FAMILY CIRCUS | BILL KEANE



"If I get lost, I'll come back here to wait for you. Could I have a dollar, just in case."

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HI AND LOIS | BRIAN AND GREG WALKER



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Wife Learns Man Was Seeking **More Than Exercise At The Gym**

DEAR ABBY: I have been with my husband for 10 years. We were married six months ago. Before the wedding, we had some breakups. During one of them, he dated another woman briefly. The encounter led to her becoming pregnant, and she gave birth to a boy who is now a year old. I learned about her and her pregnancy five months before our wedding, but we have been able to work through it with intense counseling.

Last week, I received a Facebook message from a woman who advised me that my husband had approached her at the gym and said he was single, so they went on a date. After our wedding he stopped seeing her, but continued contacting her. She figured something was up, and found pictures of me and my husband on Facebook. When she told him she knew he was married, he stopped calling and texting. She said she knew him for only a week and didn't have sex with him.

When I confronted him, he said he had made a "mistake." He apologized and said it wouldn't happen again. He said he no longer sees her, but how can I ever trust him again? Please tell me what to do. – THE NEW MRS. IN KANSAS

DEAR NEW MRS.: After what happened, I don't blame you for distrusting your husband. He had every intention of starting a sexual relationship with the woman at the gym, and would have if she hadn't researched him.

The man you married appears to have a serious character defect. It's up to you to decide if you are willing to tolerate another 'lapse," should it occur. Some women are willing to stay married to a womanizer, but others don't want to put up with the pain. I can't decide that for you, but some sessions with a psychologist may help you make a well-thought-out decision.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a girl in my early teens. Recently I attended a family gathering at my grandparents' home. While I was upstairs

alone, my 14-year-old cousin "Jared" asked to see my boobs. When I told him no, he immediately made me promise not to tell anyone. I'm afraid of Jared now and I need help. What should I do? – FREAKED OUT IN INDIÂNA

DEAR FREAKED OUT: Some promises are supposed to be kept. Others can be dangerous. It is important to know the difference.

What you should do is tell your mother what happened. Jared's parents need to be aware so they can talk with him about appropriate behavior because his wasn't, and he could land in serious trouble if he doesn't learn about boundaries.

DEAR ABBY: Recently, my mother divorced her second husband (not my father). It was ugly. She has been **DEAR ABBY** down in the dumps, and I'm doing Jeanne Phillips my best to console her. She wants

to get rid of his last name, which is understandable, but she wants to change it to MY married last name, so "we'll all have the same family name.

I think it's kind of sweet. My husband doesn't mind. A few family members think this is crazy. What say you, Abby? – LISA IN NEW

DEAR LISA: Although it's unusual, if you and your husband have no objection, I think the other family members should stay out of

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JACQUELINE 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 Cancer and a Moon in Libra.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2015:

This year you open up more to those who are involved in your day-to-day life. Though you can be very business-oriented, your domestic life takes a higher priority. You value your home life, and you display your caring through it. Some of you might remodel your home or decide to move. If you are single, you will entertain a lot. A party at your place could set the scene for meeting someone who adds a great deal of romance to your life. If you are attached, the two of you often go off together just to share the closeness you value. You are also likely to spend some money on an item that improves your communication. LIBRA helps you feel cen-

tered and appreciated. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Dif-

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

 $\star\star\star\star$ You might want to remain mellow, yet everyone else seems to keep popping up with surprises. A friend could become far more challenging and demanding than you had anticipated. Communicate what you want in an assertive but unemotional way. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★ Keep an even pace right now. You might get news that could cause you to falter, but ultimately it will allow you to head into new territory. Your understanding of a difficult situation involving a close associate suddenly will become much clĕarer. Tonight: Get enough sleep.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

*** You'll feel more playful and dynamic.

You might want to try something new and totally different. Open up to different possibilities and remain easygoing. Be willing to renegotiate what you want if you're not satisfied with someone else's offer. Tonight: Time to have some fun.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★ You come from a place of security and understanding. Someone close to you might decide to challenge you. Before you know it, you could be in a power play that you don't want to be involved in. Pull back. Tonight: Let someone else worry about dinner plans.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★ ★ ★ You might wake up on the wrong side

of the bed, but you'll regroup quickly. You seem to have a different perspective from that of others. Start asking questions. By the late afternoon, you could feel as if anything is possible. Tonight: Find out what everyone else is doing.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

* * * * You could say what you want, and you might mean it; however, your ability to bypass a problem will emerge with a more diplomatic response. There is a midpoint where others will be satisfied. Understand the importance of finding some common ground. Tonight: As you wish.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-0CT. 22)

★★★★ Your ability to get past a problem is remarkable to many people, but to you it is second nature. Avoid a controlling individual at all costs. You might be full of energy right now and want to duke it out with this person. Walk away if need be. Tonight: Try something different.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

* * * You might be more direct and open with someone than you have been. Understand that there is a change afoot. Know that you don't need to say anything. A non-reaction will trigger this person even more, as he or she might be losing control. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

*** * * Your effectiveness will be highlighted a meeting. Others might challenge some of details, but you'll come out on top regardless. You are likely to have an offer come your way that could be the source of a new friendship. Tonight: Relax to some great music with friends.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

**** You might be surprised by what goes on in the next few days. Try not to insist on having things go your way; instead, demonstrate a desire to be more open-minded. You'll be surprised by how receptive others will become. Tonight: Could

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

* * * * You might wonder what is going on with a child or loved one. Detach some, and you probably will be able to gain a better understanding of the dynamics involved with this person's life. As a result, you will be able to relate on a deeper level. Tonight: Where the action is.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

* * * ★ Relate to others on an individual level. You'll gain a lot of vital information that could affect various areas of your life. Be more open, and you will get a positive response. Your intuition serves you well at the moment; listen to it. Tonight: Have a discussion over dinner.

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