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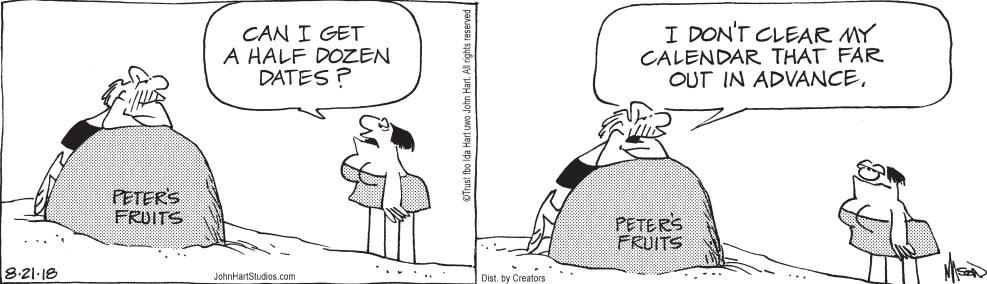
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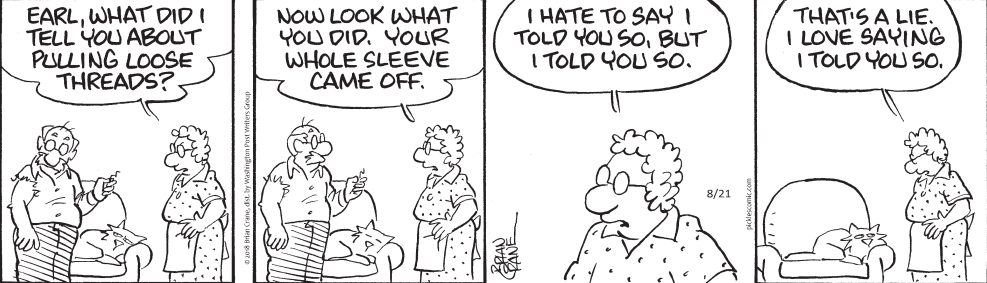
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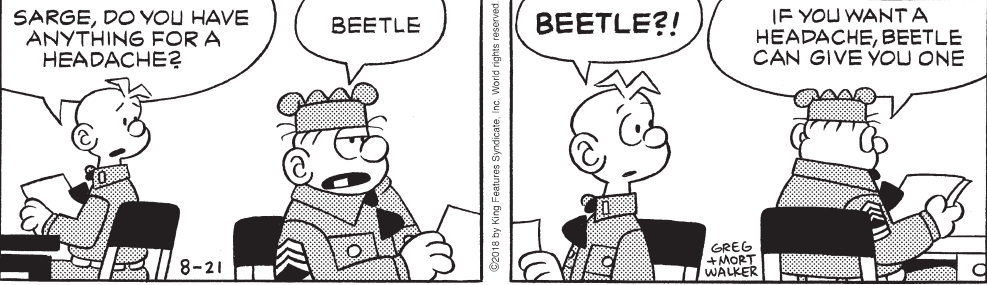
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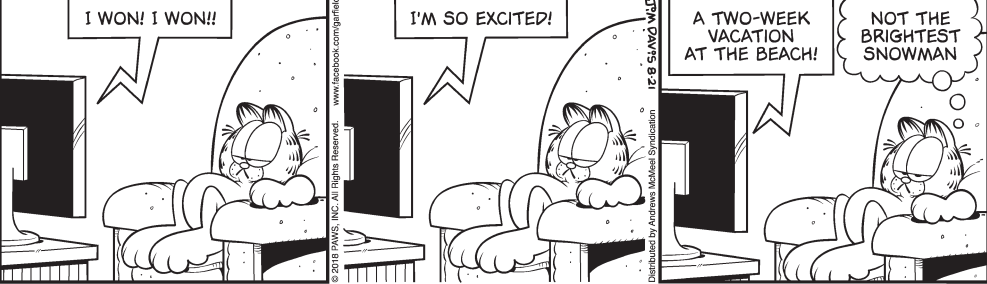
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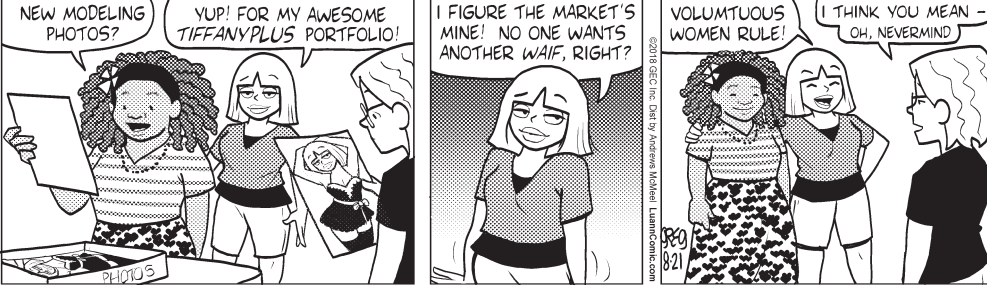
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DEAR ABBY

Planned baby name renews pain of tragic loss for family

Dear Abby: I come from a small, close family. Last year, we suffered a devastating loss. My cousin and her two children were killed in a car accident. We have all been profoundly affected by this loss, especially my aunt and uncle.

Fast forward: Another cousin is pregnant with her second child. She wants to name her daughter “Daisy” because she wants all her children to have flower-themed names. “Daisy” is the name of one of the children who died. I, and others in the family, are upset by her decision because her reason for choosing the name has nothing to do with honoring our lost family member.

I understand no one “owns” a baby name, and she can choose whatever name she wants for any reason. But I am having trouble getting past the fact that I’ll see this child at family gatherings and have to call her by my dead cousin’s name for no reason other than it was a cute flower name.

My cousin is set on using this name despite family protests, and I can’t help but foresee bitterness ahead for us when we’ve already dealt with so much. What, if anything, can we do to make this situation more positive? — **Name Game In New York**

Dear Name Game: Your cousin appears to have the empathy of a garden snail. Did it occur to anyone in the family to suggest to her that there are other flower names besides Daisy — Dalia, Daphne or even Desert Rose? (Her nickname could be “Desi,” which is cute.) If you haven’t, please do before the baby arrives. However, if she refuses to change her mind, it’s time for you to start memorizing the Serenity Prayer.



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

Dear Abby: My husband and I have been married for 22 years. He’s a diamond in the rough. My grown children, three boys, have always just tolerated him. They say he talks too much, doesn’t listen and still treats the younger two like children. I know he can be overbearing at times.

They have now ganged up and will no longer allow the grandchildren to come stay with me. They say my husband is too harsh in correcting them, which isn’t true. The only time he is loud and fast to correct is if the parents aren’t here to do it. They have offered no alternative solution.

Two have expressed to my husband how they feel. My husband is trying to acknowledge their feelings and wants to do better. How do we proceed as a family? I’m afraid they will withhold the grands each time they disagree with us. Counseling is out since we live in separate cities. Any words of wisdom for us? — **Hurting Heart In South Carolina**

Dear Hurting Heart: Look at this from your sons’ perspective. When they hear from your grandchildren that your grouchy (but well-meaning) husband yelled at them, as parents, their first instinct is to protect their kids.

I can’t guarantee that your sons won’t use emotional blackmail in the future, but I can offer two suggestions: Your husband should take a deep breath and count to 10 before he reacts, and he should defer the discipline to Grandma. And if that isn’t enough to satisfy your sons, then you will have to visit them instead of having them visit you.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Aug. 20-21, 1918

Clear weather last evening and large crowds made the second night of the Bernardi carnival quite a success. Special interest was shown in the wrestling matches between Ray McCarroll, the local man, and Sampson, who is with the carnival company and issued a defi to all comers. In his first match Sampson threw his man easily, a fellow named Saylor. With McCarroll he found a much different proposition. In this Sampson contracted to throw the local man in 10 minutes. At the end of the 10 minutes he had not made a start toward filling his contract. The result was that McCarroll then agreed to throw Sampson in 15 minutes and this was a real live match, with McCarroll the aggressor all the time and Sampson compelled to extend himself to the limit to save himself from a fall.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Aug. 20-21, 1968

Power of the insect world is being demonstrated in Milton-Freewater where the apple crop next month will be down 80 to 85 per cent from 1967 largely because the bees

went on strike last spring. County Extension Agent Dave Burkhart said the apples, mostly Red or Golden Delicious varieties, that brought the valley \$1,039,500 last year were hurt also by frosts in April this year, but poor pollination was the main factor in the poor crop. Cold, rainy weather made the bees lazy in some areas where frost had done little damage so that a grower’s good or damaged crop depends on location of his orchard.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Aug. 20-21, 1993

Randy Walker of Pendleton and his 14-year-old son, Steven, now share a rare experience. Steven was among attendees at the recent Boy Scouts of America National Jamboree, Aug. 3-10 at Fort A.P. Hill, Va. Randy went to the same gathering in 1964 — then at Valley Forge, Pa. He was a 16-year-old from Corvallis. Both took their first-ever airplane flight to the giant campout. Both went sightseeing in New York City, Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. Both traded patches with other scouts. Twenty-two countries were represented at Randy’s jamboree. Steven’s jamboree troop included two scouts from Italy.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

On August 21, 1831, Nat Turner launched a violent slave rebellion in Virginia resulting in the deaths of at least 55 whites. (Turner was later executed.)

On this date:
In 1858, the first of seven debates between Illinois senatorial contenders Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas took place.

In 1911, Leonardo da Vinci’s “Mona Lisa” was stolen from the Louvre Museum in Paris. (The painting was recovered two years later in Italy.)

In 1959, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed an executive order making Hawaii the 50th state.

In 1987, Sgt. Clayton Lonetree, the first Marine court-martialed for spying,

was convicted in Quantico, Virginia, of passing secrets to the KGB. (Lonetree ended up serving eight years in a military prison.)

In 1991, the hard-line coup against Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev collapsed in the face of a popular uprising led by Russian Federation President Boris N. Yeltsin.

In 1992, an 11-day siege began at the cabin of white separatist Randy Weaver in Ruby Ridge, Idaho, as government agents tried to arrest Weaver for failing to appear in court on charges of selling two illegal sawed-off shotguns; on the first day of the siege, Weaver’s teenage son, Samuel, and Deputy U.S. Marshal William Degan were killed.

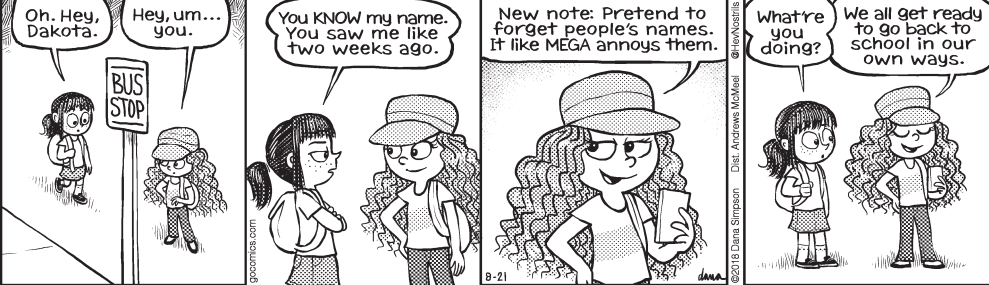
Today’s Birthdays:

Singer Kenny Rogers is 80. Actor Clarence Williams III is 79. Actress Patty McCormack is 73. NBC newsman Harry Smith is 67. Singer Glenn Hughes is 66. Actress Kim Cattrall is 62. College Football Hall of Famer and former NFL quarterback Jim McMahon is 59. . Singer Kelis is 39. Actor Diego Klattenhoff is 39. Olympic gold medal sprinter Usain Bolt is 32. Actor-comedian Brooks Wheelan is 32. Actor Cody Kasch is 31. Country singer Kacey Musgraves is 30. Actor Maxim Knight is 19.

Thought for Today: “Paradoxical as it may seem, to believe in youth is to look backward; to look forward we must believe in age.” — *Dorothy L. Sayers, English author (1893-1957).*

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

