

'Throwback Thursday' causes rift

Dear Annie: "Lisa," a friend with whom I went to high school, got rhinoplasty — aka a nose job — between high school and college. Don't ask me why; I think she had a beautiful face beforehand, but that's a tale for another letter. I'm writing to you about a disagreement that's come up between her and me recently.

DEAR ANNIE



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I love posting "Throwback Thursday" photos on social media. I do it pretty much every Thursday. Lisa and I were basically attached at the hip in high school, so naturally, a lot of my pictures include her. They also include her old nose — and this is what Lisa takes issue with.

One time, after I made a post, she texted me, "Take that down!" I thought she was joking, so I laughed off her text. About a month later, I posted another photo that she was in. Then she sent me a much longer text, saying I had disrespected her wishes and made her feel embarrassed.

I told her I never meant to make her feel bad — that those old photos make me feel happy, which is why I share them. I thought we reached an understanding. A few months later, I posted a group photo, which she was in. That's when she went nuclear. Now she's not speaking to me. Annie, was I wrong? — *Thrown Off*

Dear Thrown Off: When you look at these photos, you see snapshots of fond memories. When your friend looks at these photos, all she sees are "before" pictures. That's a shame. It seems that she is still carrying a lot of insecurity about her looks and her surgery. Let's hope she makes peace with that. If you want to keep peace with her until then, avoid posting old photos of just her or the two of you. It is her likeness, after all, and not every memory needs to be shared with the whole world. Sometimes it's better to treasure them privately.

Dear Annie: "Not a Trash Eater" complained about her husband's remark that she could retrieve a tomato core from the trash and suck on it if she was that upset at him for throwing it in the trash. And here I was thinking she was going to complain that he had put the core in the trash rather than the compost. Tomayto, tomahto?

In any case, tomato cores are considered safe to eat, but many of us have been trained to remove the core. Regardless of one's preferences, their disagreement could be respectfully discussed and perhaps lead to some positive changes. — *Composter*

Dear Composter: I'm printing your letter because composting is a great option for making use of organic food scraps. According to Berkeley Wellness, 95 percent of food scraps end up in landfills. Composting is a much better option for the environment — and a great way to generate rich soil for your garden. For more information, visit <https://www.epa.gov/recycle/composting-home>.

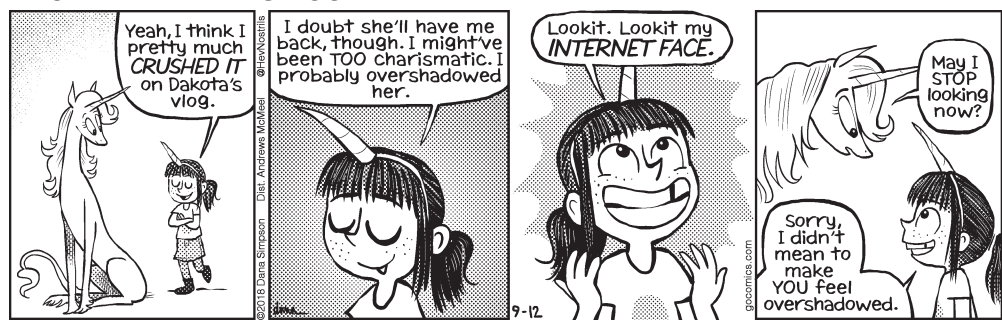
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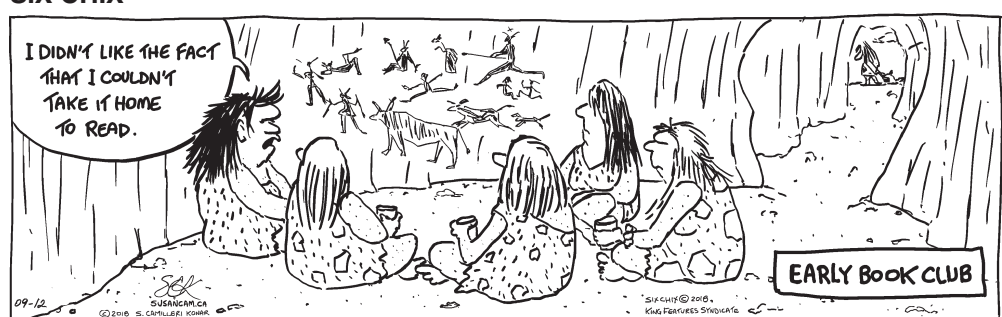
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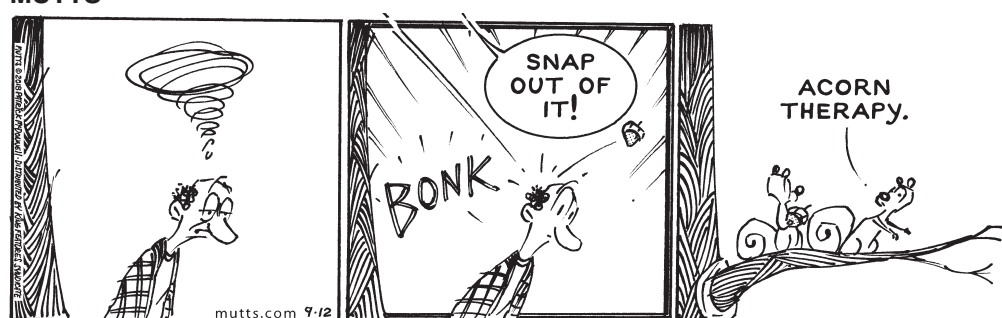
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TOMORROW'S HOROSCOPE

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). What happens in the world will influence you; however, it won't control you unless you let it. Maintaining power over your experience will require creativity and determination to see it your way, not their way.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). There are good things about every state of being, even the ones you don't prefer. "It could be worse" isn't as powerful an approach as actually seeing what's good about it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Sometimes you feel like you're a figment of your own imagination. You have, after all, taken an active part in creating this personality of yours. Today, you'll imagine a slightly different version to grow toward.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The same lake is defined as "joyous," "ominous" "raging" and "quiet." It is not a wonder that a lake can be all of those things, so it should come as no surprise that people are as capable or more of such mood shifts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). An exchange of energy, ideas and feelings makes this day run on an exhilarating mood that will benefit and strengthen each individual, group and, indeed, the spirit of goodness at large.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There will be a focus on your potential as surmised by yourself and others, none of whom are qualified to make a guess, let alone a decision about it. And that includes you. So, to see what you can do, you'll have to just do it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Part of you aspires to new heights of spiritual achievement and self-discovery. Another part of you wants to sit on the couch and watch a reality show. Consider that the two may not be mutually exclusive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The wolves circle. Matters of integrity and ethics are ignored by greedy people. You'll be in a position to heroically interrupt this. You may begin alone, but you won't end alone. You have allies.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Some days don't require you to think too far into the problem, and in fact you're better off for approaching without too much mental gusto. But today isn't one of those days. You'll need to be sharp. Prepare for that.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It is very rare that one gets to be the person of the hour, toasted and lauded. But what's not so rare, at least not for you, is to be quietly admired and respected behind your back. That's today's dynamic.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Solitude will fortify your spirit, clarify your mind and be a lot more fun than hanging around with the usual suspects. You need this. You'll be your own best company.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The concept of "potential" can be tricky in general, and today it may be a source of frustration. Forget about potential. What's happening now? Acknowledge and accept that.

TOMORROW'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 13). All these years on the planet and you really have little idea of all you can do with this magnificent set of inner and outer powers and abilities you've been given. Optimism, mischief, play, experimentation, boldness ... all qualities that will be employed during this solar return to surprising and often very pleasing results. Leo and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 12, 33, 28 and 17.

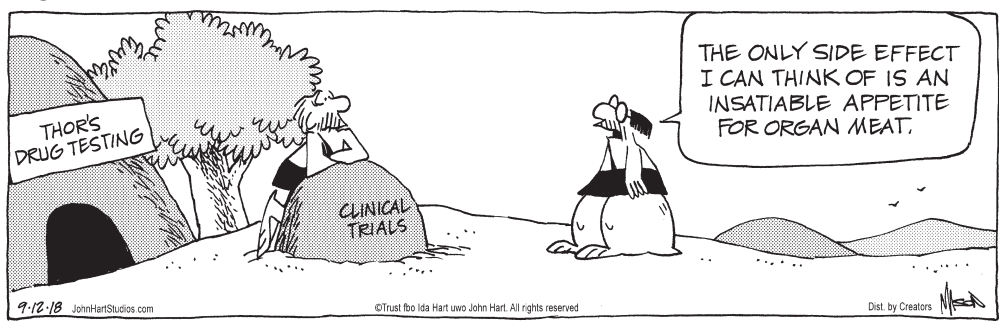
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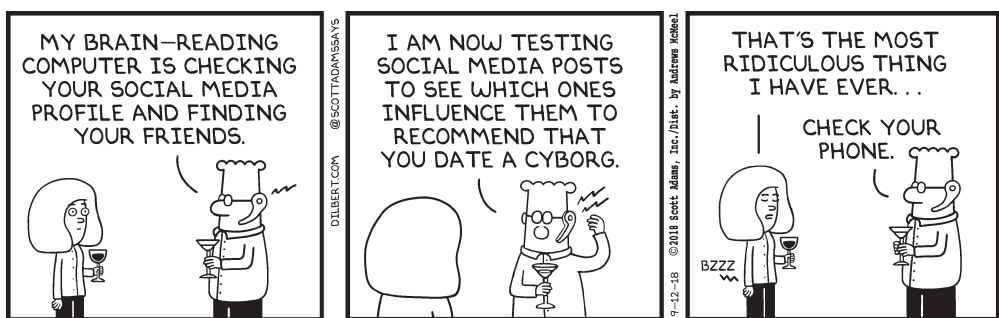
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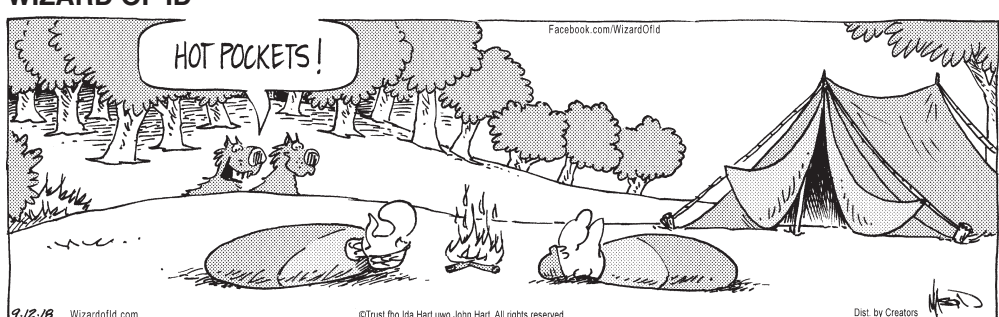
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