

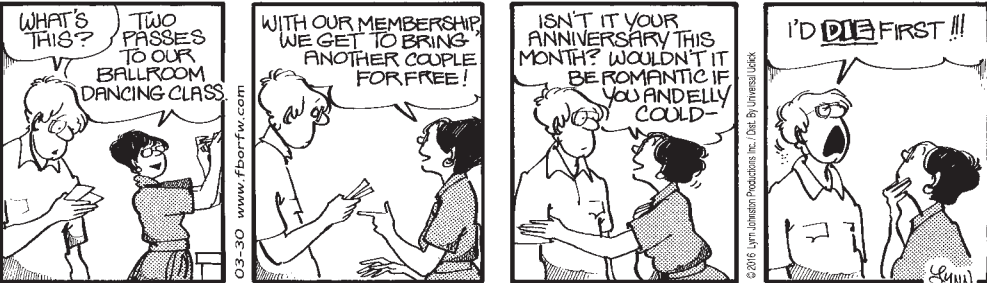
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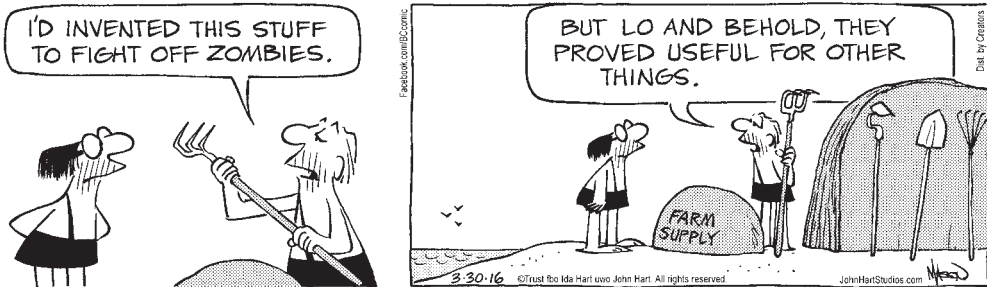
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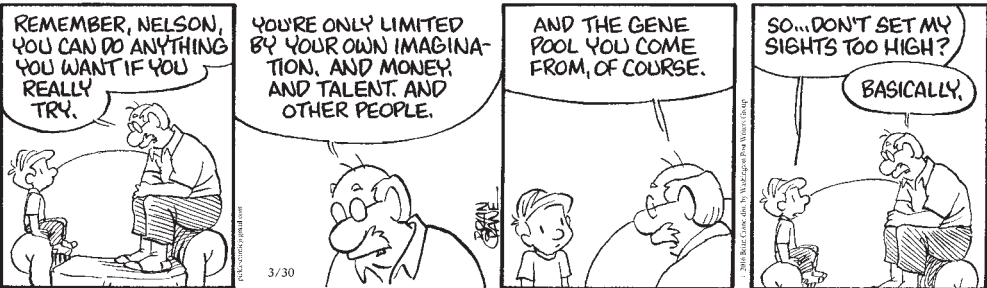
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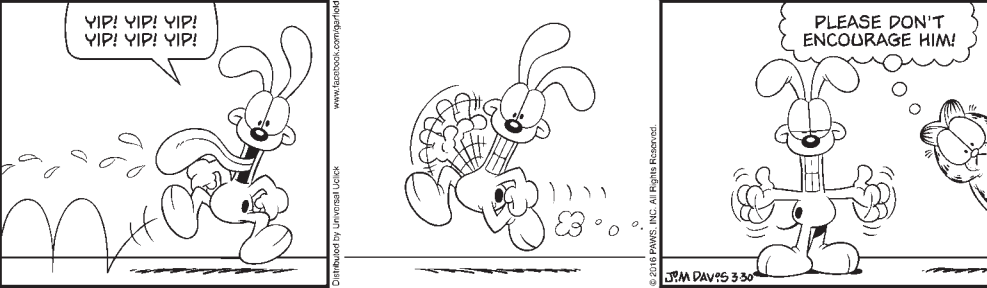
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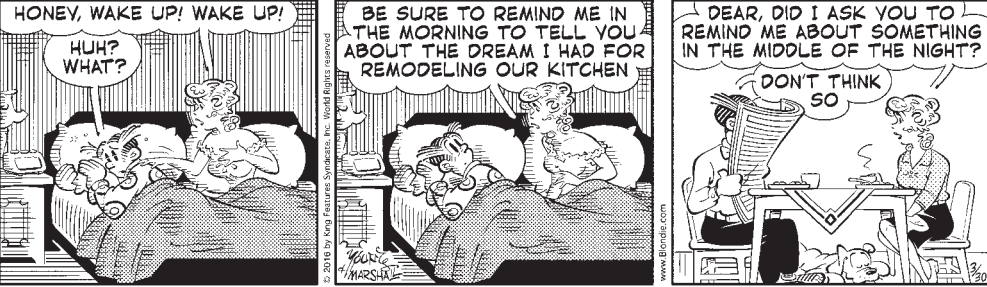
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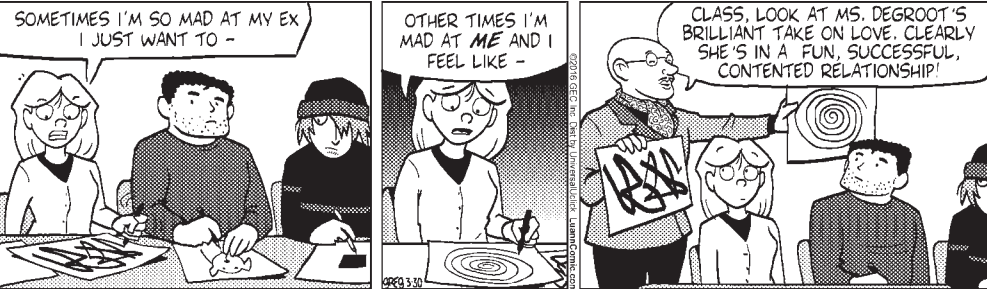
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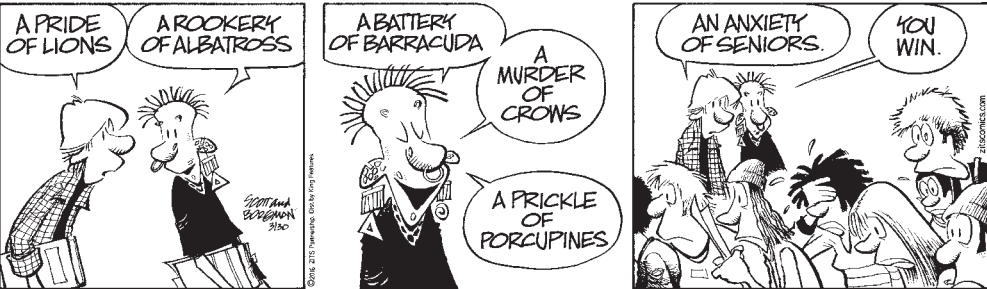
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BY GREG EVANS



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DEAR ABBY

Son's sperm donation provokes mother's ire

Dear Abby: My oldest son came to me nine months ago asking my opinion. He wanted to donate sperm to a black lesbian couple (for a fee) so they could have a biracial child. He told me he needed the money. I told him I didn't approve because they are lesbians. (Sorry, I'll be bashed for that statement, but I have to be honest.)

I have a biracial 10-year-old son, so race isn't the issue. Had it been a heterosexual couple of any race, I would have been OK. However, what I told him was that if he gives up his rights to the child, I, too, won't have grandparents' rights. I broke down in tears when he told me all this.

Yesterday I received a picture of a newborn. It turns out my son donated his sperm knowing how I feel about homosexuality. I have tried hard to always be there for my children, letting them know I love them and doing the best a single mother could do for them. I feel I must have failed horribly in bringing him up to be a better man.

I cannot, in our home state, fight for grandparents' rights since he has relinquished his rights. I am even more hurt that he would share a picture of my grandson knowing my opinion, and I feel horribly disrespected. Am I being overly sensitive? Should I just let all of this go? — **Disrespected In The South**

Dear Disrespected: What's done is



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done. Your son's sperm is his to do with as he wishes. His mistake was in asking your opinion and letting you see the picture. Because of your deep-seated bias against gay couples, I assume you weren't planning on having contact with the baby anyway, because overcoming your intolerance would have been necessary.

Your son is an adult, and your blessing was not required. If you continue to hang onto this, it may destroy your relationship with your son, so let it go.

Dear Abby: My husband had an affair and a child with a married woman before we were together. They agreed to let her husband raise the boy as if he were his biological son. I didn't agree with it.

We have a daughter together who is two years younger than the boy. They will be going to the same middle school next year. Our daughter is very sociable and likes meeting new people. I'm afraid that they will meet and be attracted to each other, not knowing they have the same father. Do I say something now, or wait and hope my worst fear does not become reality? — **Keeping A Big Secret**

Dear Keeping: Say something now. While there is no guarantee they will be attracted to each other, they should be told they have a half-sibling.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
March 30, 1916

Here is a new automobile story showing the Pendleton spirit. It was told last night at a Knights of Pythias meeting in Milton by J.H. Gwinn in explaining how a local party of 60 made a fraternal visit to the Milton lodge. "We were so enthusiastic over the prospect of visiting Milton that we did not have enough cars for the crowd. Dr. T.M. Henderson arrived on the scene just then and was told of the predicament. 'I will go buy one,' he is said to have replied. Whereupon he disappeared for a few minutes and then returned driving a big six cylinder Franklin purchased during the interim." The visit by the local Pythians last evening was one of a series of jaunts to neighboring towns being made this year in lieu of holding a district convention here.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
March 30, 1966

Carol Toombs is one of America's 10 best-dressed coeds. The Oregon State University sophomore was notified Monday by telegram from the editors of Glamour Magazine that she had been selected from the 25 finalists in the annual competition sponsored by the magazine. Carol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Jesse Toombs of Pendleton. The attractive blonde will leave May 31 for New York City, where she will join the other nine winners for a week of posing for photographers and for sight-seeing, parties and receptions. The 10 best-dressed coeds will appear in Glamour Magazine in August.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
March 30, 1991

Though the stomping grounds were the same the reaction wasn't when Petty Officer 3rd Class Dennis Deno returned to his old grade school gym and classroom Thursday afternoon. Of course, most Pilot Rock Elementary School graduates didn't take part in the Persian Gulf war against Iraq. Deno did. Deno, wearing his Navy dress blues, was greeted by applause, music and questions. Many questions. Deno said he wasn't surprised about the attention. While stationed on Diego Garcia Island, about 3,000 miles from Iraq, he received 17 letters from students in Virginia Cames' fourth-grade class. All the letters, which arrived around Valentines Day, wished him well and asked what he was doing and what it was like. "It was a big morale boost to get those letters," he told the students. "I shared the letters with 200-250 people. We all got a big kick out of them."

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 90th day of 2016. There are 276 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 30, 1981, President Ronald Reagan was shot and seriously injured outside a Washington, D.C., hotel by John W. Hinckley Jr.; also wounded were White House press secretary James Brady, Secret Service agent Timothy McCarthy and a District of Columbia police officer, Thomas Delahanty.

On this date:

In 1822, Florida became a United States territory.

In 1867, U.S. Secretary of State William H. Seward reached agreement with Russia to purchase the territory of Alaska for \$7.2 million.

In 1870, the 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which prohibited denying citizens the right to vote and hold office on the basis of race, was declared in effect by Secretary of State Hamilton Fish. Texas was readmitted to the Union.

In 1909, the Queensboro Bridge, linking the New York City boroughs of Manhattan and Queens, opened.

In 1923, the Cunard liner RMS Laconia became the first passenger ship to circle the globe as it arrived in New York.

In 1945, during World War II, the Soviet Union invaded Austria with the goal of taking Vienna, which it accomplished two weeks later.

In 1959, a narrowly divided U.S. Supreme Court, in *Bartkus v. Illinois*, ruled that a conviction in state court following an acquittal in federal court for the same crime did not constitute double jeopardy.

In 1964, John Glenn withdrew from the Ohio race for the U.S. Senate because of injuries suffered in a fall. The original version of the TV game show "Jeopardy!," hosted by Art Fleming, premiered on NBC.

In 1986, actor James Cagney died at his farm in Stanfordville, New York, at age 86.

Today's Birthdays:

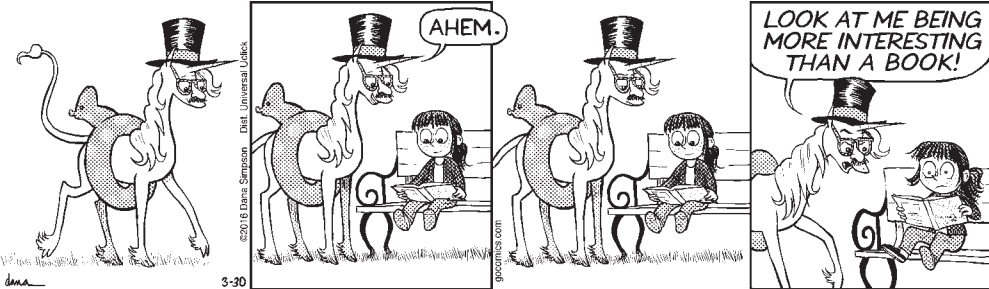
Game show host Peter Marshall is 90. Actor John Astin is 86. Actor-director Warren Beatty is 79. Rock musician Graeme Edge (The Moody Blues) is 75. Rock musician Eric Clapton is 71. Actor Justin Deas is 68. Actor Robbie Coltrane is 66. Actor Paul Reiser is 59. Rap artist MC Hammer is 53. Singer Tracy Chapman is 52. Actor Ian Ziering is 52. TV personality Piers Morgan is 51. Actress Donna D'Errico is 48. Singer Celine Dion is 48. Actor Mark Consuelos is 45. Actress Bahar Soomekh is 41. Actress Jessica Cauffiel is 40. Singer Norah Jones is 37. Actress Fiona Gubelmann is 36. Actress Katy Mixon is 35. Actor Jason Dohring is 34. Country singer Justin Moore is 32. Actress Tessa Ferrer is 30. Country singer Thomas Rhett is 26.

Thought for Today:

"We lie loudest when we lie to ourselves." — *Eric Hoffer, American philosopher (1898-1983).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

