

House guests get hint to stay elsewhere

DEAR ABBY: My fiancée and I recently traveled out of town to visit my best friend, "Frank," who recently married his sweetheart, "Gail." Frank graciously invited my fiancée and me to stay at their apartment. This had been our arrangement prior to his marriage, and I accepted the offer.

Each morning, my fiancée and I



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got up early and took our morning showers before our hosts. As we finished our showers, Gail would run into the bathroom with an armful of cleaning supplies and scrub it from ceiling to floor.

We are not dirty people. We didn't make a mess in their bathroom. We were a little offended, but said nothing. Was this her way

of telling us she didn't want us staying there? Should we stay at a hotel next time we visit? — FORMER HOUSEGUEST, NORTH OLMSTEAD, OHIO
DEAR FORMER HOUSEGUEST: I'd say she conveyed that message pretty clearly. Considering the fact that they are newlyweds, I think you'd all be more comfortable were you to book a room at a nearby hotel or motel.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 42-year-old woman. To those around me I seem to have everything — great kids, a beautiful home, a career and a pretty good life. But deep down I

am miserably lonely.

I divorced a cheating spouse eight years ago. I haven't been in a serious relationship since.

I have concentrated on my children, my career and my financial portfolio. But now that my kids are older and I have a lot of idle time on my hands, I miss being in a relationship.

I have tried singles groups, chat lines, and I'm even attending more social events, to no avail. I take good care of myself and look good for my age. But the 20- and 30-something competition makes it hard, if not impossible, to attract

the kind of man I'd like to be with.

What advice have you for someone my age who has been benched for years and is ready to play ball again? — LONELY IN GEORGIA

DEAR LONELY: Only this: Stop selling yourself short. You have stability and life experience to offer, and a man with an eye for quality will appreciate it. Don't be discouraged; dating is a hit-and-miss game, regardless of age. You are only in the fourth inning, so get off your rusty-dusty, stay out there and keep on pitching.

DEAR ABBY: I am 15. My grandfather recently committed

suicide. He asked to be cremated. Since there was no funeral or visitation, I feel like there was no closure. Is there any way I can tell my grandfather goodbye? — NEEDS CLOSURE IN GEORGIA

DEAR NEEDS CLOSURE: Please accept my sympathy for your loss. I'll tell you a technique that has worked for many other people. Write your grandfather a letter. Put into it all the things you wanted to say to him but didn't have a chance to. Put it aside for a week, then re-read it and "send it" to your grandfather by burning it. I hope it works for you, too.

SATURDAY EVENING										E= Eagle Cable S= S&T Telephone		JUNE 26, 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	American Justice "Vanished" (N) (E)		Cold Case Files (E)		City Confidential "Boise, ID: Last Dance" (N) (E)		Crossing Jordan "Pandora's Trunk" (N) (E)		American Justice "Vanished" (N) (E)				
4	6	ABC	★★★★ "A.I.: Artificial Intelligence" (2001) Haley Joel Osment, Jude Law. A robotic boy that feels love yearns to be real. (N) (E)						News (E)		(:35) Seinfeld (E)	(:05) Entertainment Tonight (N) (E) (E)			
26	48	ANPL	B Movie Monsters Fact versus fiction. (N)				Wild Kingdom Alaskan grizzly bears. (E)		B Movie Monsters Fact versus fiction.						
63	54	BRAVO	★★★ "Primary Colors" (1998, Drama) John Travolta, Emma Thompson. Premiere. A smooth-talking Southern governor runs for president. 'R						★★★ "Backdraft" (1991, Drama) Kurt Russell, William Baldwin. 'R						
7	11	CBS	The King of Queens (N) (E)		★★★★ "Keeping the Faith" (2000) Ben Stiller. Premiere. A rabbi and a priest both fall in love with the same woman. (N)		News (N)		Drew Carey	Drew Carey	Drew Carey	Drew Carey			
24	50	DISC	Rally Round the House Outdoor living space.		Double Agents "All in the Family" (E)		Seven Wonders of Ancient Egypt (E)		New Detectives: Forensic Science		Proof Positive (N)				
33	44	DISN	Kim Possible (E)	The Proud Family (E)	Braceface (E)	Lizzie McGuire (E)	Phil of the Future (E)	That's So Raven (E)	★★ "The Even Stevens" Shia LaBeouf, Christy Carlson Romano. (E)		Movie" (2003, Comedy)				
49	81	EITV	Curse of the Poltergeist: THS						Scream Play		Wild On...	Howard S. (E)	Howard S. (E)		
22	56	ESPN	College Baseball: NCAA World Series						Baseball Tonight (E)		SportsCenter (Live) (E)	Baseball Tonight (E)			
54	57	ESPN2	(5:30) IRL Racing SunTrust Indy Challenge. (E)						NHRA Drag Racing		Today at Wimbledon (N) (E)				
32	46	FAM	★★★★ "Top Gun" (1986, Drama) Tom Cruise, Kelly McGillis. ★★ "Hot Shots!" (1991) Charlie Sheen. (E)						Whose?						
59	-	FIT TV	Buff Brides: Challenge		Chi (E)	Workout (E)	In Shape (E)	Workout (E)	Buff Brides: Challenge		Resort & Spa				
35	31	FMC	(:01) ★★ "Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea" (E)						(:01) Hour of Stars		(:01) ★★ "Nuns on the Run" (1990) Eric Idle. (E)				
53	68	FOOD	Royal BBQ Battle American Royal BBQ Contest.		Big Pig Jig		Iron Chef Cooking competition.		Unwrapped	Top 5	Royal BBQ Battle American Royal BBQ Contest.				
13	7	FOX	Cops (N) (E)	Cops (N) (E)	America's Most Wanted-Fights Back (E)		She Spies "Gone Bad" (N) (E)		Mad TV (N) (E)		Blind Date (N) (E)	Blind Date (N) (E)			
40	38	FX	NASCAR		NASCAR Racing Busch Series -- Alan Kulwicki 250. (Live)						NASCAR Drivers 360				
30	55	FXSP	Gold Life		Tee Time		Beyond the Glory (E)		Championship Poker	Boxing	Rocky Mt. America				
5	14	HBO	"Biker Boyz" (E)		★★★ "Bruce Almighty" (2003, Comedy) Jim Carrey. (N) "PG-13" (E)		Costas Plus		★★★ "Sinbad: Legend of the Seven Seas" (2003) 'PG' (E)	★★★★ "Everyday People" (2004) 'NR' (E)					
62	67	HGTV	Sensible		Decorating		Mission	Designers' (E)	Design	Design	Home	Smart			
58	52	HIST	The Lincoln Assassination An analysis of the events surrounding the Lincoln assassination. (E)						Sex in the Civil War (E)		More Sex in the Civil War (E)				
25	35	IND	(5:00) ★★ "Forces of Nature" (1999) (E)		★★★ "Miss Congeniality" (2000, Comedy) (PA) Sandra Bullock, Michael Caine. (E)				(:15) ★★ "Zoobander" (2001, Comedy) Ben Stiller, Owen Wilson. (E)						
18	63	LIFE	"Shawshank R."						"Miracle on the Mountain: Kincaid Family" (E)		1-800-Missing (E)				
23	77	MTV	Real World		Real World		Real World	Real World	Real World	Real World	Real World	Real World			
3	9	NBC	Ripped Apart		9 Who Care		Gymnastics U.S. Olympic Trials. From Anaheim, Calif. (Taped) (N) (E)		Crime & Punishment (N) (E)		News (E)	Saturday Night Live			
8	8	NBC	Gymnastics U.S. Olympic Trials. From Anaheim, Calif. (Taped) (N) (E)				Crime & Punishment (N) (E)		News	Saturday Night Live Janet Jackson; Simon Cowell. (N) (E)					
34	43	NICK	All Grown Up (N)		Romeo! (N) (E)		All That (N) (E)	Fatherhood	Cosby	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby			
2	2	PBS	Keeping Up With the Kardashians		As Time Goes By		The Lawrence Welk Show "Vacation Songs"		Two's Company		Red Green	Austin City Limits "Pat Green; Cory Morrow"			
38	83	SCIFI	(5:00) ★★ "Species" (E)		★★★ "Decoys" (2004) Corey Sevier. Premiere. (N)		★★ "Alien Cargo" (1999) Jason London. (N) (E)				Jason London. (N) (E)				
61	41	SPK	(5:00) ★★ "Rocky V" (1990) (N)		Real TV (N)		WWE Velocity (N) (E)		Ride	Ride	★★★ "Death Warrant" (E)				
39	51	TLC	In a Fix		Trading Spaces "Unplugged" Outtakes.		While You Were Out		Clean Sweep Family clutter. (E)		Trading Spaces "Philadelphia Dufford Street"				
28	37	TNT	★ "Under Siege 2: Dark Territory" (1995)						★★★ "Hard to Kill" (1990) Steven Seagal. (E)		★ "The Patriot" (1998)				
51	86	TRAV	Kings of the Road (E)		Great Outdoors (E)		Ends of the Earth		Kings of the Road (E)		Great Outdoors (E)				
21	82	TVLND	Munsters		Munsters		Munsters		Munsters		Munsters				
60	89	UNIV	Sábado Gigante						Impacto		Noticiero				
20	34	USA	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law Order CI		Monk (E)				
12	3	WB	(5:00) ★★ "Aftermath" (1990, Drama)		★★★★ "Dying Young" (1991) Julia Roberts. A terminally ill millionaire falls in love with his nurse.				News (N) (E)		The Cosby Show (E)				
99	36	WGN	"The Familiar Stranger" (2001) Margaret Colin. (N)				WGN News at Nine (E)		Fresh Pr.		★★★ "Hendrix" (2000) Wood Harris.				

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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	Cleavage Mankind's fascination with breasts. (E)				The Celebrity Hot 100 of Forbes (N) (E)			The Celebrity Hot 100 of Forbes (E)			Cleavage Mankind's fascination with breasts.									
4	6	ABC	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition (N) (E)			★★ "Practical Magic" (1998, Comedy-Drama) Sandra Bullock, Nicole Kidman. (N) (DVS)			News (E)		(:35) Seinfeld (E)	Sports Machine Diamond Adventures										
26	48	ANPL	The Crocodile Hunter (E)			Amazing Animal Videos (E)			Amazing Animal Videos Ultimate Oddities 2 (E)		The Crocodile Hunter (E)		Amazing Animal Videos (E)									
63	54	BRAVO	Inside the Actors Studio Richard Gere. (E)			★★★ "Backdraft" (1991, Drama) Kurt Russell, William Baldwin. Chicago fire-fighters work overtime to stop a mad arsonist. 'R'							Inside the Actors Studio Richard Gere. (E)									
7	11	CBS	Cold Case "Disco Inferno" (N) (E)			★★ "The Soul Collector" (1999) Melissa Gilbert. A banished spirit falls in love with a farm widow.			News (N)		(:35) News (N)	(:05) The Outer Limits (N) (E)										
24	50	DISC	Great Biker Build-Off "Chica vs. Hank Young" (E)			Great Biker Build-Off (E)		Great Biker Build-Off (E)		Great Biker Build-Off (E)		Great Biker Build-Off (E)										
33	44	DISN	Kim Possible (E)		The Proud Family (E)		Braceface "Crushed" (E) Lizzie McGuire (E)		Phil of the Future (E)		That's So Raven (E)		★% "Heavyweights" (1995, Comedy) Tom McGowan, Aaron Schwartz. (PG) (E)									
49	81	EITV	Scream Play (N)			Heather Locklear: The El True Hollywood Story (E)							Scream Play (E)		Heather (E)							
22	56	ESPN	MLB Baseball New York Mets at New York Yankees. (Subject to Blackout)			SportsCenter (Live) (E)							Baseball (E)									
54	57	ESPN2	Wimbledon (E)			NHRA Drag Racing Sears Craftsman Nationals -- Final Round. (E)							NHRA Drag Racing (E)									
32	46	FAM	★★ "Hometown Legend" (2002) Terry O'Quinn. (E)			★★% "Brave New Girl" (2004) Lindsey Haun. (E)			J. Osteen (E)		Feed (E)											
59	-	FIT TV	Fitness Buff Brides: Challenge (E)			In Shape (E)			Workout (E)		Fitness (E)		Aerobic (E)		Workout (E)		Buff Brides: Challenge (E)					
35	31	FMC	(:01) ★★★ "Two for the Road" (1967, Drama)			(:01) ★★★ "The Comancheros" (1961, Western)			Unwrapped (E)		Top 5 (E)		Emeril Live "Gourmet Getaway" (E)									
53	68	FOOD	Emeril Live "Gourmet Getaway" (E)			The Best of Culinary Vacations (N)			Tasting Alaska (E)		The Outer Limits (N) (E)		Movie (E)									
13	7	FOX	The Simpsons (N)			Arrested Dev. (E)			Malcolm in the Middle (N)		Quintuplets (E)		Stargate SG-1 "Prometheus" (E)									
40	38	FX	★★% "Me, Myself & Irene" (2000, Comedy) Jim Carrey. (E)			★★% "There's Something About Mary" (1998) Matt Dillon (E)			Championship Poker (E)		Rocky Mt. (E)		Rocky Mt. (E)									
30	55	FXSP	Darts (E)			Boxing (E)			Beyond the Glory (N)		The Wire "Hot Shots" (N)		Six Feet Under The Fishers hold a yard sale.									
5	14	HBO	(4:00) "The Abyss" (N)			(:45) ★★★ "The Fugitive" (1993) Harrison Ford. An innocent man must evade the law as he pursues a killer. (N) "PG-13" (E)			The Wire "Hot Shots" (N)		Six Feet Under The Fishers hold a yard sale.											
62	67	HGTV	Designed (E)			Curb (E)			Kitchens & Baths 2004 (E)		If Walls (E)		Building (E)		House (E)		Remember! (E)		Designed (E)		Curb (E)	
58	52	HIST	Stealth and Beyond "Air Stealth" Stealth aircraft. (E)			Stealth and Beyond "Sea Stealth" (N) (E)			Mail Call (E)		Mail Call (E)		Stealth and Beyond "Invisible warriors. (N) (E)		Stealth and Beyond "Air Stealth" Stealth aircraft. (E)							
25	35	IND	★★ "Miss Congeniality" (2000, Comedy) (PA) Sandra Bullock, Michael Caine. (E) (DVS)			★★% "Forces of Nature" (1999, Romance) Sandra Bullock, Ben Affleck. (E)			1-800-Missing (E)		Wild Card "Queen Be" (E)											
18	63	LIFE	(3:30) ★★ "1st to Die" (E)			Strong Medicine (N)			The Division (N) (E)		1-800-Missing (E)		Wild Card "Queen Be" (E)									
23	77	MTV	Video (E)			Movie Hs (E)			Road Rules (E)		Newlywed (E)		Newlywed (E)		Ashlee (E)		Ashlee (E)		Spankin (E)		Buzzworthy (E)	
3	9	NBC	Gymnastics U.S. Olympic Trials. From Anaheim, Calif. (Taped) (N) (E)			Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mis-Labeled" (N) (E)			Crossing Jordan "Til Death Do Us Part" (E)		News (E)		(:35) Over-time (E)									
8	8	NBC	(5:00) Gymnastics U.S. Olympic Trials. (Taped)			Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mis-Labeled" (N) (E)			Crossing Jordan "Til Death Do Us Part" (E)		News (E)		(:35) The West Wing "The Long Goodbye" (N) (E)		Inside Edition (E)							
34	43	NICK	Garcia (E)			News (E)			Full House (E)		Full House (E)		Boss? (E)		Cosby (E)		Roseanne (E)		Roseanne (E)		Cosby (E)	
2	2	PBS	Nature "Triumph of Life: Winning Teams" (E)			Masterpiece Theatre "Foyle's War" (E)			Firewomen (N) (E)		★★★% "The Diary of Anne Frank" (1959, Drama) Joseph Schildkraut, Millie Perkins. (E)											
38	83	SCIFI	(5:00) "Boa vs. Python" (E)			"Snakehead Terror" (2004) Bruce Boxleitner. (N) (E)			Scare (E)		Scare (E)		Code Name: Eternity (N) (E)									
61	41	SPK	(5:30) ★★★ "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly" (E)			WWE Heat (E)			The Joe Schmo Show (E)		The Godfather, Part II" (E)											
39	51	TLC	To Be Announced (E)			Mostly True Stories: Urban Legends Revealed (E)			Trading Spaces: Family (N)		Trading Spaces: Family (E)		Trading Spaces "New Orleans: Freret Street" (E)									
28	37	TNT	★★★ "The Negotiator" (E)			1998, Action) Samuel L. Jackson, Kevin Spacey. (E)			★★★ "Lethal Weapon" (E)		(1987) Mel Gibson. (E)											
51	86	TRAV	(5:00) World Poker Tour (E)			World Poker Tour "Battle of Champions" (E)			Win in Vegas (E)		World Poker Tour (E)											
21	82	TVLND	Munsters (E)			Munsters (E)			Munsters (E)		Munsters (E)		Munsters (E)									
60	89	UNIV	(5:00) La Parodia (E)			Hora Pico (E)			La Jaula (E)		Ver Para Creer (E)		Impacto (E)		Noticiero (E)		Tras la Verdad (E)					
20	34	USA	(5:00) ★★★% "Jurassic Park" (1993) Premiere. (E)			The Dead Zone (N) (E)			Law & Order (E)		The Dead Zone (E)											
12	3	WB	Steve Harvey (E)			Charmed "Witchstock" (E)			Charmed "The Power of Three Blondes" (N) (E)		News (N)		News Sports (E)		Friends (E)		Everybody- Raymond (E)					
99	36	WGN	Andromeda (N) (E)			The X-Files (N) (E)			WGN News (E)		Matlock (N) (E)		In the Heat of the Night (E)									