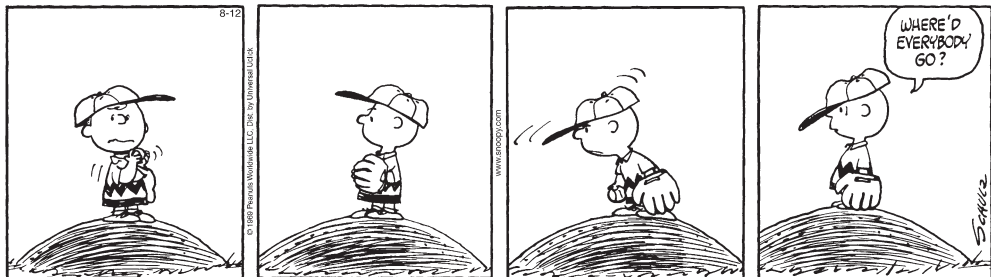


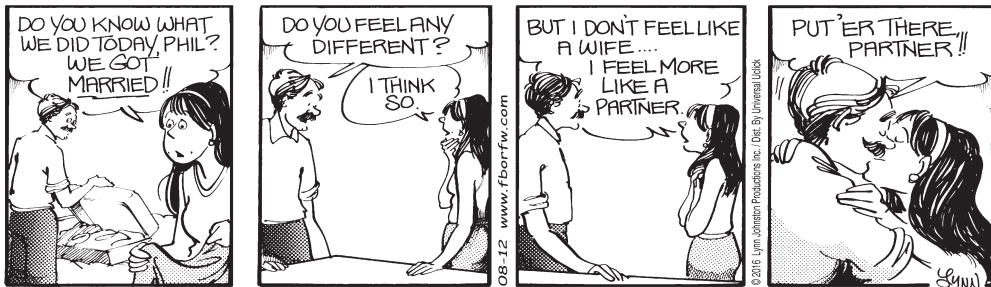
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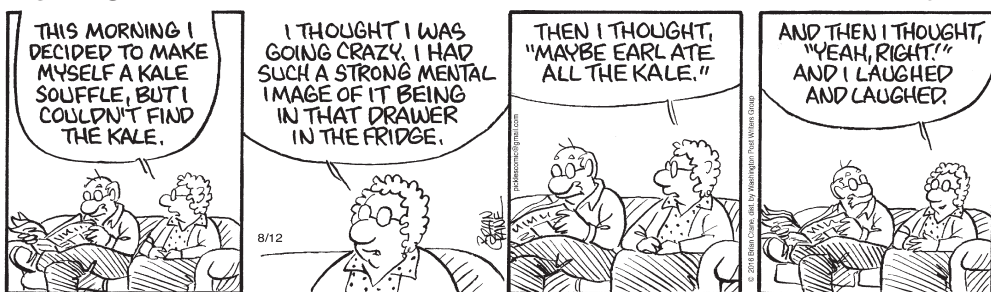
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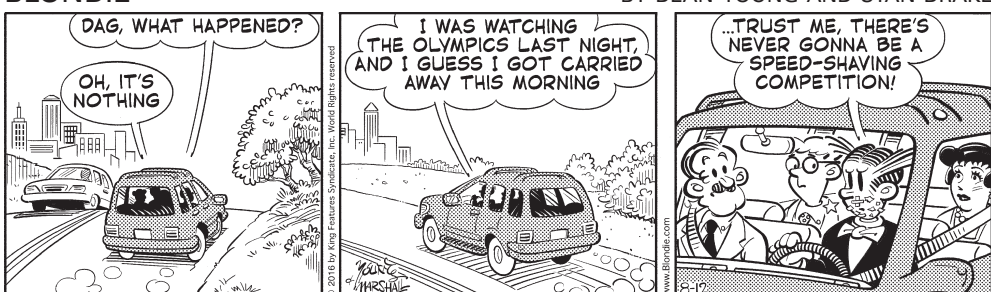
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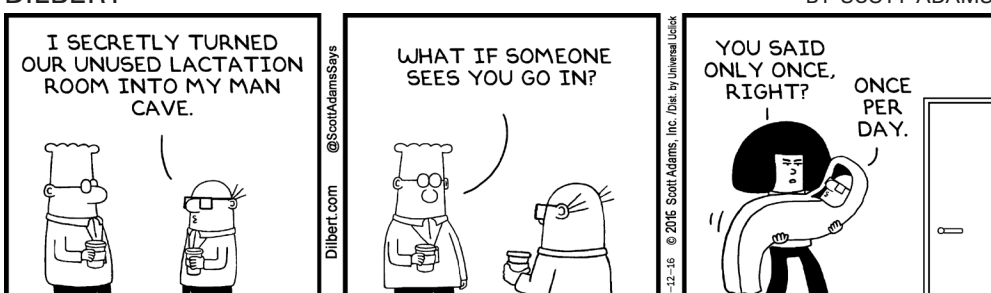
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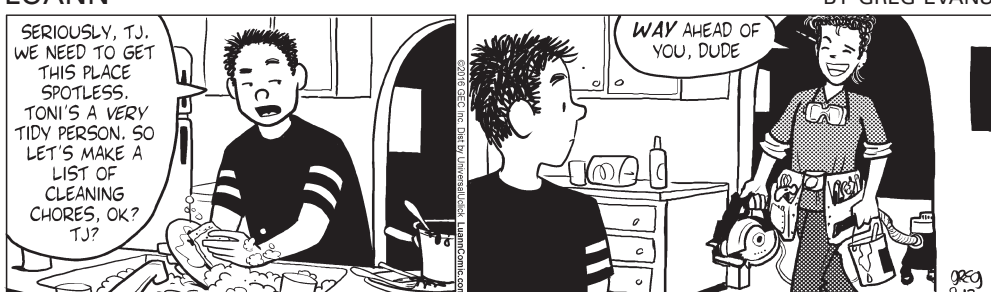
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DEAR ABBY

Ex-husband's parade of dates interferes with his dad time

Dear Abby: I have been divorced for a year and have two boys, ages 8 and 9. During this time, my ex-husband has introduced three different women to my children and recently introduced them to a new girlfriend he has been seeing for a few weeks. The first day that they met the girlfriend, he had the children spend the night at her place. The woman has a 9-year-old son of her own.



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

won't stop talking about how much she loves Samantha. I kept reassuring her everything would be OK and maybe she would find somebody else like her internet friend did.

After a few months, she became angry with me, and accused me of not being supportive of her trying to get Samantha back. She also accused me of not understanding "what girl-to-girl love is," which makes no sense, considering that I'm bi.

I do not find this appropriate. When I confronted my ex, he insisted that there is no problem with it. How long do you recommend someone wait before introducing children to the person he/she is dating? Am I wrong to be concerned about this? — Caring Mom In Kansas

Dear Caring Mom: Unless your ex is trying to teach his sons that relationships are revolving doors, he should slow down the traffic. They need to spend time with their father, not their father plus one. Occasionally having a female friend join him and the boys is all right, provided they understand she's just a friend. But he shouldn't have been diluting the time he was spending with the boys during this first year to the extent that he has because it sends the wrong message.

Dear Abby: My lesbian friend, "Giselle," broke up with her significant other, whom she met over the internet. They have actually never met in person because her girlfriend, "Samantha," lives in Canada, but Giselle says they were soul mates. Samantha has moved on and now has another sweetheart, but Giselle won't move on.

It has been many months and Giselle is still trapped in this bubble of sadness. She

This has been going on for nearly a year. Should I back off, or must I continue to be supportive of something I know can't happen? — Trying To Be Supportive

Dear Trying: Giselle is angry at you not because you haven't been supportive, but because she's upset her feelings for Samantha aren't returned. This is called "displaced anger," and you happen to be the nearest target. Your life will be a lot more pleasant if you step out of the picture until Giselle figures out for herself that her romance has fizzled and decides for herself to move on.

Dear Abby: My son was cremated as he had requested, but he also asked that his ashes be spread far away from home, which would require us to take a long trip to do. Would it be disrespectful not to accommodate that part of his request? If we did that, we would have no part of him near or with us. Do you have an opinion? — So Far Away

Dear So Far Away: Yes, but first allow me to offer my condolences for the loss of your son. If you feel the need to have his remains physically close to you, do what will bring you comfort. Divide the ashes, keep some of them and honor his wishes with the rest.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 12, 1916

Articles of incorporation for Happy Canyon, the distinctive evening show of Round-Up week, were signed yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the old board of directors and will be forwarded at once to the secretary of state. The institution is thus placed upon a business basis preparatory to perfecting the organization that will make the third annual show much superior to its two predecessors. Happy Canyon will have a capital stock of only \$600. Of this amount \$500 will be in preferred stock and will be held by the Commercial association. This stock will derive all of such revenue as results from the show. The balance of \$100 will be divided into 100 shares of one dollar each and will be held by business men of the community. This stock will hold the voting power but will be non-dividend bearing so that no individual will profit from the institution.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 12, 1966

Pendleton Grain Growers, Inc., has negotiated the terms of a \$500,000 contract with the

John Hogenson Construction Co. of Minneapolis, Minn., to build a new sub-terminal grain elevator on the Columbia River at the Port of Umatilla site above McNary Dam. This would be the first major construction project on the port property. James Hill Jr., general manager of PGG, said "Plans are now being completed and we expect constructing begin in September so the plant will be ready for the 1967 grain crop." The new PGG Umatilla elevator is to be just east of the present Port of Umatilla public dock a few hundred yards above McNary Dam. PGG is purchasing 6.9 acres of ground and water area from the port at a cost of \$25,000.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 12, 1991

A 48-year-old Pendleton man was charged with several crimes, including arson, in Jefferson County last week. Dale J. Ruona, who gave an address for a motel on Southeast Court in Pendleton, was arrested for allegedly setting fire to two automatic teller machines at Madras banks, and for painting a building and a road sign with shoe polish. Ruona faces similar problems for incidents which allegedly occurred in Pendleton in July.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 225th day of 2016. There are 141 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 12, 1939, the MGM movie musical "The Wizard of Oz," starring Judy Garland, had its world premiere at the Strand Theater in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, three days before opening in Hollywood.

On this date: In 1867, President Andrew Johnson sparked a move to impeach him as he defied Congress by suspending Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton.

In 1898, fighting in the Spanish-American War came to an end.

In 1915, the novel "Of Human Bondage," by William Somerset Maugham, was first published in the United States, a day before it was released in England.

In 1941, Marshal Henri Philippe Petain, head of the government of Vichy France, called on his countrymen

to give full support to Nazi Germany.

In 1944, during World War II, Joseph P. Kennedy Jr., eldest son of Joseph and Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy, was killed with his co-pilot when their explosives-laden Navy plane blew up over England.

In 1953, the Soviet Union conducted a secret test of its first hydrogen bomb.

In 1960, the first balloon communications satellite — the Echo 1 — was launched by the United States from Cape Canaveral.

In 1962, one day after launching Andrian Nikolayev into orbit, the Soviet Union also sent up cosmonaut Pavel Popovich; both men landed safely Aug. 15.

In 1978, Pope Paul VI, who had died Aug. 6 at age 80, was buried in St. Peter's Basilica.

In 1981, IBM introduced its first personal computer, the model 5150, at a press conference in New York.

In 1994, Woodstock '94 opened in Saugerties, New York.

Today's Birthdays:

Actor George Hamilton is 77. Actress Dana Ivey is 75. Actress Jennifer Warren is 75. Rock singer-musician Mark Knopfler (Dire Straits) is 67. Actor Jim Beaver is 66. Singer Kid Creole is 66. Jazz musician Pat Metheny is 62. Actor Sam J. Jones is 62. Actor Bruce Greenwood is 60. Country singer Danny Shirley is 60. Pop musician Roy Hay (Culture Club) is 55. Rapper Sir Mix-A-Lot is 53. Actor Peter Krause is 51. Actor Brent Sexton is 49. International Tennis Hall of Famer Pete Sampras is 45. Actor-comedian Michael Ian Black is 45. Actress Yvette Nicole Brown is 45. Actress Rebecca Gayheart is 45. Actor Casey Affleck is 41. Rock musician Bill Uechi is 41.

Thought for Today:

"A person without a sense of humor is like a wagon without springs. It's jolted by every pebble on the road." — Henry Ward Beecher, American clergyman (1813-1887).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

