

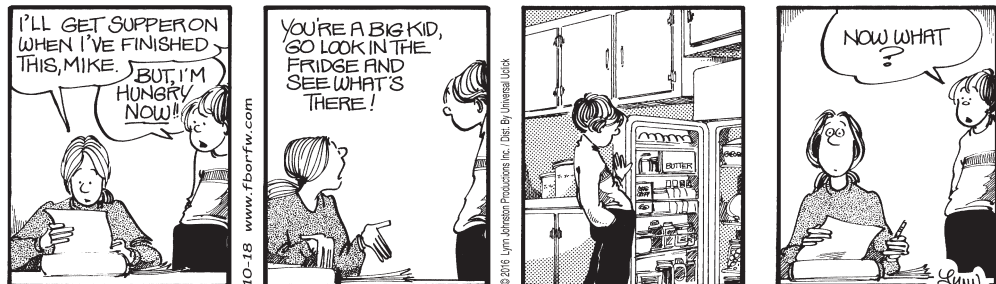
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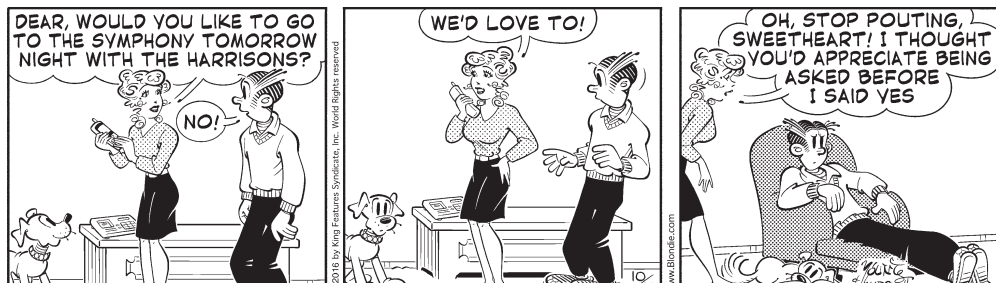
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DEAR ABBY

Woman's move to new state doesn't bring new friends



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: I moved to a new state two years ago, mostly because I had a friend who lived here part-time. I have distanced myself from many of the people she has introduced me to because they all talk about each other behind their backs. They also don't work many hours and start drinking very early in the day.

The other night I had my friend and her husband over for dinner with my boyfriend and me. For most of the night she was on the phone Facebooking and texting pictures of my dinner table to people I don't bother with. There was absolutely no conversation between the two of us that night. When I said something about her being on the phone, her answer was that she was answering her Facebook messages. I found it extremely rude.

Because I have distanced myself from others around here, I'm not sure if I should say anything to her because if I do, it will mean I won't have any friends around at all. What do you think? — **Afterthought In Florida**

Dear Afterthought: Birds of a feather flock together. You made a huge mistake in giving up your old life to follow this "friend," who appears to not only lack basic manners, but also to be indifferent to your feelings. It's time to either start making new friends with people who think and act more like you do, or return where you came from so you can be with folks with whom you have more in common.

Dear Abby: I am a happily divorced mother of two and have a wonderful life. I have a great relationship with my ex. He's a

wonderful father, and I'm grateful for that. We never fight and I always try to keep the peace.

He is remarried to a lovely woman and has another child with her, an adorable little boy. I consider him to be my children's brother and make sure to buy him birthday and holiday gifts. I ask my children which milestones he has conquered and Facetime with him, too.

I'm writing because my grandmother, whom I love dearly, thinks I am not being nice and that I should go inside when I pick up my children and visit with the baby. She constantly asks me what my ex and his wife are doing. I always tell her I have no idea, and that it's not my business.

I respect and want boundaries. I want to raise our children together and see them at our children's events, birthdays, etc. How can I get my grandma to understand that I'm in a good place and glad that my ex is, too? I'm not interested in knowing where he is every second. Grandma is a very tough, strong, wonderful lady who loves your column. — **Moved On In The South**

Dear Moved On: You seem like a healthy, well-adjusted woman. Point out to your grandmother that the good relationship you enjoy with your ex and his wife is based on the fact that you don't ask questions or meddle in their lives. Suggest that if Grandma wants to know how they are and what they're doing that she pick up a phone and ask them herself. That way, the person they will avoid will be her and not you. Repeat that message as needed.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 17-18, 1916

It cost William H. Sayer, a stockman of Pendleton, \$1 a head to run cattle on Indian lands. After an indictment was returned against him, and the case was heard in federal court, the decision was arrived at yesterday morning by Judge Wolverton. Mr. Sayer allowed 42 head of cattle to graze on the Umatilla Indian reservation last March without obtaining permission from the Indians. An indictment was returned June 30, 1916, on a charge of trespass.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 17-18, 1966

A mural for the Hermiston Junior High School walls has recently been completed. Beginning with the idea in 1965, the mural was a nine-month project. A former art student, Leila Price, under the guidance of Mrs. June Hansen, began with pencil sketches. From these plans she developed larger color sketches in tempera. Included

were such features as PGG, Union Pacific, Junior High School, KOHU, Hat Rock, Good Shepherd Hospital, McNary Dam, the butte and others. Leila then moved to Cove, but before she left she persuaded Sherrie Phoenix, also an art student, to continue her work. Sherrie, a ninth grade student, induced her brother Gary, then in the seventh grade, to assist her in developing the 40-foot mural.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 17-18, 1991

Two fires fanned by winds that peaked at 47 mph kept firefighters from three agencies busy Tuesday on the Umatilla Indian Reservation. The wind and dust prompted the temporary closure of two area highways and some short power outages. No injuries or serious damage were reported. Crews and equipment from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Tribes' volunteer department and the Oregon Department of Forestry responded to both blazes — the first about 8:15 a.m. and the second at 3 p.m., said Ken Gray, fire chief for the recently organized tribal department.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 292nd day of 2016. There are 74 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 18, 1962, James D. Watson, Francis Crick and Maurice Wilkins were honored with the Nobel Prize for Medicine and Physiology for determining the double-helix molecular structure of DNA.

On this date:

In 1685, King Louis XIV signed the Edict of Fontainebleau, revoking the Edict of Nantes that had established legal toleration of France's Protestant population, the Huguenots.

In 1767, the Mason-Dixon line, the boundary between colonial Pennsylvania, Maryland and Delaware, was set as astronomers Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon completed their survey.

In 1867, the United States took formal possession of Alaska from Russia.

In 1892, the first long-distance telephone line between New York and Chicago was officially opened (it could only handle one call at a time).

In 1922, the British Broadcasting Co., Ltd. (later the British Broadcasting Corp.) was founded.

In 1931, inventor Thomas Alva Edison died in West Orange, New Jersey, at age 84.

In 1944, Soviet troops invaded Czechoslovakia during World War II.

In 1954, Texas Instruments unveiled the Regency TR-1, the first commercially produced transistor radio.

In 1969, the federal government banned artificial sweeteners known as cyclamates because of evidence they caused cancer in laboratory rats.

In 1977, West German commandos stormed a hijacked Lufthansa jetliner on the ground in Mogadishu, Somalia, freeing all 86 hostages and killing three of the four hijackers.

In 1982, former first lady Bess Truman died at her home in Independence, Missouri, at age 97.

In 1997, a monument honoring American service-women, past and present, was dedicated at Arlington National Cemetery.

Today's Birthdays:

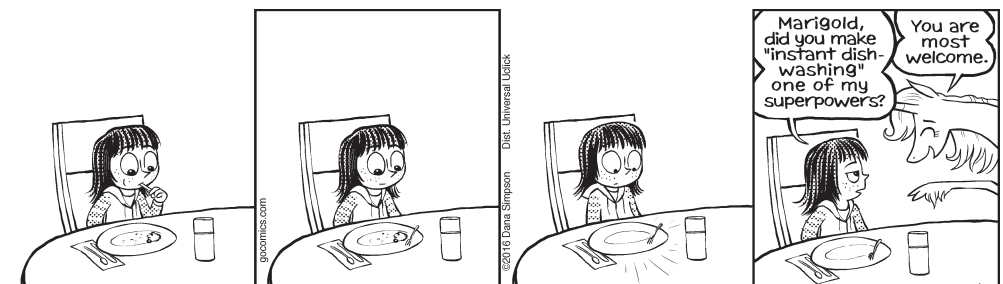
Rock-and-roll performer Chuck Berry is 90. Sports-caster Keith Jackson is 88. Actress Dawn Wells is 78. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer Mike Ditka is 77. Singer-musician Russ Giguere is 73. Actor Joe Morton is 69. Actress Pam Dawber is 66. Author Terry McMillan is 65. Writer-producer Chuck Lorre is 64. Gospel singer Vickie Winans is 63. Director-screenwriter David Twohy is 61. International Tennis Hall of Famer Martina Navratilova is 60. Boxer Thomas Hearns is 58. Actor Jean-Claude Van Damme is 56. Actress Erin Moran is 56. Rhythm-and-blues singer-actor Ne-Yo is 37. Country singer Josh Gracin is 36. Jazz singer-musician Esperanza Spalding is 32. Actor Zac Efron is 29. TV personality Bristol Palin is 26.

Thought for Today:

"Slow down and enjoy life. It's not only the scenery you miss by going too fast — you also miss the sense of where you are going and why." — Eddie Cantor, American comedian-singer (1892-1964).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

