

Dad won't give up beer to help son in rehab



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• dear abby

DEAR ABBY: Our son, "Jonas," got into trouble with the law because of drugs. He is now in rehab seven days a week, and lives here with his father, "Harry," and me. I'm proud to say Jonas is doing well. However, one condition set by the court is that alcohol not be on the premises where he lives.

When Jonas told Harry about it, Harry went ballistic and claimed his own rights were being infringed upon by the courts. Harry stubbornly insists

that he will drink beer in his own home if he chooses even though it could get our son sent to jail.

I am standing my ground that alcohol may not be brought into our home. I used to have a glass or two of wine in the evenings, but I'm willing to sacrifice that in order to protect our son's freedom.

I am so torn. I love my husband, but I can hardly stand to look at him right now, because he is willing to risk his

son's freedom for a beer. How can he think like that? — WORRIED MOTHER

DEAR WORRIED: You have every right to be concerned because if there is a surprise search, your son will be blamed for something that's not his fault.

It's unfortunate that your husband is either so wedded to his beer, or such a stubborn contrarian, that he's unwilling to sacrifice his transitory pleasure for the sake of his child. You can't force him to make a mature decision. Since he's unwilling to cooperate, it might be in your son's best interest to live elsewhere.

DEAR ABBY: I was 15 years old when I met "Andy," and by my 19th birthday we were married. We have

been together 31 years and have two wonderful sons. Now that they have moved out, it's just the two of us. The problem we seem to have is communication.

It is difficult to talk to Andy about anything without getting into an argument. The only safe topic we can discuss is his job, which he absolutely loves. Most of the time, I just sit here nodding and pretending to be interested while deep inside I want to scream.

When I want to talk about something that interests me, I call a friend or family member, but I would much rather spend quality time talking with my husband. Abby, please tell me how I can break down these barriers of communication and open Andy's mind and

heart to me. — TOTALLY FRUSTRATED IN MARYLAND

DEAR FRUSTRATED: It's possible that your husband's range of interests extends no farther than his office walls. It's also possible that this didn't become obvious before because your attention was focused on raising your children, and his role was cast as being "the provider."

It would be wonderful if the two of you could cultivate an interest together — travel, a class of some sort, etc. Another excellent option would be to explore Marriage Encounter. The telephone number is (800) 828-3351, and the Web site www.marriage-encounter.org. Please consider it. They have saved many marriages that were on the brink.

DEAR ABBY: My father has a mistress! I know this because I saw them together. He doesn't know that I know. Should I tell my mother? They've been married since 1982. There's someone downstairs, so I must finish this quickly! If I tell, I will be betraying my father. If I don't tell, I will be betraying my mother. Help. Please! — ANONYMOUS DAUGHTER IN BRAZIL

DEAR DAUGHTER: I don't know what you saw, or how you "know" that the woman your father was with is his mistress and not an acquaintance. However, the first person you should tell is your father. If there isn't an innocent explanation, then tell your mother what you saw.

SATURDAY EVENING		E-Eagle Cable S=S&T Telephone NOV. 29, 2003										
E	S	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30	
2	2	PBS	(5:00) Great Performances "Rodgers & Hammerstein's Oklahoma!" The Royal National Theatre's production of "Oklahoma!" (TV-14)	Farm Aid 2003: A Soundstage Special Event Highlights from the 2003 Farm Aid benefit concert.								Christmas Carol (TV-14)
3	35	IND	(5:00) "Crocodile Dundee", Linda Kozlowski	★ "Crocodile Dundee in Los Angeles" (2001) Paul Hogan, Linda Kozlowski. Premiere. (TV-14)								★★★ "Crocodile Dundee in Los Angeles" (2001, Comedy) Paul Hogan, Linda Kozlowski. (TV-14)
4	6	ABC	College Football Notre Dame at Stanford. (Live)	News (TV-14) (05) Entertainment Tonight Celebrity couples.								Diamond Adventures (TV-14)
5	14	HBO	(5:00) "Powder" (1995), Sean Patrick Flanery (TV-14)	★★★ "A Walk to Remember" (2002, Romance) Shane West, Mandy Moore. (TV-14) (PG)								Carnival "The Day That Was the Day" (TV-14)
7	11	CBS	48 Hours Investigates	Figure Skating Ice Wars X -- North America vs. the World. (Taped) (TV-14)								News (TV-14) (35) Drew Carey (TV-14)
8	8	NBC	★★★ "The Family Man" (2000, Comedy-Drama) Nicolas Cage, Tea Leoni. Premiere. A man gets a glimpse of the life that could have been his. (TV-14)	News (TV-14) Saturday Night Live (TV-14)								News (TV-14) (35) West Wing "Mandarin Minimums" (TV-14)
11	82	TVLND	Leave Griffith Sanford Bewitched Griffith Leave	I Love Lucy Jeannie Kotter WKRP								Leave Bonanza
12	56	ESPN	(5:45) College Football Alabama at Hawaii. (Live)	(45) SportsCenter (Live)								SportsCenter (Live)
13	7	FOX	★★★ "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me" (1999) Mike Myers, Heather Graham. (TV-14)	She Spies Quest to reunite love lost lovers. (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
15	29	MAX	(5:30) ★ "Half Past Dead", Morris Chestnut	(15) ★★ "Like Mike" (2002, Fantasy) Lil' Bow Wow, Morris Chestnut. (TV-14) (PG)								★★★ "Murder by Numbers" (2002, Mystery) Sandra Bullock, Ryan Gosling. (TV-14) (R)
16	41	SPK	"Man With Golden Gun", Christopher Lee	★★★ "The Spy Who Loved Me" (1977) Roger Moore, Barbara Bach.								Blind Date (TV-14)
17	44	DISN	That's So Raven	★★★ "The Cheetah Girls" (2003, Comedy-Drama) Raven, Lynn Whitfield. (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
18	63	LIFE	"Woman", Bruce Green	Wild Card (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
20	34	USA	Law & Order	Law & Order								Blind Date (TV-14)
21	24	SHOW	(5:25) "Another Stakeout", Emilio Estevez	(15) ★★ "Changing Lanes" (2002, Drama) Ben Affleck, Samuel L. Jackson. (TV-14) (R)								Blind Date (TV-14)
22	26	TMC	(5:35) ★★ "In the Army Now", Andy Dick	(15) ★★ "Bio-Dome" (1996, Comedy) Pauly Shore, Stephen Baldwin. (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
23	77	MTV	Greatest Hits (TV-14)	6 Degrees of G Unit (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
24	50	DISC	Monster House "Family Vacation House"	Famine to Freedom: The Great Irish Journey (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
25	37	TNT	★★★ "Lethal Weapon 4" (1998) Mel Gibson, Danny Glover.	★★★ "Enemy at the Gates" (2001), Joseph Fiennes (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
30	55	FXSP	Best Damn Sports	Beyond the Glory (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
32	46	FAM	★★★ "The Borrowers" (1998), Jim Broadbent	"Planes, Trains and Automobiles", John Candy								Blind Date (TV-14)
33	9	NBC	Entertainment Tonight Celebrity couples. (TV-14)	★★★ "The Family Man" (2000, Comedy-Drama) Nicolas Cage, Tea Leoni. Premiere. A man gets a glimpse of the life that could have been his. (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
34	43	NICK	Grown Up	Grown Up								Blind Date (TV-14)
36	53	A&E	American Justice: Blood Brothers	Cold Case Files A tool mark solves a murder.								Blind Date (TV-14)
38	83	SCIFI	"Epoch", Ryan O'Neal	"Epoch: Evolution" (2003), Angel Boris (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
39	51	TLC	Trading Spaces: Family	While You Were Out (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
40	38	FX	Cops	"The Rats" (2001, Suspense), Madchen Amick								Blind Date (TV-14)
45	31	FMC	(:01) "Miracle on 34th Street", Edmund Gwenn	(:01) Hour of Stars								Blind Date (TV-14)
49	81	EITV	101 Juiciest	101 Juiciest								Blind Date (TV-14)
51	86	TRAV	Great Outdoors	Ends of the Earth								Blind Date (TV-14)
53	3	WB	"Ernest Saves Christmas", Douglas Seale	★★★ "The Santa Clause" (1994, Comedy) Tim Allen, Judge Reinhold. (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
54	57	ESPN2	NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at St. Louis Blues. (Live)	NHL Live								Blind Date (TV-14)
58	52	HIST	America on the Move	UFOs: What You Didn't Know "UFO Hot Spots"								Blind Date (TV-14)
59	-	HLTH	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.								Blind Date (TV-14)
60	89	UNIV	Sábado Gigante	Health Specials (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)
62	67	HGTV	Room	Design Design								Blind Date (TV-14)
99	36	WGN	★★★ "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels", Michael Caine	News (TV-14)								Blind Date (TV-14)

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E	S	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30		
2	2	PBS	American Soundtrack: This Land Is Our Land: The Folk Rock Years II (TV-14)	Neil Diamond: Special Moments From Ireland (TV-14)								Evening at Pops (Part 2 of 2) (TV-14)	Christmas Carol (TV-14)
3	35	IND	★★★ "Crocodile Dundee in Los Angeles" (2001, Comedy) Paul Hogan, Linda Kozlowski. (TV-14)	★★★ "Crocodile Dundee in Los Angeles" (2001, Comedy) Paul Hogan, Linda Kozlowski. (TV-14)								News (TV-14) (35) Seinfeld (TV-14)	★★★ "Crocodile Dundee in Los Angeles" (2001, Comedy) Paul Hogan, Linda Kozlowski. (TV-14)
4	6	ABC	10-8 "Let It Bleed" (N) (TV-14)	Alias "Conscious" (N) (TV-14)								Practice "Victim's Rights" (N) (TV-14)	(05) Seinfeld (TV-14)
5	14	HBO	(15) ★★ "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (2002) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. A malevolent force threatens the students at Hogwarts.	Sopranos "Whoever Did This" (TV-14)								News (TV-14) (35) News (TV-14)	Carnival "The Day That Was the Day" (TV-14)
7	11	CBS	Cold Case "Sherry Darlin'" (N) (TV-14)	"Finding John Christmas" (2003, Drama) Valerie Bertinelli, Peter Falk. Premiere. (TV-14)								News (TV-14) (35) News (TV-14)	(05) Outer Limits "Essence of Life" (TV-14)
8	8	NBC	American Dreams "The Long Goodbye" (N) (TV-14)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Tomorrow" (TV-14)								News (TV-14) (35) West Wing "Mandarin Minimums" (TV-14)	Inside Edition (TV-14)
11	82	TVLND	Leave Griffith Sanford Bewitched Legends	ET in TV Land (TV-14)								Leave Bonanza	
12	56	ESPN	NFL Football Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Jacksonville Jaguars. (Live)	SportsCenter (Live)								SportsCenter (Live)	
13	7	FOX	Simpsons (N) (TV-14)	Bernie Mac (DVS)								Malcolm in the Middle Arrested. Stargate SG-1 "The Cure" (N) (TV-14)	Outer Limits Resurrection drug hooks agent. Movie
15	29	MAX	Le Point Omega (TV-14)	★★★ "Mission: Impossible" (1996, Adventure) Tom Cruise, Jon Voight. (TV-14) (PG-13)								★★★ "Minority Report" (2002) Tom Cruise, Colin Farrell. Psychics predict that a cop will soon commit a murder. "PG-13"	★★★ "Octopussy" (1983), Maud Adams (TV-14)
16	41	SPK	(5:00) "For Your Eyes Only", Carole Bouquet (TV-14)	WWE Heat								★★★ "Octopussy" (1983), Maud Adams (TV-14)	★★★ "Sleeping Beauty" (1959) Voices of Mary Costa, Bill Shirley, G. (TV-14)
17	44	DISN	Lizzie McGuire	Lizzie McGuire								★★★ "Sleeping Beauty" (1959) Voices of Mary Costa, Bill Shirley, G. (TV-14)	"Sleeping, Bill Shirley (TV-14)
18	63	LIFE	"Echoes", Peter Boyle	Division "Body Double" (TV-14)								Strong Medicine (TV-14)	1-800-Missing (TV-14)
20	34	USA	"Stealing Christmas" (2003), Lea Thompson (TV-14)	"Stealing Christmas" (2003), Lea Thompson (TV-14)								Law & Order (TV-14)	Law & Order (TV-14)
21	24	SHOW	"Disting.", Lane Smith	★★★ "We Were Soldiers" (2002, Drama) Mel Gibson, Madeleine Stowe. (TV-14) (R)								"The Reagans" (2003, Drama) Judy Davis, James Broderick. (TV-14)	"The Reagans" (2003, Drama) Judy Davis, James Broderick. (TV-14)
22	26	TMC	(5:30) "Ten Tiny Love Stories", Alicia Witt (TV-14)	(15) ★★ "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson. (TV-14)								★★★ "Thelma & Louise" (1991, Drama) Susan Sarandon, Geena Davis. (TV-14)	★★★ "Thelma & Louise" (1991, Drama) Susan Sarandon, Geena Davis. (TV-14)
23	77	MTV	Cribs (TV-14)	Real World Real World								Bad Trip (TV-14)	Viva Bam "Punk'd" (TV-14)
24	50	DISC	Repossessors (TV-14)	Repossessors 2 (TV-14)								Who Killed Jesus? (TV-14)	Mega-Tsunami (TV-14)
28	37	TNT	★★ "U.S. Marshals" (1998), Wesley Snipes (DVS)	★★ "U.S. Marshals" (1998), Wesley Snipes (DVS)								★★ "U.S. Marshals" (1998), Wesley Snipes (DVS)	★★ "U.S. Marshals" (1998), Wesley Snipes (DVS)
30	55	FXSP	See This	Avalanche								NHL Hockey New Jersey Devils at Colorado Avalanche. (Live)	Rocky Mt. Rocky Mt. See This
32	46	FAM	7th Heaven "Stand Up"	7th Heaven (TV-14)								7th Heaven "We Do" (TV-14)	Oak Ridge Boys Church Feed
33	9	NBC	Dateline (TV-14)	American Dreams "The Long Goodbye" (N) (TV-14)								Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Tomorrow" (TV-14)	Lyons Den "Ex" (N) (TV-14)
34	43	NICK	Grown Up	Grown Up								Cosby Cosby	Roseanne Roseanne Cosby Cosby
36	53	A&E	American Justice: Blood Brothers	Cold Case Files A tool mark solves a murder.								Crossing Jordan "Fire and Ice" (TV-14)	American Justice: Blood Brothers
38	83	SCIFI	"Epoch", Ryan O'Neal	"Epoch: Evolution" (2003), Angel Boris (TV-14)								"Epoch" (2000) David Keith, Ryan O'Neal. (TV-14)	"Epoch" (2000) David Keith, Ryan O'Neal. (TV-14)
39	51	TLC	Trading Spaces: Family	While You Were Out (TV-14)								Trading Spaces "Austin: Wampton Way" (TV-14)	Trading Spaces (N) (TV-14)
40	38	FX	Cops	"The Rats" (2001, Suspense), Madchen Amick								★★★ "X-Men" (2000), Patrick Stewart	★★★ "X-Men" (2000), Patrick Stewart
45	31	FMC	(:01) "Miracle on 34th Street", Edmund Gwenn	(:01) Hour of Stars								(:01) ★★ "Joanna" (1968), Calvin Lockhart	(:01) ★★ "Joanna" (1968), Calvin Lockhart
49	81	EITV	101 Juiciest	101 Juiciest								Wild On... Howard S. Howard S.	Wild On... Howard S. Howard S.
51	86	TRAV	Great Outdoors	Ends of the Earth								Ends of the Earth	Great Outdoors
53	3	WB	"Ernest Saves Christmas", Douglas Seale	★★★ "The Santa Clause" (1994, Comedy) Tim Allen, Judge Reinhold. (TV-14)								Cosby Show (TV-14)	"Jgd-Dredd", Ar-
54	57	ESPN2	NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at St. Louis Blues. (Live)	NHL Live								NFL Live NFL	Fastbreak Basketball
58	52	HIST	America on the Move	UFOs: What You Didn't Know "UFO Hot Spots"								Modern Marvels "ET Tech" (TV-14)	America on the Move
59	-	HLTH	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.								Diary Diary	Diary Diary
60	89	UNIV	Sábado Gigante	Health Specials (TV-14)								Doctors Diaries (TV-14)	Doctors Diaries (TV-14)
62	67	HGTV	Room	Design Design								Design Design	Mission Room Sensible
99	36	WGN	★★★ "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels", Michael Caine	News (TV-14)								Fresh Pr. "Young Guns", Kiefer Sutherland	Fresh Pr. "Young Guns", Kiefer Sutherland

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E	S	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30		
2	2	PBS	American Experience "Seabiscuit" (TV-14)	At the Drive-In Performers of the 1950s and early 1960s sing their hits. (TV-14)								May to December	Charlie Rose (N) (TV-14)
3	35	IND	★★★ "Jack Frost" (1998, Fantasy) Michael Keaton, Kelly Preston. (DVS)	(15) ★★ "Honey, I Shrank the Kids" (1989, Fantasy) (PA) Rick Moranis, Matt Frewer. (TV-14)								"Jack Frost", (TV-14)	"Jack Frost", (TV-14)
4	6	ABC	PrimeTime Monday (TV-14)	NFL Football Tennessee Titans at New York Jets. From Giants Stadium in								News (TV-14)	(35) Night-line (TV-14)
5	14	HBO	"Memoirs of an Invisible Man", Daryl Hannah	(15) ★★ "The Cherokee Kid" (1996, Comedy) Sinbad, James Coburn. (TV-14) (PG-13)								★ "Mr. Deeds" (2002) Adam Sandler, Winona Ryder. (TV-14) (PG-13)	Last Samurai
7	11	CBS	Yes, Dear (TV-14)	Still Standing (TV-14)								Everybody- Raymond	Two and a Half Men
8	8	NBC	Fear Factor (N) (TV-14)	Las Vegas "Year of the Tiger" (N) (TV-14)								Average Joe (N) (TV-14)	News (TV-14)
11	82	TVLND	Leave	Sanford								Bewitched	Griffith
12	56	ESPN	Countdown	Wild Rules								Wild Rules	Sportsman
13	7	FOX	★★★ "The Wedding Singer" (1998, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Drew Barrymore. (TV-14)	Fox Report With Shepard Smith (TV-14)								Cagney & Lacey "An Unusual Occurrence"	Kojak "Queen of the Gypsies"
15	29	MAX	(5:15) ★★ "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993) Robin Williams, Sally Field. (TV-14)	On Set: Catch								★★★ "To Live is Better Than to Die" (2002) Goldie Hawn, Susan Sarandon. (R)	On Set: Gothika (TV-14)
16	41	SPK	Real TV (TV-14)	Real TV (TV-14)								Cheers (TV-14)	Cheers (TV-14)
17	44	DISN	Kim Possible	Proud Family								Sister, Sister	Even Stevens
18	63	LIFE	"Comfort and Joy" (2003), Dixie Carter. Premiere.	"Comfort and Joy" (2003), Dixie Carter (TV-14)								Nanny (TV-14)	Nanny (TV-14)
20	34	USA	Law & Order	Law & Order								Law & Order	Law & Order
21	24	SHOW	★ "Illegally Yours" (1988, Comedy) Rob Lowe, Colleen Camp. (TV-14) (PG)	(7:55) ★★ "The Sum of All Fears" (2002) Ben Affleck, Morgan Freeman. (PG-13)								Controversy: The Reagans (TV-14)	Controversy: The Reagans (TV-14)
22	26	TMC	(5:15) ★★ "Basquiat", Michael Wincott	(15) ★★ "Comic Book Villains" (2002, Comedy) Donal Logue, Michael Rapaport. (TV-14)								★★★ "Love, Honour and Obey" (2000) Sadie Frost, Ray Winstone.	"Pipe Drm"
23	77	MTV	TRL (TV-14)	Staying Alive Concert (N) (TV-14)								Fight	Viva Bam
24	50	DISC	2002 Opinion With Doctor Oz	Prosecutors: In Pursuit of Justice								MythBusters "Biscuit Bazooka" (TV-14)	Monster Garage (N) (TV-14)
28	37	TNT	Law & Order (DVS)	Law & Order "Punk" (TV-14)								Law & Order "Flight" (TV-14)	Law & Order (DVS)
30	55	FXSP	College Basketball Colorado State at Auburn.	Rocky Mt. Best Damn Sports Show Period (TV-14)								Rocky Mt. Football	Football
32	46	FAM	(5:00) Movie	Santa Claus								Whoose? (TV-14)	Whoose? (TV-14)
33	9	NBC	News (TV-14)	Broncos' Huddle								Fear Factor (N) (TV-14)	Average Joe (N) (TV-14)
34	43	NICK	Oddparents	Sabrina								News (TV-14)	Full House
36	53	A&E	Biography "Will Smith" Performer Will Smith.	Cold Case Files (TV-14)								City Confidential (N) (TV-14)	Third Watch "Officer Involved" (TV-14)
38	83	SCIFI	Stargate SG-1	Stargate SG-1 "Spirits"								Stargate SG-1 (TV-14)	