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"Here comes the rain, Mommy. We're gonna finish our game in the house."

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Hopeful Lottery Winners Want To Share Fortune With Spouse

DEAR ABBY

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DEAR ABBY: I'm responding to your request for comments about the letter from "Happily Single" (Feb. 13) and whether a divorce would be the first course of action upon winning the lottery. In a community-property state, a divorce

AFTER winning wouldn't legally protect you from having to share the spoils with your soon-to-be (and probably now bitter) ex-spouse.

My husband and I have talked at length about what we'd do if either of us won the Powerball jackpots, and no, divorce was NOT on the list. We'd start by consulting a lawyer/financial planner to find a way to protect our privacy before claiming the money.

I suspect the comments from "Happily's" co-workers are evidence that unhappily marrieds group together — or enjoy complaining about their spouses. Either way, it's sad. Studies show that complaining about a spouse significantly decreases one's satisfaction in a relationship. While we all "vent" from time to time, if talking divorce is your first response to a jackpot win, then you're in the wrong relationship. — IN IT FOR THE LONG HAUL

DEAR IN IT: I hit the jackpot with the huge response I received about that letter. And the majority of readers said they would NOT divorce:

DEAR ABBY: I am a lottery winner, and I feel blessed and proud that I can take care of my wife the way she deserves. Within two minutes of my win I was on the phone with her, telling her to guit her stressful job. We now have a wonderful life, with more than we ever hoped for. - SATISFIED IN THE SUNSHINE STATE

DEAR ABBY: I'm single, but that letter didn't surprise me. I think a lot of people feel they must be married by a certain age, so they end up "settling."

ACQUELINE 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 Taurus and a Moon in Aries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2013:

This year you have many opportunities to increase your financial stability. You will see more money come in, but you also could see more money go out. Don't spend money before you have it. If you are single, you have a lot to offer. Any time from summer on, you could meet a fun person who is easy to relate to. If you are attached, schedule a summer vacation for just the two of you. ARIES reads you cold.

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)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ Optimism beams through your day, but you might wonder where to start. Just dive right in. and you are likely to accomplish a lot. Your ability to home in on a problem and make an adjustment is a prominent feature of your present success. Tonight: As you wish

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★ Deferring to others is difficult and somewhat

Read some of the crazy lottery winner stories posted online, and you'll see people trade in their spouses because they feel they can do better or "move up," kind of like buying a bigger, better

house. I'm not saying it's right, but it happens. — CINDY IN ARLINGTON,

DEAR ABBY: If I won the lottery, the first thing I'd do is GET married. We're waiting so we can afford the nice wedding we both want. — STEPHANIE IN SAŬGUS, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: The first thing I'd do if I won is pay off all my debts. I'm AL-READY divorced. - DIANA IN TEXAS CITY, TEXAS

DEAR ABBY: I wouldn't consider getting divorced if I won, but I might finally buy that second husband I've been wanting but can't afford. -TACOMA REĂDER

DEAR ABBY: I've been married for 40 years. If I won I would not divorce. There's NO WAY I'd want to give him half the money. I would stay married so I could have control over the money he spent. It would make up for all the years that he would pinch my pennies and make me squeeze a nickel till the buffalo pooped. — WISHFUL IN OHIO DEAR ABBY: If I were to win the lot-

tery, I would trade all of it just to have one more hug and one more night talking with my wife, who died 16 years ago. Our children were young when she died, and I have tried my best to raise them to be good adults. But my heart still aches over losing her to cancer. I believe all widows and widowers would agree with me on this. — TRENT IN OKLAHOMA DEAR ABBY: "When" we win, my husband and I

plan on going into a self-made "witness protection program" to hide from the long-lost relatives. But we will absolutely do it TOGETHER. - HOPING IN GEOR-GIA

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have controversial views. You will open up many new paths as a result. Tonight: Where the music is.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★★ You might want to rethink a personal matter involving your finances and/or a partnership. You could feel as if many opportunities are possible, and you might be right. In fact, a pay raise or promotion could be in the offing. Tonight: Have a long-overdue talk with a loved one.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-0CT. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Reach out to someone at a distance whom you care a lot about. The response is likely to be positive. Stay focused on what is happening around you. A few difficult comments are likely to be shared in a discussion with a partner. Tonight: Go along with someone else's idea.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★★ You might want to reach out to someone who is very different from you. This person is confident in his or her self-expression, which is nearly the opposite of how you are. If you can learn to respect a different style, you will grow from your interactions. Tonight: On a roll.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★★ Everyone likes to be popular, but it could get to be too much for you to handle. Know when to say "enough." You will be happier, as will they. Live in the moment. You tend to move quickly, so be careful not to make a last-minute mistake. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

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aling for you. Give up on the impossible, and nize that your energy is better placed elsewhere. Stand back and observe; listen to what is not being said. Tonight: Get as much sleep as possible. You will need it soon

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You know your priorities. Move auickly in order to secure a long-term desire. Your ability to read between the lines proves to be very important. Use care in how you reveal a strategic insight. Take your time and choose the right words. Tonight: Visit with a friend.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ You might want to consider taking a different path. You know what you want, but your current approach is not working. A meeting reveals support, but also a level of frustration. Use your intuitive abilities to move through a problem. Tonight: Where people are.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You see the value of getting others' insight and support in order to help you achieve your long-term goals. Detach and brainstorm more often with people who

BABY BLUES | RICK KIRKMAN AND JERRY SCOTT

NOBODY V NOBODY ISN'T IT GREAT IS EVERYBOD TO TELL THE TRUTH, IS SICK? IS POUTING? TO HAVE SUCH OKAY? IT IS SOFT OF WELL-BEHAVED, FREAKING ME OUT! FINE! KIDS? NOPE WE'RE 00 GOOD

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE | LYNN JOHNSTON









MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM | MIKE PETERS



CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You might be focused on a personal matter right now, but remember that you need to handle other issues as well. Recognize your limits and prioritize. Your demands are only going to become heavier in the next few days. Tonight: Try a quiet night at home.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ Your words bring positive responses, especially from a child or a fun person in your life. You could get bogged down by a domestic situation. Open up to change and more diversity. You might seem to feel as if a close loved one can make a difference. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You could want to head in a new direction, despite what is happening around you. You know what is workable. Share your plan with someone. Though the receiver of this information initially might be upset, he or she will appreciate it later. Tonight: Treat yourself.

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