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FOR BETTER OR WORSE BY LYNN JOHNSTON HARD TO BELIEVE, EL... MICHAEL'S COING TO BE IG TOMORROW! IT'S NUMBER, JOHN MIKE'S GOING TO MISS WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT, HE'S REALLY STILL A ·HE'S SHAVING.





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DEAR ABBY Connecting with teens will impact new relationship

Dear Abby: After I ended a 20-year marriage, I took some time off from relationships and am now back in the dating world. My ex-husband and I never had children.

I recently met a man with two teenagers. He says I am "detached" from children. I am not detached! I just never had experience with them. How do I proceed with this relationship since his kids are very dear to him? — Not Detached

Dear Not Detached: This man's offspring are no longer "children." They are teenagers, and teens can be complicated. Reach out to them the way you would anyone of any age. Be friendly and show them you are interested in them. If they have a mother in the picture, do not try to "mother" them. See if you share any common interests (sports, music, fashion, etc.), resist the urge to lecture them, and be a good listener.

Dear Abby: Back around 1987, a girl asked me to take her to her high school prom. I was several years older, didn't know her well and wanted to say no but couldn't. In the end I stood her up. I don't even remember her name. She worked at a grocery store with my brother.

That was more than 30 years ago. I am married now and have two fine children. I was recently asked what my biggest regret is, and I said standing her up. Not one week has gone by in the last 30 years that I haven't thought about her and wished I could find her and tell her how truly sorry I am.



It's funny. Although I can't remember her name, there's no one from my past that I have thought about more than her. I would give anything to find her and apologize. It haunts me. Any suggestions? -**Biggest Regret in the South**

Dear Biggest Regret: What you did to that girl was brutal. Because it's not possible for you to directly offer the apology she deserves, concentrate harder on the present and always try to treat everyone with kindness and sensitivity.

Dear Abby: I'd like advice on how to handle a problem that crops up every time family members invite me out to a dinner they are paying for.

I know the rule of etiquette is to order an item that's the same or less than what the host is ordering, but I am often asked to order first. This means I have no idea what the payer's meal will cost. If it means ordering something on the menu other than what I'd rather have - a burger instead of a steak — in that case, should I offer to pay for my own meal? What if they won't hear of taking any money from me? Can I still order the steak since my offer to pay was refused? - Likes To Follow The Rules

Dear Likes: A way to get around ordering first might be to say, "I haven't decided yet. I'd like to hear what the others are ordering." However, if you would be uncomfortable doing that, and your hosts won't let you have a separate check, be a gracious guest and enjoy every bite of your steak dinner.

DAYS GONE BY From the East Oregonian

100 Years Ago April 27, 1921

A dramatic feature of the G.A.R. convention to be held here in June is that it will be the last time the Grand Army men will ever assemble in Pendleton and quite likely they will never meet again in Eastern Oregon. The ranks of the G.A.R. grow thinner each year and as even the youngest of the veterans are in the seventies the hand of time will fall heavily upon them during the next decade. The G.A.R. last met here 27 years ago and at that time the organization was in its prime. This time they request that their parade be short and that programs in their honor be closed at 9 p.m. or thereabouts.

50 Years Ago April 27, 1971

Richard Schulberg, son of John A. Schulberg of Pendleton, has been accepted as a graduate student in the Russian and East European Institute at Yale University. Schulgerg is a senior in Portland State Univer-

sity's Zagreb Institute in Yugoslavia. A political science major, Schulberg qualifies for a \$2,900 tuition grant as well as an \$1,800 long term loan, both of which are renewable every year contingent upon his progress toward a degree.

25 Years Ago April 27, 1996

When Addison Schulberg came home from Portland six weeks ago, he was sporting a blue spot Band-Aid on his hand and a big scar on his chest. The resilient 4-yearold with flashing brown eyes shook his head gently and said he couldn't ride his bike at the track because his scar "could break open." Nine hours of surgery on his heart and a week at Emanuel Hospital gave the precocious preschooler a lot to talk about. Addison had two defective valves in his heart. He likes to have his mom, Carol Hanks, and dad, Ken Schulberg, read a book to him about a little boy's heart surgery. "Every time he reads it, he has more questions," Carol said.

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BY DEAN YOUNG AND STAN DRAKE IT'S CALLED FORMER OFFICE

ODAY IN HISTORY





THE WIZARD OF ID



after it was revealed that he'd

destroyed files removed from

the safe of Watergate conspir-

W. Hinckley Jr., who shot

four people, including Presi-

dent Ronald Reagan, began in

Washington. (The trial ended

with Hinckley's acquittal by

dent Richard M. Nixon was

remembered at an outdoor

funeral service attended by

all five of his successors at the Nixon presidential library

in Yorba Linda, California.

Mexico City toddler died at

Texas Children's Hospital in

Houston, becoming the first

swine-flu death on U.S. soil.

manian dictator Manuel

Noriega was extradited

from the United States to

France, where he was later

In 2010, former Pana-

In 2009, a 23-month-old

In 1994, former Presi-

In 1982, the trial of John

ator E. Howard Hunt.

reason of insanity.)

World War II.

On April 27, 1978, 51 construction workers plunged to their deaths when a scaffold inside a cooling tower at the Pleasants Power Station site in West Virginia fell 168 feet to the ground.

In 1521, Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan was killed by natives in the Philippines.

In 1791, the inventor of the telegraph, Samuel Morse, was born in Charlestown, Massachusetts.

In 1810, Ludwig van Beethoven wrote one of his most famous piano compositions, the Bagatelle in A-minor.

In 1822, the 18th president of the United States, Ulysses S. Grant, was born in Point Pleasant, Ohio.

In 1865, the steamer Sultana, carrying freed Union prisoners of war, exploded on the Mississippi River near Memphis, Tennessee; death toll estimates vary from 1,500 to 2,000.

In 1941, German forces convicted of laundering occupied Athens during drug money and received a

seven-year sentence. In 1973, acting FBI Director L. Patrick Gray resigned

In 2015, rioters plunged part of Baltimore into chaos, torching a pharmacy, setting police cars ablaze and throwing bricks at officers hours after thousands attended a funeral for Freddie Gray, a Black man who died from a severe spinal injury he'd suffered in police custody; the Baltimore Orioles' home game against the Chicago White Sox was postponed because of safety concerns.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Anouk Aimee is 89. Rock singer Kate Pierson (The B-52's) is 73. Pop singer Sheena Easton is 62. Actor James Le Gros is 59. Rock musician Rob Squires (Big Head Todd and the Monsters) is 56. Sen. Cory Booker, D-N.J., is 52. Actor Francis Capra is 38. Actor Ari Graynor is 38. Rock singer-musician Patrick Stump (Fall Out Boy) is 37. Actor Sheila Vand is 36. Actor Jenna Coleman is 35. Actor William Moseley is 34. Singer Lizzo is 33. Actor Emily Rios is 32.

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