

New twist on an old tune from college

DEAR ABBY: When I was in college 10 years ago, I experienced my first intimate relationship one summer with another student, "Bill." When the fall semester rolled around, I learned that my randomly selected roommate in the dorm was an ex-girlfriend of Bill's. I'll call her April.

I did not tell April about my relationship with Bill because she was



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still getting over him. Our romance continued for several weeks, but Bill and I were careful to keep it from her.

As the weeks went by, April and I became closer. I finally cut all ties with Bill because of the loyalty I felt to my roommate. In the decade that followed graduation, I married and had a family. I lead a quiet life and I am content.

A few days ago, I received a phone

call out of the blue from April. To my astonishment, she informed me that after all these years, she and Bill are back together and about to be married. She asked me to attend the wedding.

I never came clean with April about my relationship with Bill — and I have no plans to. Knowing him, he never breathed a word of it to her either.

I still hold both my ex-roommate and my ex-boyfriend close to my heart. They are an important part of my past. Would it be inappropriate to attend this wedding, considering the circumstances? — EX IN A TANGLED WEB, SOMEWHERE

IN OHIO

DEAR EX: You are older and happy, and so are they. The romance between you and Bill was over a long time ago. If you can go to the wedding and sincerely wish them both well, I see no reason not to attend.

DEAR ABBY: My live-in boyfriend, "Larry," carools with me to work every day. We enjoy the benefits of sharing the hour-long commute — the money we save on gas and maintenance, the commuter incentives offered by our workplace and each other's company.

The one thing I don't like is the fact that Larry is constantly late every morning — which in turn makes me

late. It's not as though he doesn't have plenty of time to get ready. After I've finished showering and dressing, Larry is still lying around in bed. Once he's up, he turns on the weather channel or checks his e-mail. By the time he finally showers and dresses, we're already running late. (His supervisor doesn't mind if he shows up around 10 a.m. However, I recently started a new job and am expected to be at my desk by 9 every morning.)

I've tried everything I can think of to get Larry to speed up his morning routine. I've joked, teased, nagged and begged. Now I've reached the point where I just sit on the couch and glare at him until he's ready to go.

When I suggest we drive separately, he acts insulted. Is there some magic trick to convince my boyfriend of the importance of punctuality — or should I bite the bullet and insist on making the hour-long commute by myself? — ALWAYS TARDY IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

DEAR ALWAYS TARDY: Your boyfriend may not be a morning person, but the lack of consideration he shows for the demands of your job could have severe repercussions on your career.

Give him a deadline to get ready to leave. (Set the clock ahead if necessary.) If he's not ready to go, leave without him. I'll bet that you won't have to do it twice.

| SATURDAY EVENING | | | | | | | | | | JUNE 14, 2003 | | | | | | | | | |
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| | 6 pm | 6:30 | 7 pm | 7:30 | 8 pm | 8:30 | 9 pm | 9:30 | 10 pm | 10:30 | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | PBS | Lawrence Welk: God Bless America | Celebration of Lawrence Welk's 100th birthday. | | | | ★★ "Hands of a Murderer" (1990) Edward Woodward, John Hillerman. | Austin City Limits "Brooks & Dunn" | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | IND | (5:00) ★★★ "Lock Up" (1989) (PA) | ★ "The Patriot" (1998) Steven Seagal. A doctor must save a Montana town from chemical warfare. | | | | | ★ "The Patriot" (1998) Steven Seagal. A doctor must save a Montana town from chemical warfare. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | ABC | ★★★ "The Beach Boys: An American Family" (2000) Kevin Dunn, Alley Mills. The story of the band that defined California surf music. | | | | | News | Chris Matthews | Powderball Millionaire | Ent. Tonight | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | HBO | (5:45) ★★ "Life or Something Like It" (2002) Angelina Jolie. | ★★ "Cats & Dogs" (2001, Comedy) Jeff Goldblum. | | | | | ★★★ "Star Wars: Episode II -- Attack of the Clones" (2002) Ewan McGregor. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | CBS | Price Is Right Million Dollar Spectacular | District Police headquarters is quarantined. | | | | | Agency "An Isolated Incident" | News | (:35) Drew Carey | (:05) Drew Carey | (:35) Drew Carey | | | | | | | |
| 8 | NBC | Fear Factor "Couples Show" | Maxim's Hot 100 (N) | | | | | Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Justice" | | | | News | Saturday Night Live Al Gore; Phish. | | | | | | |
| 11 | TVLND | Brady | Hap Days | Sanford | Bewitched | | | | | I Love Lucy | Jeannie | Kotter | Soap | | | | | | |
| 12 | ESPN | College Baseball: NCAA | | | | Baseball Tonight (Live) | | | | Sportscenter (Live) | | | Sportscenter | | | | | | |
| 13 | FOX | Cops | Cops | America's Most Wanted-Fights Back | | | | Equal Justice | | | Mad TV | Sexwars | Sexwars | | | | | | |
| 15 | MAX | (5:40) ★★★ "Judge Dredd" (1995) 'R' | (:15) ★★★ "Baby Boy" (2001) Tyrese Gibson. A young man refuses to own up to his responsibilities. | | | | | ★★★ "Mission: Impossible" (1996) Tom Cruise. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16 | TNN | ★ "Soldier Boyz" (1995) | Michael Dudikoff. | 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 | "The Even Stevens Movie" (2003, Comedy) Shia LaBeouf, Christy Carlson Romano. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18 | LIFE | "Too Young" | "Home Song" (1996) Lee Horsley. | | | | | What Should You Do? | Nanny | Nanny | | | | | | | | | |
| 20 | USA | (5:00) "Spiders 2" | "Shark Attack 3: Megalodon" (2002) Premiere. | | | | | Law & Order | | | | "A Very Brady Sequel" | | | | | | | |
| 21 | SHOW | (5:30) ★★★ "I Love Trouble" (1994) | (:45) ★★★ "Heartbreakers" (2001) Sigourney Weaver. Mother-daughter con artists steal hearts and cash. | | | | | Out of Order (TV) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 22 | TMC | (4:30) "Antitrust" | ★★★ "The Curve" (1998) Matthew Lillard, Michael Vartan. | | | | | ★★★ "The Hollywood Sign" (2001) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 23 | MTV | Karaoke | Talldaters | Talldaters | First Year | | | | | Real World "Paris" | Real World | | | | | | | | |
| 24 | DISC | Raging Planet "Volcano" Inside a volcano. | | | | | Extreme Engineering "Subways in America" | American Chopper "Fire-bike 2" | | | | Monster Garage "Ford Bronco/Rock Crawler" | | | | | | | |
| 28 | TNT | "The Perfect Storm" | ★★ "Proof of Life" (2000) Meg Ryan, Russell Crowe. | | | | | ★★★ "Sleeping With the Enemy" | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 30 | FXSP | Golf Life | See This | Boxing: Alex Ali Baba vs. Ricardo Vargas | | | | Beyond the Glory | Rocky Mt. | Rocky Mt. | | | | | | | | | |
| 32 | FAM | ★★★ "The Karate Kid" (1984, Drama) Ralph Macchio. | | | | | ★★ "The Next Karate Kid" (1994) Noriaki "Pat" Morita. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 33 | NBC | News | Fear Factor "Couples Show" | Maxim's Hot 100 (N) | Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Justice" | News | Saturday Night Live | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 34 | NICK | All That | Nick | Amanda | Skeeter | Cosby | Cosby | 3's Co. | 3's Co. | Cosby | Cosby | | | | | | | | |
| 36 | A&E | American Justice "Vanished" | | | | | Cold Case Files | Crossing Jordan "The Digger" | Paparazzi | Star Treatment | American Justice "Vanished" | | | | | | | | |
| 38 | SCIFI | "Operation Sandman" | "Encrypt" (2003) Grant Show. Premiere. | | | | | "Operation Sandman: Warriors in Hell" (2000) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39 | FLX | Maternity Ward "Risk Management" | Trauma: Life in the ER "Resurrection" | | | | | Trading Spaces "Long Island: Split Rock Road" | | | | Trading Spaces "Pennsylvania: Bryant Court" | | | | | | | |
| 40 | TLC | NASCAR Racing Busch Series -- Meijer 300. (Live) | | | | | ★★★ "X-Men" (2000) Hugh Jackman, Patrick Stewart. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 45 | FMC | (:01) ★★★ "Will Success Spoil Rock Hunter?" | | | | | (:01) Hour of Stars | (:01) ★★ "Terror Train" (1980) Ben Johnson. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 49 | EITV | Love Chain | Showgirls | Showgirls | Showgirls | Saturday Night Live | Wild On... | | | | Howard S. | Howard S. | | | | | | | |
| 51 | TRAV | Search for Mingi | Man of the Men | Bride's Story: The Afar | | | | | Search for Mingi | Man of the Men | | | | | | | | | |
| 53 | WB | "Breaking Away" ★★★ "Awakenings" (1990, Drama) Robin Williams. An experimental drug revives victims of sleeping sickness. | | | | | News | Cosby | Cosby | ★★ "The Last Word" | | | | | | | | | |
| 54 | ESPN2 | NHRA Drag Racing | (6:55) Women's Soccer Ireland at United States. | | | | | Sportscenter | Baseball Tonight (Live) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 58 | HIST | Blood From a Stone A treasure-hunter tracks a stash of uncut diamonds. | | | | | ★★★ "The Big Red One" (1980, Adventure) Lee Marvin, Mark Hamill, Robert Carradine. | | | | Blood From a Stone | | | | | | | | |
| 59 | HLTH | Paid Prog. | Paid Prog. | Workout | Bodies | Health Specials | 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 | MLB Baseball: Padres at White Sox | | | | | News | Fresh Pr. | ★★★ "Pacific Heights" (1990) | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | 6 pm | 6:30 | 7 pm | 7:30 | 8 pm | 8:30 | 9 pm | 9:30 | 10 pm | 10:30 | | | |
| 2 | PBS | John Wooden: Values, Victory-Peace of Mind | American Soundtrack: This Land Is Your Land | | | | Charlie Rose | | Mystery! "An Unsuitable Job for a Woman II" | | | | |
| 3 | IND | ★★★ "Lethal Weapon 2" (1989, Drama) (PA) Mel Gibson. Premiere. Riggs and Murtaugh battle drug-smuggling diplomats. | | | | ★★★ "Lethal Weapon 2" (1989, Drama) (PA) Mel Gibson. Riggs and Murtaugh battle drug-smuggling diplomats. | | | | | | | |
| 4 | ABC | NBA Shootaround | NBA Basketball Playoffs Finals Game 6 -- New Jersey Nets at San Antonio Spurs. (Live) | | | | News | (:35) Seinfeld | (:05) Paid Program | Diamond Adventures | | | |
| 5 | HBO | "My House in Umbria" | ★★★ "Ice Age" (2002, Adventure) Voices of Ray Romano. | | | Pandemic: Facing AIDS "Thailand & Uganda" (N) | Sopranos "Full Leather Jacket" | (:35) Seinfeld | (:05) Paid Program | Sopranos "From Where to Eternity" | | | |
| 7 | CBS | Becker | Charlie Lawrence | ★★★ "Follow the Stars Home" (2001, Drama) Kimberly Williams, Campbell Scott. | | | News | (:35) News | (:05) Outer Limits "Re-vival" | | | | |
| 8 | NBC | Dateline | Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Suite Sorrow" | | Crime & Punishment (N) | | News | Inside Edition | (:05) Ebert & Roeper | (:35) Paid Program | | | |
| 11 | TVLND | Brady | Hap Days | Sanford | Bewitched | Legends | ET in TV Land (N) | Jeannie | MacGyver "The Eraser" | | | | |
| 12 | ESPN | MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Seattle Mariners. (Live) | | | | Sportscenter (Live) | | | Sportsctr | | | | |
| 13 | FOX | Simpsons (DVS) | King of the Hill | Malcolm in the Middle | Oliver Beene | Stargate SG-1 "The Warrior" | Outer Limits Religion a tool, people the food. | | ★★ "Roommates" (1995) Peter Falk. | | | | |
| 15 | MAX | (5:30) ★★ "Kung Pow: Enter the Fist" (2002) | ★★★ "Swordfish" (2001, Action) John Travolta. | | | (:45) ★★ "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993) Robin Williams. An estranged dad poses as a nanny to be with his children. | PG-13 | | | | | | |
| 16 | TNN | Real TV | Real TV | Real TV | Real TV | WWE Heat | Elimination | Elimination | Real TV | Real TV | | | |
| 17 | DISN | Boy Meets World | Sister, Sister | Proud Family | Kim Possible | That's So Raven | Lizzie McGuire | "The Even Stevens Movie" (2003, Comedy) Shia LaBeouf, Christy Carlson Romano. | | | | | |
| 18 | LIFE | (5:00) "Unwed Father" | Division "Body Double" | | | Strong Medicine | | Any Day Now | | What Should You Do? | | | |
| 20 | USA | ★★★ "Meet the Parents" (2000) Robert De Niro. Premiere. | | | | ★★★ "Meet the Parents" (2000) Robert De Niro. (DVS) | | | | | | | |
| 21 | SHOW | "Clockstoppers" (:(45) ★★ "Made" (2001, Comedy-Drama) Jon Favreau, Vince Vaughn. | ★★★ "My Father, the Hero" (1994) Gerard Depardieu. | | | ★★★ "We Were Soldiers" (2002, Drama) Mel Gibson. In 1965, American troops face a bloody battle in Vietnam. | | | | | | | |
| 22 | TMC | (5:45) ★★ "The Santa Clause" (1994, Comedy) Tim Allen. | ★★★ "My Father, the Hero" (1994) Gerard Depardieu. | | | ★★★ "Father of the Bride Part II" (1995, Comedy) Steve Martin, Diane Keaton. | | | | | | | |
| 23 | MTV | First Year | Weird Nature Animal motion; feeding habits. | | | MTV Special | Real World | Real World "Paris" | Real World | | | | |
| 24 | DISC | Mafia Women mob women's changing roles. | Weird Nature Animal motion; feeding habits. | | | Killer Ants | Walking With Cavemen "First Ancestors" Tracing 3.5 million years of human evolution. (N) | | | | | | |
| 28 | TNT | ★★ "Proof of Life" (2000) Meg Ryan, Russell Crowe. | | | | ★★★ "The Net" (1995) Sandra Bullock, Jeremy Northam. | | | | | | | |
| 30 | FXSP | Boxing: Julio Garcia vs. Byron Mackie | Beyond the Glory | | | NBA | NBA | Rocky Mt. | Rocky Mt. | | | | |
| 32 | FAM | (5:00) "Drive Me Crazy" | ★★★ "The Birdcage" (1996) Robin Williams. | | | Whose? | Whose? | Church | Feed | | | | |
| 33 | NBC | News | Dateline | Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Suite Sorrow" | | | Crime & Punishment (N) | | News | Chris Matthews | | | |
| 34 | NICK | Garcia | Clueless | Cosby | Cosby | Cosby | Cosby | Cosby | Cosby | Cosby | | | |
| 36 | A&E | Biography: Michael Douglas: Son | | ★★★ "Fatal Attraction" (1987) Michael Douglas. Premiere. A husband comes to regret a fling with an unstable woman. | | | | American Justice | | Biography: Michael Douglas: Son | | | |
| 38 | SCIFI | (5:00) ★★ "Firestarter: Rekindled" (2002) Marguerite Moreau. | | | | Scare | Scare | Farscape "Relativity" | | | | | |
| 39 | TLC | While You Were Out "Utah: Fairview Avenue" | | While You Were Out "Oregon: Plumeria Way" | | What Not to Wear "Christine" | Pyramids, Mummies & Tombs | Pyramids, Mummies & Tombs | | | | | |
| 40 | FX | ★★★ "X-Men" (2000) Hugh Jackman, Patrick Stewart. | | | | ★★★ "Ransom" (1996, Suspense) Mel Gibson, Rene Russo. | | | | | | | |
| 45 | ETC | (:01) ★★ "The Man With One Red Shoe" | | | | (:01) ★★ "Commando" (1985, Adventure) | | (:01) "Violent Saturday" | | | | | |
| 49 | FIMV | Melrose Place: The E! True Hollywood Story (N) | | | | Good to Be | Love Chain | Melrose Place: The E! True Hollywood Story | | | | | |
| 51 | TRAV | Vegas Cops | | Police Pursuits | | Most Dangerous Places | | Vegas Cops | Police Pursuits | | | | |
| 53 | WB | Gilmore Girls "A-Tisket, A-Tasket" | | Charmed "Nymphs Just Wanna Have Fun" | | Charmed "Siren's Song" | | News | Friends | Everybody-Raymond | | | |
| 54 | ESPN2 | College Baseball: NCAA | | | | RPM 2Night | NHRA | Sportscenter | | Streetball NBA Finals | | | |
| 58 | HIST | Godfathers The Cosa Nostra exploits historical events. (N) | | | | Mail Call | Tales of the Gun | History's Mysteries Famous firearms. | | Godfathers | | | |
| 59 | HLTH | Paid Prog. | | Paid Prog. | | Workout | Bodies | Health Specials | Doctors Diaries | Workout Bodies | | | |
| 60 | UNIV | Lols Metiches | | Cero | | Hora Pico | | Casos de la Vida Real | P. Impacto | Noticiero | | | |
| 62 | HGTV | Before Aft | | Building | | Incredible Basements | | ExtrmHms | Before Aft | Building | | | |
| 99 | WGN | Andromeda | | Adventure Inc. | | News | Replay | Rockford Files | In the Heat of the Night | | | | |