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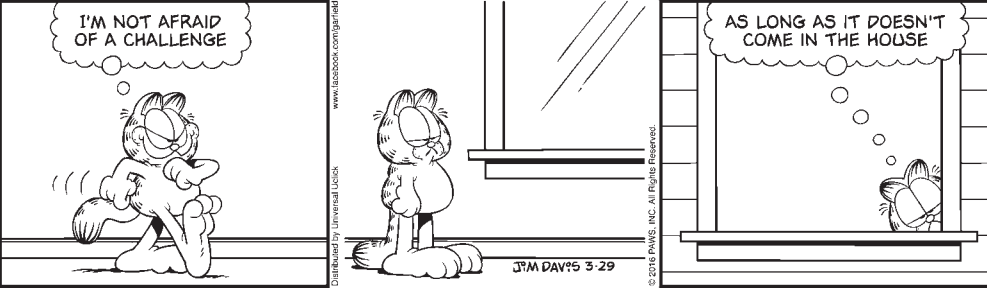
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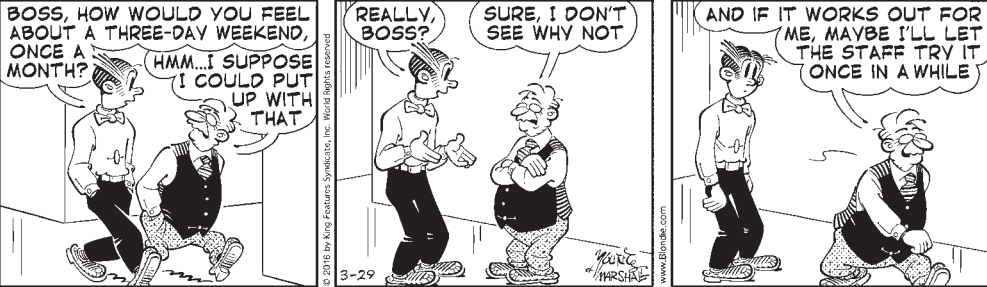
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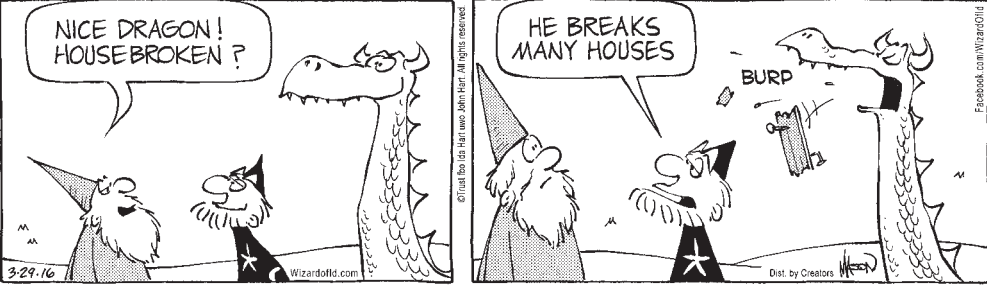
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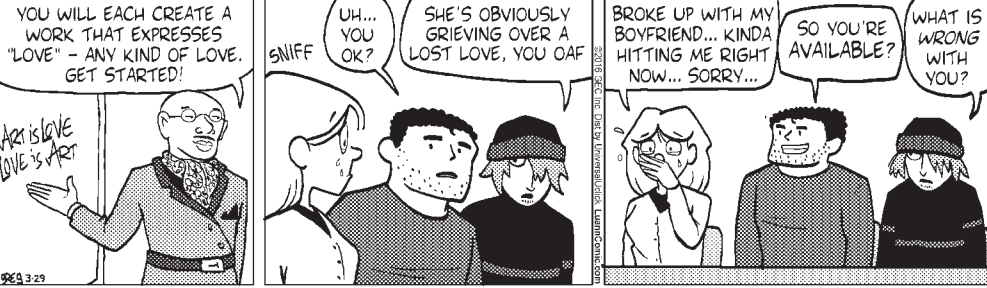
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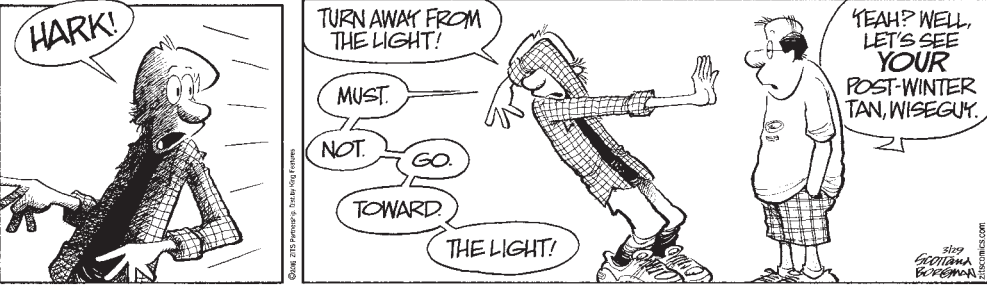
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DEAR ABBY

Brother's sudden death prompts single mother to be prepared

Dear Abby: My 29-year-old brother died suddenly last month. It was completely unexpected. He left behind a wife and 1-year-old son.

Although they lived across the country, she allowed us to bring him home for his funeral and burial. I took care of a lot of the arrangements on this end, while she took care of things there and made travel arrangements.

At 26, I never expected to be planning a funeral! But it has made me realize how unprepared I was for any unforeseen event. Please remind your young readers that it's never too early to take care of some basic plans, including a will. As a single mother, I know how unprepared I was if something should happen to me. While it's not a pleasant thought, it's tougher on the survivors if nothing is in place. When it comes to mortality, it's better to be practical and prepared. — **Still Grieving, But Now Prepared**

Dear Still Grieving: Please accept my sympathy for the untimely loss of your brother. I can only imagine how shocking this has been for your family.

Mortality isn't a subject that younger people usually dwell on. But if they want what they have to be distributed according to their wishes, or if there are children involved, it's important to put their wishes in writing regardless of their age.

Readers: This includes what you would or would not like done if you can't speak for yourself. Do you want to be on artificial life support if there is no hope for your recovery? How do you feel about becoming an organ



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

donor? Put it in writing!

I read recently about a young woman whose family learned only after her tragic death that she wanted to be an organ donor. Fortunately, they found out BEFORE the funeral.

Dear Abby: "Don" and I have been married for 44 years, and our marriage has had its ups and downs. We are now both retired. The problem is that Don does not get along with our 43-year-old son, "Chris." (He gets along fine with our two daughters.)

Don and Chris have very different personalities and little in common. Chris lives abroad but visits frequently and stays with us. During his most recent visit, his father was distant and rude to him. It has happened before and is hurtful to Chris and to me.

I have tried speaking with my husband about it, but he never has a good reason for his behavior. When my mother heard what happened, she got angry and said if I don't divorce Don, she doesn't want to see either of us again. Please help me. I don't know what to do. — **Hurt Badly In Oregon**

Dear Hurt Badly: After 40 years of marriage, you should have learned by now not to confide your problems in your mother. That your husband seems incapable of tolerating his son because of "personality differences" is regrettable, but hardly a cause for divorce at this point.

If Chris stayed in a hotel during his visits rather than your home, it would provide less opportunity for confrontation, and you both might enjoy the visits more. I hope you will consider it.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
March 28-29, 1916

Water at a depth of 225 feet has been struck two miles south Echo, which raised up 136 feet after the vein was tapped. Pumping 1,000 gallons per hour the water level was lowered but ten feet showing that the supply is both abundant and permanent. This well was drilled by Chas. E. Lewis for the shearing plant at this point, hard rock was struck at a distance of 70 feet which continued the balance of the way down. Mr. Lewis was 11 days in drilling the well. It has long been thought that artesian water underlaid the Echo country and this well does much to support the theory.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
March 28-29, 1966

A winner at the Dog Fanciers of Oregon show in Portland was the bulldog Amhist John

L. Sullivan, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Strutz, Hermiston. "Bruiser" won the open class and best of breed to top the slate of 27 bulldogs. He placed third in the non-sporting group.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
March 28-29, 1991

Dean Forth of Rieth, who quietly has devoted more than 30 years of volunteerism to the Pendleton Round-Up, has been named 1991 grand marshal for the Westward Ho! Parade. When asked how he felt about the distinction, 75-year-old Forth quickly replied, "I thought they should have got somebody else." Then he chuckled. Forth's Round-Up duties have included arranging for people to ride in the parade; helping bring vehicles and equipment out of storage; placing canvas on the covered wagons; and greasing wheels as needed.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 89th day of 2016. There are 277 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

On March 29, 1951, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were convicted in New York of conspiracy to commit espionage for the Soviet Union. (They were executed in June 1953.) The Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "The King and I" opened on Broadway.

On this date: In 1638, Swedish colonists settled in present-day Delaware.

In 1790, the 10th president of the United States, John Tyler, was born in Charles City County, Virginia.

In 1812, the first White House wedding took place as Lucy Payne Washington, the sister of first lady Dolley Madison, married Supreme Court Justice Thomas Todd.

In 1912, British explorer Robert Falcon Scott, his doomed expedition stranded in an Antarctic blizzard after failing to be the first to reach the South Pole, wrote the last words of his journal: "For Gods sake look after our people."

In 1936, German Chancellor Adolf Hitler claimed overwhelming victory in a

plebiscite on his policies.

In 1962, Jack Paar hosted NBC's "Tonight" show for the final time, although the network aired a repeat the following night. (Johnny Carson debuted as host the following October.)

In 1971, Army Lt. William L. Calley Jr. was convicted of murdering 22 Vietnamese civilians in the My Lai massacre. (Calley ended up serving three years under house arrest.) A jury in Los Angeles recommended the death penalty for Charles Manson and three female followers for the 1969 Tate-La Bianca murders. (The sentences were later commuted.)

In 1973, the last United States combat troops left South Vietnam, ending America's direct military involvement in the Vietnam War.

In 1974, eight Ohio National Guardsmen were indicted on federal charges stemming from the shooting deaths of four students at Kent State University. (The charges were later dismissed.) Chinese farmers digging a well discovered the Terracotta Warriors, an "army" of sculpted soldiers dating from the third century B.C.

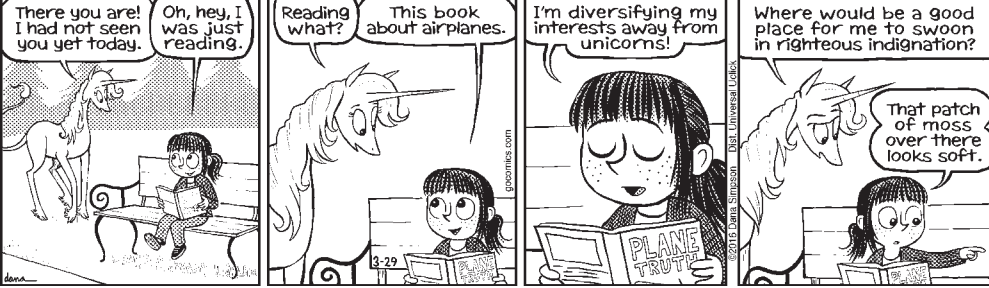
Today's Birthdays:

Political commentator John McLaughlin is 89. Author Judith Guest is 80. Former British Prime Minister Sir John Major is 73. Comedian Eric Idle is 73. Composer Vangelis is 73. Basketball Hall of Famer Walt Frazier is 71. Singer Bobby Kimball (Toto) is 69. Actor Bud Cort is 68. Actor Brendan Gleeson is 61. Actor Christopher Lawford is 61. Pro and College Football Hall of Famer Earl Campbell is 61. Actress Marina Sirtis is 61. International Gymnastics Hall of Famer Kurt Thomas is 60. Actor Christopher Lambert is 59. Rock singer Perry Farrell (Porno for Pyros; Jane's Addiction) is 57. Comedian-actress Amy Sedaris is 55. Model Elle Macpherson is 53. Movie director Michel Hazanavicius is 49. Rock singer-musician John Popper (Blues Traveler) is 49. Actress Lucy Lawless is 48. Country singer Regina Leigh (Regina Regina) is 48. Former White House Press Secretary Robert Gibbs is 45. CBS News correspondent Lara Logan is 45.

Thought for Today: "A ship is safe in harbor, but that's not what ships are for." — *William G.T. Shedd, American theologian (1820-1894).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

