

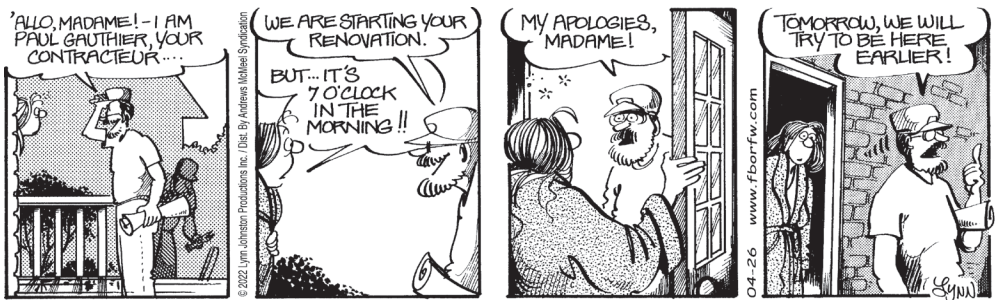
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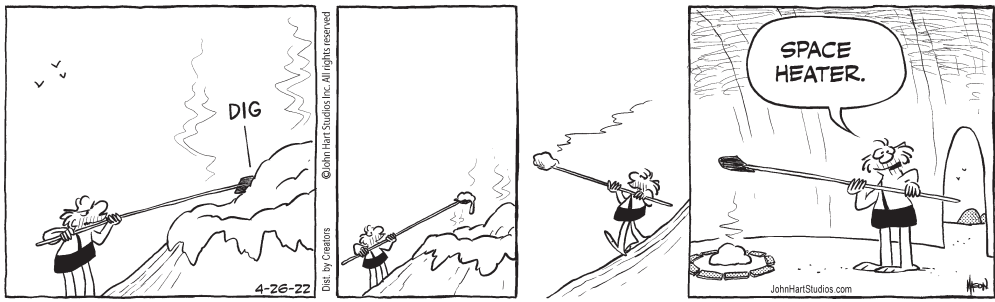
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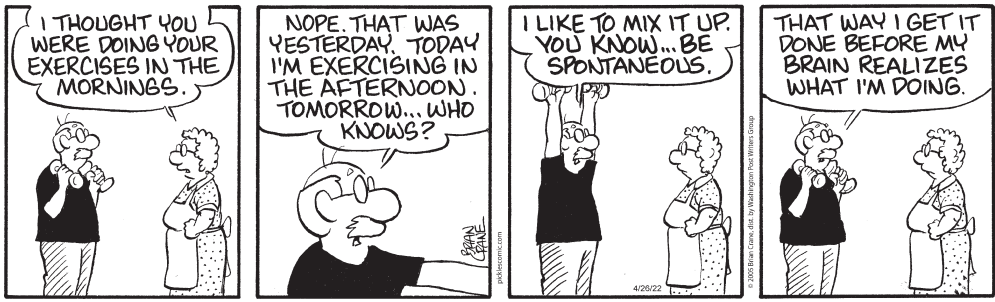
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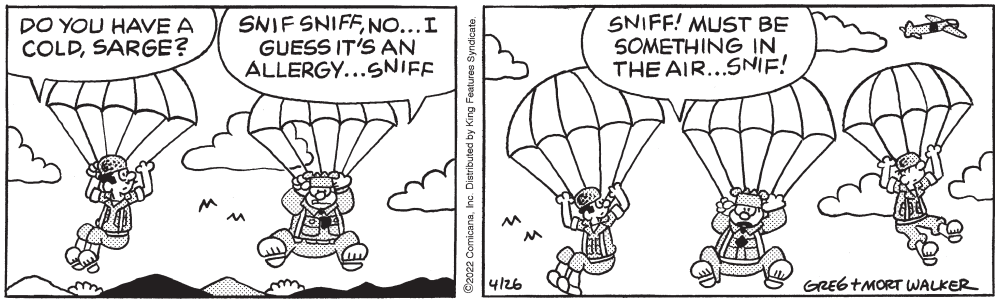
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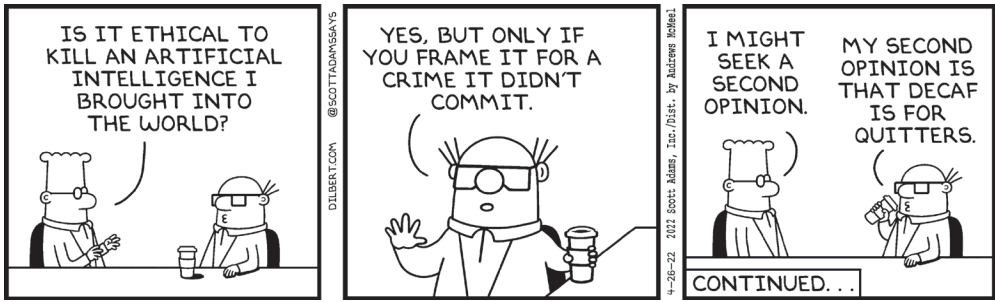
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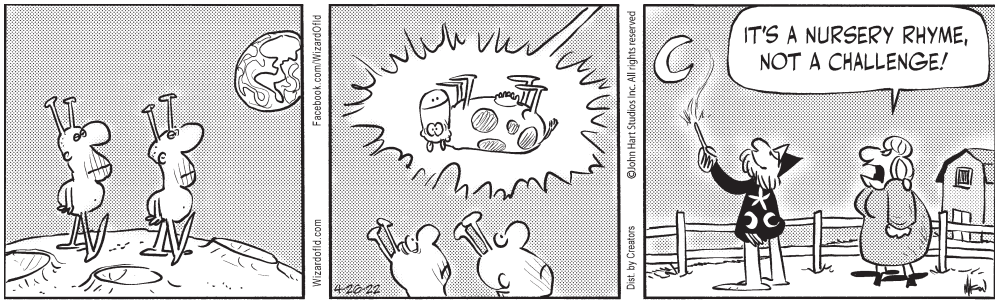
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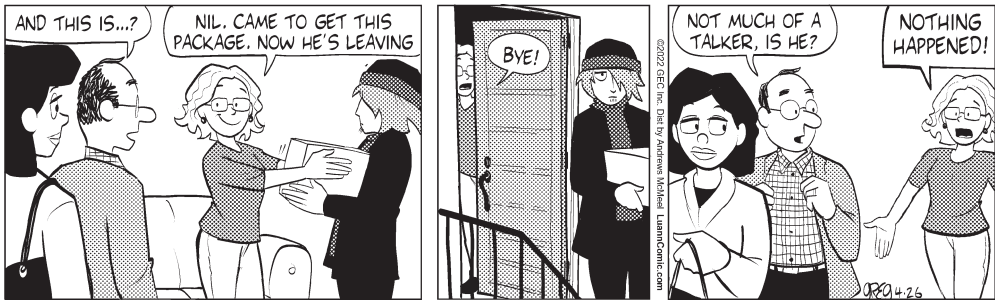
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DEAR ABBY

Teen struggles after his family's move recently



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Dear Abby: Because of frustration with our state's substantial COVID restrictions and our teen son's struggles with remote learning, we moved to another state. At the time, our son was excited to move. However, we are now nearly through the school year and he still hasn't made new friends. He's depressed and wants to move back.

one's mental health, and while it might benefit your son to learn to adapt, he might do better academically if you put him in a friendlier environment.

Dear Abby: I have two grown sons who are 13 months apart. The younger, age 44, constantly and viciously degrades his brother in text messages. His anger level is so high that on Christmas Eve two years ago, while he was visiting from a neighboring state with his wife, he declared, "F--- this family!" and stalked out.

Since then, his wife has divorced him, he's been rear-ended in a car wreck due to road rage, lost his job and alienated himself from our family. Online research I've done indicates he's narcissistic. Last month, I texted him my concern that he'd walked off his job, which unleashed an angry tirade against his brother and me.

Everything is our fault, and he bad-mouths his ex-wife mercilessly. He's an adult, so I can't force him to seek mental health help. Is there anything I can do? — Worn Out In Wyoming

He plays a sport and has a part-time job, but neither have helped. My husband and I love it here. In fact, our son loves everything except his lack of a social life.

We work from home, so it would be an option for us to temporarily return so he can finish his remaining two years of high school in our original state. He has always been very social, so we are surprised he hasn't made new friends. Should we push him to keep trying? Or is moving back for two years the best for his (and our) mental well-being? — Wants The Best For Him

Dear Wants: Moving during one's teens isn't easy, particularly because cliques have already formed. Before packing your bags, talk with your son's teachers and counselors about why he has had problems integrating there. They may be able to offer some important insight.

However, if they cannot do that and you are prepared to make the move when the school term is over, do it. Being treated as an outcast isn't good for any-

Dear Worn Out: Your son is deeply troubled, and for that you have my sympathy. For the sake of your own mental health, I strongly recommend you consult a licensed mental health professional. You can't diagnose your son's problem, and neither can I. You also cannot force him into therapy before he's ready to admit that he needs it. Please don't wait to do this. I know you are hurting.

DAYS GONE BY

100 years ago — 1922

James H. Raley, of Pendleton, Democratic candidate for the honorable office of senator of the twenty-first district of Oregon, visited Milton on Friday in order to become acquainted with the people and learn as near as possible of their needs and opinions regarding both tickets now before them. It is, of course, unnecessary to state that Mr. Raley found a united and independent people, a people with one thought and one purpose first and uppermost in their minds — division. He found them ready and willing to accept with gratitude any measure which might assure Eastern Umatilla of her rights with due regard for the interests of Pendleton, and found, too, that could this simple but everlasting question be amicably disposed of Umatilla county would roll up such a Democratic majority next June as she never has before.

within his budget. Now, he and BMCC chemistry instructor Ron Nohr are preparing a paper to be presented to a chemical journal with the feeling that industrial concerns might be interested in Bascomb's design. "It is impressive when you consider the cost, compactness and simplicity in relation to its function," Nohr said. Bascomb, an A student in electronics, did not need the class, but took it as an elective. He readily admits that he had to cut some corners to stay within the budget.

25 years ago — 1997

Before long, pedestrians will be able to walk under the 10th Street bridge, although the river may get in the way once in a while. The city Planning Commission recently gave its blessing to the plan by approving a flood-zone development permit. At this point, the river parkway suffers from a lack of access to the riverbank. The underpass will enhance access to the river, as well as connecting two stretches of the walkway. Construction is scheduled for this summer. According to the permit, the city will be required to not put in more material than they excavate during the development. You don't want to put in more than you take out. If you do that you end up with more flooding than would naturally occur.

50 years ago — 1972

Jack Bascomb, Pendleton, was given \$15 from Blue Mountain Community College to build an integrator, an electric device that normally costs between \$500 and \$3,000. It took four months, but Bascomb, a sophomore at the college, finally got his personally-designed integrator to work. And he stayed

TODAY IN HISTORY

On April 26, 1986, an explosion and fire at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant in Ukraine caused radioactive fallout to begin spewing into the atmosphere. (Dozens of people were killed in the immediate aftermath of the disaster while the long-term death toll from radiation poisoning is believed to number in the thousands.)

Port Royal, Virginia, and killed.

In 1913, Mary Phagan, a 13-year-old worker at a Georgia pencil factory, was strangled; Leo Frank, the factory superintendent, was convicted of her murder and sentenced to death. (Frank's death sentence was commuted, but he was lynched by an anti-Semitic mob in 1915.)

In 1977, the nightclub Studio 54 had its opening night in New York.

In 2000, Vermont Gov. Howard Dean signed the nation's first bill allowing same-sex couples to form civil unions.

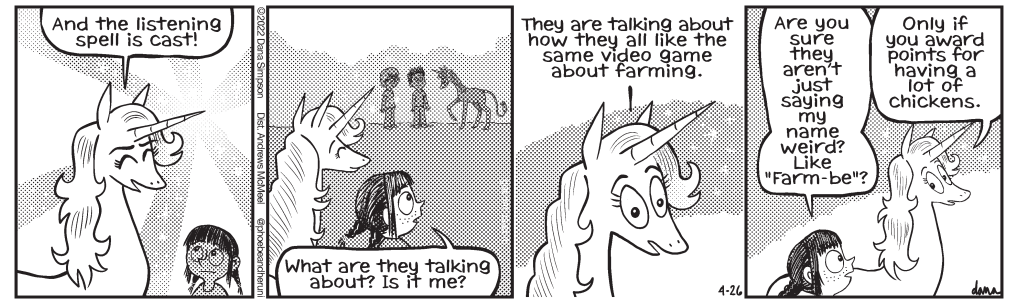
In 2009, the United States declared a public health emergency as more possible cases of swine flu

surfaced from Canada to New Zealand; officials in Mexico City closed everything from concerts to sports matches to churches in an effort to stem the spread of the virus.

In 2018, comedian Bill Cosby was convicted of drugging and molesting Temple University employee Andrea Constand at his suburban Philadelphia mansion in 2004. (Cosby was later sentenced to three to 10 years in prison, but Pennsylvania's highest court threw out the conviction and released him from prison in June 2021, ruling that the prosecutor in the case was bound by his predecessor's agreement not to charge Cosby.)

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

