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'A NO-GOOD SOB'

Brinkley's mom attacks philandering son-in-law

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CHRISTIE BRINKLEY'S mom is spitting mad at her scoundrel son-in-law Peter Cook — calling him “a no-good SOB” for allegedly cheating on his super-model wife with his teenage assistant.

“He is the guilty man here.

She is fine — she is doing great,” Marjorie Brinkley told Star magazine in an exclusive interview. “He’s a no-good SOB. We are all completely devastated, as Christie is. It is shocking how this could happen.”

Cook, a top architect, and cover girl Brinkley separated

last week and the sordid details of his seduction of 19-year-old aspiring Long Island singer Diana Bianchi quickly emerged.

Christie “is too great for him, and he has now shown his true colors,” Marjorie Brinkley told Star.

“Christie is a very strong, good girl and that is why it is so shocking. She did everything for him.”

Brinkley's friends told the Daily News she could attack her straying husband with a vengeance — but won't wage a

vindictive public battle for the sake of her children.

“She could make mincemeat out of him, if she wanted,” a friend told The News.

But she probably won't, sources close to the beauty add, because Brinkley is “all about” her three children, Alexa Ray, her daughter with Billy Joel; Sailor Lee, 8, her daughter with Cook, and Jack, 10, her son by Richard Taubman.

“The most important thing to her is her kids,” said another close friend.

The 52-year-old model was “devastated and shocked” by sordid revelations that Cook, 47, bedded a teenage aspiring singer he hired to work at his Long Island architecture firm, friends said.

But “she’s not going to curl up into a ball,” one friend said.

Another pal said, “She was so blind-sided by this. But she’s a very strong woman.”

Indeed, Cook was cozying up to Brinkley at the premiere of Ed Burns’ “The Groomsmen” in the Hamptons just four weeks ago, and at The Beacon restaurant in Sag Harbor, L.I., the week after.

Pals describe Brinkley as “beautiful inside and out” — but tough.

“She’s a fighter,” one friend said. “She’s like a ray of sunshine. She’s the strongest woman I know.”

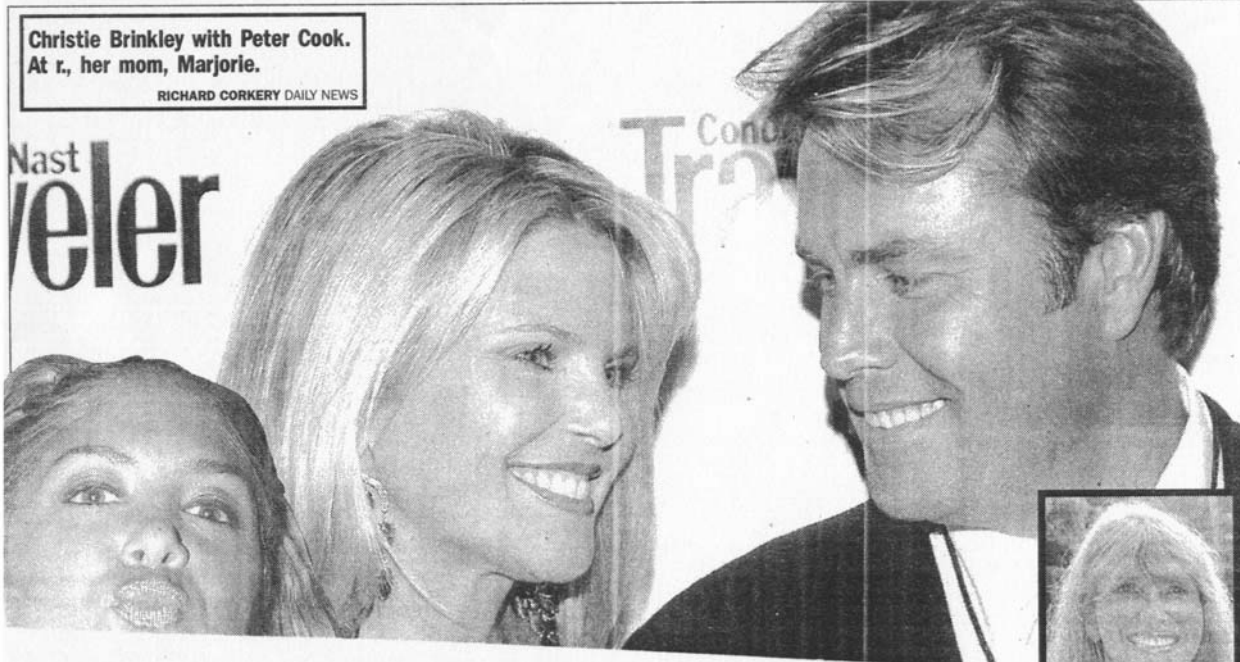
Brinkley was shielding her two younger children from the media onslaught yesterday, trying to provide them with a normal, fun day outside the Hamptons.

“She’s always running around with her children. It was a fabulous family,” said Ruth Vered, owner of the Vered Gallery and a member of the board of Brinkley’s and Cook’s anti-nuke STAR Foundation.

“She is very serious — she makes things happen. She’s no playgirl, and I think [Cook] is a jerk.”

Joan Jedell, publisher of the Hampton Sheet magazine, told The News she once asked Brinkley what was the key to her successful marriage.

Brinkley answered: “Honesty.”



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