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RVs On Highways This Summer Will Need Extra Room To Roam

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DEAR ABBY: It's vacation time again, time to hit the road in the RV. Please make your readers aware that people driving motorhomes, towing fifth-wheel trailers and travel trailers CANNOT stop as quickly as a small car or truck

When people cut in front of an RV or a large truck and slam on their brakes, it puts many people's lives in danger. There is a reason we leave that large space between our RV and the vehicle in front of us. It provides us room to stop as well as the ability to see what's happening in the traffic ahead.

Your readers should also know that even though we RV-ers have mirrors and possibly rear video cameras, there are many blind spots — especially if the car behind us is following too close or weaving in and out of lanes.

The bottom line is: Be safe. Be courteous. Drive like your life and the lives of others are in your control because it is literally true. — HAPPY CAMPER, PASCO, WASH.

DEÁR HAPPY CAMPER: I'm glad you wrote because I have received several letters recently, asking me to alert my readers about the risk of driving too close to RVs and fifth-wheel vehicles. Too many motorists don't realize that it's impossible to stop suddenly while pulling a load that weighs several tons. A word to the wise ...

DEAR ABBY: A woman here at work constantly asks to borrow money. The first time she did it, she caught me off guard and I gave her \$20. The second time she sent me an email asking for a loan, I replied that I only had a few dollars.

I'm not the only person she asks. Five other people in our department have told me she has hit them up too. One of them reported her to our HR manager, but it hasn't stopped her. To be fair, she did return the \$20 I loaned her, but isn't this akin to a hostile work environment

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 Leo.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2013:

This year you will curb a tendency to be grumpy or touchy, as that behavior could undermine the quality of your year. You will hit a financial high, but with more money coming in, you also might increase your spending. If you are single, you have great potential to meet someone you really can communicate with. This relationship could evolve into more, if you choose. If you are attached, both of you enjoy your time together more and more. Make time for special dates and getaways as a couple LEO remains a loyal friend.

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)

★★★ If you feel as if you are investing too much in a key area of your life -- whether it is time, emotionally or financially -- stop. Consider initiating a discussion with the other people involved. You could learn a lot as a result. Tonight: Communication remains vital

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

We all avoid her because we know she'll ask for money, but we also have to work with her every day. Times are tough for everyone, and it's irritating that she thinks she's the only one with money problems.

Is there anything we can do short of ganging up on her and telling her to leave us all alone? — ALSO FEELING THE PINCH IN UTAH

DEAR ALSO FEELING THE PINCH: The next time the woman asks for a loan, tell her you're not in the loan business, and that you're not the only one who feels put upon. Suggest that unless she wants to become an outcast she will stop asking for money because it has made everyone uncomfortable. If she persists after that, report what she's doing to HR as a group.

DEAR ABBY: I have a friend who was raised Catholic. I'm not Catholic, and every time I attend a wedding or funeral for one of her family members I feel uncomfortable and awkward. I often sit in the very back pew to go unnoticed.

The Catholic Church offers beautiful, unique customs that I am simply ignorant about - like when to sit, kneel, recite, take bread, etc. I feel if I don't comply with customs at these events, I might come off as rude or disrespectful. On the other hand, if I do try, my igno-

rance may appear just as rude and disrespectful. What is the right thing to do in situations like

these? I want to be respectful of any religion. - MAN-NERLY IN INDIANA DEAR MANNERLY: No rule of etiquette demands

that you participate in the rituals of another person's religion. If you feel uncomfortable sitting while others kneel or stand, then follow their lead. Or, continue to sit quietly at the back of the church as you are doing, which is perfectly acceptable. However, only members of the congregation in good standing should take communion.

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tially could cause a lot more uproar. Use your sunny personality to express your discomfort so that it doesn't trig-ger any problems. Tonight: Get together with friends.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

 $\star \star \star$ You could be irritated by a miscommunication. You might need to bite your tongue and not say what you think until later. You need time to think. Touch base with an older friend, and ask for his or her advice. Good news is forthcoming. Tonight: Off doing your own thing.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-0CT. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Just be yourself, and everything will fall into place. Try to work through a conflict by understanding where the other person is coming from. You could feel slightly off-kilter until you do. You are a sign that rarely is comfortable with disagreeable emotions. Tonight: TGIF!

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★ You have a knee-jerk response, which often can be a problem, especially when harsh words are the result. Keep in mind that the wittier your words are, the more likely they will be remembered! Optimism surrounds a relationship. Tonight: Have fun till the wee hours.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

 $\star\star\star\star$ You have a fiery personality right now. Try to funnel your frustration into a project or some other activity. You might need to make a change. Detach, and you will be delighted by incoming news or an offer. Say "yes" to an adventure. Tonight: Do something different.

 $\star\star\star$ You enjoy relating to one specific person, be it personally or professionally. The energy that exists be-

tween you will open doors and allow more options than

nity could come forward for both of you. Tonight: Add in

you originally thought possible. A moneymaking opportu-

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

friends enjoy your company and far-out ideas. Your popu-

larity soars. You also have the opportunity to strengthen a

bond. Others trust you more than you might realize; your

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You are determined to complete a project.

You're even willing to take it home this weekend to work on it if need be. A close friend might offer to pitch in, and

you could be surprised at how much fun you have while

integrity counts. Tonight: Where the action is.

working together. Tonight: Play it relaxed.

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ Many people don't agree with you, but your



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HECK IF I KNOW-THE COOK KEEPS CHANGING IT EVERY

DAY!

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ You could be overwhelmed by a situation and want to express your frustration in anger. Many people will stop and take notice of your fiery display, as it is rare for you to lose your temper. Be willing to make a caring gesture if you hurt someone's feelings. Tonight: Be yourself.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ Your instincts guide you. You need to express your feelings in a way that others can hear. Once you are acknowledged, good will and upbeat choices will follow. Do not allow your anger to build -- just be the cooperative Twin. Tonight: Out and about with loved ones.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ Observe what is going on behind the scenes. You might have a sense that everything will work out fine. A friend displays quite a temper. This person does not express his or her anger often, but when he or she does, step back. Tonight: Listen to what is not being said.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

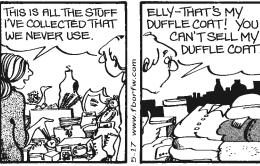
 $\star \star \star \star \star$ You could be put off by someone's actions. You are likely to say so in a harsh manner, which poten-

BABY BLUES | RICK KIRKMAN AND JERRY SCOTT

WHERE DOES I FNOW, I'LL TELL YOUR DAD MOM I JUST ADDED SOME! I MIGHT WPEN'S TO PICK UP SOME IT ALL GO? HAVE BUT IT'S SANDBOX ON HIS WAY HOME. A GUESS ALMOST NEEDS GONE. MORE SAND. R

some spice.

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE | LYNN JOHNSTON







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