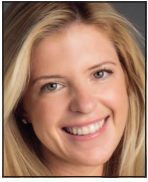


No long distance trust

Dear Annie: About six months ago, my boyfriend, "Jordan," relocated to another state for work. We've talked about my eventually moving there, too, so we could be together, but we've held off making firm plans. He says he needs more time to settle in to life there. He also says he wants to be positive he sees himself at this job long term before I uproot my life, too.

DEAR ANNIE



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He visited twice within the first month after moving, but in the past five months, he's visited only once. I went out there once a couple of months ago. We do talk on the phone or video chat every other day, which helps.

The reason I'm writing is this. A friend of mine was recently in Jordan's town for work. She is single and uses a dating app that shows people within a few-mile radius. While she was on her trip, she was scrolling through profiles, when she came across

Jordan and recognized him. (She's never met him in real life, but she'd seen photos of us.) She sent me a screenshot. I was shocked. I asked her to see what he said. He messaged her back almost immediately — but not because he recognized her as a friend of mine. He thought she was just a random woman, and he started chatting her up and asking what she was up to.

Devastated, I called him immediately and asked for an explanation. He said that he was just using the app to make friends and that if it made me uncomfortable, he would delete his account. I told him I thought that was a good idea. I'm wondering whether I'd be a fool to trust this man again.

— Fooled Once
Dear Fooled Once: You know the saying, so I won't remind you of the rest. Don't give Jordan another chance to break your trust. That dat-

ing app is not meant for making friends, and this man is not meant for you. As soon as you accept that, you'll be one step closer to finding someone who is.

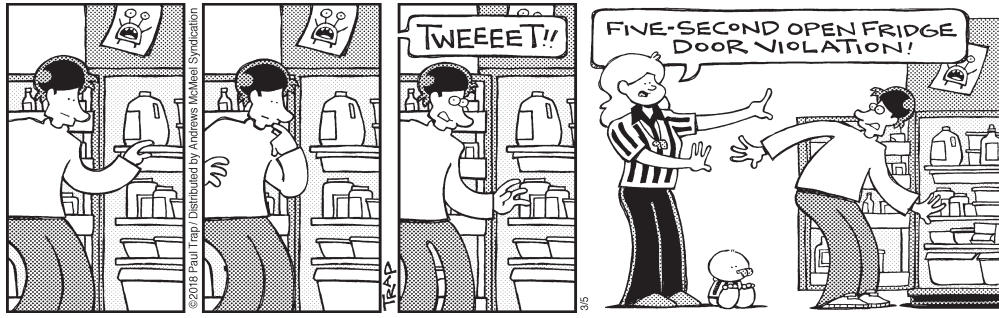
Dear Annie: My father recently passed away. He had friends and acquaintances whom I did not know. Many came to his wake and left Mass cards not from his church. The problem is that the majority did not put a return address on the card or envelope. I have no way of thanking these people now and feel bad about this. Please inform your readers that if they would like a thank-you for a kind gesture such as this, they should attach a return address label so the family of the deceased can know where to send it. — *Grieving in Upstate NY*

Dear Grieving: I am so sorry for your loss. Your plea is duly noted, though it sounds as though your father's friends simply wanted to honor him and cared little about the acknowledgment — a sign of what good company he kept.

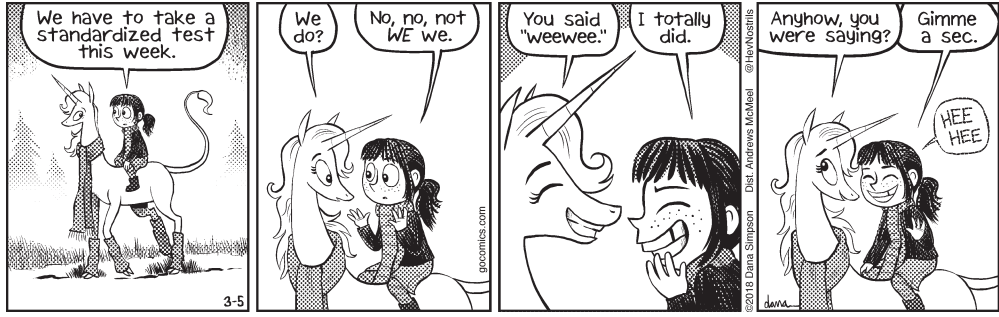
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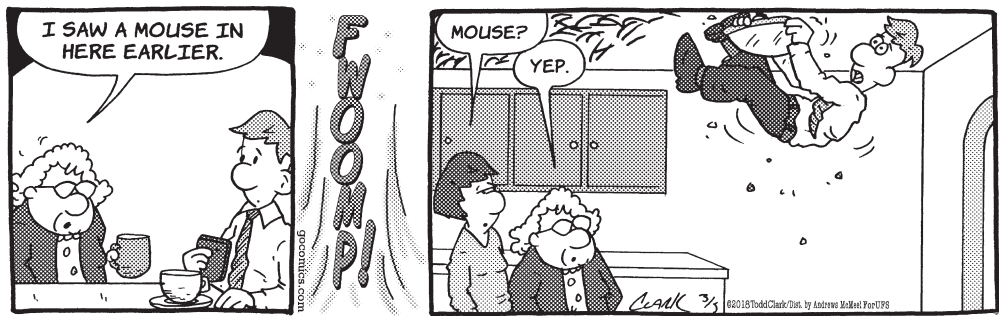
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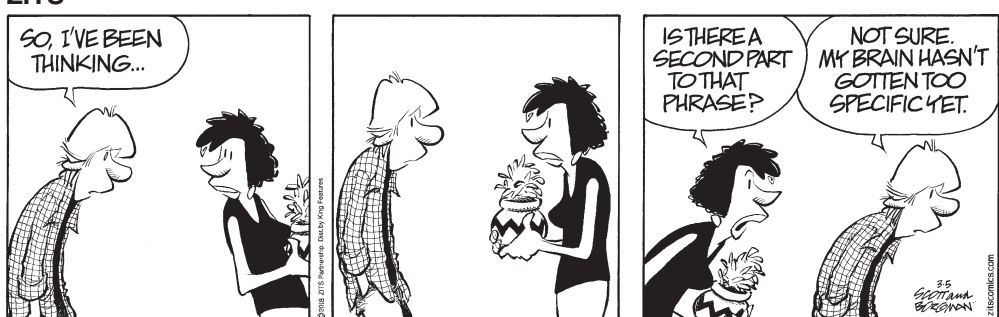
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TOMORROW'S HOROSCOPE

By Holiday Mathis, Creators Syndicate Inc.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Focus on the issue at hand — or better yet, make sure it is squarely in front of your face. Give yourself a choice among options, but don't give yourself the option of procrastinating or doing nothing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). This is a day when you will begin and end things well. You'll have a stellar sense of what to start and how. But more importantly, you'll know how and when to conclude.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Maybe you'd rather chitchat for 15 minutes than embrace for five seconds. There's something so intimate about a hug that it can be a little unnerving at times. Go for the hug anyway. It's what you need.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your creativity is flowing strong. All your ideas are good, but they're not all shareable. You don't want to overwhelm your audience. Stay on point. You don't want them to lose sight of the forest because one of the trees was so interesting.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Much of the day will be spent doing things that you used to do because you had to. The difference is that now you're doing them because you can. It's an honor to be able to contribute.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your life is mundane exuberance today — a riot of color — all because you know where to look and how to look at it. It's not just about the visuals, either ... all of your senses are tuned in and searching for the celebration of life.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). If you put up your shield against bad moods, you'll also be blocking out the livelier parts of life. Much will depend on the range you're willing to accept. The pen-

dulum swings as far north as it does south.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Think twice before trading your information for a prize today. Most transactions are harmless, but err on the safe side. An adage for the digital age: If something is free, that means you are the product.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have a knack for making the scene more vivid to those lucky enough to share it with you. Your secret: The layers of protection you've shed have allowed you to experience things more keenly.

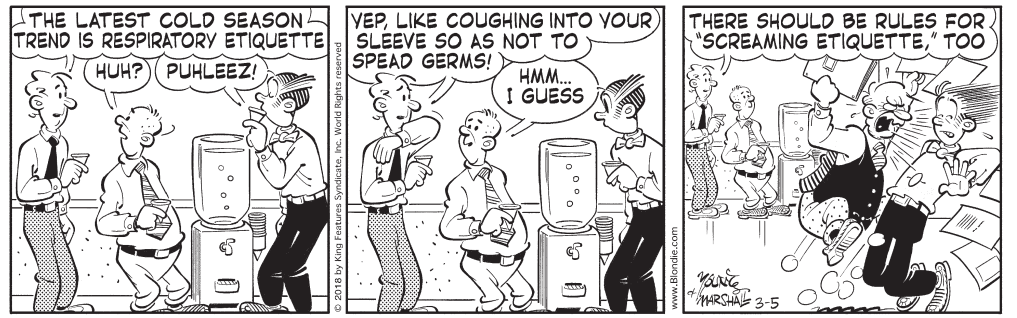
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The richest one could be the one who has the most, or the one who needs the least. Either direction is acceptable. Go whichever way appeals to you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). A lot of the conversation today is a competition. If you had to distill it to its essence, it would go something like this: "I'm the best." "No, I'm the best."

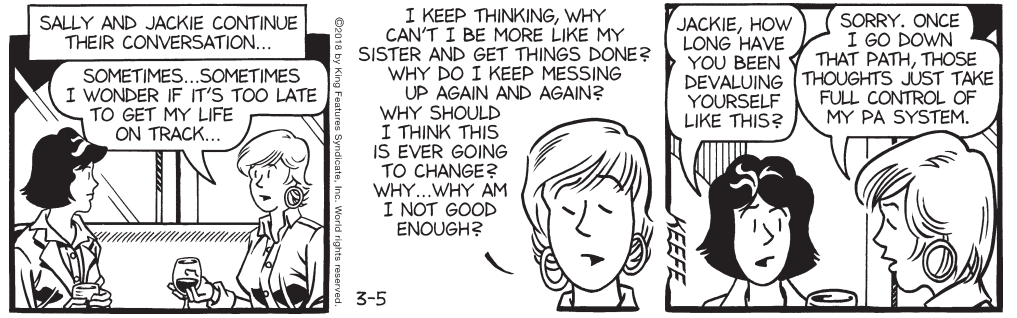
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). To understand that money doesn't buy happiness doesn't necessarily make anyone happier with less money. Bottom line, you want more money, and you have your reasons, many of them nonemotional.

TOMORROW'S BIRTHDAY (March 6). The next three weeks will bring exciting news, goodwill gestures and the completion of a task that's taken years to accomplish. Three key relationships will lead up to a grand adventure in the summer. A discovery will change your mind, and October brings a move. The best time to invest will be July and September. Leo and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 40, 20, 22 and 38.

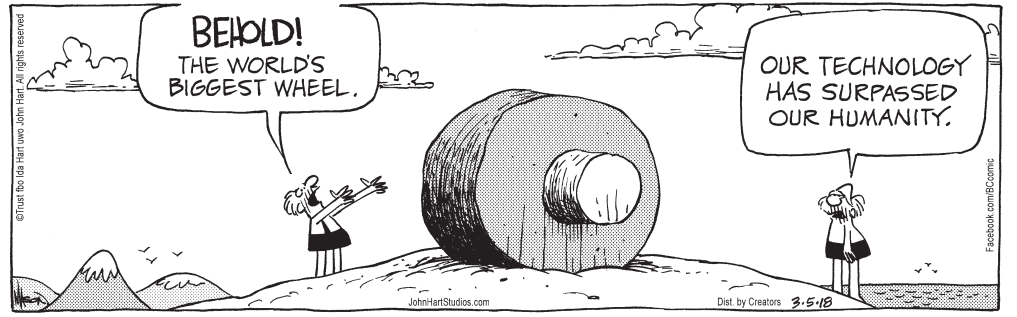
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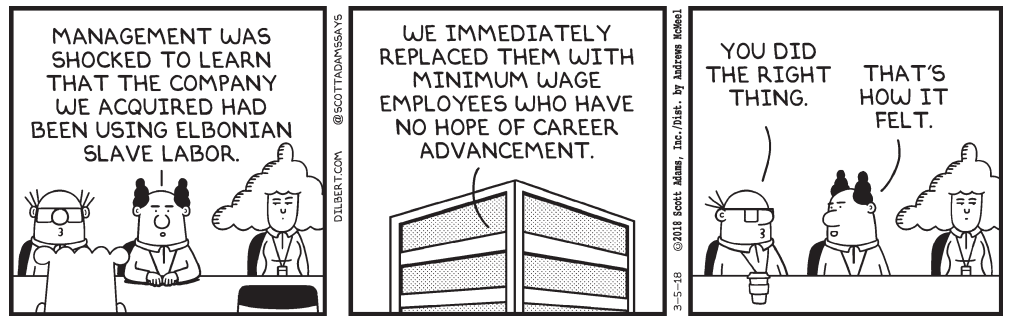
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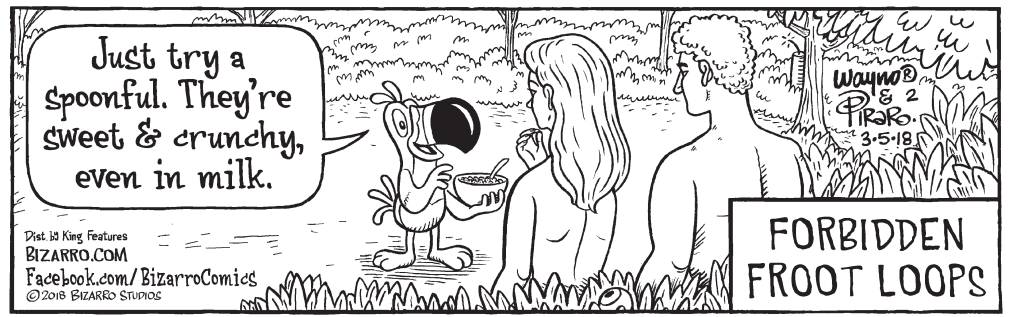
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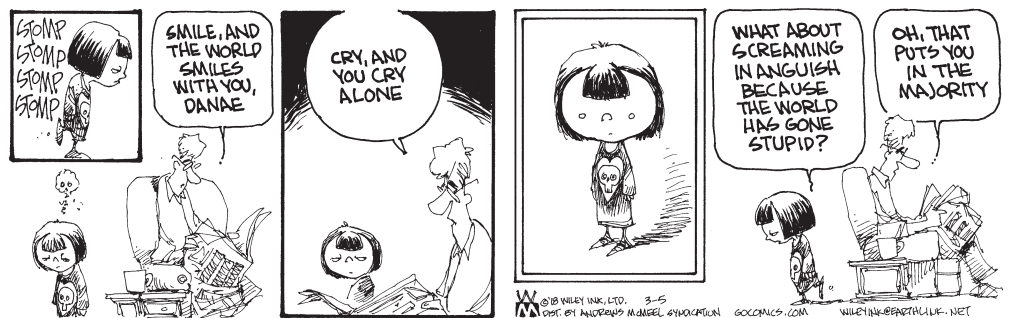
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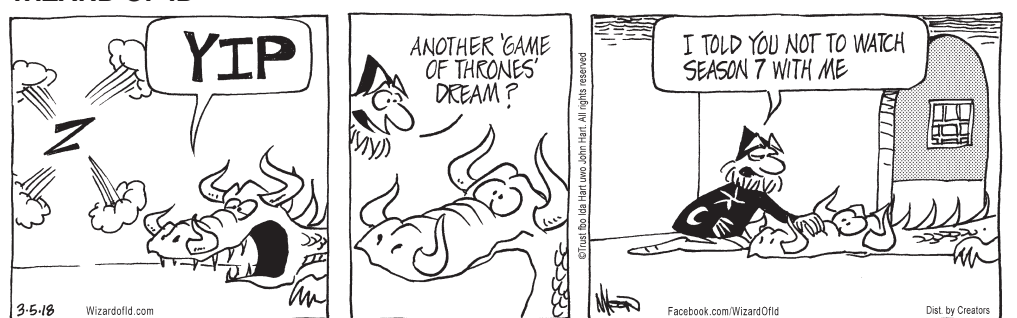
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