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"I've got a lot of stuff to do today. I just don't know what it is yet.'

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Woman With Luxuriant Locks Wants Them To Stay That Way

DEAR ABBY

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DEAR ABBY: My hair falls nearly to my waist, and I go to great lengths to maintain it and keep it free of split ends.

Many of my friends, both male and female, have grown out their hair over the years and donated it to cancer charities. While I think it's a beautiful act of selflessness, I have never felt the calling

to donate my hair. I have recently been criticized for wanting to keep my long hair for myself and have been called selfish and a hypocrite. Abby, cancer runs in my family. I donate money and volunteer for my local Relay for Life every year. When I explain this to my "attackers" — some of them good friends — they look the other way and say I'm "horrible" because I won't cut my hair and give it to those in need.

I cut my hair very short 10 years ago and regretted it. Now I'm feeling pressured to do it again. How do I get my message across to these people without sounding defensive or snobby? — RAPUNZEL IN MICHIGAN

other ways."

www.DearAbby.com or DEĂR RAPUNZEL: I think I detect a P.O. Box 69440, Los Antwinge of jealousy in the "good geles, CA 90069. friends" who imply you are being self-ish or hypocritical for not donating your lovely locks. It would be neither defensive nor snobby to smile and reply: "We all must decide for ourselves how we will support the charities that are important to us. I have chosen to donate in

DEAR ABBY: I have been with my boyfriend, "Keoni," for five years. We have a healthy relationship. However, when we go out to the grocery store, the doctor's office or the mall, women constantly question his ethnicity, which is Hawaiian. Then, without fail, they'll proceed to tell him (and me) how handsome, beautiful or gorgeous he is.

ACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

EDITOR'S NOTE: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Aries and a Moon in Capricorn.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2013:

This year you become a formidable opponent, and you'll be determined to make your mark. You might not like criticism you get, but you wisely will use it for your betterment. You often surprise others with your decisions and actions. If you are single, many people will come toward you. You might prefer to date rather than commit, and that is your call to make. If you are attached, your sweetie might have difficulty adjusting to the new you. Don't worry -- this person will get into the moment with you soon enough. CAPRICORN can be unusually stern. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You expect a lot from yourself -- and that's good, because others do, too. A boss still could be unusually controlling, and he or she might be heading in a new direction. Realize that this person could be changing right in front of you. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

Keoni does nothing to make me feel less than pretty myself, but these frequent comments from strangers have started to make me feel insecure about my own appearance. How do I accept these

compliments without resentment? — KEONI'S GIRLFRIEND IN FLORIDA

DEAR GIRLFRIEND: What may be upsetting you is that these women ask your boyfriend inappropriate questions and appear to be coming on to him. Face it, your boyfriend is exotic. If you were in Hawaii, he wouldn't be exotic — YOU might be. The next time this happens and someone raves about his good looks, remember that Keoni's with you, not her. But if she's pushy, "suggest" she move to Hawaii and get "lei-ed."

DEAR ABBY: Are hugs the new handshake? I am encountering more and more people who, instead of shaking hands when they see you (or say goodbye), want to hug. I understand it if you are close friends, but frequently it's a business acquaintance.

The two most recent examples were when I went to meet with my mother's minister to arrange her funeral. I had never met the man, but he wanted to hug upon meeting me. Yesterday, I saw

a new eye doctor for the first time. As I was leaving, I put out my hand to shake his. He said, "Oh, I like to hug!" When I stepped back and told him, "I'm not a huggy person," he seemed offended. Any suggestions? — STANDOFFISH SUE

DEAR SUE: The minister may have thought that having just lost your mother, you could have used the hug. Many people welcome that kind of comfort. Personally, I agree that the eye doctor's behavior was presumptuous. If you continue to patronize him, my recommendation is to stand out of reach.

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in your daily life can't even begin to touch what will happen. Worry less. Stay in the moment. Tonight: Make it early.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ Your creativity gets pushed to the forefront after you hear some unexpected news. You could wonder what might be best to do under the circumstances. Your final idea will be the best and most rewarding option. You will know when you hit upon it. Tonight: Paint the town red.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-0CT. 22)

 $\star\star\star$ Tension builds in an unprecedented manner because of a domestic situation. You could be questioning which way to go with this matter. Do nothing until you are absolutely sure. Listen to your inner voice. Choose a stressbuster for a break. Tonight: Greet the moment positively.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Listen to news that is forthcoming, but realize that you have a tendency to make situations more serious than they need to be. You could discover how wrong you are in a discussion. You might feel silly that you made such a quick judgment. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★★ Your finances will become a major conversation, and you might not be sure what your choices are. Give yourself some time to think through a decision. A family member could surprise you with his or her reaction.



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SHE'LL TELL ME

WHAT I'M DOING

WRONG FOR FREE!

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 $\star \star \star \star$ Detach in order to get the full story. The less said and the more you observe, the more you will learn. You also might want to take a walk in other people's shoes if you still do not understand their reactions. Curb a bout of sarcasm. Tonight: Let your imagination roam.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

******* An associate demands your attention and insights. You might be shocked at the questions this person asks. Your impression of him or her might change as a result of more frequent conversations like this. Allow for some space between you. Tonight: Dinner for two.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Defer to others, as they will be demanding the attention, and you'll want to let them have it. Use the extra free time to do something you have been postponing. A boss or a parent could surprise you with his or her actions. Go with the flow. Tonight: Go with a friend's suggestion.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ You could be surprised by an unexpected communication. Know that your initial reaction could be off. Take time to regroup. Your perception about a change

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Tonight: Balance your checkbook first, then decide.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ You beam, and others seem to respond. The problem at this point is that you are unpredictable. Your desires could change from one day to the next. Others might find it difficult to be the recipients of your varying whims and moods. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

 $\star \star \star$ You might not be revealing the whole story, as you understand a lot more than others give you credit for. You might act in a most unexpected manner. Be more lively and upbeat. Don't allow someone to pressure you. Tonight: Not to be found.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

★★★★ Listen to what is being shared. Your perspective might be much different than you realize. Recognize that others do not perceive a situation in the same way you do. Lighten up when dealing with a friend. A meeting reveals new ideas. Tonight: Where the action is.

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