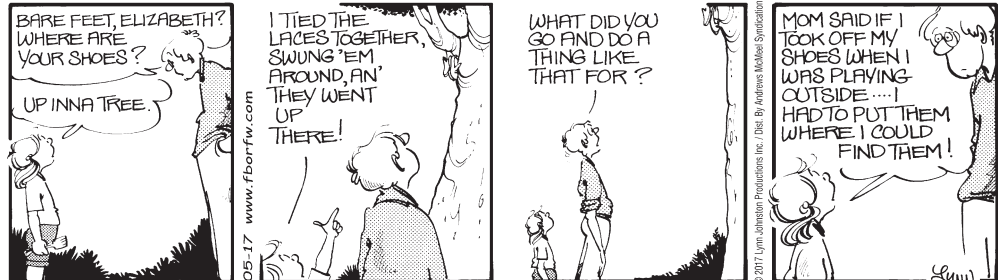


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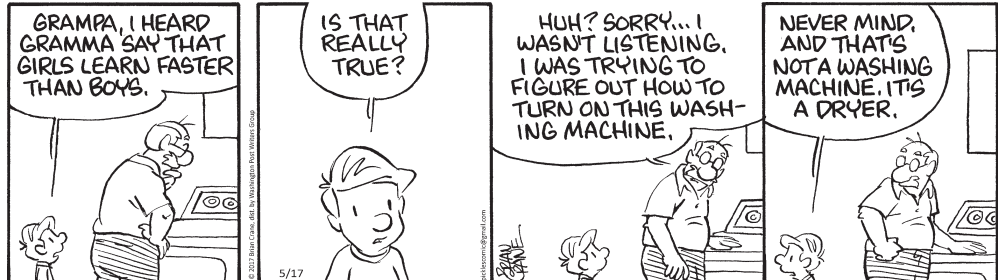
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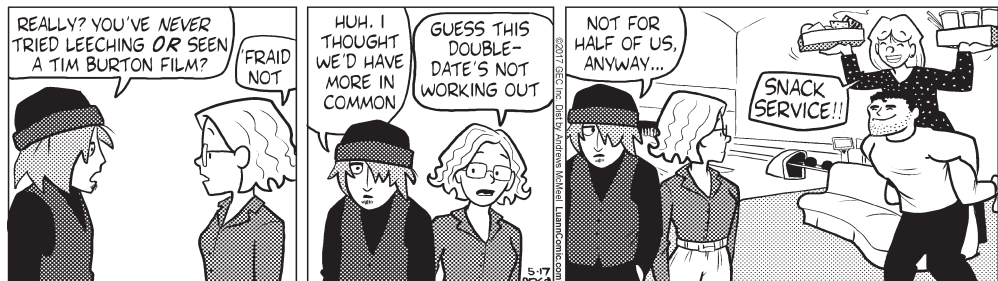
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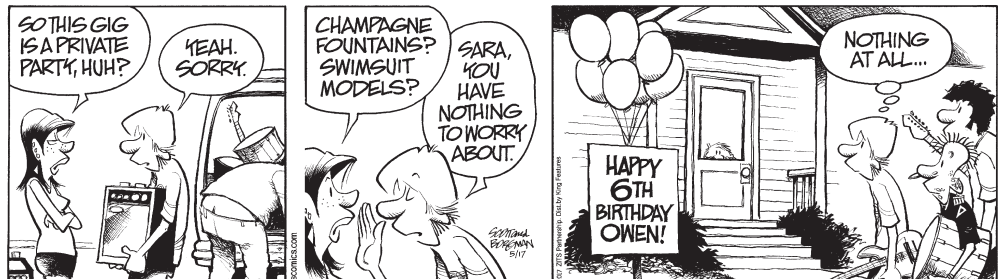
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DEAR ABBY

Classic meatloaf is comfort food that warms generations

Dear Abby: My stepmother had a recipe for meatloaf that she found in your column years ago. She made it for us often when we visited and we all loved it. However, we have been unable to locate that recipe anywhere and don't remember how to make it. Could you reprint the recipe for me? We've been trying others, but yours is the best. — Jenna In Jacksonville, Fla.



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

except bacon. Shape into a loaf; place in 9-by-5-inch pan. Arrange bacon strips on top of meat mixture, if desired. Bake for 60 minutes. Serves 6 to 8.

Dear Abby: I have been dating "Brian" for five months. We are very compatible and have discussed spending the rest of our lives together. He is 54; I am 59.

The deal breaker for me is his "daughter" ("Allison"), who is actually the daughter of a friend of his. Allison and Brian's two grown sons grew up together. She's 24.

Allison no longer hangs out, talks with or visits Brian's sons, but she is close to Brian. She has no girlfriends, no male friends and she's estranged from her parents. Brian helps her with school projects, they go to lunch, walk on the beach, text/talk on the phone, go on bike rides, go hiking, etc. He tells me he's a father figure to her.

I have met Allison and I think her behavior is a little too flirtatious for a daughter/father relationship. She also made a couple of inappropriate comments to me during our first meeting. When I mention to Brian that I don't think it's a healthy "friendship," he becomes defensive. Should I bow out now and cut my losses, get to know Allison better, or tell Brian it's me or her? — Third Wheel Out West

Dear Third Wheel: Brian seems like a nice, caring person. You have known him for only five months. I vote for standing pat a while longer and making an effort to befriend Allison. If she's truly as alone as you describe, she could use an older, more-experienced woman in her life. You might even find you like her rather than feel threatened by her. However, if that's not feasible, you can always cut your losses and run, but not right now.

Dear Jenna: I'm pleased to share that recipe once again. I have made it and we love it, too. Now that you have mentioned it, when I go to the market later, I'll pick up the ingredients and make it for dinner tonight. The leftovers make wonderful sandwiches! This recipe is part of my cookbooklet set, which has recipes for appetizers, soups, salads, vegetable side dishes, main courses and delicious desserts. The set can be ordered by sending your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for \$14 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby — Cookbooklet Set, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. By the way, the cookbooklet set also contains a tasty recipe for turkey meatloaf for those who have sworn off red meat, which clearly I haven't.

- MEATLOAF**
 2 lbs. ground beef
 1 cup seasoned Italian bread crumbs
 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
 1/3 cup ketchup
 1/3 cup water
 1 teaspoon garlic powder
 2 eggs
 Pepper to taste
 Salt, if desired
 4 strips bacon, if desired
 Heat oven to 350 F.
 In large bowl, combine all ingredients

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
May 17, 1917

Flag poles are to be raised in the immediate future on Court street at every intersection from Main to Vincent. Authority was given last evening by the council after a petition signed by practically every business man on Court street had been presented. Flags will be flown from the top of each pole day and night. Spot lights will be installed in order that the flags may be seen at night. The poles will be placed in the center of the intersections and will thus serve as dummy policemen also. The Court street business men will defray expenses and the P.P. & L. Co. will furnish the light.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
May 17, 1967

Condition of Joan Burcham, Lexington, remains critical. The Heppner High School student was injured in an auto accident early Saturday in which Michael Downing and Paul Swaggart were killed. She has not regained

consciousness and is suffering from a severe concussion, a broken collar bone, broken back and broken pelvis. She was moved from Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner Saturday to Good Samaritan in Portland for specialized treatment.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
May 17, 1992

Young fishermen from the Umatilla Indian Reservation have decided not to catch and haul adult spring chinook salmon to the upper Grande Ronde River today following a directive issued Friday from the tribal government. A contingent of fishermen had planned to catch and transport the fish as a protest to the state's new hatchery policies and reluctance to put fish back into the habitat where they have been lost. The change in plans also comes on the heels of an announcement Thursday by the Nez Perce tribal executive committee that opened weekend fishing seasons for limited stretches of Oregon's Lookingglass Creek and Idaho's Rapid River.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 137th day of 2017. There are 228 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 17, 1792, the New York Stock Exchange had its beginnings as a group of brokers met under a tree on Wall Street and signed the Buttonwood Agreement.

On this date:
In 1875, the first Kentucky Derby was run; the winner was Aristides, ridden by Oliver Lewis.

In 1937, Teddy Hill and His Orchestra recorded "King Porter Stomp" for RCA Victor's Bluebird label in New York; making his recording debut was trumpeter Dizzy Gillespie.

In 1940, the Nazis occupied Brussels, Belgium, during World War II.

In 1954, a unanimous U.S. Supreme Court handed down its Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka decision, which held that racially segregated public schools were inherently

unequal, and therefore unconstitutional.

In 1957, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his first national speech, titled "Give Us the Ballot," during the Prayer Pilgrimage for Freedom in Washington, D.C.

In 1961, Cuban leader Fidel Castro offered to release prisoners captured in the Bay of Pigs invasion in exchange for 500 bulldozers. (The prisoners were eventually freed in exchange for medical supplies.)

In 1973, a special committee convened by the U.S. Senate began its televised hearings into the Watergate scandal.

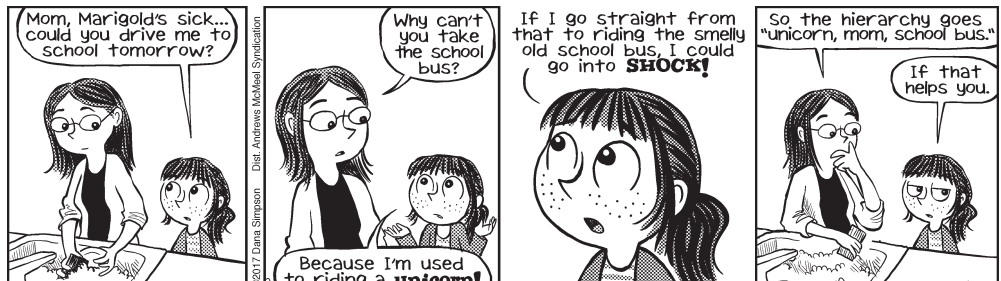
In 1977, the Chuck E. Cheese's fast food and family entertainment chain had its start as the first Chuck E. Cheese's Pizza Time Theatre opened in San Jose, California.

In 2004, Massachusetts became the first state to allow legal same-sex marriages.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Peter Gerety is 77. Singer Taj Mahal is 75. Rock musician Bill Bruford is 68. Singer-musician George Johnson (The Brothers Johnson) is 64. TV personality Kathleen Sullivan is 64. Boxing Hall of Famer Sugar Ray Leonard is 61. Actor-comedian Bob Saget is 61. Sports announcer Jim Nantz is 58. Singer Enya is 56. Talk show host-actor Craig Ferguson is 55. Rock singer-musician Page McConnell is 54. Actor David Eigenberg is 53. Singer-musician Trent Reznor (Nine Inch Nails) is 52. Actress Paige Turco is 52. Rhythm-and-blues musician O'Dell (Mint Condition) is 52. TV personality/interior designer Thom Filicia is 48. Singer Jordan Knight is 47. Rhythm-and-blues singer Darnell Van Rensalier (Shai) is 47.

Thought for Today: "I always have a quotation for everything — it saves original thinking." — Dorothy L. Sayers, English author (1893-1957).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

