

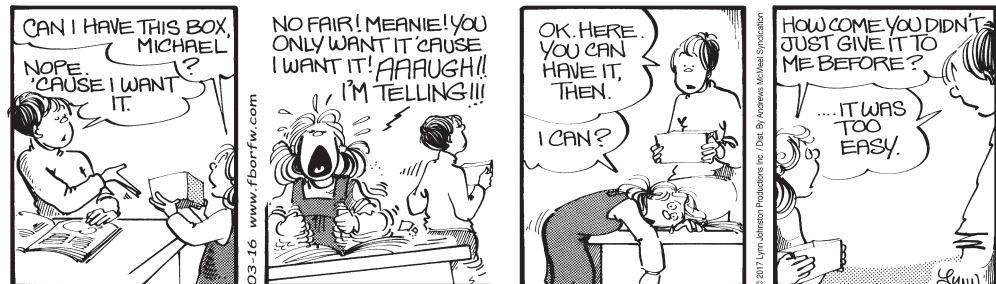
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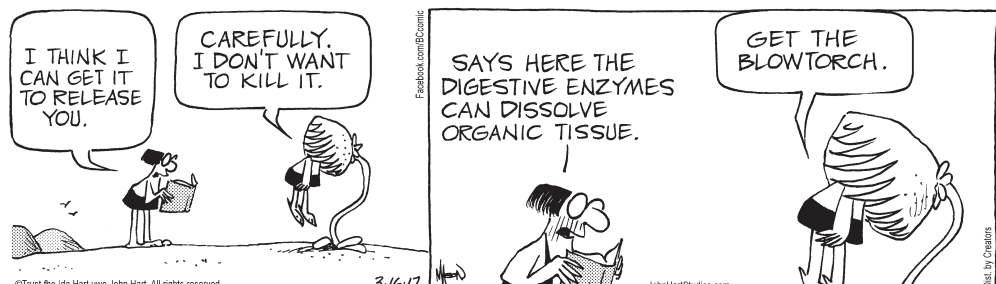
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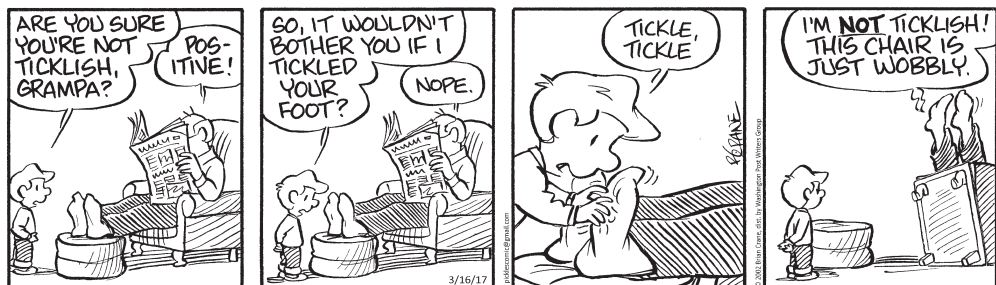
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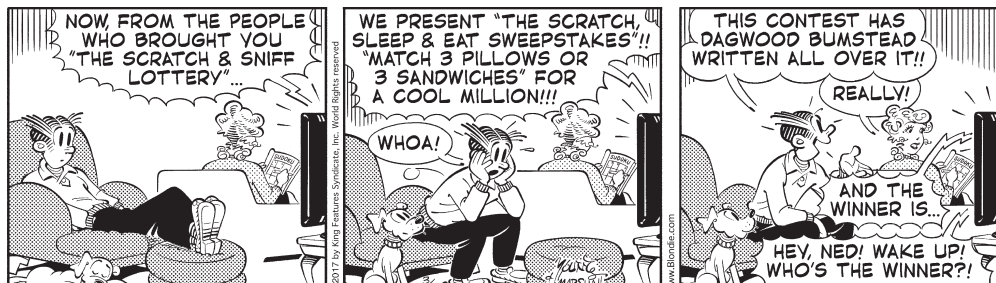
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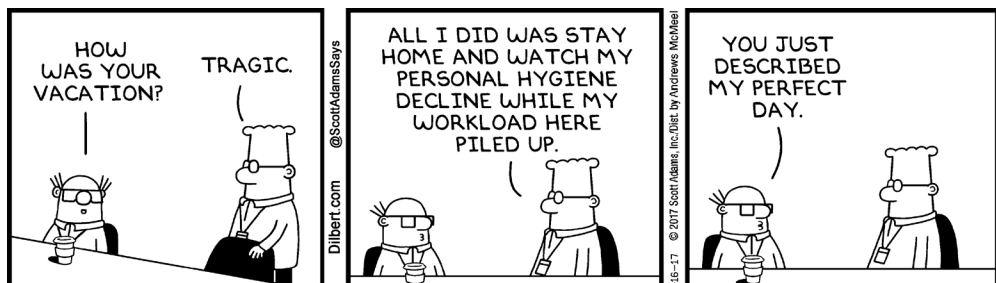
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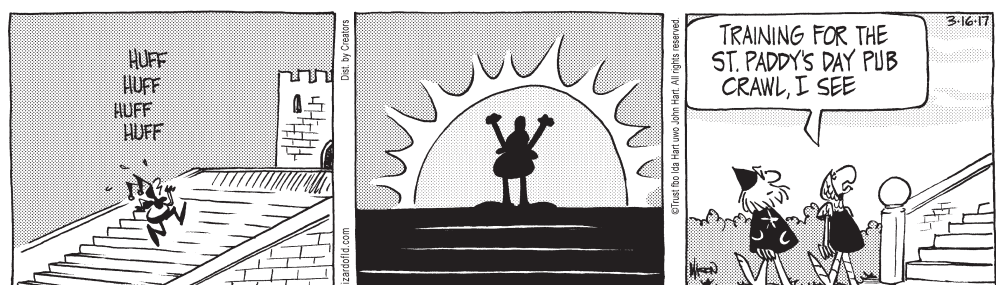
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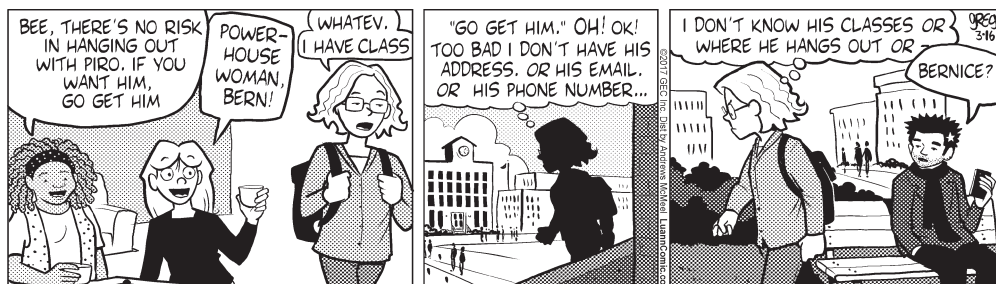
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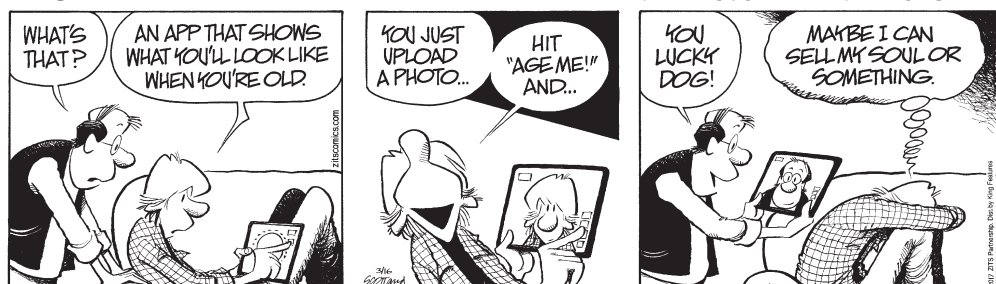
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DEAR ABBY

Dad's dumpster-diving habit causes his family concern



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: I have an issue with my father and don't know where to turn. Dad is in his early 80s and — aside from poor eyesight — he's in good health. I'm concerned because he has developed an unusual habit. He likes to look through the dumpsters behind the grocery store.

past its nutritional peak, and they may risk a food-borne illness if it wasn't stored properly.

Dear Abby: My 9-year-old daughter has several friends whom we love and who are good buddies for her. However, the rules in their homes are different from those at ours. One friend in particular, "Sarah," eats a lot of junk food and watches more TV than we allow. When my daughter asks why she can't have chips and ice cream after school, or why we watch good movies only on weekends, I remind her that good food and exercise make her healthy, and with less TV she does better in school.

Initially he told me it was to get old produce for compost in his garden. But I have learned that he eats some of the things he finds. I have tried telling him this is dangerous. He could cut himself digging through the trash or get food poisoning. He refuses to listen and insists that what he is doing is safe. (He is NOT forced to do this out of economic necessity. He has enough money to buy groceries.)

I'm not interested in critiquing Sarah or her family, who are lovely people we really like. However, I do want to make the connection between unhealthy lifestyle choices and possible consequences because this is a subject we'll keep revisiting as my daughter grows up.

The situation has become critical because he is now planning to cook something he found in the dumpster for a family gathering. I told him not to do it. If he does prepare food from the trash, I told him he must let people know where it came from, so they can make an informed decision about whether to eat it. Abby, please help. — **Grossed Out**

I have been trying to say things like, "Everyone makes their own decisions. This is why we do it this way," but at 9, my daughter sees things as pretty black or white. If our way is right, then their way must be wrong. I'm totally failing at subtlety. Is there a better approach that I could take to talking about this without invoking comparisons? — **Lifestyle Choices In South Dakota**

Dear Grossed Out: If you can't convince your father to disclose to relatives that the food he's serving may have come from a dumpster, YOU should alert them to that possibility.

Dear Lifestyle Choices: Do not attempt to debate this with your 9-year-old. If your daughter argues with you about your parenting style, tell her that different families have different standards and that you are doing what you think is right for yours. Period. If she needs more of an explanation, then fall back on the message you have been sending her, and in time she will understand.

P.S. A worldwide trend I heard about recently is something called "freeganism." (The term is derived from a cross between "free" and "vegan.") Freegans "rescue" food from behind markets to share among themselves to combat food waste, and in Paris, France, there's even a restaurant that serves food procured this way for a reduced fee.

Caveat emptor: People who consume this food should be aware that the food may be

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian March 16, 1917

An attempt to grind up dynamite in a sausage grinder almost proved fatal to the fifteen year old son of G.S. Long, Birch creek farmer. Evidently there was a percussion cap connected with the dynamite which caused an explosion. The boy's face was fearfully burned and it is considered miraculous that he escaped death. According to the story brought in to Pendleton, the boy had found a cache of several sticks of dynamite and, under the impression that if ground it could be used to charge an old gun, had proceeded to grind it in a sausage grinder. When the explosion happened there was only a small amount in the grinder but the remainder in a dish alongside also exploded. Only the fact that most of it was not confined probably saved the boy from more serious injury or death.

powered machine simultaneously cuts five recessed scallops into lengths of lumber which cushion artillery shell propellant charges while in transit. Five thousand board lengths generate from it in an eight-hour shift, compared with only 1,200 boards per shift produced by a spindle box column drill used previously to cut two scallops at a time. The \$2,500 cost of fabricating the prototype mechanism by depot machine shop employes was quickly amortized, and drawings of the device have been sent to higher Army headquarters for possible use at other ammunition depots.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian March 16, 1992

Pendleton High School cheerleaders travel in style. They cruised in a limousine to the state Class 4A boys basketball tournament in Portland. Woody Clark, owner of Woodpecker Truck in Pendleton, donated the limousine's use. Cheerleader adviser Margaret Osborne served as chauffeur and chaperone. They cheered on the basketball team on Wednesday and Thursday, and then cheered for Pendleton High wrestlers at their state championship meet. Later that evening, the rally squad cruised Portland in the limousine.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian March 16, 1967

A special woodworking machine, suggested and designed by Umatilla Army Depot personnel, has produced a first-year saving of \$8,700 over the device it replaced, according to depot statistics. The electrically

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 75th day of 2017. There are 290 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 16, 1802, President Thomas Jefferson signed a measure authorizing the establishment of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York.

On this date: In A.D. 37, Roman emperor Tiberius died; he was succeeded by Caligula.

In 1517, the 12th and final session of the Fifth Lateran Council of the Catholic Church took place in Rome, almost five years after the council began.

In 1751, James Madison, fourth president of the United States, was born in Port Conway, Virginia.

In 1792, Sweden's King Gustav III was shot and mortally wounded during a masquerade party by a former member of his regi-

ment (he died 13 days later).

In 1926, rocket science pioneer Robert H. Goddard successfully tested the first liquid-fueled rocket at his Aunt Effie's farm in Auburn, Massachusetts.

In 1935, Adolf Hitler decided to break the military terms set by the Treaty of Versailles by ordering the rearming of Germany.

In 1945, during World War II, American forces declared they had secured Iwo Jima, although pockets of Japanese resistance remained.

In 1968, during the Vietnam War, the My Lai Massacre of Vietnamese civilians was carried out by U.S. Army troops; estimates of the death toll vary between 347 and 504.

In 1974, the Grand Ole Opry House opened in Nashville with a concert attended by President Richard Nixon and his wife, Pat.

Today's Birthdays:

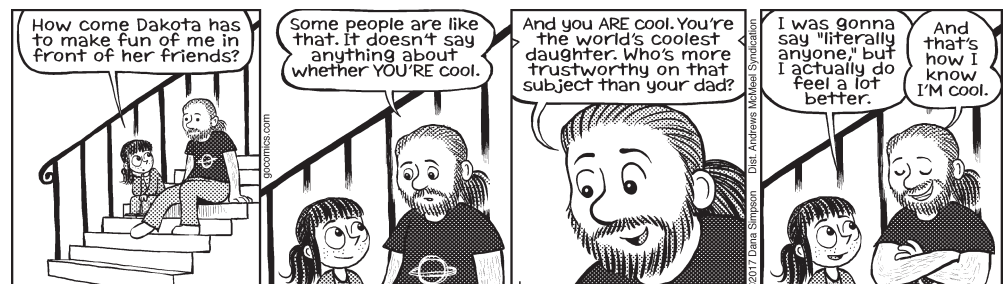
Comedian-director Jerry Lewis is 91. Country singer Ray Walker (The Jordanaires) is 83. Movie director Bernardo Bertolucci is 76. Game show host Chuck Woolery is 76. Singer-songwriter Jerry Jeff Walker is 75. Country singer Robin Williams is 70. Actor Erik Estrada is 68. Actor Victor Garber is 68. Country singer Ray Benson (Asleep at the Wheel) is 66. Bluegrass musician Tim O'Brien (Hot Rize; Earls of Leicester) is 63. Rock singer-musician Nancy Wilson (Heart) is 63. Rapper-actor Flavor Flav (Public Enemy) is 58. Actor Judah Friedlander is 48. Rock musician Wolfgang Van Halen is 26.

Thought for Today:

"Until we lose ourselves there is no hope of finding ourselves." — Henry Miller, American author (1891-1980).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

