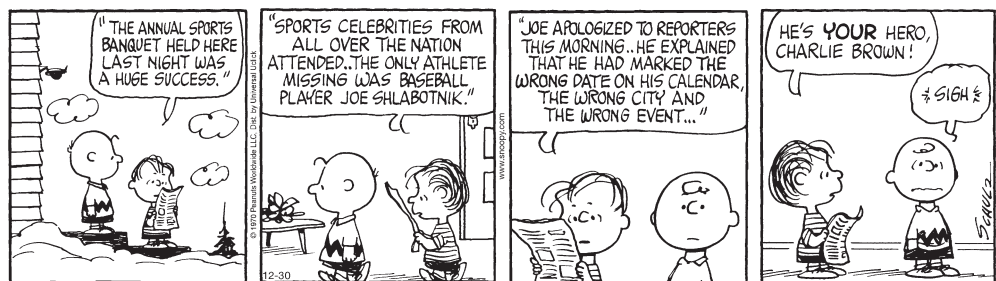


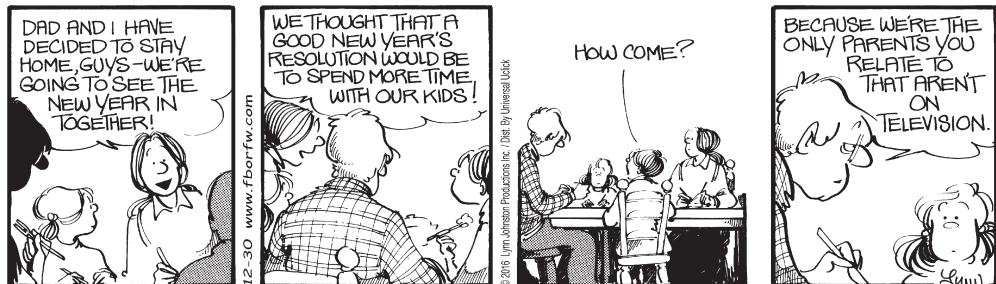
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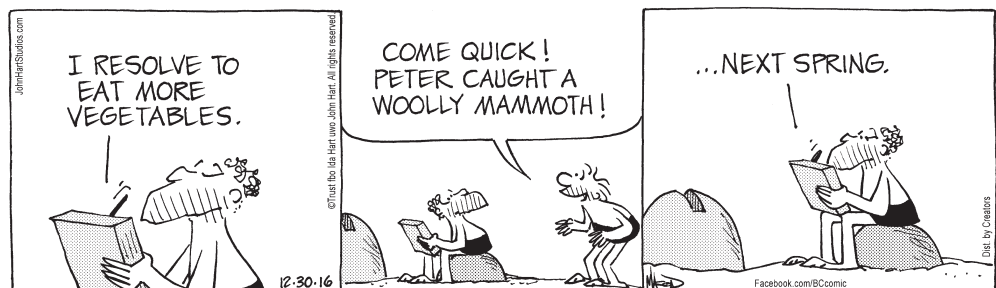
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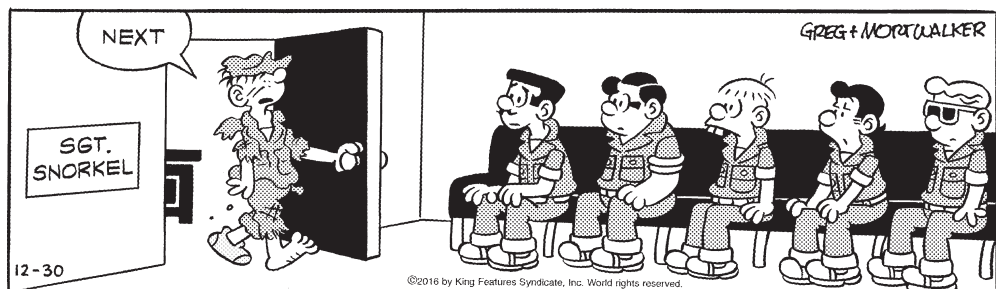
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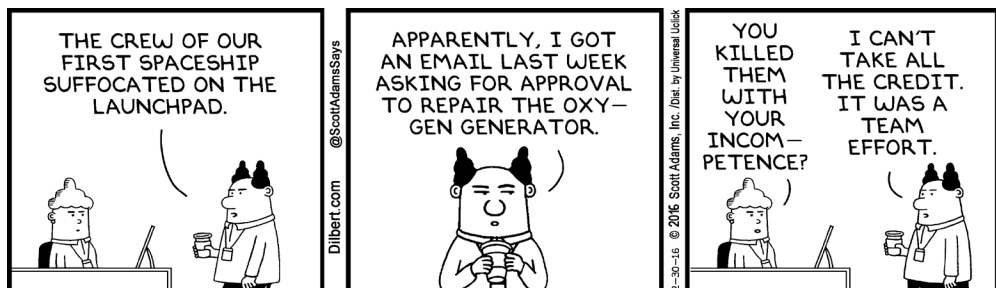
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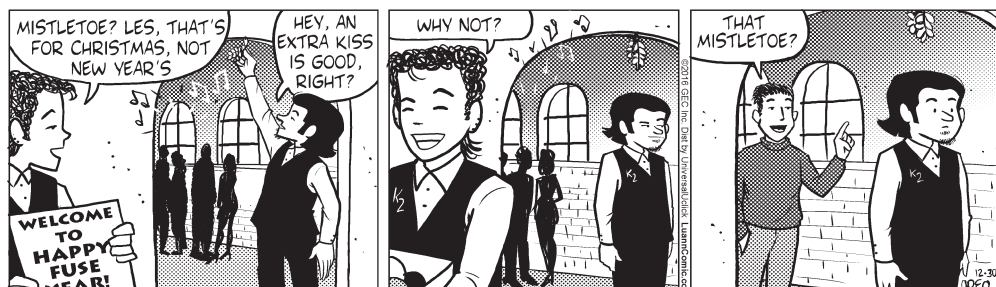
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DEAR ABBY

Couple feels ignored by parents tending to wayward siblings



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: My husband and I are in our 30s. We do well for ourselves and are generally happy. We both have siblings who have various problems...

weeks gestation. While term gestation is still defined as 37 weeks, current terminology distinguishes early term (37 to 38 weeks), from term (39 to 40 weeks).

In a collaborative effort, organizations dedicated to children's health have spent the last decade trying to reduce the rate of late preterm births, those from 34 to 37 weeks.

My parents have cited fear of flying as a reason they don't visit us much, and my husband's parents claim they don't have the money.

I haven't asked my husband's parents about this, but I did ask mine. My mother said that because we're "on a good path," they don't need to see us as often or put as much effort into us.

Dear Good Kids: You are not the only people with this problem. The same thing tends to happen in families in which there is a child with special needs.

Perhaps if you view what your mother told you less as a punishment for your success and more as a validation, it will be less hurtful and you will understand the logic.

Dear Abby: "Emotional Dad in California" (July 23), whose wife was planning to deliver their child early, was correct. No baby should be electively delivered before 39

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Dec. 30, 1916

Did Santa Claus get away with all the children's mittens in Pendleton or is Jack Frost responsible for the fact there are no childish hand warmers to be had in the city?

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Dec. 30, 1966

Three East End youths were in the Umatilla County Jail today charged with trying to stock up early on beer, wine and cigars in time for New Year's Eve without bothering to pay for the goodies.

Athena police chief, and Charles Hearn, Weston police chief, found the stolen items in a cache on Weston Mountain and arrested three suspects.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Dec. 30, 1991

Tom Darnell, a Umatilla County extension agent, is helping start an innovative way of controlling an onion-attacking fungus known as white rot.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 365th day of 2016. There is one day left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 30, 1916, Grigory Rasputin, the so-called "Mad Monk" who wielded considerable influence with Czar Nicholas II, was killed by a group of Russian noblemen in St. Petersburg.

On this date: In 1853, the United States and Mexico signed a treaty under which the U.S. agreed to buy some 45,000 square miles of land from Mexico for \$10 million in a deal known as the Gadsden Purchase.

In 1865, author Rudyard Kipling was born in Bombay, India.

In 1905, the Franz Lehar operetta "The Merry Widow" premiered in Vienna.

In 1922, Vladimir I. Lenin proclaimed the establishment of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, which lasted nearly seven decades before dissolving in

Dec. 1991. In 1936, the United Auto Workers union staged its first "sit-down" strike at the General Motors Fisher Body Plant No. 1 in Flint, Michigan. (The strike lasted until Feb. 11, 1937.)

In 1940, California's first freeway, the Arroyo Seco Parkway connecting Los Angeles and Pasadena, was officially opened.

In 1954, Olympic gold medal runner Malvin G. Whitfield became the first black recipient of the James E. Sullivan Award for amateur athletes.

In 1994, a gunman walked into a pair of suburban Boston abortion clinics and opened fire, killing two employees. (John C. Salvi III was later convicted of murder; he died in prison, an apparent suicide.)

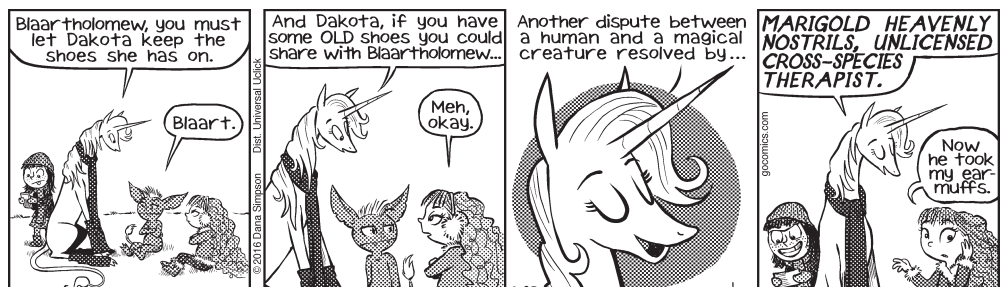
In 1999, former Beatle George Harrison fought off a knife-wielding intruder who'd broken into his mansion west of London and stabbed him in the chest.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Joseph Bologna is 82. Actor Russ Tamblyn is 82. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Sandy Koufax is 81. Folk singer Noel Paul Stookey is 79. TV director James Burrows is 76. Actor Fred Ward is 74. Singer-musician Michael Nesmith is 74. Actress Concetta Tomei is 71. Singer Patti Smith is 70. Rock singer-musician Jeff Lynne is 69. TV personality Meredith Vieira is 63. Actress Sheryl Lee Ralph is 61. Actress Patricia Kalember is 60. Country singer Suzy Bogguss is 60. "Today" show co-host Matt Lauer is 59. Actress-comedian Tracey Ullman is 57. Rock musician Rob Hotchkiss is 56. Radio-TV commentator Sean Hannity is 55. Golfer Tiger Woods is 41. TV personality-boxer Laila Ali is 39. Singer-actor Tyrese Gibson is 38. NBA player LeBron James is 32.

Thought for Today: "Addresses are given to us to conceal our whereabouts." — H.H. Munro ("Saki"), British author (1870-1916).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

