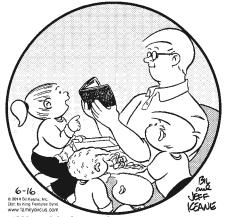
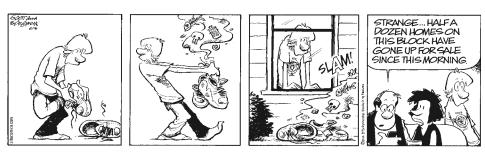


FAMILY CIRCUS | BIL KEANE



"We added our pictures to your new wallet, Daddy. You have to add your own money.'

ZITS | JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN

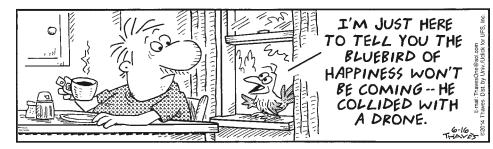


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Having A Baby Won't Fix **Fighting Couple's Problems**

DEAR ABBY

Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Lately I have been having prob-lems with my live-in boyfriend, "Ethan." We fight about everything, and he refuses to admit when he's wrong. Ethan has been sleeping on the couch for a week waiting for me

to take the first step and reconcile. He isn't working and I am, and that is probably what has him so mad. I pay all the bills, and he thinks I feel superior because I'm bringing in money and he's not.

We argue day and night, swear and scream at each other, and he does not appreciate everything I'm doing so we can survive. I have two daughters, he has one, and I'm supporting all of us.

Do you think it's a good idea for us to have a baby? Ethan is desperate for a child with me — even though we can't get along or communicate. -MARY JANE IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR MARY JANE: Not only do I think it's not a good idea, but I think it's a terrible idea. Babies are expensive, and you're already carry-ing a heavy load. I suspect that Ethan thinks a baby will fix what's wrong in your relationship, but he's wrong. Don't do it! It would be a huge mistake.

DEAR ABBY: In the summer of 1995, I was a 12-year-old girl living in a motel in a suburb of Cleveland with my mother, older brother and younger sister. We were poor and very hungry.

My mother led my younger sister and me to a doughnut shop for our only meal of the day. After waiting for everyone to leave, my mother approached the young woman behind the counter and asked to buy some doughnuts with our foreign coins. It was the only money we had.

Instead of turning us away, she told my mother: "We're allowed to give away a certain number of free doughnuts every day. Just tell me what you want." (I don't know if this was true.) It was because of her kindness that my family ate that day.

If that kind woman is reading this, I want to say: "Thank you. You made the hunger go away for just a little bit, so a mother and her children could go a day without pain. You remain forever

ACQUELINE 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 Áquarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2014:

This year you often find that you are faced with creative challenges, which you love. Sometimes a low-level fatigue or depression slows you down. Keep yourself busy when you feel off. Taking good care of your health is a must, as it will help you stay focused. If you are single, screen a potential sweetie with care, as you are in a period when you are likely to attract an emotionally unavailable person. If you are attached, you will enjoy the times you are with your significant other even more. Re-member to plan more dates! AQUARIUS can be quite offbeat.

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

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You have opinions and ideas that you might choose to express in a meeting. There seems to be an element of the unexpected that

in a little girl's heart." — URSALA IN MESSINA, ITALY

DEAR URSALA: I, too, hope your benefactor sees your letter. Her generosity that day pro-

vided nourishment not only for your bodies, but also for your faith in the humanity of others — and I am sure you have emulated her example in the years that have followed. After all, isn't that what acts of kindness are all about?

DEAR ABBY: Once a year I invite my mother, who lives in Arizona, to visit me in California. This year, Mom has decided to bring one of my sisters along because "she really needs a vacation.'

My sisters live in the same city as Mom and can visit her anytime they please. I see Mom once a year at most, and I do not want to share my limited time with her. How do I let my sisters know they're not welcome without causing a family rift? — WANTS QUALITY TIME WITH MOM

DEAR WANTS: You shouldn't have to tell your sisters. The person you need to tell is your mother, who should not have invited anyone without clearing it with you first. Because you're having trouble with what to say to her. read her the second paragraph of your letter to me. She may have been well-meaning, but she was misguided.

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but a friend or loved one might be too abrupt at first. Let him or her be for now. Tonight: Go along with someone else's request.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★ Use caution with your finances, as you easily could go overboard in some way. Communi-cation with a person you care about could be difficult. Focus on what you must do, and let time work its wonders. Someone is likely to change his or her tune. Tonight: Get a lot done.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-0CT. 22)

★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by everything you have to do, but once you get started, you'll achieve a lot. You are likely to withdraw if someone mentions anything about money. You have good reason to assume that stance. Keep an eye on your budget. Tonight: Add more fun.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★ Pressure builds, and you might feel irritated or frustrated with someone. Don't push a personal situation, and don't demand that someone else think like you. You probably are overly serious and difficult without even realizing it. Tonight: Happily head home

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★★ Initiate a conversation, but don't expect to have control over what others say. In fact, you could be shocked by the twists and turns of a conversation and where the talk finally lands. Recognize that you don't have control over anyone but yourself. Tonight: Hang with a friend.

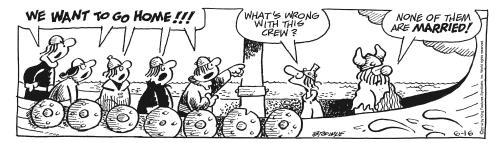
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the hedgehogs deep enough.



HÄGAR THE HORRIBLE | CHRIS BROWNE



BEETLE BAILEY | MORT WALKER



HI AND LOIS | BRIAN AND GREG WALKER

continues to keep your life exciting. You could feel irritated as you deal with someone who is fairly close to you. Tonight: Indulge a friend.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★ Pressure builds from afar. You might be feeling as if you have a lot of ground to cover. A partner or loved one could be unusually irritating in the sense that he or she doesn't seem to understand your concerns and issues. Use your charm. Tonight: A must appearance.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Keep reaching out to someone at a distance or to someone whose opinion you respect in order to get feedback on a creative twist to an existing plan. The unexpected will play a role in opening a door. Someone you meet might be emo-tionally unavailable. Tonight: Your choice.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Stay on top of a problem that keeps emerging. You'll need to handle this matter before it becomes even more of a problem. Do not underestimate your ability to persuade someone to think as you do. Tonight: Listen to what a family member has to share

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Someone close to you could be testy. Think carefully before chiming in about this person's irritation. Communication is likely to open up,

BABY BLUES | RICK KIRKMAN AND JERRY SCOTT

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

★★★ Be aware of your finances and your commitments. You generally are, but right now there seems to be an element of the unexpected running through your day that has you feeling offkilter. A friend could be difficult; know that you can't change this person. Tonight: Your treat.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

★★★★ Despite a difficult boss, you'll be on cruise control. You simply have to bypass this per-son and not allow him or her to get to you. A surprise that will encourage you to try something different is likely to occur. You won't be able to resist the offer. Tonight: As you like it.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

★★★ Keep your own counsel, as it might be too difficult to see the big picture with a certain situation right now. You will gather a lot of information in a conversation with someone who might be viewing the same situation differently. Tonight: Gain a new perspective.

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MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM | MIKE PETERS





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