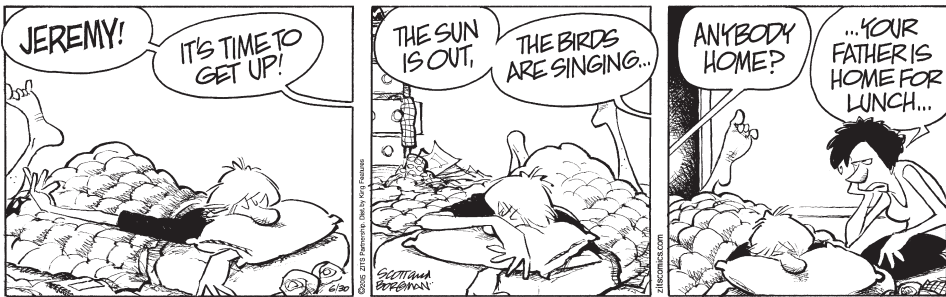


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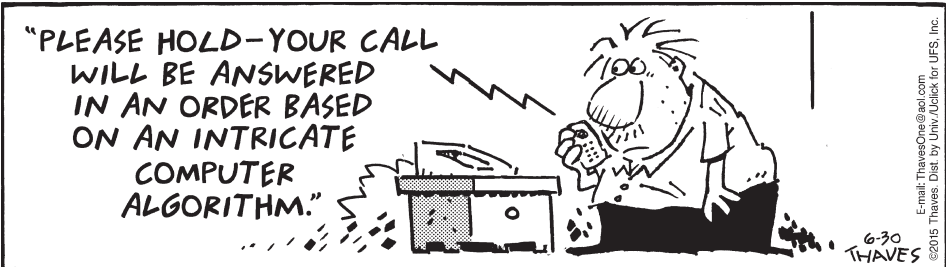
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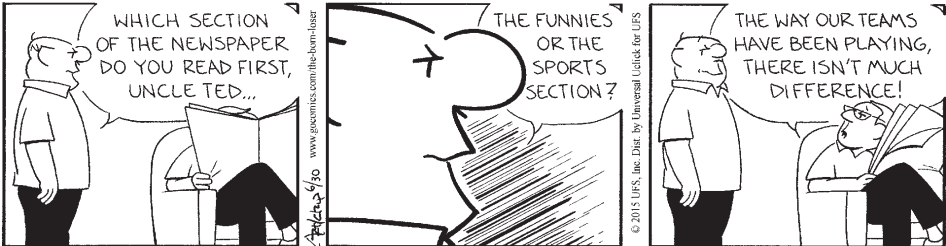
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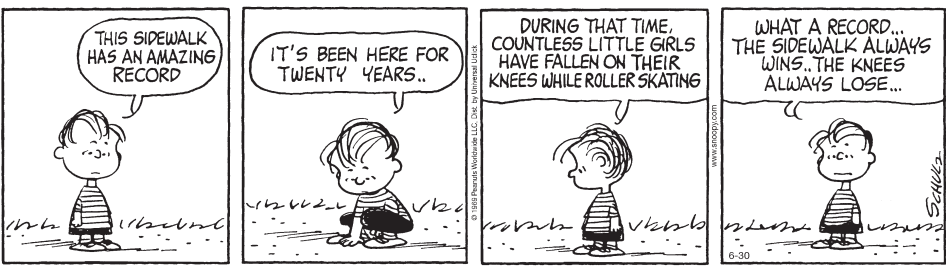
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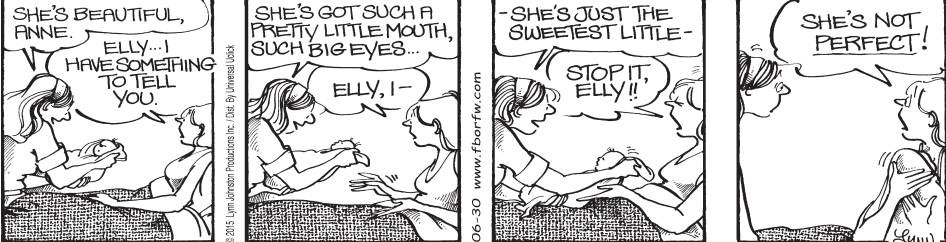
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Woman's Belief Of Parentage Needs Facts To Back Her Claim

DEAR ABBY: I recently received a Facebook message from a 47-year-old mother of four who believes she is my daughter. While I do not remember her mother and have communicated this to the woman, the pictures she sent of her children somewhat resemble my family.

I'm happily married with two sons, and my wife is aware of this and will support any decision I make. I'm conflicted about the choices before me and the impact they may have on her family and mine. What is the right thing to do? — CONFLICTED IN FLORIDA

DEAR CONFLICTED: Try to get a little more background from the woman about her mother. For instance, WHY does she think you are her father? Were you and her mother ever in the same place at the same time? If there is a possibility that you could be her dad, the ethical thing to do would be to let her know that your attorney will be contacting her to arrange a DNA test.

DEAR ABBY: Please tell me what to say to persuade my friend to stop driving up in front of my house and honking his horn. I have asked him twice not to do it, but it continues.

It may seem like a small thing to him, but I think it's disrespectful to me for him to toot his horn like I'm supposed to come running out. A more courteous approach would be to call me and say he's near, or to ring the doorbell when he arrives. Am I being old-fashioned? — EXPECTS RESPECT IN CHARLOTTE, N.C.

DEAR EXPECTS: No. In light of the fact that you have asked this person more than once not to do this, he is rude. In addition, when a driver honks his or her horn repeatedly in a residential neighborhood, the noise can be disruptive to your neighbors.

DEAR ABBY: I recently phoned one of my

mother's best friends, "Edna," to wish her a happy birthday. It was her 101st. When I asked her about her family, she spent some time sobbing over the recent news that her eldest son has cancer.

My first thought — and that of several others — was, why was she told?! Edna is frail and in poor health. She has seen her share of tragedies and losses in her long life, and I think she should have been spared this devastating news.

Hearing her sob on her birthday broke my heart. However, a couple of my friends disagreed with me. They thought she ought to know. Your thoughts on this would be appreciated. — WONDERING IN THE WEST

DEAR WONDERING: There are no hard-and-fast rules that apply to these situations. Although Edna may no longer be able to live independently, her thinking may be clear and she is still the matriarch of the family. When you withhold information from someone, even if it's well-intentioned, it isolates the person. Because the conversation upset you to such an extent that you felt you had to write to me, my thought is you should let Edna's children know what happened.

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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 Cancer and a Moon in Sagittarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2015:

This year you often feel excited during your day-to-day life. Options appear from out of the blue. You will gain financially, but you also will spend a lot. You might want to put some money into savings. If you are single, you will find that you meet people with ease just going wherever you normally go. After mid-August, you could meet someone new, whom you will find to be very appealing. If you are attached, the two of you tend to go overboard and spend a lot. Develop a mutual hobby, if you haven't already. SAGITTARIUS can be very annoying.

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)

★★★★ Everyone seems to be full of ideas that conflict with yours. You are likely to act and demonstrate the solidity of a particular approach. Your imagination will give you an edge that others don't have. It is natural for you to find solutions. Tonight: Try to be low-key.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★★ A partner will want to share many ideas that might startle you. In a sense, you won't know which direction would be more suitable for you to head in. The unexpected occurs when a roommate or family member decides to act out. Tonight: Let others take the lead.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ You speak and others listen. A situation could become more complicated than you would like. Understand your limits when it comes to trying to effect change. Don't push yourself to make a point when you know it will be a futile effort. Tonight: Let someone else treat.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★ You will have a difficult time trying to make someone believe that you are right. Just go off and do your thing. Eventually this person will see the value in your choices. Sometimes you push hard, and it could be too much for some people. Tonight: Get some exercise.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★★★★ You might be very energized and going too fast for some people to follow you. If you are

working independently, then that is a different story. You might want to rethink what you are doing if you have to work with others. Put on your happy face. Tonight: All smiles.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★ Tame your extroverted side and become more observant of a domestic situation. Think in terms of reaching a compromise if you decide to get involved. You might see some upsetting and uncomfortable energy heading your way. Tonight: Go along with the program.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

★★★★ You are likely to hear quite a tale if you can take the time to listen. A partner seems to have the ability to shake up your universe. Sometimes this is for the better, other times, not so much. Zero in on a long-term goal. Know that you will succeed. Tonight: Catch up news.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★ Curb your spending, and be more appropriate about your limits. You tend to find ways to make excessive justifications when taking risks. You don't need to be a big spender. At the moment, a matter is likely to throw you into the limelight. Tonight: Return calls.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★★ You tend to be overly expressive, but no one minds — you have only good vibes to offer those around you. The unexpected seems to occur when you least expect it. Your amusement will become obvious to others. Use caution with a family member. Tonight: As you like it.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

★★★ Much goes on behind the scenes. Listen to your feelings, but know that you don't need to express them just yet. Observe and gather information. You know what to do and when. Honor what is happening. Tonight: Relax at home, and curl up with a good book or watch a movie.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

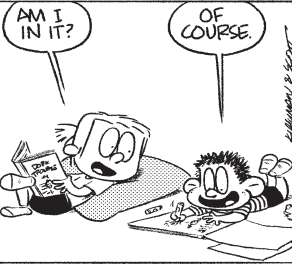
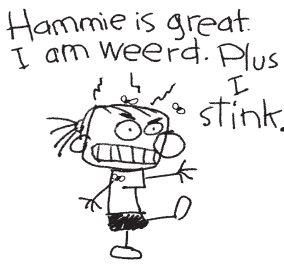
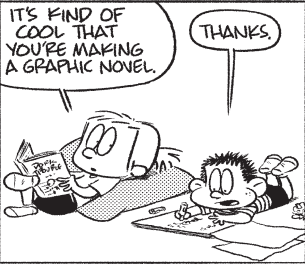
★★★★ Your friends might be unusually observant of someone in your life. A relationship seems to be changing right in front of you. Accept this rather than reject it. Don't lose your focus, as you can achieve a lot right now. Your softer side could emerge. Tonight: With friends.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

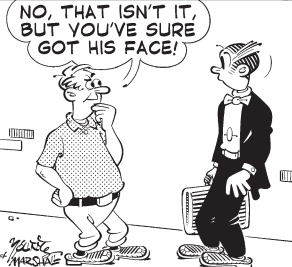
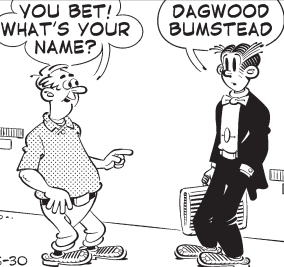
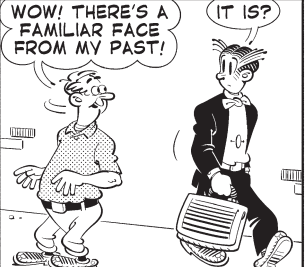
★★★★ Be more in touch with what you want. Tension remains high, and you have choices to make. Clearly you can't please everyone all the time. Do not even try. An associate shows enormous caring. Examine what someone suggests. Tonight: Touch base with an older relative.

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