

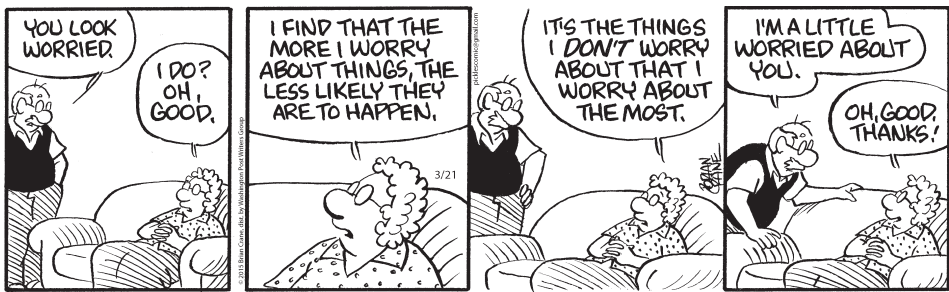
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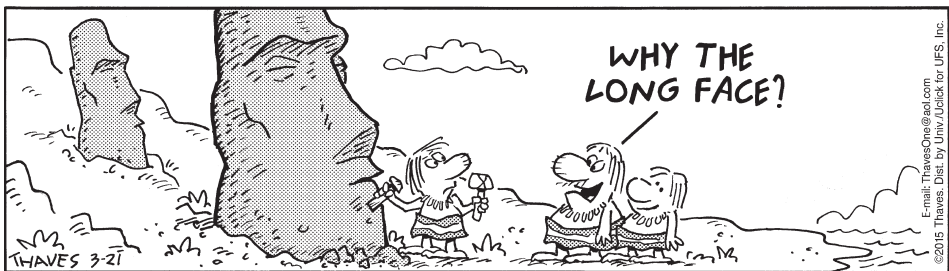
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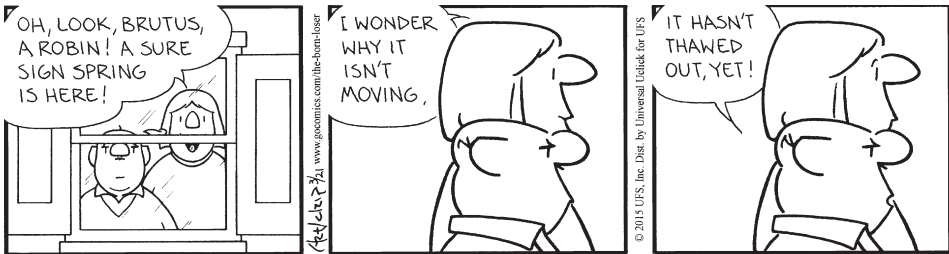
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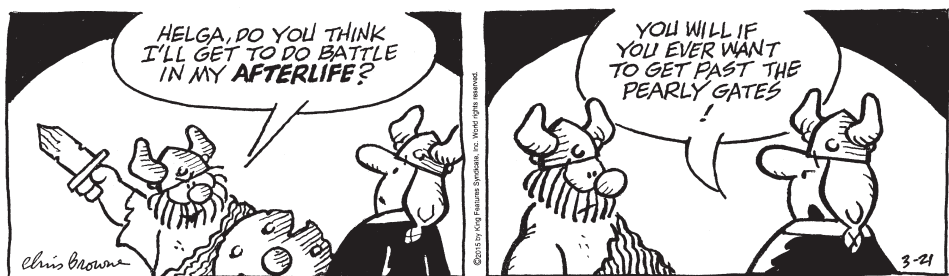
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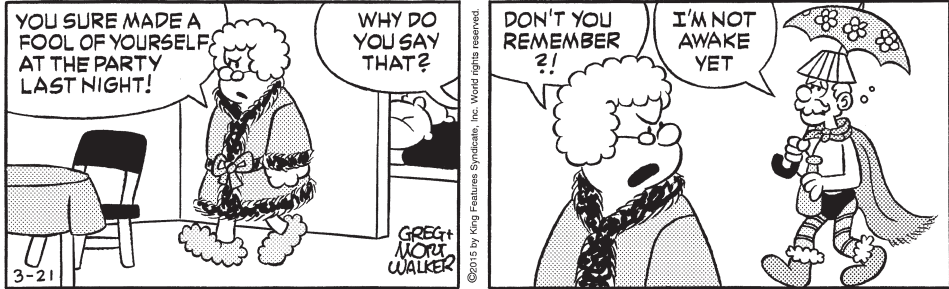
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Birthday Cash Buys Groceries And Gas Instead Of Baubles

DEAR ABBY: My birthday was last week and my boyfriend gave me \$100 cash to spend on myself. I ended up spending the money on groceries for the both of us and on gas.

If my boyfriend asks what I used his gift for, should I tell him it was for groceries for us? I have asked my friends and they said different things, such as, tell him the truth, or something like "I'm saving it." — SAVANNAH IN GEORGIA

DEAR SAVANNAH: If he asks, tell him the truth. The money was spent on things you needed — groceries for the both of you and gas. And if he finds fault with that — although I can't imagine that he would — remind him that once a gift is given, it belongs to the recipient to do with as she (or he) pleases.

DEAR ABBY: I am an 11-year-old girl in middle school. There are two boys I like. One of them is someone I've known for two years and is a really good friend. The other boy I don't know anything about. I like him because he's cute.

What I like about the first guy is that he's funny, smart, looks good and we like the same things. I don't know which to pick. Please help! — INTERESTED IN OREGON

DEAR INTERESTED: At 11, you don't have to pick either one. Enjoy both for what they have to offer and, in time, you won't have to ask anyone else to decide for you. In fact, you may even find a third someone who offers the same qualities you like in both of these boys in one package and who likes you back.

DEAR ABBY: I have been in a relationship for five years with my boyfriend, "Clay." We live in separate houses. I have three children, ages 18, 17 and 12. My 18-year-old is away at college.

Clay never comes to my house. Every weekend, and sometimes during the week, I must pack my bags and those of my kids to go to Clay's. This is hard for us. I have discussed

it with him, but his answer is he's "set in his ways."

He expects me to drop everything at a moment's notice to host parties for him or meet him for dinner with his co-workers. I have explained that a single mother cannot do this all the time.

I am tired and frustrated. I have stayed with Clay this long thinking that one day he'll want more from this relationship. But it's difficult enough taking care of one home without having to look after a second one.

Am I wasting my time? Should I move on? I feel he does love my kids and me. We have never argued, and he has never mistreated me. I just don't know what to do anymore. — MISERABLE IN MISSISSIPPI

DEAR MISERABLE: Why should Clay want more from a relationship that's working just fine for him? He has all the perks and none of the responsibilities that come with marriage. When he snaps his fingers, you run, regardless of the stress on you and your children.

That when you have mentioned a compromise he tells you he is "set in his ways" should convey a strong message. It's time to lay your cards on the table and tell Clay what YOU want and what YOU need from this relationship, so if he isn't prepared to give it to you, you can make other plans.

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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 and Moon in Aries.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2015:

This year you often weaken your assets by pushing yourself too hard. You might want to spend some time realizing a new talent. You also will want to learn more about an investment. You have a strong intuitive sense that takes you down many paths. Creativity, energy and enthusiasm are your strong suits -- use them well. If you are single, you might have met someone recently or you will meet someone in the near future whom you find to be quite intriguing. Get to know this person better. If you are attached, the two of you express an unusual enjoyment of just being together. This could be a very special year for both of you. A fellow ARIES is even more hot-tempered than you are!

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 have a choice as to how you display your energy. You'll be a whirlwind of activity, and you might get so much done that you could surprise yourself. A boss or parent could trigger your temper, but try your best to keep it together. Tonight: Dance the night away.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★ You might want some time for yourself. Reflect on the possibilities at hand. First, you'll need to admit to yourself that you need a break from the here and now. Find out why you're feeling this way, and then seek out a solution. Tonight: Play it low-key.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ You like to be with friends and having fun, so make it happen. Allow Lady Luck to land on your shoulder, even if you are concerned with other matters. A friend might push you so hard that you'll need to put a stop to what is happening. Tonight: Follow the fun.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ You could be exhausted from someone else's demands. Be willing to ask for what you need, too. Give yourself plenty of time to think through your options. Your knee-jerk response might not be the best course of action. Honor your boundaries. Tonight: Be noticed.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★★★★ Reach out to a new friend or someone else you can be real with. Many people expect a lot from you, whether it is to make them laugh or tell them great stories. You can't always be charming or entertaining. Tonight: Take off for a concert or movie.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★★ You could be delighted by the attention you get from a key person in your life. One-on-one relating keeps the emotional waters at bay. You might be a little more likely to take a risk than you usually are. Tonight: Go along with another person's suggestion.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

★★★★ You are ready for a change, and you're likely to make it happen. Others seem most friendly and will invite you to join them. Don't be coerced by others. Say "yes" only if you want to. Deal with an important matter in the afternoon. Tonight: Forget restraint.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★ Pace yourself. Whatever your plans are, there seems to be an element of the unexpected involved. An older relative could make an important request. You might surprise yourself with how much of a good time you are likely to have. Tonight: A must appearance.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★★ You could be taken aback by a child or loved one's unexpected warm reception. You might wonder whether you really want to join in on the diversity and outside-the-box fun happening around you. Let go, and you'll be glad you did. Tonight: And the party goes on.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

★★★★ Sometimes you can be very chatty, and today is an excellent example. You might question where someone is coming from. Why not just let go of all the internalizing and follow your instincts? The results could be quite spectacular. Tonight: Where your friends are.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

★★★★ Remain sensitive to your budget. Before you make a purchase for you or your home, do some intense price comparison. You might see an alternative or decide to wait. Trust your decision-making ability. Tonight: Time with a family member.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

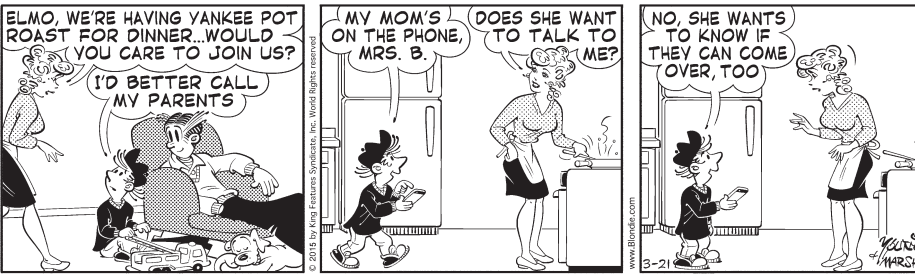
★★★★ You might feel awkward when relating to someone who is a fire or air sign. Remain open to ideas that are somewhat foreign, and use caution and self-discipline when it comes to frivolous spending. You have a tendency to go overboard! Tonight: Let someone rein you in.

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