

No cure for being gay

DEARABBY: I have reason to believe that a young man in my family may be gay. (He is 15.) I have been thinking a lot about it lately, and have been wondering if circumcision would cure it. What do you think? — GRANDMOTHER IN MISSOURI



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• dear abby

DEAR MISSOURI GRANDMOTHER: Homosexuality is not an illness, and therefore there is no need for a "cure." I predict that your family will be happier if you accept your relative exactly the way he is, love him, support him, and stop trying to think of ways to cure him.

P.S. Circumcision is a sacred rite of the Jewish religion. If your theory were valid, then there would be no Jewish homosexuals. And yet, among the successful, gay Jewish men who are "out" are Harvey Fierstein, Michael Feinstein, Barney Frank and David Geffen — to name a few. (Oops! And let's not forget Isaac Mizrahi.)

DEAR ABBY: My name is "Alicia" and I'm 16. About a year ago, my mom got two puppies. Although they are annoying, I have to admit they are very cute and adorable.

My problem is, ever since we've had the puppies, I have thought my mom loves them more than she loves my brother and me. For some reason, I feel replaced by them. I know she loves us very much, but it hurts to

think she cares more for them than she cares for us. I think that because my brother and I are getting older, she needs something else to love. Sometimes I just want to sit and cry, but I have never been a person to spill my guts out to my parents. Can you give me any advice that would help me with this? — REPLACED BY DOGS IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR REPLACED: Keeping your feelings locked inside is no way to resolve your problems. Your mother may be an animal lover, but I can guarantee that she loves you and your brother far more than those dogs. However, the person you need to hear it from isn't me — it's her. So please clip this letter, give it to your mother and tell her you wrote it. You appear to need a long, hard hug and some reassurance, but your mother can't know that unless you tell her.

DEAR ABBY: My friend and I have one teacher who is beginning to scare us. He says things like, "You know I love you," and he tells us how he misses us when we're not in class. He also will come from behind and

give us back rubs, put his arms around us and give us an occasional hug.

We have been trying to ignore it because, when we told my mom, she said he probably didn't mean anything and was just trying to be nice. But at a school dance, he gave my friend a kiss on her cheek and put his hands on my waist.

Maybe we're overreacting, but Abby, we are the only two in our class he does this to. Other teachers have made us sit through videos and read brochures on "improper touching," and we are beginning to wonder. Is he stretching the line? — CONCERNED STUDENT, PARKERSBURG, W.VA.

DEAR CONCERNED: Your teacher appears to be using very poor judgment. He has not only "stretched" the line, he has crossed it. It's time you and your friend visit the principal of your school. Explain that the man's overly affectionate behavior is making you both uncomfortable, and you are the only two students that it's happening to. If he hasn't been "counseled" about touching students, this teacher definitely needs to be.

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SATURDAY EVENING

JUNE 10, 2006

E S	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30
E = Eagle Cable S = S&T Telephone										
36 47	A&E	Cold Case: On the Case: Nicole's Killer	Cold Case ATM aids Ky. police. (TVPG)	American Justice: Godfathers Police go to great lengths to catch mob. (TVPG)	Cold Case: On the Case: Nicole's Killer					
4 6	ABC	Wonderful World of Disney: Toy Story 2 (99, Children) ★★ (G) (R) (HD)	Grey's Anatomy (TV14) (R) (HD)	KAKE News at 10	Seinfeld: The Stall	(05) Seinfeld (TVPG)	Enterprise (TVPG)			
26 54	ANPL	Romeo & Juliet: A Monkey's Tale (TVPG)	Growing Up...: Growing Up Baboon (TV G)	Wild Kingdom: Gorilla Encounters	Romeo & Juliet: A Monkey's Tale (TVPG)	Growing Up...: Growing Up Baboon (TV G)				
63 67	BRAVO	Casino (95) ★★ A casino boss, his edgy hitman pal and his ex-hustler girlfriend struggle to survive in mob-controlled 1970s Las Vegas.	Casino (95) ★★ A casino boss struggles to survive in mob-controlled 1970s Las Vegas.							
7 11	CBS	NCIS: Witness (TVPG) (R) (HD)	Cold Case: Time to Crime (TVPG) (R) (HD)	48 Hours Mystery: Scared to Death (R)	Eyewitness News (3:35) Drew Carey	(05) Alias: Firebomb (TV14)				
55 42	DISC	Deadliest Catch: On the Edge (TVPG)	Deadliest Catch: Pribilof Stare (TVPG)	Deadliest Catch: Race Against the Ice	Deadliest Catch: Man vs. Ice (TVPG)	Deadliest Catch: On the Edge (TVPG)				
33 56	DISN	Even Steve (TV G)	Naturally (TV G)	Life Derek (TV G)	Zack (TVY7)	Hannah	So Raven (TVY7)	Zack (TVY7)	Hannah	American D (TVY)
49 66	EITV	Dazed and Confused		SNL: Lindsay Lohan	Chelsea H.	The Soup	Dr. 90210 (TV14)			
22 28	ESPN	Faces of	Indy Racing League from Ft. Worth, Texas (Live)							
23 29	ESPN2	(5:00) College Baseball (Live) (HD)		College Baseball: Super Regionals: Site 3/Game 2 (Live) (HD)						
32 58	FAM	The Sixth Sense (99, Thriller) ★★½ Doctor seeks truth.	The Sixth Sense (99, Thriller) ★★½ Doctor seeks truth.							
35 -	FMC	The Fury (78, Paranormal) ★★ Kirk Douglas.	Hear No Evil (93, Suspense/Thriller) ★ (R)	Off Limits (88) ★ (R)						
53 45	FOOD	Designer Wedding Cake Cook-off (TV G)	Weddings Unwrapped Wedding cakes.	Food Challenge: Wedding Cake Challenge	Disney Fairytale Weddings	Weddings Unwrapped Wedding cakes.				
13 7	FOX	Cops (TV14) (N)	Cops (TV14) (R)	America's Most Wanted (TVPG)	St. Elsewhere: Boom Boom Womb	Mad TV (TV14) (R)	Blind Date (TVPG)	Blind Date (TVPG)		
27 25	FX	NASCAR Busch Series from Nashville Superspeedway (Live)				Married	Married	The Rundown (03)		
30 27	FXSP	MLB Baseball Dodgers at Rockies (Live)				Rockies	All Good	Myers	Poker	
- 60	HALL	Wedding Daze	Hidden Places (06, Drama) Shirley Jones.	MASH	MASH	MASH	MASH	MASH	MASH	
5 -	HBO	Batman Begins (05) Caped Crusader.	Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous (TV G)	The Skeleton Key (05, Horror) ★★½ Kate Hudson. Room holds secret to man's ailment.						
62 44	HGTV	reDesign Divine	1st Place Design	Wedding TV G	Gardener	Trading Up	reDesign	Divine		
58 48	HIST	Time Machine: Amazon Adventures Travelers endure dangerous jungles. (TVPG)	Little Ice Age: Big Chill 1300-1850, a period of cataclysmic cold caused havoc. (TVPG)							
25 38	IND	Old School (03, Comedy) ★★ Luke Wilson. Three men start a college fraternity. (R) (HD)	The Replacements (00, Comedy) A strike forces a coach to recruit a team of second-string bench-warmers.							
18 63	LIFE	Deception (03) ★★	Recipe for Revenge (TV G)	Caterer accused.	Life of the Party (06) Friends intervene.					
54 74	MTV	The Band 3	The Band 3	The Band 3	The Band 3	Pre-Show	2006 MTV Awards			
3 9	NBC	Stanley Cup Finals Game 3: Hurricanes at Oilers (Live) (HD)				Entertainment Tonight	9 News (N) (HD)	Saturday Night (R)		
8 8	NBC	Stanley Cup Finals Game 3: Hurricanes at Oilers (Live) (HD)				KSN News at 10	Saturday Night Live: Jack Black; Neil Young (TV14, R) (HD)			
34 55	NICK	Phantom: Reality Trip	Fairly: Fairy Idol (TVY)	Bel-Air	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby	Bel-Air	Bel-Air	
2 2	PBS	Daniel O'Donnell: Encore in Branson	The Irish singer performs (TV G)	Motown: The Early Years artists	Motown: The Early Years artists	Motown: The Early Years artists	Motown: The Early Years artists	Motown: The Early Years artists	Motown: The Early Years artists	Python
38 71	SCIFI	Nature Unleashed	Black Hole	Killer creature prowls St. Louis.	Post Impact (04) ★ Survivors seek hope.					
61 72	SPK	(5:00) Year of the Dragon (85) ★★½ (R)	Amazing (TV14)	Carpocally	Disorderly Cond					
39 43	TLC	While You Were Here: Miami: The 4 T's Kitchen	Clean: So Many Shoes, So Little Time	People (TV G)	People (TV G)	Flip It Fast Five house flippers. (TV G)	Trading: San Antonio: Pappy Mallow Streets			
28 40	TNT	Runaway Jury (03, Drama) John Cusack. Gun lawsuit.	Runaway Jury (03, Drama) John Cusack. Gun lawsuit.							
51 49	TRAV	Wrld Poker		Iconoclast	Wrld Poker					
21 59	TVLND	All Family	All Family	All Family	All Family	All Family	All Family	All Family	All Family	
60 79	UNIV	Sábado gigante (TVPG)		Primer imp	Noticiero	Otro rollo (TV14)				
20 37	USA	Law & Order (HD)	Along Came Polly (04) Safety obsession.	Law & Order (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	
12 3	WB	Star Trek: Enterprise: Storm Front (TVPG)	Paid Programming	Friends (TVPG)	Paid Programming	Raymond (TVPG)	Star Trek: Enterprise: Storm Front (TVPG)			
99 39	WGN	(5:00) A Time to Kill (96) Racial murder. (R)	WGN News at Nine	Sex & City	Becker	Home Impro	Got Game			

SUNDAY EVENING

JUNE 11, 2006

E S	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30
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36 47	A&E	Flip This House: The Restaurant Special	Reports NYC motorcycle gang. (TVPG)	Intervention: Gina and Andrea (TV14)	CSI: Miami: After the Fall (TV14)	Flip This House: The Restaurant Special				
4 6	ABC	(5:00) Make-over (R)	NBA Nation (HD)	(08) NBA Finals Game 2 Dallas Mavericks at Miami Heat (Live) (HD)	KAKE News at 10	Sports Over-time	(05) Lawyer Line	Sports Machine		
26 54	ANPL	Gorillas Revisited With Sigourney Weaver	Growing Up...: Growing Up Gorilla (TV G)	Romeo & Juliet: A Monkey's Tale (TVPG)	Gorillas Revisited With Sigourney Weaver	Growing Up...: Growing Up Gorilla (TV G)				
63 67	BRAVO	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (TV14) (HD)	Inside the Actor's Studio: Tom Hanks	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (TV14) (HD)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (TV14) (HD)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (TV14) (HD)				
7 11	CBS	Tony Awards The 60th annual gala honoring Broadway's best (TVPG)			Eyewitness News (N)	(35) News (TV14)	(05) Alias: A Dark Turn (TV14)			
55 42	DISC	Tsunami: Wave of Disaster (TVPG)	Krakatoa: Volcano of Destruction Scientists retrace events of eruption. (TV14)		Mega-Tsunamis A destructive force. (TV G)	Tsunami: Wave of Disaster (TVPG)				
33 56	DISN	Even Steve (TV G)	Naturally (TV G)	Life Derek (TV G)	Suite Life: Election	Hannah	So Raven (TVY7)	"Movie"		
49 66	EITV	E! Story (TVPG)	The Girls	The Girls	The Simple	The Simple	E! Story (TVPG)	The Girls	The Girls	
22 28	ESPN	MLB Baseball (Live) (HD)								
23 29	ESPN2	Baseball: Super Regionals: Site 1/Game 1		College Baseball: Super Regionals: Site 1/Game 2 (Live)						
32 58	FAM	Chasing Liberty (05) ★★ Falcon Beach (05) Small town summer.	Falcon: Starting Over	Lakewood	Children					
35 -	FMC	Valley of the Dolls (67, Adaptation) Barbara Parkins.	Fox	Valley of the Dolls (67, Adaptation) ★★						
53 45	FOOD	Food Challenge: Ultimate Wedding Cakes	Food Network Caters Your Vegas Wedding	Food Network Caters Your Vegas Wedding	Ham on St.	Good Eats (TV G)	Food Network Caters Your Vegas Wedding			
13 7	FOX	Simpsons	War at Home (R)	Family Guy	Always Sunny (R)	Remington Steele: High-Flying Steele	Fall Guy: The Japanese Connection	Quincy: Smoke Screen		
27 25	FX	Management (03)	The Rundown (03) ★★½ Mob son sought.	Behind Enemy Lines (01) Soldier survival.						
30 27	FXSP	PRIDE Fighting	Monte Carlo	Poker Superstars	Beyond Glory	Rockies	D. Costa			
- 60	HALL	Diagnosis (TVPG)	Diagnosis (TVPG)	Diagnosis (TVPG)	Diagnosis (TVPG)	Diagnosis (TVPG)	Diagnosis (TVPG)	Diagnosis (TVPG)	Diagnosis (TVPG)	Diagnosis (TVPG)
5 -	HBO	(15) Ray (04, Biography) ★★ Jamie Foxx. (PG-13) (HD)								
62 44	HGTV	Designed	Designed	Open House	reZONED	House?	Ext. Homes	Wall Could	Kitchens	Designed
58 48	HIST	Time Machine: Hell: The Devil's Domain An in-depth history of Hades. (TVPG)	The Revolution: Rebellion to Revolution							
25 38	IND	Old School (03, Comedy) ★★ Luke Wilson. Three men start a college fraternity. (R) (HD)	Old School (03, Comedy) ★★ Luke Wilson. Three men start a college fraternity. (R) (HD)							
18 63	LIFE	Engaged to Kill	Maid of Honor (06) Loves brother-in-law	Medium (TV14)						
54 74	MTV	Cheyenne	Cheyenne	The Hills	The Hills	Key West	Key West	Pre-Show	2006 MTV Movie Awards	
3 9	NBC	Dateline NBC (N)				Law & Order: Criminal Intent (TV14) (R) (HD)	Windfall: Pilot Episode (TV14) (N) (HD)	KSN News at 10 (35) 24: Day 2: 8:00 PM-9:00 PM (TV14)	9 News (N) (HD)	(35) Over-time (HD)
8 8	NBC	(5:00) Dateline NBC (N)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent (TV14) (R) (HD)	Windfall: Pilot Episode (TV14) (N) (HD)						
34 55	NICK	Zoey 101	Just Kicks	Full House	Bel-Air	Hi-Jinks	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby	Bel-Air
2 2	PBS	Celtic Woman Five young Irish women perform at a concert in Dublin. (TV G)		Rich Dad's Guide to Wealth with Robert Kiyosaki				Mystery: The Inspector Lynley Mysteries: A Traitor to Memory		
38 71	SCIFI	Arabian Nights	Arabian Nights (00) Tales of heros. (NR)	Dr. Who (TV G)		John Doe: Low Art				
61 72	SPK	Good Bad & Ugly	Out of Reach (04, Action) ★ Vet in Poland.	Blade (98, Action) ★★ Half-breed vampire.						
29 40	TLC	Now See This! (TVPG)	Now See This! Dare-devils. (TVPG)	Now See This! Fishing boat ride. (TVPG)						
38 43	TNT	Law & Order (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	Blood Work (02)		
51 49	TRAV	America's Best (TV G)	America's Best (TV G)	America's Best (TV G)	America's Best (TV G)	America's Best (TV G)	America's Best (TV G)	America's Best (TV G)	America's Best (TV G)	
21 59	TVLND	All Family	All Family	All Family	All Family	All Family	All Family	All Family	All Family	
60 79	UNIV	Cantando por un sueño		Primer imp	Noticiero	Dulce... la trayectoria				
20 37	USA	Along Came Polly	The 4400: The New World	Isabelle's changes.	House (TV14) (HD)	4400: The New World				
12 3	WB	Reba: Sister Act (R)	Reba (TVPG) (R)	Charmed: Run, Piper, Run (TVPG) (R)	Charmed: The Three Faces of Phoebe (R)	WB2 News at Nine (N)	Raymond (TVPG)	Will (TV14)		
99 39	WGN	24 (TV14)	24 (TV14)	News	Replay	Sex & City	Becker	Exposure (TV14)		

MONDAY EVENING

JUNE 12, 2006

E S	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30
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36 47	A&E	The Story of Superman Creators discuss inception of superhero. (TVPG)	Rock Paper Scissors Championship	Crossing Jordan Mother's death. (TV14) (HD)	The Story of Superman (TVPG)					
4 6	ABC	Wife Swap: Lassell/Nazzario (TVPG)	Supernanny: Cooke Family (TVPG) (R)	How to Get the Guy (N)	KAKE News at 10	(35) Nightline (N)	(05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (TV14)			
26 54	ANPL	Animal Precinct: Brighton Beach Poodles	Police: Agricultural Patrol Investigation	Animal Cops: No Longer Abandoned (TVPG)	Animal Precinct: Brighton Beach Poodles	Police: Agricultural Patrol Investigation				
63 67	BRAVO	To Be Announced Info unavailable.	Three of Hearts (93, Comedy) ★★½ William Baldwin. A lesbian hires a male escort. (R)							
7 11	CBS	King of Queens (R) (HD)	How I Met Her (R) (HD)	New Adv. (R) (HD)	CSI: Miami: Double Jeopardy (TV14) (R) (HD)	Eyewitness News	(35) Late Show with David Letterman (HD)	Ferguson (TV14)		
55 42	DISC	Monster Garage: Ultimate wgn. revamp. (TVPG)	Old School Wagon Station	American Chopper: Wendy's Bike 2 (TVPG)	American Chopper: POW/MIA 2 (TVPG)	Monster: Ultimate Old School Wagon				
33 56	DISN	Even Steve (TV G)	Lizzie (TV G)	So Raven (TVY7)	Zack (TVY7)	Phil (TVY7)	So Raven (TVY7)			
49 66	EITV	Child Star	Child Star	The Simple	The Simple	7 Deadly	The Soup	E! News	SNL: Luke Wilson	The Daily
22 28	ESPN	(5:00) MLB Baseball (Live) (HD)				Baseball Tonight (HD)				
23 29	ESPN2	Baseball: Super Regionals: Site 6/Game 3				World Cup: First Round (Replay)				
32 58	FAM	Dirty Dancing (87)	Falcon (TVPG)	Line	Line	The 700 Club		Falcon (TVPG)		
35 -	FMC	(5:30) Worth Winning (89) ★★ Fox	Unwrapped (TV G)	Unwrapped (TV G)	Unwrapped (TV G)	Secret Life: Lauau	Secret (TV G)	Good Eats (TV G)	\$40 a Day	Unwrapped (TV G)
53 45	FOOD	Emeril Live: Hot Nights, Cool Meals (TV G)	Hell's Kitchen (TV14) (N)	Fox Report				Blind Date (TVPG)	Blind Date (TVPG)	Maury (TVPG)
13 7	FOX	Nanny 911: McKelvain Family (TVPG) (R)								
27 25	FX	Married	Married	King	King	70s	70s	Daddy Day Care (03) Charlie's day care.		
30 27	FXSP	MLB Baseball Rockies at Nationals (Live)				Rockies	Best Sports	Rockies	Around Trk	BDSSP
- 60	HALL	Walker (TVPG)								
5 -	HBO	Batman (89) ★★½	Batman & Robin (97, Action) ★ Mr. Freeze and the evil Poison Ivy plague Gotham City. (PG-13)							