

Embarrassed by snooping daughter

DEAR ABBY: I'm a single mother, raising a 14-year-old daughter, "Cheryl." Recently, Cheryl has started going through my things while I am not at home. A couple of times she has found things of a sexual nature — pictures and marital aids — that I had thought were well hidden.

How do I address these matters without discussing the content in



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depth? We have discussions about a lot of things, but I must admit I'm embarrassed about this. However, I want to discuss this with Cheryl before she tells someone about what she found and gets misinformation. — BLUSHING IN CHICAGO

DEAR BLUSHING: Your daughter is old enough to understand the concept of privacy — and that includes not going through your

things without permission, or discussing your private life with her contemporaries. Since you now know what she does in your absence, keep your personal items under lock and key.

If Cheryl questions you about the items she found, explain to her that they are sometimes used by adults. If she wants to know more, answer her questions honestly. And while you're at it, be sure your daughter knows that if she has further questions in the future, she's welcome to come to you with them, and you will be sure she gets correct answers.

DEAR ABBY: I'm having trouble dealing with my Aunt

"Marge." She disapproves of the fact that my husband, "Keith," is 40 and I'm 33. Aunt Marge says I should have married someone my age — or no more than a year or two older — because SHE likes men her own age. Also, SHE prefers dark-haired men, so she keeps asking me why I married a blonde.

Keith earns enough so that I can stay at home with our two children. Aunt Marge says I'm selfish to make him carry the financial burden alone. (Neither Keith nor I feel there's anything selfish about it.) What's peculiar is, Aunt Marge has always been a homemaker. She hasn't worked a day since she mar-

ried Uncle Steve. Also, she constantly asks my husband if he's saving the money he earns, and what we do with it.

Aunt Marge stops by unexpectedly a lot, usually at night. If I'm wearing my robe and nightgown, she demands to know why. Then she asks why I took my shower so long before bedtime. She also constantly criticizes the way I wear my hair.

Aunt Marge gets upset because, when Keith is home, we screen our calls. I've explained that it's to avoid telemarketers, but if we don't pick up, she says in a rude tone, "I don't want to leave a message. Pick up the phone NOW!"

Abby, she's a good person in other ways, but she has always had a habit of criticizing and being too quick to judge. Do Keith and I have reason to be offended, or should we just accept that she is who she is, ignore her, and not say anything? — GETTING FED UP IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR FED UP: If no one has pointed out to Aunt Marge that it's rude to ask people what they do with their money, to drop by unannounced, to give unsolicited advice about personal grooming, and to demand instant gratification when she calls, now is the time. It won't change her, but perhaps it will cause her to stop for a moment and think.

SATURDAY EVENING							E= Eagle Cable S=S&T Telephone		NOV. 27, 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	Cold Case Files Woman's body hidden in a refrigerator; murder of a deputy sheriff. [E]				City Confidential "Paducah: Cruel Summer"		The First 48 "Fire in the Rain; Family Feud" [E]		Cold Case Files [E]		
4	6	ABC	College Football Teams to Be Announced. (Live) [E]							News [E]		(:05) Seinfeld [E]	Ent. Tonight
26	48	ANPL	Planet's Funniest Anniversary Special Celebrating five years of the series. [E]				Komodo: Kingdom of the Dragon [E]		Planet's Funniest Anniversary Special Celebrating five years of the series. [E]				
63	54	BRAVO	Elton John at Radio City From New York City. (N) [E]				Elton John at Radio City From New York City. [E]				Queer Eye for the Straight Guy [E]		
7	11	CBS	Cold Case "Disco Inferno" [E]		Without a Trace "Exposure" [E]		48 Hours Mystery [E]		News [E]	Drew Carey	Drew Carey	Drew Carey	
24	50	DISC	American Hot Rod "Rat Rod Build-Off 2"		American Casino "Playboy Mansion" [E]		Great Biker Build-Off		Medical Casebook "JFK" (N)		Dr. G: Medical Examiner "Hit and Run"		
33	44	DISN	Phil of the Future [E]	Phil of the Future [E]	Phil of the Future [E]	Phil of the Future [E]	Phil of the Future [E]	Phil of the Future [E]	★★ "Pixel Perfect" (2004, Comedy) Ricky Ullman, Leah Pipes. [E]	(45) "Pixel Perfect"			
49	81	EITV	50 Most Wicked Women of Primetime				Saturday Night Live [E]		True H'wood		Howard S.	Howard S.	
22	56	ESPN	(5:45) College Football Teams to Be Announced. (Live) [E]				(45) SportsCenter (Live) [E]				College Gameday Final		
54	57	ESPN2	College Football		College Gmday		College Basketball: Great Alaska Shootout Final				Fastbreak	Streetball	
32	46	FAM	"Searching for David's Heart" (2004, Drama) [E]				"Searching for David's Heart" (2004, Drama) [E]				3rd Rock	3rd Rock	
59	-	FIT TV	Fitness	Fitness	Peak Performance [E]		Peak Performance [E]		Fitness	Fitness	Peak Performance [E]		
35	31	FMC	(:01) ★★★ "Miller's Crossing" (1990, Drama)				(:01) ★★★ "The French Connection" (1971)				"Will Success"		
53	68	FOOD	Emeril Kicks Up the Holidays		Gingerbread Challenge		Iron Chef "Turkey" Dueling drumsticks.		Unwrapped	Top 5 (N)	Emeril Kicks Up the Holidays		
13	7	FOX	★★ "Men in Black II" (2002, Science Fiction) Tommy Lee Jones, Will Smith. Premiere. [E]				She Spies "Spies v. Spy" Original She spy.		Mad TV [E]		LAPD: Life on the Beat	LAPD: Life on the Beat	
40	38	FX	King of Hill [E]		King of Hill		★★ "Dr. Dolittle" (1998, Comedy) Eddie Murphy.		★★★ "Dr. Dolittle 2" (2001) Eddie Murphy.				
30	55	FXSP	Wm. Basketball		College Hockey Massachusetts at Denver. (Live)				Rocky Mt.		Rocky Mt.	Football	
5	14	HBO	(4:45) "The Tuxedo"		(45) ★★★ victim returns to save his beloved fiancée. [E]		Patrick Swayze. A murder victim PG-13 [E]		★★★ "Love Actually" (2003) Alan Rickman. Various people deal with relationships in London. [E]				
62	67	HGTV	Decorating Cnt		Designer Designers		Design Design		Smart	Home	Decorating Cnt		
58	52	HIST	Save Our History "Secrets of Jamestown" (N)		High Hitler Adolf Hitler's drug dependence. [E]		Band of Brothers [E]			Haunted History	Save Our History "Secrets of Jamestown"		
25	35	IND	★★★ "Galaxy Quest" (1999, Comedy) (PA) Tim Allen, Sigourney Weaver. [E]				★★★ "Men in Black" (1997, Science Fiction) (PA) Tommy Lee Jones, Will Smith. [E]				★★★ "Back to the Future Part II" (1989)		
18	63	LIFE	(5:00) "Due East" (2002)		★★ "The Soul Collector" (1999) Melissa Gilbert.		★★★ "Georgia" (1995)		Jennifer Jason Leigh.				
23	77	MTV	Challenge	Challenge	life as we know it [E]		life as we know it [E]		life as we know it [E]		Real World	Real World	
3	9	NBC	Entertainment Tonight (N) [E]		★★★★ "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) James Stewart, Donna Reed. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide. [E]				(DVS)		News [E]	Saturday Night Live	
8	8	NBC	★★★★ "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) James Stewart, Donna Reed. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide. [E]				(DVS)		News	Saturday Night Live [E]			
34	43	NICK	Oddparents/Oddparents		Grown Up	Grown Up	Full House	Full House	Fresh Pr.	Cosby	Roseanne	Roseanne	
2	2	PBS	(5:00) Daniel O'Donnell Live from Branson [E]						Austin City Limits [E]		Soundstage "Counting Crows; Shelby Lynne"		
38	83	SCIFI	(5:00) ★ "Species II"		"Species III" (2004) Sunny Mabrey. Premiere.				★ "Species II" (1998) Michael Madsen. [E]				
61	41	SPK	★★★ "Thunderball" (1965) Sean Connery, Claudine Auger. [E]						★★★ "Diamonds Are Forever" (1971) [E]				
39	51	TLC	In a Fix "Par Le Floor"		While You Were Out [E]		What Not to Wear Twin fashion disasters. [E]		Trading Spaces "Washington, DC: Acker Place"		Trading Spaces (N)		
28	37	TNT	★★★ "The American President" (1995) Michael Douglas.				★★ "Fools Rush In" (1997) Matthew Perry. [E]				Mickey		
51	86	TRAV	Kings of the Road		Weird Travels (N)		Ends of the Earth [E]		Kings of the Road		Weird Travels		
21	82	TVLND	Munsters		GreenAcre	Griffith	Leave	Sanford	All-Family	3's Co.	3's Co.	Cheers	
60	89	UNIV	Sábado Gigante						Impacto	Noticiero	Otro Rollo		
20	34	USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		"Indecent Proposal"		
12	3	WB	Friends [E]	Everybody-Raymond	★★★★ "The Santa Clause" (1994, Comedy) Tim Allen, Judge Reinhold. [E]				News [E]	(45) Sports Replay	★★★ "F/X" (1986, Suspense) Bryan Brown.		
99	36	WGN	NBA Basketball: Bulls at Cavaliers				[E]		WGN News at Nine [E]	Becker [E]	★★★ "Rambo III" (1988) [E]		

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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	Death Detectives: The L.A. County Coroner		Growing Up Gotti [E]	Growing Up Gotti [E]	Airline [E]	Airline [E]	Crossing Jordan "Bombs Away" [E] [E]		Death Detectives: The L.A. County Coroner		
4	6	ABC	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition (N) [E]		NFL Football St. Louis Rams at Green Bay Packers. From Lambeau Field in						News	(:35) Night-line [E]	
26	48	ANPL	Pet Star Dancing dachshund; juggling pigeons.		Pet Star "The Road to Pet Star" (N)		Animal Cops Detroit Aggressive pit bulls. (N)		Pet Star Dancing dachshund; juggling pigeons.		Pet Star "The Road to Pet Star"		
63	54	BRAVO	The West Wing "The Short List" (N) [E]		The West Wing "In Excelsis Deo" [E]		The West Wing "Lord John Marbury" [E] [E]		The West Wing "The Women of Qumar" [E]		Inside the Actors Studio Jamie Foxx. [E]		
7	11	CBS	Still Standing (N) [E]	Listen Up (N) [E]	Everybody-Raymond	Two and a Half Men	CSI: Miami "After the Fall" (N) [E] [E]		News [E]	(:35) Late Show (N) [E]	The Late Late Show		
24	50	DISC	American Hot Rod "65 Mustang 2" [E]		American Hot Rod "65 Mustang 3" [E]		Monster Nation (N)		Monster House Ancient Egyptian theme house.		Monster Garage "All Girl Build" (N)		
33	44	DISN	Kim Possible: The Proud Family [E]		Even Stevens [E]	Lizzie McGuire	Sister, Sister [E]	That's So Raven [E]	Mickey's Once Upon a Christmas [E]		(:20) Recess [E]		
49	81	EITV	Geraldo: True Story		Montel: True Story		Dr. 90210	Heir	Howard S.	Howard S.	Saturday Night Live [E]		
22	56	ESPN	Countdown		Figure Skating Trophée Eric Bompard Cachemire. From Paris. (Taped) [E]				Streetball	Streetball	Fastbreak	SI Stories	
54	57	ESPN2	College Basketball		College Basketball Nevada at Kansas. (Live) [E]				Streetball	Streetball	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	
32	46	FAM	"The Christmas Path" (1999) Diane McBain.		Who's? [E]	Who's? [E]	The 700 Club [E]				Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	
59	-	FIT TV	FitTV's Housecalls [E]		Extremists [E]	Extremists [E]	Health Cops		FitTV's Housecalls [E]		Extremists [E]	Extremists [E]	
35	31	FMC	(:01) ★★ "Prelude to a Kiss" (1992, Fantasy)		Holidays Unwrapped Butterball hotline.		The Secret Life Of... "Christmas" Christmas.		Iron Chef 2000th Plate Special (Part 1 of 2)		Emeril Live: Hilda's Holiday Classics		
53	68	FOOD	Emeril Live: Hilda's Holiday Classics		The Swan "DeLisa & Lorraine" (N) [E]		The Fox Report With Shepard Smith [E]		Bob Newhart	Bob Newhart	Mary Tyler Moore	Mary Tyler Moore	
13	7	FOX	Trading Spouses: Meet Your New Mommy (N)		Fear Factor [E]		King of Hill "King of Hill" (Part 1 of 2)		*** "Fight Club" (1999, Drama) Brad Pitt.				
40	38	FX	"Jingle All the Way"		Fear Factor [E]		King of Hill "King of Hill" (Part 1 of 2)		*** "Fight Club" (1999, Drama) Brad Pitt.				
30	55	FXSP	Il, Max (N)	Rocky Mt.	*** "Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World" (2003, Adventure) Russell Crowe. [E]		PG-13 [E]		Real Sports [E]		*** "Old School" (2003) Luke Wilson. 'R'		
62	67	HGTV	Outer Spaces		Decorating Designers		Design Design		House	House	Outer Spaces		
58	52	HIST	UFO Files (N) [E]		Deep Sea Detectives "Sinking by Sabotage"		Band of Brothers [E] [E]		(:10) History's Mysteries		UFO Files [E]		
25	35	IND	Friends [E]	Friends [E]	Friends [E]	Friends [E]	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	*** "Overboard" (1987, Comedy) Goldie Hawn, Kurt Russell. [E]				
18	63	LIFE	(5:00) "Heart of Fire"		"Silent Killer" (2004) Joe		Land. Premiere. [E]		How Clean	How Clean	The Nanny	Golden	
23	77	MTV	TRL [E] [E]		Bam	Bam	Direct Effect [E]		TRL (TV) [E] [E]		Challenge	Challenge	
3	9	NBC	News [E]	Ent. Tonight	Fear Factor "Pairs" (N) [E]		Las Vegas "Silver Star" (N) [E]		Dateline NBC (N) [E]		News [E]	The Tonight Show	
8	8	NBC	Fear Factor "Pairs" (N) [E]		Las Vegas "Silver Star" (N) [E]		Dateline NBC (N) [E]		News	(:35) The Tonight Show (N) [E]	(:37) Late Night [E]		
34	43	NICK	SpongeBob	Drake	Family Faceoff		Fresh Pr.	Cosby	Roseanne	Roseanne	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	
2	2	PBS	Antiques Roadshow "Roadshow Favorites"		American Experience "Hoover Dam" [E]		Niagara Falls "A Naked Planet Series" [E]		BBC World News	May to December	Charlie Rose (N) [E]	[E]	
38	83	SCIFI	Stargate SG-1 [E] [E]		Stargate SG-1 [E] [E]		Stargate SG-1 [E] [E]		"Flying Virus" (2001, Action)		Gabrielle Anwar. [E]	[E]	
61	41	SPK	Maximum Exposure [E]		Wildwest Police Videos		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		WWE Raw [E]	[E]	
39	51	TLC	While You Were Out [E]		Clean Sweep A couple of pack rats need help.		In a Fix "Stage, Right?" Garage project. [E]		Maternity Ward "Reviving Hope"		Maternity Ward "Tiny Victory" (N)		
28	37	TRV	Law & Order (DVS)		Law & Order (DVS)		Law & Order (DVS)		Without a Trace [E]		NYPD Blue [E]	[E]	
51	86	TNT	Dreaming Big [E]		Homes	Homes	Trav. Memories		Dreaming Big [E]		Homes	Homes	
21	82	TVLND	Munsters	GreenAcre	Griffith	Leave	Sanford	All-Family	3's Co.	3's Co.	Cheers [E]	Cheers [E]	
60	89	UNIV	Rubi		Amor Real		Cristina		Impacto		Noticiero	En Busca de un Milagro	
20	34	USA	Law & Order: SVU		*** "The Bourne Identity" (2002) Matt Damon. [E]				Law & Order: SVU		Monk [E]	[E]	
12	3	WB	Friends [E]	Everybody-Raymond	7th Heaven "Wayne's World" (N) [E]		Everwood "Need to Know" (N) [E]		News [E]		Friends [E]	Will & Grace [E]	
99	36	WGN	*** "Mr. Mom" (1983)		Michael Keaton. [E]		WGN News at Nine [E]		Becker [E]	Becker [E]	Home Delivery (N)		