

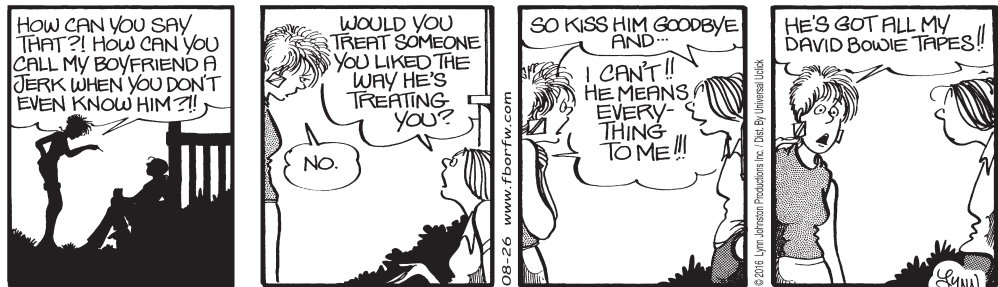
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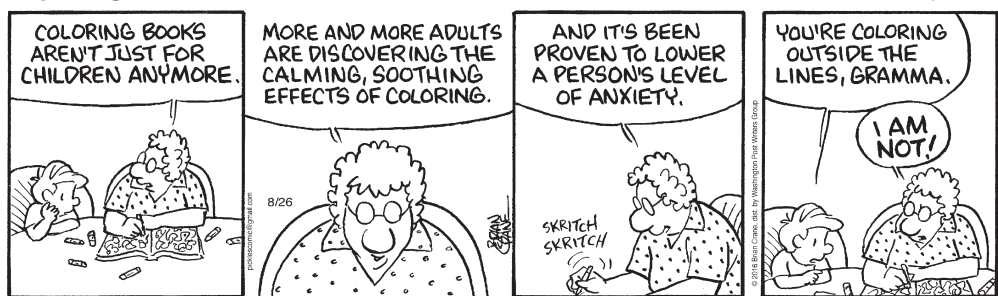
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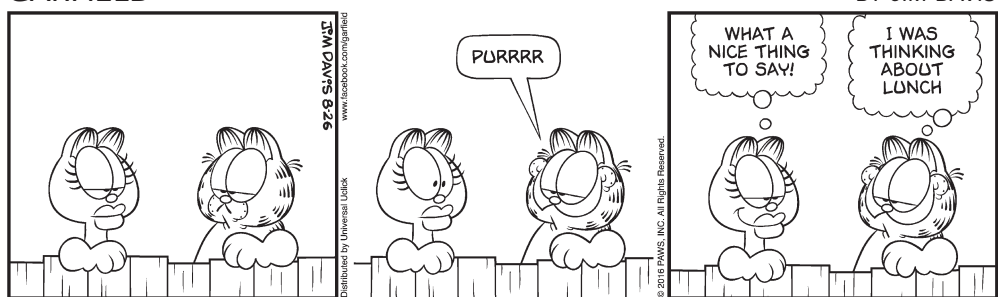
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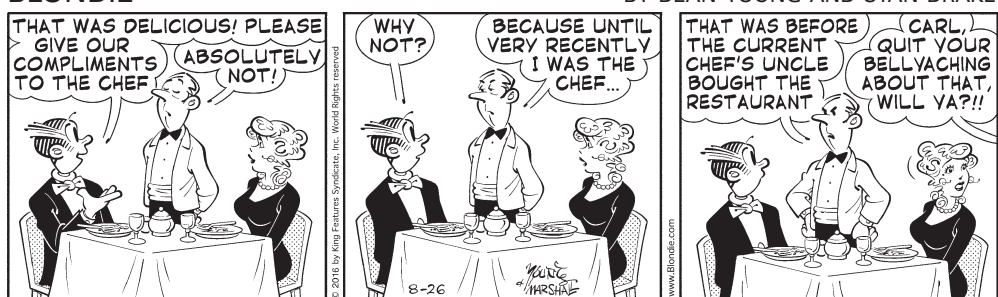
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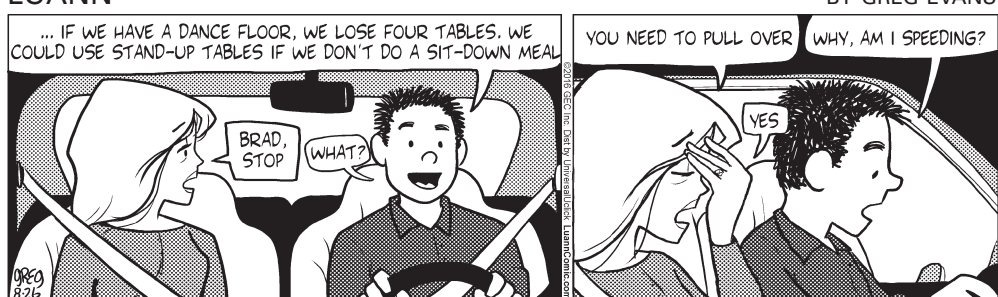
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DEAR ABBY

Donation of kidney ends with loss of a friendship



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: My friend "Virginia" and I have known each other for 11 years. Five years ago she went into renal failure and was on dialysis for three years. It was hard on her and she needed a kidney transplant. Her three healthy siblings refused to be tested as a possible match.

hasn't been through this would be to say what unfeeling and ungrateful people Virginia and her family are, because you literally saved her life.

However, it may help you to better understand what has happened if you consider that while you saved Virginia's life, sometimes the burden of gratitude is more than someone can bear. For whatever reason, she may carry some guilt about owing you as much as she does, which is why she can no longer interact with you.

Virginia is on the young side, and she was in such a bad way I agreed to be tested. After several procedures it was determined I was a "close enough" match, so we decided to go for it. She was scared to death right before the surgery. I convinced her that even though things might be rough for a while, she would be glad she went through with it.

As to her family, that none of her siblings were willing to be tested as possible matches for her speaks volumes about them and the quality of their relationships, so stop feeling slighted. Listen to your therapist because she/he has given you some practical advice.

It has been 18 months now, and I have not seen or heard from Virginia since the day after the surgery. I called her a few times to make sure she was doing well. She never returned my calls and has completely dropped out of my life. She lives only four blocks away, so I know things are going OK for her. I figured I'd give her some space, but that space has turned into forever. I haven't heard from her family either. They visited Virginia at the hospital, but didn't stop in to see me just three rooms away.

Dear Abby: Why is it that when women visit, they'll take their handbag and put it on the kitchen counter, the kitchen table or on the dining room table? Their handbags have been on as many floors as my shoes. Don't they think about what they're doing?

Please let your readers know this is not a good idea. If someone needs to put a handbag down, it should be placed on the floor, where it most likely was previously.

How could I have been so wrong about someone I knew for so long? My husband says Virginia is an idiot and I should let it go. My therapist says I'll have to "adjust to the injustice." I would have donated to a complete stranger without hesitation. But Virginia wasn't a stranger. I never expected to lose my friend along with my kidney. Can you please help me handle this? — Blind-sided In New York

Grossed Out In The East

Dear Grossed Out: I think the answer to your question is that the majority of women who carry purses DON'T think about this, just absentmindedly place them on the floor, a table, counter or chair.

However, for individuals who are concerned about the transfer of germs, there is a solution. There are portable hooks they can carry with them that rest on a table or desk so the purse can be suspended if it has a handle. I have seen them advertised on the internet, and they are inexpensive.

Dear Blindsided: I can see why you are hurt by the abrupt change in your friend's behavior, and believe me, I empathize. The knee-jerk reaction of someone who

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 26, 1916

Books are today being given out from Pendleton's beautiful new \$35,000 Carnegie library. Without any announcement whatsoever work was commenced last night transferring the books from the city hall to their new home. Not a single hour has been lost to the patrons of the library. Last night books were given out from the old location and this morning they are being issued by Sabra Nason, county librarian, at the county building. By noon today all books from numbers 1 to 800, including the works of fiction, were housed in the new home as well as the children's books. For a time some of the adult books will be mixed in with the child books on account of lack of shelving. The steel shelves have not arrived and as a result it was necessary to move some of the old shelves temporarily. The large steel loan desk is expected soon.

Catholic Church in Umatilla. Bishop Francis P. Leipzig, Bishop of Baker, will officiate at the presentation at a Mass Sunday at the Umatilla church. Attending the ceremony will be the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus and officers of the Catholic Daughters of America. Bishop Leipzig will bless and dedicate the Pieta Memorial Statue erected in the Hermiston Cemetery by Court Our Lady of Angels No. 1692, Catholic Daughters of America, at a public ceremony at the cemetery Sunday.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 26, 1991

A Hermiston juvenile was arrested Friday for a March fire bombing of Homestead Youth Lodge in Pendleton. Alfonso Gonzalez Jr., who has been living in Hermiston, was charged with first-degree arson in connection with the "Molotov cocktail" bombing that did about \$1,000 in damage to the youth treatment center. Gonzalez, 17, has admitted throwing a Pepsi bottle filled with gasoline and capped with a lit wick through a window of the building, said Pendleton Fire Marshal Ron Campbell. Campbell said Gonzalez left Homestead Youth Lodge on a weekend pass and bombed the building because "he hated it" and did not want to return.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Aug. 26, 1966

A special Papal Honor will be bestowed upon William Nugent, Umatilla, in recognition of 50 years of faithful service to St. Patrick's

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 239th day of 2016. There are 127 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 26, 1968, the Democratic National Convention opened in Chicago; the four-day event was marked by a bloody police crackdown on anti-war protesters in the streets and a tumultuous nominating process that resulted in the choice of Hubert H. Humphrey for president.

On this date: In 1789, France's National Assembly adopted its Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen. In 1883, the island volcano Krakatoa began cataclysmic eruptions, leading to a massive explosion the following day. In 1920, the 19th Amendment to the U.S.

Constitution, guaranteeing American women's right to vote, was certified in effect by Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby.

In 1939, the first televised major league baseball games were shown on experimental station W2XBS: a double-header between the Cincinnati Reds and the Brooklyn Dodgers at Ebbets Field. (The Reds won the first game, 5-2, the Dodgers the second, 6-1.)

In 1944, French Gen. Charles de Gaulle braved the threat of German snipers as he led a victory march in Paris, which had just been liberated by the Allies from Nazi occupation.

In 1958, Alaskans went to the polls to overwhelmingly vote in favor of statehood.

In 1972, the summer Olympics games opened in Munich, West Germany.

Today's Birthdays:

Actress Francine York is 80. Former Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge is 71. Rhythm-and-blues singer Valerie Simpson is 71. Pop singer Bob Cowdill is 67. Broadcast journalist Bill Whitaker is 65. NBA coach Stan Van Gundy is 57. Actress-singer Shirley Manson (Garbage) is 50. Rock musician Adrian Young (No Doubt) is 47. Actress Melissa McCarthy is 46. Actor Mike Colter is 40. Actor Macaulay Culkin is 36. Actor Chris Pine is 36.

Thought for Today: "When the political columnists say 'Every thinking man' they mean themselves, and when candidates appeal to 'Every intelligent voter' they mean everybody who is going to vote for them." — Franklin P. Adams, American journalist-humorist (1881-1960).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

