PEANUTS









FOR BETTER OR WORSE











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DEAR ABBY

Musician in multiple bands complicates scheduling needs

Dear Abby: I am in a rock band with some friends. All of us are in our 50s and 60s. We have been playing together for the last three years. Last year, our bass player joined another band (while staying in ours) because another friend was in it, but they broke up because of COVID. Now that music venues are opening up again, he has joined yet another

I'm a loyal guy, and it bothers me that he doesn't seem as loyal to our band. He says he can easily do both, but for me, it causes booking issues because the other band will be blocking out dates that we might be able to book. I see no other conflicts. He even asked if I was interested in joining the other band, too, because he figured that if he can't be in two places at once, it might as well be both of us. Should we cut our losses

to us. — Rocking On in Texas Dear Rocking On: Because you feel that loyalty is paramount and your friend may have scheduling conflicts because of his participation with the other band(s), yes, he should be replaced with a musician you can

and replace him? Loyalty is really important

Dear Abby: I have a friend who feels a need to correct the behavior of others by writing letters. There are not too many businesses around town that haven't received one of her letters and, no doubt, others in her circle of friends have, too.

After a misunderstanding for which I



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apologized, I received one of them. Because she lacks understanding or the ability to forgive, a vitriolic diatribe came my way. In her letter, she related past "unfortunate (in her opinion) ill behaviors on my part for which I should be ashamed." Then she ended a friendship we had for many years without trying to mend the relationship. This is very hurtful for me, and I'm sure for others. How does one respond, if at all, to something like this? — **Suffering**

in Michigan

Dear Suffering: One does not respond. One copes by recognizing that the only person this unhappy woman is punishing is herself, as her circle of friends diminishes and businesses around town no longer welcome her.

Dear Abby: My wife recently asked me if she could take off her wedding ring in favor of wearing her mother's, which is much larger than the one I gave her. I regard it as a lack of respect for our marriage, which has been under a lot of stress for a long time. (No affairs.) I also view it as symbolic of how much she has financially sacrificed being married to me. What do you think? -Wondering in the East

Dear Wondering: I "think" you should tell your wife it would hurt you deeply if she follows through, and why. I also think the time has come for the two of you to talk about what is "stressing" your marriage with a licensed marriage and family therapist.

DAYS GONE BY

From the East Oregonian

100 Years Ago May 25, 1921

Twenty five hundred copies of Col. Charles Wellington Furlong's book "Let 'er Buck" were subscribed for at the Rotary Club luncheon today and this afternoon a committee from the Commercial Association is endeavoring to underwrite the sale of 10,000 copies by Pendleton people. At the Rotary luncheon Bond Bros. ordered 500 copies of the book and the Thompson drug stores 1000 copies. The other business men present subscribed personally for another 1000 copies. Under the plan offered by the publishers a discount is offered that makes the sale of the books a commercial proposition and the view is held that the desired 10,000 copies may be sold here to local people and to Round-Up visitors.

50 Years Ago May 25, 1971

A wall of water rolled over much of Heppner from two directions Tuesday. Damage in this latest flood was much more extensive than in any past floods sine 1934. Possibly the 1903 flood will be the only one to out-strip yesterday's rampage. People were warned by the flood siren about 30 minutes

before the water struck, or there would have been more damage. Cars were ordered moved off both Chase and Main streets to higher ground. People were told to evacuate the lowlands. The water came from cloud bursts on Willow Creek and Balm Fork, which meet southeast of the town. Shobe Canyon, which flooded only 23 months ago, sweeping over much of the city, carried about the same amount of water Tuesday.

25 Years Ago May 25, 1996

The Heppner High School choir practices in a supply closet. Shoved into a dim, narrow space, several girls huddle around a piano as a volunteer coaxes them to sing. A closed door is all that separates them from the blast of a saxophone, flute, electric guitar and a pair of trumpets in the high school band room. Yet another room contains three acoustic guitar players wedged into a practice area to strum chords. It's not the best situation, but it's the only one that works in a school that is trying to meet the musical needs of students in grades 7-12 who want to sing or play an instrument. Music lab is offered once a day and, some contend, is the last leg of a hobbled music program that is on

TODAY IN HISTORY

On May 25, 2020, George Floyd, a Black man, died when a white Minneapolis police officer pressed his knee on Floyd's neck for about 91/2 minutes while Floyd was handcuffed and pleading that he couldn't breathe; Floyd's death, captured on video by a bystander, would lead to worldwide protests, some of which turned violent, and a reexamination of racism and policing in the U.S.

In 1787, the Constitutional Convention began at the Pennsylvania State House (Independence Hall) in Philadelphia after enough delegates had shown up for a quorum.

In 1946, Transjordan (now Jordan) became a kingdom as it proclaimed its new monarch, Abdullah I.

In 1959, the U.S. Supreme Court, in State Athletic Commission v. Dorsey, struck down a Louisiana law

prohibiting interracial boxing matches. (The case had been brought by Joseph Dorsey Jr., a Black professional boxer.)

In 1964, the U.S. Supreme Court, in Griffin v. County School Board of Prince Edward County, ordered the Virginia county to reopen its public schools, which officials had closed in an attempt to circumvent the Supreme Court's 1954 Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka desegregation ruling.

In 1977, the first "Star Wars" film (later retitled "Star Wars: Episode IV — A New Hope") was released by 20th Century Fox.

In 1992, Jay Leno made his debut as host of NBC's "Tonight Show," succeeding Johnny Carson.

In 2008, NASA's Phoenix Mars Lander arrived on the Red Planet to begin searching for evidence of water; the spacecraft confirmed the presence of water ice at its landing site.

In 2018, Harvey Weinstein was charged in New York with rape and another sex felony in the first prosecution to result from the wave of allegations against him; the once-powerful movie producer turned himself in to face the charges and was released on \$1 million bail after a court appearance. (Weinstein was convicted of rape and sexual assault; he is serving a 23-year prison

sentence.) Today's Birthdays: Actor Ann Robinson is 92. Country singer Jessi Colter is 78. Movie director and Muppeteer Frank Oz is 77. Actor Patti D'Arbanville is 70. Playwright Eve Ensler is 68. Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., is 61. Actor-comedian Mike Myers is 58. Actor Octavia Spencer is 51. Actor Molly Sims is 48.

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