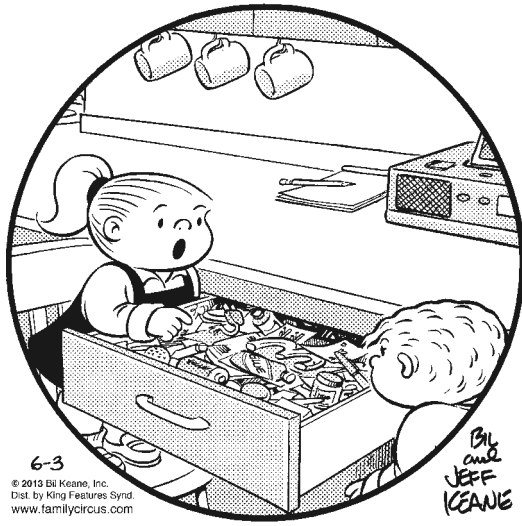
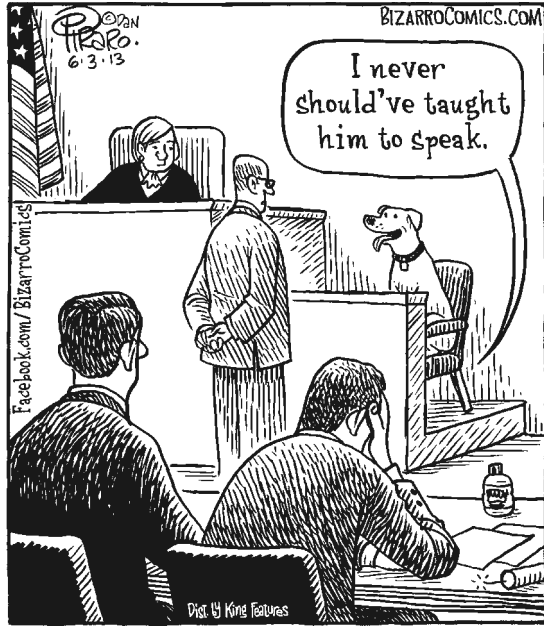


FAMILY CIRCUS | BIL KEANE



"If you don't know where something belongs, it belongs in this drawer."

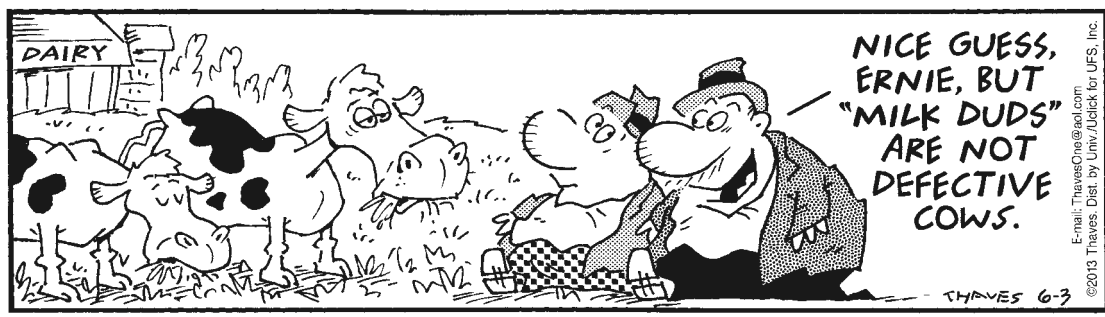
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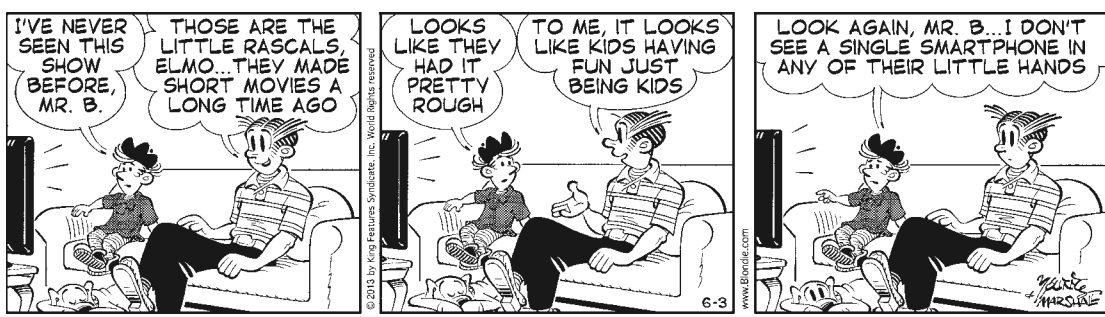
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Daughter Is Sick And Tired Of Caring For Ailing Relatives

DEAR ABBY: I took care of my grandmother until her death a few years ago, and now my mother is very sick. I feel angry because I'm only 23, and it seems all I have ever done is take care of sick people. I sit at the hospital sometimes just fuming.

Mom was a smoker and now she has cancer. I keep thinking if she hadn't smoked, she wouldn't be in this fix, and neither would I. I always visit her and try to do everything she asks of me, and yet I think I'm starting to hate her. I dread going to the hospital, sitting there and waiting for test results, etc. What kind of daughter has feelings like this? — WORST DAUGHTER ON EARTH

DEAR DAUGHTER: Please stop beating yourself up. Your feelings are normal. You have a right to be angry that your mother is sick. At 23, you have had an unusual amount of responsibility thrust upon you for someone your age. That her disease has taken over your life is also a reason to be angry. However, please stop blaming her for her illness. Right now, you need each other. And nonsmokers get cancer, too. The American Cancer Society has support groups where family members can safely share their feelings. Please check them out.

have" years? — ED IN LOUISIANA
DEAR ED: Shame on your friend for raining on your parade. With a best friend like this, you should never forget to bring an umbrella.

You're celebrating the fact that as a nontraditional student you have earned your master's degree. That's a laudable accomplishment and deserves to be celebrated in any way you would like. Please accept my sincere congratulations, graduate!

DEAR ABBY: I love to read. I have kept every book I have read, so I probably have close to 600 books in my library, which is actually a small room, overflowing with books and nothing else.

Why do you think I can't let go of them? I lend them out to only a select few, and I always make sure they are returned. I could do lovely things with this room if my books weren't in the way, but I can't seem to part with them. — BOOKWORM IN NEW YORK

DEAR BOOKWORM: It's probably because your books have become an extension of yourself. Because you would like to do something else with the space they occupy, sort through them and keep only the most precious ones. If there are titles you would like to read again one day, do as many others are doing — read them on an e-reader.

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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 Gemini and a Moon in Aries.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2013:

This year you express a willingness to experiment and head down a different path. You are very serious and focused at times, yet others often find you to be mystical and remote. Some people could feel insecure about the traits you exhibit. If you are single, an admirer will pursue you because of your multifaceted personality. If this person doesn't accept you as you are, let him or her go. If you are attached, the two of you will need to communicate better in order to stay on the same page. ARIES reads you cold.

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)

***** An idea might seem nearly magical in the way that it just pops into your head. You have been doing a lot of processing lately. Let go of a need to be so rigid, and go with the flow. The challenge will be to stay appropriate while honoring your uniqueness. Tonight: As you like.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

***** You might not agree, but the smart move is to say little and remain focused on what you want. Everyone has his or her special uniqueness, as do you. Accept this fact. The end results could be dynamic. Tonight: Play it low-key. Curl up with a good book or relax to a movie.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

***** You know exactly what you want, and you refuse to be distracted. Someone you work with could inspire you to keep going toward a special goal. Sometimes you are very hard on yourself and question your abilities. Stop that! Tonight: Catch up on a friend's weekend.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

***** You might want to rethink a situation. Try to be more careful when making choices. A boss could be observing far more than you realize. Understand what is happening within a special friendship, and know that you might need to delay a chat. Tonight: On top of your game.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

***** Your ability to identify with others will emerge, though you could feel conflicted in some way. Stop and

consider why this is before you make any decisions. Check in with someone in the know who can give you some good advice. Tonight: In the thick of things.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

***** You might want to take another look at a recent decision you've made. Your actions can, and likely will, have an impact. You might want to open up a discussion if you not done so yet. You might be surprised by what the other person shares. Tonight: Say "yes" to an enticing offer.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

***** Evaluate what is going on within you. Your sense of humor emerges, which allows greater give-and-take with a personal matter. Defer to a partner or an associate who often demands the lead. Right now, there might be little choice. Tonight: Follow someone else's lead.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

***** Think in terms of personal gain. Lighten up, and the flow of a conversation or interaction will be much smoother as a result. A loved one might be aching to have an important conversation with you; make time for this person. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

***** You might want to reach out to a child or potential new friend. This person will appreciate your overture. Realize what is happening with a family member, as he or she might be holding back or trying to hide something. Plan a visit in the near future. Tonight: In the moment.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

***** Deal with a domestic issue directly. You could have a bad case of the blues. Your sensitivity will come forward in a conversation. You seem to know what is happening before it occurs. Follow your intuition about a personal matter, and you will be OK. Tonight: Head home.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

***** You'll need to ask a lot of questions in order to determine how much of a risk something is. You might need to let this one go. Your serious demeanor could throw someone off in a conversation. Acknowledge what is going on. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

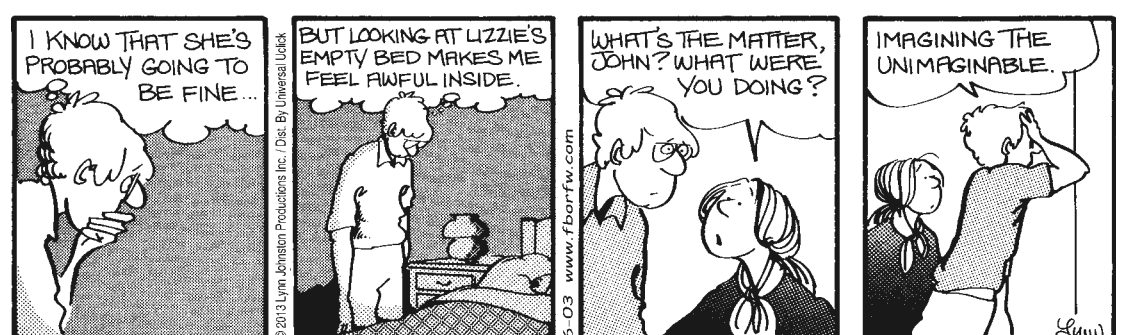
***** To others you might seem so vague, yet to you, you are as clear as bell. What you can tolerate as far as specifics is much different than others. Verify a financial offer and make sure it is to your liking. Otherwise, let it go. Tonight: Run errands on the way home.

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