

# Trying new interests involves different people

DEAR ABBY: “Lonely in Georgia,” the woman who divorced her cheating spouse eight years ago, wrote that she’s miserably lonely. I know how she feels.

I was widowed four years ago, and when I was ready to date, it seemed impossible to find “Miss Right.” By a stroke of good fortune, I discovered an online dating service that matched me with people with shared personality traits and interests.



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My first date was with a lady with whom I immediately felt comfortable. We have been seeing each other for six months, are engaged, and intend to be married soon. I hope “Lonely” finds this helpful. — “EUREKA” IN ARIZONA

DEAR “EUREKA”: Congratulations to you both. Very few people are lucky enough to strike platinum on the first try. I wish you every happiness. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I was divorced at 44, and decided to finally do something I’d always wanted to try: country-western dancing. I went not knowing anyone. When a gentleman asked me to dance, he didn’t mind that I was a novice. He led me through the basics. He also mentioned free lessons offered by the establishment, and I decided to go. I soon got to know the regulars (even experienced dancers took lessons). Eventually, I met the man who would become my husband. We have been married three years, and I have never been happier. — HAPPILY PARTNERED AGAIN

DEAR HAPPILY PARTNERED: I have often said that if you want to meet new people, get involved in a new activity. My longtime personal assistant,

Olivia, also met the man of her dreams, Richard, while square dancing — and I agree that it can be fertile territory for romance.

DEAR ABBY: I, too, divorced a cheating spouse. “Lonely” should consider talking to a therapist to help her regain her self-esteem. After I did it, I focused on attending events and functions where I could meet the kind of man I was interested in. I chose museum and gallery exhibitions and the theater, and went with girlfriends. I met a wonderful man at a group for over-35 singles. “Lonely” should get out and enjoy herself. I’m sure she’ll find the person she’s looking for. — BEEN THROUGH IT IN GEORGIA

DEAR BEEN THROUGH IT: No one ever met anyone by sitting at home

and brooding. The most important thing is to put yourself out there.

DEAR ABBY: My engagement went sour, an abusive relationship followed, and so did many disappointing dates. I decided to stop looking for a man and focus on things in life that truly made me happy. I began substitute teaching and mentoring high school students. It was then that the man of my dreams walked into my life. We married a year ago and are having the time of our lives. Please tell “Lonely” not to give up. Men are attracted to women who are happy and self-fulfilled. — MARRIED AND STILL GETTING OFFERS


DEAR MARRIED: Right you are! As my mother often used to say, “Happiness is the best cosmetic.” And so is

a positive outlook. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I was divorced for 16 years before I met Mr. Right four years ago. All it took was living and enjoying what I had instead of worrying about what I was missing. Most men and women over the age of 40 recognize the signs of someone “on the hunt.” It is a huge turnoff. — HAPPY IN FALLON, NEV.

DEAR HAPPY: I agree. And that is why I advise people to involve themselves in activities where they can improve their community. There are many ways to do it — work for their political party, as a hospital volunteer, Habitat for Humanity. Even if they don’t fall in love, they can make some wonderful friends and make a difference.

TUESDAY EVENING										SEP. 7, 2004									
E S										Eagle Cable S-S&T Telephone									
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: John Wayne Gacy: Monster	Cold Case Files Police hunt a hotel murderer.	Dog the Bounty	Dog the Bounty	Crossing Jordan "Dead or Alive" (N) (U)	Biography: John Wayne Gacy: Monster												
4 6	ABC	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition (N) (U)	According to Jim (U)	According to Jim (U)	In the Jury Room "State vs. Prickett" (N) (U)	News (U)	(:35) Nightline (U)	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) (U)											
26 48	ANPL	King of the Jungle (N)	Most Extreme "Tough Babies" (U)	Most Extreme "Tough Babies" (U)	Miami Animal Police "Labrador Life Savers"	King of the Jungle	Most Extreme "Tough Babies"												
63 54	BRAVO	Miami Slice (U)	Miami Slice (N) (U)	Queer Eye for the Straight Guy (N) (U)	The West Wing "Disaster Relief" (N)	Miami Slice (U)													
7 11	CBS	Navy NCIS "Split Decision" (U)	Big Brother 5 (N) (U)	The Amazing Race 5 (N) (U)	News (U)	(:35) Late Show Regis Philbin; Hoobastank. (N)	Tennis												
24 50	DISC	Anaconda Adventure (U)	Watch Your Pockets III (N)	Casino Diaries Casino unveils new attraction.	The FBI Files Bank robbery provides clues. (N)	Big "Wood Cuckoo Clock" (N)													
33 44	DISN	Kim Possible (U)	The Proud Family (U)	Even Stevens (U)	Lizzie McGuire (U)	Sister, Sister (U)	That's So Raven (U)	Phil of the Future (U)											
49 81	EITV	Doris Day: The El True Hollywood Story (U)	Gymnasts: True Story	World-Poker	Howard S. Howard S.	Saturday Night Live (U)													
22 56	ESPN	ESPN25: Who's No. 1	World-Poker	ESPN25: The Headlines	ESPN25: The Headlines	ESPN25: The Headlines	ESPN25: The Headlines	ESPN25: The Headlines											
54 57	ESPN2	Hockey: World Cup Quarter.	Baseball Tonight (Live) (U)	Hockey: World Cup Quarter.	Baseball Tonight (Live) (U)	Hockey: World Cup Quarter.	Baseball Tonight (Live) (U)	Hockey: World Cup Quarter.											
32 46	FAM	★ ★ ★ "The Karate Kid" (1984, Drama)	Ralph Macchio.	Who?	The 700 Club (U)	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.												
59 -	FIT TV	Bodies (U)	In Shape	Workout	Health Cops	Bodies (U)	In Shape	The Healthier You (U)											
35 31	FMC	(:01) ★ ★ ★ "Kiss Me Goodbye" (1982)		(:01) ★ ★ ★ "Capone" (1975) Ben Gazzara.	(:01) "This Is My Life"														
53 68	FOOD	Emeril Live "Cajun Cooking" Cajun food.	Roker on the Road	Roker on the Road	Party Starters Mardi Gras-themed barbecue.	Iron Chef "Spiny Lobster" Lobsters.	Emeril Live "Cajun Cooking" Cajun food.												
13 7	FOX	Trading Spouses: Meet Your New Mommy (N)	The Next Great Champ (Series Premiere) (N) (U)	The Fox Report With Shepard Smith (U)	Cagney & Lacey "Button, Button" (U)	Kojak "The Girl in the River" (U)													
40 38	FX	Cops (U)	Cops (U)	Cops (U)	Cops (U)	Fear Factor (U)	★ ★ "Someone Like You" (2001) Ashley Judd.												
30 55	FXSP	I, Max (N)	Rockies	MLB Baseball San Francisco Giants at Colorado Rockies. (Live)	Rocky Mt. I, Max (N)														
5 14	HBO	"Gods and Generals"	Legendary Nights (U)	★★ ★ "Drumline" (2002) Nick Cannon. Rivalry between two drummers threatens a college band.	★★ ★ "Intolerable Cruelty" (2003) George Clooney. (U) "PG-13" (U)	"Executive Decision"													
62 67	HGTV	Designed Sensible	Decorating Design	Designers' Designers'	Home Design	Design	Design	Design											
58 52	HIST	Modern Marvels (U)	Modern Marvels (N) (U)	Modern Marvels (N) (U)	Flying Pyramids Soaring Stones (U)	Designed Sensible													
25 35	IND	Seinfeld (U)	Seinfeld (U)	Friends (U)	Friends (U)	Sex and the City (U)	Sex and the City (U)												
18 63	LIFE	(5:00) "She's No Angel"	★★ ★ "Face of Evil" (1996) Tracey Gold. (U)	Golden	Golden	The Nanny	The Nanny												
23 77	MTV	TRL (iTV) (U)	Newlywed	Newlywed	Road Rules Road Rules	Road Rules	Road Rules												
3 9	NBC	News (U)	Ent. Tonight	Last Comic Standing (N) (U)	Father of the Pride	Scrubs "My Office"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Poison"	News (U)	The Tonight Show										
8 8	NBC	Last Comic Standing (N) (U)	Father of the Pride	Scrubs "My Office"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Poison"	News (U)	(:35) The Tonight Show (N) (U)	(:37) Late Night (N)											
34 43	NICK	SpongeBob! Romeo! (U)	Fatherhood	Cosby	Boss? Cosby	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby	Cosby										
2 2	PBS	Nova "Why the Towers Fell" (N) (DVS)	(6:59) As Long As We Both Shall Laugh	Frontline "Sacred Ground" (N) (U)	BBC World News	That's My Boy	Charlie Rose (N) (U)												
38 83	SCIFI	(5:00) ★ ★ "Skeeter"	"Flying Virus" (2001) Gabrielle Anwar. (U)	★ ★ "Virus" (1999) Jamie Lee Curtis. (U)															
61 41	SPK	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn											
39 51	TLC	While You Were Out (U)	Clean Sweep "Disco Disaster"	In a Fix "Superhero Bedroom" (U)	Repo Men: Stealing for a Living "Island Repos"	Overhaulin' "School's Out"													
28 37	TNT	Law & Order (U) (DVS)	Law & Order (U) (DVS)	Charmed (U)	Angel (U)	The X-Files (U)													
51 86	TRAV	Food Crazy (U)	Made	Made	Road Trip (N)	Food Crazy (U)	Made	Made											
21 82	TVLND	Munsters	GreenAcre	Griffith	Leave	Sanford	All-Family	Cheers (U)	Cheers (U)										
60 89	UNIV	Mariana de la Noche	Amarte es Mi Pecado	Casos de la Vida Real	Impacto	Noticiero	En las Mejores Familias												
20 34	USA	(5:00) U.S. Open Tennis	Men's Fourth Round and Women's Quarterfinals.	Law/Ord SVU	JAG (U) (DVS)	Friends (U)	Will & Grace (U)												
12 3	WB	Friends (U)	Everybody-Raymond	Gilmore Girls (U)	One Tree Hill "To Wish Impossible Things" (U)	News (U)													
99 36	WGN	★ ★ ★ "Ransom for a Dead Man" (1971)		WGN News at Nine (U)	Becker (U)	Becker (U)	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 Killer sets fires for insurance money. (U)						"The Riverman" (2004) Cary Elwes. Ted Bundy agrees to help catch the Green River Killer. (U)						Cold Case Files (U)																																			
4	6	ABC		NFL Opening Kickoff 2004 (N) (U)						NFL Football Indianapolis Colts at New England Patriots. From Gillette Stadium in Foxboro, Mass. (Live) (U)						News (U) (:35) Nightline (U)																																			
26	48	ANPL		Amazing Animal Videos Horse and bird rescues.						Growing Up... Black bear is rescued.						Miami Animal Police "Freeway Gator" (U)						Amazing Animal Videos Horse and bird rescues.						Growing Up... Black bear is rescued.																							
63	54	BRAVO		Miami Slice (U)						Miami Slice (N) (U)						Kathy Griffin: The D-List Comedian performs.						The West Wing "Shutdown" (N)						Miami Slice (U)																							
7	11	CBS		Big Brother 5 (Live) (U)						CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "No More Bets"						Without a Trace "Lost and Found" (U)						News (U) (:35) Late Show Ray Romano. (N) (U)						Tennis																							
24	50	DISC		Chasing Giants: On the Trail of the Giant Squid						The World's Largest Mall						Macho Monuments: Boxing to Powerboats						Dinosaur Planet "Alpha's Egg"						Killing Hitler (U)																							
33	44	DISN		Kim Possible (U)						The Proud Family (U)						Even Stevens (U)						Lizzie McGuire (U)						Sister, Sister (U)						That's So Raven (U)						★ ★ ★ "Gotta Kick It Up!" (2002) Susan Egan. A teacher changes the lives of some Latina students.											
49	81	EITV		Jerry Lewis: The El True Hollywood Story (U)						Series-Poker						World-Poker						Howard S. Howard S.						Saturday Night Live (U)																							
22	56	ESPN		(5:00) NFL Countdown						Series-Poker						World-Poker						World-Poker						SportsCenter (Live) (U)																							
54	57	ESPN2		(5:00) College Football Missouri at Troy State.						WNBA						WNBA Basketball: Shock at Sparks												Yankees																							
32	46	FAM		★ ★ ★ "The Sandlot" (1993) Tom Guiry.						Who?						Who?						The 700 Club (U)						Fam. Mat. Fam. Mat.																							
59	-	FIT TV		Bodies (U)						In Shape						Workout						Fitness						Peak Performance (U)						Bodies (U)						In Shape						The Healthier You (U)					
35	31	FMC		(:01) ★ ★ ★ "For the Boys" (1991) Bettie Midler, James Caan.						(:31) ★ ★ "Back in the USSR"						Iron Chef "Battle Abalone" Abalone.						Emeril Live Trout with Pecan Meuniere Sauce.						Kojak "The Corrupter"																							
53	68	FOOD		Emeril Live Trout with Pecan Meuniere Sauce.						Food Finds (N)						Recipe for Success						Amer. Festivals						Amer. Festivals						Iron Chef "Battle Abalone" Abalone.						Emeril Live Trout with Pecan Meuniere Sauce.											
13	7	FOX		Totally Out-rag.						Craziest Videos						Totally Out-rag.						Craziest Videos						The Fox Report With Shepard Smith (U)						Cagney & Lacey "Friendly Smoke" (U)						Kojak "The Corrupter"											
40	38	FX		(5:00) ★ ★ ★ "Fight Club" (1999) Brad Pitt.						Fear Factor (U)						★ ★ "Double Impact" (1991) Geoffrey Lewis																																			
30	55	FXSP		Rockies						Rockies						MLB Baseball San Diego Padres at Colorado Rockies. (Subject to Blackout)						Rocky Mt. I, Max																													
5	14	HBO		(5:00) ★ ★ "I Spy" (U)						The Making Of: I Spy						★ ★ ★ "The Ring" (2002) Naomi Watts. A videotape brings death in one week to all who watch it.						Indian Point						(:45) Chernobyl Heart (N) (U)						"Johnny English"																	
62	67	HGTV		Weekend Landscap						Landscap						Design Designers'						House House						House						Design Design						Weekend Landscap											
58	52	HIST		Secret Luftwaffe Aircraft of World War II						Secret Japanese Aircraft of WWII (U)						Secret Allied Aircraft of WWII (U)						Command Decisions						Decisive Battles						Secret Luftwaffe Aircraft of World War II																	
25	35	IND		(5:30) MLB Baseball Philadelphia Phillies at Atlanta Braves. From Turner Field in Atlanta. (Live) (U)						★ ★ ★ "Fried Green Tomatoes" (1991) Kathy Bates. Fannie Flagg's tale of friendship between Alabama women. (U)																																									
18	63	LIFE		"Escape From Terror"						"Deadly Encounter" (2004) Laura Leighton. (U)						The Division (U)						The Nanny The Nanny																													
23	77	MTV		TRL (iTV) (U) (U)						MTV Special (U)						Direct Effect (U)						TRL (iTV) (U) (U)						Road Rules Road Rules																							
3	9	NBC		News (U)						Ent. Tonight						Joey "Pilot"						The Apprentice The candidates must develop a new toy for Mattel. (U) (U)						Medical Investigation						News (U)						The Tonight Show											
8	8	NBC		Joey "Pilot"						The Apprentice The candidates must develop a new toy for Mattel. (U) (U)						Medical Investigation						News (U)						(:35) The Tonight Show (N) (U)						(:37) Late Night (N)																	
34	43	NICK		SpongeBob						Sabrina						Full House Full House						Boss? Cosby						Roseanne Roseanne						Cosby Cosby																	
2	2	PBS		Sunflower Journeys						Kansas Spotlight						The New This Old House Hour (U)						Wide Angle "Hell of a Nation" (N) (U)						BBC World News						Keeping Up						Charlie Rose (N) (U) (U)											
38	83	SCIFI		(5:00) "Route 666" (U)						★ ★ "Resident Evil" (2002) Milla Jovovich. (U)						★ "Mosquito" (1995) Gunnar Hansen. (U) (U)																																			
61	41	SPK		CSI: Crime Scn						CSI: Crime Scn						CSI: Crime Scn						CSI: Crime Scn						Real Life Boston CSI																							
39	51	TLC		While You Were Out "Miami: NW 150 Street"						Clean Sweep "Paper-Palooza"						In a Fix An urban oasis is created. (U)						Overhaulin'						U.S. Marshals: The Real Story																							
28	37	TRV		Law & Order (U) (DVS)						★ ★ ★ "The Shawshank Redemption" (1994) Tim Robbins. (U) (DVS)																		"L.A. Confidential"																							
51	86	TRAV		Richest Penthouses						More Billionaire Toys						Millionaire Trailer Parks						Richest Penthouses						More Billionaire Toys																							
21	82	TVLND		Munsters GreenAcre						Griffith Leave						Sanford All-Family						3's Co. 3's Co.						Cheers (U) Cheers (U)																							
60	89	UNIV		Mariana de la Noche						Amarte es Mi Pecado						Aqui y Ahora						Impacto Noticiero						En las Mejores Familias																							
20	34	USA		(5:00) U.S. Open Tennis						Men's Quarterfinals. (Live) (U)												Law/Ord SVU						JAG "Friendly Fire" (U)																							
12	3	WB		Friends (U)						Everybody-Raymond						Blue Collar TV The best skits of the past season.						Here's Your Sign Comic Bill Engvall. (N) (U) (U)						News (U) (U)						Friends (U) Will & Grace (U)																	
99	36	WGN		Columbo "Etude in Black"												WGN News at Nine (U)						Becker (U) Becker (U)						Eliminate 5th Wheel																							