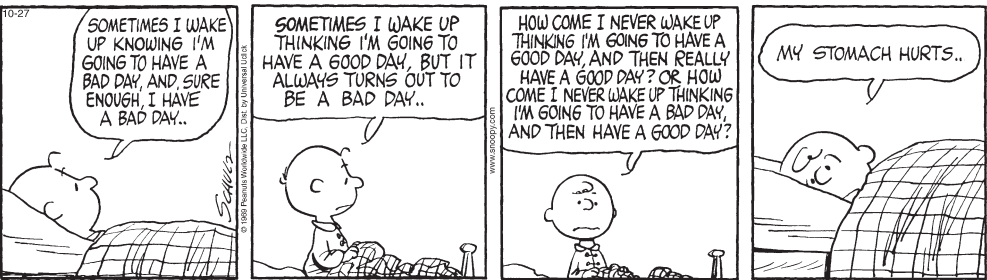


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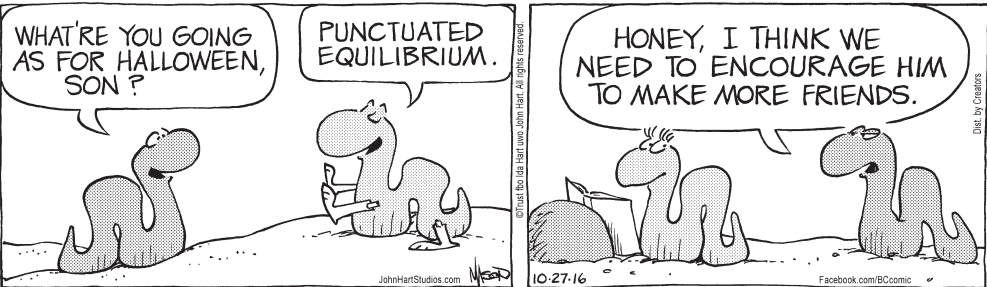
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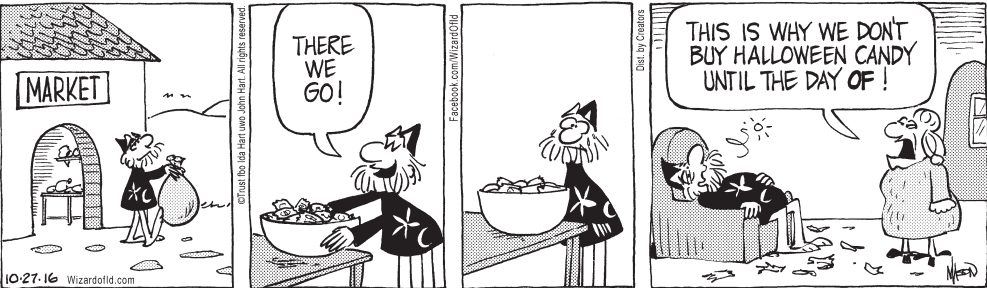
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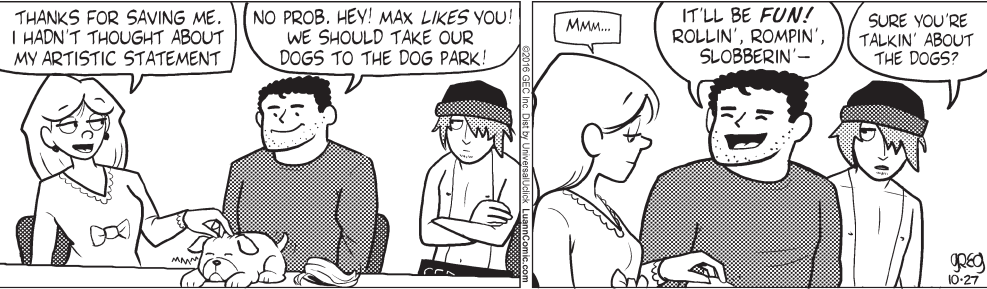
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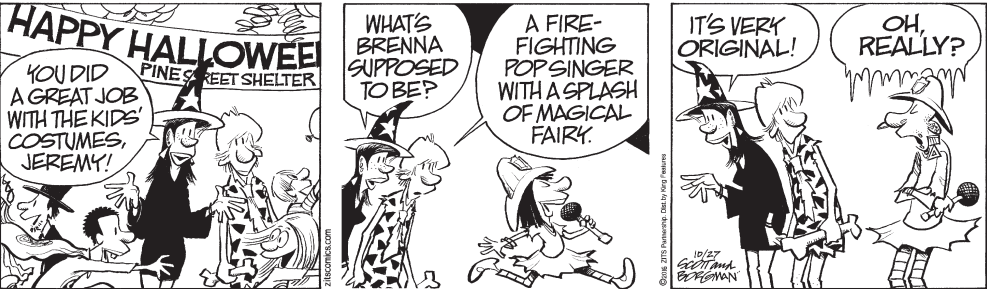
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Learning disability could be root of dropout's problems

Dear Abby: I'm 18 and a freshman in college. My 16-year-old brother is supposed to be a junior in high school, but he's still taking freshman classes. He has gone to school maybe twice this year. He just gave up and dropped out.

All he does is stay home, sleep and text all day. It makes me angry because I don't work right now, but I clean, cook, do laundry and take care of my younger siblings while he does absolutely nothing.

Mom has given up on him. She begs him to go to school and get an education, but he yells at her and tells her he doesn't care and he'll just become a hobo. I don't know what to say to him to get it through his head that he needs to finish high school. What would you do? — **Big Sister In New York**

Dear Big Sister: If your brother is a junior and still taking freshman classes, he belongs back in school. He may be lazy, but he may also have learning disabilities. If he doesn't get the help he needs to earn a diploma, he'll be virtually unemployable by the time he's 18. Your mother should visit his school and talk to his teachers and the principal about this. As it stands, your brother may be considered "truant," which is against the law.

Dear Abby: I am 47 years old and date younger, usually very attractive women. I live in New York City, so they tend to be models. I haven't been married because I feel like I



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haven't met "the one." I have been with one or two women who could have been the one, only to find out my feelings weren't reciprocated. But more often I don't feel an emotional/intellectual connection, so I end the relationship.

While I might be able to resolve that issue by dating women in their late 30s and 40s, I'm more physically attracted to younger women. Because I don't look my age, I have yet to reach the point where I look "too old"

for women in their 20s to be attracted.

Do I continue to follow my male instincts and date younger women, or should I date women closer to my age to whom I may not be as physically attracted, knowing there's still no guarantee I'll meet someone with whom I'll find a stronger connection? — **Likes 'Em Younger**

Dear Likes: Forgive me for answering your question with a question, but what do you really want in a relationship? The problem with youth is that it doesn't last. As the years go by, we get older — if we're lucky. That's why it's time to start listing your priorities, with the help of a licensed mental health professional, if necessary. (There are many well-qualified ones in your city.) I urge you to do it soon, before you start looking like your date's rich uncle. While marriage may not be for everyone, it's a known fact that married men live longer.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 27, 1916

A pair of painter's pants was the cause of a small fire at the new residence being built at 304 Lewis street by Douglas Belts. One of the painters had taken off his overalls and had thrown them down on the new floor. Spontaneous combustion caused a pile of new flooring to take fire and it was necessary for the firemen to be called to extinguish it shortly after 7 last evening.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 27, 1966

Ever hear of a football team scoring 21 points before giving up the ball? It happened in a high school game in Lone. Taking the opening kickoff, Lone mounted a scoring drive against Umapine. On the next kickoff, a strong wind caught the ball after it had sailed 15 yards. The ball fluttered back to Lone, which marched for another touchdown.

Same thing on the next kickoff. Umapine finally got the ball with the score 21-0. Lone won, 49-20.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Oct. 27, 1991

For the last two months, Carol Marcum's students in Echo have improved their reading and language skills by porking out on pigs. Pigs have been the topic of various educational projects, such as reading and writing, for children from third to sixth grade. But recently, the group went hog wild with pork foods, a swine lecturer and a piggish pet for a Pig Day celebration to end the school quarter. Penny, a Vietnamese pot-bellied pig, attracted much attention from students, parents and administrators as she rooted around the school's resource room. The pig, a pet of Robin Curtis of Hermiston, provided an opportunity for show and tell. The cloven-hoofed ham also was the perfect visual aid for Tyler Hansell's discussion of pig anatomy.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 301st day of 2016. There are 65 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 27, 1787, the first of the Federalist Papers, a series of essays calling for ratification of the United States Constitution, was published.

On this date:
In 1858, the 26th president of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt, was born in New York City.
In 1880, Theodore Roosevelt married his first wife, Alice Lee.

In 1886 (New Style date), the musical fantasy "A Night on Bald Mountain," written by Modest Mussorgsky and revised after his death by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov, was performed in St. Petersburg, Russia.

In 1922, the first annual celebration of Navy Day took place.

In 1938, Du Pont announced a name for its new synthetic yarn: "nylon."

In 1941, the *Chicago Daily Tribune* dismissed the possibility of war with Japan, editorializing, "She cannot attack us. That is a military impossibility. Even our base at Hawaii is beyond

the effective striking power of her fleet."

In 1954, U.S. Air Force Col. Benjamin O. Davis Jr. was promoted to brigadier general, the first black officer to achieve that rank in the USAF. Walt Disney's first television program, titled "Disneyland" after the yet-to-be completed theme park, premiered on ABC.

In 1962, during the Cuban Missile Crisis, a U-2 reconnaissance aircraft was shot down while flying over Cuba, killing the pilot, U.S. Air Force Maj. Rudolf Anderson Jr.

In 1978, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin were named winners of the Nobel Peace Prize for their progress toward achieving a Middle East accord.

In 1986, the New York Mets won the World Series, coming from behind to defeat the Boston Red Sox, 8-5, in game 7 played at Shea Stadium.

In 1995, a sniper killed one soldier and wounded 18 others at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. (Paratrooper William J. Kreutzer was convicted in the shootings, and condemned to death; the sentence was later commuted to life in prison.)

Today's Birthdays:

Actress Nanette Fabray is 96. Actor-comedian John Cleese is 77. Author Maxine Hong Kingston is 76. Country singer Lee Greenwood is 74. Producer-director Ivan Reitman is 70. Country singer-musician Jack Daniels is 67. Rock musician Garry Tallent (Bruce Springsteen & the E Street Band) is 67. Author Fran Lebowitz is 66. Rock musician K.K. Downing is 65. TV personality Jayne Kennedy is 65. Actor-director Roberto Benigni is 64. Actor Peter Firth is 63. Actor Robert Picardo is 63. World Golf Hall of Famer Patty Sheehan is 60. Singer Simon Le Bon is 58. Country musician Jerry Dale McFadden (The Mavericks) is 52. Internet news editor Matt Drudge is 50. Rock musician Jason Finn (Presidents of the United States of America) is 49. Actor Sean Holland is 48. Actor Channon Roe is 47. Actress Sheeri Rappaport is 39. Actor David Walton is 38.

Thought for Today: "In any moment of decision, the best thing you can do is the right thing, the next best thing is the wrong thing, and the worst thing you can do is nothing." — *Theodore Roosevelt, American president (1858-1919).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

