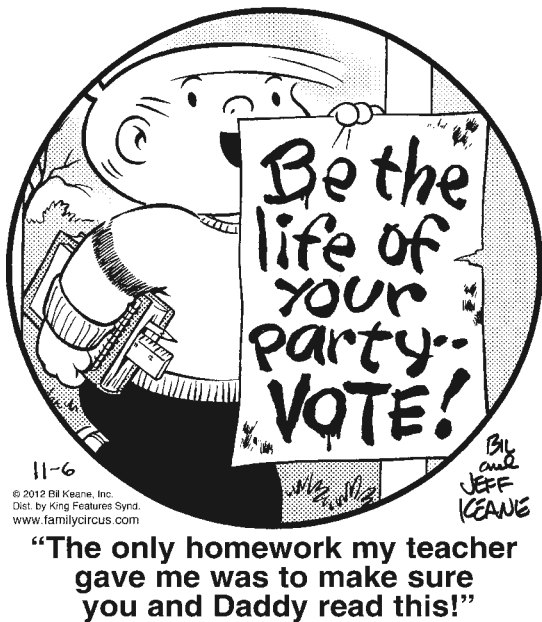


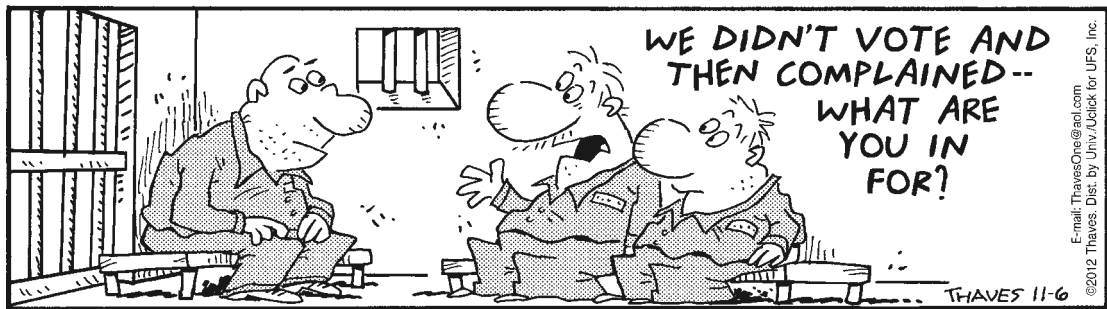
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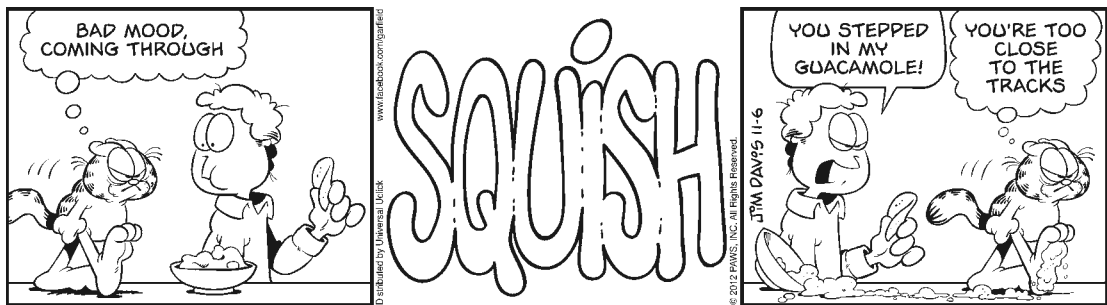
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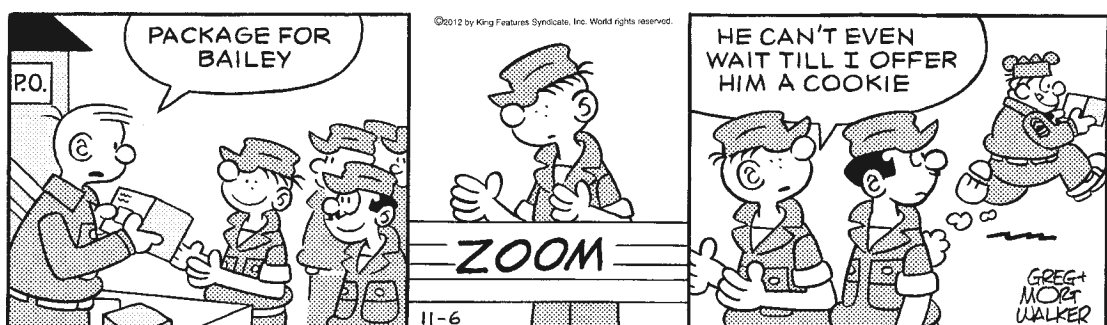
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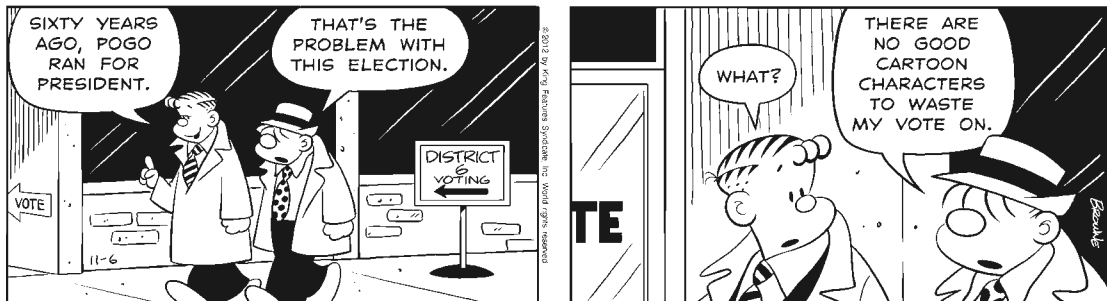
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# Woman's Gifts Of Friendship Are Now Being Sold Online

DEAR ABBY: I have a close friend who is obsessed with selling "finds" on eBay. I often give her little items that she has mentioned she liked — or outright asked for. I always thought she wanted to keep them for herself. Recently I saw some of the things I gave her for sale under her eBay account.

I am dismayed that she is taking advantage of my generosity to make a few bucks. No, she is not desperate. And no, I don't feel comfortable saying something unless it's clever and I won't appear to be jealous or petty. — TRACI IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR TRACI: You don't have to say anything clever. What you should do is tell your friend that you were hurt when you saw the items she had requested up for sale on her eBay account. Period. And in the future, be a little less generous about providing stock for her retail venture.

DEAR ABBY: Over the years, I have seen many letters from soon-to-be-brides asking if they should include their husband's sister or other female friend in their bridal party, even if they don't know them. There is a solution.

This summer, I was honored to be the best man at the wedding of a close friend. He had a female friend, "Liz," whom he wanted in the wedding party. Liz didn't know the bride, so instead of having her be a bridesmaid, Liz was a groomsman. She stood in photos with the groomsmen, and even wore a matching outfit — a lovely gray dress with a red ribbon to match our gray suits and red ties. — BEST MAN IN REDMOND, WASH.

DEAR BEST MAN: That is certainly an appropriate solution to something that shouldn't be a problem in the first place. Women have also occasionally served in the capacity of "best man." I'm glad you mentioned it.

DEAR ABBY: I have seen letters in your column referring to not being invited to children's birthday parties

ties and the hurt that follows. It's amazing to me that some adults have also never learned the importance of being sensitive to the feelings of others.

We recently moved into an established neighborhood where a group of adults go on trips, out to dinner, etc. I am old enough to realize that my husband and I will not be invited to everything. But I am not "old enough" not to feel a stab of pain and isolation when group plans are discussed in my presence and we are not invited.

Somewhere along the line, people need to learn not to discuss group activities in front of those who are not included. No one wants to feel left out. — NEWCOMER TO MINNESOTA

DEAR NEWCOMER: You've said it well. While I don't think the offenders are being deliberately cruel, if people would think before opening their mouths, a lot of hurt feelings could be avoided.

DEAR ABBY: I'm just wondering what you and your readers think about this: If you see your doctor only once a year (or less if you are well), but you have been going to that doctor for five years or so, should that doctor remember you? — LOUISE IN ARIZONA

DEAR LOUISE: It depends on the volume of patients the doctor has in his (or her) practice. However, before seeing you, the doctor should certainly familiarize himself (or herself) with your file so you are not being seen "cold."

What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know." Send your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for \$7 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Shipping and handling are included in the price.)

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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 Scorpio and a Moon in Leo all day.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, NOV. 6, 2012:

Do not expect to be secretive and get away with it this year. In fact, since all eyes frequently will be on you, it will be close to impossible. You become a leader, whether you're at work, in your immediate circle or elsewhere. Use care with your finances, because misunderstandings and problems could stem from there. If you are single, try to be out and about as much as possible, as you'll have no problem meeting people. Take your time getting to know someone. If you are attached, the two of you benefit from sharing a social commitment together. LEO often admires you.

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)

★★★★ A friend whispers in your ear; listen to what he or she has to say. Others find you to be extraordinarily dynamic. Communication comes to the forefront. You might need to get moving with a key project. Be careful, as you could get mixed messages. Tonight: Have fun wherever you are.

### TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★ Keep your home life a priority, and do not let others distract you. Some of you will be involved in real estate, whether it is sprucing up your home or making an investment. Rethink a decision involving a partner. Tonight: Your instincts guide you with a partner.

### GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ Mercury, your sign's ruling planet, is about to do a backward jig. As a result, you might sense a difference in your mood and others' as well. A friend continues to act in the most unexpected manner. Be optimistic about a situation that involves a partner, and put your best foot forward. Tonight: Speak your mind.

### CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★★ Your more possessive side emerges, despite everything that is going on around you. A boss or someone you look up to could be quite reactive. Be careful with your word choice; many people are oversensitive. You might want to revisit a recent decision involving your daily life. Tonight: Your treat.

### LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★★★★ You are full of personality and fun. Others do not know how to take your words and actions. A misun-

derstanding could happen as a result of their assumptions. Know what you want. Rethink what is going on with a situation that involves a romance and/or a child. Tonight: Let the fun begin.

### VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

★★★ Know when to pull back and simply listen. A partner's unexpected actions could be problematic. You might feel cranky because of everything you have to deal with. Opportunities occur naturally for you, but you might not be in the mood to jump on them. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

### LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

★★★★ Emphasize what is important, and follow through accordingly. A meeting provides support as you continue down your chosen path. You might worry too much and wonder what is going on. Also, information coming in might not be accurate. Trust your instincts. Tonight: Where friends are.

### SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

★★★ Take charge of a situation -- don't act as if you have no choice. You are heading in a new direction despite the comfort of staying in what is known. You might decide that you need feedback from a very gracious partner. Tonight: On top of your game.

### SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

★★★★ Listen and reach out to someone at a distance who means a lot to you. Do not stand on ceremony if your calls aren't returned. You are entering a period when misunderstandings could happen with greater frequency. Tonight: Detach and tap into your imagination.

### CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

★★★★ Relate on a one-on-one level to someone. Listen to what you are saying and also to what is being shared. You could be overwhelmed by everything that is happening around you. Delegate responsibilities to a trusted associate or loved one. Tonight: Make it romantic.

### AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

★★★★ Give up a need to have power. If you just go along with a situation, you will be much happier. Listen to your instincts regarding a personal matter. Do not test others. Let them run the show and express their true colors. Tonight: Say "yes."

### PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

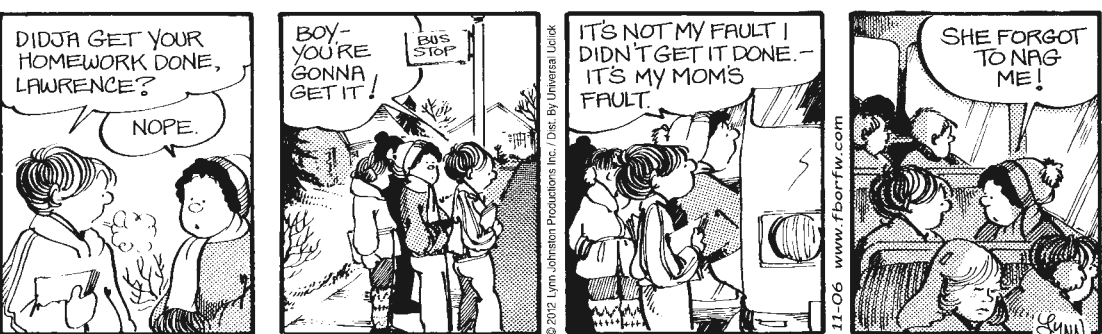
★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by everything that is happening in your immediate circle. Start crossing things off your to-do list -- it will help eliminate this feeling of heaviness. You will feel better as a result. You also will be able to extend yourself more fully. Tonight: Put your feet up.

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