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BY MORT WALKER

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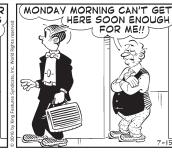


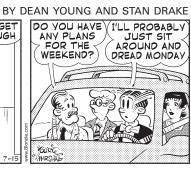




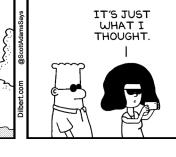


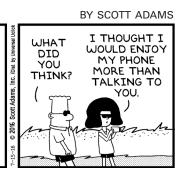
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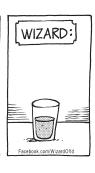




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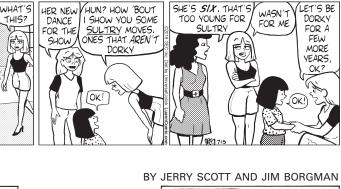






BY GREG EVANS

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DEAR ABBY

'Love child' plans approach to half-brother he never met

JEANNE

Advice

Dear Abby: My husband, "Pete," is an only child. His mom, who was married, had an affair with a married man, which resulted in his birth. His mother's husband put his name on the birth certificate. but as a kid. Pete had contact from time to time with his biological father. Both dads have since passed away.

Pete has known for years that his PHILLIPS biological father had an older son, but he doesn't know if the son knows he exists. Pete now thinks he may have found his half-brother online and wants to reach out to see if he wants a relationship. How do we even begin to broach this with

the half-brother? Is it worth it? Could it cause more damage than good? If you were my husband or his half-brother, would you want to pursue this? — Family Matters In Texas Dear F.M.: The decision about whether to

contact a long-lost relative is a very personal one. For some people, the experience is a happy one, but not for others. Because your husband and his (possible)

half-brother are both adults, I can't see how reaching out would be harmful to the man. A way to do it would be for Pete to send him an email or a letter, explain who his biological father was and ask if there is any interest in further contact. Dear Abby: My husband and I divorced 10

years ago. There were no children involved. After the divorce, we would occasionally get together for a meal. It was during those times that we managed to work through our issues and move forward with our separate lives.

Since then, we have remained in contact occasionally to say happy birthday or update the other on work. We are also friends on Facebook, but our contact does not involve

discussion of love interests, family, Eight years ago, I met a wonderful

man who accepts me for who I am. He also understands and supports the type of contact I have with my ex. My beau and I have finally decided to take the plunge and be married. What is the etiquette for letting my ex-husband know that I am remarrying? I know there will be photos posted to Facebook by friends in common. -**Second Time Around In Utah**

Dear Second: Convey that information personally. Because you are on speaking terms, call him and share the happy news. I think he will appreciate hearing it straight from you, just as you would if the situation were reversed.

Dear Abby: There's an ongoing debate among my group of friends about using the word "texted." When I used it, I was corrected, chastised and told that it is NOT a word. Five years ago, when my daughter was a teenager, I started hearing it used frequently.

I realize that "text" is not a verb, however, times have certainly changed, and many new words and expressions have been added to our vocabulary. Would it only be correct to say, "I sent a text"? Please settle this for us. **Busted By The Grammar Police**

Dear Busted: The English language is constantly evolving, and with the rapid advances in technology, words are added to the lexicon every year. According to Dictionary.com, "texted" is, indeed, a word and you have been using it correctly. However, because a picture is worth a thousand words, rather than tell your friends you got the information from me, consider sending them a descriptive emoji from the both of us.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 15, 1916

Refusing to accept the "buck" passed to them by the druggists and council through the ordinance adopted Wednesday evening, the physicians of Pendleton last evening met and formally adopted a resolution agreeing not to prescribe alcohol for any purpose whatever. Every doctor of medicine in the city has signed the resolution. The council, upon the petition of the druggists, at the last meeting passed an ordinance providing that no druggist of the city can sell alcohol except upon the prescription of a physician. Realizing that this ordinance will result in many demands being made upon them to prescribe alcohol the physicians, to protect themselves professionally, decided that they would refuse to prescribe alcohol for any purpose. The law did not intend that they should be "substitutes for bartenders," they point out, and they refuse to lend themselves to violations of the prohibition amendment, even though within the law themselves.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 15, 1966

A 14-hour course in light rescue techniques was conducted last week at Umatilla Army

Depot. Harrison Hadley of Pendleton was engaged by the Umatilla County civil defense office as instructor of the course, which, he said, has produced the only fully-manned light rescue unit in the civil defense system in eastern Oregon. Members of the 26-man squad are employes of the depot, and the course was arranged at the request of UAD officials as a preparation measure for emergencies that might occur there. Civil defense officials also can enlist the unit to perform rescue work in disaster situations in any part of the state.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian July 15, 1991

When Oscar Albers started losing sight in his right eye, the possibility of going blind became very real. The thought of not being able to drive, of being housebound and unable to read, prompted the 83-year-old to search for a way to save his sight. He found an advertisement for "corneal transplants" placed by a new Pendleton ophthalmologist. Albers was on the path to becoming the first recipient of a cornea transplant in Eastern Oregon. Dr. Dan Stingle performed the 45-minute surgery at St. Anthony Hospital on May 16, and now Albers can see through the eye he had written off.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 197th day of 2016. There are 169 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 15, 1976, a 36-hour kidnap ordeal began for 26 schoolchildren and their bus driver as they were abducted near Chowchilla, California, by three gunmen and imprisoned in an underground cell. (The captives escaped unharmed; kidnappers were caught.)

On this date:

In 1799, French soldiers in Egypt discovered the Rosetta Stone, which proved instrumental in deciphering ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs.

In 1870, Georgia became the last Confederate state to be readmitted to the Union. Manitoba entered confederation as the fifth Canadian province.

In 1916, Boeing Co., originally known as Pacific Aero Products Co., was founded in Seattle.

In 1932, President Herbert Hoover announced he was slashing his own salary by 20 percent, from \$75,000 to \$60,000 a year; he also cut Cabinet members' salaries by 15 percent, from \$15,000 to \$12,750 a year.

In 1948, President Harry S. Truman was nominated for another term of office by the Democratic national convention in Philadelphia.

In 1954, a prototype of the Boeing 707, the model 367-80, made its maiden flight from Renton Field south of Seattle.

In 1964, Sen. Barry M. Goldwater of Arizona was nominated for president by the Republican national convention in San Francisco.

In 1996, MSNBC, a 24-hour all-news network, made its debut on cable and the internet.

Today's Birthdays: Author Clive Cussler is 85. Actor Ken Kercheval is 81. Actor Patrick Wayne is 77. Actor Jan-Michael Vincent is 72. Rhythm-and-blues singer Millie Jackson is 72. Rock singer-musician Peter Lewis (Moby Grape) is 71. Singer Linda Ronstadt is 70. Rock musician Artimus Pyle is 68. Arianna Huffington, co-founder of The Huffington Post news website, is 66. Actress Celia Imrie is 64. Rock musician Joe Satriani is 60. Actor-director Forest Whitaker is 55. Actress Brigitte Nielsen is 53. Actor-screenwriter Jim Rash is 45. Rock musician Ray Toro (My Chemical Romance) is 39.

Thought for Today: "If you have knowledge, let others light their candles with it." — Margaret Fuller, American journalist and social critic (1810-1850).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN









But...now that I know I CAN'T, I'm gonna be obsessed with it.

COMING OVER BUT NEED TO SHOWER FIRST.

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