



Ask Deanna!

Real People, Real Advice

An advice column known for reality based subjects!

Dear Deanna!

My daughter ended a relationship that was abusive, degrading and disrespectful. We went through the hassle of moving her to another location, helping get her a new job and a new school for the children. As soon as she gets some money

saved, a few new friends and things look promising, she lets her boyfriend come back. We're losing our minds because he's put her in the hospital, took her money and everything else. What can I say to get through to her? --Mad Mother; On-Line Reader

Dear Mad Mother:

Have a talk with your daughter and let her know that she can't smell the roses if she's dead. Relationships can make people do crazy things including hurting the ones they love. Your daughter has low self esteem

and only counseling and strong family intervention can help. As a mother you need to stand by your daughter, love her and try not to be judgmental as she gets it together and hopefully she'll see the reality of the monster she's with before it's too late.

Dear Deanna!

I'm a senior citizen female and I'm very active in all areas of my life with no plans to slow down. I've worked hard enough in my lifetime and now I want to enjoy myself and do as I please. My

adult children have an issue with my lifestyle and feel I should be at home watching television or being a grandmother. I refuse to be something I'm not and if I want to be intimate, socialize or spend my money it's my business. --Geraldine Thomas; Ft. Worth, Texas

Dear Geraldine:

If you have pep in your step and can get moving then your children can eat your dust and let you continue living your life. You've paid your dues and you're entitled to more

than babysitting and planting flowers if your foot isn't on a banana peel. However, you still need to practice caution and good judgment in all areas. You may be mature and wise and financially stable, but sexual diseases and HIV doesn't discriminate.

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