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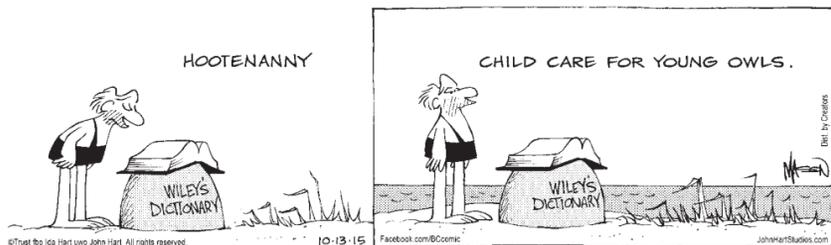
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PICKLES

BY BRIAN CRANE



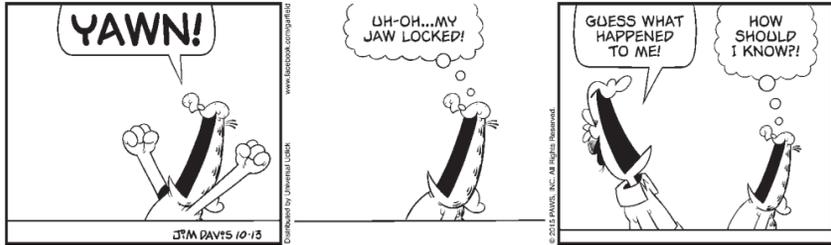
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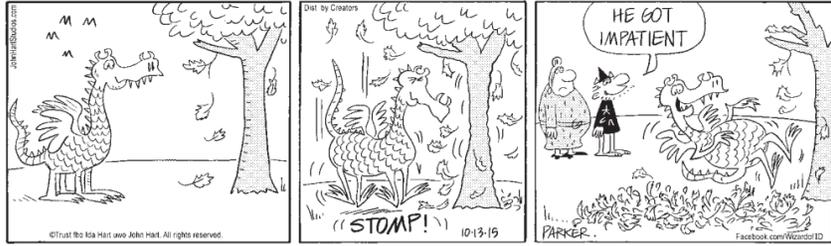
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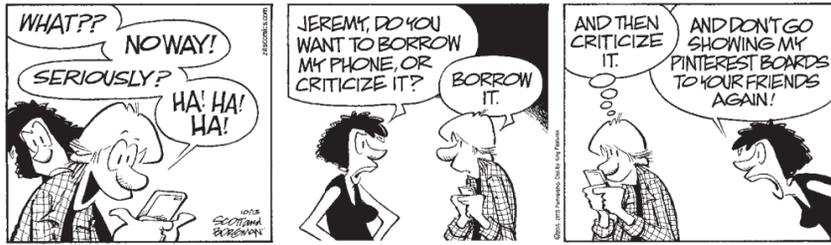
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DEAR ABBY

Woman's hidden HIV status must be brought to light



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: I'm writing regarding the letter from "She's Killing Them in Indiana" (July 8) and your response to the writer, whose friend is HIV-positive and doesn't tell her partners her diagnosis. I am a disease intervention specialist (DIS) in Indiana and work specifically with STDs like HIV.

In Indiana there is a duty to warn law that requires anyone who is HIV-positive to inform any past or present sexual or needle-sharing partners of her/his HIV status. At the time of diagnosis, all providers inform the patient of this, and DIS's like me are required to get a signed copy of this law from HIV-positive individuals.

This year there was a large outbreak of HIV in a rural southern area of Indiana. More than 100 new infections occurred within just three short months. If individuals like this woman do not inform partners, then the risk is high for another outbreak.

The person who wrote you should contact the Indiana State Department of Health's Recalcitrant Program and inform them of this situation. All information is kept confidential. Counseling could be provided, and then if she continues not informing, legal action could be taken against her. — **Melissa Murawski**

Dear Melissa: Readers were upset about the gravity of that letter. They felt it was not only a health issue but also one of morality, and the legal issues could land the writer's friend in serious trouble, including jail. You are right that the person who wrote that letter should contact the appropriate authorities and

report her friend's dangerous and risky behavior.

Dear Abby: My wife and I have been together for 10 years. Like all couples do, we've had our ups and downs, but we love each other very much. Two months ago, we welcomed our first son into our family; we are overjoyed.

Raising a newborn has its challenges because babies don't come with an owner's manual. Our communication has always been good, and we work hard in our relationship to keep it that way. When we disagree, we try not to fight in front of the baby or raise our voices.

But something my wife does bothers me. She talks about me to the baby. An example: "Apparently you're too stressful for Daddy right now, but not for me." I have asked her to please not do it. I understand that he's only 2 months old and can't understand her, but I don't feel disparaging me in front of him is right. Am I wrong? Or am I being overly sensitive? — **Needs Help In New York**

Dear Needs Help: I don't think you're being overly sensitive. It is important for an infant's development that the parents talk to him or her. While your baby may be too young to understand what's being said right now, your wife is forming a habit that both of you may regret later. It implies that she is the "good mommy" and you are the "bad daddy" who can't deal with his son. If this continues, at some point the boy WILL get the message, and it won't be good for the relationship you have with her or the one you have with your son.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 12-13, 1915

An army of several divisions consisting of hundreds of crows in each division passed over the southwest part of the Umatilla project Sunday morning en route to their southern rendezvous. In passing through, sections, apparently, of each division, would drop out and feed in the alfalfa fields bordering the Umatilla river. At one time when most of the birds had lighted there was a continuous stretch of black of not less than a mile in length and a thousand feet wide. As by order the flock rose in a cloud and disappeared in the south like a huge volume of smoke.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 12-13, 1965

Pendleton firemen fought a stubborn fire in downtown Pendleton to a standstill early this morning and averted a major disaster. Captain Lloyd Rhinhart said, "It was just a dang good stop, that's all." He said the firemen have been undergoing extensive training in fire fighting and it really paid off this morning. The fire was discovered in the basement of the two story Masonic Building at the corner of Main and

Emigrant at 2:36 a.m. The firemen were able to keep the flames confined to the basement and prevent it from spreading to the Modern Health Studio which occupies the ground floor of the building, and the Masonic Lodge which is located on the top floor. It took four trucks and 20 men four hours to do the job but their efforts were rewarded when they were able to contain the fire, which at times was so hot it drove the fire fighters back several feet.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 12-13, 1990

Allan Lambert, the former sheep shearer from New Zealand who became mayor of Umatilla, has returned to town to take over operations of the Rest-A-Bit Motel. The Lambert family left Umatilla in May for Australia and New Zealand for an indefinite stay after turning the motel over to a new operator. Lambert said he had to take back the business, and he and his wife Angella will be managing it as before. Lambert visited his parents in New Zealand and his son got to spend a term in school. He even spent a week shearing sheep in outback Queensland, in northern Australia, he said. "We got our heads cleared and we're pleased to be back," he said.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 286th day of 2015. There are 79 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On October 13, 1775, the United States Navy had its origins as the Continental Congress ordered the construction of a naval fleet.

On this date:
In A.D. 54, Roman Emperor Claudius I died, poisoned apparently at the behest of his wife, Agrippina.

In 1792, the cornerstone of the executive mansion, later known as the White House, was laid during a ceremony in the District of Columbia.

In 1843, the Jewish organization B'nai B'rith was founded in New York City.

In 1932, President Herbert Hoover and Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes laid the cornerstone for the U.S. Supreme Court building in Washington.

In 1944, during World War II, American troops entered Aachen, Germany.

In 1957, CBS-TV broadcast "The Edsel Show," a one-hour live special starring Bing Crosby designed to promote the new, ill-fated Ford automobile. (It was the first special to use videotape technology to delay the broadcast to the West Coast.)

In 1960, John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon held the third televised debate of their presidential campaign (Nixon was in Los Angeles, Kennedy in New York).

In 1962, Edward Albee's four-character drama "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" opened on Broadway.

In 1972, a Uruguayan chartered flight carrying 45 people crashed in the Andes; survivors resorted to feeding off the remains of some of the dead in order to stay alive until they were rescued more than two months later.

In 1981, voters in Egypt participated in a referendum to elect Vice President Hosni Mubarak the new president, one week after the assassination of Anwar Sadat.

Today's Birthdays:

Gospel singer Shirley Caesar is 78. Actress Melinda Dillon is 76. Singer-musician Paul Simon is 74. Actress Pamela Tiffin is 73. Musician Robert Lamm (Chicago) is 71. Country singer Lacy J. Dalton is 69. Actor Demond Wilson is 69. Singer-musician Sammy Hagar is 68. Actor John Lone is 63. Model Beverly Johnson is 63. Producer-writer Chris Carter is 59. Actor Reggie Theus is 58. Sen. Maria Cantwell, D-Wash., is 57. Singer Marie Osmond is 56. Rock singer Joey Belladonna is 55. Former White House press secretary Ari Fleischer is 55. NBA coach Doc Rivers is 54. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer Jerry Rice is 53. Country singer John Wiggins is 53. Actor Christopher Judge is 51. Actor Matt Walsh (TV: "Veep") is 51. Actress Kate Walsh is 48. Actor Sacha Baron Cohen is 44.

Thought for Today: "A hero is a man who is afraid to run away." — *English proverb.*

STONE SOUP

BY JAN ELLIOT



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

