

Sneak attack could be sign of future abuse



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• dear abby

DEAR ABBY: "Krista in Jacksonville" complained that her husband sneaks up behind her when she's alone in the house and scares her. He also appears out of nowhere when she's in the shower. You advised her that his behavior is childish and a touch sadistic — and told her to hang bells on her door frames and lock the bathroom door.

may have overlooked something. Sneaking up on someone, especially a spouse, could be considered a precursor to an abusive relationship. The person doing the sneaking has the control and is doing it to scare the other person. I think Krista and her husband should get marital counseling. — SEEN IT BEFORE IN BOISE

DEAR SEEN IT BEFORE: While

I did not consider the husband's behavior to be ominous, your point is worth considering. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My father used to do the same thing to my mother (and me and my siblings) until he caught her off guard one night when she nearly slapped him back into the previous week. (She claimed it was a reflex.) He's never sneaked up on any of us again. — ANDREA IN BARSTOW, CALIF.

DEAR ANDREA: He should have considered himself lucky. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: It was with a knowing smile that I read Krista's letter. Unfortunately, sneaking up on her

could put her husband's life in danger. My husband used to enjoy doing that, too, that is, until one evening when I was in the kitchen cutting some meat for dinner, and he scared me. Without meaning to, I almost stabbed him. Thankfully, I missed. Needless to say, it hasn't happened again. Ever since that incident, he always announces his presence. As a matter of fact, he kind of reminds me of the old TV series where the husband would walk in the door and holler, "Honey, I'm home!" — MEGAN IN WYOMING

DEAR MEGAN: That's one way to get your "point" across.

DEAR ABBY: My husband also

liked to scare me. One night he came up from behind as I was leaving the bathroom. The hallway light was off and, not knowing who or what was behind me, my reaction was one of self-defense. I turned and hit as hard as I could.

Ten years have passed since that incident, and I recently heard him telling our kids the story of why not EVER to scare Mama. — PATRICIA IN MANHATTAN BEACH

DEAR PATRICIA: It seems you made a lasting impression.

DEAR ABBY: Regarding the letter from "Krista in Jacksonville," and her husband who sneaks up behind her when she's alone in the

house: I notice she didn't mention why he persists in doing it.

I used to "surprise" my girlfriend like that, but in retrospect, I wasn't admitting even to myself that I expected to find her with someone else.

— FORMER TIPTOER IN GAINESVILLE, FLA.

DEAR FORMER TIPTOER: It would be interesting to know whether your fears were justified. The kind of insecurity you describe feeds upon itself, and no amount of reassurance can make it go away. It is telling that you use the past tense to describe that relationship. Thank you for laying it on the line and providing food for thought to readers of both sexes.

TUESDAY EVENING		E= Eagle Cable S=S&T Telephone MAY 4, 2004										
E	S	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30	
36	53	A&E	Biography: Florence Henderson	Cold Case Files	A cold case is solved after a killer tries to kill again. (N) (E)	Third Watch	"The Lost" (N) (E)	Biography: Florence Henderson				
4	6	ABC	8 Simple Rules (N)	8 Simple Rules (N)	According to Jim (N)	Less Than Perfect (N)	NYPD Blue	"What's Your Poison?" (N) (E)	News (N)	(:35) Nightline (N) (E)	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) (E)	
26	48	ANPL	Venom ER	A rattlesnake bites a man on the leg.	Venom ER (N)		Miami Animal Police	"Gator Love Bite" (E)	Venom ER	A rattlesnake bites a man on the leg.	Venom ER	
63	54	BRAVO	Queer Eye for the Straight Guy	"Kevin D."	Showbiz Moms & Dads		Queer Eye for the Straight Guy		Showbiz Moms & Dads		The West Wing	"The Fall's Gonna Kill You"
7	11	CBS	Navy NCIS	"Missing" (N) (E)	The Guardian	"Antarctica" (Season Finale) (N)	Judging Amy	"Predictive Neglect" (N) (E)	News (N)	(:35) Late Show (N) (E)	The Late Late Show	
24	50	DISC	Shark Central: Secrets of the Rangiroa Atoll		Secrets of the Great Wall (E)		The FBI Files	"Deadly Trail"	The FBI Files	Criminal profiling.	Dive to Bermuda Triangle	
33	44	DISN	Kim Possible	The Proud Family (E)	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister (N) (E)	Sister, Sister (N) (E)	Lizzie McGuire	** "Eddie's Million Dollar Cook-Off" (2003, Comedy) Taylor Ball, Orlando Brown. (E)			
49	81	EITV	Anna Nicole Smith: The El True Hollywood Story		The El True Hollywood Story		Infamous		Howard S. Howard S.		Celebrities Uncensored	
22	56	ESPN	NHL Hockey: Western Conf. Semifinal -- Sharks at Avalanche		NHL Hockey: Flyers at Maple Leafs	NHL 2Night	Baseball	SportsCenter (Live) (E)	Outside	Baseball	Baseball	
54	57	ESPN2	NHL Hockey: Conference Semifinal		NHL 2Night		Karate	Karate	Fastbreak	Billiards	Billiards	
32	46	FAM	** "Almost Heroes" (1998) Chris Farley. (E)		Who? Where? What? (N) (E)		Who? Where? What? (N) (E)		The 700 Club (E)		Funnies Home Videos	
59	-	FIT TV	Bodies	In Shape	Workout	Fitness	Martial Arts: Kung Fu	Bodies	In Shape	Workout	Fitness	
35	31	FMC	(:01) ** "How to Steal a Million" (1966)		(:05) ** "Tony Rome" (1967) Frank Sinatra. (E)		(:01) "Lady in Cement"					
53	68	FOOD	Emeril Live	"Mother's Day"	Roker on the Road		Food Finds	Amer. Festivals	Iron Chef	Curry powder battle.	Emeril Live	"Mother's Day"
13	7	FOX	American Idol (ITV) Five finalists. (Live) (N) (E)		24 "Day 3: 9:00AM - 10:00AM" (N) (E)		The Fox Report With Shepard Smith		Cagney & Lacey	"The Informant" (N) (E)	Kojak	"Souvenir From Atlantic City"
40	38	FX	Buffy Vampire		Cops (E)	Cops (E)	** ** "The Shawshank Redemption" (1994, Drama) Tim Robbins. (E)					
30	55	FXSP	NASCAR	Rockies	Go! Life	NASCAR	FOX One	The Best Damn Sports Show Period	Rocky Mt.		Late Poker	
5	14	HBO	Terror in Moscow (N) (E)	** "Beavis and Butt-head Do America" (1996) (PG-13) (E)		** "Juwanna Mann" (2002) Miguel A. Nunez Jr. (N) (E)	** "The Matrix Reloaded" (2003) Keanu Reeves. (N) (E)					
62	67	HGTV	Outer	Sensible	Decorating	Design	Designers' Designers' (N) (E)	Home	Design	Outer	Sensible	
58	52	HIST	Deep Sea Detectives	"Graveyard of Ships"	Tactical to Practical	Trucks, rockets. (N) (E)	Wild West Tech	"Brothel Tech" (N) (E)	Vanishings!	Vanishings! (N) (E)	Deep Sea Detectives	"Graveyard of Ships"
25	35	IND	(5:30) MLB Baseball San Turner Field in Atlanta. (Live)		Diego Padres at Atlanta Braves. From		** "The Glimmer Man" (1996, Suspense) (PA) Steven Seagal, Keenen Ivory Wayans. (E)				"Desperate Measures"	
18	63	LIFE	Golden	Golden	** "Evil Has a Face" (1996) Sean Young. (E)		Golden	Golden	The Nanny		The Nanny	
23	77	MTV	TRL (ITV) (N) (E)		Punk'd (N) (E)	MTV Spec	Direct Effect (N) (E)	Osbourne	Osbourne	The Real	Real World	
3	9	NBC	News (E)	Ent. Tonight (N) (E)	Frasier (N) (E)	Frasier (N) (E)	Frasier (N) (E)	(:31) Scrubs (N) (E)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Bound"	News (E)	The Tonight Show	
8	8	NBC	Frasier (N) (E)	Frasier (N) (E)	Frasier (N) (E)	(:31) Scrubs (N) (E)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Bound"	News (E)	(:35) The Tonight Show (N) (E)	(:37) Late Night (N) (E)		
34	43	NICK	Oddparents	Sabrina	Full House	Full House	Cosby	Cosby	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby	Roseanne
2	2	PBS	Nova	"Battle Plan Under Fire" (N) (E) (DVS)	Innovation	"Brain Fingerprinting" (N) (E)	Now With Bill Moyers		BBC World News	That's My Boy	Charlie Rose (N) (E)	
38	83	SCIFI	** "Dragonheart" (1996) Dennis Quaid. (N) (E)		Stargate SG-1 (N) (E)		** "Brave New World" (1998) (N) (E)					
61	41	SPK	Real TV (N) (E)	Real TV (N) (E)	Real TV (N) (E)	Real TV (N) (E)	Deep Space 9	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Oblivious	Oblivious		
39	51	TLC	While You Were Out		Clean Sweep	"Tune in for Tips" Hobby clutter. (E)	In a Fix	"Villa Oasis" (E)	Rides	"Big Miniature" (E)	Overhaul	"Surfer Kid" (N) (E)
28	37	TNT	NBA Basketball: Conference Playoffs -- Teams TBA		Made	Made	Road Trip (N) (E)	Food Crazy	Made	Made		
51	86	TRAV	Vegas Whales (E)		Vegas Cheaters		Las Vegas: Adults Only!	Vegas Whales (E)	Vegas Cheaters			
21	82	TVLND	Family Ties	Cheers (N) (E)	Friends	Final Special	Ferris B. Ten of Us	WonderYr Boss?	Family Ties	Cheers (N) (E)		
60	89	UNIV	Mariana de la Noche		Bajo la Misma Piel		Aqui y Ahora	Impacto	Noticiero	En las Mejores Familias		
20	34	USA	Law & Order	** "Frequency" (2000) Dennis Quaid, Jim Caviezel. (E)		Dennis Quaid, Jim Caviezel. (E)	Law & Order				Sisco	
12	3	WB	Friends (N) (E)	Everybody-Raymond	Gilmore Girls	"Luke Can See Her Face" (N) (E)	One Tree Hill	"The Leaving Song" (N) (E)	News (N) (E)	Friends (N) (E)	Will & Grace (E)	
99	36	WGN	** "B.L. Stryker: Die Laughing" (1989)		WGN News at Nine (E)		Becker (N) (E)	Becker (N) (E)	Elimidate	5th Wheel		

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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	
36	53	A&E	Biography: Shirley Jones: Musical Mom		American Justice	"A Soldier's Secret" (N) (E)	City Confidential (E)	Third Watch	"Faith" (N) (E)	Biography: Shirley Jones: Musical Mom		
4	6	ABC	My Wife and Kids	My Wife and Kids	The Bachelor (N) (E)		Extreme Makeover (Season Finale) (N) (E)	News (E)	(:35) Nightline (N) (E)	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) (E)		
26	48	ANPL	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries	"Croc School"	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries	"Croc School"	Miami Animal Police	"Serial Killer Python"	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries	"Croc School"	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries	"Croc School"
63	54	BRAVO	** "The Professional" (1994) Jean Reno. A hit man takes an orphan girl under his wing. 'R' (E)		Keen Eddie	"The Amazing Larry Dunn" (N) (E)	The West Wing	"18th and Potomac" (N) (E)	** "The Professional" (1994) 'R' (E)			
7	11	CBS	60 Minutes II (N) (E)		The King of Queens (N) (E)	Everybody-Raymond	News (N) (E)	(:35) Late Show (N) (E)	The Late Late Show			
24	50	DISC	Cousins: Apes Searching for apes. (E)		The Real Fort Knox (E)		Justice Files	Torn apart by violence. (E)	Humanzee (E)		Hunting Nazis (N)	
33	44	DISN	Kim Possible	The Proud Family (E)	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister (N) (E)	Sister, Sister (N) (E)	Lizzie McGuire	** "Quints" (2000) Kimberly J. Brown. An only child must adjust to her parents' new quintuplets. (E)			
49	81	EITV	Supermodels: E! True Hollywood Story		Mary-Kate & Ashley (N)		Howard S. Howard S.		Celebrities Uncensored			
22	56	ESPN	NHL Hockey: Flames at Red Wings		Baseball	MLB Baseball Teams to Be Announced. (Subject to Blackout) (Live) (E)						
54	57	ESPN2	NHL Hockey: Conference Semifinal		NHL 2Night		Baseball	MLB Baseball Teams to Be Announced. (Subject to Blackout) (Live) (E)				
32	46	FAM	** "Mr. Baseball" (1992) Tom Selleck. (E)		Who? Where? What? (N) (E)		Who? Where? What? (N) (E)		The 700 Club (E)		Videos	
59	-	FIT TV	Bodies	In Shape	Workout	Fitness	Bodybuilders (N) (E)	Bodies	In Shape	Workout	Fitness	
35	31	FMC	"If Looks Could Kill: The John Hawkins Story"		Hour of Stars		(:01) ** "Fixed Bayonets" (1951, Drama)					
53	68	FOOD	Emeril Live	"Stews: Latin Style"	Good Eats	Good Eats	Jamie's Kitchen (N)	Iron Chef	Iron Chef Chen is challenged. (E)	Emeril Live	"Stews: Latin Style"	
13	7	FOX	That '70s Show (N) (E)	American Idol (N) (E)	The O.C.	"The Ties That Bind" (N) (E)	The Fox Report With Shepard Smith		Cagney & Lacey	"Mati-nee" (N) (E)	Kojak	"A Killing in the Second House"
40	38	FX	** ** "The Shawshank Redemption" (1994, Drama) Tim Robbins. (E)		** "Marked for Death" (1990) Steven Seagal. (E)							
30	55	FXSP	NASCAR	Rocky Mt.	America	NASCAR	FOX One	The Best Damn Sports Show Period	Rocky Mt.		Late Poker	
5	14	HBO	(5:00) ** "Before and After" (1996) (E)		** "Sunshine State" (2002, Drama) Edie Falco. Winds of a Florida island. (N) (E)	PG-13 (E)	Troy: HBO First Look					
62	67	HGTV	House	Spaces	Weekend	Mission	Curb	Curb	Home	Restore	Home	Spaces
58	52	HIST	Modern Marvels	"Towing"	Modern Marvels	The four-wheel drive vehicle. (E)	Modern Marvels	"Limos"	Drag Racing (E)		Modern Marvels	"Towing"
25	35	IND	Seinfeld	"The Wife"	Seinfeld (N) (E)	Seinfeld (N) (E)	** "Reindeer Games" (2000, Action) (PA) Ben Affleck, Gary Sinise. (E) (DVS)				** "Cliffhanger" (1993) (PA) (E)	
18	63	LIFE	Golden	Golden	"Stolen From the Heart" (2000) Tracey Gold. (E)	Wild Card (E)					The Nanny	
23	77	MTV	TRL (ITV) (N) (E)		Making the MTV Spec		Band II	Band II	Pimp Ride	Punk'd (N) (E)		
3	9	NBC	News (E)	Ent. Tonight (N) (E)	Friends (N) (E)	(:32) Friends (N) (E)	Dateline NBC	"Friends Interviews" (N) (E)	News (E)	(:35) The Tonight Show (N) (E)	(:37) Late Night (N) (E)	
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34	43	NICK	Oddparents	Sabrina	Full House	Full House	Full House	Cosby	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby	Roseanne
2	2	PBS	Live From Lincoln Center Celebrates Balanchine's 100" (N) (E)		New York City Ballet		Searching for Asian America (N) (E)	Two's Company	Charlie Rose (N) (E)			
38	83	SCIFI	(5:00) ** "Inferno" (2001) Marina Sirtis. (N) (E)		** "Terminal Error" (2001) Marina Sirtis. (N) (E)		** "Operation Sandman: Warriors in Hell" (N) (E)					
61	41	SPK	Real TV (N) (E)	Real TV (N) (E)	Real TV (N) (E)	Real TV (N) (E)	Deep Space 9	Star Trek: Next Gener.	** "Kinpoin" (E)			
39	51	TLC	While You Were Out		Clean Sweep	"Ready? Set? Purge!" (E)	In a Fix	Opposites share a home. (E)	What Not to Wear	"Michael" (E)	Clean Sweep	"Rush to Organization" (E)
28	37	TNT	NBA Basketball: Conference Playoffs -- Teams TBA		Made	Made	Road Trip (N) (E)	Food Crazy	Made	Made		
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21	82	TVLND	Bewitched	Bewitched	Bewitched	Bewitched	Bewitched	Sanford	All-Family			
60	89	UNIV	Mariana de la Noche		Bajo la Misma Piel		Al Filo de la Ley	Impacto	Noticiero	En las Mejores Familias		
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99	36	WGN	** "B.L. Stryker: Winner Takes All" (1990)		WGN News at Nine (E)		Becker (N) (E)	Becker (N) (E)	Elimidate	5th Wheel		

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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
36	53	A&E	Cold Case Files	A hair dryer thaws a corpse. (E)	Secret Life of a Serial Killer		Third Watch	"Four Days" (N) (E)	Cold Case Files	A hair dryer thaws a corpse. (E)	
4	6	ABC	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition	A house in New York is made-over in less than 12 hours. (N) (E)	Primetime Thursday (N) (E)		News (E)	(:35) Nightline (N) (E)	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) (E)		
26	48	ANPL	Amazing Animal Videos	Most Extreme	Wrinkled frog does pushups. (E)	Miami Animal Police	"Labrador Life Savers"	Amazing Animal Videos	Most Extreme	Wrinkled frog does pushups. (E)	
63	54	BRAVO	** "Great Expectations" (1998) Ethan Hawke. A young artist attempts to become successful in New York. 'R' (E)		Without a Trace	"The Season" (N) (E)	News (N) (E)	(:35) Late Show Morgan (N) (E)	The Late Late Show		
7	11	CBS	Survivor: All-Stars	"The Instigator" (N) (E) (DVS)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	(N) (E) (DVS)	Without a Trace	"The Season" (N) (E)	News (N) (E)	(:35) Late Show Morgan (