



## ASK DEANNA! Real People, Real Advice

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

Dear Deanna!

I work two jobs because my wife got laid off. She's never satisfied; and when I think about it, I'm breaking my neck and she spends money left and right. I don't have a problem with this, but if she wants to have her glamorous lifestyle, she needs to get a job. When I approach her, she claims she can't find work, but she's not looking. I'm tired and want to rest, but I also want to keep my wife happy but don't know how.

Joel  
Omaha, NE

Dear Joel:

Shut her down, close your wallet and take the credit cards immediately. If your wife won't work, then you need to make her an item on the budget and give her a monthly allowance. Once her money runs out, then oh well. She's stuck until the next cycle or until she gets a job. This may not make your wife happy but at least you'll still be around to see her.

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Dear Deanna!

My husband is addicted to Internet pornography. I feel very insulted because it's rude and disrespectful. We've argued often because I've asked him to entertain himself with the computer when I'm not around. He will access things on the screen while I'm in the room and I can't take it. The cost and charges on our credit cards and bank account is another story. What do I do before this ruins my marriage, which I see happening?

Insulted Wife  
Online Reader

Dear Insulted:

You can solve this problem in five minutes and never leave your home. Call your telephone company and have your telephone service disconnected because without phone service, your husband can't access the Internet. Be sure to have a cell phone handy and prepare for the storm. Take this opportunity to suggest counseling. And if the phones come back on, your husband has to choose between you or the cyber chicks.

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Dear Deanna!

I made the mistake and tried to help a friend that got evicted from her apartment. She has three children and I feel as if I'm living in a tornado. These kids have no home training, constantly spill food and are always dirty. I'm really losing my mind because you would think they were deaf the way the television is on full blast. The way my home looks and the stress I feel makes me willing to lose the friendship if I kick her out. What do I do?

Anonymous  
Jacksonville, FL

Dear Anonymous:

There may be more to the story of why she got evicted in the first place. If you value your sanity and possessions, help her plan her next move. Be mature and have a discussion without placing the blame on the children and express your desire to reclaim your space. Have a few applications available and some cash to speed the process. This approach should save your friendship and also get the tiny terrors out the door quick, fast and in a hurry.

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# New shoes on the other feet

The 14th Annual Shoes for Children shoe drive on Saturday drew a who's who of local talent. Held at the West Las Vegas Library Theater, the event featured music, singing and dramatization. Organized by "Sweet" Lou Collins and Life Long Dreams co-founders Tshlene Henreid and Cathy Warriner, in conjunction with the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District, the charity event resulted in hundreds of shoes donated to needy children throughout the Valley. Admission to the performance, which featured a wide range of musical entertainment, was a pair of new shoes. Donations are being accepted at libraries through Friday.



Lady V

Sentinel-Voice photos  
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## Akon admits tossing fan off stage

FISHKILL, N.Y. (AP) — Hip-hop star Akon has pleaded guilty to harassment for tossing a fan off stage at an upstate New York concert last year.

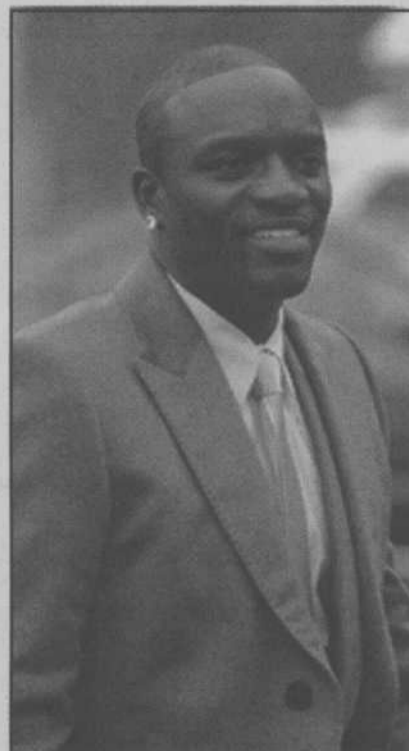
He will serve no jail time as long he performs 65 hours of community service and pays a \$250 fine, according to the plea bargain in Fishkill Town Court.

The 35-year-old singer threw a teenage boy off the stage during a June 2007 concert at a minor league baseball stadium near Poughkeepsie.

Another concertgoer said she suffered a concussion when the teen landed on her.

Witnesses said a spectator threw something at Akon during the show at Dutchess Stadium. After he asked the crowd to point out the culprit, a security guard picked up a 15-year-old boy and sent him up to the stage. Akon hoisted the teen onto his shoulders and flung him into the crowd. The incident was caught on videotape.

After the plea, Akon shook hands



Hip-hop artist Akon

with Anthony Smith, the now 16-year-old fan, and apologized to him and his parents.

Akon declined comment as he left, but Andrea Zellan, his lawyer, issued a written statement saying, "We are pleased that the case has been resolved and Akon looks forward to putting this unfortunate incident behind him."

Akon, born Aliaune Thiam, was originally charged with misdemeanor endangering the welfare of a minor and second-degree harassment, a violation.

Dutchess County Assistant District Attorney Anthony Parisi could not immediately be reached for comment immediately.

Before the New York incident, Akon drew criticism when he was videotaped simulating sex onstage with a teenage girl during an April 2007 concert in Trinidad. He later apologized and said he hadn't know the girl was underage.

His third album, "Freedom," was released earlier this month.