PEANUTS









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FOR BETTER OR WORSE











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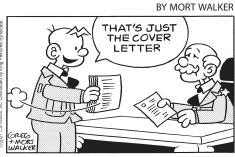


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DEAR ABBY

Cat rescue leads to strained relations between neighbors

Dear Abby: I am a lover of and rescuer of cats (and dogs). I rescued a beautiful and loving cat with horrible wounds on his neck. I got him neutered, his wounds cleaned and sewn up, and became attached to him. I had asked my elderly neighbor if she wanted him. She said she'd think about it. She visited him at my house as his wounds healed, and a few months later she took the cat.

When I visited her a few months after that, I saw she was feeding him so many treats that he was (I'm not exaggerating) morbidly obese. When I told her so, she got insulted. She didn't believe me, so she took the cat for a checkup at the local

The vet told her the same thing in no uncertain terms, and to feed the cat no treats and a certain low-fat dry cat food. With my help she ordered the food and I measured it into bags to make it easier for her, as she gets a bit confused.

I weigh the cat every Monday and he has lost a bit of weight already. Slowly is the best way. But she's not pleasant to work with and is fighting me all the way. I'm a patient person and do my best, but sometimes it's hard not to lose my temper. Any suggestions? **Cares About Fur Babies**

Dear Cares: Unfortunately, we don't always get to know people until we see them in action, as you are now doing with this neighbor. For that cat's sake, hang onto your temper and continue to help her and her fur baby. If she's becoming increasingly confused, it is important that someone not only keep an eye on the feline in that house-



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hold, but also her — to ensure that she is able to take care of herself.

Dear Abby: My husband and I divorced five years ago. We have four grown children. He wanted to sell the house, but I ended up buying him out because two of our kids were still living at home.

Fast-forward to now: We are expecting our third grandkid. Since the divorce, he doesn't want to co-parent with me. He keeps saying we are no longer a family. The holi-

days and main events are now celebrated separately. I am increasingly sad about this. He refuses to be civil with me. He's a racist, and I happen to have a boyfriend of a different race living with me now.

His attitude is affecting our children, especially the one still living with me. I want to be able to share the joy of our new grandkids and the successes of our children, and the dilemmas as well, but I can't. Should I confront him? Or should I just consider him "dead"? — Someone's Missing in Massachusetts

Dear Someone's Missing: I seriously doubt that "confronting" your ex-husband will work out well. You are a loving, enthusiastic parent and you do not need your ex's negative attitude putting a damper on your happiness.

Continue hosting these celebratory events, and extend invites to your ex if you wish. However, because of his racism, do not expect him to show up. That's a good thing, all things considered. Continue to dwell on the positive, and you and your children will all be happier.

DAYS GONE BY

From the East Oregonian

100 Years Ago May 18, 1921

A partial list of slackers from Oregon has been received by the East Oregonian from the war department, the list received being offered for publication May 16. The list received contains one name with a Umatilla county address. The list has been referred to County Clerk Brown, who was a member of the county draft board. The same action will be taken regarding subsequent lists received by this paper. After the list is complete and there has been full opportunity to check against possible mistakes or chances of injustice the slacker list for Umatilla county will be published.

50 Years Ago May 18, 1971

Armand O. Larive, superintendent of schools in Hermiston since July 1948, has submitted his resignation effective July 1. The resignation was received by the Hermiston School Board at its meeting Monday night.

Larive, 64, has ben ill about two weeks. He came to Hermiston from Wallowa, where he was the superintendent. Prior to that he was at Murdock, S.D. "We have no plans to leave here," Mrs. Larive said today. "This will give us time for things we haven't had time to do."

25 Years Ago May 18, 1996

With only a couple days before the Umatilla County voters take the first step in choosing who will be sheriff for the next four years, the three candidates — John Trumbo, Larry Rowan and incumbent Gordon Campbell — are going full bore. The stakes are admittedly high. Trumbo and Rowan, who have both had stints as the county's top law enforcement officer during the transition to Campbell's term, contend the future and credibility of the sheriff's department is in the balance. For Campbell, a victory means validation of a controversial style and philosophy that has faced opposition from a significant number of his deputies.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On May 18, 1896, the U.S. Supreme Court, in Plessy v. Ferguson, endorsed "separate but equal" racial segregation, a concept renounced 58 years later by Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka.

In 1642, the Canadian city of Montreal was founded by French colonists. (On this date in 1765, one-quarter of Montreal was destroyed by a fire.)

In 1652, Rhode Island became the first American colony to pass a law abolishing African slavery; however, the law was apparently never enforced.

In 1863, the Siege of Vicksburg began during the Civil War, ending July 4 with a Union victory.

In 1910, Halley's Comet passed by earth, brushing it with its tail.

In 1927, in America's deadliest school attack, part of a schoolhouse in Bath Township, Michigan, was blown up with explosives planted by local farmer Andrew Kehoe, who then set off a bomb in his truck; the attacks killed 38 children and six adults, including Kehoe, who'd earlier killed his wife. (Authorities said Kehoe, who suffered financial difficulties, was seeking revenge for losing a township clerk election.)

In 1944, during World War II, Allied forces occupied Monte Cassino in Italy after a four-month struggle with Axis troops.

In 1953, Jacqueline Cochran, 47, became the first woman to break the sound barrier as she piloted a Canadair F-86 Sabre jet over Rogers Dry Lake, California.

In 1973, Harvard law professor Archibald Cox was appointed Watergate special prosecutor by U.S. Attorney General Elliot Richardson.

In 1980, the Mount St. Helens volcano in Washington state exploded, leaving 57 people dead or missing.

In 1981, the New York Native, a gay newspaper, carried a story concerning rumors of "an exotic new disease" among homosexuals; it was the first published report about what came to be known as AIDS.

In 2015, President Barack Obama ended long-running federal transfers of some combat-style gear to local law enforcement in an attempt to ease tensions between police and minority communities, saying equipment made for the battlefield should not be a tool of American criminal

justice. Today's Birthdays: Actor Priscilla Pointer is 97. Baseball Hall of Famer Reggie Jackson is 75. Former Sen. Tom Udall, D-N.M., is 73. Rock singer Mark Mothersbaugh (Devo) is 71. Actor Chow Yun-Fat is 66. Comedian-writer Tina Fey is 51. Actor Spencer Breslin is 29. Actor Violett Beane is 25. Actor Hala Finley is 12.

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