Neil Patrick Harris and David Burtka Share Italian Wedding Photo



By Amanda Boyer

On September 6th in Perugia, Italy, *How I Met Your Mother* star Neil Patrick Harris and his partner David Burtka finally tied the knot after a long wait. To celebrate their special day, their soon-to-be 4-year-old twins Harper and Gideon joined them dressed in cute wedding attire as well. According to *People*, the ceremony was small and intimate and included their close family and friends.

What are some ways to incorporate your children in wedding festivities?

Cupid's Advice:

Want to include your kids in your special day? Cupid has some tips for you:

1. Have them speak: Your kids saw how your love story came to be, so why not have them make a small toast or do a reading showing their love to their new family and happy parent?

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2. Put them in the party: Maybe they are old enough to be a junior bridesmaid, or maybe they are young enough to be your flower girl. Either way, get them involved in a special way!

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3. Have them help plan: Need more opinions? They can surely add a unique taste to your wedding.

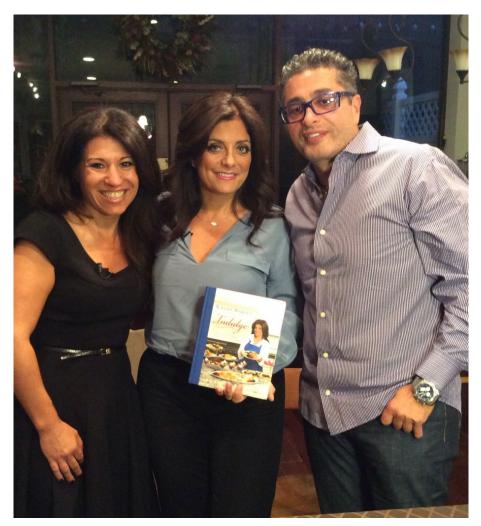
Have another way you integrated your children? Comment here!

'RHONJ' Star Kathy Wakile Talks Desserts in Celebrity Video Interview: "Indulge. It's Not Going to Kill You!"





Interview by Lori Bizzoco. Video by Damian Kolodiy. Kathy Wakile first captured our hearts as a cast member of *Real Housewives of New Jersey (RHONJ)*, and now, she's enchanting our taste buds with her dessert line Dolci Della Dea and her cookbook *Indulge: Delicious Little Desserts That Keep Life Real Sweet*, which was released on September 2nd. Earlier this week, the reality TV star did a book signing at the Boulevard Books & Cafe in Brooklyn. In our celebrity video interview, we got the latest scoop on her decadent desserts, the upcoming season of *RHONJ*, and life at home with her family.



Lori Bizzoco with Kathy Wakile and her husband Richard.

Reality TV Star Dishes on New Cookbook

As fans may know, the title of her cookbook came from something she said on *RHONJ*: "We were talking about my desserts, and I mentioned how I see really, really skinny girls who deprive themselves of everything and who aren't happy. So I said, "Honey, have a cupcake. Indulge. It's not going to kill you!'" With that thought in mind, Wakile focused on mini desserts, so people can enjoy something sweet without feeling guilty afterwards. She adds, "We want them to look good and taste good, but we don't have to have such large portions."

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When it comes to impressing your partner, her best love advice is simple: She recommends baking her Chocolate Volcanoes. As she mentioned after our interview, "It should be served hot – and it'll make your man feel hot too!" It's no surprise that it's her husband Richard's favorite dessert. Another great date night dessert is the Almond Joyous Cheesecake Cuties (recipe below) – perfect for sharing with your cutie!



Almond Joyous Cheesecake Cuties. Photo: Andrei Jackamets

Almond Joyous Cheesecake Cuties – makes 2 dozen

CRUST

- 2 large egg whites
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup granulated sugar

2 cups sweetened flaked coconut

TOPPING

- ¹₂ cup sour cream
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon almond extract

FILLING

Two 8-ounce packages cream cheese, at room temperature

- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup granulated sugar
- 3 large eggs
- 3 tablespoons sour cream
- 3 tablespoons heavy cream
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- 2 teaspoons coconut extract
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup almonds, toasted and finely chopped

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Sliced almonds, for garnish

EQUIPMENT

Two 12-cavity mini cheesecake pans

Food processor

Electric mixer

Small pastry tamper, optional

2 large rimmed baking sheets

- Preheat the oven to 350°F with one rack positioned in the center of the oven and another rack positioned at the bottom of the oven. Fill a broiler pan or roasting pan with about 2 inches of water and set it on the bottom rack.
- To make the crust, combine the egg whites with the sugar in a medium bowl and use an electric mixer to beat to very stiff peaks. Use a rubber spatula to fold in the coconut until well combined.
- Scoop about 1 tablespoon of the mixture into each cavity in the mini cheesecake pan and use the back of the measuring spoon to firmly compress the mixture into an even layer about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick.
- Set aside.
- To make the almond topping, in a small bowl stir together the sour cream, sugar, and almond extract. Set aside. To make the filling, in a separate bowl beat together the cream cheese and sugar with an electric mixer at medium speed until smooth and creamy. Beat in each egg separately and scrape down the bowl after each addition. Continue to mix at medium speed and add the sour cream, heavy cream, almond extract, and coconut extract.
- Set the cheesecake pans on rimmed baking sheets (this will make it easier to get them in and out of the oven).
 Press the crust down again to ensure that it is well packed.
- Transfer the filling to a large measuring cup with a spout and pour enough filling into each cavity of the pans to fill a bit more than three-quarters of the way up to the rim.
- Bake for 7 minutes at 350°F then lower the temperature to 250°F and bake 10 to 12 more minutes, or just until the surfaces of the cuties are set at the outer edges but still wobbly in the center. (Keep a close eye on them!
- Take the pans out of the oven and divide the almond

topping among the cakes, spooning an even layer onto each and smoothing the tops with the back of the spoon. Top with the chopped almonds, then return the pans to the oven and bake for an additional 7 minutes. (They'll still look wet, but they will set as they cool.)

- Let the cakes cool in the pans for 3 to 5 minutes, then run the tip of a very sharp knife around the top edge of each cake (this will unstick any topping that has adhered to the side of the pan and help the cake come out of the pan easily and flawlessly once they are cool.) Don't try to add the chocolate ganache or unmold the cakes while they are still warm!
- Let the cuties cool in the pans all the way to room temperature, at least 30 minutes. Then chill in pans for 2 hours before unmolding and topping with ganache.
- Carefully unmold the cuties by pressing the little round disk underneath each cake upward to raise the cake so that its bottom is level with the pan rim, then slide a small spatula underneath the cake.
- To cover the cuties with ganache, arrange the unmolded cheesecakes on a wire rack that's sitting on a parchment-lined baking sheet. Use an offset spatula or butter knife to carefully apply a thin layer of ganache to the tops and sides of each cutie. Let dry, then go over the cheesecakes again to smooth out any spots you may have missed, working from the top first and then down around the sides (dipping the spatula or knife in hot water and wiping dry periodically will also help keep the ganache smooth).
- Garnish with sliced almonds and refrigerate 6 hours or overnight before serving. (You could chill the cuties overnight before adding ganache, then chill more briefly just to set the ganache. The cuties can be kept in the refrigerator for 3 days and are also freezable.)

Ganache – makes about $\frac{3}{4}$ cup

8 ounces bittersweet or semisweet chocolate, chopped

 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup heavy cream

2 tablespoons unsalted butter

- Combine the chocolate, cream, and butter in a small heatproof bowl. Set the bowl over a saucepan of barely simmering water. Cook, stirring occasionally, until the chocolate is melted and the mixture is very smooth.
- Let the ganache cool to room temperature before using.

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Celebrity Video Interview: Kathy Wakile Opens Up About Her Family

Although the mom of two focused on her cookbook over the past few months, she will be gracing the small screen towards the end of season six of *RHONJ*. "You'll see what's happening with my family and see how my children have grown. You'll see what's happening with our everyday lives," she explains.



Kathy Wakile at her book signing at Boulevard Books & Cafe.

Speaking of her family, the reality TV star reveals that her daughter Victoria is doing well after battling her second benign brain tumor. "She's a strong, brave girl, and she's just more motivated than ever," she says with a smile. Of how she got through such a difficult time, she credits the power of prayer. "I don't feel like it was me doing everything. I feel like God was carrying me through."

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Of course, the New Jersey native isn't done expanding her empire just yet. Next up is a cookbook of Mediterranean-based appetizers and small plates. As she explains, "I get a chance to show my love through my cooking!"

Keep up with Kathy on Twitter @KathyWakile. You can purchase her cookbook Indulge: Delicious Little Desserts That Keep Life Real Sweet at your local bookstore or on Amazon.

New Famous Couple Neil Young and Daryl Hannah Spotted Following His Celebrity Divorce





By <u>Jessica DeRubbo</u>

New <u>famous couple</u> alert! Rock legend Neil Young is dating actress and activist Daryl Hannah. A source said, "She's a huge Neil fan. They've known each other for years." The new matchup comes one month after Young, 68, filed for a celebrity divorce from his wife of 36 years, Pegi Young. Will this celebrity romance endure the long-haul or quickly fall apart?

This rocker moved on quickly after his celebrity divorce. What are some ways to know it's time to move on from your own divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

After a long marriage and a painful divorce, it can be tough to know when it's time to pick back up and move on. Cupid has some love advice that this new famous couple could also benefit from: 1. Check your heart: Has your heart healed enough to let someone new in? It's important to allow ample time to recover before jumping into a new relationship and love. This not only protects you but also your potential rebound selection.

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2. Wrap it up: It's often easiest if there are no lingering questions surrounding your divorce before you move onto a new relationship. The divorce process is one of the biggest pieces of "baggage" someone can have, and it makes things much simpler if everything has been organized and dealt with *before* a new relationship begins.

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3. You've gone through the stages: As with any tragedy, there are stages of grief to cope with. Make sure you're through anger and intense sadness before drawing anyone else into your world. This can save a lot of hurt down the line.

What are some other ways you to know it's time to move on after a divorce? Share your own love advice below!

Khloe Kardashian Says French Montana is Too Needy





By <u>Sarah Batcheller</u>

Eight months into what has been somewhat of a controversial relationship, Khloe Kardashian and rapper boyfriend French Montana are taking a break, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Montana was previously scrutinized by Khloe's family and fans when he admitted he was capitalizing on all the attention he began to receive when he started dating the youngest of the Kardashian princesses. Now, he is apparently behaving in too much of a needy and dependent fashion, as Khloe has decided to take a breather from their intense relationship.

How do you know when you need to step back from a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

1. You've been having the same arguments repeatedly: If you and your boo are continuously arguing over the same topics, it may be time to clear your head, and find out if these arguments are even worth having. If you're always entangled in the same issue, you probably don't even know where your feelings and/or opinions stand anymore, so you definitely benefit from some "me time". That way, you can step back into the relationship with a reinvigorated sense of self, and determine whether or not your love is worth fighting for.

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2. You never have time for the rest of your loved ones: If your partner is constantly nagging and guilt-tripping you into seeing them, and you're sick of not spending time with anyone but them, you may need to give them a reality check by asking to not spend time together for a while. It's unhealthy to not spend quality time with family and friends, especially when the cause is that you're being choked to death by your significant other. If you're losing the rest of your life over a relationship, re-examine your priorities.

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3. Your lover never has time for YOU: We are all all-toofamiliar with the agonizing pain of staring at a phone screen with an unanswered text, or going two weeks without going on a date with your partner. If you feel you're not getting the time with them that you deserve, you may want to take a break to see what it's like to not expect anything from them. This way, you may either realize that you both just have busy schedules you need to manage, or that you don't matter to them much after all. Either way, only some time to yourself will provide you with the clarity you need.

What are some other tell-tale signs it's time to step back from your relationship? Share your comments below.

'Bachelor In Paradise' Star Michelle Money Says, "I am the Luckiest Girl in the Whole World!"



By Ann Luther

The Bachelor in Paradise finale did not disappoint. Host Chris Harrison promised us drama, and as always, he delivered. In the end, it came down to three couples: adorable Sarah Herron and Robert Graham, solid Lacy Faddoul and Marcus Grodd, and wild cards Michelle Money and Cody Sattler. Then, Harrison rolled in with overnight date cards for the love birds, giving them time to work it out (and *work it out*) before the final day in paradise. **Related Link:** <u>'Bachelor in Paradise' Star Michelle Money on</u> <u>Relationships, Love and Cody Sattler</u>

After the dates, Herron and Graham broke up and headed home. Of course, Faddoul and Grodd emerged from their room as engrossed as ever. And by a *huge* surprise, Money, who entered the date as unsure as one can be, and Sattler, both glowing, sauntered into the hut "satisfied" and "sore." Money even gushed, "I have a boyfriend!"



Cody Sattler and Michelle Money share a moment on set after the final rose ceremony. Photo courtesy of Michelle Money's Instagram

After Money and Sattler exchanged roses, a very nervous Grodd took his girl down to the beach and proposed! Faddoul said yes, and they formally accepted each other's last roses. With intrigue and endings that happy, it's no wonder *BIP* has already been green-lighted for a sophomore season.

Intertwined in all the twists and turns of the episode was the internal struggle within Money to accept the love that Sattler was offering not only her but her young daughter too. The personal trainer was so sweet and patient with her as she hesitated throughout most of their time together. The Utah hairstylist said in interviews that he wasn't the type of guy she usually pursued. She also expressed feelings of being overwhelmed by how quickly his feelings progressed and how strongly he came on. It really wasn't until her last moments on camera that she decided to go all in.

Now that the season is over, everyone can see that she is elated with her man. Money's Twitter and Instagram accounts are flooded with pictures of the two of them along with her daughter. She captioned one sweet photo with, "Soooooo in love with @cody_sattler and so happy I can finally talk about it!! This man has changed my life!! I am a better woman because of him!!! I am the luckiest girl in the whole world!!" As she told <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, "I've never met anyone as amazing as Cody. I never thought someone like him existed. It's been such a beautiful surprise."



Michelle Money and Cody Sattler pose with Money's daughter, Brielle. Photo courtesy of Michelle Money's Instagram.

This got us thinking. In real life, we often end up with a partner who we never saw in our lives. We all have our types –

the fellows we're drawn to and keep falling in and out of relationships with until one day, we meet someone different. It's always the "this one is so different" that ends up turning into "he's The One." So how do you know when to ditch your type and just go for it with the divergent dude? Here are three things to consider:

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1. You're so over it: When the guy that is so up your alley lets you down just like all the others that came before him, it's time to mix it up. There is no need to keep torturing yourself with men just because they match your typical criteria. There are so many guys out there waiting for you!

2. You're in a slump: If you haven't been seeing anyone special for a while, it might be because you've boxed yourself in. When you look outside those boundaries, things will start to change, for better or worse. The point is: They're changing. You're getting out there and learning things about yourself that you may have forgotten because you unknowingly cut yourself off from all of those other fish in the sea.

3. He's right there: Just like Money realized, someone could be right in front of your face, begging you to see them. Maybe you friend-zoned him ages ago; maybe he even gets under your skin a little bit; or maybe you met him yesterday and automatically wrote him off. Whatever the excuse, tell that voice in your head to pipe down and leap into his arms. Most likely, he will catch you and never put you down.

Follow Michelle Money on Twitter @MoneyMichelle. The second season of Bachelor In Paradise will premiere during summer 2015 on ABC.

Jennifer Lopez Says She Needs to Be Single Right Now





By Amanda Boyer

Jennifer Lopez appeared and chatted on 'The Meredith Viera Show' on Monday, September 8th. She officially revealed the news that she is newly single, and that is the way she likes it! According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u> when she was asked about her relationship status, she said, "I'm just being on my own. I feel like I need that right now." To leave the audience and Viera with some advice at the end of the show, she let everyone know that "all the relationships in your life and everything starts working when you take care of yourself."

What are some advantages to taking time to be single?

Cupid's Advice:

Freshly single and don't know what to do? Cupid has some tips so you can take full advantage of this time:

1. Work on yourself: This is time to concentrate on your goals and life, not someone else's. Go get a fresh new haircut and a mani-pedi. Do something different for a change to turn over a new leaf!

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2. Flirt: Have fun! Go out and find a cute guy to talk to. Being able to just casually hang out and talk to new guys is a fun part of being single and not tied down.

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3. Reconnect with friends: Have a friend you lost touch with in the past year? Reach out to them and make lunch plans at your favorite restaurant!

What do you do when you are single? Share your insights below!

Kim Kardashian Says She Wants 'Three or Four' Kids with Kanye West





By Amanda Boyer

After babysitting for her pregnant sister, Kim Kardashian wants another baby ... or maybe two, she told Ellen DeGeneres on the season premiere of Ellen's talk show, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Kardashian stated on air that she took care of her niece, nephew, and daughter and also admitted, "It was so hard, three kids. I don't know how my mom did it with six." Even with the work, she still dreams of having a big family.

How do you decide how many children to have with your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Deciding to start a family? Cupid has some advice:

1. Personal experience: Were you an only child? Talk about how you felt with your siblings and/or how you felt as an only child.

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2. Jobs and money: Look at your income and the future of your careers. Weigh factors like whether someone is going to need to stop working, or if both parties need to take more on at work. These things are important because you want to be economically stable in order to raise your future child.

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3. Location: Do you live somewhere where you can raise a family? Maybe it is time to move away from the city and look into appropriate school districts. Where you live is huge when kiddos start getting involved.

Have any other deciding factors we did not mention? Include your comments below!

'Bachelor in Paradise' Stars Michelle Money and Cody Sattler Talk Wedding Bells





By Amanda Boyer

Although ABC's Bachelor spin-off show, Bachelor in Paradise, is over, some of the relationships made on the show are just starting. Off the island, Michelle Money and Cody Sattler are one of few couples that are in the honeymoon phase of their relationship. Even though the show ended back in June, the couple claims to be "even more smitten." They talk and text "all day, every day." According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Sattler is planning to move from Iowa to Utah to be with Money and her 9year-old daughter. They hope to start planning a wedding in the next few months that could even be shown on TV for the fans to watch.

What are some important factors to consider before tying the knot?

Cupid's Advice:

Want to make sure you are marrying the right person? Cupid has some tips:

1. Money: Make sure to look at each other's incomes and debts

collectively. As a couple, you'll need to figure out how you will pay off any debts, how you will share money in various accounts, and how much work you'll do for the lifestyle you want.

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2. Discuss location: It is not going to work if you and your partner are in different locations. Sit down with your honey and discuss where you want to live and which location seems best for the both of you.

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3. Your needs and wants: When marriage is in the cards, it's important to talk about family life and whether you want to start one. Are children in the equation for you? Iron those types of things out before tying the knot.

Have any other advice for newly in love couples about marriage? Leave a comment below!

Holly Madison And Husband Pasquale Celebrate Wedding Anniversary in Disneyland





By Sarah Batcheller

<u>UsMagazine.com</u> has reported that Holly Madison, husband Pasquale Rotella, and their daughter, Rainbow Aurora, returned to Disneyland this week, where the couple was married, to celebrate their wedding anniversary. Madison says that since the couple both love Disney, it wasn't cheesy, and she posted various pictures on Instagram of the family having fun, with the clever caption, "Returned to the scene of the crime…"

What are some out-of-the-box ideas to celebrate your wedding anniversary?

Cupid's Advice:

Your wedding anniversary is monumental, so why not make the occasion a unique one to remember? Your spouse is so special to you that you should do something equally as special to celebrate the fact that your love and hard work have groomed an unbreakable marriage. Here are Cupid's out-of-the-box wedding anniversary ideas:

1. Go sailing: The horizon is limitless, you're withstanding

rough water, you're together without anyone else in sight, it's all pretty metaphorical! Sailing is a great getaway because you're leaving your natural element to explore something mystifying and a little dangerous. Who better to undergo such an adventure with than your one-and-only? And what better occasion than the celebration of the day you were joined in holy matrimony?

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2. Write letters a year in advance, every year: On each anniversary, write letters to each other to be exchanged at the next anniversary. Reflecting on the past is just as important as planning for the future, and there's no better way to do this than to remind each other of how everlasting your love is. Every year you'll be reminded of the time that has just passed, and what started it all- your wedding!

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3. Travel: Each year, choose a new place, either abroad our within the country, to visit for the first time. Every new destination represents the milestone in your marriage. Because marriage itself is a journey, choose to go on actual journeys each year. A road trip or plane ride also provides a good amount of quality time to be spent together with nothing to do but talk, laugh, and enjoy each other's company.

What fun ways do you celebrate your wedding anniversary? Tell us in the comments below!

Kate Middleton And Prince William Have Announced Their Second Baby Is On the Way!





By <u>Sarah Batcheller</u>

Prepare for your heart to explode inside your chest in 3...2...1! Kate Middleton and Prince William are expecting their second child! <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reported that the royal couple are waiting on baby number two. As thrilled as their devoted admirers are, though, the couple had to make the tough decision to announce their pregnancy a little earlier than they previously desired, as the Duchess of Cambridge's severe morning sickness, which has left her in the care of doctors in the palace, is preventing her from attending planned events with her hubby. We'll miss seeing you about for a while Kate, but we know you're toughing it out for your little one.

How do you know when to announce your pregnancy?

Cupid's Advice:

Celebrating a new pregnancy is initially a very intimate event between two people, and then a very special event among family and close friends. Later, comes everyone else in your world whom the information is important to. Even those of us without royal engagements in our calendars need to inform our bosses, neighbors, and general acquaintances of the delightful news. Here are some of Cupid's suggestions on when to announce you are pregnant:

1. Wait a couple weeks before telling family: Although they should be the first to know, it's nice to have a little time to let the news settle in before announcing your pregnancy to family. This way, you can actually have the time to develop answers to all their questions about potential names, how far along you are, the gender, etc. Not to mention, it's a great bonding experience for you and your partner to be the only ones who know for a little while.

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2. Make it public three months into your pregnancy: After three months, the chances of miscarrying significantly reduce. Plus, all your family and closest friends know by this time, so it's appropriate to post a Facebook status, Tweet, let the office know, etc. While, of course, you'll let the most meaningful people know first, you don't want to wait too long to share the announcement with everyone else, so that you don't have to keep making excuses as to why you can't have a glass of wine, why you're so tired, or why you're…you know…getting larger. Related: Rachel Bilson Cenebrated Her Baby Shower

3. Decide on any big changes before your announcement: Ideally, you were planning and expecting to get pregnant for a while, and any big changes to occur as a result, like a move or a new job, have already been determined. If you're going to stop working to be with your baby, your boss will probably want to know that when you tell him/her you're pregnant. Likewise, you'd need to inform many people that you're relocating if that's your decision, and there's no sense withholding that information if they already know you're pregnant.

When did you decide to announce your pregnancy? Share with us in the comments below!

'Blood, Sweat & Heels' Star Brie Bythewood on Celebrity Baby News: "There Won't Be Any Pregnancy Scenes on the Show"





Interview by Lori Bizzoco. Written by Ann Luther.

We fell in love with her on the premiere season of *Blood*, *Sweat and Heels*. Her name is Brie Bythewood, third-generation New Yorker, real estate developer, fashion goddess, and now, soon-to-be mother to a precious baby girl. She was a class act on *BS&H*, doing her thing as a successful working woman. Still, she left us with *so* many questions about her life off-camera, from dating to fashion and everything in between. On the brink of her celebrity pregnancy announcement, CupidsPulse.com had the pleasure of interviewing the reality TV star and got the delicious scoop on her <u>celebrity baby news</u> as well as her longtime relationship and love.

Reality TV Star Opens Up About Relationship and Love Interest

To catch fans up to your celebrity baby news, let's talk about Season 1. Your boyfriend was never revealed on the show. Is

this a new love interest for you?

My boyfriend has been in my life for quite a while. He is the man that has held my heart and stood by my side before, during and after *Blood, Sweat & Heels*. I've said it before, and I'll say it forever: I'm so happy that he will be the first man my daughter ever loves. He's one of the good guys, and he honestly makes me the happiest girl in the world. We're looking forward to beginning this new chapter of our lives together.

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Who was the first person on the cast to reach out and congratulate you?

The first person from the cast to reach out to me was my lady love, Demetria, quickly followed by my sis, Geneva. I love those gals. They are friends like no other and I adore them both beyond words. The following day, I received a very sweet text from Daisy who, fittingly, has always called me Momma Brie.

We heard you had an amazing gender reveal party and that you are having a little girl. Congratulations! What was your initial reaction to the pink balloons?

From the moment we found out we were expecting, I believed we were going to have a baby girl. So much so that I made a bet with my boyfriend. He confidently accepted because he was certain our baby was a boy. The moment we opened the box at our gender reveal party and the pink balloons appeared, I screamed and jumped up and down as I quickly exclaimed, "I knew it!! Told you so!!!" For one week my boyfriend had to incorporate pink in his wardrobe, which he did quite creatively and with great pride, knowing it was all in celebration of his baby girl.



Brie's gender reveal party. Photo: Pamela Mahmoud

Brie Bythewood Shares More Details About Celebrity Baby News and Pregnancy

How are your parents handling the news?

They adore my boyfriend and absolutely love the relationship that he and I have. Naturally, they were thrilled for us and for the future we're building together as a family. They melted with so much emotion and love when we broke the news to them. They instantly fell madly in love with my belly. My Mom actually started a collection of books and toys quite some time ago hoping she'd one day have a grandchild to share it all with. And now, she finally does. I used to laugh at her for her purchases, but now it all makes perfect sense. And my Dad is too cute. He's already planning a family vacation based on dates that he asked my boyfriend and I to approve with the doctor just to make sure his granddaughter would be healthy enough to fly at that time. It's all about her now and that's such a beautiful reality. They shower my baby girl with so much love, care and attention. It's the most beautiful thing sharing this experience with my parents from the eyes of a parent rather than just as their child. They've always been the most amazing parents and now I'm standing on the outside witnessing them take on their newest role as the most amazing grandparents.

What are some of the things going through your mind as you think about having a little girl? What are you most excited about?

I can't wait to revisit my childhood through my daughter. I'm excited to share the experiences with her that my parents shared with me. It makes me giggle when I find myself humming a song only to realize it's a nursery rhyme. She's alone in there, so I want her to be as comfortable as possible knowing that mommy and daddy are here awaiting her arrival and are already singing her soon-to-be favorite songs.

Do you have any thoughts surrounding the theme of the baby's room? Have you started a registry yet?

We are in the initial stages of the registry process, which is actually quite overwhelming. I can't believe how many versions of the exact same product exist. Just when we think we have items to add, we read the reviews and find ourselves back at square one with zero entries. It's by no means an easy process when you're selecting items for your child. We haven't even gotten to the room decor yet, but it'll definitely be fit for a princess.

And what about you and your lucky man? Do we hear wedding bells in the near future? Plans for more children?

We were hearing wedding bells long before we found out we were pregnant. So yes, that day will come, as will a second baby... maybe even a third. So stay tuned! Life just keeps getting better and better.

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A note written from Brie to her boyfriend before the baby's gender was revealed. Photo: Pamela Mahmud

So what does pregnancy mean for *BS&H*? Have you started filming yet and will you be filming while pregnant?

As far as I'm concerned, there won't be any pregnancy scenes on the show. I can't go into any further detail than that. Although we didn't see it revealed so much on Season 1, from talking to you in the past we know that you are such a hard worker! Are you going to slow down after Baby B. is born?

I absolutely plan to slow down a bit before my daughter is born and will continue to take some time off after she's born to adjust to motherhood. I want to spend every waking moment with her, holding her, kissing her, watching her, learning her, admiring her and falling more and more in love with everything about her. And my boyfriend intends to do the same. We're looking forward to learning the ropes of parenthood together. I do have a new project that I'll be working on shortly after my daughter is born, but she'll never be too far from me.

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Lastly, what do you enjoy most about being pregnant? What are you most nervous about?

I wouldn't trade this experience for the world. I have been enjoying the wonder of my journey step by step through each and every stage. I love the butterflies, the anticipation, the mystery and the excitement. I love knowing that I've been blessed with a beautiful gift of life that I'm carrying in my belly. I can't wait to meet my little girl, to hold her, to love her, to teach her, and to watch her grow. I wonder what her voice will sound like and what her laugh will sound like and what her first word will be.

On the contrary, I'm extremely worried about the pain of labor, the delivery, and the amount of time it will take to recover. But I've been reminded that it can't be that bad because women welcome babies to the world every day and choose to do it over and over again. So, whatever the pain may be, it'll surely be overshadowed by the feeling of love that'll take over. I can't wait to look into the eyes of my baby girl and be so happy that she's finally here and proud to say she's mine.

You can keep up with Brie on Twitter @BrieBythewood. Be sure to tune in to Blood, Sweat & Heels when it returns for its second season on Bravo!

'7th Heaven' Alum Beverly Mitchell Is Expecting Second Child





By Ann Luther

Beverly Mitchell posted a photo of her family of three on

Thursday, September 4 with the caption, "Can't believe in 2015 we will be a family of 4!!!" <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reported that the actress wanted even more children. "Two or three... No more than three," she reasoned. "When you're getting into four, it's a handful. We're not having a 7th Heaven situation!" Congratulations to Mitchell, her husband, Michael Cameron, and their one-year-old daughter, Kenzie Lynne!

What are some ways to prepare differently for a second child than your first?

Cupid's Advice:

Your first baby is a nine-month whirlwind of hysteria over what to do, how to do it, what to buy, where to put it, and oh my God can I do this?! But becoming pregnant with your second child is totally different because you've done this before. There are still ways to prepare though, and we've compiled a list of the best.

1. Get your first baby ready: The key difference in this pregnancy is that you've got another little thing hanging around wondering what in the world is going on. They are about to become a big brother or sister. That's a big deal to them! Explain what is about to happen and their role in all of it. It will put your tot at ease, which will put you at ease.

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2. Embrace the prenatal lifestyle: There are so many things you only get to do when you're expecting. You can eat whatever you want; so, indulge without guilt! You're eating that chocolate for the health of your child. There are also tons of cool exercise classes to keep mommy and baby healthy like prenatal yoga. Also, you can't see your feet. Go splurge on a pedicure whenever you want because your feet are being put to work. You deserve it all, so take it!

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3. Host a thank you shower: You probably already have all the baby paraphernalia you'll need and then some, but you can still have a party! This time around, instead of having a baby shower, invite all of your friends and family who supported you with your first little one and give them gifts. If they insist on giving you something, suggest they donate to a charity for struggling mothers. You've already got all you need between the things they gave you last time and all their love.

What different ways did you prepare for your second child? Share in the comments below!

Scarlett Johansson Welcomes Daughter Rose With Fiance Romain Dauriac





By Ann Luther

Scarlett Johansson and fiance, Romain Dauriac, just became parents! On Thursday, September 4th, reps for the 29-year-old actress confirmed the welcoming of a brand new baby girl for the couple. They named her Rose. The Associated Press confirmed, and <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reported that "mother and daughter are doing well." Congratulations to the couple!

How do you know your partner is ready to be a parent?

Cupid's Advice:

Being a parent is difficult. Being a co-parent can be even more difficult if your partner is not ready to be the other half of a child's life. One parent absolutely can do it all, but it is not ideal to knowingly go into a pregnancy that way. Having someone to help with the work and share in the joys is to have something beautiful, so how do you know you can count on your boo? Cupid has some insight:

1. You are priority: When you know without a doubt that you are your stud's number one priority in life, then you can bet

he's ready. When someone can clearly demonstrate they know how to prioritize and then they make the choice to prioritize you, it means the transition from supportive partner to try-hard parent won't be a hard one.

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2. He actually likes kids: Before your love has a child of his own, make sure he will actually take an interest in said child. He will love whatever is his, but being a parent is more than that. It's about staying up late, watching kid shows on an endless loop, getting on the ground to play with them on their levels, going to their games, recitals, and science fairs happily. So, check him out with your nieces and nephews, with your little cousins, or with your friend's kids to see if he really is interested in a life with a future that has kiddos in it.

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3. You've heard it aloud: Wanting to father a child is kind of a huge deal. Neither men nor women hold on to that, especially if they're in a committed, adult relationship. Talk to your man! Ask him what he wants or if he has ever even thought about it. Having an honest conversation together will shed the light that both of you will need before you embark on miracle making.

How did you know your partner was ready to be a parent? Share with us in the comments below!

Find Out Details About Ashlee Simpson's 'Naked' Wedding Cake



By Amanda Boyer

Ashlee Simpson's wedding was anything, but boring. From Simpson's crop top wedding dress down to her cake, everything stood out as unique. <u>People.com</u> got the scoop on the brides's 4-tier red velvet, chocolate and vanilla "naked cake," courtesy of Brooklyn-based BCakeNY. "The cake matched perfectly with the décor and the centerpieces. We actually worked together with the florist," said Miriam Milord, the designer of the cake.

What are some ways to compromise with your partner about

wedding details?

Cupid's Advice:

Want to make sure your partner is happy with wedding details before the big day? Cupid has some insight:

 Set objectives: Make sure you both are on the same page when it comes to a band, a DJ, or what type of food you want. Make sure you are both having a voice in decisions.

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2. Collaborate: Take what both of you want and combine it into one idea to meet each one's needs and ideas.

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3. Put yourself in their shoes: What are they thinking? Is this fair? These are two questions to ask yourself before making an executive decision for the both of you.

Have any other tips for planning your dream day? Comment below!

Jessica Simpson Shares Five Wedding Vows For a Happy Marriage





By Amanda Boyer

We have seen Jessica Simpson go through ups and downs over the years, but now this newlywed is discussing her five wedding vows for a happy marriage. If you pick up *Glamour* magazine, you can read about how Simpson feels "truly comfortable in my own skin" now that she is married to Eric Johnson. Through other factors like better exercise habits, food choices, and lifestyle changes, she's gained happiness as well. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Simpson believes that sharing her vows will "bring you closer to yourself and your happily-ever-after."

What are three tips for writing your own wedding vows?

Cupid's Advice:

Have you recently decided to write your own wedding vows with your partner? Here are some tips to make them memorable and promising for the both of you:

1. Write down notes about your relationship: For inspiration, write down qualities you admire in each other, memories you have had, and challenges you have faced together. Often times

this will give you a starting point and get your creative juices flowing.

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2. Promise: Jot down a few promises, but make sure they're creative and not cliché. You can quote the Bible and Shakespeare, but do not overuse it. Make sure you are using your own voice.

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3. Keep it simple: You do not need to tell the story of your whole relationship, but instead get your point across in a few meaningful phrases.

Said something special on the day of your happily ever after? Share below!

Is George Clooney's Fiance Amal Alamuddin Pregnant?





By Amanda Boyer

Although there are numerous rumors about George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin expecting their first child since late last month while in Europe, it's been recently confirmed there is no baby bump! According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Clooney's rep said the happy couple "is not pregnant" and their marriage is going well as it is "the healthiest relationship I've ever seen George in."

How do you decide when to reveal your pregnancy to family and friends?

Cupid's Advice:

Just recently found out you're pregnant? Follow these tips on when to tell your loved ones you're going to have an addition to the family:

1. It's a boy!: Wait until you find out the gender for even more of a surprise. When your tell your family, you can reveal you are either having a son or daughter.

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2. Get the sonogram picture: Being able to show off your baby with a picture is a great way to announce that you are pregnant. Simply frame the picture and wrap it for more of a show.

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3. Have the bump: Once a few months pass and you can see a difference in your body changing, walk into a room with a tight shirt on. When people ask the obvious question, "Are you pregnant?" you can answer truthfully!

Did it differently? Share your memories below!

Famous Couple Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie Honor Her Late Mother at Celebrity Wedding





By Kaley Allard

It finally happened! Famous couple <u>Brad Pitt</u> and <u>Angelina</u> Jolie tied the knot in an intimate <u>celebrity wedding</u> ceremony, which included their children, at their home in France this past weekend. While the day was filled with much celebrity love and joy, it was also somber for Jolie, whose late mother was not in attendance. <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reported that, to honor Jolie's mother Marcheline Bertrand, Pitt had a stone engraved in the floor where they said "I do" in tribute to her. The day was all about family, so this celebrity couple made sure to include those who were there in spirit as well.

This famous celebrity couple chose something special to honor Jolie's mother. What other ways can you honor your passed loved ones at

your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Your wedding day is meant to be filled with happiness and joy, but if you have lost loved ones, it can also be a day of sadness. Knowing that they are not physically there with you on that big day can bring you down. Here are three suggestions from Cupid on how to honor your lost loved ones on your special day:

1. Release balloons: A touching gesture for those who are no longer with you is to release balloons into the sky. You can tie a touching message or even a wedding invitation to the string and send it to your loved ones. Not only is this a sweet moment, but it will bring you some comfort as well.

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2. Put pictures on your bouquet: Another simple yet meaningful way to honor your late loved ones while keeping them close at the same time (much like Pitt and Jolie did for their celebrity wedding) is to attach small photos of them to your bouquet. It's a small gesture, but having them close to you will bring you joy.

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3. Wear something old, borrowed, or blue: A third way to honor your loved ones is to wear something of theirs, be it old, borrowed, or blue. You could wear a piece of your grandmother's jewelry or sew a piece of your father's blue shirt into your dress. Any way to keep them close to you on your big day will be a sweet tribute to them.

How did you honor your lost family members during your

Rachel Bilson Celebrates Her Baby Shower





By Kaley Allard

Details of Rachel Bilson's baby shower are brought to us by <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. The guest list at Bilson's shower consisted of high school friends and family as well as fellow celebrities and moms, Natalie Portman and Jamie King. Instead of bringing gifts for the mom-to-be, the guests each brought a birth bead, which they then blessed. The overall atmosphere of the shower

took on a relaxed feel, one that was stress-free. Bilson, 33, is a first-time mom who is extremely excited, but any advice from others was probably welcomed.

What are some unique ways to share wisdom at a baby shower?

Cupid's Advice:

Baby showers are a great time to provide the future mommy with much-needed supplies and advice. Providing her with a lifetime supply of diapers would be fantastic, but what she would appreciate even more is thoughtful and creative gifts from her guests. Here are three suggestions from Cupid on how to provide wisdom for the mother-to-be:

1. Make a book: A mom-to-be can only handle so many diapers, and while they are a great gift, something homemade is even more special. Consider creating a book of advice for the special guest, which contains things from her friends and family – just make sure that the individuals giving the advice have had children themselves.

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2. Diaper drawing: A unique, fun and crafty activity is to have your guests write a piece of wisdom on a diaper so that when the mother and/or father changes their baby's diaper, they will learn a new piece of wisdom with each change.

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3. Pass it along: Paste pictures of each guest's child, if they have one, on a wall and give the mommy-to-be pieces of paper with a piece wisdom that that mommy learned with their child. Then have them try to match the piece of wisdom to the child's picture.

What are some ways in which you have shared wisdom with a

Robert Pattinson is Dating English Singer FKA Twigs





By Kaley Allard

<u>UsMagazine.com</u> brings us the news that Rob Pattinson is no longer a single man (insert sad sigh here). It has been confirmed that the *Twilight* heartthrob has been in a relationship with English singer TKA Twigs for the past few weeks. The couple has reportedly bonded over their mutual love for music and met through mutual friends. While the relationship is only in its early stages, the couple seems to be very happy together.

How do you take things slow at the beginning of a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Beginning a new relationship is an exciting, yet scary time for both individuals. There are many things going through your mind when you begin a new relationship and there are many things to consider. Here are three pieces of advice on how to take it slow at the beginning of your new relationship:

1. Set limits: One of the first things that you should do in any new relationship is to set limits. The only way to grow together is to make sure that you both know what you want in the relationship and what you are not ready to do. If your significant other does not respect limits that you want to set, her/she is not the one for you.

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2. Spend time alone: It is great to be in a relationship because you then have someone to share your time and experiences with. With that said, while you can be a couple, it is extremely important that you stay true to yourself, and give each other space.

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3. Spend time getting to know one another: Another way to take it slow at the beginning of your relationship is to spend time getting to know one another first before becoming too serious. You want to know each others' goals and plans for life before you start planning your futures together.

What are some ways that you and your significant other took it

slow in the beginning of your relationship? Please share
below!

'Bachelor in Paradise' Reality TV Star Michelle Money on Relationship and Love with Cody Sattler



Interview by Lori Bizzoco. Written by <u>Sarah Batcheller</u>. If you've been watching *Bachelor in Paradise*, you've most likely declared Michelle Money as your spirit animal by now. The witty, warm-hearted Utah native originally appeared on Brad Womack's season of *The Bachelor* and later on *Bachelor Pad* 2. Now, in paradise, this single celebrity mom has swept away audiences with her humor and impeccable style (we mean *impeccable*). On the show, she's the resident beauty guru, getting the girls beautified for their dates. At home, Money is mother to nine-year-old Brielle and works as a hair stylist while filming her YouTube show, MMandL.

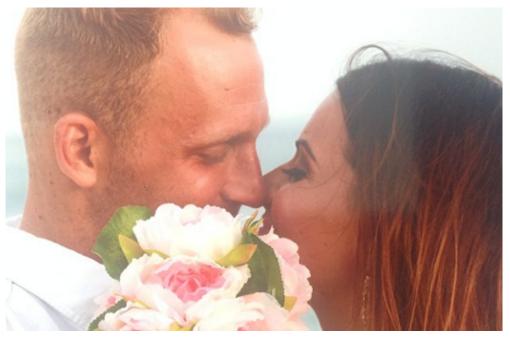
Michelle Money Talks About Looking for a Relationship and Love on Reality TV Again

This Salt Lake City lady was determined to find a relationship and love this time around, even though she was initially apprehensive. But true to her fearless form, Double-M decided to take the leap, affirming, "When they approached me with the show, I was pretty skeptical about going back on television for a third time, but they presented the format to me as being a lot more realistic in terms of finding a relationship." Money also admits, "After going on *The Bachelor*, it was appealing to me to find someone who has had the same experiences that come with reality TV, like being recognized in public and having to deal with the editing."

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When it comes to love, fans still swoon over the heartwarming relationship between Money and *Bachelor Pad 2* teammate and exboyfriend Graham Bunn, hoping that "MoneyBunn's" love will prevail. However, the *BIP* fan favorite insists that their relationship is based on a special bond between friends.

"We've been through a lot of unique experiences with each other that brought us closer, and it kind of just evolved from that," she explains in our celebrity interview. "It's hard for people to wrap their heads around it because they see how much we love and care about each other, but we just aren't compatible in a romantic/long-term relationship/marriage way."



Cody Sattler and Michelle Money. Photo courtesy of Michelle Money's Instagram.

Having your BFF by your side for six weeks is definitely helpful when you're navigating the unpredictable waters of paradise. In fact, Bunn's right-hand girl had his back when news came out that his new boo AshLee Frazier had been badmouthing castmate, Clare Crawley. Money was also at Bunn's side when he got sick and had to excuse himself from the rose ceremony. Money admits that she initially thought Frazier would be a great catch for her ex. "AshLee is a sweet woman," she said, "She was kind to me, and she was kind to everyone. There's a lot of really sweet things she did for everyone that you don't get to see."

But her mind started shifting when she realized that there was

another side to the personal organizer. "It was very obvious that when the cameras were on, it was a different version of AshLee," she says. "AshLee had two different personalities. And knowing Graham the way I know him, that's not something he's interested in." The single mom goes on to explain the type of guy her ex is by saying, "Graham is very compassionate and soft, and he should be with someone who's consistent, who's always who they are. It became clear that AshLee wasn't that girl."

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Protecting her ex and friend Crawley was just the start, the Utah native became a real heroine on the show when she went out of her way to confront Jesse Kovacs about treating Christy Hansen in a less-than-gentlemanly fashion and dishing that he'd hooked up with multiple girls. "For all the women in America," Money said encouraging Hansen to stand up to Kovacs and herself when he decided to leave the show ahead of time, realizing he wouldn't be getting a rose. "We have all experienced someone like Jesse in our lives, who makes you feel degraded or disrespected," Money says. "Sometimes, you want to brush it off, but that just enables them to continue their behavior, and I'm not down with that." Money knew that Christy had been through a lot in previous relationships and lost her self-respect. "People will treat you the way you let them treat you," she adds. "Christy's an amazing woman, but the longer she keeps letting guys treat her that way, the longer it will continue to happen. She needed to know her feelings were valid and what happened wasn't her fault."



Cody Sattler and Michelle Money. Photo courtesy of Michelle Money's Instagram.

Single Celebrity Mom Opens Up About New Boyfriend Cody Sattler

But while the hair stylist was putting her energy into helping her friends and fancying them up for their dates, an unexpected Cody Sattler arrived on the beach, and the SLC sweetheart finally got to have something of her own to talk about. Sattler, 28, who appeared on Andi Dorfman's season of *The Bachelorette*, tore into Tulum and swept Money right off her feet. Their blossoming relationship and love changed everything for her. "Coming out of the experience with Robert and feeling pretty rejected and sorry for myself and then having this guy come in who was full-throttle was a total contrast of emotions pretty quickly," she said. "I wondered if he was being serious, being real, and really meant what he was saying to me. But after talking to Graham, my girlfriends, and the producers, everyone agreed that he was genuine."

Money tells us that one thing we don't get to see on the show is how genuinely interested and compassionate Sattler is in the fact that she's a mom and has a daughter. "He loves talking about her and asked me a lot of questions," she says. "That's not easy to find."

Money has not yet confirmed whether the two are still dating and if he's relocated from Chicago to Utah, as many rumors claim, but the happiness in her voice could be an indication that these lovebirds are ready to fly! So, until next week we're holding on for the final episode of *Bachelor in Paradise* to see where the road will take them!

Michelle and MMandL co-host Laura Armstrong have teamed with Emminent beauty to launch a skincare line that can now be found at TheBeautyDestination.com. You can keep up with Michelle on Twitter @MoneyMichelle. Be sure to tune in to Bachelor in Paradise on Monday nights at 8/7c on ABC!

'Bachelor in Paradise' Reality TV Star Jesse Kovacs Apologizes: "I Acted Like a No Class D-Bag"





Interview by Lori Bizzoco. Written by Ann Luther.

On this week's episode of *Bachelor in Paradise*, Jesse Kovacs escaped Tulum, Mexico, in his typical controversial fashion. The villainized cast member departed the reality TV show with regrets and without a relationship and love. In all the chaos of his exit – the accusations, the name-calling, the confrontations, *and* the yelling – it was difficult to understand just what happened in paradise and why. Luckily, we got an exclusive interview with Kovacs and heard his side of the story.

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Reality TV Star Opens Up About Controversial Celebrity Hook-Up

We all know the magic of television editing can turn anyone's character sour, but Kovacs testifies, "I feel like trying to explain what happened on the episode would be a cop-out. I can't blame anything on editing." He goes on, "There were certain things that were suggested that never happened, but all the statements made by me and others really were said."

In his last moments on camera, Kovacs was accosted in his exit car by three heated women: Christy Hansen, Michelle Money, and Lacy Faddoul. The scene was intense. "I have no idea why they were upset after I left." The San Diego native added, "I never wanted a drama-filled confrontation. I just wanted to leave."

But we all know what he said in front of and outside of the confessional camera. After the show, the winemaker told us that he "never had the intention of being disrespectful," but then he conceded, "I made some pretty stupid statements about Christy, and I feel horrible." The 32-year-old admits that he called Hansen and apologized. "I acted like a dick, and Christy wanted to let me know." He also "hashed it out" with Money post-show.

The style in which Kovacs went out was by no means gentlemanly, but he defends his actions. "I left as soon as I felt like my time was up. No connection was happening, and I didn't want to waste any one's time. And I know people probably think I already wasted every one's time, but everything happened so fast." He must have done something right, though, because he says he still talks to most of the guys. Plus, "Lucy [Aragon] and Michelle are still friends…I think."

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The whole ordeal surrounding his celebrity hook-up was a lot to handle, but reflection brings both perspective and clarity. Kovacs wants everyone, especially his parents, to know that he's sorry. In a statement to us, he explains: "To my Mom and Dad, I'm sorry you had to sit through that, and please stay off my Twitter for a while. I acted like a no class d-bag, and although all the things being said about me aren't true, they are well-deserved."

We look forward to what comes next for Jesse Kovacs, the Liquid Lounge co-owner, reality TV star, and self-proclaimed d-bag!

You can keep up with Jesse on Twitter @JesseAKovacs. Be sure to tune in to Bachelor in Paradise on Monday nights at 8/7c on ABC!

Lauren Conrad Celebrates Girly Bridal Shower





By Amanda Boyer

Over Labor Day weekend, Lauren Conrad celebrated her bridal shower with her friends and family in Los Angeles. She took style inspiration from Paper Crown and featured flower décor and other personalized items like napkins for her guests, which she then showcased on her Instagram. Pictures included a grey napkin with "Almost Mrs. Tell" printed on it, an old picture of her mom's bridal shower for a laugh and the floral china. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Conrad was "thrilled for the sweet bridal shower." A source said, "Everything was brought in, they used tips that are on her blog and a few events companies did small loans, but really her friends are so thrifty."

What are some ways to personalize your bridal shower?

Cupid's Advice:

Are you engaged and need an idea to make your bridal shower unique? Cupid has some tips:

1. Pick a theme: pick a theme more than just your colors for your wedding, make it out of the ordinary and simple to carry out into the centerpieces and other favors.

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2. Customize a game: Games like Who Said It? and 2 Truths and a Lie can be personalized to your special day in order to take a trip down memory lane for your family and guests. You'll see a ton of tears and laughs!

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3. Create a slideshow: Before the event, and have all the guests send in pictures of themselves with the bride-to-be. Create a slideshow to be playing throughout the day with some

nice music to go along with it.

Have another way to make your shower stand out? Comment here!

Carrie Underwood Is Expecting





By Amanda Boyer

After four years of married life, 'American Idol' alum Carrie Underwood and NHL player Mike Fisher are expecting their first baby, as Underwood announced her pregnancy on her Instagram over Labor Day weekend. The country crooner made her announcement by posting a photo with her two dogs that were wearing "I'm going to be a big sister" and "big brother" outfits. She captioned the photo, "In honor of 'Labor' Day, Ace & Penny would like to make an announcement. Their parents couldn't be happier..." According to a source for <u>USMagazine.com</u>, "They couldn't be happier to be starting a family."

What are some ways to reveal your pregnancy to your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Just found out you're expecting? Want some ways to tell your partner? Cupid has some tips:

1. Do it over cooking: Before he gets home, write, "You're going to be a daddy!" on an ingredient for dinner. Tell him to help you cook and to go get the special ingredient. He will be smiling ear to ear once he reads it!

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2. Get matching shirts: Give your hubby a "thinking of you" gift—a shirt—but buy a smaller version of it and hide it under the other one. When he opens it and sees the second shirt, tell him the first one is for you and the second one is for "the baby." He will surely be surprised.

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3. Play a game: Tell your partner you feel like playing Scrabble. While playing the game, write out that you're pregnant with the letters; his face will be priceless.

Have another way you told your partner? Share your story below and comment!

Jay-Z and Beyoncé Pack on PDA at Made in America Festival





By Amanda Boyer

Although rumors that power couple Jay-Z and Beyoncé have been secretly planning to split continue to circulate, they have been putting on quite a show to the public. During the The Budweiser Made in America Music Festival last weekend in Los Angeles, the couple was spotted on day 2 in the VIP section enjoying beers and PDA. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, throughout the night the couple and their daughter, Blue Ivy, were seen dancing and having a fun time together while enjoying John Mayer, Steve Aoki, and other artists' performances at the festival. Although the weekend seemed seamless and at the MTV VMAs onstage for the couple, sources still say Beyoncé is planning for the breakup as she seeks advice from other friends like Coldplay's Chris Martin. The sources also added the couple will split in the fall and will continue to be "all lovey-dovey the day after the announcement."

How do you keep negative rumors from affecting your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

People will always talk if they think they know your business, but to keep your relationship yours without the rumors, read ahead for some tips:

1. Keep to yourself: You know you want to run to your friends and tell them about the fight you had, but keep it to yourself and your partner. The less your friends know, the less you'll hear from others on what to do.

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2. Talk it out with your partner: Make sure you and your mate are on the same page when discussing this with anyone, including each other.

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3. Find ways to have fun: Distract yourself and go get a massage or a manicure. Try to stay happy and free from the drama!

How do you get past the negativity in your relationship? Share your advice below!