

Prince switches to frog

DEAR ABBY: My daughter "Lulu" moved in with a man I'll call Al a year and a half ago, telling us this was the man she was going to marry and spend the rest of her life with. So my husband and I welcomed him to the family.

They now have a baby, and still there has been no wedding. Al came to us eight months ago to ask our permission to ask Lulu to marry him. We consented. He appears to have had convenient memory loss about asking and — without going into details — has proven himself to be extremely self-centered, controlling, and a negative influence on what was once our happy, outgoing daughter.

We now realize that Al is someone we don't care to have in our family, and we'd like to know how (if it's possible) to rescind our blessing on their marriage. — CHANGED OUR MINDS DOWN SOUTH

DEAR CHANGED OUR MINDS: If I were you, I wouldn't raise the subject of marriage with Al at all. Your daughter's lover appears to be in no hurry to make any trips to the altar. Do, however, "mention" to your daughter that you had hoped she'd find a husband who would cherish her and make her happier than Al seems to have. Be sure to let her know that if she changes her



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mind about him, you'll welcome her back home with open arms. That way, she'll know she still has a choice.

DEAR ABBY: My problem is that my mother is a control freak. I was raised to respect my parents, but I have just about had it with her controlling ways. She wants to dictate my hair length, color and style, my weight, my love life, what car I drive, what job I have and where I live.

My mother wants me to date only doctors. She has even threatened to cut me out of her will if I "settle" (her word) for someone who doesn't have a medical degree. I was interested in a man who owned his own business, but she made me so miserable that I simply stopped dating.

I want to respect her because she is my mother, and I know she loves me. Can you help me figure out how to get her to back off and let me live my life my way? By the way, I am 41. — PEACEFUL REBEL IN OHIO

DEAR PEACEFUL REBEL: I'll try. Start by talking with a licensed mental health professional, prefer-

ably one who specializes in helping young adults to "individualize" from controlling parents. Once you have a firm grasp of who you are, and what your proper boundaries are, you will be able to confront your mother. After that, you may want to consider relocation, because your mother is off the charts, and she's not likely to change.

DEAR ABBY: I'm planning to host a dinner party next month and invite a few of my friends. I plan for this to be a "girls' night." (We are all between 18 and 23.)

My problem is that most, if not all, of my friends live with their cell phones attached to their ears! As can be expected, most of the calls have to deal with boy drama. I'd like for the evening to be free of all that. How can I politely let my guests know that I'd prefer they don't answer calls at the dinner table? — POLITE HOST-ESS-TO-BE IN TEXAS

DEAR HOSTESS-TO-BE: When you issue the invitations, tell your friends it will be a cell phone-free, ladies-only dinner party. Then, if anyone brings one, you're within your rights to ask her to turn it off, and no one should be offended. (It's called "heading them off at the pass"!)

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SATURDAY EVENING

		6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30
E S		E = Eagle Cable				S = S&T Telephone					
36/47	A&E	Cold Case Church leader slain. (TVPG)		Cold Case (TVPG)		American Justice: Mail Order Murder (TVPG)		American Justice: Shamed Into Confession		Cold Case Church leader slain. (TVPG)	
4/6	ABC	"The Ring" ('02) ★★ A reporter investigates a video that seems to cause death. (R) (HD)				The Evidence: Down for the Count (N) (HD)		KAKE News at 10 (C35) Insider		(.05) Entertainment Tonight	
26/54	ANPL	The Most Extreme: Survivors (TV G)		Ultimate Animals: Speed and Strength		Mutual of Omaha: Polar Bear Alcatraz		The Most Extreme: Survivors (TV G)		Ultimate Animals: Speed and Strength	
63/67	BRAVO	"The Firm" ('93, Thriller) Tom Cruise, Jeanne Tripplehorn. Law school grad's perfect job turns out to be a cover for the firm's real work. (R)						"The Firm" Law school grad's perfect job turns out to be a cover for the firm's real work.			
7/11	CBS	⚡ (4:00) NCAA Basketball Tournament Final Four (Live) (HD)				Eyewitness News		(.35) Drew Carey		(.05) Alias: Salvation	
55/42	DISC	Dirty Jobs: Chimney Sweeper (TV14)		Dirty Jobs: Termite Controller (TV14)		Dirty Jobs: Mushroom Farmer (TV14)		Dirty Jobs: Viewer's Choice (TV14)		Dirty Jobs: Chimney Sweeper (TV14)	
33/56	DISN	Emperor's (TV G)		The Buzz (TVY7)		Life Derek (TV G)		The Suite (TVY7)		Hannah	
49/66	EITV	50 Most Outrageous TV Moments				SNL (TV14)		Dr. 90210 (TV14)		Dr. 90210 (TV14)	
22/28	ESPN	Fig Skating: ISU World Figure Skating Championship (Taped)				⚡ SportsCenter from St. Louis (HD)		Fastbreak			
23/29	ESPN2	NHRA Qualifying from Baytown, Texas				Drive to the N.A. Auto		⚡ MLS Soccer (Live)			
32/58	FAM	"The Parent Trap" ('98) ★★½ Twins conspire to reunite their parents.				Home Video		Home Video		"Pizza My Heart" ★★½	
35/-	FMC	"Hot Shots! Part Deux" ('93) ★★		"My Cousin Vinny" ('92, Comedy) Joe		Pesci.		"Hot Shots! Part Deux" ('93) ★★			
53/45	FOOD	Emeril Live: Baseball Party (TV G)		Unwrapped (TV G)		Secret: Hot Dogs		Ham on St.		Unwrapped (TV G)	
13/7	FOX	Cops (TVPG) (R)		Cops (TVPG) (R)		America's Most Wanted (TVPG)		St. Elsewhere: Brothers			
27/25	FX	"The Core" ('03, Drama)		★★ A team is assembled to save the Earth.				"X2" Heroes battle evil government agent.			
30/27	FXSP	Rodeo		⚡ Arena Football Nashville at Colorado (Live)		Crush		Crush		Poker	
-/60	HALL	"Follow Stars" ('01)		"The Long Shot" ('04) Great Challenge. (NR)				MASH		MASH	
5/-	HBO	(.530) "White Noise" ('05) Ghosts in static.		(.15) "Home Fries" ('98) ★★ Drew Barrymore. Pilots attempt to eliminate a witness. (HD)				"Fever Pitch" ('05, Comedy) ★★½ Drew Barrymore. Woman competes for boyfriend's love.			
62/44	HGTV	Design		Divine		1st Place		reDesign		Design	
58/48	HIST	"Windtalkers" ('02, Drama) ★★ Nicolas Cage, Adam Beach. Navajo Indians use their native tongue as code to help US Marines in WWII.						Navajo Code Talkers (TVPG)		"Windtalkers" ('02) ★★ WWII Navajo code.	
25/38	IND	"Underworld" ('03, Horror) ★★½ Kate Beckinsale. Medical student sought in undead war. (R)				"Gone in 60 Seconds" ('00, Action) ★★ A car thief tries to steal 50 luxury cars in one night to save his brother.				"Batman" ('95) ★★	
18/63	LIFE	(.500) "Betrayal" ('03)		"Facing the Enemy" ('01)		Cop is in danger.		Family		"Love Thy Neighbor" ('05) (NR)	
54/74	MTV	Punk'D		Punk'D		N. Cannon		True Life		Ocean	
3/9	NBC	Entertainment Tonight		Dateline NBC (N)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (R) (HD)		Conviction: Savasana (TV14) (N) (HD)		9 News (N) Saturday Night (R) (HD)	
8/8	NBC	Dateline NBC (N)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (R) (HD)		Conviction: Savasana (TV14) (N) (HD)		KSN News at Saturday Night Live (TV14) (R) (HD)		10	
34/55	NICK	Kids' Choice Awards 2006		Romeo!		Hi-Jinks		Hi-Jinks		Roseanne	
2/2	PBS	Appearance [As Time Goes By]		L. Well: Lawrence Welk Family of Nations		RedGreen (TVPG)		Austin City Limits (TV G)		Monty P.	
38/71	SCIFI	"Manticore" ('05) ★½		"SS Doomtrooper" ('06, Science Fiction)				"Dog Soldiers" ('02) ★★½ Deadly training. (R)			
61/72	SPK	Stooges (TV G)		Stooges (TV G)		MXC		MXC		Ult. Fighter: The Ultimate Finale	
39/43	TLC	Clean Sweep: Caught in the Mouse Trap		While You Cuban renovation. (TV G)		People (TV G)		People (TV G)		Trading: Memphis: Molean Boulevard (TV G)	
28/40	TNT	"Erin Brockovich" ('00, Drama) Secretary's crusade. (R)				"Unfaithful" ('02) A woman has an affair with a stranger.					
51/49	TRAV	World Poker Tour: Mirage Poker Showdown		Bourdain (TVPG)		World Poker Tour: Mirage Poker Showdown		Happening		Cheers	
21/59	TVLND	Living in		Griffith		Sanford		Times		Court	
60/79	UNIV	Sábado gigante (TVPG)						Primer imp		Noticiero	
20/37	USA	Law & Order (HD)		Law & Order (HD)		Law & Order (HD)		WWE Raw		Law & Order (HD)	
12/3	WB	Star Trek: Enterprise: United (TVPG)		Friends (TVPG)		Friends (TVPG)		Will (TVPG) Raymond (TVPG)		WB2 News at Nine (N)	
99/39	WGN	Bulls Eye		⚡ NBA Basketball (Live) (HD)				WGN News		Becker	
								Home Impro		"Whammy"	

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36/47	A&E	First 48 Little Havana. (TVPG)		Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire (TVPG)		Intervention (TV14)		CSI: Miami: Whacked (TV14)		First 48 Little Havana. (TVPG)	
4	6	ABC	Extreme Makeover: Holmes Family (TVPG)		Desperate Housewives (N) (HD)		Grey's Anatomy (TV14) (N) (HD)		KAKE News at 10	Sports Over-time	(05) Lawyer Line Sports Machine
26	54	ANPL	Corwin's Quest: Corwin's Close Encounters (TV G)				Killer Jobs		Corwin's Quest: Corwin's Close Encounters (TV G)		
63/67	BRAVO	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (TV14) (HD)		Inside the Actor's Studio: Natalie Portman		Law & Order: Criminal Intent: Phantom (HD)		Law & Order: Criminal Intent: Seizure (HD)		Law & Order: Criminal Intent (TV14) (HD)	
7	11	CBS	Cold Case: Willkommen (N) (HD)		Cold Case: Kensington (TVPG) (R) (HD)		CSI: NY (TV14) (R) (HD)		Eyewitness News (N)	(.35) News	(05) Alias: The Counter-agent
55	42	DISC	Mega-Tsunamis A destructive force. (TV G)		Perfect Disaster: Mega Flood (TV14)		Wild Weather: Wet Water's impact. (TV G)		Everything You Need to Know: Hurricanes		Mega-Tsunamis A destructive force. (TV G)
33	56	DISN	Phil (TVY7)	Naturally (TV G)	Life Derek (TV G)	The Suite (TVY7)	Hannah (TVY7)	So Raven (TVY7)	"The Proud Family Movie" (05, Family) ★★½ Kyla Pratt. Penny's family is held prisoner.		
49	66	EITV	El Story (TVPG)		El Special (TVPG)		The Girls		The Soup		El Story (TVPG) 101 Crazy
22	28	ESPN	⚡ Wom. Bskbl (Live)		⚡ NCAA Women's Basketball Teams TBA from Boston				⚡ SportsCenter (Live) (HD)		
23	29	ESPN2	⚡ MLB Baseball (Live) (HD)						Baseball Tonight (HD)		Poker (Replay)
32	58	FAM	"Hello Sister" (06)		"Hello Sister, Goodbye Life!" (06, Drama)		Home Video		Home Video		Lakewood Children
35	-	FMC	"The Jewel of the Nile" (85) ★★ (PG)				"Man Trouble" (92, Comedy) ★ (PG-13)				"Jewel of the Nile"
53	45	FOOD	The Next Food Network Star: Elimination		Next Food Network Star: Giada Elimination		Ham on St.		Food Challenge: World Pastry Champion		The Next Food Network Star: Elimination
13	7	FOX	Simpsons (N)	The Loop (R) (HD)	Family Guy	Free Ride (N) (HD)	Remington Steele: Red Holt Steele		Fall Guy: The Chase		Quincy: Heart of the Matter
27	25	FX	(5:00) "X2" (03) ★★½ Heroes battle evil government agent.				"S.W.A.T." (03) Team attempts to keep kingpin in lock-up				
30	27	FXSP	Beyond Gilry		Poker Superstrs		Poker Superstrs		PRIDE Fighting		Rockies Around Trk
-	60	HALL	Diagnosis (TVPG)		Diagnosis (TVPG)		Diagnosis (TVPG)		Matlock (TVPG)		Matlock (TVPG)
5	-	HBO	"Bill & Ted" (89) ★★½ An escaped killer wizard is after Harry. (PG) (HD)				Entourage (TVMA)		Entourage (TVMA)		The Sopranos (TVMA) (HD)
62	44	HGTV	Designed	Designed	Reel Homes (TV G)		House?	Ext. Homes	Wall Could	Kitchens	Designed Designed
58	48	HIST	Black Box: Aloha Air Flight 243 (TVPG)		Secrets of the Black Box: Kal Flight 007		Dog Fights: The Greatest Air Battles How pilots fight in fierce air battles. (TVPG)				Black Box: Aloha Air Flight 243 (TVPG)
25	38	IND	"Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life" (03, Action) Angelina Jolie. Key to Pandora's Box is up for grabs.				"Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life" (03, Action) Angelina Jolie. Key to Pandora's Box is up for grabs.				
18	63	LIFE	"Student Seduction" (03) Teacher accused.		Cheer.				Medium (TV14)		Strong Med
54	74	MTV	Key West	Key West	Key West	Key West	Ocean	Ocean	Punk'D	Punk'D	Punk'D Punk'D
54	74	NBC	Dateline NBC (N)		West Wing: Election Day (TVPG) (N) (HD)		Law & Order: Criminal Intent: Slither (R) (HD)		Crossing Jordan: Road Kill (TV14) (R) (HD)		9 News (N) (.35) Over-time (HD)
8	8	NBC	West Wing: Election Day (TVPG) (N) (HD)		Law & Order: Criminal Intent: Slither (R) (HD)		Crossing Jordan: Road Kill (TV14) (R) (HD)		KSN News at 10 (35) 24: Day 2: 10:00 AM-11:00 AM (TVPG)		(.35) Inside Ed.
34	55	NICK	Zoey 101	Romeo!	Full House	Bel-Air	Hi-Jinks	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby	Bel-Air Bel-Air
2	2	PBS	Nature: Murder in the Troop (TV G) (N)		Masterpiece Theatre: He Was Right (R)		Encore! (N) (HD)		Partners: ArgAbility Mystery!: Payment in Blood An Inspector Lynley mystery. (TVPG)		
38	71	SCIFI	"Kingdom" (06) ★★½		"Dark Kingdom: The Dragon King" (06)				Dr. Who (TV G)		The Rift The Rift
61	72	SPK	Fighter: Mental Game		Fighter (TVPG)		Fighter: Bloody Brawl		Fighter: Countdown		Fighter (TVPG)
39	43	TLC	Tucker (TVPG)	Tucker (TVPG)	Overhaulin': Neighborhood Watching (TV G)		Overhaulin': Clean Le Mans (TV G)		Overhaulin': One Ugly Horse (TV G)		Overhaulin': U.S. Navy Steal (TV G)
28	40	TNT	Law & Order (HD)		Law & Order (HD)		Law & Order (HD)		Las Vegas (HD)		"Rush Hour" (98)
51	49	TRAV	Haunted (TVPG)		Haunted (TVPG)		Leftovers (TVPG)		Haunted (TVPG)		Haunted (TVPG)
21	59	TVLND	Prairie (TV G)		Griffith Sanford		Times Times		Happening Cheers		Court Sanford
60	79	UNIV	Bailando por un sueño						Primer imp Noticiero		Diva inmortal: M Félix
20	37	USA	"Meet the Parents" (00)		Potential in-laws.		Law & Order (HD)		Law & Order (HD)		Law & Order (HD)
12	3	WB	Reba (TVPG) (R)	Reba: The Will (R)	Charmed: 12 Angry Zen (R)		Charmed (R)		WB2 News at Nine (N)		Sex & City (TV14) Will (TVPG)
99	39	WGN	24 (TV14)		24 (TV14)		WGN News Replay		Sex & City Becker		Exposure: Critter 911