



ASK DEANNA!
*Real People,
Real Advice*

Ask Deanna! Is an advice column known for its fearless approach to reality-based subjects!

Dear Deanna!

I need some help really fast. My teenage daughter is a junior in high school and thinks she can disrespect me. I'm a small woman and she's bigger than I am. Recently, she put her finger in my face and she's started shoving me. I've never hit my daughter but feel that now I need to. Is there a way to talk to her and bring her back down to earth without getting physical?

DeLeisa
Indianapolis, IN

Dear DeLeisa:

When a child gets physical with a parent, you have the option to choose a body slam, a drop kick in the chest or a karate chop in the throat. Regardless of your daughter's age, you need to make it clear that you're the parent and she will not be placing her hands on you. You can talk all you want, but if you don't send the message with some physical force, you'll find your face cracked and on the ground.

Dear Deanna!

I made myself get out of an abusive relationship. I was beaten, verbally abused, raped and tormented on a daily basis for almost 3-years. I had convinced myself that I loved this man and his abuse was his way of showing affection. I'm at a point now where I feel as if I've moved on. However, my ex-boyfriend is now trying to come back and he's convinced me that he's changed. Should I give him another chance?

Rebecca
Buffalo, NY

Dear Rebecca:

If you go back, be sure you have your funeral arrangements in order or get ready for a life of misery. This man treats you worse than a dog and has no respect, care or love for you. If you made it out of the situation, then you need to use your brains and stay out. No, you shouldn't give him another chance to assault you, insult your womanhood or risk killing you. The writing's on the wall—just make sure you read it.

Dear Deanna!

What do you do when your husband gets fat and out of shape? When we were married, he was in shape; he would go to the gym and kept things together. Now he's comfortable and has gained a lot of weight. It turns me off so bad that I can't be intimate. This is causing us to argue a lot and he tells me that I have to take him as he is because he's not changing. What can I do about this?

Lorraine
Jacksonville, FL

Dear Lorraine:

If you're responsible for the cooking, then perhaps you can transition to a healthier lifestyle. The key to supporting your husbands weight loss is encouragement instead of criticism. Highlight the health benefits and let him know that you're with him every step of the way. If no, I suggest you eat some snacks, put some junk in your trunk and be fat and happy together.

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Ciara leads Vibe Awards tally

NEW YORK (AP) - Ciara will have a fightin' chance to bring home the most Vibe Awards at this year's hip-hop and R&B awards show. She leads the field with five nominations, including artist of the year.

The magazine hopes to avoid last year's onstage scuffle in which Jimmy James Johnson emerged from the audience and punched Dr. Dre, setting off a chair-throwing brawl. Johnson was then allegedly stabbed by rapper Young Buck. Johnson was sentenced in September to a year in jail after he pleaded guilty to punching the rap mogul. Young Buck, whose real name is David Darnell Brown, has pleaded not guilty and is free on bail awaiting trial.

This year's ceremony will be taped Nov. 12 in Los Angeles, with the show to air Nov. 15 (8 p.m. EST) on UPN. Vibe announced the nominations for its awards on Monday.



Ciara was selected in five categories.

In addition to Ciara, nominees for artist of the year are Kanye West, Mariah Carey, John Legend and 50 Cent, who each have four nominations.

Nominees for album of the year are "Get Lifted" by Legend, "Late Registration" by West, "The Documentary" by The Game, "The Emancipation of Mimi" by Mariah Carey and "The Naked Truth" by Lil' Kim.

Lil' Kim won't be able to attend the ceremony. She is serving a 366-day sentence at a federal detention center in Philadelphia for lying to a grand jury investigating a 2001 shootout involving members of her entourage and a clique loyal to her archenemy, rapper Foxy Brown.

Nominees for best rapper are West, 50 Cent, Ludacris, The Game and T.I.

Other aVibe recognition ward categories include "realest video, video goddess and street anthem."

Wilson left big mark on Black culture

PITTSBURGH (AP) - Admirers of playwright August Wilson vowed Saturday at his funeral to ensure that future generations are exposed to Wilson's tales of Black struggle in 20th century America.

The two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning Wilson died of liver cancer Oct. 2 in Seattle. He was 60.

"You will not be a footnote in American history. We guarantee the young kids will know who August Wilson is," Kenny Leon, artistic director for the True Colors Theater Company in Atlanta, told several hundred dignitaries, theater celebrities and others who gathered for the service at the Soldiers and Sailors National Military Museum and Memorial.

Leon, a Broadway veteran, directed "Gem of the Ocean" on Broadway and Wilson's most recent play, "Radio Golf," in Los Angeles.

The funeral was held in Wilson's hometown of Pittsburgh, the setting for nine plays in his epic 10-play cycle that explored Black America.

The series included such dramas as "Fences," "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom" and "The Piano Lesson," which starred veteran stage, TV and movie actor Charles S. Dutton.

"When I read 'The Piano Lesson,' I realized it encompassed the entire African-American experience," Dutton said after the funeral. "August Wilson's legacy is as important as Martin Luther King's legacy, as im-



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portant as Malcolm X's legacy and as important as Nat Turner."

During the funeral, jazz trumpeter Wynton Marsalis played "Danny Boy," moving the audience to tears. Minutes later, he broke into a jazzier, upbeat number, bringing people to their feet to dance, clap and tap their

shoes to the beat.



Actors Dutton, Phylicia Rashad, Anthony Chisholm and Ruben Santiago-Hudson read passages from four of Wilson's plays.

"Death ain't nothing but a fastball on the outside corner, and you know what I'll do to that," Dutton said, reading from "Fences."

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