Military mom keeps marriage together for sake of children

DEAR ABBY: My husband, 'Kirk," accompanied me overseas for an extended military tour. He has been an excellent care provider for my two children, ages 2 and 7. He does all kinds of activities with them that I cannot because of my work schedule.

I recently found out that Kirk has been having an affair and stealing from me to fund his activities. Initially, he lied about the whole thing in counseling, but when cornered he confessed. Kirk has since promised to end the affair, and I have taken precautions with my finances.

We have agreed to stay together until we get back to the states (about six months), and then we will file for divorce. My friends think that I'm crazy to keep him around, but there is no better person here to take care of our children — and changing my hours is not an option. We never argue in front of the kids and are actually on amicable terms. Am

– HURTING OVERSEAS **DEAR HURTING: Are you** crazy? Crazy like a fox! You are behaving in a manner that is mature and rational, and I commend

DEAR ABBY: My 14-year-old daughter has been shaving her arms for the past six months because she says they are "hairy." I have tried my best to talk her out of it.

I asked advice from a neighbor, and she said I should forbid her from doing it because she can get skin cancer. Is that true?

 CONFUSED MOM, CALEXICO, CALIF.

DEAR CONFUSED MOM: If that were true, every man and woman who shaved other parts of their bodies would be suffering from skin cancer. However, I would discourage her from shaving her arms because there are better ways to deal with the problem. Using a depilatory wax to remove the hair would take it out by the roots and cause it to eventually grow in more sparsely. And using a depilatory cream would "wipe" away the hair, leaving less of a visible stubble than shaving does. She might also consider bleaching the hair on her arms, which would make it less notice-

DEAR ABBY: My mother-inlaw recently decided to move into an assisted-living facility. Because of limited space, she needs to get rid of excess baggage, so she had a



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rummage sale. She has also begun to return gifts she has received to those who gave them to her. I find that rude and insulting, as each gift was given for a reason, and getting them back feels like rejection.

A good friend of mine feels it's an honor to get those gifts back rather than see these treasures in a rumdoesn't understand the meaning behind the gift. My question: Who's right?

CINDY IN MINNESOTA DEAR CINDY: She is. And my question to you is, why are you looking for rejection? Your mother-in-law has to downsize, and I'd say she's doing it in the most sensitive way possible.

DEAR ABBY: A few years ago, my father died at the age of 58. My mother has not taken it well. Although she went through grief counseling, she did not benefit from t. Abby, she acts as if my father is still alive, that he has gone on a trip and will return at any time. She is also becoming increasingly unstable. If told the truth about Dad's death, she throws a fit.

Lately, my mother has become more violent, leaving bruises on her victims. I love Mother very much, but not only has she injured me, she has attacked her grandchildren as well. My husband says we should just leave her in the house to die. We a home, and if we did, she'd refuse to leave the home Dad built.

What can I do about my out-ofcontrol mother?

WORRIED SICK IN

TEXAS DEAR WORRIED SICK: From your description of her behavior, your mother may be mentally ill. Tell her again that your father is dead. If she assaults you again, call the police. Tell them this isn't the first time it has happened and that she has also asis a danger to himself or others. then that person can be hospitalized for a short period of observaals. And that could be what saves 69440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069. your mother, who appears to be in

serious need of professional help.

DEARABBY: I am a 53-year-old child (some child!). My mother was always verbally and emotionally abusive. Although my parents lived only seven miles away, I didn't visit very often because she would browbeat me.

Dad passed away two months ago. My mother doesn't drive. I can see that Mother is counting on me to take her everywhere on my days off, which are always in the middle of the week. I do shift work and have a husband and a household to run. I also need a little time to myself.

Am I being selfish to expect my mage sale or given to someone who mother to find alternative transportation? She is very involved in civic affairs and claims she has many friends who would help her, but I see no one coming forward. Please don't suggest other relatives. Mother has burned too many bridges, and no one wants the job.

I am getting angry and also feeling guilty, but I do not want to be at her beck and call because her cruelty toward me is continuing.

– MISERABLE IN MINNE-

DEAR MISERABLE: You do not have to tolerate verbal abuse. Start checking around your community to see if there are any lowcost transportation services for seniors sponsored by the city or senior centers. If no services are available, your mother may have to relocate in order to avail herself of public transportation.

DEAR ABBY: I work in an office where one co-worker constantly whistles. It's extremely distracting to all of us in the office while we're working, but we don't know how to do not have the money to put her in approach this individual and say, "Can you please stop whistling while you work?"

> Please help us stop this daily annoyance. We need relief.

 FRUSTRATED OFFICE GIRLS, CLARKS SUMMIT, PA. **DEAR OFFICE GIRLS: Be**cause you can't bring yourselves to approach the offender directly, try this: The next time the offender starts whistling, offer the person a plate of crackers.

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Supply of fresh cranberries at Thanksgiving could be gone

complement a Thanksgiving Day feast, but they may not be as plentiful for the Christmas holiday, grow-

"Buy two, freeze one — the old motto," said Tom Lochner, executive director of the Wisconsin State Cranberry Growers Association.

About 45,000 acres of cranberries are grown each year in the United States, primarily in Wisconsin, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Washington and Oregon.

Wisconsin, the nation's leading cranberry-producing state, harvested an average crop this fall, but yields were down in Massachusetts and Washington, leading to concerns of tighter fresh fruit supplies next month, particularly in areas outside the Midwest, Lochner said.

"There could possibly be a shortage for the Christmas holidays," said Ray Habelman Sr., co-owner of Habelman Brothers Co., which grows 650 acres of cranberries near Tomah.

About 25 percent of the consumption of fresh cranberries. sauces and juices in the United States takes place between Thanksgiving and Christmas, Lochner said.

Wisconsin's 250 growers harvested about 3.3 million barrels of cranberries, about the same as a year ago, but about 10 percent below some early projections that proved too optimistic, he said. A barrel is 100 pounds.

Prices for the fruit have rebounded from \$8 to \$12 a barrel a few years ago to \$25 to \$30 a barrel. They are still far below the \$65 average of 1998, Lochner said.

Nodji VanWychen, co-owner of Wetherby Cranberry Co. in Warrens, said her farm harvested an average crop of good quality.

"I guess that's all we can expect," she said. "We did have difficulty on color on the fruit this year because

WAUSAU, Wis. (AP) - Fresh we didn't have any cold evenings in cranberries were easy to find to the month of September, which fresh fruit, there's lots of variety of starts the cycle of turning red."

not fret too much, the grower said.

"If you are not able to find the cranberry products that are made Planners of holiday feasts need that can be easily used at the holidays," she said.

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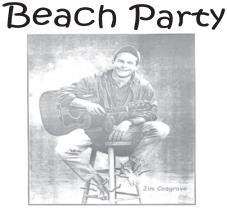
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Decoding the Past

Movie: The Christmas Box ★★

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Movie: Blizzard ★★ (2003) One of Santa's reindeer teaches a girl about friendship.

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