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PEANUTS BY CHARLES M. SCHULZ









COFFEE BREAK

FOR BETTER OR WORSE









B.C. BY JOHNNY HART ARE YOU STANDING MAKES IT SOUND MY BACK RIGHT LIKE I'M ACTUALLY THIS WAY. ON BUBBLE DOING SOMETHING.

PICKLES









BY MORT WALKER

BEETLE BAILEY





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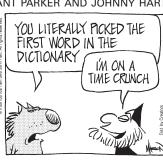


THE WIZARD OF ID

BY BRANT PARKER AND JOHNNY HART











Teen struggles after heroin addiction claims dad's life

JEANNE

PHILLIPS

Advice

Dear Abby: I'm 15. I lost my dad two months ago. I found him when I got out of the shower. He had overdosed on heroin.

Heroin controlled Dad's life ever since I was little, but that never stopped me from being me. My family has had it pretty rough, but that never stopped me from being me, either.

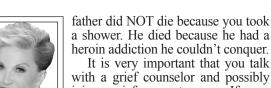
I can't process the thought of losing my dad completely. I'm scared without him. The mental picture comes back to me randomly throughout the day.

I can't take it anymore. I know he's at peace now, but I still feel like it's my fault that he's dead because I took a shower and wasn't with him. I feel like it should have been me, not him. He had just gotten out of jail a month before he died.

I can't keep crying myself to sleep. I need a way to cope and right now I feel like I'm at rock bottom and can't return. I just want to be normal like the kids I go to school with. Why can't I be a normal teen? — Rock Bottom Teen

Dear Rock Bottom: I am so sorry for what you have been going through. You ARE a normal teen, and in my opinion, you are much more resilient than you think you are.

You have had a terrible shock, and in addition to the normal grieving process, you may be suffering from survivor guilt. Your



with a grief counselor and possibly join a grief support group. If your family can't arrange counseling for you, please talk with a school counselor or your clergyperson. There is a light at the end of this dark tunnel, and you'll start seeing it once you get

some professional help. Dear Abby: I've been reading your column for years, but never thought I'd have to write to you. This year my aunt hosted a family dinner and did a wonderful job — everything was delicious. There was only one problem. She was upset (everyone at the table could see it and feel the tension) because I ate "too much" meat and she didn't have enough for leftovers.

I did eat more than everyone else that night (doesn't happen often), but I say if the food is on the table, it's fair game. If you don't want people to eat it, don't serve it. I'm asking for an official ruling, please. — Overate In

Dear Overate: A gracious host or hostess should not become upset if a guest eats the food that's presented. If the host or hostess doesn't want guests to polish off everything that has been prepared, the food should be plated in advance.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian April 28, 1917

Wandering away from their home at Vansycle and becoming lost while hunting for pretty buttercups last evening Doris and Frances, seven and five year old daughters of Charles Lobaugh, Northern Pacific section foreman at Vansycle, remained out on the hills all last night while their parents and scores of people from Vansycle and Helix searched the country for them. Early this morning the two little ones, weary from their night's experience but unharmed, arrived at the Alheit place at Vansycle and were taken in. They had been asleep in the sagebrush and the southbound Northern Pacific freight train awakened them

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian April 28, 1967

Residents of the McKay Creek area, worried about the prospect of commercial establishments moving into their peaceful valley, turned out Wednesday to object to a proposed animal hospital. "We fear it's a foot in the door," said Earl King, one of about 30

persons who attended a hearing conducted by the Umatilla County Planning Commission in the courthouse. The hearing, continued from last month, lasted about two hours. More than an hour later, with midnight approaching, the commission tabled the question. It will decide at its May meeting whether to grant the conditional use permit requested by veterinarian Stan McGough and landowner Patricia Kaser.
25 Years Ago

From the East Oregonian April 28, 1992

The mood was described as stressful and disappointing, but employees at Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution are trying to remain "upbeat" in the aftershock of the prison's proposed closure.

Meanwhile, community and business leaders still are reeling from the Corrections Department proposal, which has been described locally as ludicrous, ridiculous and utterly inappropriate. Pendleton Mayor Joe McLaughlin, who returned from a trip to Japan Monday night, said this morning he hoped it was a bad dream. "I leave town for a week and look what happens," McLaughlin

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 118th day of reached Timor in 47 days.) 2017. There are 247 days left

Today's Highlights in History:

On April 28, 1967, heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali was stripped of his title after he refused to be inducted into the armed forces. U.S. Army Gen. William C. Westmoreland told Congress that "backed at home by resolve, confidence, patience, determination and continued support, we will prevail in Vietnam over communist aggression." McDonnell Aircraft and Douglas Aircraft merged to form McDonnell Douglas.

On this date:

In 1758, the fifth president of the United States, James Monroe, was born in Westmoreland County, Virginia.

1788, Maryland In became the seventh state to ratify the Constitution of the United States.

In 1789, there was a mutiny on the HMS Bounty as rebelling crew members of the British ship, led by Fletcher Christian, set the captain, William Bligh, and 18 others adrift in a launch in the South Pacific. (Bligh and most of the men with him

Industrial and Decorative Arts, which gave rise to the term "Art Deco," began a six-month run in Paris.

In 1945, Italian dictator Benito Mussolini and his mistress, Clara Petacci, were executed by Italian partisans as they attempted to flee the country.

In 1947, a six-man expedition set out from Peru aboard a balsa wood raft named the Kon-Tiki on a 101-day journey across the Pacific Ocean to the Polynesian Islands.

In 1952, war with Japan officially ended as a treaty signed in San Francisco the year before took effect. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower resigned as Supreme Allied commander in Europe; he was succeeded by Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway.

In 1996, a man armed with a semi-automatic rifle went on a rampage on the Australian island of Tasmania, killing 35 people; the gunman was captured by police after a 12-hour standoff at a guest cottage, and is now serving a life prison sentence.

Ten years ago: A suicide In 1925, the International car bomber struck in Exposition of Modern Karbala, Iraq, killing at least 63 people.

Five years ago: Syria derided United **Nations** Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon as biased and called his comments "outrageous" after he blamed the regime

for widespread cease-fire violations. One year ago: Vice President Joe Biden pressed Iraq during an unannounced visit not to let its crippling political crisis upend hard-fought gains against the Islamic

State group. Today's Birthdays: Former Secretary of State James A. Baker III is 87. Actor Frank Vincent is 80. Actress-singer Ann-Margret is 76. Former "Tonight Show" host Jay Leno is 67. Rock singer-musician Kim Gordon (Sonic Youth) is 64. Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan is 57. Bridget Moynahan is 46. Actress

Jessica Alba is 36. Thought for Today: "The world does not require so much to be informed as reminded." — Hannah More, English religious writer (1745-1833).

Penelope Cruz is 43. Actress

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BY DANA SIMPSON

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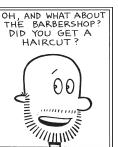






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