# **COFFEE BREAK**

BY LYNN JOHNSTON





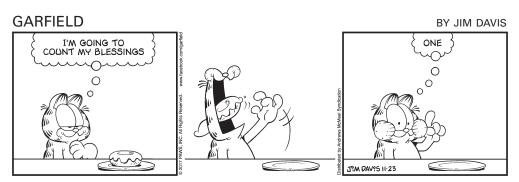




PICKLES



**BEETLE BAILEY** BY MORT WALKER FLOOSH! GREG+ MORT WALKER THERE ISN'T I NEED MORE NOW I NEED ENOUGH FROSTING! MORE CAKE FROSTING ON THIS CAKE



**BLONDIE** 

BY DEAN YOUNG AND STAN DRAKE

# **DEAR ABBY** Sister is appalled by what brother asks mom to do

Dear Abby: My brother and his wife recently had their second child through induced labor. On the delivery day, my mother asked what she could do to help. My brother asked her to go to his home, which is an hour away, sweep and vacuum the house, change the sheets and do the laundry because they didn't have time.

I feel it was extremely inappropriate. Picking up diapers and making sure the bassinet has clean sheets are acceptable requests; cleaning the

house is not. My mother wasn't bothered by it, but I am appalled. Am I wrong? - Stuck In The Middle

Dear Stuck: You are entitled to your feelings. However, because your mother wasn't bothered by your brother's request, my advice is to stay out of it because it was none of your business. Please don't stir the pot more than you already may have because the person who will suffer for it is you.

Dear Abby: I'm a mom who raised three kids and now I help with the grandchildren. I had dogs all my life until my last one died of old age. I was enjoying life with no responsibilities and could walk out of my house without worry.

My friend, who lives in an apartment, asked me to keep her cat, "Fluffy," while she was on vacation. I gladly helped her out and carefully took care of her cat. Now Fluffy loves being at my house and acts mean when she goes back to the apartment. The only answer was to keep Fluffy, but I don't want a cat!

How do I get rid of a cat who loves being at my house? I'm miserable because I miss my carefree life after many years of caring for others. -**Pet-Free In Alabama** 

Dear Pet-Free: You have done enough. If you can, figure out why Fluffy is happy with you so you can share that information with her owner as you return her. You deserve the carefree life you have earned.

Dear Abby: My son volunteers as a chaperone for his daughters' elementary school field trips. Each parent volunteer is assigned five or six children.

Before they board the bus, my son gathers his group and tells them they are going to take a memory picture. He does it because if a child is ever lost, he wants a photo to immediately show any responding police officers. His exact words to me were, "Mom, in an emergency, I might not remember what a child was wearing, what her backpack looked like or how tall she is.'

He never tells the children the real reason for taking the picture. Afterward, he just emails it to any child who wants a souvenir of the trip. — Proud Of My Son

Dear Proud: Congratulations for having raised a smart son. My readers will let us know if his idea is original, but it's a good one, which is why I'm printing your letter. For anyone supervising a group of children, this could be a helpful suggestion.

# DAYS GONE BY

#### 100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Nov. 23, 1917

Because he had expressed sentiments other than patriotic, Calvin Ringer, a wellknown fruit raiser living north of Freewater, was waited upon by a deputation of Freewater citizens last evening. A flag was nailed upon his house to remain there until the war is over, then Mr. Ringer was forced to salute the emblem of America and to cheer lustily for it. The deputation, which consisted of a half dozen or more prominent men, is said to have been led by two of the leading merchants. All were incensed at the sentiments which the fruit raiser, who is said to be a native of this country, had shown. When Ringer answered their knock he was asked where he wanted the flag nailed. "I don't give a damn," he said, but later he showed a more tractable spirit and, besides cheering for Old Glory, apologized for his pro-German statements.

### 50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian

## Nov. 23, 1967

Operators of trailer courts in Pendleton will be asked whether they can handle the expected influx of 40 to 50 house trailers when work starts on the Pendleton section of Interstate 80 North. City Manager Rudy

Enbysk told the city council Tuesday several inquiries have been received about the need for additional trailer space. A survey by the engineering department showed a total of only five spaces available now for trailers. City Engineer Howard Kraus said the city could expand its present trailer court at the airport by 11 spaces and could also develop an additional court at the airport. Enbysk said it would cost \$3,825 to develop the 11 new spaces in the existing court and that this investment could be recovered in a little over a year.

#### 25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Nov. 23, 1992

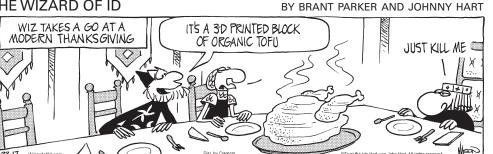
As a wheat grower in Umatilla County, Frank Tubbs of Adams makes his living from the land. Remarkably, the work he did in the 1950s may be making it easier now for all wheat growers. Tubbs grew up working on the family farm. After graduating from college in 1949 he returned to his rural life in Umatilla County. But Tubbs didn't simply fade away into a quiet farm life. He was part of a pioneering effort that eventually led to formation of the Western Wheat Associates an alliance of three Pacific Northwest states for the promotion of soft white wheat to Pacific Rim nations.

JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice





THE WIZARD OF ID



BY SCOTT ADAMS

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 327th day of 2017. There are 38 days left in the year. This is Thanksgiving Day.

Highlight in Today's History:

On Nov. 23, 1942, during World War II, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a measure establishing the U.S. Women's Coast Guard Reserve, or SPARS (an abbreviation of the U.S. Coast Guard motto "Semper Paratus" "Always Ready").

### On this date:

In 1765, Frederick County, Maryland, became the first colonial American entity to repudiate the British Stamp Act.

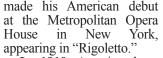
In 1804, the 14th president of the United States, Franklin Pierce, was born in Hillsboro, New Hampshire.

In 1889, the first jukebox made its debut in San Francisco, at the Palais Royale Saloon. (The coin-operated device consisted of four listening tubes attached to an Edison phonograph.)

In 1903, Enrico Caruso

7:30 a.m. Woke up

## PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN



In 1910, American-born physician Hawley Harvey Crippen was hanged at Pentonville Prison in London for murdering his wife, Cora. (Crippen's mistress, Ethel Le Neve, was acquitted in a separate trial of being an accessory.)

In 1936, Life, the photojournalism magazine created by Henry R. Luce, was first published.

In 1945, most U.S. wartime rationing of foods, including meat and butter, was set to expire by day's end.

In 1959, the musical "Fiorello!," starring Tom Bosley as legendary New York Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, opened on Broadway.

1963, President In Lyndon В. Johnson proclaimed Nov. 25 a day of national mourning following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

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**Birthdays**: Today's Former Labor Secretary William E. Brock is 87. Actress Elmarie Wendel is 89. Actor Franco Nero is 76. Actress Susan Anspach is 75. Screenwriter Joe Eszterhas is 73. Actor-comedy writer Bruce Vilanch is 70. Sen. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., is 67. Singer Bruce Hornsby is 63. Former Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La., is 62. Actor Maxwell Caulfield is 58. Actor John Henton is 57. TV personality Robin Roberts ("Good Morning America") is 57. Rock singer-musician Ken Block (Sister Hazel) is 51. Rock musician Charlie Grover is 51. TV personality Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi is 30. Actress-singer Miley Cyrus is 25.

Thought for Today: "We are incredibly heedless in the formation of our beliefs, but find ourselves filled with an illicit passion for them when anyone proposes to rob us of their companionship.' — James Harvey Robinson, American historian (1863-1936).

BY DANA SIMPSON

7:31 a.m. By the way, hi,

journal. I'm Phoebe

#### LUANN BY GREG EVANS TIME OUT BERNICE The National YOU'D NEVER GO TO YES! AND AS MY AS MY BESTIE BECAUSE YEAH. LET'S Cartoonists Society "Thanks And Giving" Auctior A LINGERIE PARTY I'M YOUR BESTIE, I KNEW YOU SHOULD PUT OUR THERE ARE WAY BIGGER YOU'D SAY NO. KNOW TO INVIT SO WHY WOULD BEST DIFFERENCE INVITE YOU? FRIEND: SO I CHOSE NOT ME SO / COULD ASIDE AND TO SAY PROBLEMS CHOOSE INVITE YOU HELP THAN OURS NO You can help disaster victims Bid on art from the world's top cartoonists! ww.HA.com/NCS HANKS! GREG

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