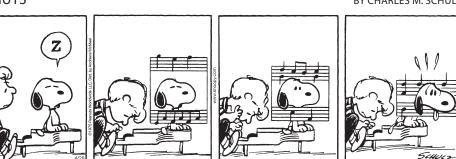
PEANUTS



BY CHARLES M. SCHULZ



FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE







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BY MASTROIANNI AND HART



PICKLES

BOUGHT A REPAIR KIT TO FIX YOUR GLASGES.

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GOOD!

IT COMES WITH TINY LITTLE SCREWS AND A TINY LITTLE COREWDRINER.





BEETLE BAILEY

BY MORT WALKER



GARFIELD

COMBINE TOFU, SPINACH AND KALE. MIX WELL..



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BY DEAN YOUNG AND JOHN MARSHALL

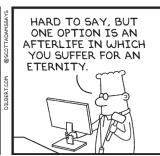


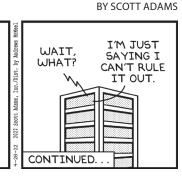




DILBERT

WHAT HAPPENS TO MY CONSCIOUSNESS AFTER YOU DESTROY MY SOURCE CODE?





THE WIZARD OF ID

BY PARKER AND HART



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BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN





DEAR ABBY

Widower doubts whether intimacy can occur again

Dear Abby: My wife of 41 years passed away four years ago. I'm in my mid-60s. I have sought grief counseling to fully process her loss. The counselor has encouraged me to maintain and expand my peer relationships. The counselor has also encouraged dating, which I have tried, but no romances have resulted.

My wife was diagnosed with bipolar type 2 mental disorder,

which progressed the longer she lived. When she died, I was glad she no longer had to suffer with her mental illness. With the onset of menopause and the bipolar, her libido had dropped dramatically. The counselor has assured me that if romance develops, sexual relations can happen with women my age.

Because of my religious convictions, I will not have sexual relations before marriage. My question concerns a woman's desire for sexual relations at this stage of life. Are sexual relations something that can be mutually enjoyed, or just a requirement of marriage? — Wondering

Dear Wondering: Allow me to put your concerns to rest. Seniors are not clones of each other. Some enjoy sex into their 80s; others do not. If both partners are comfortable with their bodies and willing to accommodate the inevitable changes that come as their bodies age, they can enjoy sex as much as couples who are younger.



JEANNE PHILLIPS ADVICE

While your religious beliefs may not allow you to have sex before marriage, there is no reason why the subject can't be honestly discussed.

Dear Abby: My daughter asked if her girlfriend could stay with us until the two of them move out in a month. To help them out, my husband and I agreed. The problem is, the girlfriend is very insecure about her weight. She's on the heavier side,

and my daughter's weight is average. I don't want her to feel uncomfortable around us because I watch what I eat. Advice? — Weighty Issue In Washington

Dear Weighty Issue: Ask your daughter if mentioning these topics makes her girlfriend uncomfortable. Until she leaves, refrain from discussing topics that make her uncomfortable in her presence.

Dear Abby: I am 60 and disabled. I desperately would like a dog. Working at a shelter isn't an option. I added up all the pluses and minuses, and the minuses were more plentiful. HOWEVER, the pluses are SO tempting.

Logically, I know it would not be fair to either of us. Any advice? — Nurturer In New York

Dear Nurturer: Rescue a dog who needs nurturing as much as you do. Adopt an older one from an animal rescue, and you may save two lives at once. That said, it's important you discuss those pluses and minuses with a veterinarian and take out pet insurance.

DAYS GONE BY

100 years ago — 1922

The Milton Eagle announces that it is determined to not print anything but the strict truth regarding any candidate during the campaign. This is not only right, but good policy, too. The East Oregonian long ago adopted that rule. While it is for the Democratic ticket, it has a host of intelligent Republican readers who, however they differ from us politically, have learned that whenever the East Oregonian publishes any specific statement regarding a candidate, its truth can be implicitly relied upon.

50 years — 1972

From the outside the new Burger Shoppe in south Pendleton doesn't look big enough to even have a grill to fry its hamburgers. And it isn't. "All of our hamburgers are cooked in compact microwave ovens," said the establishment's manager, Bob Peickert, Pendleton. He said that is why he can put all of the equipment needed for a hamburger stand into an eight by ten foot building. The Burger Shoppe, the first of the nationwide chain in Eastern Oregon, opened two weeks ago. "The pace of the world is getting faster and everything has to keep up," said Peickert. "And the microwave oven is fast and clean." The oven works on the same principle as a police radar system, Peickert

said. Beams are reflected off the oven walls and pass through the material to be cooked. As the beam passes through it rearranges the molecular structure just as heat from a standard oven would. He said if a person were to put a hand in the oven while it was still on the hand would be severely damaged because the beams would rearrange its molecules just as it would a hamburger.

25 years ago — 1997

The skies have been stormy of late, but the future looks bright for the Tamustalik Cultural Institute. Not only is construction at the museum and cultural center progressing three months ahead of schedule, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation just received a \$275,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture for the landmark project. And tribal officials are even planning to invite President Bill Clinton to the grand opening, scheduled for May 1998. The institute will include interpretive exhibits, an auditorium, gift shop and cafe for visitors as well as space for artifact storage, classrooms and administrative offices. Consid ered the "crown jewel" of the resort, which will eventually include an RV park as well as a golf course that's nearly complete, Tamustalik is expected to create 35 jobs.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On April 28, 1994, former CIA official Aldrich Ames, who had passed U.S. secrets to the Soviet Union and then Russia, pleaded guilty to espionage and tax evasion, and was sentenced to life in prison without parole.

In 1788, Maryland became the seventh state to ratify the Constitution of the United States.

In 1952, war with Japan officially ended as a treaty signed in San Francisco the year before took effect. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower resigned as Supreme Allied commander in Europe; he was succeeded by Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway.

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson or-

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

dered U.S. Marines to the Dominican Republic to protect American citizens and interests in the face of a civil war.

In 1980, President Jimmy Carter accepted the resignation of Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance, who had opposed the failed rescue mission aimed at freeing American hostages in Iran. (Vance was succeeded by Edmund Muskie.)

In 2001, a Russian rocket lifted off from Central Asia bearing the first space tourist, California businessman Dennis Tito, and two cosmonauts on a journey to the international space station.

In 2011, convicted sex offender Phillip Garrido and his wife, Nancy, pleaded guilty to kidnapping and raping a California girl, Jaycee Dugard, who was abducted in 1991 at the age of 11 and rescued 18 years later. (Phillip Garrido was sentenced to 431 years to life in prison; Nancy Garrido was sentenced to 36 years to life in prison.)

In 2015, urging Americans to "do some soulsearching," President Barack Obama expressed deep frustration over recurring Black deaths at the hands of police, rioters who responded with senseless violence and a society that would only "feign concern" without addressing the root causes.

BY DANA SIMPSON









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