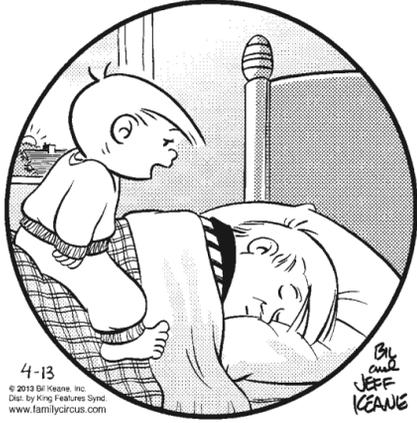


FAMILY CIRCUS | BIL KEANE



"I'm awake, Daddy. Don't you think it's time to get up?"

BIZARRO | DAN PIRARO



ZITS | JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



FRANK AND ERNEST | BOB THAVES



PEANUTS | CHARLES M. SCHULZ



DICK TRACY | JOE STATON AND MIKE CURTIS



BLONDIE | YOUNG & DRAKE



GARFIELD | JIM DAVIS



BEETLE BAILEY | MORT WALKER



HI AND LOIS | BRIAN AND GREG WALKER



THE BORN LOSER | ART SANSON



Teen Girl Resists Conforming To Adults' Expectations

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 14-year-old girl. I don't understand why adults tell me to be an independent thinker, to embrace myself, and then put me down for not conforming.

incest? Should we end this relationship? I don't know what is "right." — WEIRDED OUT IN WISCONSIN



DEAR ABBY

Jeanne Phillips

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips.

Should I deny myself as an individual and be pulled along, or is it better to stay quiet and just be who everyone expects you to be? — INDEPENDENT THINKER IN FLORIDA

DEAR INDEPENDENT THINKER: Independent thinkers are the people who have contributed the most to society.

I'm not sure what kind of conversation you feel the adults in your life are trying to discourage.

DEAR ABBY: Around the time of my sister's wedding, she and her fiance, "Greg," tried to get me and their best man, "Bruce," together.

Am I dating a family member? Are we committing

DEAR ABBY: My husband fathered a child in high school that was placed for adoption.

Abby, I feel this is hugely disrespectful not only to me, but also to my husband. He has chosen not to get involved with this child because he doesn't think it's fair to the adoptive family.

DEAR FRUSTRATED: Your mother-in-law may have the best of intentions, but forging your husband's name is dishonest.

For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding."

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

EDITOR'S NOTE: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience.

A baby born today has a Sun in Aries and a Moon in Taurus if born before 7:13 a.m. (PDT).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2013:

This year you attract many people, but you will have a low tolerance for anyone who is superficial.

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19) You tell it like it is; however, sometimes, when you're discussing an idea, others have a difficult time conceptualizing your words.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20) You'll hear news that initially might seem disconcerting. As you get all the facts, you could realize that the message is distorted.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20) Your personality speaks for itself. Others love to share ideas and brainstorm.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22) You are not intentionally trying to hide something — you simply are letting your mind drift off to yonder lands with the help of your active imagination.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22) Zero in on a particular goal or desire, especially if you are letting your mind drift off to yonder lands with the help of your active imagination.

cially if you are with the right people to make this opportunity happen.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

Pressure builds to check in on an older relative or loved one. Once you connect, you'll recognize how easy it would be to do this more often.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

Keep reaching out to others. You might be confused by someone's reaction. If you stop and think about it, you'll see that you have been misreading this person for a while.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

Spend the day with a friend or loved one. Do something that you both enjoy, or indulge him or her in some special way.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

Defer to others. You probably have plans involving a loved one or a special pastime.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

Dive into a project. Refuse to get upset at news — it could be slightly off or distorted.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

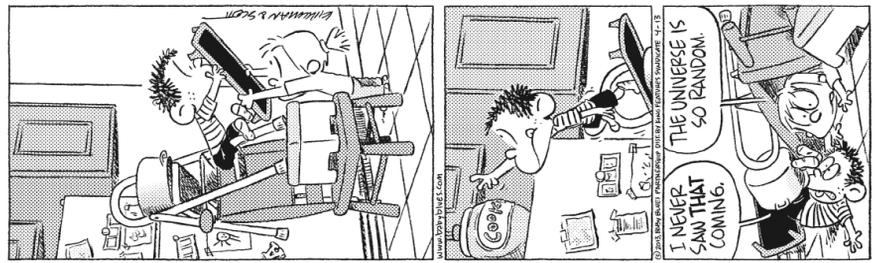
Your humor and lightheartedness come into play when dealing with others.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

Tension is very high, but it allows greater give-and-take. Your sense of humor emerges when you understand how others see you.

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