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FOR BETTER OR WORSE











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IF I RESCUE





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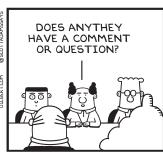






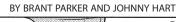
DILBERT







THE WIZARD OF ID





APPARENTLY BERNICE KISSED A GUY. SOMEONE REALLY! SPILL THE NAMED NIL?







BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN





DEAR ABBY

Friend deflects unwanted questions by lying

Dear Abby: I went to lunch with "Anita," who proceeded to question me about how I know my friend "Gail." It seems like an innocent question, but Gail and I met in Alcoholics Anonymous. I didn't tell Anita we met in AA because it would've destroyed Gail's anonymity, so I said we met through mutual friends.

I didn't mind one question, but Anita kept probing about "mutual friends." I wound up fibbing and

saying, "folks at my church." It managed to change the direction of the conversation, but I wish people wouldn't pry like that. This also happens when I'm at a party and someone asks me why I'm not drinking. It's easy to respond to one question with a general answer, but a lot of times I encounter folks who keep pushing.

I would like to encourage your readers to be sensitive to these kinds of situations and to allow people their privacy. Thanks, Abby. -Anonymous and Sober in the South

Dear Anonymous: So would I, and you're welcome. There is no shortage of nosy questions that people don't hesitate to ask these days, as anyone who has read this column is aware. However, to many people, membership in AA is a badge of honor. When "pushed" to answer why they are not drinking alcohol they are upfront about the fact they are in AA. Of course, one does not have to have a drinking problem to avoid alcohol. Some people refrain because they don't feel well when they drink; others do it because they are taking antibiotics or want to live a

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healthier lifestyle. The bottom line is, you do not have to answer every question that's asked of you.

Dear Abby: When my husband of 19 years died suddenly 15 months ago (we had no children), my financial situation changed considerably. I have had trouble paying bills, and my water was turned off this morning. When I told my siblings and their families, their answers ranged from "I can't help you" to "Gee, that sucks!" to "Come have meatloaf for

dinner."

My niece, who is financially well-off, commented that it sucked. I told them all that I have no water. I do have a five-day-a-week job. I just don't have a lot of money because of so many things that have happened. I'll have the money in a week or so, but I can't live without water for that long.

Is it wrong to want them to offer to help me? Am I expecting too much? If the situation were reversed, I would offer help immediately. — In A Tough Spot in Kentucky

Dear Tough Spot: Please accept my deepest sympathy for the loss of your husband. No, it's not wrong to want your relatives to offer to help you out with a bridge loan until the money you're expecting arrives. However, because they didn't offer, ask them for one, and be willing to sign a note if they wish. Then cross your fingers that one of them agrees. If none of them do, approach your employer and ask for an advance on your salary, or contact the water company and ask if you can strike a deal. I wish you

DAYS GONE BY

From the East Oregonian

100 Years Ago June 1, 1921

And now it is the porcupines that have joined the ranks of the Knights of the Road. It seems that a travel-stained porcupine, quills and all, rode the breaks to Pendleton on the Spokane train recently. He seemed to be a novice at the ancient game of beating the railroad and was suffering from carsickness to such an extent that the railroad boys took him over to Section Foreman Nordeen's yards and gave him every care. The porc showed every sign of adopting Pendleton as his home city until a train from the east arrived. The animal, without so much as a word of farewell, sauntered out to the train, climbed beneath the cars and was off for parts unknown.

50 Years Ago June 1, 1971

The Raymond Brown family of Comanche, Okla., visited in Pendleton Monday night and Tuesday as guests of the Oregon Travel Industry Conference and the State Travel Information Section. Mr. and Mrs. teenage sons received their 12-day Oregon Basin spring chinook.

vacation as winners in the "10 Perfect Vacations" program organized by Discover America Travel Organizations Inc. Through this nationwide travel promotion program, two vacations are awarded in each of the 50 states. Brown, a cattleman in Oklahoma, was particularly interested in some of Oregon's cattle operations.

25 Years Ago June 1, 1996

For the last four years, the tribes and the federal and state governments have been at odds about salmon restoration in the Grande Ronde Basin. The crux of the argument surrounds a composite, hatchery-raised stock of spring chinook labeled "Rapid River," whose origins are the Powder River Basin north of Baker. Basically, without a stream to call home for some 40 years, the genetically mixed stock is returning in abundant numbers to Lookingglass Hatchery near Elgin. The Confederated Umatilla Tribes, with the support of the three other Columbia River Tribes, want to use these fish to sup Brown, their 11-year-old daughter and two ment the natural, but limited, Grande Ronde

TODAY IN HISTORY

On June 1, 2009, General Motors filed for Chapter 11, becoming the largest U.S. industrial company to enter bankruptcy protection.

In 1792, Kentucky became the 15th state.

In 1796, Tennessee became the 16th state.

In 1812, President James Madison, in a message to Congress, recounted what he called Britain's "series of acts hostile to the United States as an independent and neutral nation"; Congress ended up declaring war.

In 1813, the mortally wounded commander of the USS Chesapeake, Capt. James Lawrence, gave the order "Don't give up the ship" during a losing battle with the British frigate HMS Shannon in the War of 1812.

In 1916, Louis Brandeis took his seat as an associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, the first Jewish American to serve on the nation's highest bench.

In 1943, a civilian flight from Portugal to England was shot down by Germany during World War II, killing all 17 people aboard, includ-

ing actor Leslie Howard. In 1958, Charles de Gaulle became premier of France, marking the beginning of the end of the Fourth Republic.

In 1980, Cable News Network made its debut.

In 2003, leaders of the world's seven wealthiest nations and Russia pledged billions of dollars to fight AIDS and hunger on the opening day of their summit in Evian, France.

In 2009, Air France Flight 447, an Airbus A330 carrying 228 people from Rio de Janeiro to Paris, crashed into the Atlantic Ocean with the

loss of everyone on board. In 2017, President Donald Trump declared he would pull the U.S. from the landmark Paris climate agreement. (President Joe Biden signed an order returning the U.S. to that accord on his first

day in office.) Today's Birthdays: Singer Pat Boone is 87. Actor Morgan Freeman is 84. Opera singer Frederica von Stade is 76. Actor John M. Jackson (TV: "JAG," "NCIS: Los Angeles") is 71. Bluesrock musician Tom Principato is 69. Rock musician Simon Gallup (The Cure) is 61. Actor-comedian Mark Curry is 60. Comedian Link Neal (Rhett & Link) is 43. Americana singer-songwriter Brandi Carlile is 40. Actor Johnny Pemberton is 40.

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