CAMPUS LIFE

Dear Clementine

Don't lose any sleep over faithless friend

Dear Clementine:

I recently became good friends with the ex-wife of my boyfriend's friend. I helped her through their divorce, I babysat their toddler son, we spent a lot of time together — up until two weeks ago. That was the last time I saw her. See, she's been seeing this new guy and now all her free time is spent with him.

But that's not what bothers me. I have called her repeatedly to talk to her and see how she's doing, but she won't answer her phone. (She has Caller ID so I know she knows I'm calling.) I can't understand what I have done to make her not want to talk to me. This has never happened to me before. Have I been royally taken advantage of?

Dumped and Discouraged.

Dear Dumped:

I hate to tell ya this, girl, but you've been given the shaft. Your "friend" (I put this word in quotes because she obviously does not deserve the title) has shown no regard for you or your feelings. You expressed how much you cared for her by putting your own life aside to help in her time of need and what does she do? She gives you a big fat slap in the face as thanks. As far as I'm concerned she is not your friend, and if I were you I'd just forget I even met this non-companion.

Okay, I'm taking it a little far.

I'm just sorry this had to happen to you Women who do this to other women just disgust me. It's hard enough to find females to trust in this world, since most can be pretty catty. But girls who screw over their friends for apparently no reason, are wrong. But I suppose this girl must have displayed some genuine goodness for you to have been her bud in the first place.

I know it's painful for someone you considered a confidant to up and drop you at the chance for a new guy pal, especially after all you helped her through. And for her to not even acknowledge you when you go out of your way to call her must totally mystify you. I think it's the not knowing why she won't talk to you that hurts the most. Am I right?

If it would make you feel better to know the truth and continuing to call her gets you nowhere, write her a letter. Let her know that you are confused and hurt by the way she's ignoring you, ask her the reasons for this sudden dismissal, and it'll be up to her to make the effort. Remember, maybe she really is too busy to call you back. You did say she just went through a divorce. It could be genuine, so hear her out.

However, if there is still no effort made, forget her. She sounds screwy to me. You'd probably be better off without such a hurtful person in your life.

Pianist Andre-Michel Shub first to use new grand piano

The North Carolina Symphony, joined by guest soloist-pianist, Andrew-Michel Schub, will perform in a Valentine's Day Gala Concert this Friday at 8 p.m. at the Dunn Center for the Performing Arts.

Schub will be the first person to play the Dunn Center's newly purchased nine-foot Steinway concert grand. Part of the concert's proceeds will go towards its purchase.

Tickets for the black-tie-optional event are \$35. An elegant dessert reception with the con-

ductor, Gerhardt Zimmermann, and the guest soloist-pianist, Andre-Michel Schub, will follow the concert.

For tickets, call the Dunn Center box office at (919) 985-5197.

The concert program is a tribute to Johannes Brahms, honoring the 100th anniversary of the composer's death. The symphony will perform Brahms' "Serenade No. 1 in D major, Op. 11" for the first half of the program.

The second half will feature guest piano soloist, Andre-Michel Schub, and the Brahms' "Concerto No. 2 in B-flat major for Piano and Orchestra, Op. 83." Schub, an internationally famous pianist, has won awards that include the Grand Prize in the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, the first prize in the Naumberg International Piano competition, and the Avery Fisher Recital Award.

Born in France, he grew up in New York City. Schub has studied piano since age four, and graduated from the Curtis Institute where he studied with Rudolf Serkin.

Valentine's Day Dance



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