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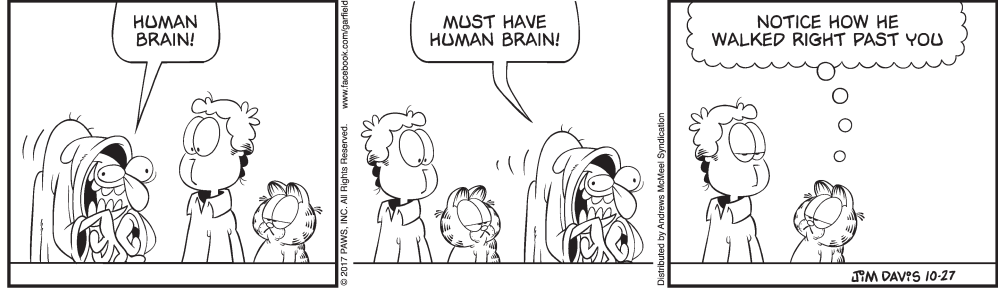
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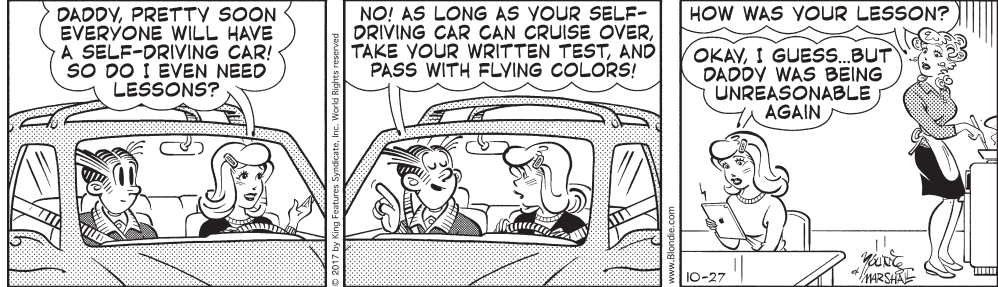
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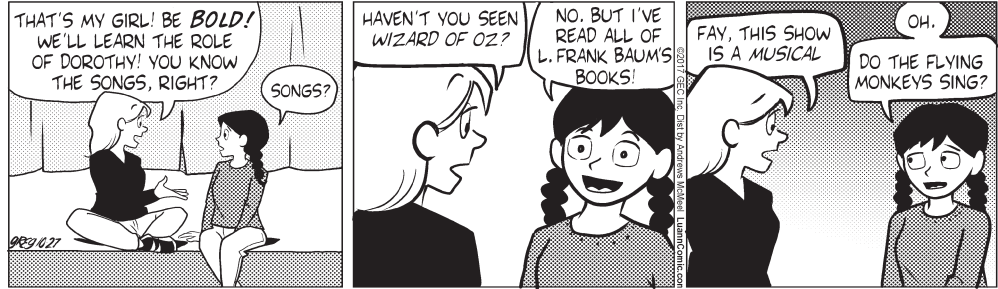
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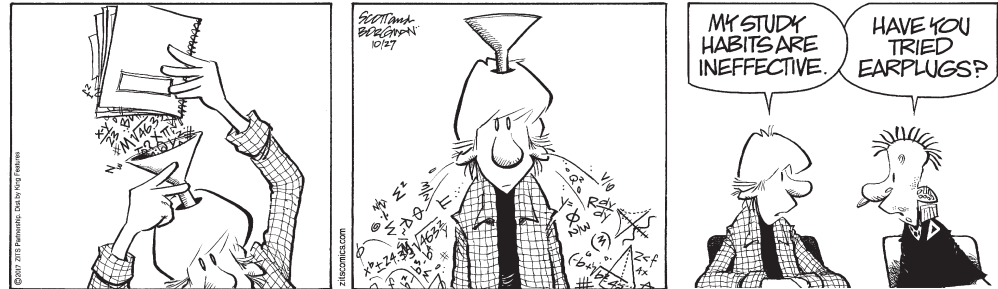
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DEAR ABBY

Son is odd man out when mom sends birthday gifts to family

Dear Abby: My husband, daughter and I all have birthdays in the same month. My mother-in-law always sends gifts for me and my daughter, but never to my husband, her son. He tries to shrug it off, but I know it bothers him.



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

friends. I find them easier than girls. My mother says that when you're in a relationship, it is disrespectful to have friends who are guys. My boyfriend and I fight all the time over this issue, and I have had to cut off some of my guy friends because of it. I hate not having anyone to talk to or hang out with except my boyfriend. It has left me with bad blood between me and my old friends. Is this a rule that I didn't know about? I just don't get it, but I know I need help. — Teen

In earlier years, I thought it was an oversight. I have tried gentle reminders and hints, but again this year there was no gift for her son. It would be different if she sent one only to our daughter, but sending one to me and not to her son is a slap in the face. They have a fairly good relationship, and my husband is kind and generous to his parents.

I haven't opened the gift she sent me this year, and I do not intend to. Should I return it to her with a note explaining why, or donate it and forget about it until it happens next year? — Perplexed In The Northwest

Dear Perplexed: Your mother-in-law's behavior strikes me as passive aggressive. That it makes you uncomfortable is understandable. Perhaps you and your husband should ask her directly why she does this and let her explain. Then, after you have heard her out, you can tell her that what she's doing makes you uncomfortable, and you would prefer she not send you any more birthday gifts if she intends to ignore her son.

Dear Abby: I hate the fact that since I have started high school, I'm restricted by the rules that guys and girls can't be friends unless they're dating. It has been worse since I got into my relationship of 2 1/2 years. I'll be 19 soon, and I have always had guy

In Delaware

Dear Teen: What your mother may have meant when she said it is disrespectful to have male friends when you are in a relationship is that many men find it threatening. You are young, and at your age it is appropriate that you should be socializing with more than one person. Your mistake was in getting into an exclusive relationship with someone who tells you who you can and cannot be friends with. Break it off, and you may be sad for a while, but you will also be free to grow.

Dear Abby: When a large-breasted woman is standing and saluting for the national anthem at sporting events, where should the right hand be placed? Above her breast, under her breast or on her breast? — Just Wondering In Florida

Dear Just Wondering: It depends upon whom the right hand belongs to. If it's someone else's hand, it should be kept to oneself. If it's the large-breasted woman's hand, it should be placed on her chest toward the top of her left breast.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Oct. 27, 1917

Upon receipt of instructions from the office of the United States Marshal at Portland, deputy Sheriff J.A. Blakely and Jake Marin early this morning arrested and took from a special troop train William Dolfen, regimental chief cook who is charged with being an alien enemy. The arrest was made upon the authority of a presidential warrant issued from the department of justice. Deputy U.S. Marshal Frank T. Berry arrived in Pendleton this morning and is returning to Portland with his prisoner on No. 17. He did not divulge the nature of the evidence against Dolfen but stated that the government had sufficient evidence to order him interned for the remainder of the war.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Oct. 27, 1967

A 22-year-old woman was listed in serious but not critical condition at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner Thursday from burns suffered in a vain attempt to rescue the family dog from her burning home near Spray Wednesday. Dorothy Bostwick received third degree burns to her hands and feet, second degree burns to her face and head and other parts of her body in the fire at 9:30 Wednesday morning. She told Morrow County Medical

Examiner L.D. Tibbles she smelled smoke while in the kitchen of the home. One child was in school but she thought two younger children were in their bedroom, and she went through thick smoke to find them. She burned her hands badly on the bedroom door knob, then found the children outside. When the pet dog ran back into the house she followed in an attempt to rescue it, catching her clothing on fire. The house burned to the ground. The dog perished in the flames.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Oct. 27, 1992

Marlette Homes told Hermiston officials Tuesday that its \$1 million expansion is over budget and without the city's help the project will be moved to Idaho. But following a special meeting of the city council Tuesday, city officials seem confident their concessions will keep the proposed expansion in Hermiston. Marlette officials told the city this week that the proposed expansion is \$200,000 to \$250,000 over budget, due in part to city fees for the construction of the new building. At Tuesday's council meeting, City Manager Ed Brookshier proposed that the city waive the water connection fee of \$5,000 and the \$5,000 for a back flow for the new building. He also said the city could reduce the water assessment for the project from \$10,000 to \$5,000. The council agreed.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 300th day of 2017. There are 65 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 27, 1947, "You Bet Your Life," a comedy quiz show starring Groucho Marx, premiered on ABC Radio. (It later became a television show on NBC.)

On this date: In 1787, the first of the Federalist Papers, a series of essays calling for ratification of the United States Constitution, was published.

In 1858, the 26th president of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt, was born in New York City.

In 1880, Theodore Roosevelt married his first wife, Alice Lee.

In 1886 (New Style date), the musical fantasy "A Night on Bald Mountain," written by Modest Mussorgsky and revised after his death by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov, was performed in St. Petersburg, Russia.

In 1922, the first annual celebration of Navy Day took place.

In 1938, Du Pont announced a name for its new synthetic yarn: "nylon."

In 1954, U.S. Air Force Col. Benjamin O. Davis Jr. was promoted to brigadier general, the first black officer to achieve that rank in the USAF. Walt Disney's first television program, titled "Disneyland" after the yet-to-be completed theme park, premiered on ABC.

In 1962, during the Cuban Missile Crisis, a U-2 reconnaissance aircraft was shot down while flying over Cuba, killing the pilot, U.S. Air Force Maj. Rudolf Anderson Jr.

In 1978, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin were named winners of the Nobel Peace Prize for their progress toward achieving a Middle East accord.

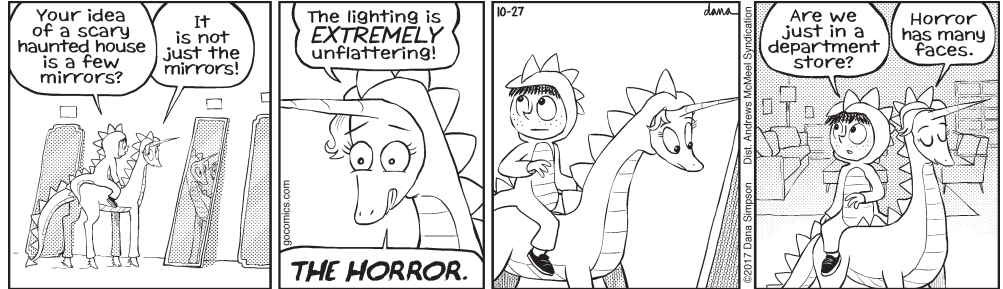
Today's Birthdays:

Actress Nanette Fabray is 97. Actor-comedian John Cleese is 78. Author Maxine Hong Kingston is 77. Country singer Lee Greenwood is 75. Producer-director Ivan Reitman is 71. Country singer-musician Jack Daniels is 68. Rock musician Garry Tallent (Bruce Springsteen & the E Street Band) is 68. Author Fran Lebowitz is 67. Rock musician K.K. Downing is 66. TV personality Jayne Kennedy is 66. Actor-director Roberto Benigni is 65. Actor Peter Firth is 64. World Golf Hall of Famer Patty Sheehan is 61. Internet news editor Matt Drudge is 51. Rock musician Jason Finn (Presidents of the United States of America) is 50. Actress-singer Kelly Osbourne is 33.

Thought for Today: "If men were angels, no government would be necessary." — President James Madison (1751-1836).

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

