

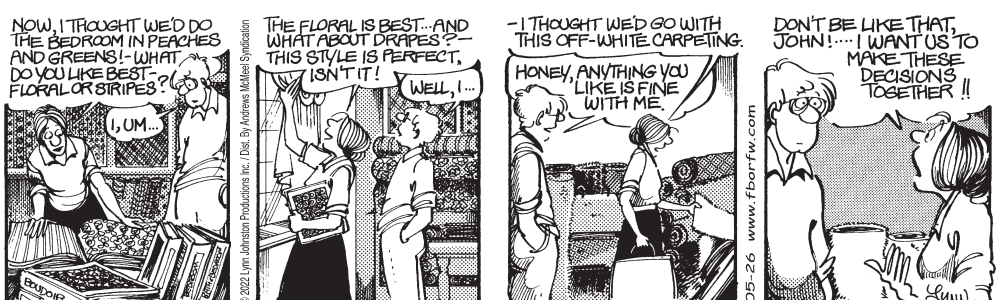
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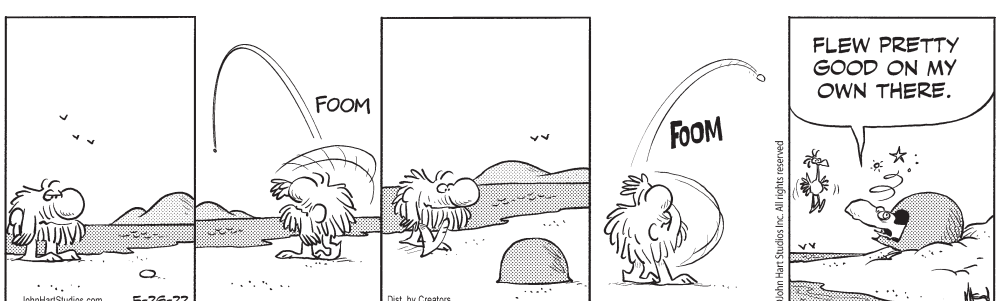
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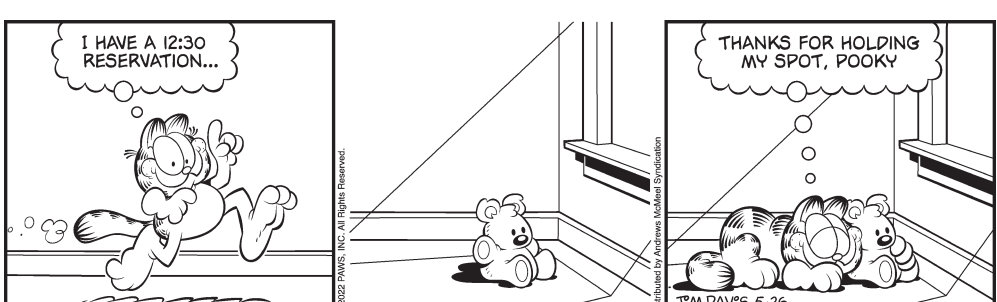
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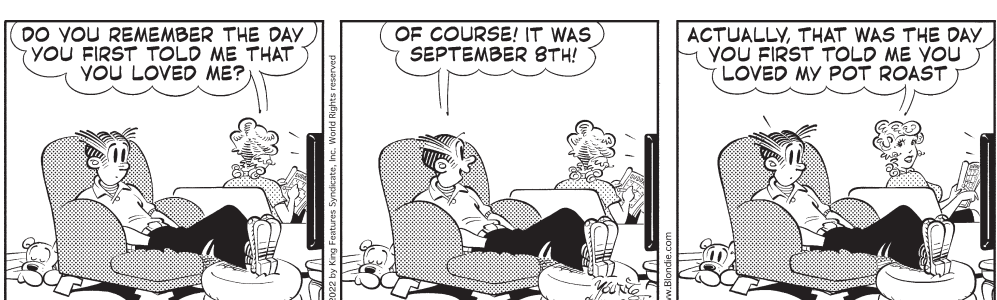
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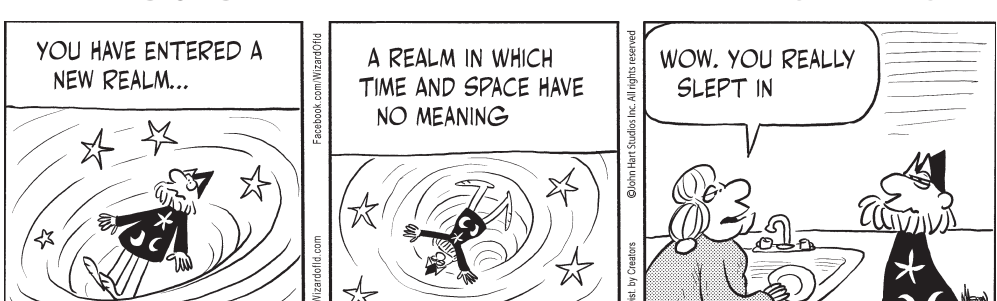
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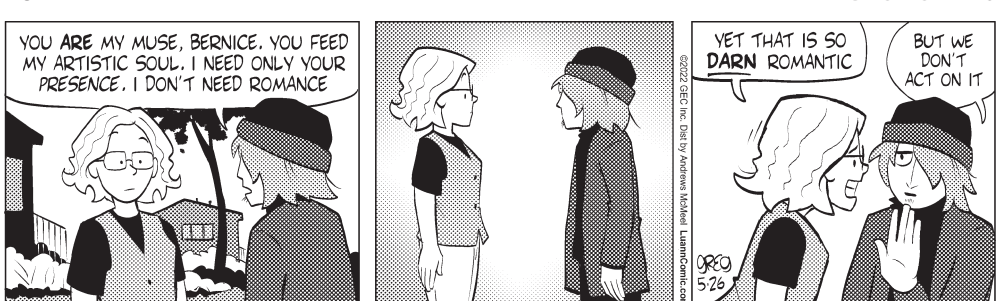
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DEAR ABBY

Mother pretends that abuse never happened



JEANNE PHILLIPS ADVICE

Dear Abby: One of my siblings was abused as a child. In turn, he abused me when he was a pre-teen and into his teens. It stopped when he got a girlfriend at the age of 14. This was news to my parents.

Now that the cat is out of the bag, I have tried to explain to my mom that I don't like being around him. She has heard me, but she pretends like it didn't happen and still tries to get everyone together for holidays, etc. The idea of seeing him makes me sick.

I went to therapy as a young adult to work out my issues with him and what happened. The abuse has affected my ability to hold onto relationships, and I fight depression often, which I am good at hiding. She keeps saying, "but you were so close as kids." I don't think she understands what "grooming" is. Can you PLEASE explain it in a manner that doesn't make me feel like it was all my fault? — Getting Beyond It

Dear Getting: Your fault? NONE of what happened was your fault! Predators groom victims by first establishing a close relationship with them, telling them they are "special," that their bond is special, that the usual rules of behavior do not apply to them, bestowing time, attention and gifts, and pledging them to secrecy. Please show this to your mother.

I am concerned by your statement that the abuse has caused you to be depressed, which you are "good at hiding,"

and which prevents you from forming relationships. Those issues might be resolved if, as an adult, you consult another licensed psychotherapist. I hope you will consider it.

Dear Abby: I am a woman who is engaged to a wonderful woman who has a busy life. We met online 18 months ago and felt an instant connection. She has two grown children, a 16-year-old son, two grandchildren and one on the way. We live five hours apart and see each other every three weeks.

My concern is that we talk only once or twice during the week and maybe text once a day. It is not enough for me. I have expressed how I feel, but I think she's just too busy. She plans on moving in with me once we are married. I recently purchased a brand-new home. Because she is so involved in her family's lives, I can't see her leaving them to live with me. What should I do? — Nervous In New Jersey

Dear Nervous: You and your fiancée need to have a serious, in-depth conversation about how this will work. It is important you two clarify how she plans to divide her time between you and her family because, right now, you are getting the short end of the stick. Will the 16-year-old live with you? Because you aren't getting what you need from this relationship despite the fact that you have explained what your needs are, it may be time to rethink this romance.

DAYS GONE BY

100 years ago — 1922

A wholesale house of which the members of the Charles Co., dealers in confectionary and tobacco, will be the proprietors, will be built on Garden street, next door to the L. S. Bentley automobile supply house, according to announcement made today by Blaine Burton, who with B. B. Bybee, of Walla Walla, comprises the company. Work preparatory to the construction of the Pendleton building began today. The structure will cost \$6,000. It will be a one story building.

50 years ago — 1972

A 100-year-old stagecoach stop became Umatilla County's 12th incorporated city Tuesday as residents of Ukiah voted 64-35 for incorporation. Within 80 days, another election will be called to elect five councilmen, and those five men will choose one of their number as mayor. Lloyd Waid, Ukiah, one of the leaders in the years-long effort to get Ukiah its first-class water system and then the move toward incorporation, said today that one of the big benefits of the incorporation will be to reduce the number of meetings in the community of 210. Ukiah now has a parks board, a water association, a fire control group, and others. "Now we can give

all those jobs to the council and handle all the city's business at one meeting a month," Waid said. Becoming a city "should help us work together to solve our problems." Beginning as a stagecoach stop, Ukiah developed a dairying industry to furnish butter and cheese to the gold mining district in the south.

25 years ago — 1997

Gordon's Electric and Heating of Pendleton closed a deal with a Melbourne, Australia, electrical engineering and contracting firm to help design and install equipment for a new pelleting and cubing mill. The mill is being built in Gunbower, Australia, by Teangi Stock Feeds, a company that produces livestock feed in southern Australia and exports livestock to Asia. Gordon's Electric and Heating built the control panel that provides operator interface to the cubing portion of the mill. In March, it was selected to design and aid in the installation and control work for the cubing part of the mill, whose equipment was built by Cooper's Equipment Inc. of Burley, Idaho. Cubing takes alfalfa, or a combination of alfalfa and other feeds, and processes it into cubes. Gordon's Electric and Heating has more than 10 years experience with the cubing industry.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On May 26, 1972, President Richard M. Nixon and Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev signed the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty in Moscow. (The U.S. withdrew from the treaty in 2002.)

In 1864, President Abraham Lincoln signed a measure creating the Montana Territory.

In 1865, Confederate forces west of the Mississippi surrendered in New Orleans.

In 1938, the House Un-American Activities Committee was established by Congress.

In 1971, Don McLean recorded his song "American Pie" at The Record Plant in New York City (it was released the following

November by United Artists Records).

In 1994, Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley were married in the Dominican Republic.

In 2009, President Barack Obama nominated federal appeals judge Sonia Sotomayor to the U.S. Supreme Court. California's Supreme Court upheld the Proposition 8 gay marriage ban but said the 18,000 same-sex weddings that had taken place before the prohibition passed were still valid.

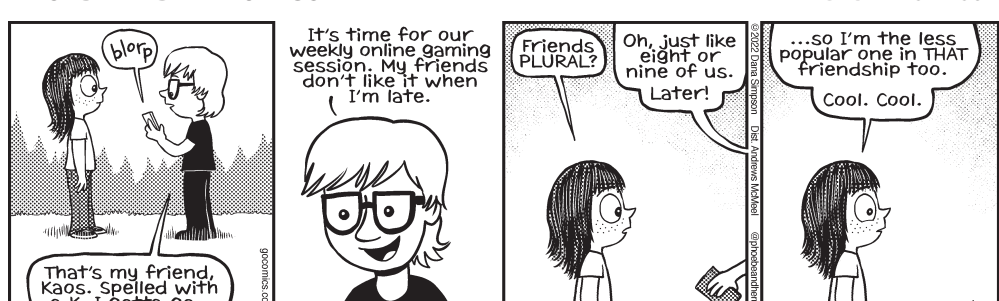
In 2011, Ratko Mladic, the brutal Bosnian Serb general suspected of leading the massacre of 8,000 Muslim men and boys, was arrested after a 16-year manhunt. (Mladic

was extradited to face trial in The Hague, Netherlands; he was convicted in 2017 on genocide and war crimes charges and is serving a life sentence.)

In 2020, Minneapolis police issued a statement saying George Floyd had died after a "medical incident," and that he had physically resisted officers and appeared to be in medical distress; minutes after the statement was released, bystander video was posted online. Protests over Floyd's death began, with tense skirmishes developing between protesters and Minneapolis police. Four police officers who were involved in Floyd's arrest were fired.

PHOEBE AND HER UNICORN

BY DANA SIMPSON



BIG NATE

BY LINCOLN PEIRCE

