

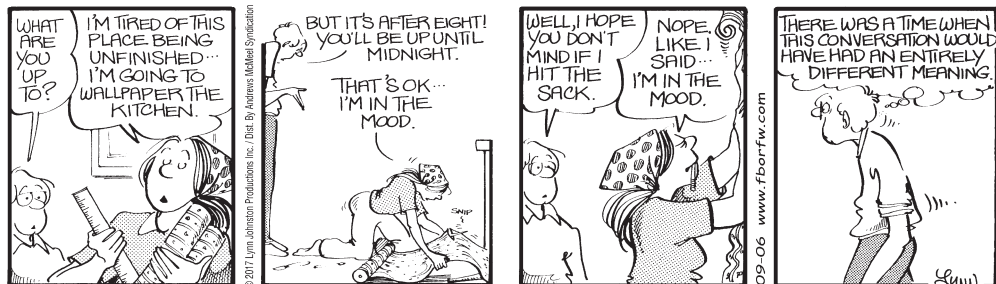
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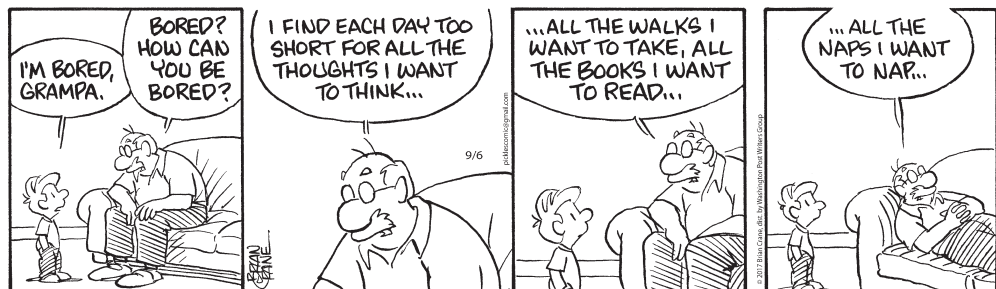
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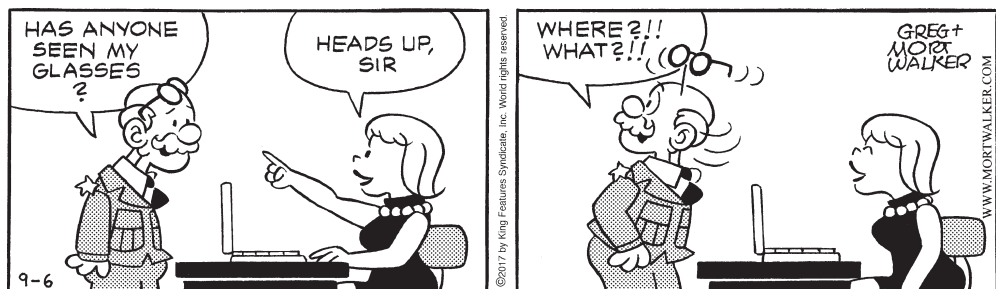
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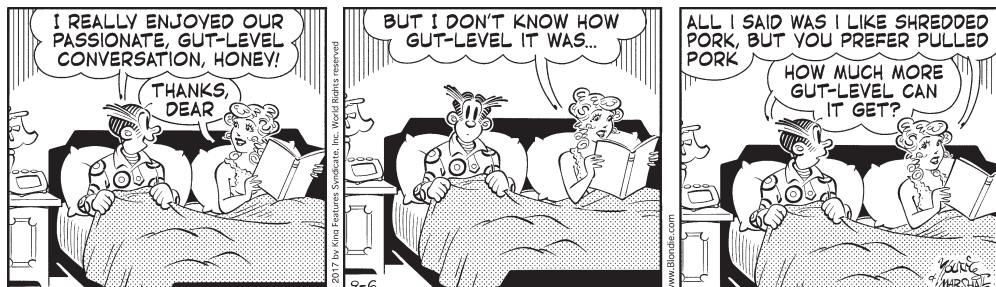
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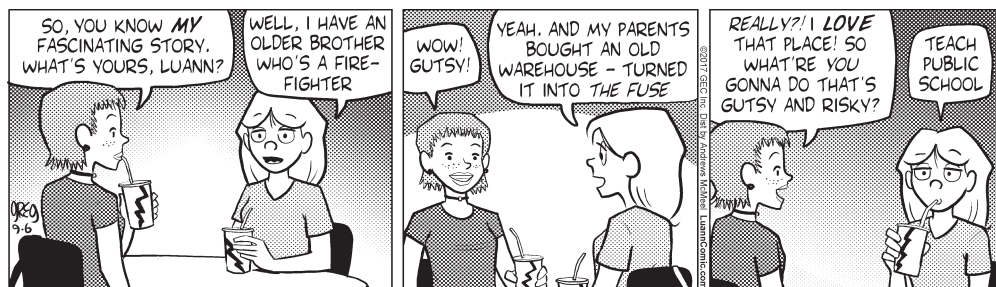
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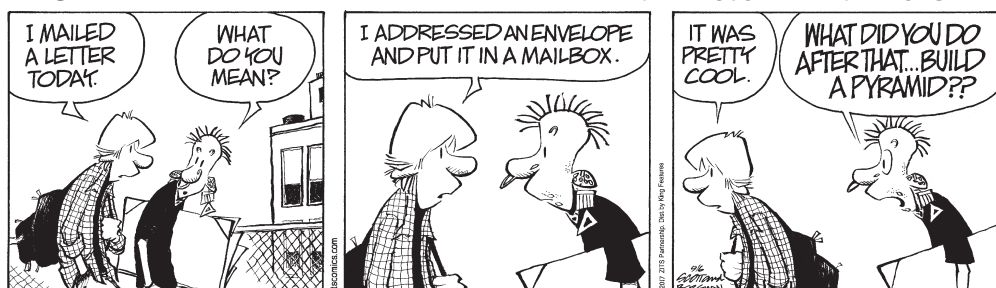
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DEAR ABBY

Expectant mother hasn't told husband he's not the father



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

Dear Abby: I am a mother of three and happily married to my kids' father. I am now seven months pregnant with my fourth baby, but this child is not my husband's. My husband is a loving man and a good father. My problem is, I don't know how to tell him I'm not carrying his baby. The man I slept with is married and always saying he wants to marry me. He has one son with his wife. I love my kids, and I still love my husband. How can I tell him the truth without tearing my family apart? — Big Mistake

a family meeting to discuss the possibility. We're all in our 50s or older, and some of us have health issues.

There has always been a lot of bickering between some of us because of control issues. I explained to everyone that we can make our requests for locations, activities, etc., but we all need to be willing to give a little. The bickering is continuing, and some unkind things were said about others.

I just want to plan a fun vacation and have a good time, but I'm worried the negativity will carry over to the vacation. We are all we have left in this world. Our parents died years ago, and since then, one of our siblings has passed away, too. I worry that this may be a last chance for all of us to be together. All but one live within 10 miles of each other, and I'm sad to say we get together only a few times a year. Any suggestions on how to handle this sticky situation? — In Vacation Mode

Dear Big Mistake: Not knowing your husband, I can't guess at how he will react when you break the news. I'm sure he won't be pleased to hear it. Regardless, he must be told, so do it at a time when it's calm and quiet and you can discuss it without your children running in and out. I am sure he will have many questions — among them, whether you plan to continue a relationship with the child's father. (Does the man plan to be part of the baby's life in years to come?)

Dear Vacation Mode: Taking into consideration the family dynamics you have described, it's wishful thinking to believe you can control the way your siblings relate to each other. The reason they see each other so infrequently may have something to do with the fact that some of them are petty, immature and nasty. My suggestion would be to invite only those siblings who can get along with each other and see the other ones separately.

Because this may have legal ramifications, discuss this with an attorney, who can guide you in case there may be visitation issues, custody problems, etc. lurking just beyond the horizon.

Dear Abby: I talked with one of my siblings about having a joint vacation. He suggested all of us get together with our spouses and go on one together. We discussed locations and had

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Sept. 6, 1917

Did some mystic power give J.C. Hoskins warning of the wreck Sunday night in which Brakeman Walter Fuller of Train No. 255 was killed and then cremated? Though the run down the mountain was made at night-time and it was very cold Hoskins refused to go into the caboose to rest nor would he let his men do so. Instead they remained out on top of the train all night, getting down and watching the sheep when the train stopped. According to Hoskins he had a sense of impending danger and at times tried to look back up the track but owing to the curves he could see nothing. Owing to the coldness of the night the other men were at first disposed to criticize their employer for keeping them up but after the wreck they were free in thanking him for having saved their lives because if they had been in the caboose at the time of the smash they would doubtless have been killed as was Fuller.

measurable rain Monday midnight, and was working on the 76th this morning — but the local station of the U.S. Weather Bureau figured it had only a 50-50 chance of making it. The forecast is for light showers today and tonight with isolated thunderstorm over the Blues, and the chance of rain is 50 percent today dropping to 20 percent tonight and Wednesday.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Sept. 6, 1967

Pendleton's all-time drought record reached 75 consecutive days without

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Sept. 6, 1992

Alfred L. Lovgren, an 81-year-old Heppner man accused of trying to kill his son over a water-rights dispute, pleaded not guilty Friday morning in district court. Lovgren was given permission by the court to return to his home. However, he was ordered to stay away from his son, Stacey Lovgren, 56, and daughter-in-law Darlene Lovgren, 52, who live a few hundred yards away from him on a rural route south of Heppner. The charges stem from an incident July 18 in which Lovgren allegedly drove to his son's home and fired three shots from a .30-caliber rifle at his son and his son's wife. Alfred Lovgren allegedly commented about the long-standing water rights dispute when he pointed the rifle at his son.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 249th day of 2017. There are 116 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On September 6, 1901, President William McKinley was shot and mortally wounded by anarchist Leon Czolgosz at the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, New York. (McKinley died eight days later; Czolgosz was executed on October 29.)

On this date: In 1861, Union forces led by Gen. Ulysses S. Grant occupied Paducah, Kentucky, during the Civil War.

In 1916, the first self-serve grocery store, Piggly Wiggly, was opened in Memphis, Tennessee, by Clarence Saunders.

In 1925, the silent film horror classic "The Phantom of the Opera," starring Lon Chaney, had its world premiere at the Astor Theater in New York.

In 1939, the Union of South Africa declared war on Germany.

In 1943, 79 people were killed when a New York-bound Pennsylvania Railroad train derailed and crashed in Philadelphia.

In 1954, groundbreaking took place for the Shippingport Atomic Power Station in western Pennsylvania.

In 1966, birth control advocate Margaret Sanger died in Tucson, Arizona, at age 86, eight days before her birthday. South African Prime Minister Hendrik Verwoerd was stabbed to death by an apparently deranged page during a parliamentary session in Cape Town.

In 1970, Palestinian guerrillas seized control of three U.S.-bound jetliners. (Two were later blown up on the ground in Jordan, along with a London-bound plane hijacked on Sept. 9; the fourth plane was destroyed on the ground in Egypt. No hostages were harmed.)

In 1975, 18-year-old tennis star Martina Navratilova of Czechoslovakia, in New York for the U.S. Open, requested political asylum in the United States.

In 1997, a public funeral was held for Princess Diana at Westminster Abbey in London, six days after her death in a car crash in Paris.

Today's Birthdays:

Comedian JoAnne Worley is 82. Country singer David Allan Coe is 78. Rock singer-musician Roger Waters (Pink Floyd) is 74. Actress Swoosie Kurtz is 73. Comedian-actress Jane Curtin is 70. Rock musician Mick Mashbir is 69. Country singer-songwriter Buddy Miller is 65. Actor James Martin Kelly is 63. Country musician Joe Smyth (Sawyer Brown) is 60. Actor-comedian Jeff Foxworthy is 59. Actor-comedian Michael Winslow is 59. Rock musician Perry Bamonte is 57. Actor Steven Eckholdt is 56. Rock musician Scott Travis (Judas Priest) is 56. Pop musician Pal Waaktaar (a-ha) is 56. New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie is 55. Rock musician Kevin Miller is 55. Actress Rosie Perez is 53. Rock singer Dolores O'Riordan (The Cranberries) is 46. Actor Idris Elba is 45.

Thought for Today: "We live in a fantasy world, a world of illusion. The great task in life is to find reality." — Iris Murdoch, Anglo-Irish author and philosopher (1919-1999).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

