

# Boyfriend's threats must be taken seriously

DEARABBY: I am a 16-year-old girl with a problem I can't talk to anyone about. I have been with my boyfriend, "Jon," for about five months. He has always been kind of jealous and controlling. Recently my parents told me I couldn't see him anymore.

Jon became furious when I told him how my parents feel, and now he's talking about killing them so



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• dear abby

we can be together. I know he is serious.

I really love Jon. He is the first boy who has shown an interest in me.

My parents and I have always had a great relationship and my mom is like my best friend. I totally don't want to see them get hurt. I don't know what to do. I can't tell my parents and I can't tell the police. I have

tried to talk Jon out of it, and tell him they will learn to accept him over time. He just gets mad and says I am taking their side. Please tell me what to do.—ANONYMOUS IN FORT MYERS, FLA.

DEAR ANONYMOUS: I hope your sense of self-preservation is stronger than your sense of family loyalty. The boy you are involved with appears to have serious mental problems. He desperately needs psychological evaluation and counseling. Unless you do something now, Jon could talk himself into doing something to your parents — and you will be an accessory because you knew it was going to hap-

pen and did nothing.

I urge you to warn your parents about Jon's threats, so they can protect themselves — and you. As much as you may love him, you cannot reason with someone who is irrational and possibly homicidal.

P.S. Do NOT allow Jon to make you feel guilty for wanting to protect your parents. Your first responsibility is the safety of your family. So please don't wait. Tell them NOW. A good way to begin would be to clip this letter, hand it to them and tell them that you wrote it.

DEARABBY: I have been dating "George" for nine months. Since the day I met him, I knew he was a

little odd, but that was one of the qualities that first attracted me to him.

In the last three months, his behavior has become worse. He is now homeless, penniless, jobless, and has problems with alcohol and depression. He was recently diagnosed with schizophrenia.

I love George dearly, but my role in his life has switched from girlfriend to caregiver/provider. I am not sure what to do. He refuses to get help but is stuck to me like a lost child. How can I save his and my life before it is too late? — DESPERATE IN NEW YORK

DEAR DESPERATE: True lov-

ers must also be true friends, and right now George desperately needs one.

Tell him, as a concerned friend, that because you love him, he must get professional help.

If he doesn't have money, he can still find help in New York in a number of places. One of the large academic hospitals might be the place to start.

In any meaningful relationship, both people involved switch caregiving roles at various times. This is called "nurturing." But being made to feel obligated beyond affection is entrapment — and that you must avoid.

SATURDAY EVENING												E-Eagle Cable S=S&T Telephone DEC. 13, 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	Lawrence Welk Show "America's Wonderland"		Keeping Up	As Time Goes By	Two's Company	New Red Green		Austin City Limits	Soundstage "Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers"												
3	35	IND	★★★ "Swordfish" (2001, Action) (PA) John Travolta, Hugh Jackman. [E]		★★★ "Die Hard 2" (1990, Drama) (PA) Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedelia. An L.A. cop battles terrorists in Washington. [E]		★★★ "The Fugitive" (1993, Drama) Lee Jones. [E]																
4	6	ABC	Charlie Brown Christmas [E]		★★★ "I'll Be Home for Christmas" (1998) Jonathan Taylor Thomas, Jessica Biel. [E] (DVS)		★★★ "Two Weeks Notice" (2002) Sandra Bullock, Hugh Grant. Premiere. [E]																
5	14	HBO	(5:30) "The Phantom" (1996), Kristy Swanson		★★★ "Swimfan" (2002) Jesse Bradford, Erika Christensen. 'PG-13'		★★★ "The Fugitive" (1993, Drama) Lee Jones. [E]																
7	11	CBS	Price Is Right Million Dollar Spectacular (N)		Hack "Dial O for Murder" (N) [E]		District "Hollow Spaces" (N) [E]																
8	8	NBC	★★★★ "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) James Stewart, Donna Reed. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide. [E] (DVS)																				
11	82	TVLND	Gilligan Van Dyke		Griffith Griffith		I Love Lucy Van Dyke		Munsters I Love Lucy	Bonanza "Vendetta"													
12	56	ESPN	2003 Heisman Trophy Presentation (Live) [E]				Outside the Lines (Live)		SportsCenter (Live) [E]	Rodeo													
13	7	FOX	Cops (N)	Cops [E]	America's Most Wanted: Fights Back		She Spies "Last Man Standing" [E]		Mad TV John C. McGinley guest stars. (N) [E]	Blind Date [E]	Blind Date [E]												
15	29	MAX	★★★★ "Minority Report" (2002) Tom Cruise, Colin Farrell. Psychics predict that a cop will soon commit a murder. 'PG-13'				★★★★ "The Fugitive" (1993, Drama) Lee Jones. [E]																
16	41	SPK	"Missing in Action 2", Soon-Teck Oh				Ride																
17	44	DISN	Kim Possible Proud Family		Sister, Sister Stevens		That's So Raven Lizzie McGuire		"The Ultimate Christmas Present" (2000) Hailee Hirsh, Brenda Song. [E]														
18	63	LIFE	"GoodFell.", Ray Liotta		Wild Card (N) [E]		1-800-Missing (N) [E]		What Should You Do? [E]	Nanny [E]	Nanny [E]												
20	34	USA	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law Order Cl	Law & Order													
21	24	SHOW	★ "Crossroads" (2002) Britney Spears, Anson Mount. 'PG-13'		(:45) ★★ "Hart's War" (2002) Bruce Willis, Colin Farrell. A law student defends a murder suspect in a Nazi POW camp. 'R'																		
22	26	TMC	(5:30) ★★ "Impostor" (2001), Madeleine Stowe		(:15) ★★ "Pump Up the Volume" (1990) Christian Slater, Samantha Mathis. [E]		★★★★ "Fatal Attraction" (1987, Suspense) Michael Douglas, Glenn Close. Premiere. [E]																
23	77	MTV	Rich Girls Rich Girls		Rich Girls Rich Girls		Real World Real World		Real World Couples	Osbourne's Christmas													
24	50	DISC	Nubia: The Forgotten Kingdom		Crusades The town of Acre in 1291. [E]		Unsolved History The boy pharaoh's death. [E]		American Chopper "Tool Bike 1"	Monster Garage "Corvette/Mud Bogger" [E]													
28	37	TNT	★★★★ "The Wizard of Oz" (1939), Ray Bolger				"Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory", Jack Albertson			Ghostbustr.													
30	55	FXSP	College Basketball		Avalanche		NHL Hockey Colorado Avalanche at Calgary Flames. (Live)			Rocky Mt.													
32	46	FAM	"Picking Up and Dropping Off", Amanda Detmer				"Picking Up and Dropping Off", Amanda Detmer			Funniest Home Videos													
33	9	NBC	Parade of Lights From downtown Denver. [E]		★★★★ "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) James Stewart, Donna Reed. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide. [E] (DVS)																		
34	43	NICK	Grown Up Romeo! [E]		All That [E]	Amanda [E]	Cosby [E]	Cosby [E]	Roseanne [E]	Roseanne [E]	Cosby [E]	Cosby [E]											
36	53	A&E	American Justice "Murder on the Boardwalk"		Cold Case Files "Soft Kill; Unsolved" [E]		Twisted Mind: The Andrew Luster Story		True Story of Seabiscuit	American Justice "Murder on the Boardwalk"													
38	83	SCIFI	"Route 666", Lori Petty		"Faust: Love of the Damned", Isabel Brook [E]		"Candyman 3: Day of the Dead", Donna D'Errico																
39	51	TLX	Wild Weddings [E]		Trading Spaces: Family		While You Were Out "Buffalo: Egyptian Spa"		Trading Spaces [E]	Trading Spaces "Atlanta: Highlands Trace"													
40	38	FX	Beverly Hills, 90210 [E]		Married... Married...		Married... Married...		DVD Exclusive Awards	Kingpin,													
45	31	FMC	(:01) ★★ "Cocoon" (1985), Wilford Brimley		(:01) Hour of Stars		(:01) Hour of Stars		(:01) ★★ "The Boy in Blue", Cynthia Dale														
49	81	EITV	Celebrities Uncensored		Julia Roberts		Saturday Night Live [E]		Wild On...	Howard S. [E]	Howard S. [E]												
51	86	TRAV	Great Outdoors [E]		Ends of the Earth [E]		Ends of the Earth [E]		Great Outdoors [E]	Ends of the Earth [E]													
53	3	WB	(5:00) "Scrooge" (1951), Kathleen Harrison		★★★★ "Scrooged" (1988, Comedy) Bill Murray, Karen Allen.				News [E]	Consumer Corner "FallTime", Stephen													
54	57	ESPN2	Rodeo		College Basketball Memphis at Illinois. (Live) [E]		Elite 11 Camp		Fastbreak	NFL													
58	52	HIST	Battlefield Detectives "Trafalgar" (N) [E]		Last Mission A B-29 air strike ends World War II. [E]		Vanishings! Vanishings! (N) [E]		Battlefield Detectives "Trafalgar" [E]														
59	-	HLTH	Paid Prog. [E]		Diary [E]		Health Specials [E]																
60	89	UNIV	Sábado Gigante						P. Impacto	Noticiero	Otro Rollo												
62	67	HGTV	Room	Sensible	Designing	Designers	Cmas Design		Design	Mission	Room	Sensible											
99	36	WGN	Fresh Pr.		NBA Basketball Indiana Pacers at Chicago Bulls. (Live) [E]				News [E]	★★★ "Madhouse", Kirstie Alley													

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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	Nature "Dive to the Abyss" [E] (DVS)		Masterpiece Theatre "The Road From Coorain" [E] (DVS)				Coyote Waits: An American Mystery Special [E] (DVS)														
3	35	IND	★★★ "Swordfish" (2001, Action) (PA) John Travolta, Hugh Jackman. [E]		Action (PA) John Travolta, Hugh Jackman. [E]			★★★ "Swordfish" (2001, Action) (PA) John Travolta, Hugh Jackman. [E]		Action (PA) John Travolta, Hugh Jackman. [E]			★★★ "Demolition Man", Wesley Snipes										
4	6	ABC	10-8 "Brothers in Arms" [E] [E]		Alias "The Two" [E] [E]			Practice "We the People" [E] [E]		News [E]	(:35) Seinfeld [E]	(:05) Seinfeld [E]	Diamond Adventures										
5	14	HBO	(5:30) ★★ "Stuart Little 2", Geena Davis		★★ "My Fellow Americans" (1996, Comedy) Jack Lemmon, James Garner. [E] [E] 'PG-13'				★★★ "Angels in America" (2003, Drama) (Part of 2) Al Pacino, Meryl Streep. Premiere. [E] [E]														
7	11	CBS	Survivor: Pearl Islands (Season Finale) The winner is determined. [E]		Survivor: Pearl Islands Reunion (Live) [E] [E]				News [E]	(:35) News [E]	(:05) Outer Limits "The Conversion" [E] [E]												
8	8	NBC	"National Lamp. Christmas", Beverly D'Angelo		"Secret Santa" (2003) Jennie Garth. A cynical reporter searches for a mysterious philanthropist.				News [E]	(:35) West Wing [E] (Part 2 of 2) [E]	Inside Edition												
11	82	TVLND	Bonanza "Springtime"		Bonanza			Bonanza		Bonanza			Bonanza										
12	56	ESPN	NFL	NFL Football	New York Giants at New Orleans Saints. (Live) [E]				SportsCenter (Live) [E]														
13	7	FOX	Simpsons (N) [E]	Bernie Mac [E]	Malcolm in the Middle [E]	Arrested Dev.	Stargate SG-1 Watery trap for the SG-1 team.		Outer Limits "The Conversion" [E] [E]			"The Santa Clause" (1994), Judge Reinhold											
15	29	MAX	(5:45) ★★ "Mortal Thoughts" (1991) Demi Moore, Glenn Headly.		★★ "Like Mike" (2002) Lil' Bow Wow, Morris Chestnut. [E] [E] 'PG'				(15) ★★ "The Tuxedo" (2002, Action) Jackie Chan, Jennifer Love Hewitt. [E] [E] 'PG-13'														
16	41	SPK	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.			WWE Heat		"The World Is Not Enough", Sophie Marceau [E]													
17	44	DISN	Kim Possible Proud Family		Sister, Sister [E]	Even Stevens	That's So Raven	JoJo's Circus		"Get a Clue" (2002, Comedy) Lindsay Lohan, Bug Hall. [E]			(:35) Lilo & Stitch [E]										
18	63	LIFE	"Oxygen", Adrien Brody		Division [E]			Strong Medicine (N)		1-800-Missing [E]			Any Day Now [E]										
20	34	USA	BlackShp.		★★★ "Meet the Parents" (2000) Robert De Niro, Ben Stiller.				Law & Order			L.A. Dragnet [E] [E]											
21	24	SHOW	"Chang-ing", Sam	(:45) ★★ "The Sum of All Fears" (2002, Suspense) Ben Affleck, Morgan Freeman. [E] [E] 'PG-13'			Ben Affleck, Morgan Freeman. [E] [E] 'PG-13'		★★★ "Beverly Hills Cop" (1984, Drama) Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold. [E] [E] 'R'														
22	26	TMC	(5:30) ★★ "Sour Grapes", Craig Bierko		(:05) ★★ "Chilly Dogs" (2001, Comedy) Skeet Ulrich, Natasha Henstridge. Premiere. [E] [E]				★★★★ "Pipe Dream" (2002) Martin Donovan, Mary-Louise Parker. [E]				"Scary 2", Marlon										
23	77	MTV	Real World [E]	Real World [E]	Osbourne's Christmas			Bad Trip [E]	Wild Boyz		Viva Bam [E]	Punk'd [E]	Punk'd [E]	Viva Bam									
24	50	DISC	American Chopper "Mikey's Bike" [E]		American Chopper "Mikey's Bike 2" [E]			American Chopper "Mikey Special" [E]		Dinosaur Planet "White Tip's Journey" (N)			Dinosaur Planet Das ru- ins several hunts. (N)										
28	37	TNT	Cmas in Wash.		★★ "A Christmas Carol", Richard E. Grant				Cmas in Wash.			"Christmas", Richard E.											
30	55	FXSP	College Basketball Portland at Duke. (Live)		See This [E]			See This [E]	Beyond the Glory (N)			Rocky Mt. [E]	See This [E]										
32	46	FAM	"Eloise at Christmastime", Sofia Vassiliou		★★ "Three Days" (2001), Reed Diamond [E]				Videos			Videos											
33	9	NBC	★★ "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (1989) Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo. [E] [E]		"Secret Santa" (2003) Jennie Garth. A cynical reporter searches for a mysterious philanthropist.				News [E]			(:45) Bron-cos Tonight [E]											
34	43	NICK	Garcia [E]	Sabrina [E]	Full House [E]	Full House [E]	Cosby [E]	Cosby [E]	Roseanne [E]	Roseanne [E]	Cosby [E]	Cosby [E]											
36	53	A&E	Biography of the Year Influential personalities. (N)		Biography of the Year Influential personalities. [E]				Biography of the Year Influential personalities. [E]														
38	83	SCIFI	Battlestar Galactica [E]	(:09) Battlestar Galactica [E] (Part 2 of 2) [E]					Scare [E]			Scare [E]	(:13) Farscape [E]										
39	51	TLC	Ancient Egyptians "The Priests of Amun"		Ancient Egyptians "The Cult of the Apis Bull" (N)			Trading Spaces: Family [E]		Junkyard Mega-Wars "Flight of the Century" Teams build vintage planes using period junk. [E]													
40	38	FX	Cops [E]	Cops [E]	P.I. [E]		DVD Exclusive Awards		"Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo", William Forsythe														
45	31	FMC	(:01) ★★ "Valley of the Dolls" (1967), Susan Hayward		"The Gospel Road", Johnny Cash				"MurderInc", May Britt														
49	81	EITV	Bill Clinton: All the President's Women		Good to Be [E]			Love Chain [E]		Bill Clinton: All the President's Women													
51	86	TRAV	Disney Resort		Disney Holiday			Disney Cruise Line [E]		Disney Resort			Disney Holiday										
53	3	WB	Smallville Clark battles an invisible force. [E]		Charmed Leo turns the sisters into Greek goddess-es so they will be able to vanquish titans. [E]				News [E] [E]			Friends [E]	Everybody-Raymond [E]										
54	57	ESPN2	NHL Hockey: Stars at Blackhawks		NHL 2Night [E]			Drag Race [E]	Car Show [E]	Car Show [E]	Chevy [E]	Fastbreak [E]	Lines [E]										
58	52	HIST	Nostradamus: 500 Years Later Ten of the seer's most famous prophecies. (N) [E]					Mail Call [E]	Tactical to Practical [E]	Extreme History [E]	Nostradamus: 500 Years Later [E]												
59	-	HLTH	Paid Prog. [E]	Paid Prog. [E]	Diary [E]	Diary [E]	Health Specials [E]		Doctors [E]	Diaries [E]	Diary [E]	Diary [E]											
60	89	UNTV	Más Amor, Niña, Amada [E]		Hora Pico [E]	La Jaula [E]	Ver Para Creer [E]		P. Impacto [E]	Noticiero [E]	Tras la Verdad [E]												
62	67	HGTV	Before Aft [E]	Building [E]	White H. Cmas [E]		Crazy for Christmas (N) [E]		Extreme Christmas [E]		Before Aft [E]	Building [E]											
99	36	WGN	Andromeda [E] [E]		X-Files "Fallen Angel" [E]			News [E]	Replay [E]	Matlock "The Accident" [E]													