

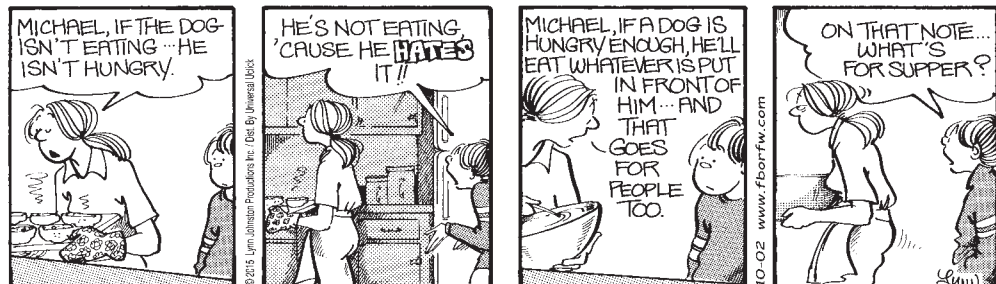
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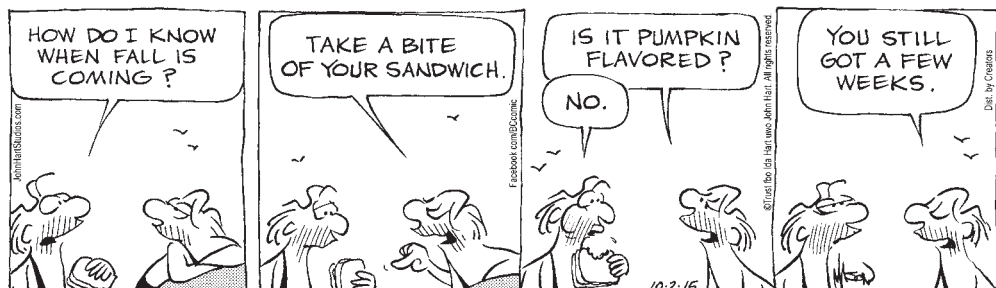
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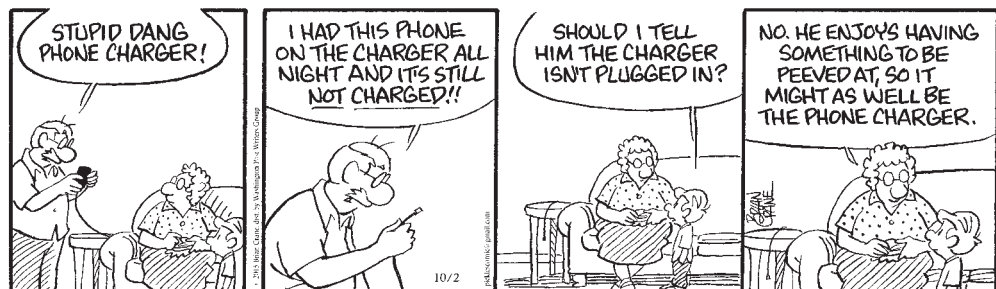
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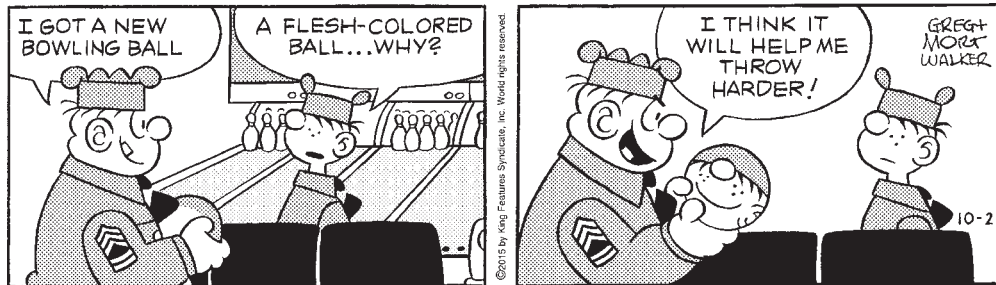
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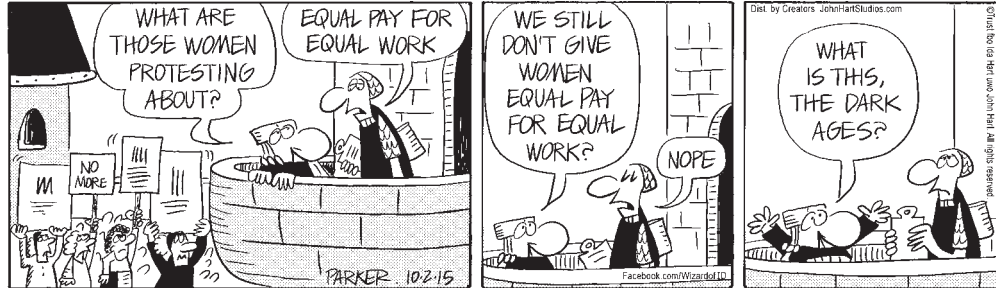
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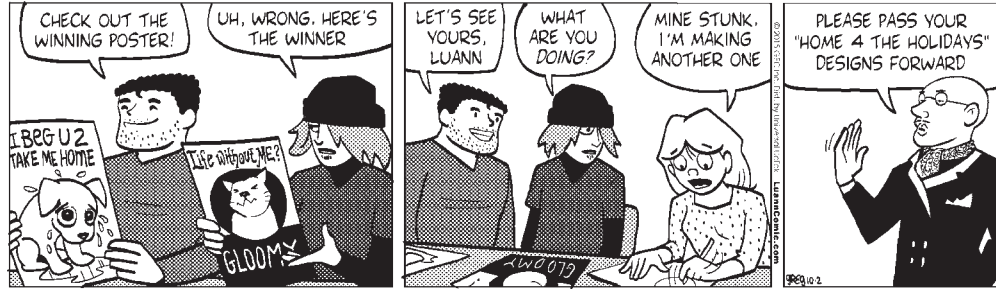
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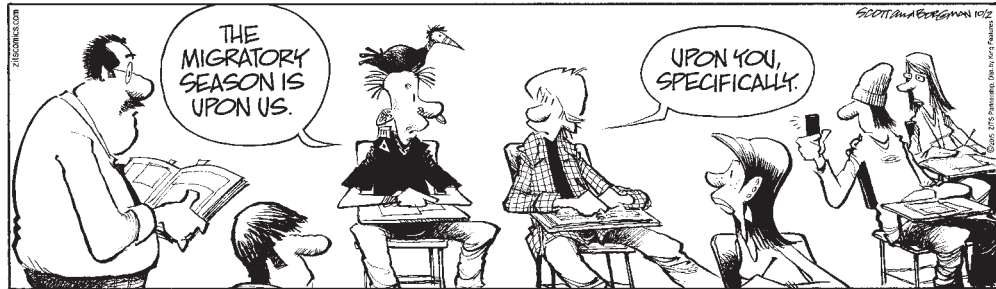
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BY GREG EVANS



ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



DEAR ABBY

Caregivers for sick pets also deserve respite from stress

Dear Abby: Our family dog recently passed away after a year-long decline. I had grown up with him. He had reached the point where he needed daily care for his body, even though his mind was 100 percent there. Near the end, things got very bad. I got only about four hours of broken sleep a night caring for him, and no one in the family would help me. During part of his daily care routine, he had a second accident all over the freshly cleaned floor. I lost it and hit him.



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

would like to get to know. "Karla" and my son have been married for four years. My dilemma is texting. Karla refuses to carry on conversations on the phone or in person. Everything has to be texted. When I have explained to her that I wanted to get to know her better and felt that texts were impersonal, she claimed that they are all she has time for between working and taking care of the children.

He's gone now, and I can barely live with myself. When I think about it, I get nauseated and dry-heave. I literally hate myself. In my book, exhaustion doesn't give anyone the right to do what I did. I'm old enough to know better. This makes me want to change my life plans and never have another pet or have children — just in case. Am I right? — **Lowlife In The Usa**

I don't mind watching the children; I'd just like to know a day in advance unless it's an emergency. Abby, she is rude, disrespectful and treats me like a servant rather than a family member. Am I wrong to expect non-emergency things to be scheduled in advance, or is it acceptable to text and say, "Hey, I need you to watch the kids. Be here at noon?" — **Hurt Feelings**

Dear "Lowlife": Please accept my sympathy for the loss of your beloved furry friend. While what happened is regrettable, you are wrong to beat yourself up the way you are. There is something called "caregiver burnout," which I'm advising you to research. When caregivers are stressed and sleep-deprived, mental health advisers urge them to find respite care for their patient. Lack of sleep can cause people to react badly.

Dear **Hurt Feelings**: No, you're not wrong. The next time you receive a text like the one you quoted, send one back that says, "Not available then — need more warning. Ask sooner next time."

Dear **Abby**: I am blessed to be 70 years old and have few problems. Your column today got me wondering about something. You answered, "For Pete's sake..." to a question. I just wondered, who is Pete? I have heard the expression all my life and am just curious. — **Dale In The South**

If your family had been more supportive and you had had proper rest, you probably would not have snapped. What happened does not mean you are doomed to repeat this with another pet or a child.

Dear **Dale**: That's a good question, because I didn't know where the phrase came from either. "For Pete's sake" is a mild oath. According to my online research, it's a cleaned-up version of what was originally "For Christ's sake."

Dear **Abby**: I have a daughter-in-law I

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 2, 1915

Selection of the jury to try Lee Dale for the murder of Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Ogilvy was commenced this morning, the case having been advanced on the calendar by reason of the settlement or continuance of other cases. By noon today the regular jury panel, drawn for this term of court, had been exhausted and the case was postponed until Monday at which time a special venire of 15 will be at hand. Eleven jurors were passed for cause this morning by both the defense and state and six were excused for cause. When the twelfth juror is passed, there will still be eighteen peremptory challenges which may be exercised, the state having six and the defense twelve in a murder trial. Dale is accused of the murder of Charles Ogilvy and his wife at their ranch on California Gulch. The principal evidence of the state is circumstantial, though Mr. Ogilvy, before his death, identified Dale as their assailant.

Paul Jones said Thursday. Both Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall and Rep. Al Ullman have expressed interest in a large irrigation project for the area. Jones said Udall visited the regional office in Portland Thursday to pick up all information on the proposed developments. A group of Eastern and Western Oregon investors announced plans to invest \$5.75 million in developing an irrigation district and said they would need a work force of 200-300 persons for potato and alfalfa processing plants.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 2, 1990

The Pilot Rock Rockets have canceled a scheduled Columbia Basin Conference high school football game for the second week in a row. Pilot Rock, which forfeited to Wahtonka Friday, will forfeit to Heppner in a game originally scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday at Heppner. Pilot Rock is low in numbers, with just 15 players at its last practice, Pilot Rock coach Deacon Perkins said. Pilot Rock started the season with 22 on the roster, but attrition's been high. Players are missing because of "injuries, disciplinary kinds of things and eligibility problems," Perkins said. "We're down to playing inexperienced kids, it's kind of a sad state of affairs."

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 2, 1965

Bureau of Reclamation development in North Morrow County is drawing interest in Washington, D.C., Morrow County Judge

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 275th day of 2015. There are 90 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On October 2, 1985, actor Rock Hudson, 59, died at his home in Beverly Hills, California, after battling AIDS.

On this date:

In 1780, British spy John Andre was hanged in Tappan, New York, during the Revolutionary War.

In 1835, the first battle of the Texas Revolution took place as American settlers fought Mexican soldiers near the Guadalupe River; the Mexicans ended up withdrawing.

In 1890, comedian Groucho Marx was born Julius Marx in New York.

In 1919, President Woodrow Wilson suffered a serious stroke at the White House that left him paralyzed on his left side.

In 1939, the Benny

Goodman Sextet (which included Lionel Hampton) made their first recording, "Flying Home," for Columbia.

In 1944, German troops crushed the two-month-old Warsaw Uprising, during which a quarter of a million people had been killed.

In 1955, the suspense anthology "Alfred Hitchcock Presents" premiered on CBS-TV.

In 1967, Thurgood Marshall was sworn as an associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court as the court opened its new term.

In 2002, the Washington, D.C.-area sniper attacks began, setting off a frantic manhunt lasting three weeks. (John Allen Muhammad and Lee Boyd Malvo were finally arrested for 10 killings and three wounding; Muhammad was executed in 2009; Malvo was sentenced to life in prison.)

Today's Birthdays:

Country singer-musician Leon Rausch (Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys) is 88. Retired MLB All-Star Maury Wills is 83. Movie critic Rex Reed is 77. Singer-songwriter Don McLean is 70. Cajun/country singer Jo-el Sonnier is 69. Actor Avery Brooks is 67. Fashion designer Donna Karan is 67. Photographer Annie Leibovitz is 66. Rock musician Mike Rutherford (Genesis, Mike & the Mechanics) is 65. Singer-actor Sting is 64. Rock singer Phil Oakey (The Human League) is 60. Rhythm-and-blues singer Freddie Jackson is 57. Rock musician Bud Gaugh (Sublime, Eyes Adrift) is 48. Actress-talk show host Kelly Ripa (TV: "Live with Kelly and Michael") is 45.

Thought for Today:

"There's one way to find out if a man is honest — ask him. If he says 'yes' you know he is a crook." — *Groucho Marx (1890-1977)*.

STONE SOUP

BY JAN ELLIOT



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

