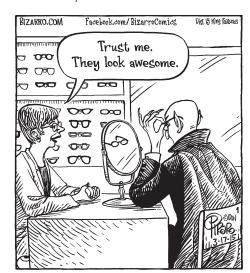
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"Sorry, it's St. Patrick's Day — you have to eat all your GREEN vegetables."

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PICKLES | BRIAN CRANE









FRANK AND ERNEST | BOB THAVES



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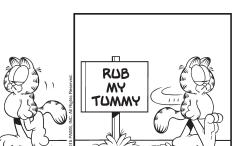






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2-1-1 Is Number To Remember To Find Low-Cost Services

DEAR ABBY: We are writing in response to the question you printed (Jan. 13) about where to find affordable counseling. Your suggestions were helpful, but we want to above another one:

share another one:
2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember telephone number that, where available, connects

people to information about critical, free or low-cost health and human services in their community. 2-1-1 reaches about 270 million people (90 percent of the U.S. population), covering all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Canada. It is a free, confidential resource.

Similar to dialing 9-1-1 for emer-

similar to dialing 9-1-1 for emergencies, calling 2-1-1 helps people seeking training, employment, food pantries, shelter, assistance for aging parents, addiction prevention programs for teens, affordable housing options and support groups. It provides a one-stop service for community soon. - DEA

Abby, won't you share this information with your readers? Everyone knows someone who needs help. 2-1-1 is there for them. —

STAFF OF 2-1-1, ORANGE COUNTY, CALIF.
DEAR STAFF: I'm pleased to pass along
this important resource, which serves such
a large portion of the population. Thank you
for taking the time to offer it to my readers.

DEAR ABBY: I am 28 and engaged to marry a wonderful man, "Ryan." Before I met him, I was involved in an affair with my married boss and was deeply in love with him. (I still am.) We continued our affair even after I met Ryan, and now I think I'm pregnant. I told my boss and, naturally, he's not happy about it.

I don't know how to tell Ryan or if I even want to. I have always wanted to be a mother, and now I have the chance. But I may end up doing it alone in poor financial shape. I also won't have a home to live in once my old-fashioned mother finds out I've gotten myself

pregnant before marriage. Any advice? —

SCARED STUPID IN NEW JERSEY
DEAR SCARED STUPID: Yes. Take a pregnancy test to determine if you really are pregnant. If it turns out that you are, then you must tell your fiance everything. Even if Ryan walks away, the baby's father will be legally

responsible for child support.

It is important that you also tell your mother what's going on. She may not be thrilled to hear the news, but I doubt she will put you and her grandchild-to-be out on the street. A generation or two ago that might have happened, but no longer.

DEAR ABBY: I know if a girl breaks off the engagement, she's supposed to return the ring to her ex-fiance. Does the situation of a wife filing for divorce fall under the same set of rules? I need a response

soon. — CRAIG IN HOUSTON

DEAR CRAIG: No. If the rings were given with the promise of marriage and the promise was fulfilled, she is not expected to return them.

TO MY IRISH READERS: A very happy St. Patrick's Day to you all. — Love, ABBY

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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 Pisces and a Moon in Aquarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR

TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2015:

This year you will be more open to others. You will focus on your work and on integrating a new element into your life. At times, you will want to retreat. Make that OK. It would be wise to develop a stress-reducing hobby, like yoga. If you are single, look to fall 2015 to meet someone special. You could meet Mr. or Ms. Right! Remain available until this person arrives on the scene. If you are attached, the two of you love your downtime together as a couple. Make a point of going on more dates as well as taking off for the weekend. AQUARIUS helps you through your problems.

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

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

*** You might decide to indulge yourself or a loved one. You will follow through with this behavior, even if you are trying to restrain yourself right now. Expect some surprises along the way. Try to get rid of any limiting thoughts. Tonight: Live it up!

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*** Others look to you to take the lead. You probably are not even aware of what a commanding figure you are. You'll appreciate the sentiment, but you might want to do something else instead of being a role model. You don't have to make

excuses. Tonight: Paint the town green.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)★★★★ You will be weighing the pros and cons of an idea. You might not be ready to share it with others yet. In any case, a friend will try to reel you in. Rather than being annoyed, join this person. Share some of your private thoughts. Tonight:

Returns calls and emails. CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

*** * If you don't feel like joining your loved ones, know that that's OK. You usually are a people person, but perhaps you have better plans. You don't need to share everything that is on your mind. Deal with a touchy person carefully. Tonight: With a

favorite person. **LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)**

★★★★ You could be rethinking a relationship. You might want to test out some of your thoughts or at least discuss them. You will find that others have surprising reactions to what you say. Don't worry so much; everything will work out. Tonight: Sort through the possibilities.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

** You might want to go out at some point, but a sudden introverted streak could take over. You don't need to explain why; just gracefully duck out and do what you want. Sometimes you need to cancel plans in order to go down your own path. Tonight: Not to be found.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-0CT. 22)

*** You might have a serious meeting on your schedule, but you still will make time to visit your Irish friends. You can get quite intense if you feel a lack of control. Realize that the only person you can control is you. Others surprise you with their choices. Tonight: Go for naughty.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

*** You might be in the mood to stay home, yet St. Patrick's Day happenings will lure you out the door. You might discover that a child or loved one seems to be acting quite spontaneous. Enjoy this sudden change, as it won't last forever. Tonight: Go green.

t: Go green. SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

*** You generally are full of fun, yet you seem to be more serious right now. A friend will try to tease you out of your mood. Just be true to yourself. You could be surprised by what happens as a result. Communication will flourish if you are willing to talk. Tonight: Hang out.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

** Listen to news with an ear to the financial implications involved. Understand that this situation is in a state of flux, so avoid making decisions right now. You might be short several facts, or perhaps you just can't see the whole picture yet. Tonight: Treat an Irish friend to a drink.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

*** * You'll see a new beginning as others seem to reveal much more. You have the ability to add excitement wherever you are. You might get a little too assertive in a conversation. Try to make fewer judgments. Tonight: You might not be Irish, but you can act like you are.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

** Don't expect a project to go exactly the way you would like it to. Part of the problem is that you want your ideas to be accepted by others. Share your views, and allow others to express their free will. The results will be better in the long run. Tonight: A vanishing act.

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