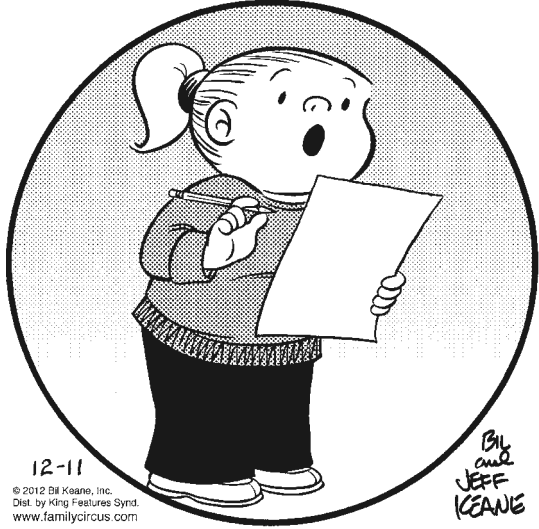
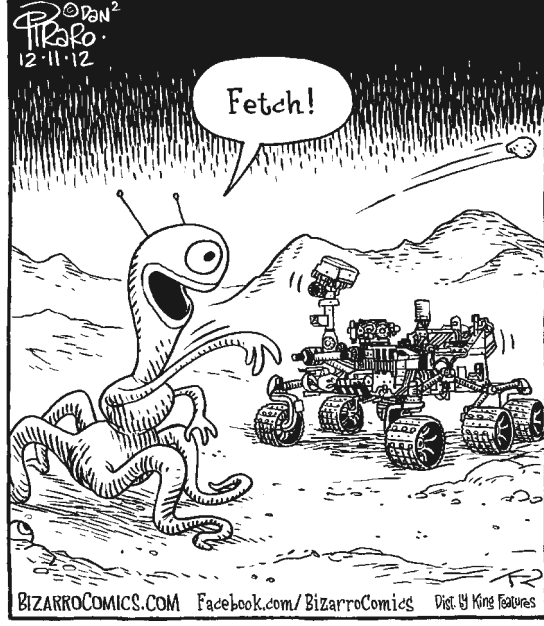


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"Is a Christmas list s'posed to be the stuff I want or the stuff you want to give me?"

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Husband's Hairpiece Attracts Unwanted Attention In Public

DEAR ABBY: My husband wears a hairpiece. Unfortunately, it doesn't look very real. Nearly every time we are in a public place, I notice somebody staring or laughing at it. I have talked to him about it only a couple of times, but each time he tells me how attached he is to it and how good it feels on his head. I want him to be happy, but I do not want him to be publicly ridiculed. Should I throw it away? — WIFE OF A MAN WITH A "SECRET"

DEAR WIFE: Absolutely not. If you want to help your husband, start talking with some hairstylists. There may be a product on the market that is more convincing than what your husband is wearing. (Depending upon how much hair he has on the back of his head, a transplant of some follicles may also be possible.) This isn't just about him having something on his head that "feels good." If it was only that, he'd be wearing a hat.

DEAR ABBY: I am recently married, and my husband and I have not consummated our marriage. I made it very clear that this would not be a part of our life together, and he agreed long before we took our vows. We sleep separately.

Recently, my husband has become sullen and passive-aggressive. He tries to push the issue, to the point of making unwanted physical contact. He knew going in that I am extremely uncomfortable with this form of intimacy and that my views would not change.

We love each other, but his behavior is starting to take a toll on me and the stress is straining our relationship. Please help. — ASEXUAL IN LOVE

DEAR ASEXUAL: You and your husband are obviously not on the same page as far as what your expectations are about your marriage. How uncomfortable for you and how frustrating for him.

He may have thought that after your wedding, with time, he could change your mind — or he may regret your lack of interest in sex as personal rejection.

For the kind of marriage you envisioned, BOTH parties must feel the same way about sex. Because he agreed to something he can't live with, it might be better for both of you if you separated.



DEAR ABBY

Jeanne Phillips

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DEAR ABBY: Would you please settle a disagreement I'm having with my mother's boyfriend?

The three of us go out to eat together often. Most times we "go Dutch" and pay for our own meals. The problem arises when he pays for my meal. He'll request the senior price for all of us because he's paying.

I believe the senior discount should apply to the seniors in the group only, and mine should be the regular price. I don't think it's wrong to ask for the senior discount for theirs when I'm paying, but do not feel right claiming it for mine. (I'm more than 20 years away from qualifying.)

It embarrasses me when he does it. I'd much rather pay the full adult price. Even if it's only 50 cents, I still feel like it's cheating.

Shouldn't a senior discount apply to items being purchased for the senior, or should the senior be able to apply their discount for everyone at the table, even if the person is underage? — KIM IN IOWA CITY

DEAR KIM: Senior discounts are intended to accommodate people who are presumably retired and living on a fixed income. That said, various restaurants make their own rules. If they are willing to comply when your mother's boyfriend asks that everyone be included in the discount, it's no reflection on you if he's the one doing the asking and paying the bill.

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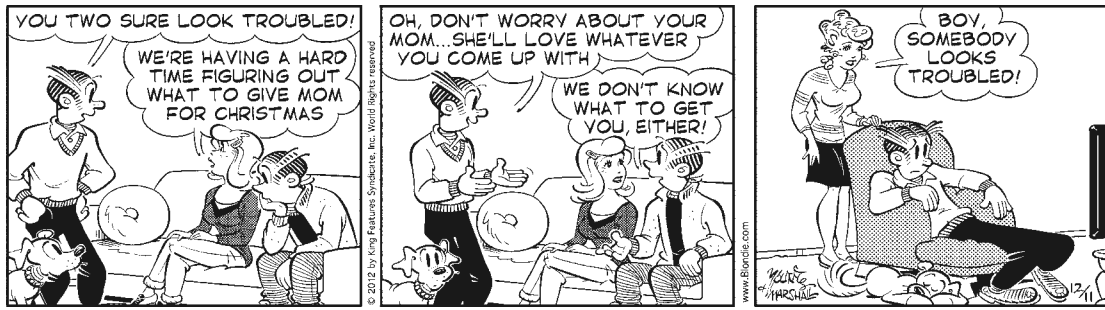
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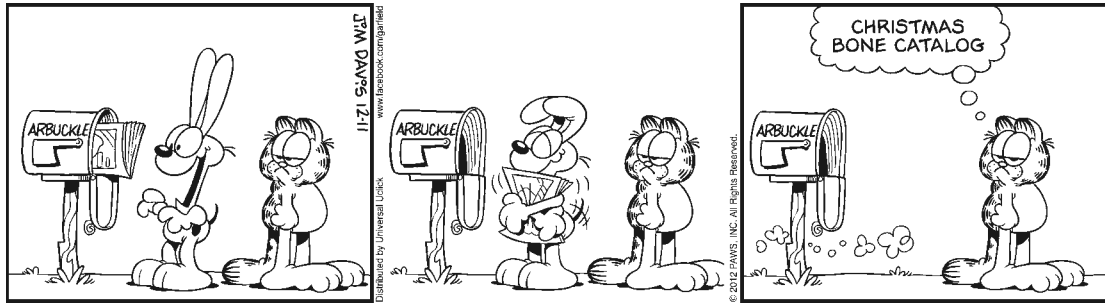
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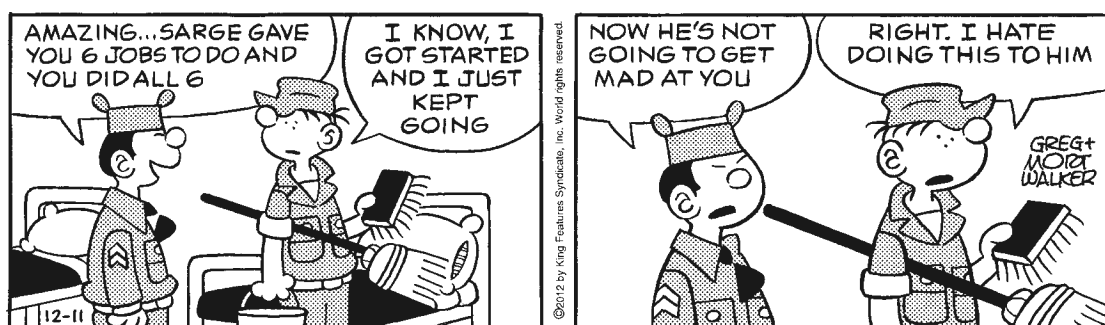
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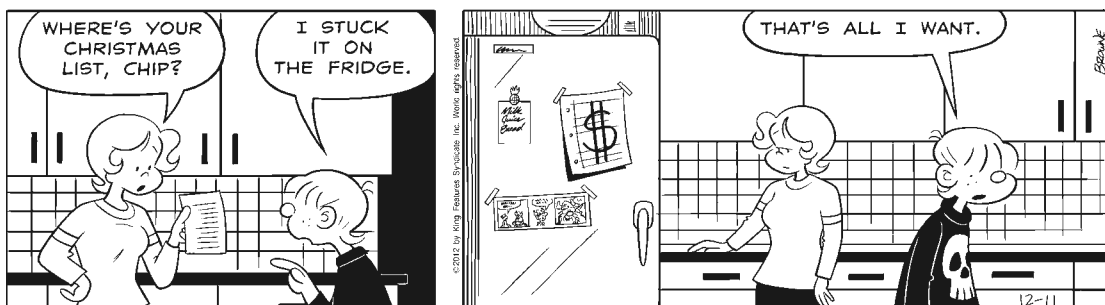
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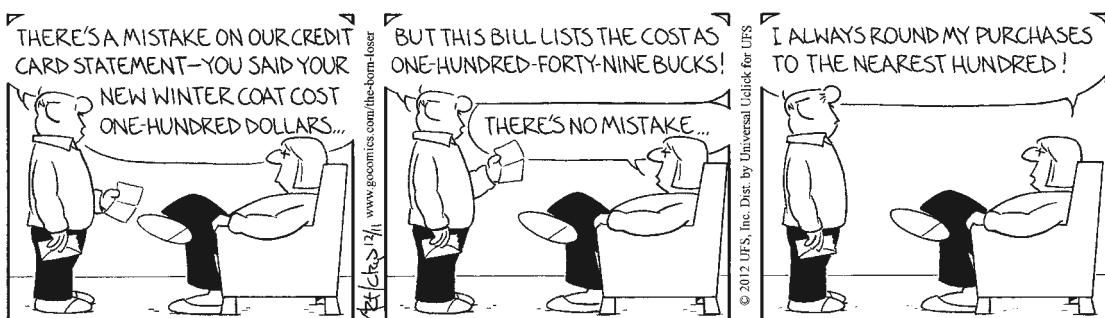
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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Sagittarius and a Moon in Scorpio if born before 2:22 p.m. (PST). Afterward, the Moon will be in Sagittarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, DEC. 11, 2012:

This year your intensity has an impact, especially on those you know. Be sure to show your compassion when making strong statements. At times you could come off as being stern. Try to center yourself on a regular basis. Sign up for a yoga class or a similar activity. If you are single, take the time to get to know a suitor well before making any serious decisions. Someone could project to be something different from what he or she really is. If you are attached, the two of you will benefit from downtime together. Take several special weekends away together. SCORPIO sees right through you.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

Confusion surrounds a key person and his or her fiscal dealings. You might not be able to get the answer you seek. Clearly, many people have different ideas. Hold back any judgments for the moment. Tonight: Feed your mind. Dive into a good book.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

Others seem to get in your face. You might not be getting the full scope of what is going on. You could be confused as to where others are coming from. Listen carefully in order to gain clarity. A partner finally decides to reveal more. Tonight: Visit over dinner.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

Others come forward with their ideas and/or suggestions. Meanwhile, stay focused on your plans. You will note a change in opinion quite quickly. Tonight: Sort through your many suggestions and invitations. Get together with pals over munchies.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

Allow creativity to flourish and open up a situation. You might see the path, but someone else could see a different one. You both are right; learn to respect the differences in your thought processes. Friendly vibes and offers head in your direction. Tonight: Errand time!

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

How you see what is going on opposed to

what actually occurs could be quite different. Understand why there is a schism here. Sometimes it might be a relief not to be realistic; however, be aware of the potential consequences. Tonight: Fun with friends.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

You might be able to better communicate what is on your mind earlier in the day. Whether fatigue or other concerns take over, you will pull within more. Cocoon and do some heavy thinking. Try to sort through what you know. Tonight: Snuggle in at home.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

Remain sure of yourself and your choices. Your sensitivity emerges. Your creativity keeps popping up in daily life, which adds vibrancy to your wild flights of fancy. If you can, share more often with those around you. You might be surprised by some of their ideas. Tonight: Stay level in your dealings with others.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

Think through a decision involving a relationship or a risk. You might not be reading the situation clearly. Ask for more feedback. You will see the other side of the issue soon enough. Tonight: Time to play the role of Santa's helper. Go shopping.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

Focus on completing a project in the morning. Try to get enough done so that you can switch gears quickly and allow the socialite in you to bust out. Whatever you can add to a situation or a conversation will be more than enough. Tonight: At home.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

Use the daytime hours to push a major interest to the forefront. You might have a piece of work that needs to be completed. Success and execution walk hand in hand in the morning. Make the most of this, and dive right in. Tonight: Where your friends are.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

No one can say anything bad about having you as a friend. You have a great way of interacting with others. Your softer side emerges when dealing with those who are older or younger than you. Listen to what is being shared. Tonight: With friends.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

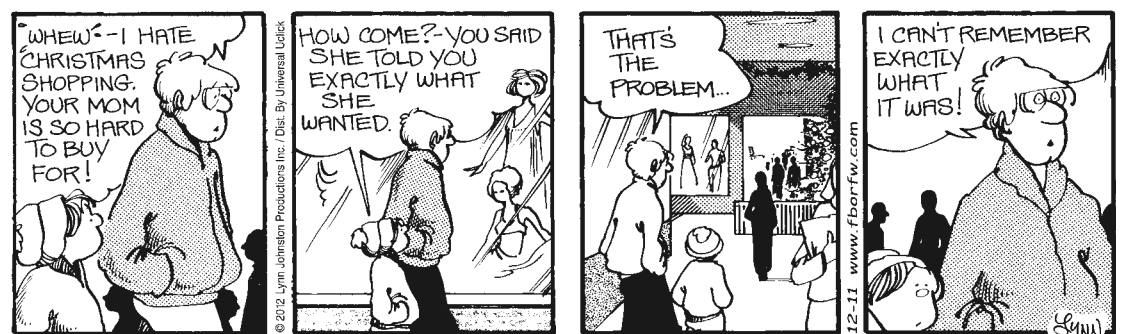
Reach out to someone at a distance. You will gain a new perspective, even if you do not have the intention of discussing or seeing certain issues differently. Open up to a different type of thinking. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

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