

Man has learned the hard way about people

DEAR ABBY: This is nearly 25 years late, but I need to apologize to someone.

When I was a junior in high school, I dated "Carole." She had many fine qualities and I really enjoyed her company. After Carole and I had dated for nearly a year, I met "Marie." She was cute and exciting, and I immediately fell in love with her. Marie broke up with her boyfriend and I broke up with Carole so we could be



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together. (I'll never forget the day I broke up with Carole. She was at a friend's house when I told her. She stood on the porch crying as I drove away to meet Marie.)

I joined the military after graduation and married Marie later that same year. Our marriage lasted 10 months. Marie left me for another guy — the same way she had left her boyfriend in high school for me. Carole married a great guy a few years after high

school. They have been together for more than 20 years.

To Carole: I'm sorry I hurt you. I should have chosen you over Marie. Everyone saw that but me. You and I probably would have had a nice life together. I hope you're happy. If there's one thing I have learned over the years, it's that the "flashiest" people aren't always the right choices. — TONY FROM GREENVILLE HIGH

DEAR TONY: Some people learn more from their mistakes than their successes, and you are one of them. Sometimes what is best for us is right in front of us. Recognizing what you DON'T want can be a giant step in the right direction. I hope you have put

that knowledge to good use.

DEAR ABBY: I have an unusual dilemma. My husband, "Keith," and I have been married for three years. He is my dearest and closest friend.

The problem is, Keith works for his sister, "Kathie," in the shop she owns. Several nights a week she holds "dinner meetings" after work, but I am never invited to join them. When their parents host family get-togethers, Kathie says they're "business-related" — and again I am excluded.

For the longest time I thought I could live with and accept my sister-in-law's non-acceptance of me. However, she has started telling lies about me to my husband, and calling him at all hours to come to her house when

something needs fixing.

I have confronted Kathie to no avail. Abby, what advice can you offer to end this bizarre "real life" nightmare? — OUT IN THE COLD IN COLORADO

DEAR OUT IN THE COLD: Encourage your husband to find another job with no strings attached. And help him to recognize that his sister's behavior is toxic to your marriage.

P.S. If Keith doesn't get the message, marriage counseling is in order. If he won't go, go without him.

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend is crazy about me. We are both 23 and have been dating only a month. He repeatedly tells me how much he loves and cares about me. Sometimes

I feel suffocated. My problem is I'm not sure if I want to date exclusively. I am immersed in my studies and hope to establish myself in a great job — my lifelong dream. What should I do? — GRACIELA IN BRAZIL

DEAR GRACIELA: Your boyfriend may be on the up-and-up, but pushing for a quick, exclusive commitment is one of the warning signs of an abuser. Tell him to put on the brakes because this romance is moving too fast for you. Explain, straightforwardly, what your goals are, and how you hope to pursue them. They may — or may not — be compatible with his. But at least you'll have a clearer understanding of how you both want to live your lives.

TUESDAY EVENING										JUNE 17, 2003									
	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30									
2	PBS	Nova Efforts to identify a German U-boat lying 60 miles off the New Jersey coast. (DVS)				Super Chief: Speed, Style, Service (DVS)	News	Being Served	Business Rpt.	BBC World News									
3	IND	★★ "The Peacemaker" (1997) (PA) George Clooney. A scientist and a soldier seek stolen nuclear weapons. (DVS)				A scientist Swanson. (DVS)	(:45) ★★★ "In the Line of Fire" (1993) (PA) Clint Eastwood. A veteran Secret Service agent battles a vicious assassin.												
4	ABC	8 Simple Rules (DVS)	8 Simple Rules (DVS)	According to Jim (DVS)	Less Than Perfect (DVS)	NYPD Blue "Below the Belt" (DVS)	News (DVS)	(:35) Night-line (DVS)	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) (DVS)										
5	HBO	★★ "Canadian Bacon" (1995, Comedy) Alan Alda. (DVS)				(:45) ★★★ "The Phantom" (1996, Adventure) Billy Zane, Kristy Swanson. (DVS)	★★★ "Star Wars: Episode II -- Attack of the Clones" (2002) PG (DVS)	★★★ "Star Wars: Episode II -- Attack of the Clones" (2002) PG (DVS)											
7	CBS	JAG "Complications" (DVS)		Guardian "Sacrifice" (DVS)		Judging Amy "Lost and Found" (DVS)	News (DVS)	(:35) Late Show (N) (DVS)		(:37) Late Show (DVS)									
8	NBC	Dog Eat Dog (N) (DVS)		Last Comic Standing (N) (DVS)		Dateline (N) (DVS)	News (DVS)	(:35) Tonight Show (N) (DVS)		(:37) Late Night (N) (DVS)									
11	TVLND	Fantasy Island (DVS)		Sanford (DVS)	Bewitched (DVS)	Griffith (DVS)	Leave (DVS)	I Love Lucy (DVS)	Jeannie (DVS)	MacGyver (DVS)									
12	ESPN	College Baseball NCAA World Series Game 10 -- Teams to Be Announced.					Sportscenter (Live)	Outside	Baseball										
13	FOX	American Juniors (ITV) (N) (DVS)	Keen Eddie "Achtung Baby" (N) (DVS)			Fox Report With Shepard Smith (DVS)	Blind Date (DVS)	Blind Date (DVS)	Paid Program	Paid Program									
15	MAX	(4:45) ★★★ "The Fifth Element" (1997) PG-13 (DVS)	★★ "Encino Man" (1992, Comedy) Sean Astin. (DVS)			★★★ "Sunshine State" (2002) Edie Falco. Premiere. Winds of change ruffle the residents of a Florida island. PG-13 (DVS)													
16	TNN	Real TV (DVS)	Real TV (DVS)	Real TV (DVS)	Real TV (DVS)	Blind Date (DVS)	Blind Date (DVS)	Star Trek: Next Gener. (DVS)	★★★ "Scarface" (DVS)										
17	DISN	Boy Meets World (DVS)	Smart Guy (DVS)	Sister, Sister (DVS)	Even Stevens (DVS)	Sister, Sister (DVS)	Lizzie McGuire (DVS)	★★ "Smart House" (1999, Comedy) Ryan Merriman, Katey Sagal, Kevin Kilner. (DVS)											
18	LIFE	(5:00) "Getting Out" (DVS)		★★ "The Accident, a Moment of Truth Movie" (DVS)			Golden (DVS)	Golden (DVS)	Nanny (DVS)	Nanny (DVS)									
20	USA	★★★ "Six Days, Seven Nights" (1998) (DVS)				JAG "Promises" (DVS)	Dragnet (DVS)	Nash Bridges (DVS)											
21	SHOW	(:15) ★★ "Impostor" (2001) Gary Sinise. A man is accused of being an alien doppelganger. PG-13 (DVS)				★★★ "The Gift" (2000, Suspense) Cate Blanchett, Giovanni Ribisi. (DVS)		★★★ "Jasper, Texas" (2003) Jon Voight. (DVS)											
22	TMC	(4:30) "The Others" (DVS)	The Tomorrow Man (2001) Corbin Bernsen, Alice Cunningham. (DVS)			(:05) ★★★ "Scrooged" (1988, Comedy) Bill Murray, Karen Allen, Carol Kane. (DVS)		★★★ "The Man Who Wasn't There" (2001) (DVS)											
23	MTV	Direct Effect (DVS)		True Life (DVS)		2003 MTV Movie Awards (DVS)		Post Show (DVS)	Real World (DVS)										
24	DISC	Wild Africa "Savannah" (DVS)		Meet the Weasels (DVS)		FBI Files "Cracking the Cartel" (DVS)	New Detectives: Forensic Science (DVS)	Manhunt: The Search for Eric Rudolph (DVS)											
28	TNT	Law & Order (DVS)	Law & Order (DVS)	Charmed (DVS)		Law & Order (DVS)	X-Files "Dreamland" (DVS)												
30	FXSP	NASCAR Pregame (DVS)	MLB Baseball San Diego Padres at Colorado Rockies. (Subject to Blackout)			Padres at Colorado Rockies. (Subject to Blackout)	Rocky Mt. (DVS)	Rocky Mt. (DVS)											
32	FAM	"Time Share" (2000) Nastassja Kinski. (DVS)		Whose? (DVS)	Whose? (DVS)	700 Club (DVS)	Caroline Rhea Show (N) (DVS)												
33	NBC	News (DVS)	Ent. Tonight (DVS)	Dog Eat Dog (N) (DVS)		Last Comic Standing (N) (DVS)	Dateline (N) (DVS)	News (DVS)	(:35) Tonight Show (DVS)										
34	NICK	SpongeBob (DVS)	Amanda (DVS)	Cosby (DVS)	Cosby (DVS)	Cheers (DVS)	Cheers (DVS)	3's Co. (DVS)	3's Co. (DVS)	Cosby (DVS)	Cosby (DVS)								
36	A&E	Biography: Hillary Rodham Clinton (DVS)		Cold Case Files Killing of a medical examiner's wife; deaths of two babies. (DVS)		Third Watch "Kim's Hope Chest" (DVS)		Biography: Hillary Rodham Clinton (DVS)											
38	SCIFI	Secret KGB UFO Files (DVS)		UFO Chronicles (DVS)		UFOs -- 50 Yrs (DVS)	Crossing (DVS)	Twilight Z. (DVS)	Farscape "Meltdown" (DVS)										
39	TLC	While You Were Out (DVS)		Home Again (DVS)	Home Again (DVS)	Manhunt in the Heartland (DVS)	Frozen in Time: Mummies Forever (DVS)	True Curse of the Mummy (DVS)											
40	FX	Married... (DVS)	Married... (DVS)	Buffy Vampire (DVS)		Buffy Vampire (DVS)	★★ "Lucky Numbers" (2000) John Travolta. (DVS)												
45	FMC	★★ "28 Days" (2000) Sandra Bullock. A writer is forced to come to terms with her addictions. (DVS)		★★★ "Carousel" (1956) Gordon MacRae. (DVS)		(:11) ★★ "Johnny Dangerously" (1984, Comedy) (DVS)	(:01) "Robin Hood" (DVS)												
49	EITV	Hilton Sisters (DVS)		Star Dates (DVS)	Hometown (DVS)	Wild On... "Costa Rica" (DVS)	Howard S. (DVS)	Howard S. (DVS)	Wild On... (DVS)										
51	TRAV	World's Best (DVS)		Secrets (DVS)		Secrets (N) (DVS)	World's Best (DVS)	Secrets (DVS)											
53	WB	Friends (DVS)	Everybody-Raymond (DVS)	Gilmore Girls "Dear Emily and Richard" (DVS)		Smalville "Duplicity" (DVS)	News (DVS)	Friends (DVS)	Will & Grace (DVS)										
54	ESPN2	Boxing: Tuesday Night Fights (DVS)				Baseball Tonight (Live) (DVS)	Karate (DVS)	Interruption (DVS)	Baseball (DVS)	X-Surfing (DVS)									
58	HIST	Deep Sea Detectives (DVS)		Mouthpiece: Voice for the Accused (N) (DVS)		XY Factor (DVS)	History's Mysteries (DVS)	History's Mysteries (DVS)	Deep Sea Detectives (DVS)										
59	HLTH	Doctors Diaries (DVS)		Workout (DVS)	Bodies (DVS)	Health Specials (DVS)	Doctors Diaries (DVS)	Workout (DVS)	Bodies (DVS)										
60	UNIV	Rebeca (DVS)		Entre el Amor y el Odio (DVS)		Ver Para Creer (DVS)	P. Impacto (DVS)	Noticiero (DVS)	En las Mejores Familias (DVS)										
62	HGTV	Ground (DVS)	Landscap (DVS)	Room (DVS)	Decorating (DVS)	House (DVS)	Curb (DVS)	Ground (DVS)	Landscap (DVS)	Room (DVS)	Decorating (DVS)								
99	WGN	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Cincinnati Reds. (DVS)				News (DVS)	Rockford Files (DVS)	In the Heat of the Night (DVS)											

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THURSDAY EVENING										JUNE 19, 2003		
	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30		
2	PBS	Sunflower Journeys	Kansas Arts Today	New This Old House Hour	Frontline "The Other Drug War" (N)	News	Keeping Up	Business Rpt.	BBC World News			
3	IND	★ ★ "The Glimmer Man" (1996, Suspense) (PA) Steven Seagal, Keenen Ivory Wayans.			★ "The Patriot" (1998) Steven Seagal. A doctor must save a Montana town from chemical warfare.			★ ★ "The Glimmer Man" (1996) (PA)				
4	ABC	★ ★ "28 Days" (2000) Sandra Bullock. A writer is forced to come to terms with her addictions.			Primetime Thursday	News	(:35) Night-line	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)				
5	HBO	(5:00) ★★ "Shallow Hal" (2002) PG-13	★ ★ "Trojan War" (1997, Comedy) Will Friedle.			★ ★ "Cats & Dogs" (2001, Comedy) Jeff Goldblum.		★ ★★ "Ice Age" (2002)				
7	CBS	Amazing Race 4 (N)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation			Without a Trace "There Goes the Bride"	News	(:35) Late Show (N)	(:37) Late Show			
8	NBC	Friends	Scrubs	Will & Grace	Frasier	ER "Tell Me Where It Hurts"	News	(:35) Tonight Show (N)	(:37) Late Night (N)			
11	TVLND	Fantasy Island	Sanford			Bewitched	Griffith	Leave	I Love Lucy	Jeannie	MacGyver	
12	ESPN	College Baseball: NCAA				Baseball Tonight (Live)		Sportscenter (Live)		Outside	Baseball	
13	FOX	Stupid Behavior	30 Seconds to Fame	Pulse (N)	Fox Report With Shepard Smith		Blind Date	Blind Date	Paid Program	Paid Program		
15	MAX	(5:20) ★★ "Just Cause" (1995) 'R'	★★★ "Baby Boy" (2001, Drama) Tyrese Gibson, Taraji P. Henson, Omar Gooding.				(:15) ★★ ★ "Swordfish" (2001, Action) John Travolta, Hugh Jackman, Halle Berry.	★★★ "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back" (2001)				
16	TNN	Real TV	Real TV	Real TV	Real TV	Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Elimination		
17	DISN	Boy Meets World	Smart Guy	Sister, Sister	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister	Lizzie McGuire	★ ★ "Blank Check" (1994, Comedy) Brian Bonsall, Karen Duffy, Miguel Ferrer.				
18	LIFE	"Nightmare-True"		★ ★ ★ "Face of Evil" (1996) Tracey Gold.			Golden	Golden	Nanny	Nanny		
20	USA	JAG	★ ★ "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube.			JAG "Cabin Pressure"	Nash Bridges		Nash Bridges			
21	SHOW	"Planes, Trains"	(:45) ★ "Bio-Dome" (1996) Pauly Shore. Slack-brained buddies crash a scientific experiment.	★ ★ ★ "Jeepers Creepers" (2001, Horror) Gina Phillips.			★★★ "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back" (2001)		★★★ "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back" (2001)			
22	TMC	★★★ "Bugs-Sprstar"	★★★ "Silent Fall" (1994) Richard Dreyfuss, John Lithgow.	(:15) ★★ ★ "The Curve" (1998, Comedy-Drama) Matthew Lillard, Michael Vartan.			★★★ "Rat Race" (2001) Rowan Atkinson.		★★★ "Rat Race" (2001) Rowan Atkinson.			
23	MTV	Direct Effect	MC Battle		Snoop	Fan	Diary	Hear First	Road Rules	Road Rules		
24	DISC	Alaskan Wild	Fast Food		New Detectives: Forensic Science		Critical Rescue "Hero on the Potomac" (N)		KAPOW! Superhero Science			
28	TNT	Law & Order	(DVS) "Nuremberg" (2000) Alec Baldwin. More than 20 high-ranking Nazis go on trial for war crimes.									
30	FXSP	NASCAR	Rocky Mt.	FOX One 54321	Best Damn Sports Show Period (Live)		Rocky Mt.		Rocky Mt.			
32	FAM	★ ★ ★ "Circle of Friends" (1995) Minnie Driver			Whose?	Whose?	700 Club	Caroline Rhea Show				
33	NBC	News	Ent. Tonight	Friends	Scrubs	Will & Grace	Frasier	ER "Tell Me Where It Hurts"	News	(:35) Tonight Show		
34	NICK	SpongeBob	Amanda	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	3's Co.	3's Co.	Cosby		
36	A+E	Biography: Greta Garbo: Mysterious Lady		"Columbo: Ashes to Ashes" (1998, Mystery) Peter Falk, Patrick McGoochan, Sally Kellerman.			Third Watch "After Hours"		Biography: Greta Garbo: Mysterious Lady			
38	SCIFI	(5:00) "Hell Swarm"	★ ★ ★ "Event Horizon" (1997)			Crossing	Crossing	Farscape				
39	FLX	While You Were Out		Home Again Home Again		Secrets of Forensic Science Check scheme.		Susan Smith: Nine Days of Deception		Against the Law "A Child's Courage" (N)		
40	TC	Married...	Married...	Buffy Vampire		Buffy Vampire		★ ★ ★ "Grumpy Old Men" (1993) Jack Lemmon.		★ ★ ★ "Grumpy Old Men" (1993) Jack Lemmon.		
45	FMC	"Charlie Chan in Paris"			(:01) ★★ ★ "The Towering Inferno" (1974) Steve McQueen, Paul Newman.							
49	EITV	Michael Jackson: The EI			True Hollywood Story		Star Dates	Hometown	Howard S.	Howard S.	Wild On...	
51	TRAV	Jack Hanna's Top Ten			Ringling Bros. Revealed		Magic Road Trip (N)		Jack Hanna's Top Ten		Ringling Bros. Revealed	
53	WB	Friends	Everybody-Raymond	★ ★ "Dumb & Dumber" (1994, Comedy) Jim Carrey, Jeff Daniels, Lauren Holly.			News	Friends			Will & Grace	
54	ESPN2	(5:30) WUSA Soccer All-Star Game			Pregame		WNBA Basketball: Storm at Sparks		Baseball			X Games
58	HIST	History Undercover (N)			Mouthpiece: Voice for the Accused (N)		XY Factor The 1950s and 1960s.		History's Mysteries	History's Mysteries	History Undercover	
59	HLTH	Doctors Diaries			Workout		Bodies		Health Specials		Doctors Diaries	
60	UNIV	Rebeca			Entre el Amor y el Odio		Aqui y Ahora		P. Impacto		Noticiero	
62	HGTV	Weekend Landscap			Designing Designers'		House		House		Weekend Landscap	
99	WGN	★★★★ "Breaking Away" (1979, Drama)			News		News		Rockford Files		In the Heat of the Night	