

Shark is circling husband

Dear Annie: My husband has a friend, "Ralph," who is half his age and was recently married. Ralph's wife, "Katherine," is always texting my husband, and not me, to make plans to go out to eat. I have asked my husband several times to text Ralph back instead of his wife, but he has not. When we go out to eat, Ralph's wife always wants to sample my husband's food and taste his drink; she never asks if she can taste test. She just does it. She also likes to sit beside my husband.

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The other night, she stood at the bar talking to both of us with her arm on the back of my husband's chair and not mine. One time, I got back to the table just in time to hear her say that she wouldn't be getting any love from Ralph tonight. My husband replied that he wouldn't be getting any from me either. That's because my husband falls asleep as soon as he gets home. Her reply was that my husband should leave with her and I should leave with Ralph. She once told me that she and

a girlfriend had read that they could make \$7,000 a month if they worked for a sugar daddy. She has been married 10 months and is already complaining about Ralph. I see no love between them when they are together. My husband feels that his relationship with her is more like a father/daughter relationship and does not see anything wrong with it. My husband tells me nothing would ever happen between them and it's all in my head. I think she is looking for a sugar daddy. What are your thoughts?

— *Am I Right to Be Suspicious?*

Dear Suspicious: Trust your instincts on this one. She sounds like a shark circling your marriage. Picking food off your husband's plate, texting him instead of you and placing her arm on the back of your husband's chair are all signs that she is going in for the kill. The question is how to put an end to this shark and not allow your marriage to be swallowed up by her.

Don't continue to be put in a situation where you are accusing and complaining about her

while your husband rushes to her defense. Instead, trust your instincts and insist that the friendship ends. The alternative is that she continues to drive a wedge through your marriage, and that is not OK. You and your husband should be a unified front protecting your marriage from circling predators.

Dear Annie: I'll never forget my mother's comments about a co-worker who was over 50. There was talk for years about this person's flawless complexion but nobody bothered to ask about her "secret."

At my mother's retirement luncheon, my mother finally asked. The co-worker replied that it was Vaseline! Her family was poor and she had tried anything cheap. Later, when she had the money for more expensive skin care products, she tried them all but found that still Vaseline worked best. — *Glowing Complexion*

Dear Glowing: Thank you for this great tip. I have also heard that Aquaphor has the same effect as Vaseline and is around the same price. Here's to beauty on a budget and keeping things simple.

TOMORROW'S HOROSCOPE

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Creativity will not come into the picture like a mysterious generative force. It will instead be a response to the environment, a solution to the problem or a reaction to the limitations in play.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You've repeated an action so many times that there's a groove forming. Or maybe it's a rut. There's a fine line between the two. How is it feeling to you? Reminder: There are hundreds of ways to do a thing. Find yours.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Everything you see is perspective, which is different from truth, although some angles are much more honest than others. The less you need out of a situation, the more clearly you can see it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're a part of nature, and it will feel better to think and act in accordance with that instead of fighting what seems to be coming up organically for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Though you really find it maudlin to think in terms of "what if it's the last time?" The fact is that this is just the approach that will ensure you squeeze every last bit of potential out of the situation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). If you feel harmed but weren't, then were you harmed? If you don't feel harmed but were, then were you harmed? Your answer to these questions help you take ownership of your own experience.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It is in your best interest to either consider the situation endurable and then take it on as such without complaint, or say "not for me" and then move along. Both choices are fine. It's vacillating in the middle that's hard. Avoid!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If you don't feel like deciding on a direction then just don't. This is a moment for playing around, which is very different from standing still. Experimentation will show you the way.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You can't lose what you don't have. Maybe there's comfort in this. Does it embolden you? You don't have to worry about trying not to mess up some imaginary future.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Over time, you can make yourself into whatever you want to be, but you cannot make yourself into everything all at once. Actions that are guided by reverence and justice will naturally flow to the right future.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The problem with memory lane is that no one can live there. Whatever happened before, it already had its chance and now its time is over. This is the hour that matters.

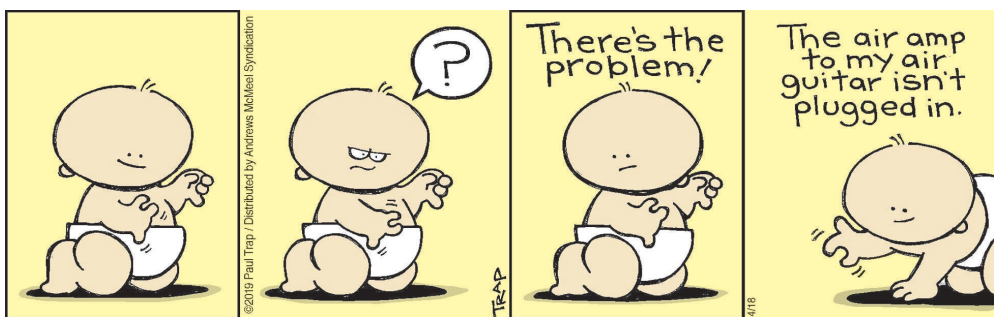
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Things end eventually, but not now. Paradoxically, by thinking about the loss of the thing we are enjoying, we can increase our appreciation of it and bring enjoyment to the next level.

TOMORROW'S BIRTHDAY (April 19). You'll prioritize self-care higher, which makes you able to deliver on the big demands coming up. Someone loving natures and supports you, too. Work takes off. You get so busy in 2020 that you'll need to add team members and acquire tools. Giving an anonymous gift will set off a ripple of excellent karma. Cancer and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 4, 40, 22 and 11.

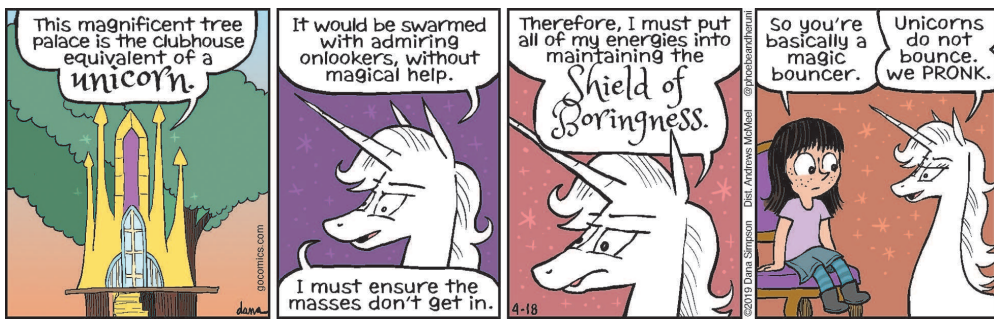
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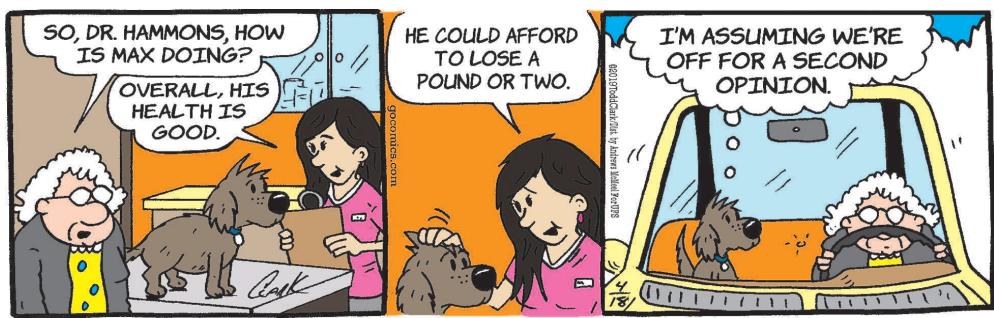
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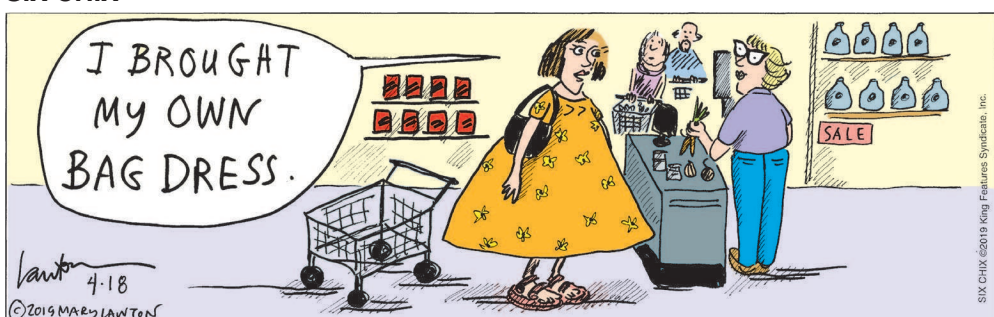
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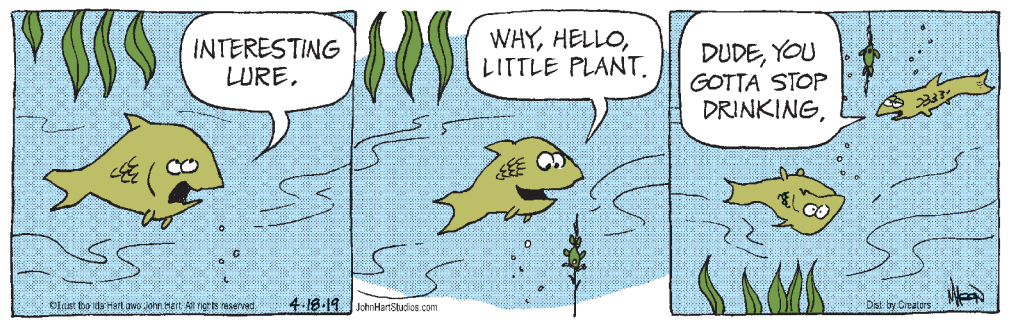
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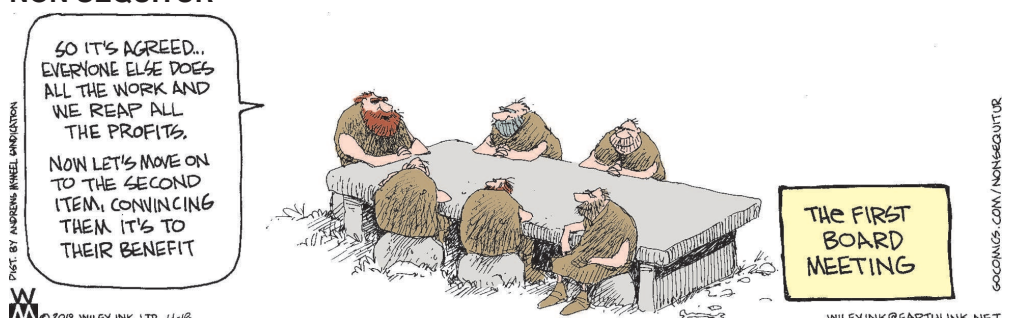
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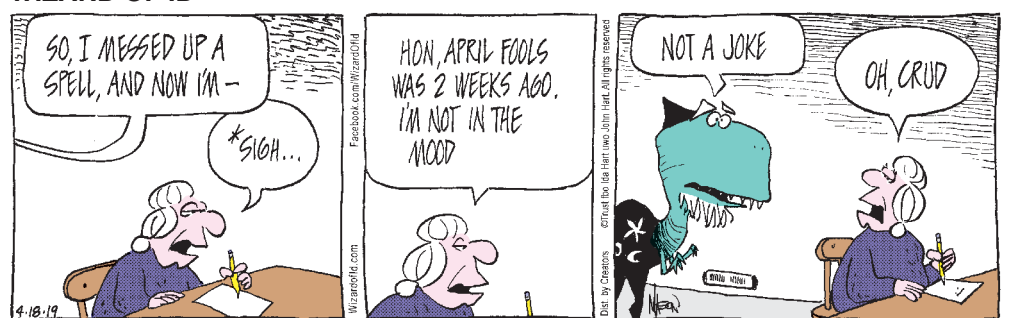
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