Marie Osmond Re-Wears Wedding Dress to Re-Marry Stephen Craig





When Marie Osmond

remarried her first husband, Stephen Craig, in Las Vegas on Wednesday, guests at the wedding must have experienced a total déjà vu. The *Donny and Marie* star walked down the aisle in the same wedding dress she had the first time around! However, she did update the look a bit with a new veil and a set of chunky pearls. According to *People*, the actress didn't originally plan on wearing her old dress. After picking out a wedding dress, Osmond began to have second thoughts about it. It was then that she began cleaning out her garage and came across the gown she had worn at the first wedding.

What are some ideas for the "something old" part of your wedding attire?

Cupid's Advice:

Tradition has it that a bride should have something old, something new, something borrowed and something blue on her wedding day. Cupid has some suggestions as to what your "something old" could be:

- 1. Grandmother's jewelry: Since your wedding day is a day unlike any other, your jewelry has to stand out. See if your grandmother has anything on hand to be your "something old." An elegant string of pearls goes great with almost any wedding dress.
- 2. An old garter: If you can't locate a garter that was used in a previous family member's wedding, then go to a vintage store and pick one out.
- 3. A vintage veil: Though your mother looked ravishing once upon a time in her wedding dress, it's probably out of style by now, especially if she got married in the 80's. That sid, if you'd like to use some aspect of you parents' wedding in your attire, the veil may be an excellent choice. Unlike dresses, veils are one size fits all.

What do you plan on using as your something old at your wedding? Share a comment below.

Mayday, Mayday! 5 Tips to Get Your Relationship Out of Sinking Waters





By Amber Belus

Trouble on the high seas? Not to worry. Every relationship, whether short-lived or long-lasting, hits shipwreck status at some point. While your sailing days may seem like they're over, this could just be a rough storm that makes you and your first mate stronger. Here are a few tips to help you get back on board:

- 1. Communication is key: If there's an issue, address it fast. Bottling it up will only hurt you in the end. If your partner is doing something you don't like or has made you upset, discuss the matter calmly. This will avoid a screaming match, an emotional breakdown and excess stress.
- 2. No third parties: Relationship problems are between you and your partner, not the entire ship's crew. You may think your friends know best, but you should follow your heart and do what you think is right. At the end of the day, it's your happiness and relationship on the line.

- 3. Don't be manipulated: Sometimes, you've already done everything that can be done. If your partner expects you to steer the wheel and insists on laying back, it might be time to cut ties. Breakups are due to faults from both parties, and you each need to take responsibility for your actions. Don't flip everything onto one person.
- 4. In-person beats technology: Texts or emails can be easily misinterpreted and it's a cowardly way to handle problems. Talking one-on-one will avoid miscommunication, and you'll get a better sense of how your partner feels. Sparks may even fly during your conversation, reminding you both why you love each other in the first place.
- **5. Try to compromise:** However, there's just no agreeing on certain issues. You can either argue about them until one of you can't take it anymore, or try to strike a deal. If you're serious about fixing things, you should each learn to go with the flow of your relationship. After all, a ship can't sail without both partners on board.

If you and your beau can't get through these steps, it may be time to bury things at sea. Cupid wishes you fair weather and smooth seas ahead. Happy sailing!

Jennifer Love Hewitt and Boyfriend Alex Beh Split





The short-lived romance between actress Jennifer Love Hewitt and actor/director Alex Beh is over, reports <u>People</u>. "[Hewitt] is doing fine," said Hewitt's rep. The couple debuted their romance last November at the Rock the Kasbah gala in L.A. Hewitt told reporters that her new flame was an "old-fashioned" gentleman.

What are some old-fashioned ways to impress your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Old-fashioned dates and ideals are always fun. Here are a few classic ways to impress your partner:

- 1. Picnic: Organize a picnic at the park. With the weather getting warmer, a romantic afternoon spent under the shade of a tree is a perfect way to bond with your partner.
- 2. Breakfast in bed: Your partner will appreciate the effort that goes into making breakfast in bed. While it *is* cliché, cliché's are over-used for a reason; they work.
- 3. Movie night: Surprise your partner with some black and white movies. If Breakfast at Tiffany's isn't your style,

then try some movies from your childhood, like Top Gun.

Have you ever had an old-fashioned beau? Tell us your story below!

Jessica Simpson and Eric Johnson Ride A Bicycle Built For Two





There are few better

ways to enjoy the Venice boardwalk scene than on a bicycle for two. Jessica Simpson and her fiancée Eric Johnson were seen over the weekend racing with friends and enjoying the area, according to Pink is the new Blog. Simpson said she's working

on slimming up for the big day. "I'm still trying to figure out what to wear," she said. "I don't know if I want the big boom, or the curvy thing, but it will be something beautiful. I kind of have a couple of ideas in my head, and I have a date; I'm really excited!" Other ways she plans to get in shape are to dance around in her bedroom and lift some weights.

What are some ways to enjoy the warm weather with your mate?

Cupid's Advice:

With summer coming up quickly, there are plenty of things to do to bond over the lovely weather. Cupid has a few modest suggestions:

- 1. Picnic: A picnic may be a great way to enjoy some weather, food and your significant other ... just make sure to bring the bug spray.
- 2. Go-kart riding: It's a little unorthodox, but a little competition is healthy in a relationship. So long as you don't race dirty, you should be safe from sleeping on the couch.
- **3. Swimming:** You, your lover, bathings suits and a pool? This could be a lot of fun and a great opportunity to show off your sweet dives or epic cannonballs.

Have some other great ways to enjoy the weather with your mate? Share a comment below.

LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian Prepared the Kids for Their Wedding





Eddie Cibrian sat down and had a very important conversation with Cibrian's young sons three days before their wedding,

LeAnn

Rimes

and

according to <u>People</u>. Because it's Cibrian's second marriage, he wanted mason, 7, and Jake, 4, to know exactly what to expect on the big day. "The kids have known we were getting married since we got engaged," said Rimes. "We explained that they were going to have two families." Cibrian chimed in, saying, "The kids come first in everything we do. We wanted to make sure LeAnn and my wedding was not only ours, but their party too. They were beyond excited to celebrate us all coming together as a family." Rimes and Cibrian took the kids' role in their future marriage very seriously, as they even went to

therapy to learn the best way to communicate with them.

How do you explain a second marriage to your kids?

Cupid's Advice:

It's not always easy to make children feel comfortable when it comes to one of their parents remarrying. Cupid has some advice on how to handle the situation:

- 1. Attend therapy: Take a cue from LeAnn Rime and Eddie Cibrian. If you're not quite sure how to explain a second marriage to your kids or how they may react, attending therapy as a family is a great idea. Everyone will be able to talk about their feelings in a safe environment.
- 2. Make it fun: A great way to get through to your kids may be to turn the situation into a game or fairy tale. Have a family game night where the kids are most comfortable and casually explain the situation. This way the children are calm and more receptive to the news.
- 3. Be honest: Simply be up front and explain to the kids how you two truly love each other and just because you're getting married, it doesn't mean you'll love them any less. Explain that a second marriage may be different, but different in a good way.

How did you explain your second marriage to your kids? Share your comment below.

'Hills' Alum Holly Montag Is Dating Audrina Patridge's Ex Justin Bobby





The ladies of *The*

Hills are at it again! According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Holly Montag is enjoying a taste of Audrina Patridge and Kristin Cavallari's sloppy thirds and has decided to attempt a relationship with known bad boy Justin "Bobby." One source close to the couple says, "They're dating and have been for awhile". Maybe the third time's the charm for Justin Bobby ... or maybe not.

Is it important to take a person's past into account prerelationship? Cupid's Advice:

When entering into a new relationship, many of us try to look at it as a fresh start and let the past be the past. But, is

it even possible to change? Cupid has some things to think about when looking into your partner's old flings:

- 1. How it ended: Sometimes things just don't work out, but it's important to look at why they didn't. If your partner and his or her ex ended amicably, then there may not be much to inquire about. But, if there's bad blood, you might consider finding out more details.
- 2. Did he learn from it?: Of course people make mistakes, and every mistake is a learning experience. One of the important things to look at when asking about a prior relationship that ended badly, is if he exhibits the same behavior that was previously an issue.
- **3. Level of commitment:** Did your partner have a few serious relationships, or did he just jump around? Gauging his/her's level of commitment from their previous partner(s) allows you a glimpse at what to expect.

Did your partner learn from his past mistakes in order to make a fresh start? Share your story below.

Prince William and Kate Middleton: To Prenup Or Not to Prenup





By Bethany and Scott

Palmer, authors of First Comes Love, Then Comes Money

Prince Charles and Lady Di didn't…and it cost the Prince more than 17 million pounds (\$27 million today) during their divorce. As you can imagine, as much as people were chatting about what Kate's dress would look like, just as many were speculating about whether William and Kate would sign a prenup.

As we reflect on the royal wedding, here is a statistic to ponder: the number one cause for divorce is miscommunication about money. In most cases, it's better to "get it all on the table" versus waiting until it's too late. Many wonder whether signing a prenup is setting them up for divorce. The answer is, no. There are some very practical reasons to have one in place.

Here are some tips to having a positive prenup conversation with your partner:

1. Set the tone: It's important to keep it positive. Obviously with this type of conversation, it's easy to become defensive. You can open the conversation by saying, "I would never want money to come between us and ruin our relationship.

Why don't we explore some reasons to have a prenup. Let's talk about the positive and negative aspects."

2. Here are some points to talk through:

- Why would a prenup be important to you?
- What are our debts? A prenup absolves one from the others' debts.
- Is there a family home that needs to stay with one person in the relationship? A prenup ensures that the family home stays within the family.
- Are there children from previous marriages we need to think about? A prenup can help divvy assets amongst children.
- Is there a family business? A prenup will keep the family business intact and protect other siblings and parents.

3. Once you have agreed upon a prenup take these important steps:

- Be sure to set your prenup up a number of months before the wedding - wedding planning can be stressful, be sure have this done and out of the way.
- List all of your assets and liabilities this can be a relationship saver because there will be no financial surprises.
- Set it up to strengthen the relationship start your relationship out right, clear financial communication is key to making sure your love stays strong.

Remember, no two relationships are the same. You may not be privileged into royalty but the positives and negatives of prenuptuals effect us all. Decide what is the best decision for you, and move forward together.

Bethany and Scott Palmer are financial and relationship communication experts and the authors of **First Comes Love Then Comes Money: A Couple's Guide to Financial Communication.** They are also widely known as "The Money Couple."

'Saved By the Bell' Star Mark-Paul Gosselaar's Ex Seeking Joint Custody of Kids





In the midst of a

painful divorce, Mark-Paul Gosselaar and his estranged wife have found some common ground, according to <u>People</u>. The former <u>Saved By the Bell</u> star filed for divorce from wife Lisa Ann Russell in June, citing "irreconcilable differences." The couple, who were married for 14 years, both filed for joint custody of their children, Michael Charles, 7, and Ava Lorenn, 5.

What are some ways to compromise during a divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

Divorce is difficult, but if you can meet each other halfway, it can be made a little easier. Cupid has some tips on how to compromise:

- 1. Think about the kids: For your children's sake, try to find some middle ground. Try to come to a custody agreement sooner rather than later to spare your kids some heartache.
- 2. Remember: There can be a lot of hostility during a divorce, but if you remember you were in love once, maybe you'll be easier on each other.
- **3. Take the high road:** As much as you want to stand your ground and fight to the bitter end, don't. Consider solutions that work for everyone, not just yourself.

What are some other ways to make a divorce easier? Share your comments below.

Prince Harry and Chelsy Davy Party All Night Post-Wedding





We learned after

Friday's royal wedding celebrations that sparks are still flying between Prince Harry and Chelsy Davy. The on-and-off couple since 2004 took part in post-wedding festivities back at the Goring Hotel with Prince William and Kate Middleton. Sources saw them leaving together at 6 a.m. "You could tell they were an item," one told <code>UsMagazine.com</code>. "They were acting like a couple and kissed in front of everyone." Prince Harry took part in all of the day's wedding festivities before the rendezvous, making the day as special for his brother as possible. One partygoer described Harry as "determined to put on an amazing party for his brother," saying he spent months "organizing the whole thing and thinking up jokey things that he can do for his brother. He [wanted] to give his brother and his new bride the party of the century!"

How do you know when you're ready to commit?

Cupid's Advice:

Are you ready to have a relationship, or should you continue flying free? Cupid has some tips to figuring out your current love situation:

1. Take a moment to imagine: If you can't imagine having a

boyfriend or girlfriend, then you need more time to prepare. Picture yourself in a relationship, and go with your gut feeling.

- 2. Go for it if you're interested: You may be pondering the relationship idea because there's someone you're currently interested in. If your feelings are strong enough, dive in! You never know when you'll get another opportunity.
- **3. You're over your past loves:** Make sure your over your past relationships before you jump into something new. In order to move on, you have to feel resolved about your exes.

Are you team Prince Harry and Chelsy? Let us know!

Prince William and Kate Middleton's Wedding Reception Was 'Cozy'





The royal wedding

was the hot ticket everyone was after, and according to <u>People</u>, it didn't disappoint. The reception was an 'exclusive' and 'cozy' event that every guest enjoyed. Prince William and Kate Middleton invited all of their close family and friends, which consisted of 650 people total. According to Alex van Straubenzee, father of the late Henry van Straubenzee, "It was very cozy. There was a wonderful relaxed atmosphere. There were lots of people there — even in a place as big as Buckingham Palace. I won't say it was informal, but everyone was having a wonderful time." The guests were served two wedding cakes, a traditional fruit cake and a chocolate biscuit cake which was Prince William's pick because it's from an old family recipe.

What are some unique wedding reception themes?

Cupid's Advice:

Not everyone can have a wedding reception fit for a royal, but Cupid has suggestions for some unique wedding reception ideas:

1. Keep it cozy: You can always have a reception a little bit like Prince William and Kate Middleton's by inviting your closest friends and family to the reception. Your special day

will mean a lot to them just as it means a lot to you.

2. Make it relaxed and fun: A great way to celebrate tying the knot is by having a fun "cocktail" hour type of reception. A lot of people think that the best part of a wedding is the reception, so why not dance the night away by making your reception a little bit like a night club? Keep it fun, simple and relaxed so you and your guests have a great time.

3. Make it intimate and romantic: Set up some candles, have romantic music playing and make your wedding reception just as memorable as the wedding ceremony itself. Keep the feeling of love in the air and show your guests just how much you and your significant other love each other.

Have any great reception theme ideas to share? Comment below.

Singles Event: Night Of Comedy and Laughs





Need a cure for the

mundane weekdays? Head out to EastVille Comedy Club Friday night for this week's singles event from Meet Market Adventures. A standard NYC stop for comedians like Jim Gaffigan, Chris Rock, Sarah Silverman and Dave Attell, Eastville is the place to have some fun and meet others flying solo. You'll sit right up front — meaning you won't miss a second of the action. So head on out and take the next step in your adventure of being single!

Who: Meet Market Adventures

What: Singles Night of Comedy & Laughs

Where: EastVille Comedy Club

When: Friday, May 6 from 8 to 11 PM

Cost: \$19.99

Charlie Sheen and Brooke Mueller Are Officially Divorced





They're no longer

hitched! Charlie Sheen's divorce was finalized Monday, reports RadarOnline. Charlie Sheen and ex-wife Brooke Mueller married in 2008, and share two children together: 2 year-old twins Max and Bob. The pair's marriage began to crumble after Sheen was arrested for domestic violence charges after attacking Mueller with a knife. Sheen filed for divorce on November 1st, and after waiting the mandatory six months, is happy to be released from his marriage.

How can you tell if your partner is keeping secrets from you?

Cupid's Advice:

Paranoia is not the most welcome approach to uncovering your partner's secrets. Here are a few more rational ways to find the truth:

- 1. Notice his behavior: Pay attention to your partner's behavior. If he ever appears uncharacteristically jumpy, anxious or nervous, it may be because he's keeping something from you.
- 2. Observe his friends: If your partner has shared his secrets with his friends, you will most likely be able to learn something from them. No matter the strength of the friendship, your partner's friends will not keep his secrets as closely guarded as he will.
- **3. Ask him:** If you've tried to covertly uncover secrets and nothing has come of it, then he's probably not keeping anything from you. However, if you still feel worried, politely ask your partner. He will not be expecting such a calm approach, and will most likely give you the truth.

Has your partner ever kept secrets from you? Feel free to leave a comment below.

How About We…Find a Date This Spring





After spending three

months bundled up inside the house and sitting in front of the fireplace, why wouldn't you be thrilled when spring finally arrives? The best part about this time of the year isn't just the warm weather or the endless places to visit — there's tons of new people spending time outdoors. If you're lucky, maybe you'll find The One while soaking up the sun's rays.

Since it can be difficult to find a date, <u>HowAboutWe.com</u> suggests these five easy tips to successfully land a date this spring:

- 1. Ladies, ask guys out: Men and women are asking one another out at equal rates, and in fact, ladies are at a slight advantage. Dates proposed by women get an average of 5.8 responses each, while men get about 5.5. Gals, the odds are in your favor, so use 'em to your advantage!
- 2. Be specific: Dates that involve doing a particular, such as eating at a *specific* restaurant or doing a *specific* activity, are 40 percent more successful than ambiguous date ideas. Here's an example: "How about we try and complete a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle while sampling one of Gorilla Coffee's famous maple lattes?" See easy!

- **3. Plan ahead:** Wednesday is the best day to ask someone out on a date. The worst day to propose a date? Sunday.
- **4. Keep it short:** A date idea that gets communicated in 120-140 characters is ideal, so keep it to the length of a tweet.
- **5. Two-part dates have the most success:** Sixty percent of the most responded-to dates are two-fold: a short, active first part followed by a more intimate second location. Here's an example: "How about we practice our swings at the driving range then get some slices at my favorite brick-oven pizza joint it's just a few blocks away."

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Former 'Bachelor' Travis Stork Is Engaged





Dr. Travis Stork,

the former *Bachelor*, and his girlfriend of two years, Dr. Charlotte Brown, are getting married, *People* confirms. Stork proposed to Brown while they were vacationing on the island of Lanai in Hawaii, and she of course accepted. Although the wedding date is yet to be scheduled, the couple's friends say the two are very happy.

Where should you propose?

Cupid's Advice:

Are you ready to propose to that special someone, but aren't sure exactly where? Cupid has some suggestions for you that might come handy:

- 1. First date: Almost everyone remembers their first date with their significant other. Add on more memories to the place you first met or had your first date by proposing there.
- 2. Favorite place: Does your sweetheart have a favorite place? Then make that place more special by proposing to her/him there.
- **3. Vacation:** Does your partner want to travel abroad? Buy two plane tickets and during your vacation, pop the question.

What creative place were your proposed to? Share your story below.

Charlie Sheen: The Greatest Loss of All





By Dr. Jane Greer,

Marriage & Family Therapist, Author, Radio Host & Shrink Wrap Celebrity Commentator

People are still transfixed by Charlie Sheen. Some clinical speculation about his behavior has suggested the ravages of drug addiction or an untreated bipolar episode. While all of this may be true, to me, it looks like unbridled narcissism in full fury.

The go-to definition of narcissism is thinking only of oneself. However, when you use the word narcissist you are really making a much bigger statement. A narcissist is not only selfish but actually lacks the ability to think of anyone else. Most narcissists are masters at turning things around so they're the ones being wronged, and they make it appear that they are doing you a favor by letting you make it up to them. They are typically self-righteous and have an exaggerated sense of entitlement that leads them to believe they deserve everything and more. When they don't get what they want, they get angry and their rage knows no bounds.

You could be dating a narcissist and not even realize it. In fact, at the beginning of a relationship, it can be easy to

miss the signs. If you're not sure, take a minute and consider these questions. Are most of the conversations you have centered around your partner? Are you always the one being flexible, making changes to your schedule or agreeing to new plans? If you're out to eat, does your date help themselves to your food without asking, not seeming to think twice about it and never offering you a taste of theirs? When you visit them, do they get up and greet you at the door or expect you to just walk in and join them in whatever they're doing? While each of these things might seem insignificant alone, together they are the signature behaviors of a narcissist.

The epitome of this is a specific personality type that in my book, What About Me? Stop Selfishness from Ruining Your Relationship, I call an ultimate controller. Their slogan is "it's all about me." They talk about how great they are, how successful they are, how they know more than anyone and how they're better than everyone else. Charlie certainly brings this to life. We see this in his public tirades on Twitter and his webcast "Sheen's Korner," along with his declaration of "winning." Ultimate controllers have little if any empathy for their significant others and they are unable to accommodate the needs of those around them. To try to get them to is likely to lead to frustration, disappointment and unhappiness. This is what each of Charlie's wives realized, and why they ultimately got out of their marriages. ultimate controller's, when their needs aren't met they are quick to get mad and attempt to control others with their anger in an effort to intimidate so they get their way. All of this comes through loud and clear with Charlie's reported death threats, along with his talk about trolls, fastballs and tiger blood. If you pay attention to some of the indicators you will hopefully avoid getting in so deep.

Unfortunately, because Charlie is such a money-generating celebrity he's been able to make his narcissism work for him

and his out of control antics actually perpetuate his image as "the quintessential bad boy." The irony is that despite all that Charlie has lost, the one thing he is indeed the 'winner' at is being the best narcissist around.

Scarlett Johansson and Sean Penn Confirm Relationship with PDA





Looks like Scarlett

Johansson is back in the game after her divorce from Ryan Reynolds this past December. According to <u>People</u>, Johansson and Sean Penn have been caught around town looking like a couple. The two were not only spotted holding hands Saturday

night, outside a White House Correspondents' Dinner afterparty in Washington, D.C., but they have also been seen together on a romantic getaway in Mexico. Although Penn and Johansson didn't alert the media about their new romance, the secret's out!

What are creative ways to inform your friends about a new relationship? Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes, at the start of a budding romance, we don't feel the need to call or text everyone in our contact list to let them know about our newest fling. Cupid has some other ideas on how to break the news:

- 1. Facebook: Although, it can sometimes be a bad thing, social media makes it easy to get news out there fast. Upload a picture of you and your new girl or guy, or tag them in a cute post. Your phone will be ringing in no time with tons of questions.
- 2. Public appearance: Show up together somewhere you know all of your friends will be. If you really don't want to leave room for doubt in their minds, make sure you're holding hands when you get there.
- **3. Drop hints:** When your discussing what you did last weekend or what your plans are for the night, make sure you let everyone know you want to find out what your special someone is doing first.

How did you break the news about your new mate? Comment below.

5 Fantastic Dating Tips for Cinco de Mayo





By Andrew Pryor

The Cinco de Mayo holiday was founded on May 5, 1862. On that day, General Zaragosa led the Mexican army to defeat a French force nearly twice their size. It was one of the biggest military victories ever for Mexico, allowing the Union to build an unstoppable army. Today, America and Mexico both celebrate Cinco de Mayo each year to uphold the values of liberty and national pride.

In other words, there's no reason to feel out of place on Cinco de Mayo, no matter what nationality you are. Go out with someone you love (or go out looking for someone to love) and celebrate the holiday. In honor of the fifth of May, here are five ways to get into the $esp\tilde{A}ritu\ de\ la\ celebraci\tilde{A}^3n$:

- 1. Learn the language: French may be the language of love, but Spanish is the language of seduction. If you want to spend time teaching yourself or your significant other a new way to say "I love you," learn a few new phrases from Supreme Spanish. For a real challenge, try going the whole day speaking Spanish to each other remember to roll your R's!
- 2. Try new things: Cinco de Mayo is all about exercising liberty and freedom, and there's no better day to stretch your personal boundaries. Indulge in Spanish cuisine: anything from homemade paella or enchiladas to a night out for tapas will do. If you're not normally a romantic person, look up some poems by Federico Garcia Lorca and read them to someone you love. Watch a film about love, like Y Tu Mama Tambien or Talk To Her. Break out of your routine.
- **3. Hit the dance floor:** If learning the Spanish language is wearing you down, communicate with your bodies through the language of dance. Again, it's a great idea to try something new with someone you love. Learning an exotic dance like the salsa will bring you closer together on more levels than one.
- 4. The more the merrier: While anything more than two is a crowd, Cinco de Mayo is meant for celebration and you can't throw a party without a mob. But if decking your house in red, white and green isn't on your schedule, check if any of these famous festivals are happening near you.
- **5. Fiesta today, siesta tomorrow:** May 5 only comes once a year, so take full advantage by making as many connections as you can, whether you're single and connecting with new friends or attached and bonding with the one you love. Cinco de Mayo is about loving your country why not spread the love with others as well?

Mariah Carey and Nick Cannon: New Parents On Their Anniversary!





Diva crooner Mariah

Carey gave birth to beautiful twins on her and Nick Cannon's third wedding anniversary. According to <u>People</u>, the new dad tweeted, "My wife just gave me the most incredible anniversary gift ever in life!" The happy couple received many congratulations over Twitter from Hollywood moguls such as Nicki Minaj and Alyssa Milano after the birth of a healthy baby boy and girl. They are completely overjoyed.

How do you keep your anniversary romantic when you have kids?

Cupid's Advice:

Once you have kids, the lives of you and your partner will be

forever changed. However, that doesn't mean you can't make a little time for yourselves as a couple, especially on days such as your anniversary:

- 1. Hire a babysitter: Even parents need a night off. Hiring a sitter is a great way to make time for yourself and to teach your children independence.
- 2. Celebrate as a family: Your kids are an important part of your life as a couple. A great way to include them in your anniversary celebration is to take a trip as a family. As long as your kids are old enough, you can always get separate rooms (next to each other, of course).
- 3. Have a romantic dinner at home: Providing that the kids stay asleep, celebrating your anniversary at home can be a lot cheaper and more convenient than going out.

What are some memorable things you have done on your anniversary? Share a comment below.

Justin Timberlake Talks About Friends With Benefits





Sure his role in the

upcoming film, Friends with Benefits, involves him having a casual relationship, but Justin Timberlake recently opened up to Ellen DeGeneres, saying he's not a big fan of the idea, according to <u>People</u>. "It's a really good idea until it becomes a bad idea," Timberlake said. "It probably becomes a bad idea really fast." The 30-year-old Prince of Pop said it's hard to keep emotions in check in those type of hookups, and it gets worse once sex is involved. "If you're going to be intimate with someone at some point somebody's going to feel something," he said.

When can a friends with benefits situation be a good idea?

Cupid's Advice:

- 1. Fresh off a strikeout: A 'no strings attached' relationship may be beneficial if you just got out of a serious relationship, and you need a boost of confidence.
- 2. The big move: It's tough to tie yourself down to a city you don't live in anymore. If you anticipate either a move to a different city, but still want to have fun, this type of relationship may be appropriate.

3. Flying solo: For whatever the reason may be, if you're not ready for a committed gig, then it's okay to want to have a non-serious partnership. Just make sure you let your partner know what you're feeling.

Do you think a "friends with benefits" situation is a good or bad thing? Comment below.

Kate Hudson and Matt Bellamy Are Engaged!





Kate Hudson,

America's favorite blonde beauty, announced her engagement Wednesday to Matthew Ballamy on the *Today* show. After Matt Lauer noticed her ring, the actress proclaimed, "I'm engaged!

It just happened a week ago. I'm so glad you noticed. I haven't really announced it. ... I was waiting for someone to notice." According to <u>People</u>, she would not reveal any more about the engagement ... only that it was very romantic.

Does it take the intimacy out of your proposal story if you share it?

Cupid's Advice:

Though secret proposals and/or marriages may seem romantic, most people who go that route find it difficult to keep something so joyous a secret. It's not a matter of intimacy; it's a matter of practicality:

- 1. Give me a ring: Even if you choose not to share your engagement with friends and family, the ring is a dead giveaway.
- 2. Share the love: You may agree to keep your engagement a secret, but one of you is bound to crack.
- 3. Eloping: It ends up being more of a surprise than secret.

Did you get married in secret? Share your story below.

'90210' Alum Ian Ziering Welcomes First Child





Former 90210 star

Ian Ziering has a new ray of sunshine in his life, and it's not from Beverly Hills. His wife Erin gave birth last week to their first child, Mia Loren. "Erin and I are very excited to be parents," Ziering told E! Online in October. "It's something we both have always wanted." The new father is more prepared than his 90210 character Steve Sanders, who was expecting with girlfriend Lindsay Price on the show. "Well, it's official, I'm a dad!" he posted via Facebook. "As I sit holding Mia, Erin sleeps the most beautiful sleep. My thoughts race with visions of a brighter future, only made possible by what happens today... or, last night! God bless us all." Best of luck to these new proud parents.

How do you know when you're ready to have children?

Cupid's Advice:

Having a baby is a big step for couples, and isn't anything to rush. Children change lives, and both partners need to be ready for the adjustment. Before considering it, ask yourself these questions:

1. Can you afford to support yourself and a baby?: Make sure you're financially stable, you have enough space and that your

partner will be able to pay child support in the event of a separation. Money is a crucial factor to consider when having a baby. You need to make sure you are both committed to paying the child's expenses.

- 2. How serious is the relationship?: Analyze your relationship. Do you plan on getting married or moving in together? How long have you been together? You need to think about your future as a couple before deciding on babies.
- 3. Are you ready to make sacrifices?: Remember, once you have children, they are your responsibility for the next eighteen years. If you're finishing school, job hunting or simply love going out, perhaps it's best to wait awhile. Even the biggest dreams are put on hold when a baby is born.

What are some other important factors to consider before having kids? Share your thoughts below.

Former 'Idol' Star Justin Guirini Welcomes a Baby Boy





Former American Idol

star, Justin Guirini, welcomed a son, William Neko Bell Guarini, on Tuesday, April 26. "Reina is doing wonderfully and should be given a medal for going 10 months and 1 week with child," Guirini said about his wife. He added, "We're resting comfortably in the hospital and can't wait to introduce him to his big sister..."

How does the dynamic change when you add a second child to the family?

Cupid's Advice:

Many consider having a second child so that their first will have a sibling. The thought of having two children might sound amazing, but changes to the family will occur. Here are just a few:

- 1. Expenses: Having another child means there will be more expenses. Therefore, you might have to limit how much you give your first child. It's all about compromise and sharing.
- **2. Daily routines:** All of your daily routines will change in order to accommodate the new member to your family. This may mean your first child won't get as much attention.

3. Balance your time: Since you aren't taking care of one child any more, you will have to balance your time to make sure each of your children get what they need. If you don't, as your children get older, there might be some competition between them.

What things changed when you added a second child to your family? Share a comment below.

Michael Douglas Is Proud of Catherine-Zeta Jones for Facing Disorder





Michael Douglas

opened up to Oprah Winfrey today about how his wife, Catherine Zeta Jones, attempted to hide her depression from him while he was going through stage IV throat cancer, according to HollywoodLife. Douglas further expressed how upset Zeta-Jones was when she was "outed" with having bipolar disorder. "Once she was outed, she knew she had to get out her story," said Douglas. Douglas says he is proud of his wife for addressing the media and staying positive with the issues she has faced in the past few months. After surviving through throat cancer, Douglas is happy to support his wife who has been by his side through this whole ordeal.

What are some ways to show your support in the face of a partner's illness?

Cupid's Advice:

If there's one key to having a successful relationship, it's to be supportive of one another. A partner's illness is a painful experience to go through and is often a test to a relationship. Cupid has some suggestions:

- 1. Don't let the stress get to you: It's very important not to let the illness turn you negative. It's important to stay positive no matter what the circumstances, because having doubts won't help your partner stay brave.
- 2. Have faith in each other: Believe in each other and support each other. If you believe your partner will get through this difficult time, that faith alone may help.
- **3. Don't worry about what others have to say:** Don't let what others, whether it be family, friends or doctors, say get to you and your partner. Those people aren't in your relationship and aren't going through the same situation.

What are some ways to show your support for your suffering partner? Share your experiences below.

Levi Johnston to Write a Tell-All Book About the Palins





Levi Johnston, the

father of Bristol Palin's son Tripp, is writing a tell-all book about his experiences with the Palin family, reports <code>UsMagazine.com</code>. The book, entitled <code>Deer in Headlights: My Life in Sarah Palin's Crosshairs</code> is slated for release in the fall under Touchstone Publishing. "He's ready to give an inside glimpse to his relationship with the Palins," explained a source. "[He wants to] share his trials and tribulations of being thrust into the spotlight and becoming a father at such a young age."

How do you deal with a vengeful ex?

Cupid's Advice:

When your ex-partner won't let your relationship go, the results can be painful. Here are a few ways to deal with your hurting ex:

- 1. Resolve past issues: If your partner is hurt and angry after your relationship ended, then there are probably some unresolved issues between the two of you. Take some time to negotiate and settle these issues.
- **2. Ignore him:** It may be that your ex is simply reacting childishly to petty problems. If this is the case, then ignore him. His antics are only a plea for attention.
- **3. Get help:** If your ex is taking things too far, you may need to get another person involved. Talk to mutual friends and have them talk some sense into him. If things are even more serious, you may want to report your ex for harassment.

Do you have a bad breakup story? Feel free to leave a comment below!