

# Brad Womack's Ex Says He Proposed to Her Numerous Times



Brad Womack is no rookie when it comes to proposing. This season's eligible bachelor has, according to ex-girlfriend Laurel Kagay in an [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) article, proposed to her countless times. Kagay said the most recent proposal was just weeks before he left to film this season's show. "Even when we weren't together, he would say how much he loved me and was going to marry me," she said. While filming, Kagay said Womack would send her emails. "I'm sure the girl he picked would want to know that he was proposing to another woman right before he started taping the show," she said. "I would want to know."

**How do you know when your partner's heart is in the right place?**

## Cupid's Advice:

Probably one of the most frustrating parts of a relationship is when you and your partner have different ideas about where you're heading as a couple. Cupid has some ways to tell if you and your partner are on the same page:

- 1. There's intimacy:** It's not all about sex. Ask yourself if you do things such as cuddle up to each other after a long day of work or hold hands in public. If not, you may want to look into why.
- 2. You say 'I love you' often:** This is important to keep in mind, because if those words are rarely exchanged, there may be some distance between you and your partner.
- 3. They don't act distant:** Pay attention to how your partner acts around you. If he or she tends to be caught up in problems or less attentive to what you say, you may want to do something about it before it takes a toll on your relationship and love.

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## Sexy 'Bachelor' Photo Shoot for 'Sports Illustrated'





By Krissy Dolor

White sand beaches, crystal blue water and skimpy bathing suits? This isn't your ordinary vacation, as Brad Womack and a few bachelorettes do a photo shoot for *Sports Illustrated* in Anguilla. While Ashley H. has the 'girl next door' look going, Chantal can't help but want to up the sexy ante, and even takes her top off. Don't believe us? Look at Brad's face at the end of the clip below. Don't forget to watch ABC's [The Bachelor](#) with us **next Monday, Feb. 14 at 8 PM/7 PM Central Time** to find out what happens – especially if you have Valentine's Day date night plans! See you next week!

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## **'The Bachelor' Season 15, Episode 6: Hot and Heavy in**

# The Springs



By Krissy Dolor

The vacation destination theme continued on week six of ABC's *The Bachelor* as Brad Womack and the remaining eight bachelorettes took another trip – this time, to Costa Rica. With the lush green landscape, a waterfall and a volcano view from The Springs Resort and Spa, what's *not* to like about week six?

Simple: Michelle, who, despite all her complaining and minor physical assault on Brad, is *still* in the running to be his wife. But we'll get to her later.

Chantal 0. got the first one-on-one date with Brad, and after last week's Las Vegas meltdown, this date is crucial to her future. Michelle is less than thrilled, telling the camera, "All I can do is be myself, be patient and hope that Chantal gets attacked by monkeys. Or apes." That's funny, Michelle – we say the same exact thing about you!

Anyway, Brad is all about his “electric connection” with the Seattle native, and wanted to see the strong, confident woman he first met – you know, the one that gave him a slap across the face in the season premiere. What’s a better adrenaline rush than zip-lining through the Costa Rica trees? Despite the rain, Chantal didn’t hesitate to get herself ready for the half-mile zip-line track, which she completed with ease. “This is a girl that I could definitely hang out with every single day for the rest of my life,” said Brad.

The rain made another appearance at dinner, forcing the two indoors. Brad was happy that the weather didn’t faze Chantal – but since she’s from *Seattle*, I’m pretty sure rain is the least of her problems. In fact, Chantal took the opportunity to change into one of Brad’s button downs, since you obviously can’t hang out in wet clothes all night. Smart move. As the two shared dessert, Chantal said, “I would take being rained in with you any day.” Romance ensues, Chantal gets a rose, and she boldly asserts to the camera, ““I did fall in love with Brad tonight.” Bold!

But nothing’s as bold as Michelle, who is still behooved over Brad’s attraction to Chantal. Some of the words Michelle used to describe her were aggressive, overly confident and egotistical. Is she talking about herself? After the group date, which included Jackie, Emily, Shawntel, Britt and Ashley H., those are the words anyone would use to describe her, as she threw a fit over the fact that Brad was taking everyone rappelling down a waterfall. If you recall, Michelle and Brad did this in episode four, where they promised that they wouldn’t go rappelling without each other.

Technically, Brad kept up his end of the deal. After all the women went down (even Jackie, who is deathly afraid of heights), Brad told Michelle, after much pouting and a few punches from her, that he was saving her for last so they could rappel together. Duh! When the two made their trek (wearing matching jackets, no less), the other women wondered

if they called each other beforehand to plan their outfits.

However, the rest of the group date didn't go as smoothly. Some women (like Jackie) were clearly jealous that Brad had given Michelle extra attention, and Brad felt guilty. Emily told Brad that she has a tendency to sabotage her relationships, and that's no good, as Brad really likes Emily. And Michelle flat out tells Brad that she doesn't see him with any of the women (besides herself). Brad, overwhelmed and flabbergasted by everything, tells the women he can't give anyone a rose tonight. Smart decision.

But of course, there is one last one-on-one date with Brad, and Alli is the lucky lady left. This is her first one-on-one, and with a card that reads, "Meet me at the altar," she is more than confused. The date starts off with horseback riding and ends in a bat cave – yes, a bat cave. How unromantic. Brad leads her through the 40 million year old cave to an "altar," a set of natural stairs made of stone that lead up to a flat surface, where Brad has set a candlelit picnic. OK, that's much better.

But at dinner, Brad comes to the realization that he can't see himself with Alli in the long run, as they are straining to make small talk despite the intimate setting. Where are the tears? The depressing stories? The conversation is going nowhere. To make it even *more* awkward is that Alli brought up her last serious relationship, where she couldn't see herself marrying the guy. "I couldn't see him at the end of the aisle," she said. The light bulb goes off in Brad's head and he broke the news to her: "I can't give you this rose. I think you're an amazing woman but we both know we have a strong friendship, and I think that's where it ends."

Ouch. But not all is lost. In the depressing ride away from the resort, Alli said that Brad has given her a much higher standard for the next time she starts dating. Good for you!

Back at the house, the women see Alli's luggage taken being away and rush outside to gape and gawk. Michelle simply sat there, plotting her next move. Guess where she ends up? Brad's bedroom – would you expect anything less? So instead of a weekly therapy session we see more of Michelle (who will be in a movie later this year), who pounces on Brad and gives him more grief about Chantal and the rest of the bachelorettes.

But it doesn't make a difference. Brad keeps the crazy. He even keeps Britt, who still hasn't had a one-on-one date. In fact, Brad says goodbye to Jackie (who got that awesome serenade from Train in episode two). Will Brad ever say goodbye to Michelle? Check back next week for our recap of episode 7 of *The Bachelor*, where the vacation continues – in Anguilla!

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## Halle Berry and Gabriel Aubry Fought Over Kim Kardashian





Although Gabriel Aubry and Kim Kardashian's recent romance fizzled soon after it began, [People](#) reports that Halle Berry was not happy to see her ex out with a reality TV star. Aubry, 35, and Kardashian, 30, took in a Lakers game and a movie in late November before calling it quits. Halle Berry, 44, who split with the French Canadian model last year, was angry about the relationship because of her daughter, according to a source close to the actress. "Halle was very upset... She just didn't want Nahla exposed to the cameras that are undoubtedly around a reality star." But Aubry had no intention of bringing someone new into his daughter's life right away. "Gabriel wanted to make sure he dated someone for six months before he introduced them to his daughter," says the source.

**How soon should you bring a new partner into your child's life?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

After a breakup, it's hard to know when to bring a new partner into your kid's life. Cupid has some tips on when and how to make the introduction:

**1. Talk to your child:** Give your son or daughter a chance to come to terms with his or her parents' separation. Once they



realize that Mommy and Daddy aren't together anymore, they will be more ready to accept someone new.

**2. Warn your partner:** Tell your new mate what your child is like so he's prepared. Giving him as much information as possible will help make the introduction go smoothly.

**3. Wait until it's serious:** While there's no time limit on when your child and partner are ready to meet, it's a good idea to wait at least a couple of months. Then, it's up to you to know when the relationship is serious enough to bring someone new into your child's life.

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## 'The Bachelor' Season 15, Episode 5: Tears and Loathing in Las Vegas





By Krissy Dolor

As we mentioned earlier today, we got a chance to watch last night's episode of ABC's *The Bachelor* with *Bachelor Pad* winner and author of *The Man Code*, David L. Good. The event was at the Village Pourhouse in downtown New York City, and many ladies (and a few gents) came out to talk to David, take pictures, check out his book and watch the fifth episode with him. I have to admit, it was both cool and weird to watch the show with a former contestant – as you guys remember, David was on season 5 of *The Bachelorette* with Jillian Harris. Hearing David's take definitely added a unique perspective. Read on for our recap of last night's episode and his advice for season 15 contestant Brad Womack:

ABC took Brad and the gang to Sin City, where they stayed at the Aria hotel. The first date was a one-on-one with Shawntel (one of David's favorites). Her card read, "Let's end tonight with a bang," – how scandalous! The day started off with a shopping spree in "one of the nicest malls in the world," where this lucky bachelorette was able to buy anything – and I mean *anything* – she wanted. The two ran from store to store, picking out what seemed like everything in sight. Luckily, Shawntel was wearing casual clothes that made it easy for her to try stuff on. "It was so much fun shopping with Shawntel!" exclaimed Brad. Since it was on ABC's budget, I'm sure it

was.

Their night ended with a rooftop dinner, where they were finally able to get alone time. But was it romantic? “I have waited so long to talk to Shawntel,” Brad said. “And she’s telling me that she embalms deceased bodies.” Awkward. At least tears weren’t shed, like Brad’s past one-on-one dates. He gave her a rose and their night ended up with fireworks (get it?).

The group date was next. Brad took Jackie, Emily, Lisa, Marissa, Alli, Chantal O., Britt and Michelle to the Las Vegas Motor Speedway. But wait – isn’t there a conflict somewhere? It’s reality TV, of course there is! Not only was Emily’s fiancé Ricky a NASCAR driver, he even crashed at this very racetrack. Brad, who didn’t know about Ricky’s racing past, tried to to makes amends and asked Emily if she wanted to leave. “I feel like a jerk,” he said. No kidding.

But since Emily is the most gracious of this season’s bachelorettes, she opted to stay and face her past. “Ricky will always be a huge part of my life,” she said. “I will always love him.” And with that, the southern belle hopped into the car and drove her three laps. “While I’m driving, I’m not thinking about going the fastest – I’m just driving around thinking the first few laps are for Ricky, and the last lap is for me.” Cue the tears!

Later, everyone heads to – you guessed it – another rooftop. Alli was upset that Emily dominated Brad’s time. Chantal slipped up and mentioned the L-word, which Brad tried not to notice. And Michelle? She’s over the tears that the other women are throwing at Brad, and said, “Brad is a man babysitting little girls.” Michelle uses her dominatrix power and shows Brad exactly how she feels with a little tongue action behind closed doors. At this part, David laughed and said, “You have to give her credit!” I (grudgingly) agree – she knows what she wants and she’s not scared to fight for it.

But despite Michelle's manhandling, Emily received the second rose of the episode, which was no surprise to anyone on the show (or at the bar).

And then it was time for the dreaded two-on-one date, where Brad would have to send one of the two girls home immediately afterward. Crazy eyes Ashley H. and New York nanny Ashley S. battled it out at a rehearsal for Cirque du Soleil's "Viva Elvis" show. Luck would have it that the Ashleys are best friends in the house – they even got matching tattoos in Vegas! After the rehearsal was over, Brad broke the news: "I think you'll make an extraordinary wife," he said to Ashley S. "I don't think you'll make an extraordinary wife for me." Ouch. Despite Michelle's hope that Brad would send *both* Ashleys home, he decided to hang onto dentist-Ashley for a little while longer. Turns out that first one-on-one date trumps first impression rose.

We also said goodbye to Lisa and Marissa – just when I was hoping to get to know them better. Next week, it looks like Brad and the eight remaining women take another trip – this time, to the Costa Rica rain forest. While I tried to pry David for some *Bachelor* secrets (and got no luck – sorry guys!), he *did* offer up some great advice for Brad: "Don't give into what everybody else wants you to do," he said. "Stick with your heart like you did the first time. Obviously it worked out – both those other girls are engaged ... I think he's a little older, a little wiser – I think he's there for love." David continued, "At the end of the day, as soon as you're off that show, in two weeks you're back to real life, and everybody's got to deal with that. Everybody was upset; 'he owes us – he owes us to get married, he was on the show.' ... He doesn't owe anybody anything just because he's on TV."

Hear, hear! You can see more clips from our interview with David on Vimeo and YouTube. Don't forget to visit us next week our recap of next week's episode!

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# 'Idol' Contestant Chris Medina Shares Story of Fiancee's Brain Injury



How much would you sacrifice if your partner got ill? The millions of people watching *American Idol* Wednesday night had to consider that question after watching Chris Medina's touching story. *People* reports that when 26-year-old Medina auditioned for the judges in Milwaukee, he told the story of how he and the love of his life, Juliana, dated for six years and got engaged. Then two months before the wedding, everything changed when Juliana got in an accident that left her with a traumatic brain injury.

"I was about to make vows just two months from the accident – through thick and thin, 'til death do us part, for better or worse," he said. "What kind of guy would I be if I walked out when she needed me the most?"

**Should you sacrifice aspects of your life for your partner's illness?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

An illness or injury will test even the strongest relationship. Cupid has some advice on how much you should sacrifice when your partner goes through a trauma:

**1. Respect the vows:** Like Chris Medina said, when you get married, you make a vow to be there for each other "in sickness and in health, 'til death do us part." Your partner's illness gives you an opportunity to show how much those vows mean to you.

**2. Get help:** Don't go through this experience alone. If your mate needs care, make sure you ask for help from family, friends and professionals instead of taking it all on yourself.

**3. Don't sacrifice everything:** Your partner would probably want you to go out and enjoy life instead of worrying about him or her constantly. Take time for yourself once in awhile.

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**'The Bachelor' Season 15  
Heads to Las Vegas!**





By Krissy Dolor

There's nothing like a trip to Sin City to amp up the drama on [ABC's \*The Bachelor\*](#)! From the looks of the preview below, [Michelle](#) digs her claws even further (if possible) into Brad Womack, everyone is crying (what else is new) and – surprise, surprise – someone wants to go home. But this time, it's Chantal! I wonder if she'll stay, or if she'll follow in Madison's footsteps and leave Brad in the dust. Don't forget to watch *The Bachelor* with us **next Monday, Jan. 31 at 8 PM/7 PM Central Time** to find out what happens, and follow us on Twitter: @cupidspulse. Word on the street is that Cupid has a little something up his sleeve for next week. Stay tuned!

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## Chloe Sevigny Says She Isn't Dating Jersey Shore's Pauly D





After they were spotted sitting together courtside at a Knicks-Spurs game, rumors about actress Chloe Sevigny and *Jersey Shore*'s Paul "DJ Pauly D" DelVecchio were an item. When asked by *Interview* magazine about the possibility of dating Pauly D, the *Big Love* star called the idea "hilarious," reports *People*. Sevigny added, "That would be the weirdest couple in the world. It would be like the apocalypse. We represent extremes, in opposite directions. So for us two to come together, it would be a very strange meeting of the minds or colliding of two worlds."

## **Is it true that opposites attract?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

"You say 'yes,' and I say 'no.' You say 'stop,' and I say, 'go, go, go!'" Can this complicated relationship (courtesy of the Beatles) really work? Cupid has some ideas:

**1. People are complex:** No two people are completely opposite (or completely alike). When opposites attract, it may just be two people who find that the few things they have in common are more important than their differences.

**2. Scientists say no:** According to a [2003 study](#) where researchers quizzed 978 heterosexual residents of Ithaca, New



York, about what they look for in a partner, the results were clear: The majority look for mates who are similar to themselves.

**3. Opposites attract, but do they stay together?:** You may be attracted to someone who is different from you because they seem to fill a gap. But it's up to you to make the relationship last.

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## Who Will Walk Out on 'The Bachelor'?



By Krissy Dolor

After last week's crazy-fest, who knows what tonight's episode will bring – perhaps a possible walk-off? Someone's life

story is just as intense as the *Bachelor* movie that Brad Womack and crew are filming. In fact, it's dramatic enough to "break everyone's heart." Tears are flowing (including streams from vamp girl) and someone will walk out. But will this bachelorette leave the mansion for good? We can't wait for tonight's answer! Here's to hoping it's not one of our favorites. Don't forget to watch *The Bachelor* tonight, **Monday, 1/17 at 8 PM/7 PM Central Time**, and stop by tomorrow for our recap of the episode! Happy watching!

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## Advanced Clips: Bravo's Millionaire Matchmaker Finale



Patti's returns to a former (and crazy!) client as she rounds out her stay in New York City. Will Patti finally be able to tame Stacey and

prove that she knows what's right for her? This troublesome client won't go down without a fight, and proves it once again during a lie detector test. On the other hand, Patti's second client is a good guy who tends to pick the wrong women. Will he learn from Patti and be able to avoid falling for a gold digger? And will Patti get the final word when it comes to Stacey? Find out tomorrow night **January 11 @ 9/8c** on the **\*FINALE\*** of BRAVO's The Millionaire Matchmaker

[Taking a Lie Detector Test: Patti Stanger gives this millionairess another shot but first has her take a lie detector test.](#)

[Gold Digger or Not: Patti Stanger helps former NFL player Freddie Mitchell on how to spot a gold digger.](#)

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## **‘The Bachelor’ Star Brad Womack: “This is Not a Game to Me”**





By Krissy Dolor

This may be a reality TV show, but Brad Womack says that his quest to find love a second time around isn't a game. The second week of ABC's *The Bachelor* is filled with drama, tears – and a stolen kiss or two – as the remaining 20 bachelorette contestants duke it out in the race for Brad's heart. Check out this preview below to see some crazy scenes, including a black spandex-wearing Madison (and those infamous fangs). Don't forget to watch *The Bachelor* tonight, **Monday, 1/10 at 8 PM/7 PM Central Time**, and stop by tomorrow for our recap of the episode! Happy watching!

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## Advanced Clips: Bravo's Millionaire Matchmaker





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Millionaire Matchmaker 4, Tuesday January 4 – This week Patti deals with one very superficial client and another client with serious commitment issues. Robin, a successful woman in her 30's has very specific physical requests (Hello Mathew McConaughey!) but Patti isn't afraid to call her out on trying to snag a guy out of her league. John, on the other hand, is looking for a real relationship but will have to move out of his comfort zone and face his commitment issues head on. Will Patti straighten these two out and find them love or will their on-going issues cause more matchmaking drama?

[Finding the one thing that's missing: This millionairess needs Patti Stanger's help finding love.](#)

[Not Commitment-phobic: Patti Stanger calls out this millionaire who is a commitment-phobe but he doesn't see it that way.](#)

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# Advanced Clips: Bravo's Millionaire Matchmaker



Just because you are a millionaire, it doesn't mean you know how to use that money to dress right. Patti brings in the big guns, her favorite image consultant to help her client Matt look the part of a successful and interesting man as opposed to quirky and uptight. Also struggling with appropriate style, Patti's millionairess of the week Elena, doesn't mind showing a little (or rather, a LOT) of skin. Will Matt and Elena agree to play by Patti's rules and attract the right kind of date or will the two clients stick with the looks that have failed them in the past? Find out this **Tuesday 12/28 @9/8c on BRAVO's The Millionaire Matchmaker 4**

Changing the Image: Patti Stanger brings an image consultant to help this millionaire attract the right man.

How to Date an American: This millionairess from the former



Soviet Union isn't too sure how to date an American.

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# Kim Kardashian Enjoys the Single Life



Kim Kardashian is embracing her new role in life – the single life, reports [People](#). The reality star says it was difficult to see both her sisters settle down while she chose a more career-oriented path. Kim Kardashian admits, “I have always been the one in a relationship. I like that role, I want that best friend partnership.” Today, Kim feels more comfortable being single and has stopped jumping from relationship to relationship. **What can you do to embrace the single life while waiting for Mr. Right?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Having time to enjoy and nurture your relationship with yourself is just as important as doing so with a partner:

**1. Embrace life:** Being single is a great time to focus on other aspects in your life, such as school or your career.

You can throw your heart into new projects without the need to feel guilty.

**2. Date yourself:** It can be scary to try new things when you're single, but eating alone at a restaurant (sans cell phone) or going to a movie solo can be very empowering to the single soul.

**3. Take time for you:** Being single is a time when you can focus on yourself; join the gym, sleep in late, or travel.

This is the time when you don't have to ask for advice and you have free reign to take on a new hobby.

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## Former 'Girl Next Door' Bridget Marquardt: Reality Show?







Former *Girl Next*

*Door* Bridget Marquardt has a new reality television show in the works. What's her only concern? Can she and boyfriend Nicolas Carpenter keep their relationship intact? She told [RadarOnline](#), "It's kind of fun to be able to share it with my boyfriend, but at the same time I have concerns with that as well...they always say that all these reality show couples end up breaking up and [have] lots of problems and stuff so I'm definitely listening to that and taking that into consideration. Maybe a formatted show is a better way to go." Bridget Marquardt is excited about the show and is also thrilled with her post-playboy life. She and Nicolas Carpenter, a director, hope to "...do some more horror movies together where I'm producing and he's directing and his brother is actually a writer so we kind of have a team here!"

**When do you go public with your relationship?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

It's always hard to take your relationship public, but before you tell your friends and family, consider a few things:

**1. Your intentions:** If you want only a brief fling out of your relationship, then there's no need to tell others, aside from a few close friends. However, if you hope the relationship

will get serious, then tell your family. They'll be glad you've found someone!

**2. Time:** Before you tell your friends and family, give the relationship some time. The old saying, "time will tell" is definitely true in this situation. If it seems like your relationship is becoming promising, then share.

**3. Others' approval:** While you have the freedom to date whomever you like, having your family's approval is heartwarming. Before introducing your family to your beau, try envisioning your family's reaction. Prepare yourself for the best – and the worst outcomes.

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## Jersey Shore's Angelina Goes on a Terrifying Date



In spite of leaving

her castmates at *Jersey Shore* before the end of the season for the second time, Angelina's reality TV career is far from over. According to [RadarOnline](#), just in time for Halloween, the Jersey girl appeared on IFC's 5-part horror satire series, *Dead Set*. It seems that Angelina may be trading in her tan juice head guidos for a much paler partner. As part of IFC's spoof, Angelina shocked the GTL off of her *Jersey Shore* castmates by dating the undead. Anyone who thinks their last blind date was bad can't top Angelina's date with a zombie. Her disgust can be seen as she speaks in candid detail about why this zombie isn't right for her. Perhaps, next time she will look for guys on the boardwalk instead of at the graveyard.

### **What are some date deal breakers? Cupid's Advice:**

There is nothing like a bad date to ruin a perfectly good evening. But, remember, going on a bad date isn't your fault, staying on one is:

- 1. Disrespect:** If your date makes hurtful comments about your appearance, family background, religion, or anything else, end the date immediately. This is unacceptable behavior that doesn't warrant a second of your attention.
- 2. Too touchy-feely:** Though everyone has a different timeline when it comes to the sensual side with someone you have been dating, if that's all your date is interested in, there is no point in dating him/her.
- 3. No chemistry:** Your date may be a great person, but there's just something missing. He/she may appear to be the perfect partner, but maybe just not for you. Don't feel guilty; at least you didn't lead him on!

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# Poker Pro Beth Shak on Millionaire Matchmaker



By Victoria Sullivan

Though the poker table may be an excellent place to meet men, it's no longer just a man's game. Cupid was there in Midtown Manhattan at the Spot at the Table Charity Poker Tournament where Asylum.com teamed up with Poker Pro, Beth Shak, who will soon make an appearance on Bravo's Millionaire Matchmaker.

After discovering poker in 2002, Shak has conquered more than just tournaments. As the card shark, style mogul, and philanthropist told Cupid, "Poker has helped me learn so much about men." She goes on to explain that she's "treated like a women" when she first sits down at the table "but after playing for hours, men tend to forget and start to let

their guards down and be themselves.” When we asked Shak about men being intimidated by her she didn’t think it was intimidation, she said “men just don’t want to lose to a woman.”

A key ingredient to playing poker is having the ability to read people. Shak uses her intuition to play the table. As a woman playing in a male-dominant sport, the advantage is that as a woman she thinks differently than they do. This helps her game. When it comes to her love life, it isn’t all that different. Shak notes that if any guy claims to be too busy to see her, she’s bound to call their bluff. She offers some good advice (women listen up). She notes that men can multi-task. For example, they can use the mens’ room, grab a bite to eat and get back to the poker table all within a 15 minute time period. She’s got a great point!

After seeing Shak in her element, Cupid is counting down the minutes for her *Millionaire Matchmaker* episode to air. Though Shak didn’t give much away, she did issue the following statement exclusively to Cupid: “Millionaire Matchmaker was an amazing experience. I loved Patty. The past two years have been a life transition for me (going through divorce, etc). She helped me see clearly about a few important things in relationships.”

Stay tuned for the Season Premiere of Bravo’s Millionaire Matchmaker tonight @ 9/8c!

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# TLC's Sister Wives & Hubby Under Investigation



No matter what your take is on TLC's reality series *Sister Wives*, there is no doubt that Utah's most famous polygamist family has caught America's full attention. Unfortunately, according to [RadarOnline](#), Kody Brown and his multiple wives have also caught the attention of the feds. Though bigamy is a third-degree felony in Utah, it's rarely investigated. But due to all of the publicity surrounding the show, a full-out police investigation on the Browns is underway. In response to potential legal action, the Brown family issued the following statement: "We are disappointed in the announcement of an investigation, but when we decided to do this show, we knew there would be risks. But for the sake of our family, and most importantly, our kids, we felt it was a risk worth taking."

**What should you do if you love two people at once?**

## Cupid's Advice:

Cheating is one thing, but what if you really love two people at the same time? Cupid has some things to consider:

**1. Alternative lifestyles:** Whether it's for religious reasons or other moral considerations, there will always be people out there who have alternative love lives. As long as those people are happy and not hurting anyone around them, there's no reason we shouldn't accept relationships which differ from our own.

**2. Making equal time:** If for some reason you do end up in a consenting relationship with two or more people, the top priority must be to give equal attention to all the parties involved. If one person believes they aren't loved as much as another, it can lead to drama or depression.

**3. Multiple commitments:** If you don't believe in polygamy, but are in love with two people at the same time, it's time to start analyzing each relationship separately. Focus on factors outside of the love. With which mate are you most compatible? Which relationship can truly go the distance?

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## Snooki's New Boyfriend Is a 'Refreshing Change'







*Jersey Shore's*

Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi, who was recently rumored to be starting her own reality dating show, looks like she doesn't need any help finding a man. [Us Magazine](#) reports that the reality TV star's new boyfriend, Jionni LaValle, is a "refreshing change," according to a source. "Jionni is great. He is so quiet and isn't trying to be in the spotlight." But apparently Snooki was still nervous about her new beau and looked for approval from her girlfriends. "She wasn't sure about him at first and kept asking her friends what they thought of him," says the source. "She was hesitant because he isn't the typical gorilla." **How important are the opinions of your friends when it comes to the person you're dating?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Advice from your family and friends can be very telling. Cupid has some ideas on when you should listen to your friends' opinions and when it's okay to follow your own intuition:

**1. Get a new perspective:** Sometimes it's hard to see a person's faults when you really like him/her, which is why it's important to listen to your friends when you're with someone new. They have an outside perspective and won't hesitate to tell you if they think your new flame is actually



a jerk.

**2. Know your history:** Your friends know about your past relationships and your tendency to date certain types. If they see you gravitating toward the same type of partner (especially if you've had bad luck with that type in the past), they may be able to help steer you in another direction.

**3. Go with your gut:** Your pals don't know everything. While they care about you and want you to be happy, they don't know how you feel or what you want as well as you do. So if your intuition is telling you something's wrong (or right), listen.

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## Avril Lavigne Parties With Boyfriend AND Ex





If you think you and your new beau can't be friendly with your ex, think again. [People](#) reports that Avril Lavigne and boyfriend Brody Jenner recently partied with Lavigne's ex-husband, Deryck Whibley of Sum 41. Even with her ex nearby, the pop star and her reality-TV boyfriend couldn't keep their hands off of each other at the Hollywood club. Reports say that Lavigne, 26, and Jenner, 27, were kissing and snuggling up to each other all night after Whibley, 30, spent some time chatting with them at their table. The PDA-friendly twosome have been together since the spring. Here's hoping that the couple that parties together (with an ex), stays together!

### **How friendly should you be with your partner's ex?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

While it might seem difficult to befriend the person who let your partner go, there might be some benefits to being friendly with your boo's ex. Cupid has some tips on exactly how friendly you should be:

- 1. Watch and learn:** Use your sweetie's relationship with his or her ex as a guide to show you how friendly to be. It won't do any good to become best friends with the person your partner swore to never talk to again.

**2. Don't get discouraged:** Befriending your mate's former flame provides a great opportunity to commiserate about your partner's bad habits and stupid jokes. But don't let the ex poison your mind when they talk about your partner's role in the failure of their relationship. Every relationship is different, and history doesn't always have to repeat itself.

**3. Keep a safe distance:** An ex may befriend you or your partner because they still have some leftover feelings for your beau. Make sure to keep them at arm's length, and learn their true intentions before being too welcoming.

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## NYC Singles: Let's Play Poker!



Cupid loves Poker.

Why? Because eligible single men love poker. That's right NY ladies. If there is one place where you are guaranteed to meet men, it's at a poker tournament. If there is one place where you can meet eligible Manhattan bachelors it's at the charity poker tournament, *Spot at the Table* with poker pro Beth Shak.

When: October 12

Time: 7pm-11pm

Where: Luxe Lounge- Lucky Strike Manhattan  
42nd St & 12th Ave

Beth Shak is known for more than just her pretty poker face; she is considered a Red Sole Diva with a very impressive shoe collection (1400 Louboutins to be exact) and will also be a featured millionaire on Millionaire Matchmaker next month where Patti teaches Beth tough love at its finest.

The charity in brief detail is four lucky Asylum.com readers get the chance to compete along with Beth in a charity event next Tuesday Oct. 12 at the private Luxe Lounge in the luxurious Lucky Strike Lanes. The winner of the poker game will donate the money raised at the event to a charity of their choice.

Although donating to charity is a reward in itself, the winning prize is the "Ultimate Bachelor Pack" consisting of a private Social Poker party, Rue 57 gift card and more.

For the event, there will be a private DJ, unlimited bowling in 4 private lanes, billiards, 1 hour open bar sponsored by ZYR vodka, delicious appetizers and of course, a bunch of poker tables. Don't know how to play poker, ladies? It's okay; there will be instructor tables for beginners to learn the basics.

The tickets are an affordable price and will be available through ticketbud.com (\$40 General Admission and \$100 Seat at a Table)

That same evening, Beth will also be filming a feature with German primetime television show, Stars and Stories which airs primetime every Monday on SAT1.

For Ticket Sales: <http://spotatthetable.ticketbud.com/tickets>

For more contest info:  
<http://www.asylum.com/2010/09/27/asylum-beth-shak-poker-event/>

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## Celeb Stylist Rachel Zoe & Brad Goreski Split



Celebrity stylist

Rachel Zoe and her assistant Brad Goreski have decided to part ways, reports [People](#). The amicable split between the two was brought on nearly a month ago when Goreski broke the news to Zoe. He tells People, "... there's a point where either I do it now or I'll never know what it's like to spread my wings and

soar.” With the duo being used as fodder for her show, *The Rachel Zoe* project, Zoe speaks kindly of Goreski, “I don’t want to hire somebody for the purpose of the show, we just got lucky. No one’s ever going to be Brad to me.”

## **Is it better to “test the waters” before committing to a relationship?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

You shouldn’t extend the inevitable by staying in a relationship when one person wants to explore other options. Whether you’re just starting out or you’ve been together for a long time, Cupid has some pointers for determining if your partner (new or old) is ready to settle down:

**1. Start slow:** Instead of dinner and a bottle of wine on a first date, agree to meet for coffee. People can have a fuzzy sense of belief or communication when alcohol is involved. Keeping it sober can help you get a sense of someone’s level of commitment before you pencil him or her in for a Friday night.

**2. Following the crowd:** If you or your partner are surrounded by friends and family who are in relationships, this may be what’s keeping you together. Watching others around you couple up could make you feel like the black sheep if you’re the only single one. Explore your partners feelings about being serious and most importantly be upfront with yourself.

**3. Be careful:** Dating different people can be fun but eventually it could leave you feeling lonely. Before you decide to break it off with someone or say “no” to dating them, make sure that you’re ready. Sometimes people break-up and end up regretting it for the rest of their lives.

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# 'American Idol' Star Crystal Bowersox Is Engaged



Congratulations are in order for *American Idol* runner-up Crystal Bowersox. [E! News](#) reports that the folk-pop singer is engaged to fellow musician Brian Walker, with plans to tie the knot next month. Bowersox, 25, broke up with long-time boyfriend and father of her 1-year-old son near the end of her stint on *American Idol*. She used her heartbreak to deliver some emotionally powerful performances, earning her the second place spot after crooner Lee DeWyze won last season. **How can a breakup be a positive thing?**

## Cupid's Advice:

It's hard to see the light at the end of the tunnel when

you're in the midst of a painful breakup. But Cupid has some ideas on why ending a relationship can actually be good for you:

- 1. Express yourself:** Crystal Bowersox did it, and so can you. Use your heartbreak to make beautiful poetry, music, or art. So many musicians have recorded their biggest and best hits after their hearts were recently broken. It's a great form of therapy, too.
  - 2. Reconnect with friends:** You should never go through a breakup alone, so let your friends cheer you up (with the help of lots of ice cream and romantic comedies, of course). Plus, you can make up for all the times you decided to go out with your ex-beau instead of chill with your girls.
  - 3. Start fresh:** Splitting from a partner gives you the perfect opportunity to think about what you want (and don't want) in future relationships. Use the time to sort out your priorities and goals.
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## Chris Lambton and Ty Brown in Talks to be Next 'Bachelor'







Two of last season's bachelors, who appeared on *The Bachelorette*, may have a second chance at love. According to [People](#), sources say Chris Lambton and Ty Brown are among those who have been "in serious talks" with ABC about the next season of *The Bachelor*. Neither Lambton nor Brown have confirmed as of yet. Meanwhile, ABC and Warner Horizon, who produce *The Bachelor*, decline to comment on casting speculation. **Can you find true love on reality TV?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Reality TV has taken over the airwaves, and many in search of love have turned to the tube to see if they can find their soul mates. Cupid is here with some advice to help determine if searching for love on TV will result in a prime-time relationship or leave you with nothing but dead air:

- 1. Let's get real:** Learn to spot the difference between real love and camera love. Are the contestants actually falling for each other, or are they simply influenced by the desire to become famous and grab as much air time as possible?
- 2. Don't get blinded by the spotlight:** If you are determined to find true love on a reality show, make sure you define your priorities. The goal is to find a soul mate, not to let the

paparazzi and tabloids dictate your feelings.

**3. Avoid playing the desperate role:** You have to wonder if people who go on national TV to find love are serious or simply desperate. According to Starpulse, it's called "not having anything else to do." Being stuck in a house with dozens of other women competing to earn one man's attention will most definitely make you *think* you are falling in love, so make sure to separate your sense of competition from actual emotion.