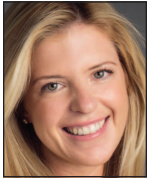


# Was that his girlfriend?

**Dear Annie:** Earlier this week, I was swiping through a dating app, when I think I saw something really surprising and terrible. I'm about 99 percent sure I saw my buddy's long-term girlfriend, "Becca." Should I tell him? I don't have a screenshot or other evidence, because I was so freaked out I just closed the app after seeing her face. And I'm worried that there's a chance it's another girl who looks exactly like his girlfriend. Also, I'm not sure what their relationship is like; they could be in an open thing or something. We've never talked about that, though he has talked about being serious with her. I want to stay friends with him, and I think hearing about potential infidelity would make him want to shoot the messenger, especially because I don't have real evidence. But I also think I'd want to know if my girl were cheating on me. I'm spiraling! What should I do? — *Tinder Trouble*

## DEAR ANNIE



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be an innocuous reason. Some people don't realize that just deleting the Tinder app doesn't automatically delete their account. Or perhaps she and your friend have an open relationship, as you speculated. Or perhaps she is cheating.

The main point is that you don't know for sure. So assume that there's an innocent explanation, and innocently bring it up with your friend — e.g., "I saw a girl who looked exactly like Becca on Tinder! I was so shocked that I immediately closed out of the app." He can do with that information what he will, and you'll have made him aware without unnecessary alarm.

**Dear Annie:** I lost my sweetheart of 55 years last summer. A two-year battle with esophageal cancer reduced the love of my life to a shell of her former self. I held her hand as she passed, after making the life-ending decision for her.

After staring out the window for a while and listening to a few folks tell me how I was going to feel and what I had to do, I decided that this whole thing was bigger than just me — that my family

members and tons of friends just lost her, too, and they were grieving also. I decided to join them every chance I got. I traveled over 6,000 miles visiting family and friends to share our love for this wonderful woman. I've entertained dozens at our home to celebrate and toast our love of her. In fact, since Thanksgiving, I have lost four friends and family members and have attended their funerals. One friend had the same terrible disease as my wife. I've found peace in helping his spouse as she navigates her way through the financial and legal mumbo-jumbo that comes with this horrible loss.

I miss my honey every day. I still wake up early. I still mourn her loss. But as my daughter tells me, "she's up there listening." I realize that she would want me to carry on. Hope this might be of some help to others who are grieving. — *Don From Michigan*

**Dear Don:** How beautiful that you reached out to so many in your time of grief and let empathy be a healing balm. I'm sorry for your loss, but I second your daughter's statement: Your wife is up there listening. And I'll bet she's mighty proud to see her husband helping others.

## TOMORROW'S HOROSCOPE

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Why is it that when you're in the presence of certain people, you seem to forget everything you've learned about love? Luckily, once you're back in your own realm, it comes back to you.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** The need to be self-sufficient is especially pronounced when you're feeling distrustful of the situation. This is not necessarily a bad thing today. You're wise to let the situation prove worthy of your trust before you give it.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** Life is an adventure that doesn't come with trigger warnings. To try and set up an accurate expectation for others may help interactions go more smoothly, but it also may suck out the surprise and mystery.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** You'll be gathering inspiration today. It won't come to you; you'll have to go to it. The best entry point will be the thing that intrigues you — which is not the thing that's popular or the thing that "they" want you to explore.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** The last time you cried, it wasn't for you, but there was a part of you that could deeply relate to the woes of another. Today your empathy will bond you in laughter instead of tears.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** You're pretty clear about your purpose, and this will help you move forward when the work is tough. You won't even stop to receive praise. You're doing it for your cause, not for the applause.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Silence and smiling: two responses you can't go wrong with today. They'll be appropriate in so many situations and — bonus — will require almost no special knowledge, skill,

willpower or restraint to pull off.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** People do not always know what they need. Help people understand what you're offering. With the right presentation, you can make them want what they didn't even know about before.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** In a capitalist society, people begin to think of themselves as brands. For better or worse, it's a valid way of organizing your options today. Ask: "What would (insert your own name) do?"

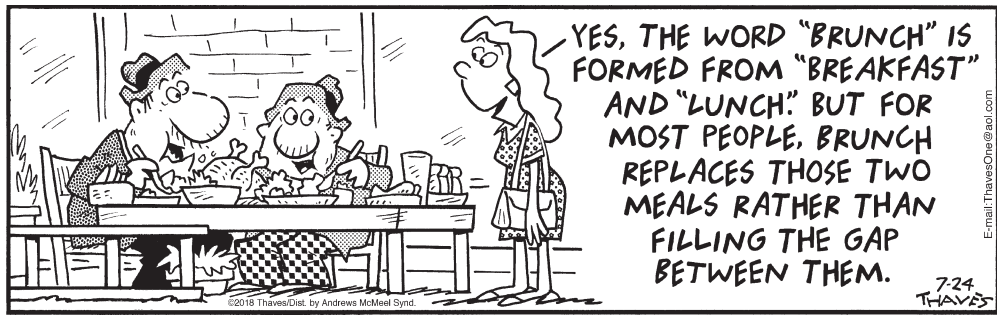
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Unsolicited advice is usually taken as an affront, so you try not to give it. And yet, when it's offered to you, you see it as valuable information, even if it's not good advice. It just lets you know how people are thinking.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** The one who thinks of you often will continue to do so whether or not you check in. But you'll find that taking the time to connect will reward you by making you feel good about the kind of person you are.

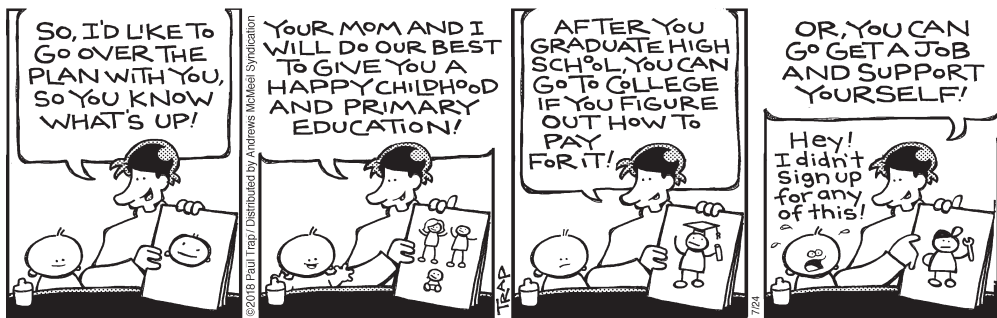
**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** The world is more explored than ever, but that doesn't mean there's not plenty for you to find. Believe in your uniqueness and in your ability to change a place for the better just by trying to understand it.

**TOMORROW'S BIRTHDAY (July 25).** You'll do your best work because you don't stop to judge, compare, doubt or ponder. You get out of your own head and keep going. It's a year when the learning comes by doing, not by thinking. Next month, good news for family is good news for you. October brings a happy resolution to an ongoing struggle. Cancer and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 40, 3, 32 and 1.

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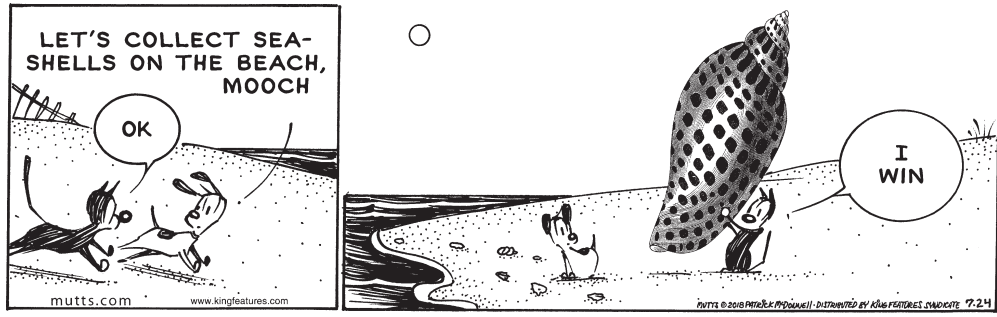
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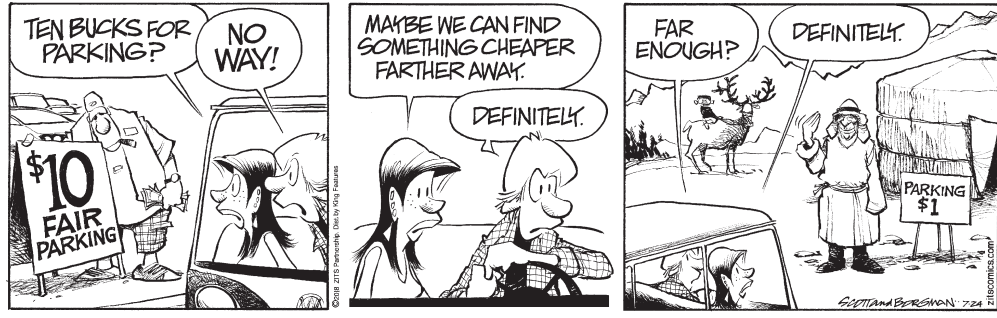
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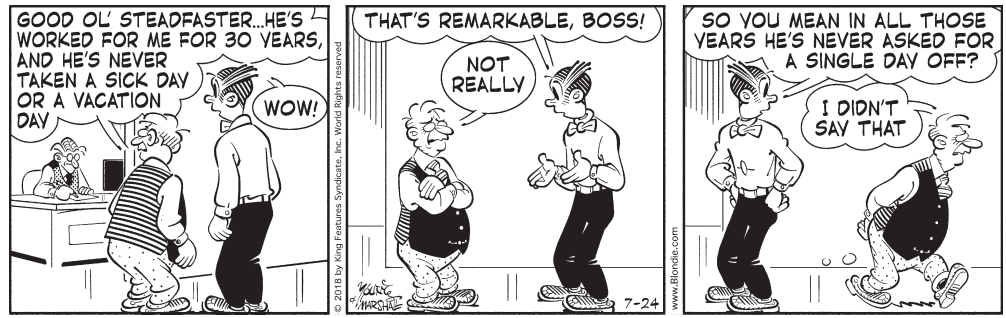
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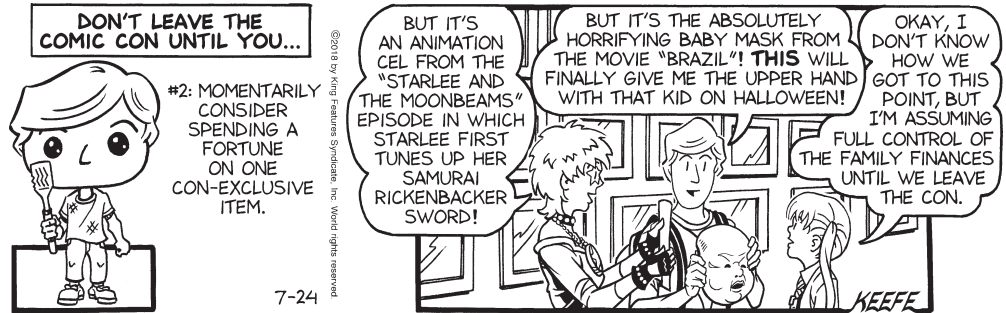
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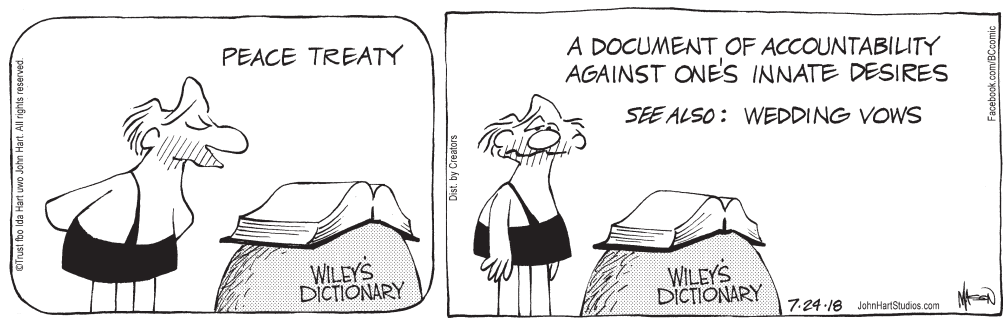
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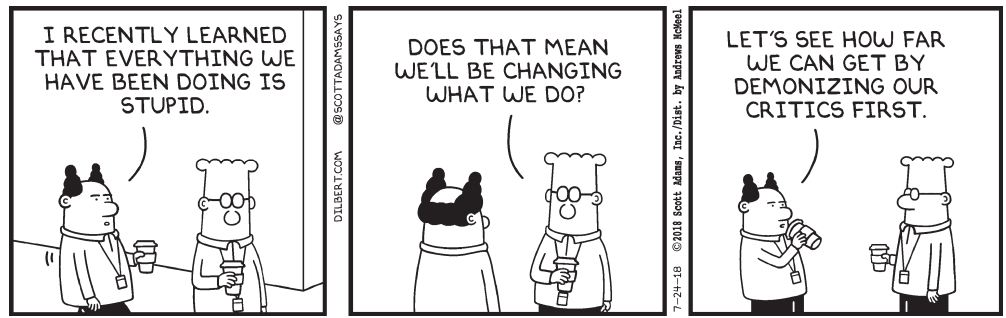
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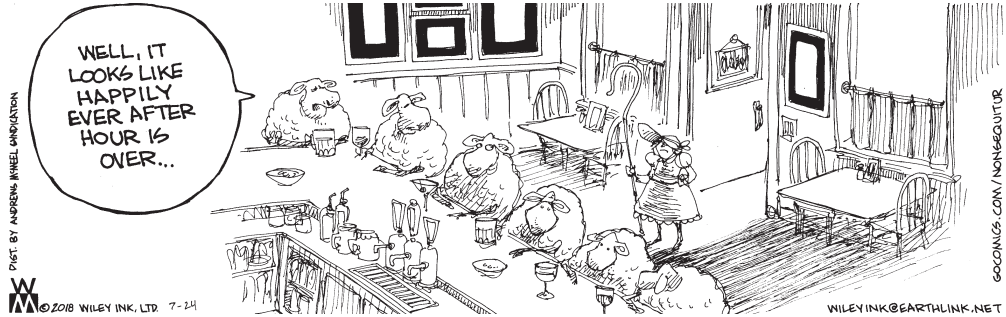
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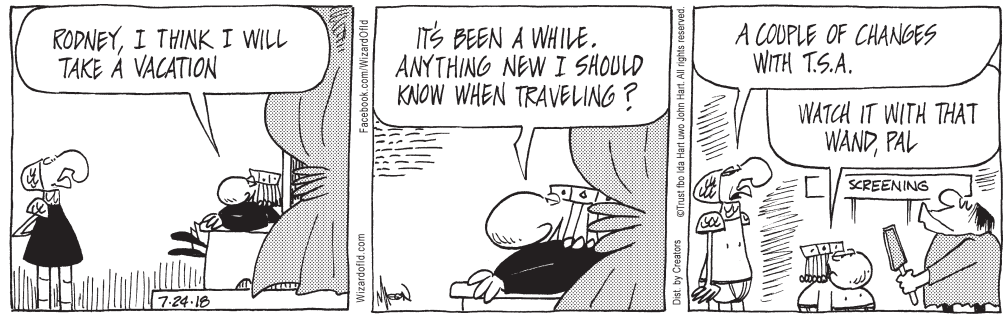
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