

WAC Garb Wedding Gown?

Dear Ann Landers: Claude and I will be married in May. He was classified 4-F and rejected for the service. I was a WAC and loved every minute of it. I want to get married in my WAC uniform. Claude is against it. What is your view? — Lansing, Mich.

Dear Mich.: Do you want to be a bride or a drill sergeant? If it's the former, the uniform of the day is a wedding gown or a pastel suit. Shape up, toots, or Claude may decide "Hell, no — I won't go!"

Dear Ann Landers: Can a physician say a word or two about transvestism? I was born and raised in a small town in Maine. I had never heard of homosexuality, let alone transvestism, until I was in high school. Even then

it seemed unreal and somewhat disgusting. In college I became vastly enlightened and in medical school I changed some of my concepts completely. But it wasn't until I did my internship that I really had my eyes opened up.

Night duty at the hospital was liberal education. The first year, three prominent men in the community were brought in as emergencies. One had a heart attack, two were in automobile accidents. We discovered they were wearing ladies' underwear when we undressed them for examination.

These men were married and had attractive families. There had never been a breath of scandal about any of them. I hope you see a moral in this story and that you will put it into words. — New Englander

Dear New: I see two morals. First, a person can have an oddball quirk and still function well and keep his nuttiness a deep dark secret.

Second: If any of you fellas out there have a hankering for ladies' underwear, consider the possibility that you might get hit by a truck and wind up in the emergency room.

Dear Ann: Once a week six of us guys get together to play poker. The stakes are small and nobody can lose more than five bucks a night — that's the ceiling.

We are all 16 and 17 and our parents approve of the games. (We take turns playing at each other's homes.)

A good friend of mine who wins consistently has been cheating. I've been clocking him for three months and I'm positive he shorts the pot, pulls out too much when he's making change or calling back at bet.

Sometimes he "forgets" to throw in his bet and needs to be reminded. I don't think anyone else is on to him and I don't want to be a stoolie, but I hate to see this guy act so cheap and dishonest. What should I do? — Keen Observer.

Dear Keen: Tell him you suspect a couple of the guys in the game are cheating. Describe the gimmicks and ask if he will keep an eye open along with you.

If he doesn't straighten up and fly right after that ploy, nail him after the next game and tell him if he cheats again you're going to let the whole table know he's kinky.

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ANN LANDERS

Good Manners Social Forms

By DR. JOYCE BROTHERS
NEW YORK — "You don't give lingerie to the boss's wife. Or if you do, it better be the wrong size." So asserts Erving Goffman, sociologist and student of social interaction.

Propriety is a big part of the thesis that giving is an exact art. Gifts, he stresses must be suitable to the relationship. "If the boss collects butterflies or 18th century pistols and the stock boy gives him a rare one, it's presumptuous. It's an improper gift."

He continues: "Take the worst situation where you shopped when you didn't want to, spent money you didn't have and gave something the recipient didn't want. This still affirms that you can be counted on to reconfirm the proprieties in maintaining the relationship."

"In other words, you might wince at aunt Hilda's ghastly bow ties every year but they do tell you that things are still the same with aunt Hilda and she can

still be counted on to uphold the social forms."

Giving gifts is just one of the ways in which we maintain relationships and establish ourselves as a particular sort of person. Social skills have to be practiced to be kept.

The dateless girl, for example, doesn't have the chance to develop social skills because she doesn't get the practice.

We know that people play roles and that certain roles have certain expectations attached to them. A bank manager is expected to be discreet and courteous.

Social skills are used to create particular impressions.

Psychologists know that posture, eye contact, physical setting and status symbols have importance in social interaction.

If you visited someone at their office and their phone rings, unwritten rules forbid you to listen. If you just sat there, you would give the impression that you were listening so you exhibit what Goffman calls "civil inattention" — you gaze out the window, pick up a magazine and start looking at it, start smoking on a cigarette — conveying the impression that your attention is directed elsewhere.

Such behavior indicates a considerable dependence on the other person, who is expected to accept your performance at its face value rather than at its true value.

Or, say you got caught in the rain without a raincoat.

Newspapers used as umbrellas are acceptable — scurrying down the street is too — but if you showed complete indifference to your drenching by standing erect and walking at a normal pace, you would probably provoke a startled and uneasy response from those who saw you.

The reason, says Goffman, is that you have offended the hidden code of behavior that "normal" people subscribe to.

In short, you would be guilty not of a trivial impropriety but the greater sin of social unpredictability — leaving others to wonder what you would do in other circumstances.

So we mind our manners to create a good impression at cocktail parties, on subways, walking down the street — even watching how long we talk without interruption.

Many of these rules you won't find in any etiquette book, but, somehow, most of us manage to mind them — and we expect others to do the same. (NANA)



BINGO — Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ridenour (seated) of the Allen County Home play bingo at the party given by Tau Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. Members are Mrs. William Fisher (left) and Mrs. Michael Bosch. The group entertains home residents frequently. (News Photo)

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Fashion: New, Old

NEW YORK — This spring, fashion runs the gamut from new to nostalgic—from slick nylon jackets and hip slung pants, to be worn by both girls and boys, to bared midriff playclothes that hark back to '40s film stars.

Other leading looks include new model T's combining blue and white striped cotton knit with white canvas for dresses and ensembles. sheers in a spectrum of colors from lime to lavender and vanilla coats, jackets and dresses.

effects pair short-sleeved, covered-up tops in red and white dots with matching shorts, flowing long pants or a flouncy playskirt.

That's the word from the April "Seventeen" magazine.

May 30 Wedding Planned

Wedding vows will be exchanged at 1:30 p.m. May 30 by Miss Barbara Kay Steele and Danny Carl Wiswell. Ceremony will be in St. Gerard's Catholic Church.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell R. Steele, 854 Brendenwood Dr. Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wiswell, Vaughnville.

Barb is a graduate of Lima Central Catholic High School and is a bookkeeper at Lima Radio Parts Co., Inc.

Dan is a graduate of Columbus Grove High School and has served two years in the Army. He is employed at Sylvania Electric Products, Inc.

Luncheon Friday

Lima Chapter of American Gold Star Mothers will meet for a luncheon at noon Friday. Mrs. Norma Williams and Mrs. Ruben Thomas will be hostesses.

imports in florals or banded solids, peasant shapes strewn with Alpine flowers, and Portuguese-inspired people prints.

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Stuffed Chops Elegant

By CECILY BROWNSTONE
AP Food Editor

Try these pork chops with a delicious stuffing—they're so elegant looking!

- STUFFED BAKED PORK CHOPS**
- 1/2 cup butter
 - 1/4 cup minced onion
 - 1/4 cup minced celery
 - 2 medium apples, pared and finely diced (about 1 1/2 cups)
 - 1/4 cup seedless raisins
 - 1/2 cup fine dry bread crumbs salt
 - 6 double center-cut loin pork chops (1 3/4 inches thick with pockets)

pepper and paprika

In an eight-inch skillet, in the hot butter over low heat, cook onion and celery about five minutes. Add apples and raisins and cook another five minutes; remove from heat.

Mix in bread crumbs and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Stuff into pork chops; close pockets with toothpicks. Arrange chops in shallow baking pan (13 by 9 by 2 inches); sprinkle with salt, pepper and paprika.

Bake in a 350-degree oven until cooked through—about one hour and 15 minutes. Remove picks. Makes six servings.

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