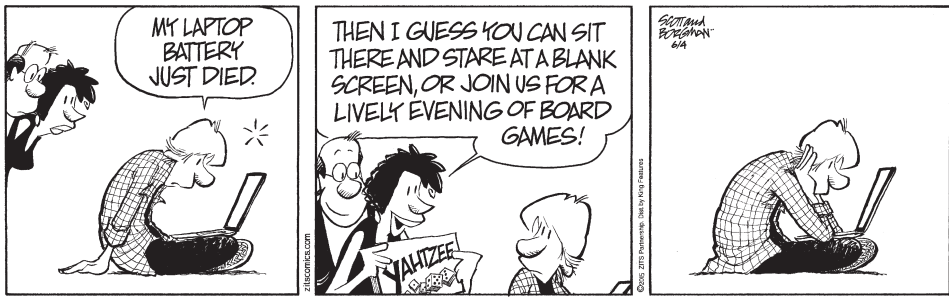


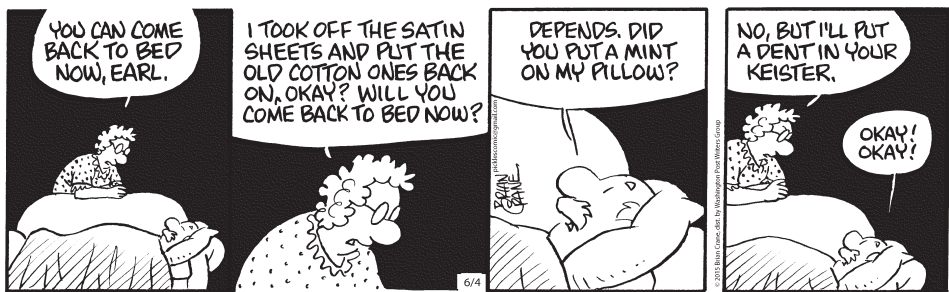
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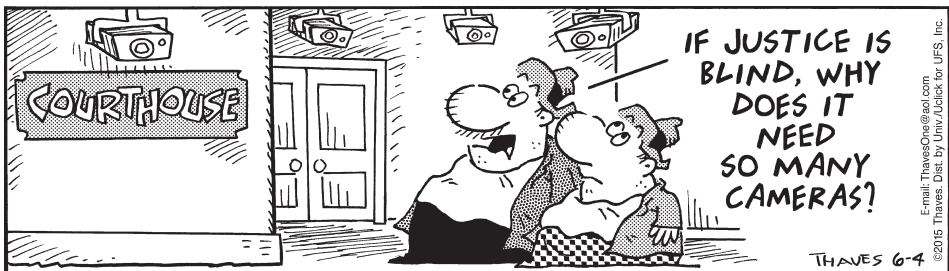
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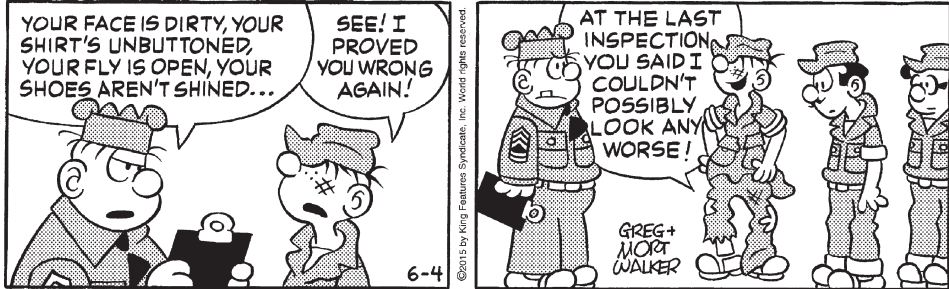
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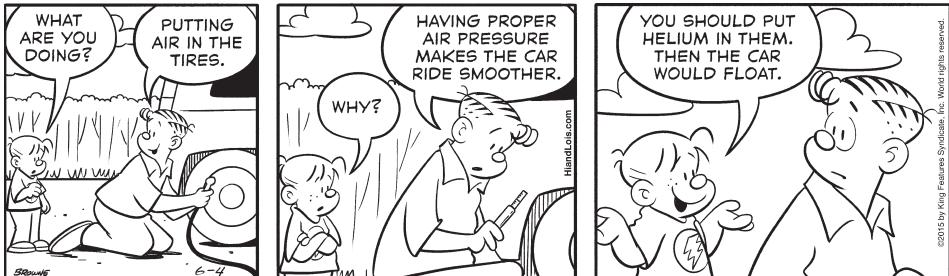
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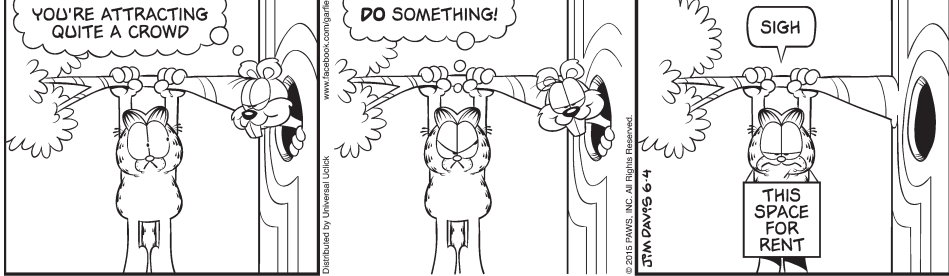
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Helicopter Mom Can't Stop Keeping Tabs On Teenager

DEAR ABBY: I'm having a hard time letting my almost 17-year-old daughter out of my sight. When she walks home from school, I call to make sure she's OK, then call her again minutes later when I estimate she's home. The whole time I worry.

I check on her wherever she is, whomever she is with, and if she doesn't answer a call or text, I panic. I have on a few occasions raced home from work in the middle of the day only to find her napping, and I'm upset to the point that I'll start crying. I realize this isn't healthy for either of us.

Years ago, a little girl in our town, the same age as my daughter, was taken from her home and murdered. I think that plays a part in why I act so irrational. Some of her friends will be driving this summer and I can only imagine there will be trips to the beach (three nightmares in one!) and whatever else. I guess I just want to know how to come to grips. — FRANTIC MOM OF A TEEN IN FLORIDA

DEAR FRANTIC: While your fears are based on a real incident, your daughter is no longer a little girl. You can't protect her forever, and as a teenager, she needs to establish some independence. You would be doing both of you a favor to talk to a licensed mental health counselor NOW about this, because your fears are excessive.

DEAR ABBY: I've reached the point in my life that I can no longer hide fine lines and crow's feet. It is bothering me greatly. How do other women handle it, especially when the deep lines form?

I've talked to others my age and it doesn't bother them. I want to talk to elderly people and ask them, but I don't know how to politely broach the subject. I feel guilty for being vain and I hate that, but it's hard for me to accept. Please help. — HATING AGING IN EAU CLAIRE

DEAR HATING AGING: I don't think anyone, male or female, relishes the idea of

being old — particularly in American society — unless they consider the alternative, which is death.

Men and women handle signs of aging in different ways. Fortunes have been spent on beauty products, with varying degrees of success, although hope-in-a-jar springs eternal. Board-certified dermatologists and plastic surgeons can minimize the signs of aging with fillers, Botox, lasers and surgery, but they can be expensive. Others accept that beauty comes from within and opt to do nothing to change their appearance.

Talking to people in their 70s, 80s or 90s about the changes they have experienced and the lessons they have learned as they grew older is a good idea. I'm sure you'll receive some enlightening input. But if it doesn't change your feelings, talk

to a doctor because a good one can work "miracles."

DEAR ABBY: I live in Miami and my mother-in-law lives in Ohio. My husband just told me she is planning to move here and live with us. I don't mind her moving in with us because she is my mother-in-law, but her boyfriend of 15 years is also coming down. Her boyfriend's brother is moving to West Palm Beach. (It's the reason why they are moving.) Does it make me sound petty to say I don't want the boyfriend to move in with us? — MOTHER-IN-LAW DILEMMA

DEAR DILEMMA: Petty? I don't think so. You are not running a boardinghouse. The boyfriend is no relation to you, and if you prefer not to have a stranger living under your roof, that should be your choice.

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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 Capricorn.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2015:

This year you will be very concerned with the deeper meaning of life. A friend could be instrumental in your involvement with these issues. You will be evaluating many levels of your life. Communication will flourish through August. If you are single, this same period is an excellent time for meeting someone you could care about deeply. By winter, you might be living together. If you are attached, you enjoy life much more with your sweetie by your side. Come fall, you will make a change to your domestic life. Whatever you choose to do will add to the quality of your life. CAPRICORN encourages deep thought.

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)

★★★ Starting the day with an awkward conversation that you didn't plan on having could send you into a funk. Your creativity soars, and as a result, you'll you resolve what made you feel out of sync with this person. Remain positive, and keep conversations moving. Tonight: Out late.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★★ You are capable of making a change with ease. You see where you are going, and you understand why you are heading in that direction. You'll have a vision that others will just have to trust. You might be taken aback by a loved one's news. Tonight: Paint the town red.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ You could be on the verge of making a major change involving your finances. Do your best not to panic, as this adjustment probably will be for the best. A partnership might be significant here. Think twice before you take action. Tonight: Be with a favorite person.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ You could be taken aback by a change in someone you know well. This transformation might have been happening for a while, but perhaps you are just now noticing. Go with the flow, as this person is still in the process of changing. Tonight: Others cannot resist you.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★★★ Understand what is happening with an

associate you see on a daily basis. You might be surprised by a change in what is going on in this person's life. Your ability to adjust will be tested. Let go of a need to control how things play out. Tonight: Think "weekend."

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★★ How you handle a matter involving a child or loved one could be very important. Try to eliminate your side of any games. Everyone will be happier as a result. You might be more in tune with a situation than you realize. Tonight: Add a spark of wildness.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

★★★★ You might be in a situation where you feel pressured to make certain statements. Don't allow someone to coax you into doing anything. Understand what needs to happen with a child or family member. You probably will have to make a major adjustment. Tonight: Play it easy.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★★ You seem to be very tired and withdrawn. How you see a situation could change radically given some time, sleep and perhaps someone else's powerful argument. You might be pushing yourself too hard; be careful. Be aware of what is happening. Tonight: Hang out with a buddy.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★ Keep your eye on a money matter. The other party involved could have some strong feelings to share. Confusion surrounds a domestic matter as well. Try to clear up one situation at a time. You might have to make a major change. Tonight: Fun doesn't need to cost you.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

★★★★ You will be very difficult to stop. You might want to talk about a situation more openly than you have in the past, as it could affect you today. Use care with a family member who tends to take out his or her anger on you. Stay clear of this person's issues. Tonight: All smiles.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

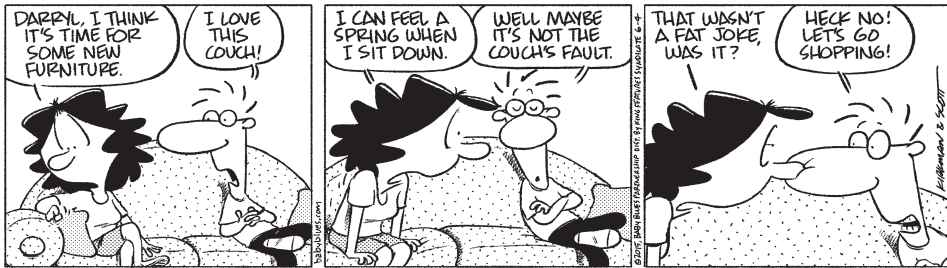
★★★★ Surprises naturally surround you, no matter what you do. Relax and try not to put so much emphasis on your thoughts. You will see a personal matter differently in a few days. Know that everything is changeable -- even your judgment. Tonight: Not to be found.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

★★★★ What you believe you need could be very different from what you actually need. In the process of pursuing a long-term desire, you might discover that you have changed your mind. Stop and review this goal before proceeding. Tonight: Where your friends are.

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