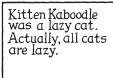
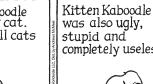
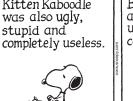
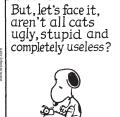
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BY CHARLES M. SCHULZ

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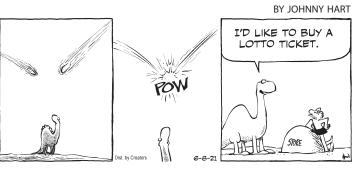








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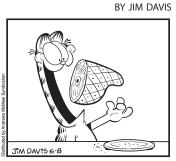




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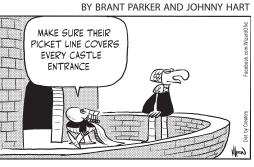
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BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN SEEP IT FOUND ALREADY:

DEAR ABBY

Man fed up with proselytizing in-laws

Dear Abby: I am having trouble dealing with my wife's extended family, who are mostly evangelicals. My family isn't overly religious and some are atheists. Her family doesn't think twice about asking me if I have a relationship with God, and have even declared that they are praying for me and my children.

I chafe at these comments because I feel they do not respect our religious beliefs, as I do theirs.

This has been going on for all of the 40 years we've been married, and I'm ready to disassociate from them altogether. I do not want to be negative about their beliefs, but I should be entitled to mutual respect. Can you help, please? — Losing Patience in California

Dear Losing: I can try. One of the tenets of the faith of evangelicals is evangelizing — in other words, spreading the word about their beliefs. They feel that by doing this they are following their religion. When you are asked whether you have a relationship with God, your response should be that your relationship with God is as close as you need it to be, thank you — and please do not ask again.

When they tell you they are praying for you and your children, say thank you again. A little prayer on our behalf hurts no one, and may make them feel better about their own lives. Limit your exposure if you must, but shunning your in-laws isn't the answer if your wife wants to maintain a relationship with them.



JEANNE PHILLIPS ADVICE

Dear Abby: My ex-husband had an affair with a woman named "Lily" that lasted for the entire year we were separated. Although we tried to work on things, he continued to sleep with both of us. I got PTSD because of how bad it messed with my head. I wanted to keep my family together, but I was tired of being hurt.

When I finally let go, so did Lily. She got engaged not long after meeting her new boyfriend, but she

and my ex still slept together. He had four relationships after her and kept trying to pursue me, but I didn't give him any more chances and met my now-husband.

After cheating in their subsequent relationships, my ex and Lily got back together. (She moved in because her fiance kicked her out.) Eight months later they are now engaged. I don't feel safe with my son around them because they are so toxic. Am I wrong for wishing they would separate again and both stay out of my life? It's affecting me emotionally again, as well as making it hard for me to love. — Almost **Destroyed in Illinois**

Dear Almost Destroyed: You are spending too much time focused on your ex and his fiancee. They are birds of a feather and meant for each other. Because you are unable to eliminate your ex from your life - I presume because of the child you share - and the stress is affecting your mental health, it's time to consult a licensed mental health professional for help in insulating yourself from this toxic twosome.

DAYS GONE BY FROM THE EAST OREGONIAN

100 Years Ago June 8, 1921

The more conservative element of the population of Echo is not unduly excited over the reported strike of gold and silver in paying quantities on a homestead about 12 miles west of here. A good many claims have been staked, but so far as could be learned here today, no one has seen the mine from which specimens of ore were take where the rich strike is supposed to have been made. It is rumored that one of the principals in the present rush figured in an episode of the same kind a few years ago when on the strength of samples taken he secured quite a sum of money for development purposes. The mine never showed any profit.

50 Years Ago June 8, 1971

Mayor A.L. Draper of Umatilla escalated himself into the mayorality hall of fame in recent years by banning the sale of Playboy magazine within his city. Then he tangled head-on with state officials on the city's role in dog control. Monday night in the Umatilla City Council meeting he opened a new can of worms. Stray cattle wandering into Umatilla will be herded into a city-built cat-

tle corral near the cemetery on the southwest edge of town. Ownership of cattle will have to be proven to the city's police department before the cattle will be released. According to the city, the owners of the cattle will sweeten the city's coffers with cash for violating the city's stray livestock ordinance.

25 Years Ago June 8, 1996

With the sun beating down, building a playground is real work. But building the Funland Community Playgrounds has its unique attractions, like a visit from "The Cool Off Committee." That would be Carol Clupny, who comes around periodically to blast you in the face or neck with a squirt gun, with your permission of course. Another woman offered sun block, and Rose Stephens, 11, walked around with a tray of cold drinks. Building a 13,000-square-foot playground in five days, using volunteers, takes much local planning and the expertise of Leathers & Associates, a firm that has built more than 1,000 of them around the world in the style of old-fashioned barn rais ings. But even the construction supervisors say Hermiston's project is a whopper compared to most others they've built.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On June 8, 1968, authorities announced the capture in London of James Earl Ray, the suspected assassin of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

In 1864, Abraham Lincoln was nominated for another term as president during the National Union (Republican) Party's convention in Baltimore.

In 1953, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled unanimously that restaurants in the District of Columbia could not refuse to serve Blacks.

In 1962, 20th Century Fox fired Marilyn Monroe from its production "Something's Got to Give," saying she was unreliable. (Fox later changed its mind, but Monroe died before filming could resume, and the movie was abandoned.) In 1972, during the Viet-

nam War, an Associated Press photographer took a picture of a screaming 9-year-old girl, Phan Thi Kim Phuc, as she ran naked and severely burned from the scene of a South Vietnamese napalm attack.

In 1978, a jury in Clark County, Nevada, ruled the so-called "Mormon will," purportedly written by the late billionaire Howard Hughes, was a forgery.

In 1995, U.S. Marines rescued Capt. Scott O'Grady, whose F-16C fighter jet had been shot down by Bosnian Serbs on June 2. Mickey Mantle received a liver transplant at a Dallas hospital; however,

the baseball great died two months later.

In 2015, siding with the White House in a foreign-policy power struggle with Congress, the Supreme Court ruled 6-3 that Americans born in the disputed city of Jerusalem could not list Israel as their birthplace on passports.

Today's **Birthdays:** Actor Millicent Martin is 87. Musician Boz Scaggs is 77. Author Sara Paretsky is 74. Actor Griffin Dunne is 66. "Dilbert" creator Scott Adams is 64. Actor-director Keenen Ivory Wayans is 63. Musician Nick Rhodes (Duran Duran) is 59. R&B singer Doris Pearson (Five Star) is 55. Actor Julianna Margulies is 54. Actor Dan Futterman is 54.

> BY DANA SIMPSON Unicorns know how to deal with awkward

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PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN









