

Bigotry is alive and well

DEAR ABBY: I am engaged to be married in September to the most wonderful man in the world. We are wildly in love. We're both middle-aged with grown children from previous marriages, so we took our time and approached this relationship with caution. He is Jewish and I am gentile, but our families get along and are thrilled about our upcoming union.

My problem: With tensions over the political situation in the Middle



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East, anti-Semitism is on the rise where we live. Since the uncertainty of Sept. 11, my family has become concerned for my safety should I take on a Jewish-sounding name. My mother remembers the horror of World War II, so her fear is understandable. I would feel uncomfortable, however, NOT taking my husband's name. It would appear to the world that I am ashamed of his

ethnicity or not accepting of it.

How can I reassure my family that I am doing the right thing? I love them dearly and don't want them to worry, but I couldn't live with myself if I didn't do this. — BRIDE-TO-BE IN FERNDAL, MICH.

DEAR BRIDE-TO-BE: Bigotry seems to be a problem that refuses to die, and almost anyone can be a target.

No matter how much we might wish otherwise, if people are determined enough, they will always find something to dislike about another person or group.

Hated against entire groups is usually caused by ignorance or a per-

ceived economic threat. Please tell your mother that it is no more dangerous to be a Jew in this country than it is to be an African-American, a Hispanic, an Asian or an Arab. Most bigots are cowards — and don't act out violently.

And while we're on this subject, read on for another example:

DEAR ABBY: Yesterday, a co-worker who is Belgian (and speaks French, Flemish and English) made an important presentation to a prospective client.

Upon hearing his accent, the client said that before he would even consider the proposal, my co-worker would have to prove he was

not French.

This is obviously because of the French government's policies toward the war in Iraq. What do you think of the client's behavior? — SHOCKED IN ILLINOIS

DEAR SHOCKED: People who indulge in that kind of thinking have a lot of growing up to do. I think such an attitude is asinine — on par with "freedom fries," "freedom toast" and "freedom kissing."

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating "Whitney" for more than a year and have decided to propose.

My problem is I was recently laid off from my job and don't have enough money to buy an engage-

ment ring.

Would it be improper to ask Whitney to marry me without giving her a ring right now, or should I wait to ask her when I have the money to buy her a ring? — STONE BROKE IN LITTLE ROCK

DEAR STONE BROKE: Tell Whitney how you feel about her, and ask her if she would like to become engaged or wait until you can give her a traditional engagement ring. You might be pleased to learn that having an engagement ring is less important to her than having you as her future husband. After all, a ring is just a symbol. The real "jewel" is the person you marry.

SATURDAY EVENING										MAY 10, 2003	
	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30	
2	PBS	Keeping Up	Red Green	Lawrence Welk Show "Mother's Day"		Gin Game (N)			Bless Me, Father	Austin City Limits "Classic: Tom Waits"	
3	IND	(5:00) MLB Baseball		San Francisco Giants at Atlanta Braves. From Turner Field in Atlanta.		★★★ "Days of Thunder" (1990, Drama) Robert Duvall, Nicole Kidman.			Tom Cruise, (15) ★★★ "The Gauntlet" (1977) (PA)		
4	ABC	★★★ "The Green Mile" (1999, Drama) (PA) Tom Hanks, David Morse, Bonnie Hunt. A condemned prisoner possesses a miraculous healing power.			DVS			News	Chris Matthews	Powerball-Millionaire	
5	HBO	"Gathering Strm"	★★★ "The Mothman Prophecies" (2002, Horror) Richard Gere, Will Patton.			★★★ "Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron" (2002) Premiere.			★★ "Two Can Play That Game" (2001) 'R'		
7	CBS	Price Is Right Million Dollar Spectacular (N)		District "Ella Mae" (N)		Agency "Our Man in Korea" (N)		News	(35) Drew Carey	(35) Drew Carey	
8	NBC	Hunter "To Protect & to Serve" (N)		Law & Order "Bitch"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		News	Saturday Night Live Jennifer Garner, Beck.		
11	TVLND	Brady	Hap Days	Sanford	Gilligan	Griffith	Leave	I Love Lucy	Flying Nun	Kotter	Soap
12	ESPN	NBA Basketball Playoffs			NBA Basketball Playoffs: Conf. Semi. Game 3 -- Teams TBA				Baseball Tonight (Live)		
13	FOX	Cops (N)	Cops	America's Most Wanted-Fights Back		Equal Justice		Mad TV Tom Arnold. (N)		Sexwars	Sexwars
15	MAX	(4:30) ★★★ "The Godfather" (1972) Marlon Brando.		★★★★ "The Godfather, Part II" (1974, Drama) Al Pacino, Robert De Niro, Robert Duvall. The saga of the Corleone crime family continues.							
16	TNN	Real TV	Real TV	Real TV	Real TV	Blind Date	Blind Date	Real TV	Real TV	Elimination	Elimination
17	DISN	Boy Meets World	Sister, Sister	Proud Family	Kim Possible	That's So Raven	Lizzie McGuire	★★★ "Annie" (1982) Albert Finney. The Broadway smash about the adventures of an orphan girl.			
18	LIFE	(5:00) ★★★ "The Women of Brewster Place" (1989) Oprah Winfrey.		What Should You Do?				"Nightscream" (1997)			
20	USA	★★★ "GoldenEye" (1995, Adventure) Pierce Brosnan, Sean Bean.		Law & Order				★★★ "Dante's Peak"			
21	SHOW	(4:35) ★★★ "Jerry Maguire" (1996) 'R'		Boxing ShoBox: The New Generation. (ITV)				★★★ "Orange County" (2002) Colin Hanks.		Movie News	
22	TMC	(1:15) ★★★ "The Russia House" (1990) Sean Connery. A British publisher reluctantly enters the espionage game.				★★★ "Scary Movie 2" (2001, Comedy) Shawn Wayans.			★ "Soul Survivors" (2001, Horror)		
23	MTV	Real World			mtvCON "Metallica"	Sex 2k		Dismissed	Dismissed	Sorority	Sorority
24	DISC	Quest for the Lost Pharaoh		Deadly Reptiles II		Extreme Engineering The Alps.		The American Chopper "Jet Bike"		Monster Garage "Grim Ripper"	
28	TNT	★★★ "Fire Down Below" (1997) Steven Seagal.			★★★ "Hard to Kill" (1990) Steven Seagal.			"Fire Down Below"			
30	FXSP	PGA Tour	MLS Soccer	Colorado Rapids at Columbus Crew.		Rocky Mt.	Beyond the Glory	Rocky Mt.	54321		
32	FAM	★★★ "Moms on Strike" (2002) Faith Ford.			★★★ "A Walk in the Clouds" (1995, Drama)			Jesse	Jesse		
33	NBC	Entertainment Tonight Hollywood obsessions.		Hunter "To Protect & to Serve" (N)		Law & Order "Bitch"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		News	Saturday Night Live
34	NICK	All That	Nick	Amanda	Skeeter	Cosby	Cosby	3's Co.	3's Co.	Cosby	Cosby
36	A&E	Cold Case Files		Crossing Jordan		Third Watch "Old Dogs, New Tricks"		Paparazzi	Star Treatment	Cold Case Files	
38	SCIFI	(5:00) "Gargantua"		★ "Anaconda" (1997) Jennifer Lopez.			★ "Octopus" (2000) Jay Harrington.				
39	TLC	Maternity Ward Severe preclampsia.		Trauma: Life in the ER "Keeping the Faith"		While You Were Out A back-yard and deck.		Trading Spaces "Indianapolis: Halleck Way"		Trading Spaces "Santa Monica: Ocean Park" (N)	
40	FX	Married... Married...		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	★★★ "Down to You" (2000) Freddie Prinze Jr.			
45	FMC	(01) ★★ "Moonlight" (1942, Drama) Jean Gabin.		(01) Hour of Stars		(01) Hour of Stars		(01) ★★★ "Silver Streak" (1976) Gene Wilder.			
49	EITV	Showgirls	Showgirl	Hilton Sisters		Saturday Night Live		Wild On...		Howard S.	Howard S.
51	TRAV	Florida-Beaches		Best Beaches		Beach Resorts		Florida-Beaches		Best Beaches	
53	WB	(4:30) ★★★ "A Few Good Men" (1992)		★★★★ "Crimson Tide" (1995, Suspense) Denzel Washington, Gene Hackman, George Dzundza.			News		Cosby Show	"Blood-sport"	
54	ESPN2	NHRA	Auto Show	Auto Show	Auto Show	Baseball Tonight (Live)		Season (N)	NBA 2Night		NBA
58	HIST	Angels: Good or Evil? Winged messengers from the heavens mesmerize mankind.				Size Matters An engineering marvel.		XY Factor	Angels: Good or Evil?		
59	HLTH	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Workout	Bodies	Doctors Diaries		Workout		Bodies	
60	UNIV	Sábado Gigante				P. Impacto		Noticiero		Otro Rollo	
62	HGTV	Decorating	Decorating	Designing	Mission	Designers' Design		Decorating	Decorating	Designing	Mission
99	WGN	★★★ "Dying Young" (1991) Julia Roberts.			MLB Baseball Chicago White Sox at Seattle Mariners. (Live)						

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MONDAY EVENING							MAY 12, 2003						
	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30			
2	PBS	Antiques Roadshow "Las Vegas, Nevada"		Ken Burns American Stories The baseball season of 1941 including Joe DiMaggio's hits in 56 straight games. (N) (TV 14)			News		Charlie Rose (N) (TV 14)				
3	IND	★★ "The Craft" (1996) (PA) Robin Tunney. Teenage witches wreak havoc at their high school.			MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Los Angeles Dodgers. From Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles. (Live) (TV 14)								
4	ABC	All ABC Bloopers (N) (TV 14)		"The Diary of Ellen Rimbauer" (2003, Horror) Lisa Brenner, Steven Brand. Premiere. (TV 14)			News (TV 14)	(35) Nightline (TV 14)	(06) Jimmy Kimmel Live (TV 14)				
5	HBO	(5:15) ★★★ "The Hunt for Red October" (1990) Sean Connery.		Legendary Nights (TV 14)		On the Record Michael Douglas; Denis Leary.	★ "Two Can Play That Game" (2001) Vivica A. Fox. (TV 14) (TV 14)		"Resident Evil" (2002) (TV 14)				
7	CBS	King of Queens (N) (TV 14)	Yes, Dear (N) (TV 14)	Everybody-Raymond (TV 14)	Still Standing (TV 14)	CSI: Miami "Freaks & Tweaks" (N) (TV 14)	News (TV 14)		(35) Late Show "Survivor" winner. (N) (TV 14)	(37) Late Show (TV 14)			
8	NBC	Fear Factor "Season Finale" (Season Finale) (N)		"Behind the Camera: The Unauthorized Story of Three's Company" (2003) Joyce De Witt. (TV 14)			News (TV 14)		(35) Tonight Show Katie Couric. (N) (TV 14)	(37) Late Night (TV 14)			
11	TVLND	Brady		Hap Days		Sanford	Gilligan	Griffith	Leave	I Love Lucy	Flying Nun	MacGyver (TV 14)	
12	ESPN	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Conf. Final -- Teams TBA			Baseball Tonight (Live)			Sportscenter (Live)		Outside	Baseball		
13	FOX	Boston Public "Chapter Sixty-Six" (N) (DVS)		Mr. Personality (N) (TV 14)		Fox Report With Shepard Smith		LAPD: Life on the Beat		LAPD: Life on the Beat	Paid Program	Paid Program	
15	MAX	(5:45) ★★ "Glitter" (2001, Drama) Mariah Carey. (TV 14) (PG-13)			★★★ "Hot Shots! Part Deux" (1993) Charlie Sheen. (TV 14) (PG-13)		★★★ "Insomnia" (2002) Al Pacino. A guilt-ridden cop hunts a killer who knows his secret. 'R'						
16	TNN	Highlander (TV 14)		Real TV (TV 14)		Blind Date		Star Trek: Next: Gener.		WWE Raw (TV 14)			
17	DISN	Boy Meets World (TV 14)		Smart Guy (TV 14)		Sister, Sister (TV 14)		Lizzie McGuire		★★★ "Kazaam" (1996) Shaquille O'Neal. A troubled inner-city boy is befriended by a giant genie.			
18	LIFE	What Should You Do?		★★ "French Silk" (1994)		Susan Lucci. Premiere.		Golden		Nanny (TV 14)		Nanny (TV 14)	
20	USA	JAG (TV 14)		JAG "Boomerang" (TV 14)		JAG "Dungaree Justice"		Robbery Div.					
21	SHOW	(5:00) ★★ "My First Mister" (2001) 'R' (TV 14)		★★★ "Zero Effect" (1998) Bill Pullman. A legendary private detective tackles an unusual case.		★★★ "Deep Cover" (1992, Drama) Larry Fishburne, Jeff Goldblum. (TV 14) (R)							
22	TMC	★ "The Longshot" (1986, Comedy) Tim Conway, Harvey Korman.		(45) ★★★ "The Score" (2001) Robert De Niro, Edward Norton. A veteran safecracker is lured into a final heist. (TV 14)		★ "Rock My World" (2002) Peter O'Toole. (TV 14)							
23	MTV	Dismissed		Real World		Real World	Real World	Real World	Real World	Real World	Real World	Real World	
24	DISC	Wild Asia Land and sea compete at shorelines.		Supernature "Extra Sensory Perception"		Now See This! Rescuers trapped on Mount Hood.		Monster Garage "Mini/Snowmobile"		Turf Rockets: The Cutting Edge!			
28	TNT	NBA Basketball Playoffs: Conference Semifinal -- Teams TBA			NBA Basketball Playoffs: Conference Semifinal -- Teams TBA								
30	FXSP	NASCAR		Rocky Mt.	Rocky Mt.	54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period (Live) (TV 14)		Rocky Mt.		54321		
32	FAM	★★★ "Circle of Friends" (1995) Minnie Driver		Who's? (TV 14)		Who's? (TV 14)		700 Club (TV 14)		Caroline Rhea Show (N)			
33	NBC	News (TV 14)	Ent. Tonight	Fear Factor "Season Finale" (Season Finale) (N)		"Behind the Camera: The Unauthorized Story of Three's Company" (2003) Joyce De Witt. (TV 14)			News (TV 14)		(35) Tonight Show (TV 14)		
34	NICK	SpongeBob		Amanda (TV 14)	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers (TV 14)	Cheers (TV 14)	3's Co. (TV 14)	3's Co. (TV 14)	Cosby	Cosby	
36	A&E	Biography: Wayne Newton: Las Vegas			"Inspector Morse: Absolute Conviction" (1992, Mystery) John Thaw, Kevin Whately. (TV 14)			Third Watch "A Hero's Rest" (TV 14)		Biography: Wayne Newton: Las Vegas			
38	SCIFI	Stargate SG-1 (TV 14)		Stargate SG-1 (TV 14)		Stargate SG-1 "Family"		Crossing		Twilight Z.		Farscape (TV 14)	
39	TLC	While You Were Out Bedroom redesigned.		Home Savvy (TV 14)		Home Savvy (TV 14)		Secrets of Forensic Science		Trauma: Life in the ER Shootings.		Maternity Ward "Extreme Measures"	
40	FX	Married... (TV 14)		Married... (TV 14)		Buffy Vampire		Buffy Vampire		★★★ "Lethal Weapon 2" (1989) Mel Gibson.			
45	FMC	(01) ★★★ "Max Dugan Returns" (1983)		(01) ★★ "Mannequin" (1987) Andrew McCarthy.		(01) ★★ "Mannequin" (1987) Andrew McCarthy.		(01) ★★ "Mannequin" (1987) Andrew McCarthy.		(01) ★★ "Mannequin" (1987) Andrew McCarthy.			
49	EITV	Cheers: The El True Hollywood Story (TV 14)			Showgirl (TV 14)		Showgirl (TV 14)		Howard S. (TV 14)		Howard S. (TV 14)		
51	TRAV	Sacred Sites		American Icons (N)		Pearl Harbor (TV 14)		Showgirl (TV 14)		Sacred Sites		American Icons (N)	
53	WB	Friends (TV 14)	Everybody-Raymond (TV 14)	7th Heaven "Life and Death" (N) (TV 14)		Everwood "Fear Itself" (N)		News (TV 14)		Friends (TV 14)		Will & Grace (TV 14)	
54	ESPN2	PBA Bowling			Billiards: WPBA			MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Los Angeles Dodgers. (Subject to Blackout)					
58	HIST	Mail Call (TV 14)		Mail Call (TV 14)		True Story of Black Hawk downers are killed in the Battle of Mogadishu. (TV 14)		Down Eighteen U.S. soldiers are killed in the Battle of Mogadishu. (TV 14)		History Undercover "Bataan Death March" (TV 14)		Mail Call (TV 14)	Mail Call (TV 14)
59	HLTH	Doctors Diaries (TV 14)		Workout		Bodies		Health Specials (TV 14)		Doctors Diaries (TV 14)		Workout	Bodies
60	UNIV	"El Presidente Municipal" (1996) Anthony Quinn.			Cristina		Cristina		P. Impacto		Noticiero		En las Mejores Familias
62	HGTV	Interiors		Mission	Curb	Designers' (TV 14)		Design		Weekend		Interiors	Mission
69	WGN	★★★ "Heat" (1995, Drama) Al Pacino. (TV 14)			News (TV 14)		News (TV 14)		Rockford Files		In the Heat of the Night		