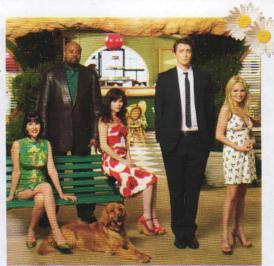


7 things you'll love this month

TV'S QUIRKIEST LOVE STORY

Think your relationships are tough? Ned, the lead character on ABC's new must-watch dramedy Pushing Daisies, can't even kiss his sweetie-his touch alone can kill. Talk about frustrating!



THIS WOMAN'S FIGHT

"I am not just an infinite heap of courage. I'm a woman."

FROM AMY SILVERSTEIN'S BRAVE AND CANDID MEMOIR SICK GIRL, ABOUT BEING DIAG-NOSED WITH A LIFE-THREATENING HEART CONDITION AT 24





A MODERN **FAIRY TALE**

Betsy Carter's comingof-age novel Swim to Me is a wonderfully indulgent read: With a gentle giant, mermaids and a fire-eating temptress, it transports you to a sweet dream world.

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EMMY EXCITEMENT!

The three things we would love to have seen at the September 16 awards show:

Whaddup,

BLUNT'S SUPER-FROSTY TURN

This Brit actress is getting good at fussy female characters (first the top assistant in The Devil Wears Prada, now a French teacher in The Jane Austen Book Club). Glamour asked the real Emily to please stand up.

Q: Your character, Prudie, is prissy—are you?

A: Oh, no! You should see what I'm wearing now: old jeans and my boyfriend's [singer Michael Bublé] brown socks. I look like such a scruff!

Q: Like an Austen heroine, Prudie's torn between two guys. Are you a Darcy girl?

A: Of course I'm a Darcy girl. No one likes the shallow naughty boys-they're boring.

Q: And off-limits in the case of Prudie, who falls for a student! Ever been hot for teacher yourself?

A: Yes, but I couldn't possibly say who.

Q: I'm sure he'd be flattered_

A: Maybe...or weirded out!



5 30 Rock's noto-riously shirtless Tracy Jordan (Tracy Morgan) arriving in nothin' but a bow tie!

6 Tina Fey and Julia Louis-Dreyfus going head-to-head in a funny-off. Hey, it'd be a lot better than a musical number!

7 The Office's Pam (Jenna Fischer) planting a big wet one on Jim (John Krasinski) after getting her supporting actress award.



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