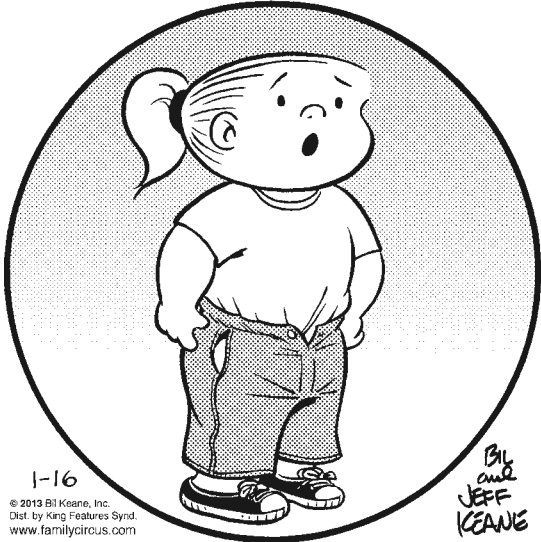


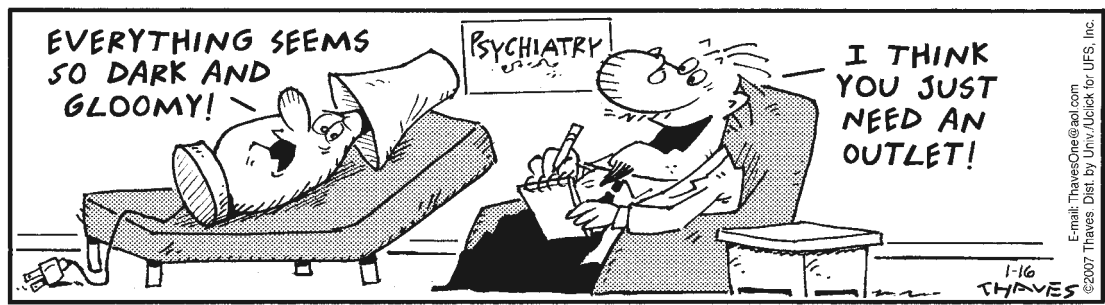
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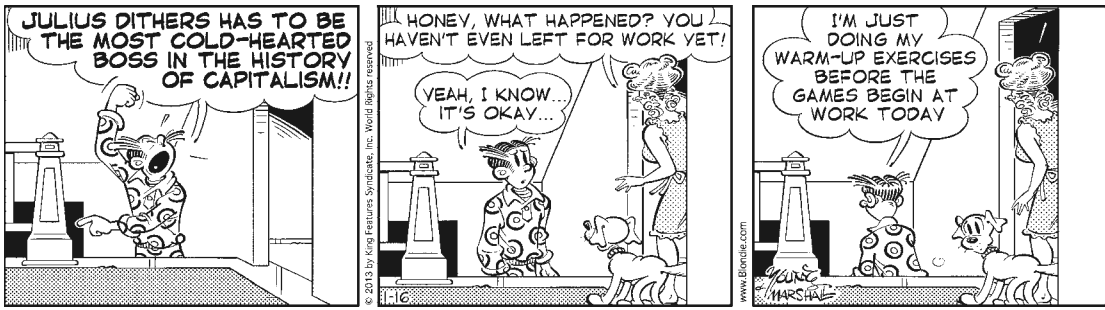
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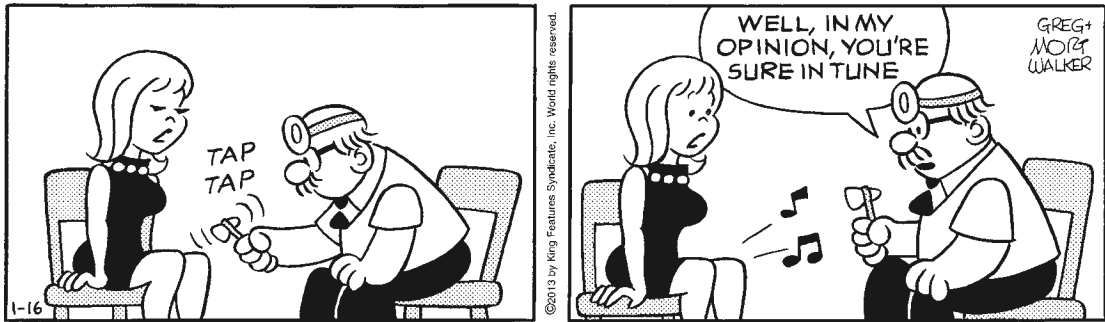
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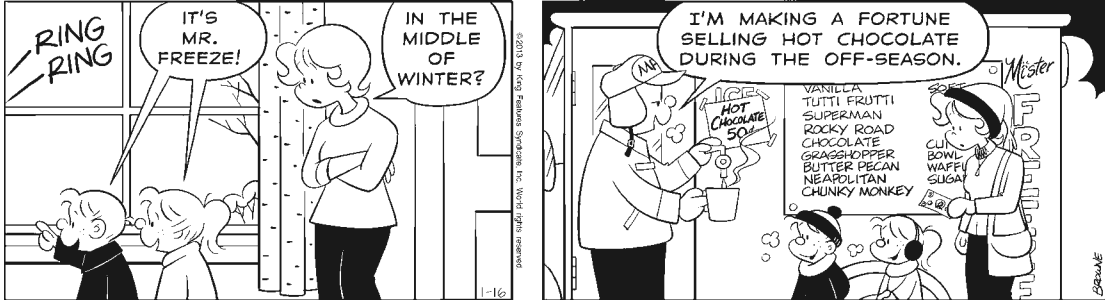
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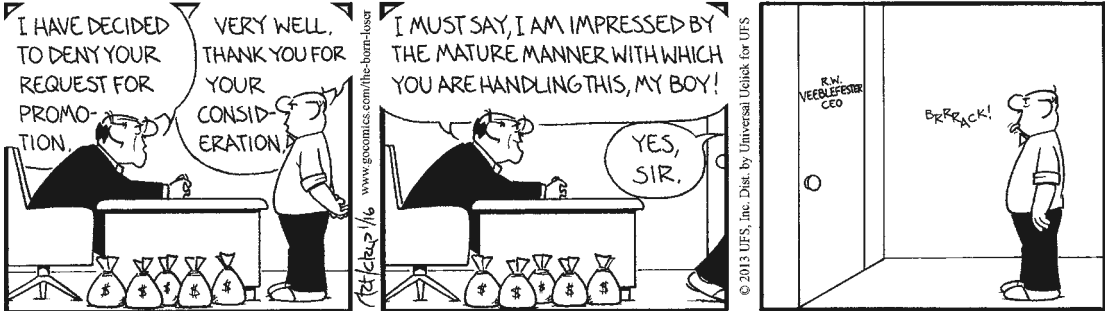
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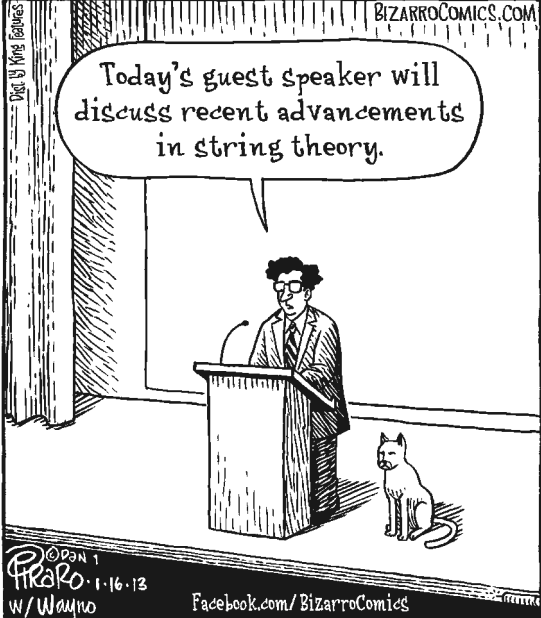
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# Woman In Love With Gay Man Must Begin To Look Elsewhere

DEAR ABBY: "Myles" and I have known each other for five years, but have grown really close over the past three. We tell each other everything, and I have fallen in love with him.

A few months ago, Myles sent me a text saying he needed to tell me a "secret." He went on to say the guy he had told me was his brother, "Jeff," is really his lover. Needless to say, that bombshell floored me.

We have discussed it in person, and I have never told him how I feel. I visit them a couple of times a month and always go home feeling hurt. I want Myles for myself, even though I know I can't have him. I don't want to lose him as my friend, but it hurts seeing him and Jeff together. How do I resolve this? — GIRL LEFT BEHIND IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR LEFT BEHIND: Start by being as honest with Myles as he was with you. Tell him that over the course of your friendship you fell in love with him — and that you wish you had known he was gay before you became so emotionally involved.

If you want romance, you will have to look for it elsewhere. In order for you to find it, I cannot stress strongly enough that you will need to feel good about yourself. Stop torturing yourself by visiting the two lovebirds and take a break for a while. A LONG while.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 36-year-old woman who has never been married or had children. For the past two years I've been seeing a man I'll call Frank. I love him deeply, and I believe he feels the same about me.

Frank is still married but legally separated from his wife. They have one child who lives with his mom. Frank lives with me, and Frank's wife lives with another man and has a second child by yet another guy.

My problem is, Frank's wife calls ME whenever she has a fight with her boyfriend. She confides in me like I'm her best friend. I have never talked to Frank about

divorcing her, but I'm at my wit's end over this whole circle. Sometimes I feel like I'm wasting my time with him. Abby, I'm a longtime reader who needs to find a solution to this soap opera. Please help me. — GETTING DIZZY IN EAST BOSTON

DEAR GETTING DIZZY: You need to talk to Frank about his degree of commitment to you. Two years is a long time to live with someone who's married to someone else — let alone be trying to solve his wife's love problems. Perhaps it's time to distance yourself from both of them and figure out what you want to do for YOU.

DEAR ABBY: My friend "Maggie" is getting a divorce. She has been living with my husband and me for four months. She pays one-third of our utility bill but pays no rent.

My husband feels that since Maggie is living with us, she should pay something — even if it's only \$100 a month. She's a lifelong friend, and I don't know what to do. Maggie is very upset over her messy divorce. Should I ask her for rent money? (I don't want to fight over this with my husband.) — ONLY FRIEND IN KENTUCKY

DEAR ONLY FRIEND: It depends on Maggie's financial circumstances. If she has the money, it's certainly OK to ask.

If she doesn't have the resources — or a job — she should consider finding one so she's not completely financially dependent on others.

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for \$7 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Shipping and handling are included in the price.)

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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 Capricorn and a Moon in Pisces if born before 8:07 a.m. (PST). Afterward, the Moon will be in Aries.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, JAN. 16, 2013:

This year you become more forthright and direct, especially where your domestic life is involved. To some people, your energy is inconsistent and changes with the snap of a finger. You could be doing more questioning and thinking. A family member also could be unusually mercurial. If you are single, you are most likely to meet someone of importance come summertime. If you are attached, your significant other becomes even more dynamic. There is no lack of excitement in your household! ARIES is used to commanding and being in control. Try to avoid a collision.

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)

★★★ Methods of communication and tentative plans could be revised, and you'll have to adjust accordingly. A boss might be changing his or her style. Refuse to make a judgment just yet. You could be somewhat unpredictable at this point, even to yourself. Tonight: All smiles.

#### TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★ You might be stressed out by what is going on around you. As you observe more, you'll come to a most unexpected realization. Process what you see, and be willing to let go and head in a different direction. Stay centered. Tonight: Take some much-needed private time.

#### GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ Focus on what you want, and do not settle. Relate to others on a one-on-one level. A change within a personal or professional tie could change a situation. Be more upbeat. Understand what is going on with a somewhat unpredictable friend. Tonight: Find your friends.

#### CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ If you can change direction, do so. You might want to approach a key associate or a close family member in a different way. Take a hard look at this person. He or she has been changing right in front of your eyes. Tonight: Tonight: A must appearance.

#### LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★★★★ Keep reaching out to someone at a distance.

You could be jolted by forthcoming information. Don't react; instead, process what you are hearing. You'll come up with a strong and amiable solution that feels comfortable for everyone involved. Tonight: Take in new vistas.

#### VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★★ Relate to a specific person directly who is very important to you. Your interest in a creative matter peaks. Take in a new perspective and accept a different idea. Brainstorm with others, and help them see your vision. Tonight: Only with someone you really care about.

#### LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

★★★★ Others feel as if they need certain information. Lighten up about the possibilities for why they want this information. Let go of tension, and your attitude will change. Others also will respond differently. Count on the unexpected. Tonight: Let the fun begin.

#### SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★★ Listen to news, and work on responding appropriately. Your knee-jerk response could be nothing less than problematic. You might opt to use more self-discipline than you have in the past. Consider what is going on with you. Tonight: Errands, gym and then home.

#### SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★★ Someone close to you could be encouraging you to take a risk. This person actually might be trying to lure you into a trap. Your instincts say "no," and therefore, you might want to cut the bait. Listen to your sixth sense. Tonight: Lighten up the moment.

#### CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

★★★ You could feel hassled and challenged on some level. You know when enough is enough, but you might have some difficulty establishing clear boundaries. A matter involving property or a family member seems to be running right over you. Tonight: It's OK to say "no."

#### AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

★★★★ Listen to a suggestion. Someone comes forward and surprises you with some unexpected news. Know that you are constantly changing. What has worked in the past might not work any longer. Honor who you are — not what you once did. Tonight: At a favorite haunt.

#### PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

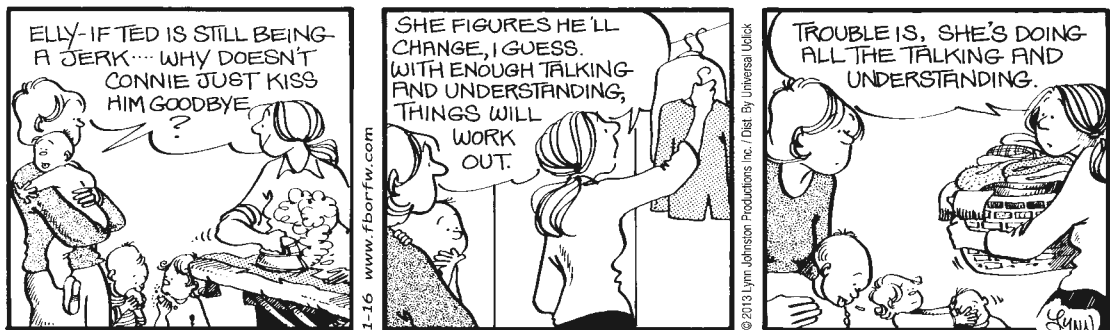
★★★ Be careful as to how you present a money matter in a meeting or with a friend. You are changing your perspective, and this person is, too. You are more intuitive than you realize. Follow your sixth sense. Extremes dominate a situation. Tonight: All smiles.

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