

Bad moves might mean dementia

Tomorrow's horoscope

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Dear Annie: I am gay. Two years ago, my partner of 34 years told me that my brother-in-law had touched her breasts inappropriately. I didn't believe her and we had a huge fight over it. She never confronted him or told my sister, and she has continued to socialize with my family.

Last weekend, we attended my niece's graduation, and much to my horror, my brother-in-law rubbed his hand across my butt. Worse, I then had to get into the same car with him. I was shocked and said nothing, even though I was terribly upset. I avoided him the rest of the weekend, but things haven't been quite right since.

A year ago, I moved to another state and spend vacations with my sister and her family, either in her home or mine. Now I'm not sure I should continue.

I do not understand why he did this or what to do. Was it an act of power or hate or some kind of midlife crisis? This is my sister's husband, whom I have respected through the years. I now doubt everything about him, including his fidelity to my sister, his morals and whether he has touched other females in the family.

I am close to my sister and don't want to hurt her. We are not young



any more and don't have a tremendous amount of time left to be near each other. But I am not comfortable with the idea of staying in the same house with him. How do I explain that to my sister without causing more harm? — *Confused and Angry*

Dear Confused: There is another possibility. Sometimes, sudden and peculiar changes in behavior or a loss of inhibition can indicate a medical problem, including a small stroke or early signs of dementia. In all the years you have known him, your brother-in-law has never behaved this way toward you.

Please talk to your sister. Say that you've noticed some disturbing changes in your brother-in-law's recent behavior and that you worry he may have some physical or neurological problems. You will have to tell her what you mean, but do so with concern and caring, instead

of accusations and condemnation. Suggest to her that she get him to a doctor for a complete work-up and evaluation.

Dear Annie: This is for "Had Enough, Thanks," the 68-year-old woman whose husband still wants to have sex, but she isn't interested. I have the opposite problem.

My husband is in his late 60s, and I am 10 years younger. We have only been married for five years, and he has had no interest in sex or any other type of physical intimacy. He even told me that he has no need for this anymore and could easily live the rest of his life without it. This has caused extreme problems, as I still have a strong need and desire for marital intimacy.

Though I truly love him, it is almost more than I can bear to face the rest of my life with virtually no human touch. — *Married, Living Alone*

Dear Married: We're certain a lot of women will tell you that in a few years, you may feel the same way your husband does, but that's not necessarily true. And in the meantime, you are miserable. Is your husband willing to discuss this with his doctor or a counselor? If not, counseling might help you make some decisions.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Spontaneous emotion can be the thrill of life or the bane of existence. You're feeling ready for less impulsivity and a more reasonable, thoughtful, controlled approach. A Virgo can help you with this.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You keep wondering whether you're missing something. You don't want to squander your potential, and yet you get the sneaking suspicion you could be doing more with what you have.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There's something you're fighting for these days, but you're doing it in a quiet, patient manner. You'll get your way in the end if you continue with this persistent approach.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your expression is the best thing in your wardrobe. It's so versatile. You'll wear it with style today, applying just the tone that will make a dull room light up.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's important that you privately keep track of your accomplishments so that you can bolster yourself when you're feeling down and build on what you've done.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're looking for powerful, romantic and lasting love -- the kind movies are made about. This is why you'll forgo tepid invitations and half-hearted attention. You're willing to wait for the real deal.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Those who insist on only one way of proceeding will get stuck. You can get over the blockage by being open to possibilities. Ask what's worked for other people.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). When you share your life with another person, you let

go of some of your control over it. Relationships may get frustrating as you realize your realm of influence has changed. You can adjust to this gracefully, and you will.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). As long as you're adding new friends to your life, look for the generous souls -- the ones who will give without asking whether it's a tax write-off. One truly generous friend improves the way you feel about relationships in general.

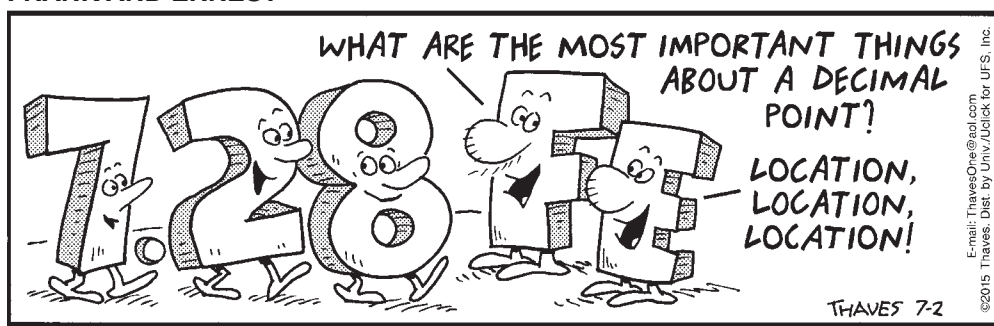
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When people don't need help but ask for it anyway, you feel wronged by the request. Your motto is not to ask anyone to do for you what you could easily do for yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People open up in different ways. Some take more time to get to know. Some give their trust sparingly. Don't take any of this personally, because it's not about you. Patience and love will win out.

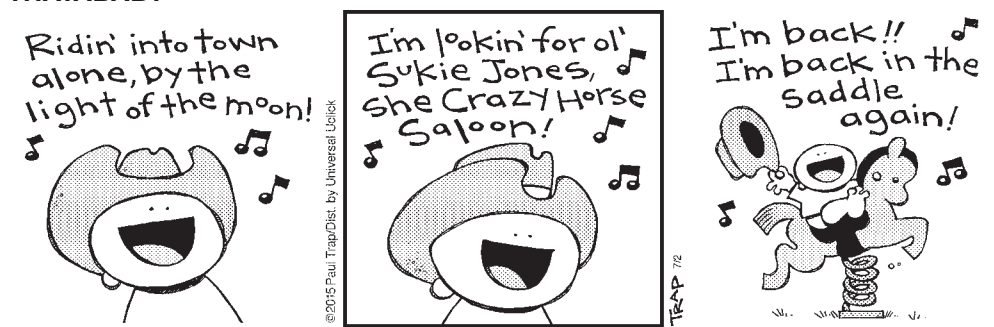
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The sounds of rain, a distant party or crashing waves all could be considered soothing under the right circumstances and with the right outlook. Search for the soothing side of the stimuli in today's environment.

FRIDAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 3). Career developments spark the beginning of your solar year. Course corrections may be necessary next month, and you'll quickly switch to the path that's best for you. Your resources blend in interesting ways. September shows you extremely creative, and love has something to do with this. January brings a new mentor. Aquarius and Aries people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 25, 8, 49, 5 and 38.

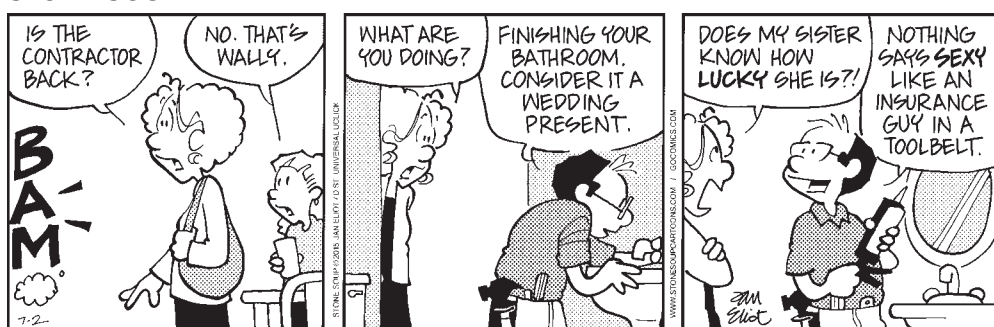
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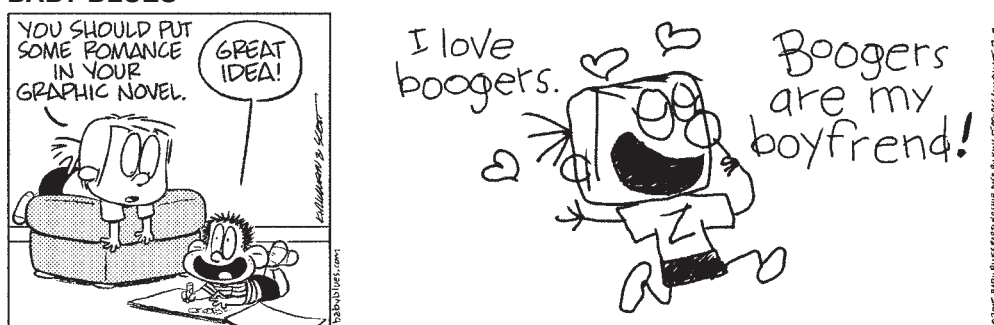
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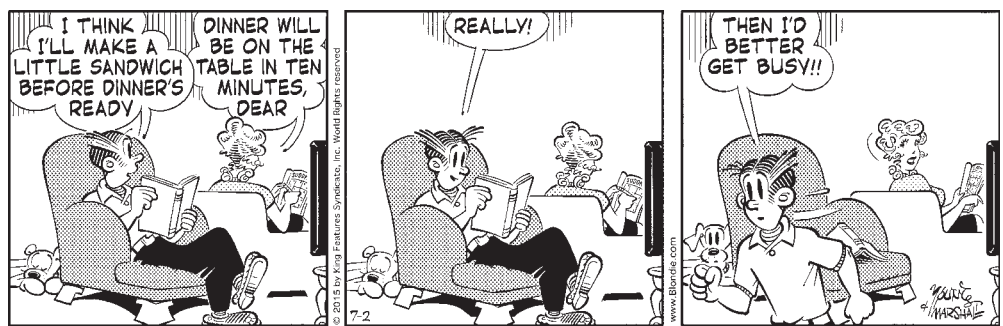
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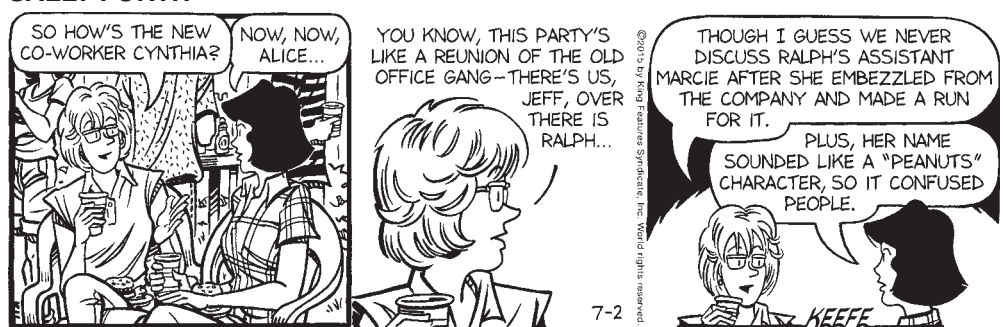
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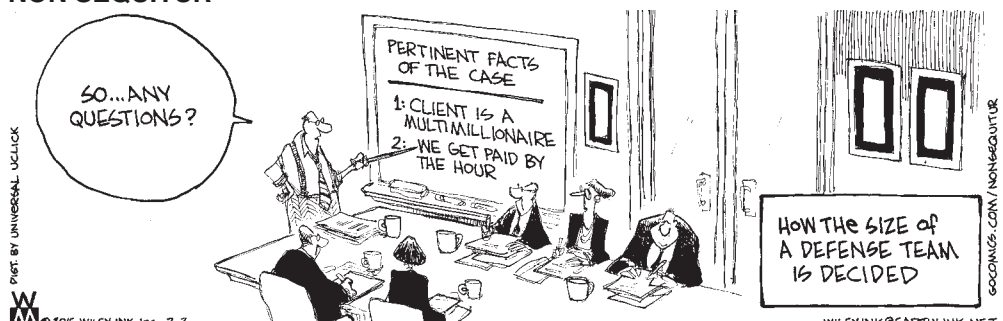
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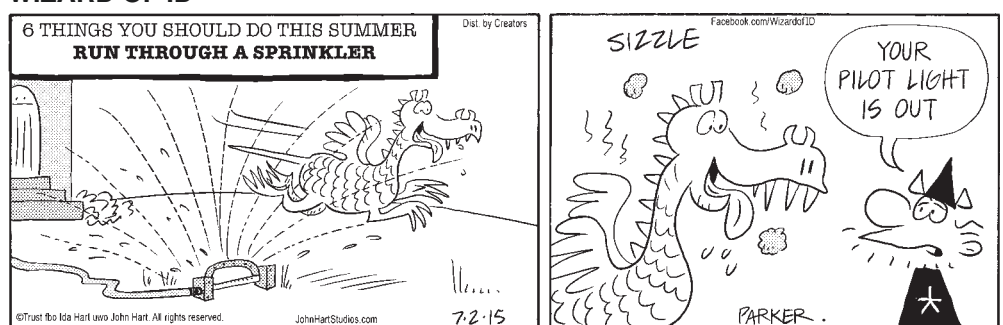
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