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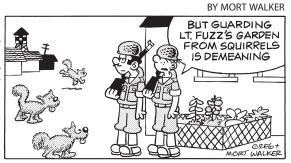




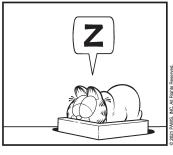


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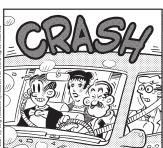


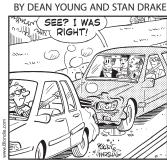




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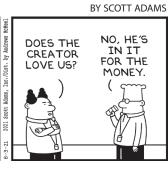




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THE WIZARD OF ID







LUANN IN THE YOUTUBE VIDEO THE STYLIST SAYS, "SO UH - WELL, MY DATE TONIGHT FOR OUR NEW 'DO. HON? A PONYTAIL?







DEAR ABBY

Diabetic's monitor is more than an office annoyance

Dear Abby: "Disturbed in Texas" (June 5) was annoyed by the sound of a diabetic co-worker's "beeper" going off frequently. "Disturbed" may not fully understand this situation. The "beeper" is a continuous glucose monitor (CGM), which alerts insulin-dependent diabetics to any blood sugar levels that are out of range. Swift action may be required to correct these blood sugars, and it's vital that the diabetic receive these alerts.

Yes, if possible, the CGM should be put on vibrate in public settings so as not to disturb others. But in some situations, it's not possible or wise. Neuropathy can dull sensations, and an active environment may make the vibrations undetectable. I wonder about the frequency of these beeps as well. In my experience, alarms go off an average of two to five times in a 24-hour period just a few short beeps that can be canceled when the diabetic is made aware of the need to treat their glucose.

In my opinion, this is no more annoying than many office interruptions — watercooler gossip, phones ringing in the next cubicle, someone next door with an active cold, etc. Insulin-dependent diabetes is an unrelenting disease. There are no breaks. (I know this firsthand. I care for a Type 1 diabetic child who is not yet old enough to appropriately respond to alarms.)

One should not use their diabetes as an excuse to annoy others but, on the other

Jeanne **PHILLIPS** ADVICE

hand, people with diabetes - and other chronic diseases - need a little understanding, too. Life can get very hard. Sometimes the best way to achieve understanding is to educate, which I'm hoping to do with this submission. Thanks, Abby. **Sensitive in South Dakota**

Dear Sensitive: No, dear reader, thank you for taking the time to explain this to me and my readers. I now have a better understanding about how complicated a process managing diabetes can be. And I

agree that sometimes it's important to cut a little slack for others.

Dear Abby: Every year I have a garage sale. I have a good friend who without fail not only doesn't help but expects to place her stuff in the sale. I am then responsible for keeping track of her items and paying her at the end. Sometimes she has put big-ticket items, like a boat, in the sale and I have to call her whenever there's a lower offer. How do I tell her to have her own garage sale without causing hurt feelings? — Unloading in Michigan

Dear Unloading: Your friend has a lot of nerve. Tell her that unless she's willing to help you with the yard sale and keep track of her own items, she should hold one of her own. Alternatively, suggest you will take a percentage of the money her items bring in - to compensate you for your work, which is significant. Do not worry about hurting her feelings. She has a thick hide.

DAYS GONE BY

From the East Oregonian

100 Years Ago Aug. 3, 1921

The railroad fare from Poughkeepsie, N.Y., to Portland is quite a few sheckles, but Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robarge left Pendleton today, and the total of their fares so far has been kept to \$5. They are on a hike from New York City to Portland and from there they will go to Bend. Mr. Robarge is an ex-service man, and before entering the service, he had proved up on a homestead claim near Bend. After receiving his discharge from the service, he received vocational training. That completed, he and his wife decided to "hike" across the continent. They started July 2 and the end of their journey is in sight.

50 Years Ago Aug. 3, 1971

With the area's employment situation for teen-agers leaving much to be desired, two Hermiston Junior High School students, Harry and Jim Bresnahan, decided to do something on their own two years ago. They are enthusiastic young gardeners, raising almost every kind of berry and vegetable imaginable. They have been able to tuck a goodly sum in the bank during the summer months. One of the

and hear a pleasant-sounding voice saying: "Hi, this is Jimmie." No need to ask: "Jimmie who." From then on, vegetable lovers can plan on a bountiful supply of goodies right through September. The youths admitted to just one crop failure. Last year they experimented with turnips, but the worms got to them before Jimmie and Harry.

25 Years Ago Aug. 3, 1996

If you look closely you can almost see the footprints of more than 100 children running, walking and crawling through the worn linoleum floors of Glenola Edwards' yellow farm house. "This house is lived in," says Edwards, 55, as she points to a bathroom door in need of molding and a bedroom ceiling poked with holes. For the past 20 years Edwards and her husband, Vernon, have provided children scarred from abuse and neglect a temporary refuge from an otherwise tough world. Edwards is prepared to pull out the Kleenex when the pig-tailed little girl who calls her "mama" steps out the door next month. But she's also ready for a little rest and relaxation after caring for some of society's most troubled children, while raising four of her own.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On Aug. 3, 1936, Jesse Owens of the United States won the first of his four gold medals at the Berlin Olympics as he took the 100-meter sprint.

1914, Germany In declared war on France at the onset of World War I.

In 1949, the National Basketball Association was formed as a merger of the Basketball Association of America and the National Basketball League.

In 1966, comedian Lenny Bruce, whose raunchy brand of satire and dark humor landed him in trouble with the law, was found dead in his Los Angeles home; he was 40.

In 1981, U.S. air traffic controllers went on strike, despite a warning from President Ronald Reagan they would be fired, which they were.

In 1993, the Senate voted

96-to-3 to confirm Supreme Court nominee Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

In 1994, Arkansas carried out the nation's first triple execution in 32 years. Stephen G. Breyer was sworn in as the Supreme Court's newest justice in a private ceremony at Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist's Vermont summer home.

In 2005, 14 Marines from a Reserve unit in Ohio were killed in a roadside bombing in Iraq

In 2018, Las Vegas police said they were closing their investigation into the Oct. 1 shooting that left 58 people dead at a country music festival without a definitive answer for why Stephen Paddock unleashed gunfire from a hotel suite onto the concert crowd.

In 2019, a gunman opened fire at a Walmart store in El Paso, Texas, leaving 22 people dead; prosecutors said Patrick Crusius targeted Mexicans in hopes of scaring Latinos into leaving the U.S., and that he had outlined the plot in a screed published online shortly before the attack. (A man who was wounded in the shooting died in April 2020 after months in the hospital, raising the death toll to 23. Crusius has pleaded not guilty to state murder charges; he also faces federal hate crime and gun charges.)

Today's Birthdays: Lifestyle guru Martha Stewart is 80. Singer Beverly Lee (The Shirelles) is 80. Rock singer-musician Lee Rocker (The Stray Cats) is 60. Hip-hop artist Spinderella (Salt-N-Pepa) is 50. Actor Brigid Brannagh is 49. Actor Evangeline Lilly is 42. Actor Tanya Fischer is 36. Pop-rock musician Brent Kutzle (OneRepublic) is 36.

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