Boyfriend's mom always calling on date

DEARABBY: I've been dating this really great guy, "Josh," for about two months. I really like him, but I don't like his mother. Josh and I are both 20 and live with our parents.

Josh's mother is super-controlling. Whenever we go out, she has to know where we are going and what time he will be home. And she calls MY cell phone during the date to check up on him. She's always calling me to try to find out where he is.



I really like Josh, but I'm tired of dating his mother, too. How should I handle this without hurting anyone?-TIRED OF DOUBLE-DATING

DEAR TIRED: Turn off your cell phone, or leave it at home when you go out with Josh. His mother is having trouble accepting the fact that her son is no longer a child but that shouldn't be your problem. Josh is overdue for a talk with his mother about boundaries.

perhaps it's time that he became financially independent and moved into his own place. As long as he lives under his parents' roof, he is still their "child" and will be treated accordingly.

DEAR ABBY: I have been living with "Neal" for three years. Neal works from home for only a few hours a day. He pays all the bills, so I don't have a problem with his choice of work. What bothers me is I have no time to myself because he's always there

Neal demands so much attention from me that I can't even read a recipe without him interrupting. I am not a wimp, but Neal has the more dominant personality and controls what we do with our time. At least it feels that way If her behavior bothers Josh as well, to me. But according to Neal, I don't

give him ENOUGH time.

Since I moved in, I have not achieved any personal goals or even given as much love and attention to others as I used to. I rarely pursue interests of my own and almost never spend time doing things I want to do. I feel like I'm losing my individuality.

I love Neal, and I'm not even sure he is the problem. I think I need to be more assertive about where my life is going.

Is there a book or support group for someone like me? Am I just depressed? Obviously I don't have the drive to pursue my own interests. I will appreciate any advice you can give. ----

LOST IN HIS WORLD DEAR LOST: You ask if you are

depressed because you don't have daughter and son-in-law not to call or

enough drive to pursue your own interests. I think it may be the other way around — you don't pursue your own interests because you're depressed.

You say you "don't mind" Neal being home all the time because he pays the bills. Why is it that you aren't working? It would give you a degree of independence and self-determination that seems to be lacking. Assertiveness classes could help you, and books on co-dependency could also give you some insight.

Since you are not married to Neal, you might also consider moving out until you can establish where he ends and you begin before he smothers you completely.

DEARABBY: How do you tell your

come over? I have been ripped off by them more times than I can count. I have been cussed out and yelled at on the phone. They make my life a living hell

My daughter calls other people to see if they got a dollar more than she did for a gift. When her name shows up on the caller ID, I won't answer because I know what is ahead of me. I can't take much more of this. Please tell me what to do. — A NERVOUS WRECK

DEAR NERVOUS: There comes a time when a person has done enough, and you appear to have reached that point. Do not shell out one penny more, and if your daughter shows up at your door- don't answer.

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SATURDAY MORNING 10:01 35/31 FMC Movie

"Panic in Needle Park" (1971, Drama) Al Pacino, Richard Bright. A woman from Indiana becomes addicted to heroin when she falls in love with a larcenous New York City junkie. Directed by Jerry Schatzberg. R 11:15 5/14 HBO Movie "Cool

Runnings" (1993, Comedy) Leon, Malik Yoba. An American former Olympian trains a team of bobsledders from Jamaica for the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary. Directed by Jon Turteltaub. PG

AFTERNOON

1:15 25/35 IND Movie "Save the Last Dance" (2001, Drama) Julia Stiles, Sean Patrick Thomas, Kerry Washington. A white teen tries to fit in at a mostly black high school. Directed by Thomas Carter.

1:30 63/54 BRAVO Movie "La Bamba" (1987, Biography) Lou Diamond Phillips, Rosana De Soto. A fact-based account of Ritchie Valens' (1941-59) rise to musical stardom before his death in a plane crash. Directed by Luis Valdez. PG-13

2:00 32/46 FAM Movie "Only the Lonely" (1991, Comedy-Drama) John Candy, Maureen O'Hara, Ally Sheedy. An overbearing mom threatens her patrolman son's romance. Directed by Chris Columbus. 3:00 28/37 TNT Movie "The Negotiator" (1998, Action)

Samuel L. Jackson, Kevin Spacey, David Morse. A top police negotiator is accused of committing murder. Directed by F. Gary Gray. 5:00 12/3 WB Movie "Beverly Hills Cop" (1984, Drama) Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold, Lisa Eilbacher. A Detroit cop goes west to avenge his friend's death. Directed by Martin Brest.

SUNDAY MORNING 10:00 28/37 TNT Movie "The Pelican Brief" (1993) Suspense) Julia Roberts, Denzel Washington, Sam Shepard. An inquisitive law student becomes the target of assassins. Directed by Alan J. Pakula.

10:01 35/31 FMC Movie "An Affair to Remember" (1957, Drama) Cary Grant, Richard Denning. A shipboard romance blooms between a playboy and an exnightclub singer, both on their way to meet their lovers. Directed by Leo McCarey. NR 11:00 12/3 WB Movie "The Prince of Tides" (1991, Drama) Nick Nolte, Barbra Streisand, Blythe Danner. Streisand directed this tale of a dysfunctional family. Directed by Barbra Streisand. 99/36 WGN Movie "Alice" (1990, Comedy-Drama) Mia Farrow, Joe Mantegna, Alec Baldwin. An herbalist sparks a woman's journey toward self discovery. Directed by Woody Allen.

AFTERNOON 12:01 35/31 FMC Movie

Comedy) Doris Day, Polly Bergen. A long-missing woman returns home and discovers that she has been declared dead and that her husband has remarried. Directed by Michael Gordon. NR 1:00 38/83 SCIFI Movie "Roswell" (1994, Drama) Kyle MacLachlan, Kim Greist, Dwight Yoakam. Based on the crash of an alleged UFO in 1947 New Mexico. Directed by

Jeremy Kagan. 99/36 WGN Movie "Father of the Bride" (1991, Comedy) Steve Martin, Diane Keaton, Kimberly Williams. A doting dad deals with his daughter's impending wedding. Directed by Charles Shyer.

1:30 12/3 WB Movie "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore, Whoopi Goldberg. A murder victim returns to save his beloved fiancee. Directed by Jerry Zucker.

2:01 35/31 FMC Movie

"Home in Indiana" (1944, Adventure) Walter Brennan, June Haver. A one-time famous driver gains renewed spirits when his nephew arranges to breed his remaining mare. Directed by Henry Hathaway. NR 3:00 99/36 WGN Movie "10" (1979, Comedy) Dudley Moore, Julie Andrews, Bo Derek. A songwriter in a midlife crisis pursues his dream woman. Directed by Blake