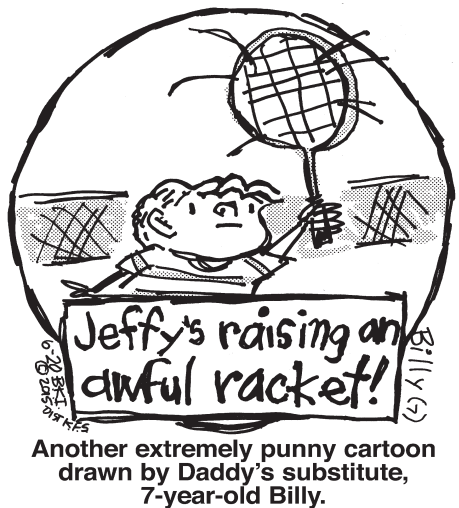
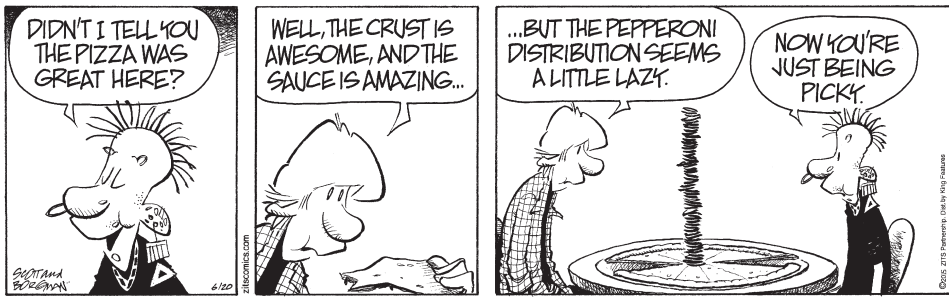


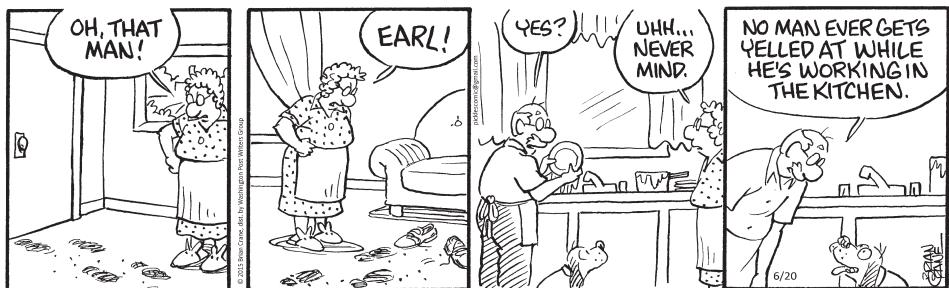
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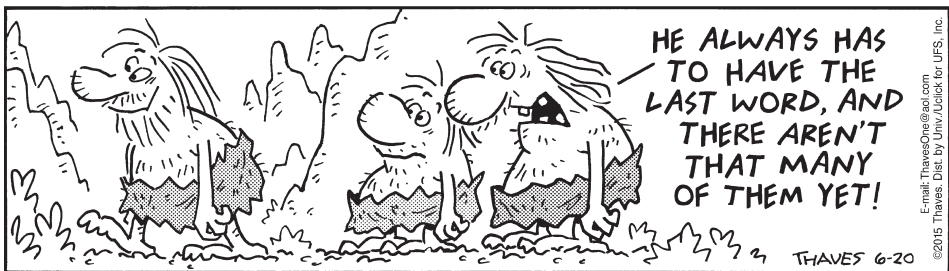
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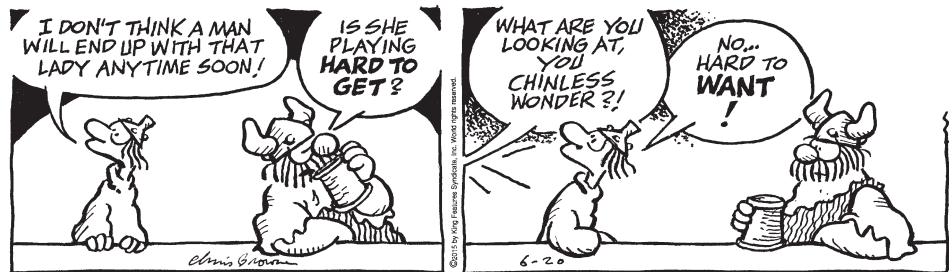
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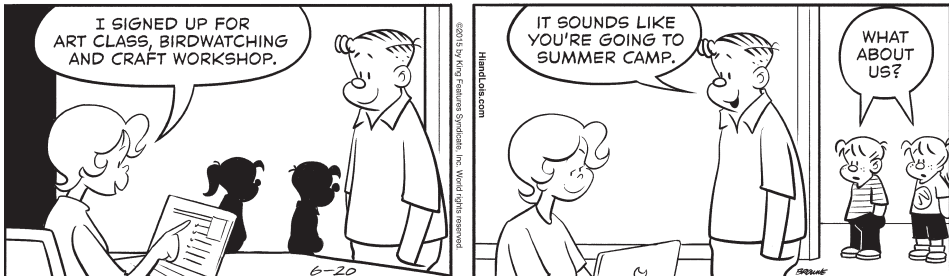
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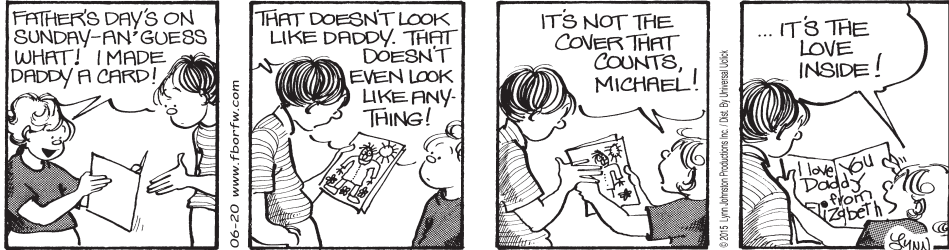
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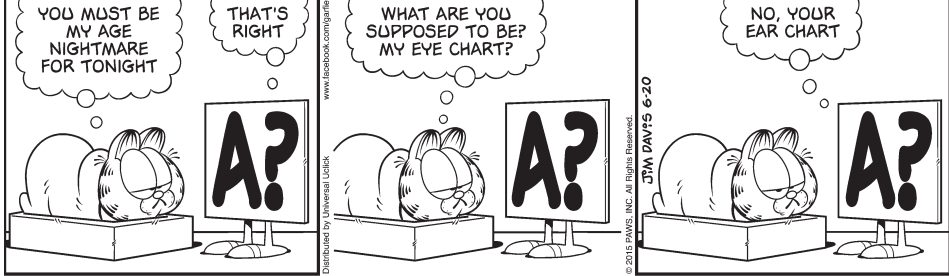
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## Teens' Three-Year Age Gap Is Cause For Adult Concern

DEAR ABBY: I am 19, and I like a girl who is 16, "Cheri." My friends and family think we're dating, and now one of my teachers and the school officer think it is a problem that we are around each other. I asked Cheri's family if it was OK with them if I asked her out. Knowing how old I am, they approved.

My mom says I can be arrested for statutory rape when all I did was give her a kiss on her cheek, and Cheri was fine with it. I really like her and she means the world to me. Is there anything I can use in my defense to prove that we didn't do anything wrong? – ON A SLIPPERY SLOPE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

DEAR SLIPPERY: I don't think anyone is accusing you of having done anything "wrong." When young men and women are attracted to each other, the relationship rarely stays static. The concern may be that an innocent kiss on the cheek may lead to something more.

That your friend's parents approve of you seeing their daughter is a plus. However, if you become sexually involved with their daughter, their feelings could easily change. While you might not be in trouble with the law in New Hampshire – which may calm your mother's fears – the age of consent isn't the same in every state.

DEAR ABBY: I was married 13 years ago, and we have a son and a daughter. Sadly, my husband decided he didn't want to be married anymore and we divorced five years ago. My parents also divorced when I was young, and I did not use my mother's dress.

I am trying to move on from the divorce and I would like to sell the dress, which has been professionally preserved. My ex remarried, and I'm concerned his new wife may decide to pass on her dress to my daughter. Do mothers still pass down wedding dresses to their daughters? – FORMER BRIDE IN NEW YORK

DEAR FORMER: Not every young woman wants to wear her mother's or grandmother's wedding dress. Their tastes may be different, and there could also be the reality that the sizes may be different. If selling the dress will help you to move on, then by all means do so.

And, please, don't waste your time worrying about whether the new wife will steal your thunder by offering your daughter her bridal gown. For the reasons stated above, she might very well refuse it.

DEAR ABBY: I have a family member who does not "have time" to contact, by phone or email, those near and dear to him and tell us what's happening in his life. (If one goes to Facebook, we see our family member posts every personal detail of his life.)

Is this the new communication? Should we accept this and run to look at Facebook every time we want to know what's happening in our loved one's life? – LEFT BEHIND IN THE REAL WORLD

DEAR LEFT BEHIND: Yes, it is, so you might as well accept it. Be glad you are computer-savvy enough to know how to find his postings, because it's unlikely your loved one will change.

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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 Leo.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2015:

This year you open up to quite a few opportunities that seem to drop in your lap. August could be a very fortunate month with relationships, communication and your daily life in general. You easily could be extravagant with your spending. Be careful. If you are single, you are likely to meet someone special by fall. You will want to settle in and spend more time with this person. If you are attached, as a couple, you might be considering a new addition to your home that adds to the quality of your life. LEO tends to energize you and encourage you to be more open.

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)

★★★★ You might be acting as if the first day of summer has come a day early, and you could be feeling unusually spirited. You will have a great time no matter what if you just go with the flow. A loved one will delight in your mood. Tonight: Celebrate whatever you want.

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

★★★★ Zero in on what is important to you. Invite others over later in the day for a nice, relaxing day. You love your place when it is fixed up like you want it to be. You love your friends, and they are highly appreciative of your efforts. Tonight: Get the most out of every moment.

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

★★★★ You have a way of drawing others in, but once you turn up the charisma, you'll become irresistible. People won't be able to ignore you. An unexpected good deed or a surprising statement from a friend will just add to the excitement of the day. Tonight: Hang with friends.

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

★★★ Be more forthright in how you deal with a gift. You might opt to indulge a loved one with a very special day where you plan an adventure that is sure to make him or her smile. Be spontaneous and go for a different type of experience. Tonight: Be where there is music.

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

★★★★ The Moon in your sign allows you to draw in what you desire, as long as you know what

it is. Otherwise, you will have to see what your subconscious wants by what plays out today. Maintain a sense of humor and stay open. Tonight: You could go for hours and hours.

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

★★★ Note how much is going on around you. In fact, you might want to grab the opportunity to vanish when others are so busy and distracted. Be sure to take a day just for you. Don't hesitate to be unavailable for at least a little while. Tonight: You decide what works for you.

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

★★★★ You might want to think through a problem with greater care, but your friends and others around you are unlikely to permit you to have a single quiet moment. Get into the celebratory mood. A loved one might be full of surprises. Tonight: Where your friends are.

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

★★★ You might need to handle a responsibility that could involve a demanding individual. A conversation could be difficult. You know what you want, and it probably doesn't involve being tied up with this person. Make your escape in the afternoon. Tonight: In good company.

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

★★★★ You might desire a change of pace. Know that a surprise that heads your way could force you to adjust your plans. It is quite possible that you'll head out to visit with a friend whom you don't often get to see. Tonight: Let go, and be a little naughty.

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

★★★★ You might want to understand what is happening with a loved one. The unexpected runs rampant, especially with your family. Go with the flow, as you cannot change what is happening. A loved one will be delighted by your presence. Tonight: Special time with a loved one.

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

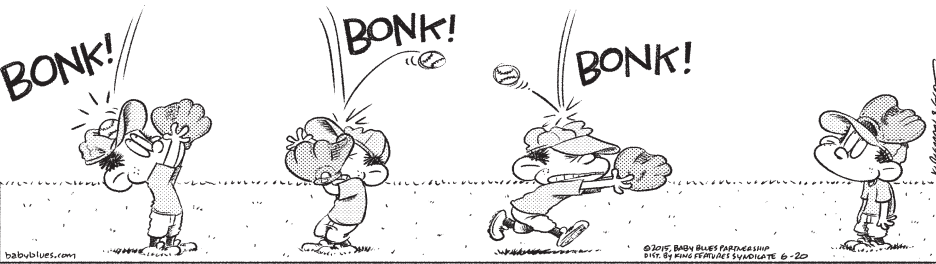
★★★★ You are likely to note that others seem unusually jovial. Listen to what is happening with a favorite person. You could decide to hang out with him or her. Watch closely at this individual's ability to make the most of every moment of the day. Tonight: Go for something fun.

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

★★★★ You might not want to see a situation differently, but someone around you will try to help you see another point of view. Use caution with your funds, and don't immediately agree to an adventure that could be costly. Tonight: Play it light and easy.

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