

# Don't despair about inheritance Tomorrow's horoscope

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**Dear Annie:** My parents own a good amount of land in their native country. When I was growing up, they paid for my tuition but were not very supportive emotionally. I sponsored them to come to the U.S., and because they didn't speak English (and still don't), I helped them find jobs.

The problem is, my parents are giving everything they own and whatever they made during their lifetimes to my brothers as an inheritance. They are leaving nothing to me. I've decided to encourage them to move back home and live with their sons. Why should I be handling their bills, buying their groceries, picking up their prescriptions, taking them to the doctor and acting as their interpreter?

I've paid back every penny they spent on me, including my tuition. I'm angry that I am obligated to take care of them when they are leaving everything to my brothers. Please help. — *Foolish Daughter in the Midwest*

**Dear Daughter:** We assume your parents come from a culture that values sons more than daughters, and that daughters are expected to care for the parents while sons inherit property. While this



is hardly fair, you cannot expect your parents to overcome their own cultural upbringing so easily. You need to think of this differently: Your parents do not owe you an inheritance. They raised you and helped you get into college by loaning you tuition. Anything you do now is out of gratitude, love, compassion or obligation. And your brothers should welcome the opportunity to do the same.

**Dear Annie:** I am a cross-dresser and like your good advice to "No Life Without Wife." I married in the early '80s and did not tell my wife about my cross-dressing. Nine years later, I wanted her to be part of my complete life. I told her by leaving women's clothing in the closet and telling her they were mine. She said she needed time to think about it. Nine months later, she still wouldn't

talk about it or see a therapist and said I needed professional help. That led to a divorce.

In time, I realized that if I wanted to enjoy my cross-dressing and be able to share my pleasure with someone, I have to tell that person early on.

When I told my current wife about my cross-dressing, she asked whether I was gay. I told her no. She asked a lot of other questions and I answered them as truthfully as I could. She was willing to compromise, and now the two of us enjoy both of my worlds.

I would strongly advise "No Life" to tell his wife in person, privately and as soon as possible. Turn off all phones, and let her know you have something important to say. Stay calm, and let her absorb the news at her own pace. He also should have the name of a therapist ready in case he or his wife wish to speak to a professional. — *Glad I Did*

**Dear Glad:** It is important not to keep such important parts of your life hidden from your spouse. Aside from the surprise, it also feels like a betrayal not to have known. Thank you for your testimonial.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** You might not know exactly where you're going or how to get there, but you know people. That's the knowledge that will take you anywhere in the world.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** There is magic in your conscious choice to give over your full attention to a task or person. You'll handle what's right in front of you brilliantly, mostly because you'll ignore what's behind you.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** People follow and friend you in real life, and so why wouldn't they do the same in the digital world? To some extent, you already share your good taste and on-trend insights with the world. Now you'll take that sharing to a new level.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** You justly give priority to what pays the bills, and you'll raise or lower that priority according to what's going on with the people you love. Creating fond, fun memories is pretty high on your list, as it should be.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** You're always astounded when friends prove that in some ways they know you better (or at least differently) than you know yourself. Understanding is the form of love you're offered this weekend.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Some emotions are beyond comprehension, but you still benefit from trying to account for them. Could you write, sing, dance or paint about it? Try. Self-expression can heal!

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** You want to be around people who are smarter than you are. They're hard to find. And when you do find them (befriend them, maybe even hire

them), it only proves that you're the smart one.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Your muse is trying to get your attention again, and this time it's not a whisper. No matter how much or little money you make, you won't be sorry you followed your muse.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Work and wait, work and wait — that's getting old. You want faster results, or at least a delicious distraction to make the waiting go by faster. Your wish will be granted.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** You feel like a tourist in someone else's reality, and that's exactly how they feel about being with you. The question is: How far do you want to let them in? Also, are they allowed to take pictures?

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You'll give up what's sweet for what's good for you. You've done this before, and it won't be any easier this time, but the rewards for doing what's right will rush to embrace you.

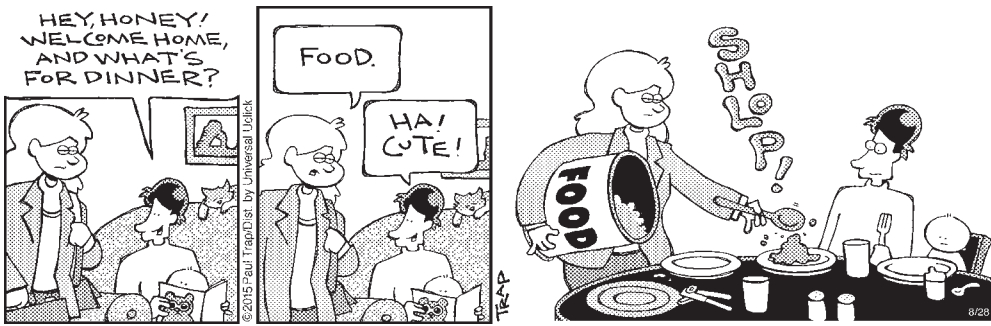
**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** With the full moon in your sign, you are even more sensitive, powerful and soulful than usual. The concerns of yesterday will seem very far away as you raft along the ethereal river that floats us all.

**SATURDAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 29).** You'll spread joy indiscriminately this year, and those in dire need of a lift will receive it — you could even save a life. Next month features more time with the one who makes you smile. In November, you'll reaffirm your direction or make an adjustment to the plan. You'll be honored in April and paid in June. Pisces and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 36, 41, 22, 13 and 4.

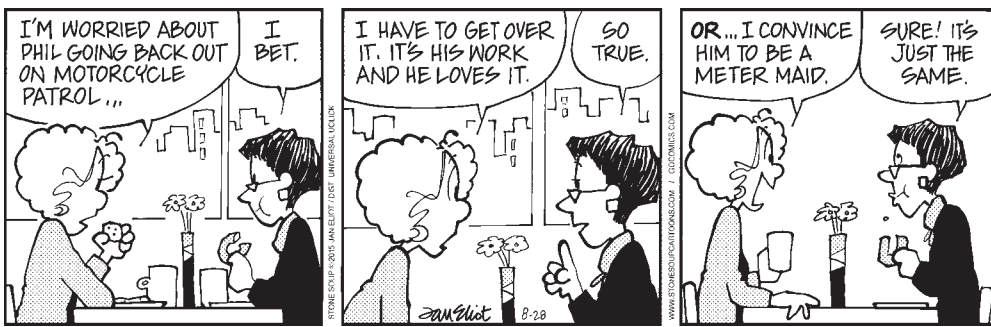
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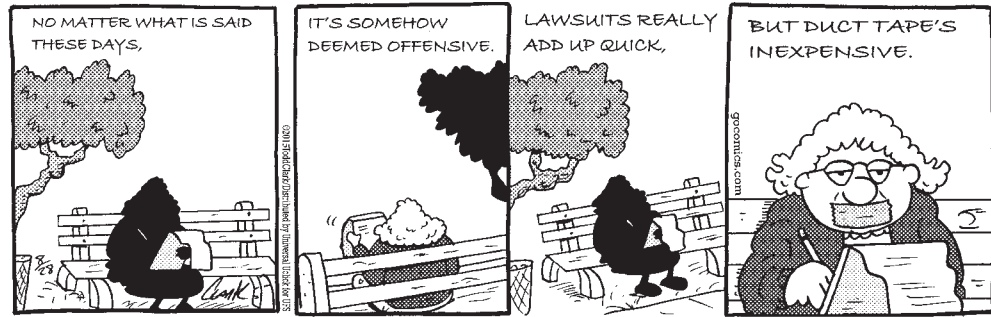
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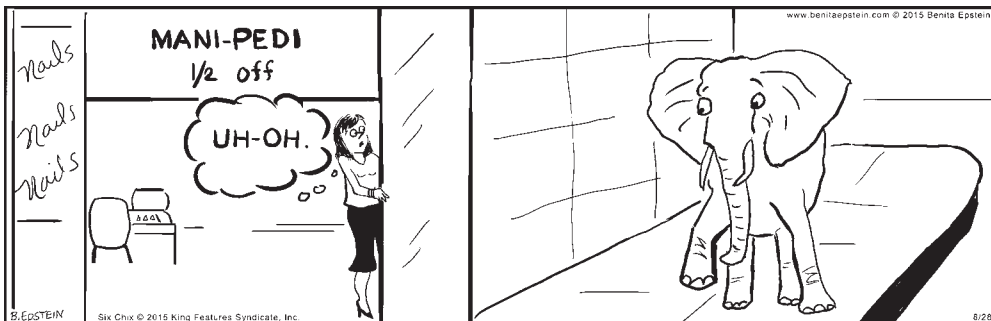
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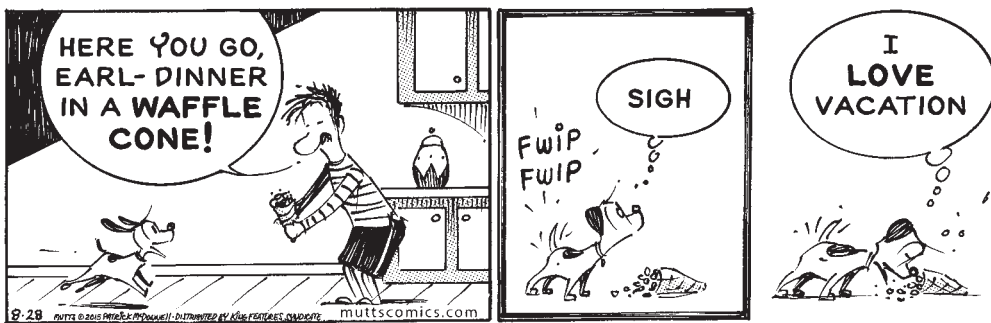
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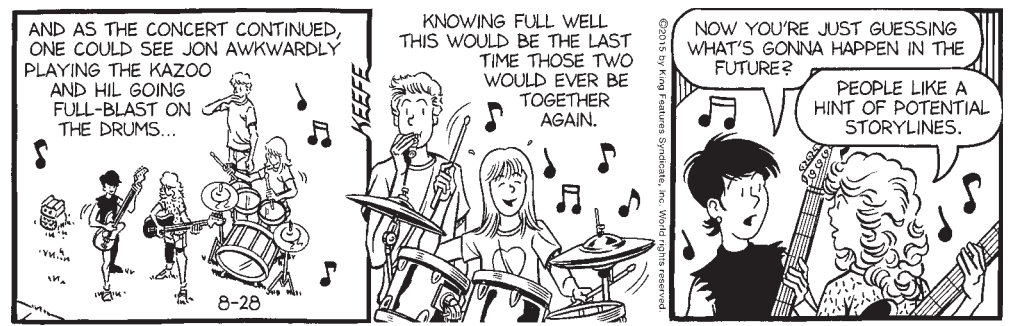
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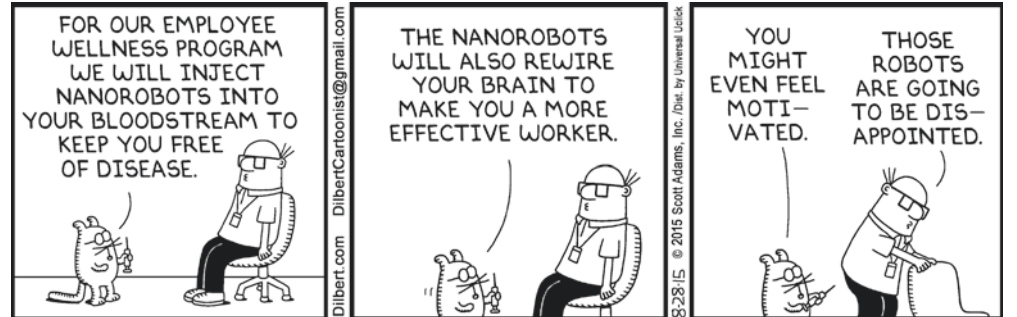
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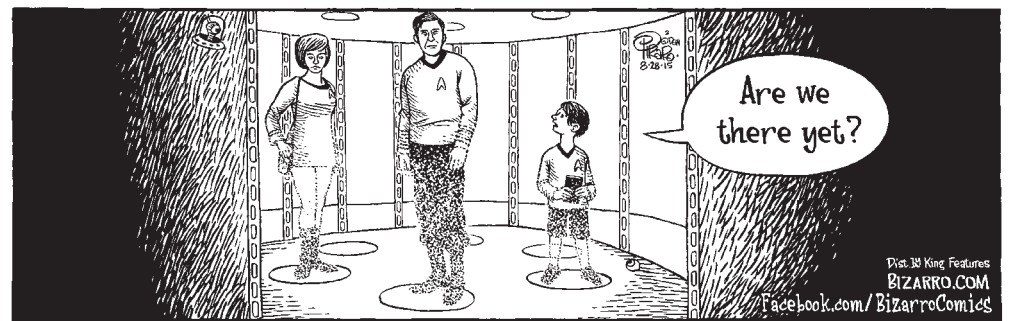
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