](mailto:info(at)adultchildren.org) or write: ACA, Box 3216, Torrance, Calif. 90510-3216.

DEAR ABBY: Please remind college students, especially freshmen, not to give their Social Security number to strangers on campus. Every year, unauthorized people come to college campuses and represent themselves as belonging to organizations. Most universities have designated areas for vendors and apply strict guidelines on how they can solicit information.

People who approach students and aggressively solicit are probably not authorized to be there. They are collecting students' information for identity fraud. For incoming freshmen, the first semester of school can be very stressful. Unprepared, they may cave in to aggressive tactics.

Please remind your readers that their Social Security number is a very sensitive piece of information. With it, and someone's name and address, a thief can commit identity theft. The resulting crimes will cause endless headaches for students as they try to sort it out with credit companies, police departments and businesses.

—LEARNED THE HARD WAY

DEAR LEARNED: Thank you for the crash course on financial self-defense. It's a shame that each year students are picked off like sitting ducks by unscrupulous predators.

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing regarding the letter from "Pregnant and Annoyed," the woman having her first child. She wants her mother there because of the woman's experience birthing four children and having coached other women through childbirth. The husband insists that if his mom can't also be there, no one will be there except



Abigail Van Buren

• Dear Abby

him. As a labor and delivery nurse with 25 years' experience, I would like to point out that while delivering a baby is a joyful event, it is also difficult and stressful. I have seen the progress of labor shut down by a woman's anxiety. This isn't a show for family entertainment. No one should be in the labor room unless the person is supportive to the laboring woman and she wants them there. Most labor and delivery nurses understand this, so all the expectant mother needs to do is tell her nurse. The nurse will then inform the mother-in-law that visitors are restricted to two. Case closed.

—NURSE ANDREA
DEAR NURSE: Thank you! The mail I received in response to that letter and my answer was varied.

DEAR ABBY: It's time that young woman grew up. Tell her she's a grown, married adult about to become a parent. She does not need her mother to hold her hand. This is a very personal, special time for a couple. They don't need her mom in the delivery room bossing people around. The doctors and nurses are better trained than her mom. Because Mom is so "experienced," will she be raising the baby, too? Hubby had better put his foot down now or he'll be sorry. Maybe that's what he was trying to do when he insisted his mom be there. Her mother belongs in the waiting room with the other grandparents.

—BEEN THERE

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—8/10—10/3—

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—4/25—tfn—

Business Opportunity

The Denver Newspaper Agency is looking for a carrier for the Colby area. Excellent part time income, morning hours. Must have current driver's license and proof of insurance. Call 1-800-588-1815, ext. 7001.
—9/14—9/16—

Wanted

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—8/14—4/19—

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—9/9—9/15—

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—9/12—9/16—

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—9/7—10/27—

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—9/14—9/19—

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—9/8—9/21—

To Give Away

Free kittens, need good homes. 785-460-3597.
—9/14—

AKC registered Cocker Spaniel. Male, 9 months old, super cute, very sweet, needs fenced in yard, kennel trained. Call Justin at 443-2907.
—9/12—9/15—

Garage Sales

628 Freeman, Oakley. Saturday, September 17, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Adult clothes, dishwasher, swimming pool, refrigerator, baby bed, lots of misc. household items.
—9/12—9/16—

515 Elm, Oakley. Friday, September 16, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Saturday, September 17, 8:00 a.m. - noon. Bedding, jewelry, kitchen utensils, depression glass, collectibles, misc.
—9/12—9/16—

535 W. 8th St. Friday, September 16, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Saturday, September 17, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Washer/dryer, computer, desk, dresser, new wedding dress, clothing, household items, etc.
—9/12—9/16—

Colby 4-H Building. Friday, September 16, noon - 6:00 p.m. Saturday, September 17, 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Annual PEO garage sale. Something for everyone.
—9/12—9/16—

260 E. Cherry St. Sunday, September 18, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Strictly clothes, ladies size 10, 12.
—9/12—9/16—

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WEEKDAYS SEPTEMBER 13 - SEPTEMBER 19

	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KLBY/ABC 4 6	Good Morning Kansas		Good Morning America				Martha		The View		Millionaire	News
KSNK/NBC 8 8	News Cont'd		Today						Live With Regis and Kelly		Paid Program	Paid Program
KBSL/CBS 12 11	News Cont'd		News		The Early Show		The 700 Club		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless	
K15CG 2	BBC World	Yoga	Body Electric	Caillou	Jakers! Winks	Barney-Friends	Teletubies	Mister Rogers	Dragon Tales	Beren. Bears	Sesame Street	
ESPN 28	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		Sports-Center	Varied	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		Varied Programs	
USA 37	Coach	Coach	Movie				Nash Bridges	Varied	The District		Varied Programs	
TBS 38	Saved by Bell	Saved by Bell	Movie				Dawson's Creek		Dawson's Creek		Becker	Becker
WGN 39	Changing-	Believer Voice	Happy Days	Happy Days	Hillbilities	Hillbilities	Rockford Files		Matlock		Magnum, P.I.	
TNT 40	The Pretender		Angel		Charmed		ER		ER		Judging Amy	
DSC 42	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Varied Programs				Surprise by Design		Go Ahead, Make My Dinner	
A&E 47	Classroom		Varied Programs						Investigative Reports		City Confidential	
HIST 48	Varied Programs											
NICK 55	Rock Star	Jimmy Neutron	Oddparents	SpongeBob	Dora the Explorer	Blue's Clues	Backyardigans	Dora the Explorer	Go Diego	Lazy-Town	Miss Spider	Blue's Clues
DISN 56	Break-fast Bear	Higgly-town	Higgly-town	JoJo's Circus	Doodle-bops	Charlie & Lola	The Wiggles	Koala Brothers	Rolie Polie	Doodle-bops	Charlie & Lola	JoJo's Circus
FAM 58	Battle B-Daman	Spider-Man	Power Rangers	Power Rangers	Two of a Kind	Living the Life	The 700 Club		Gilmore Girls		Full House	Full House
HALL 60	New Morning	Paid Program	The Waltons		Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman		Little House on the Prairie		Little House on the Prairie		The Waltons	

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	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KLBY/ABC 4 6	All My Children		One Life to Live		General Hospital		Judge-Brown	Judge-Brown	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	ABC Wi News
KSNK/NBC 8 3	News	Inside Edition	Days of our Lives		Passions		The Insider	Jeopardy!	The Ellen DeGeneres Show		News	NBC News
KBSL/CBS 12 11	News	Bold, Beautiful	As the World Turns		Guiding Light		Dr. Phil		Oprah Winfrey		News	CBS News
K15CG 2 2	Reading Rainbow	Lions	Varied Programs			Cliff Pup	Maya & Miguel	Arthur	Post-cards	Cyber-chase	Zoom	Busi- ness
ESPN 28	Varied Programs				1st & 10		Varied Programs		Rome-Burning	Around the Horn	Interruption	SportsCenter
USA 37	Varied Programs		Movie			Varied		Movie			Movie	
TBS 38	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Steve Harvey	Steve Harvey	Drew Carey	Drew Carey	Yes, Dear	Yes, Dear	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	Seinfeld	Seinfeld
WGN 39	News		Magnum, P.I.		Da Vinci's Inquest		Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Moesha	Moesha	Home Improve.	Will & Grace
TNT 40	Judging Amy		NYPD Blue		Law & Order		Law & Order		Angel		Charmed	
DSC 42	The New Detectives		The New Detectives		The FBI Files		The FBI Files		It Takes a Thief		Monster Garage	
A&E 47	American Justice		Varied Programs						Investigative Reports		City Confidential	
HIST 48	Modern Marvels		Varied Programs									
NICK 55	Dora the Explorer	Go Diego	Rugrats	Rock Star	Teenage Robot	Jimmy Neutron	Oddpar- ents	Oddpar- ents	Spon-geBob	Varied	Danny Phantom	Danny Phantom
DISN 56	Higgly-town	JoJo's Circus	House of Mouse	Lilo & Stitch	Varied Programs				Kim Possible	Proud Family	Sister, Sister	Phil of Future
FAM 58	Family Matters	Family Matters	Step by Step	Step by Step	Boy Mts. World	Boy Mts. World	Full House	Full House	Gilmore Girls		7th Heaven	
HALL 60	Matlock		Matlock		Little House on the Prairie		Little House on the Prairie		M*A*S'H	M*A*S'H	M*A*S'H	M*A*S'H

THURSDAY

SEPTEMBER 15

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	(5:59) News	Ent. Tonight	Celebrity A-List Bloopers (N) (CC)		Primetime (Season Premiere) Cameras follow members of two blended families.			News (CC)	Nightline (CC)	Jimmy Kimmel Live (CC)		
KSNK/NBC (8) (8)	News	Wheel of Fortune	Joey (CC)	Will & Grace	Scrubs (CC)	Scrubs (CC)	ER The Show Must Go On (CC)		News (CC)	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (CC)		Late Night
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News (CC)	Friends (CC)	Survivor: Guatemala -- Maya		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation Grave Danger (CC) (DVS)			News (CC)	Late Show With David Letterman	Late Late		
K15CG (2) (2)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Farming From the Heart (Part 2 of 2)		Movie: The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman *** (1974, Drama) Cicely Tyson.			BBC World	Keeping Up	Charlie Rose (N) (CC)		
ESPN (28) (28)	SportsCenter	College Football: Utah at Texas Christian. (Live) (CC)						SportsCenter (Live) (CC)	Baseball Tonight		NFL Live (N) (CC)	
USA (37) (37)	(5:00) Movie: The Quest ** (1996)		Law & Order: SVU		Movie: The Relic ** (1997, Horror) A ravenous monster stalks guests at a Chicago museum gala.			Movie: Jeepers Creepers *** (2001) Gina Phillips. (CC)				
TBS (38) (38)	MLB Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Philadelphia Phillies. Citizens Bank Park. (Live) (CC)		Movie: Eraser ** 1/2 (1996, Adventure) A government agent protects a witness from gunrunners. (CC)					Movie: Air America (CC)				
WGN (39) (39)	Will & Grace	Home Improvement	MLB Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Chicago Cubs. Wrigley Field. (Live) (CC)					WGN News	Becker (CC)	Da Vinci's Inquest (CC)		
TNT (40) (40)	Law & Order: Remand (CC) (DVS)		Movie: Seven *** 1/2 (1995) A killer dispatches his victims via the Seven Deadly Sins. Brad Pitt. (CC)					Movie: The Mothman Prophecies ** (2002) A mothman like being is a town's harbinger of doom. Richard Gere. (CC)				
DSC (42) (42)	American Chopper Comanche 3 (CC)		Angel of Death (Part 1 of 2) (CC)		Angel of Death (Part 2 of 2) (CC)		The FBI Files: The Shootout (N) (CC)		Angel of Death (Part 1 of 2) (CC)		Angel of Death (Part 2 of 2) (CC)	
A&E (47) (47)	American Justice: Sheppard		Deadly Secrets of Cromwell Street		Cold Case Files (N) (CC)		The First 48 (CC)		Crossing Jordan Justice Delayed		Deadly Secrets of Cromwell Street	
HIST (48) (48)	Modern Marvels: Luxury toys. (CC)		The 9/11 Commission Report: Opportunities exist to disrupt the plot. (CC)					Hell: The Devil's Domain (CC)				9-11 Report
NICK (55) (55)	Oddpatties	Jimmy Neutron	Spongobob	Romeo! (CC)	Full House	Fresh Prince	Cosby	Princess Show	Roseanne	Roseanne	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
DISN (56) (56)	That's Raven	That's Raven	Movie: The Emperor's New Groove *** (2000, Comedy)			Buzz on Maggie		Buzz on Maggie	Sister, Sister	That's Raven	Phil of the Future	Kim Possible
FAM (58) (58)	Smallville: Obscura		Movie: Home Alone 2: Lost in New York *** 1/2 (1992, Comedy) Macaulay Culkin, Joe Pesci. (CC)					Whose Line? (CC)	The 700 Club (CC)		Home Videos	Home Videos
HALL (60) (60)	Walker, Texas Ranger 6 Hours		Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)		Movie: The Long Way Home *** (1998, Drama) Jack Lemmon. (CC)			M*A*S*H (CC)		M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)