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Rude to bring boyfriend? Tomorrow's horoscope

Dear Annie: My cousin is getting married soon and another cousin's girlfriend was invited. They have been dating for years, and I really like her. The problem is, my boyfriend was not invited, even though we, too, have been dating for years. A lot of that was long distance, so many of my family members have not yet met him.

When I received my wedding invitation, it was addressed only to me. I was wondering whether it would be rude to ask my cousin whether I could bring my boyfriend. I don't want to create any problems, but this would be the first family event that my boyfriend could attend and I'd like everyone to meet him.

If he cannot attend, I will still go and make sure my cousin's special day is perfect. — Don't Want to Cause Tension

Dear Don't: We commend you for being understanding. It is generally expected that both parties of an established couple are invited, but we double-checked with Lizzie Post of the Emily Post Institute, who said it is not proper for you to ask. Your cousin apparently didn't know that your relationship was steady and ongoing and the couple may not have felt obligat-



ed to include someone they didn't know. They also may not have

We think it would be a good idea if you found a way to introduce your boyfriend to your cousin before the wedding. Perhaps the two of you could take the bridal couple out to dinner to celebrate. You might also consider having a small party to introduce him to your relatives so they have an opportunity to get to know him.

Dear Annie: My sister does not have her own email address or Facebook page. Everything is in her husband's name. That means he sees everything I send to her.

There are times when I would like to send stuff to my sister in private. I'm not asking her to hide anything important from her husband, but I don't see the point of him being able to read everything I send. Sometimes there are personal things between sisters that I'd prefer she not share, although if she chooses to, that would be her choice. It wouldn't be because he is reading them anyway. Knowing that he is looking at everything I send changes the way I write to her and makes it less sisterly.

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I don't understand why she refuses to create her own accounts. It's not that difficult. What's up with this? — Annoyed Sis

Dear Annoyed: Have you asked your sister directly why her accounts are in her husband's name? Perhaps it was a mutual decision allowing both of them to have access to each other's communications and social media posts. This is sometimes a trust issue and not your business. Or maybe she can't be bothered to set up her own, in which case, you can offer to do it for her.

We understand that this annoys you, but it's not your decision. If you need to say something to your sister that you'd prefer her husband not be privy to, we recommend the old-fashioned way: Pick up the telephone or meet her for coffee. Those types of personal communication are still quite ef-

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Because you are both wise and sophisticated, you are able to give your full attention to people whose opinions are dead wrong without feeling the need to prove the error of their ways.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The things vou used to do to cut loose no longer relax you like they used to. It's time to find a new way. There's a project that's been calling you for a while now. It may be the most relaxing way you could possibly spend your time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). In theory, the people close to you should be the ones who support you the best. And vet today you'll get your best (and most impactful) support from a perfect stranger.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You think you know what you like to do, but today will surprise you. Something you thought you would find uninteresting will fascinate you, and you'll gladly go along for the ride.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). When the challenges are not big enough, you get bored. Bored people tend to create bigger challenges for themselves, and this could take a destructive form. Avoid boredom by going for appropriately sized challenges.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). While you prefer to go under the radar today and will duck from public praise, privately it's important that you acknowledge your talents and commit to nurturing them. Others are depending on you to be your best.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's no reason to struggle with new ideas. Just accept them. You may not agree, but you don't have to agree to observe what is. The true concepts will sink in immediately. Learning comes naturally for you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). So many times you have started out with next to nothing and made something of it - proof that you're a powerful creator. Now calm down and become mindful of what you are secretly wishing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Doing any one thing too long will get tedious, and so hopefully you've planned at least five different things to move around and do. If not, no worries - cancellations will create

room for you to roam freely. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It's so rewarding to contribute to the success of a team and take the win home with the whole group. That's why you're not so concerned about who did what today. The camaraderie you feel overrides such worries.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Factors that are out of your control (like children, large groups, pets, traffic, weather, urgent situations) will ruin your punctual, courteous style unless you allow large margins of time for whatever comes up.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The other person's fate is connected to yours. That's what limits you and frees you. You do more because you have to — for them. You do less because you can't — because of them.

TUESDAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 11). Your heart will lead you to happy arrangements. The agreement you sign in September will seem hard to fulfill at first, and then easier than you ever imagined. A playful influence makes the end of the year memorable. January brings students who desperately need you. Romance will have you floating in February. Cancer and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 45, 12, 3, 36 and 47.

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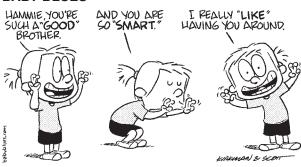
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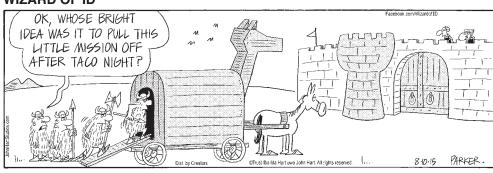
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