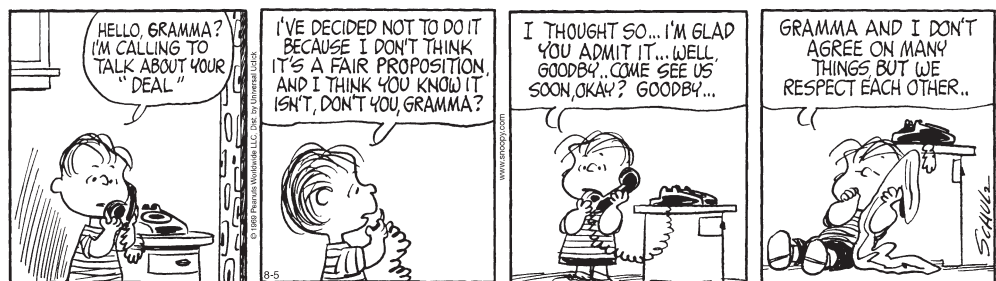


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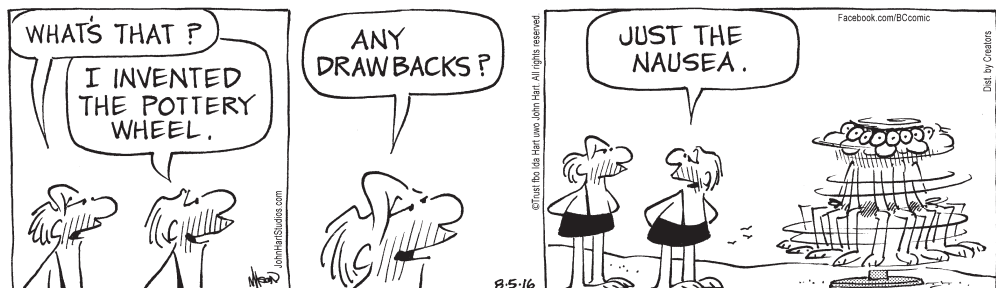
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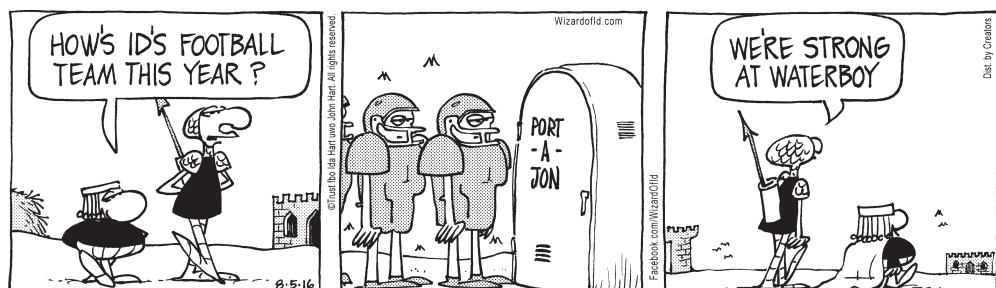
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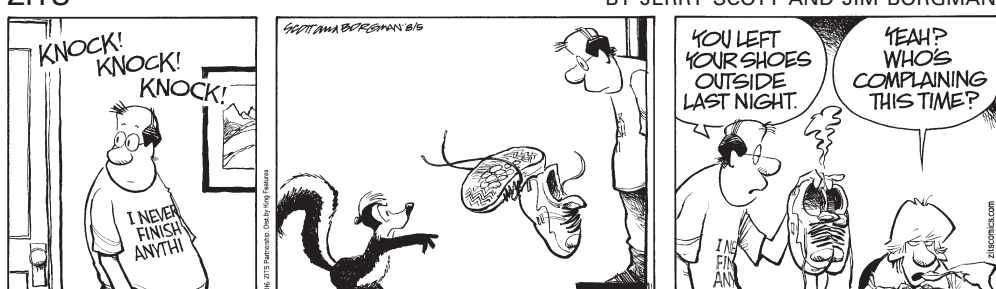
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DEAR ABBY

Man's cold reaction to wife's miscarriage adds to her pain

Dear Abby: My husband, "Rob," and I are at odds and your response may affect whether we stay together or not. I had a miscarriage a week ago. I was only seven weeks pregnant, but it was still something real for me.



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

If this continues to cause problems in your marriage, perhaps your clergyman (if you have one) or a marriage counselor can help you get the message across to your husband.

Dear Abby: When I invited a family member and her family for dinner, she asked what I was serving. When I told her, she said, "My kids won't eat that," so I ended up making a different meal that met with her approval.

My husband's niece's birthday was over the weekend. I made it clear that I didn't want to drive (three hours!) and be around people after what happened. When he told me it didn't matter, that it was his niece's birthday, I lost it on him. After driving him to his sister's, I left and drove myself home.

He says I'm overreacting and said that I was OK with it earlier in the week. I explained how hurt I was that he'd insist on going and also that he couldn't stand up for me and explain that I was too emotional and upset to attend her birthday. He can't grasp why I'm so hurt by this. AM I overreacting, and am I crazy for feeling the way I feel? — Feeling Down In The South

Dear Feeling Down: I'm sorry for your loss. You're not overreacting and you're not crazy. However, some people are unable to grasp how deeply a miscarriage in the early months of a pregnancy can affect the mother-to-be psychologically and physically. Unfortunately, Rob appears to be one of them.

You didn't mention whether you told your sister-in-law why you didn't feel up to celebrating, but if you didn't, you should have because she probably would have understood and let you off the hook. You also should have stayed home, not driven six hours round-trip to drop Rob off in your fragile condition.

It was annoying, and I thought she was very rude. I can't imagine saying something like that to someone who is preparing food for me.

This is a family member, so I can't just write them off, but do you have any witty responses should this happen again? — Disgusted In California

Dear Disgusted: I agree it's rude for guests to ask a host what will be served, unless there are allergy issues to be considered. As far as what to say to your relative, I have a couple of suggestions. Neither one is "witty."

The first is: "Fine. Bring food your kids will eat or I'll thaw them some frozen pizza." Or, if you're feeling brave, say: "I'm serving (blank), so hire a baby sitter. That way, the kids can have what they're used to and we'll have an enjoyable adult evening."

P.S. It is not child abuse for parents to introduce children to different foods by telling them to taste it because they might like it. And if they don't, they won't be forced to eat it. That's how they learn.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 5, 1916

Two mammoth turnips are being shown at the Hermiston Creamery Co.'s office this week. They were grown by A. Boslar on his ranch six miles from Hermiston, and are of the purple top variety. The larger of the two measures 30 1-4 inches in diameter and weighs eight pounds. The other one is smaller, but large at that measuring 20 1-2 inches and weighing five pounds. Mr. Boslar raised quite a patch of these turnips this year and fed them to his cattle and hogs, which he says are extremely fond of them, and thrive well upon them.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 5, 1966

First business to close down because of the realignment of the old Oregon trail (180N) around Pendleton will be a seven-unit motel operated by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stover adjacent to their home at 2204 S.W. Emigrant Ave. Today will be the final day of operation of the motel, provided with electric kitchens

and family units, and quite attractive, it is said, among the traveling diabetics who have to prepare their own meals and also like to stop near hospital facilities. The new highway by-pass will take out a business they had looked upon as a retirement venture and one which they have been operating since 1949.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 5, 1991

Wishing for a new kitten helped Brynne Manning, a Hermiston 10-year-old, create a watercolor painting that was a national winner in the 1991 Reflections Cultural Arts Contest. Brynne's prize-winning painting is now at the Umatilla County Fair in Thompson Hall, accompanied by another prize — a first-place ribbon in the fourth to sixth grade division. The theme for the Reflections Contest, sponsored by the Parent Teacher Association, was "If I Had a Wish." Brynne, who has two older cats, wished for a kitten, and painted her entry "Cat of My Dreams." The painting was chosen as one of five state winners and was sent to the national competition in New Orleans, where it received honorable mention.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 218th day of 2016. There are 148 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 5, 1966, the Beatles' "Revolver" album was released in the United Kingdom on the Parlophone label; it was released in the United States three days later by Capitol Records. (Songs included "Eleanor Rigby" and "Yellow Submarine," which were also issued as a double A-side single on Aug. 5 and 8.)

On this date: In 1864, during the Civil War, Union Adm. David G. Farragut led his fleet to victory in the Battle of Mobile Bay, Alabama.

In 1884, the cornerstone for the Statue of Liberty's pedestal was laid on Bedloe's Island in New York Harbor.

In 1924, the comic strip "Little Orphan Annie" by Harold Gray made its debut.

In 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt established the National Labor Board, which was later replaced with the National Labor Relations Board.

In 1936, Jesse Owens of the United States won the 200-meter dash at the Berlin Olympics, collecting the third of his four gold medals.

In 1953, Operation Big Switch began as remaining prisoners taken during the Korean War were exchanged at Panmunjom.

In 1957, the teenage dance show "American Bandstand," hosted by Dick Clark, made its network debut on ABC-TV.

In 1962, actress Marilyn Monroe, 36, was found dead in her Los Angeles home; her death was ruled a probable suicide from "acute barbiturate poisoning."

South African anti-apartheid activist Nelson Mandela was arrested; it was the beginning of 27 years of imprisonment.

In 1974, the White House released transcripts of subpoenaed tape recordings showing that President Richard Nixon and his chief of staff, H.R. Haldeman, had discussed a plan in June 1972 to use the CIA to thwart the FBI's Watergate investigation; revelation of the tape sparked Nixon's resignation.

Today's Birthdays:

Actor John Saxon is 80. College Football Hall of Famer and former NFL player Roman Gabriel is 76. Country songwriter Bobby Braddock is 76. Actress Loni Anderson is 71. Actress Erika Slezak is 70. Rock singer Rick Derringer is 69. Actress Holly Palance is 66. Singer Samantha Sang is 63. Rock musician Eddie Ojeda (Twisted Sister) is 61. Actress-singer Maureen McCormick is 60. Rock musician Pat Smear is 57. Author David Baldacci is 56. Actress Tawney Kitaen is 55. Actress Janet McTeer is 55. Country musician Mark O'Connor is 55. Basketball Hall-of-Famer Patrick Ewing is 54. Actor Jonathan Silverman is 50. Country singer Terri Clark is 48. Retired MLB All-Star John Olerud is 48. Rock musician Eicca Toppinen (Apocalyptica) is 41.

Thought for Today:

"For life: It is rather a determination not to be overwhelmed. For work: The truth can only be recalled, never invented." — Marilyn Monroe (1926-1962).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

