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Freeloader May Have To Pay The Price For Lost Friends

DEAR ABBY

Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I have been best friends with "Jean" ever since grade school. We get along great, except for one thing — she's a cheapskate! Jean is single and still lives with her parents; I am a single mother living on my own. We earn about the same amount of money.

Whenever Jean is invited out for drinks, she brings only enough cash for one drink, and then comments loudly that she doesn't have enough money on her for another one and waits until someone offers to pay for it. When going out to eat, she eats at home first, and then asks to "sample" everyone else's food. If she wants to see a movie, she makes sure to bring a date to pay for her ticket.

I think her stingy behavior is keeping her from having serious relationships because she expects to pay for nothing. It has reached the point where I don't want to do anything with her because of her penny-pinching ways. Mutual friends have asked me to speak to her. What can I say to keep my friendship intact? — SEPARATE CHECKS, PLEASE, IN OHIO

DEAR SEPARATE CHECKS: Because you have reached the point that your relationship with Jean is in jeopardy, talk with her about how her behavior has affected you. But do not allow yourself to be the appointed spokeswoman for anyone else. And unless you know for a fact that her stingy behavior is keeping her from having serious relationships with men, keep it to yourself.

In the future, if you go out with Jean and she says she didn't bring enough money for a second drink, allow her to suffer the consequences. And when she asks to "sample" what you're eating, tell her calmly you'd rather she didn't. I agree that when behavior like hers becomes a pattern — and the person is able to pay but is mooching — that it's

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 Gemini and a Moon in Libra.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2014:

This year you blaze a new path, and you're more willing to take a gamble on your ideas. A partner, friend or associate supports you, and he or she feels as strongly as you do about your decisions. If you are single, a romance could emerge from this association, and it is likely to become quite important to you. Expect things to heat up as soon as summer starts. If you are attached, the two of you enjoy each other's company a lot. LIBRA loves to be around you.

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)

★★★★ The presence of others inevitably involves you in their plans. If you don't want to head in this direction, buck the trend. Follow your chosen direction as politely as possible. Your thoughts and energy could be elsewhere; direct them accordingly. Tonight: Meet up with friends. obnoxious. But it won't be corrected by enabling her, and that is what everyone has been doing.

> DEAR ABBY: Because I'm a florist, my niece asked me to do the flowers for her wedding. I gladly agreed.

> "Misty" put the priest through a lot to make this a very special occasion. She hadn't attended church prior to the wedding. When the priest asked Misty for a contribution to the church for having her wedding there, she was miffed. I asked her, "Who do you think pays the utilities and upkeep for the church for one-time users like you?" She hasn't spoken to me since! Was I wrong? — MIFFED MYSELF IN NEW

YORK DEAR MIFFED: Wrong? You gave your niece a dose of reality, and stated it very well. It appears Misty has some growing up to do. Perhaps when her "bridal fever" subsides, she will realize that life isn't one freebie after another, and offer the apology she owes you.

P.S. I hope she thanked you for the flowers.

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Accept the one where you will be most physically active. You could feel awkward with a loved one. Tonight: Dance the night away.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★★ Curb a need to be overly possessive and in control. That isn't how you typically are, so ask yourself how you can let go and head in a more positive direction. You might want to spend more than you should. Try to stay within your budget. Tonight: Accept a treat.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-0CT. 22)

★★★★ Beam in what you want. Others can't resist you when you express the sunny side of your personality. A key loved one won't be able to say "no" to you. Let others figure out what they want to do; it could be amusing. Tonight: No matter where you are, you will be noticed.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★ Listen more and speak less. You could be sitting on some anger that might explode if it's not handled properly. Try to understand these feelings, and share them in a way that they can be heard. Caring grows because of your willingness to be vulnerable. Tonight: Don't ask, don't tell.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Your popularity and the demands of others could be overwhelming. You know how to multitask, but with this much going on, you might



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TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★ You deserve some time off from the overwhelming demands of others. If you want to cocoon at home, do. No one can say anything about taking some personal time, as you give so much in general. Screen your calls, and do what you want. Tonight: Keep it easy.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ You naturally choose fun plans. Your unusually high energy needs to be funneled into something you enjoy. Make choices that allow your self-expression to come through. Be direct with others. Tonight: Do not allow someone's comments to bother you.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ Keep communication flowing, even if you want to end the topic of conversation. You need to hear what someone else has to say. This doesn't mean you have to agree. Avoid a disagreement by respecting the other party's feelings and ideas. Tonight: Do what you want.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You don't need to stretch far to find agreeable plans that you'll enjoy. In fact, you might already have several invitations that appeal to you.

BABY BLUES | RICK KIRKMAN AND JERRY SCOTT



CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

★★★★ You might be involved with a project, or perhaps you have to deal with a parent or friend. Once you fulfill your obligations, you'll have every reason to relax. Allow your sense of fun to emerge. What a good time you will have! Tonight: Choose something different.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

★★★★ You have a way of letting go and escaping the here-and-now that others wish they could replicate. You are unlikely to be found at your normal haunts. Remember that you do not need to tell people where you are. A new friendship might be building. Tonight: Go with the moment.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

★★★★ Deal with a loved one directly. You will be far more successful if you relate on an individual level today. You'll seek one special person whom you would like to spend time with. Nevertheless, you can't just ignore everyone else. Tonight: Add some romance.

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