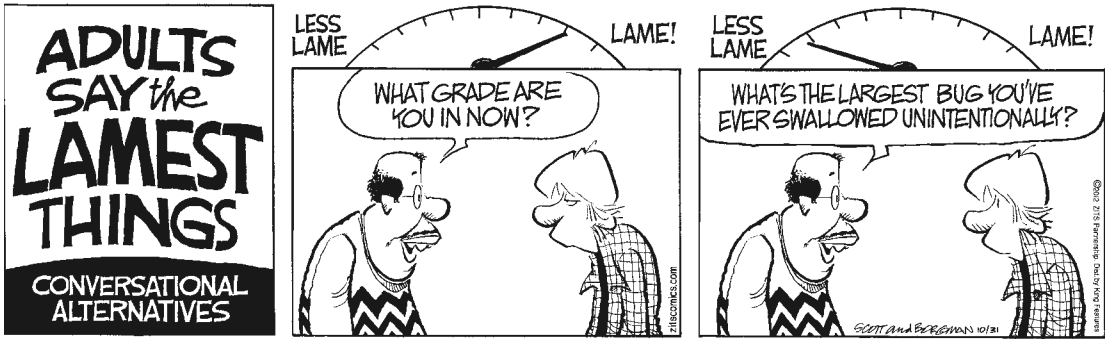


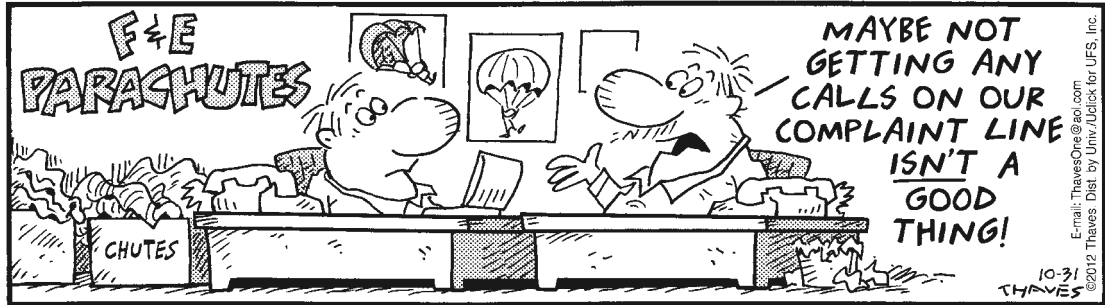
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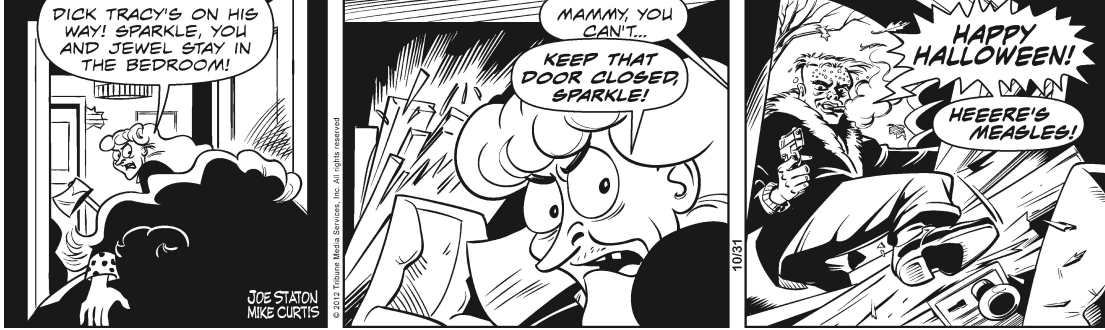
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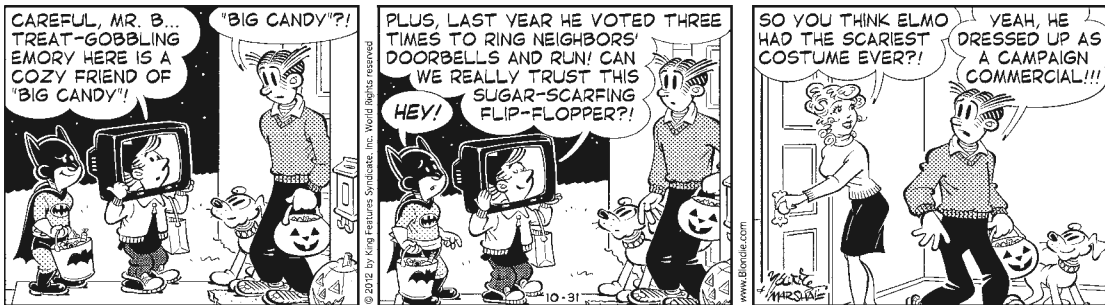
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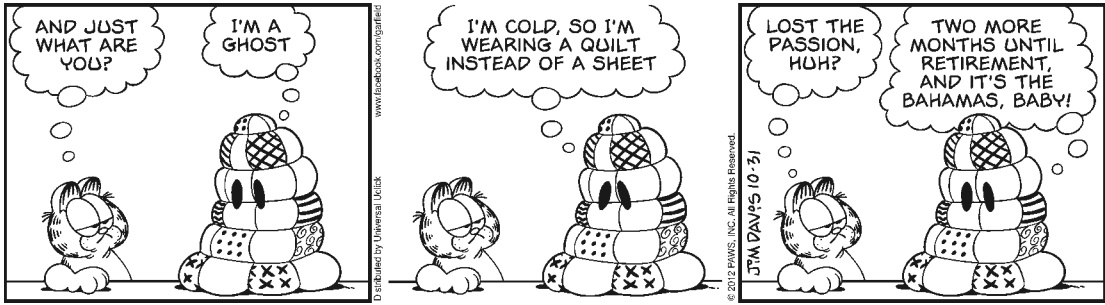
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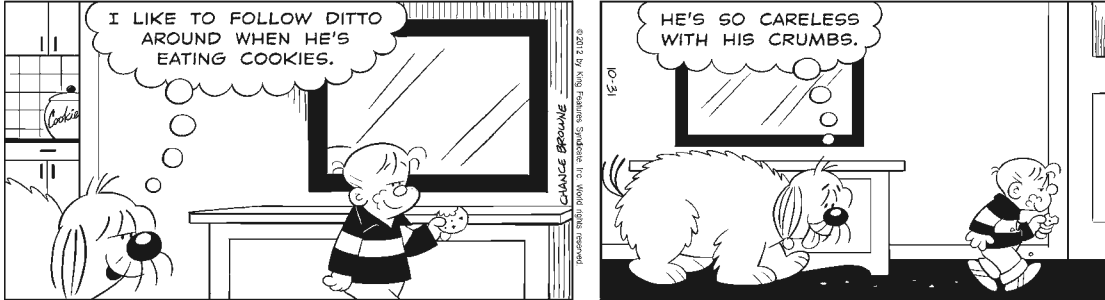
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# Woman's Eyes Are Open Wide By Cell-Phone Photos At Work

DEAR ABBY: There is a man at work I'm very attracted to. He seems to be equally attracted to me. The problem is, he has shown me two pictures of his privates that he has on his cellphone. When he did it, it wasn't completely out of context of our conversation and our interest in each other. We do not have a physical relationship (yet), but I'm considering it. How weird is it that he has these pictures on his phone? — GOT AN EYEFUL IN ILLINOIS

DEAR GOT AN EYEFUL: That must have been some conversation! It's amazing either of you get any work done with so many pheromones floating in the air. From my perspective, what your co-worker did was "premature" considering you have no social relationship (yet). It could also be considered a form of flashing.

However, while I consider what he did to be overexposure and not a particularly impressive courtship technique, displaying pictures of his anatomy on his cellphone is not unheard of among men who think like adolescents.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a waitress at a 24-hour restaurant in a small town. Most of my customers are regulars, and for the most part we talk about current events and what is going on in each other's lives. Last night, two of my regulars came in and one tried to grab my hand after the other put his hand up the sleeve of my shirt. Both repeatedly asked me incredibly personal questions about my love life and finances, and I'll admit, I froze and then I walked away.

In any other kind of work environment what happened would be considered sexual harassment, but I'm not sure what to do about it, since they're customers and I'm the employee. At what point is the customer really wrong? — MAY I TAKE YOUR ORDER?

DEAR MAY: The point at which the customer is really wrong is when he (or she) repeatedly asks personal questions about a server's love life and puts his (or her) hands on the server. The way to handle it is to report what happened to your supervisor or employer, and make certain that in the future you are not the person taking their order. What happened was inappropriate anywhere — and that includes in your restaurant.

DEAR ABBY: My 18-year-old son left for college over a month ago. While cleaning his room, I found all sorts of marijuana paraphernalia. I'm at a loss about how to handle this. I want to confront him because he knew the rules of the house (no drugs) and lied to me and broke them.

I do not want drugs in this house! I don't know what to do or say if he wants to come home for school breaks. I pray he is no longer doing them, but I think I would just be lied to if I brought it up. — HEARTBROKEN MOM IN FREDERICKSBURG, VA.

DEAR HEARTBROKEN MOM: You have a right to set the rules in your house and expect that they will be respected. When your son comes home for his first school break, tell him what you found and how hurt you are to have been lied to. Then tell him that to make sure he doesn't abuse your trust in the future, you will be randomly drug-testing him. (Testing kits are sold over the counter at your pharmacy.) Explain what the penalty will be if he disregards your wishes. The threat of a drug test may ensure his compliance.

A NOTE TO PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN: If your little ones will be trick-or-treating tonight, please be sure they are supervised to assure their safety.

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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 Taurus if born before 11:40 a.m. (PDT). Afterward, the Moon will be in Gemini.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, OCT. 31, 2012:**

This year you tap into your wit and intelligence, no matter what you choose to do. Others like having you around. Make sure that you are clear in your communication, as often there tend to be mix-ups. The unexpected adds zest to your life. If you are single, you could meet someone who appears out of the blue. It is likely that Cupid's arrow will hit you hard. If you are attached, the two of you could experience some misunderstandings. Let go of your judgment, and accept your partner as he or she is. GEMINI makes you laugh easily.

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)

★★★ By midday, a situation will energize you, and you might feel tense and excited simultaneously. Be sure to cross off the errands on your to-do list. A misunderstanding could happen if you move too quickly. Clear up this matter ASAP. Tonight: Out and about.

### TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

★★★★ The unexpected occurs, which forces you to pull back and center yourself. This time of reflection ultimately allows you to gain. You will touch base with reality when you finally decide to deal with the various aspects of this situation. Tonight: Share some of your treats. No tricks, please.

### GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)

★★★★ As the day goes on, you feel more empowered. You'll communicate on a deep level and share more of your ideas. Others respond, but perhaps not in the way you anticipated. This is particularly true for one key person in your life. Tonight: Go with last-minute changes.

### CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

★★★ Use the morning to the max, and do what you must in order to assume a low profile in the afternoon. A discussion might need to be repeated at a later date, even if it seems like the other party currently understands the message. Someone you look up to could surprise you. Tonight: Act like a ghost and vanish.

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

★★★★ Handle your responsibilities early in the day, as

meetings, interpersonal interactions and phone calls will keep you very busy. Indulge in this sociable afternoon — it's nearly as if it was created just for you. Tonight: At a favorite haunt with your friends.

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

★★★ You might want to think through someone's demands. A partner's unexpected behavior also could take a toll on you. You might not be in the mood to talk, and perhaps you would rather distance yourself from this person right now. Think before adjusting your schedule. Tonight: To the wee hours.

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

★★★★ A close partner or an associate demands a lot of your attention. Confusion surrounds you; do not take someone's behavior personally. Indulge a loved one at a distance, and make plans to visit. Tonight: Last-minute thoughts about trick-or-treating might encourage a change in plans.

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

★★★★ Deal with someone's requests. You could be aggravated on some level, but it would be worth it to step back and evaluate your mood before taking action. Try not to look at the incident itself, but instead at your authentic feelings for this person. Tonight: Surprises happen left and right.

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

★★★ Those around you are full of themselves right now, which could force you to back off some. These people simply have strong personalities, but it might feel like you are on the receiving end of a power play. You just might want to go along with the program. Tonight: Go along with someone else's idea.

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

★★★★ Your creative ideas mark the morning. By the afternoon, it is business as usual. Take time with a parent or boss who might need some help. You want to be there for this person, but you also want to get home to greet the little gremlins that will come by. Tonight: Consider an unexpected offer.

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

★★★ Confusion forces your hand in a situation. A misunderstanding helps you initiate a long-overdue conversation. Let your imagination run wild, and you could find that many doors will open up as a result. A brainstorming session demonstrates your creativity. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

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

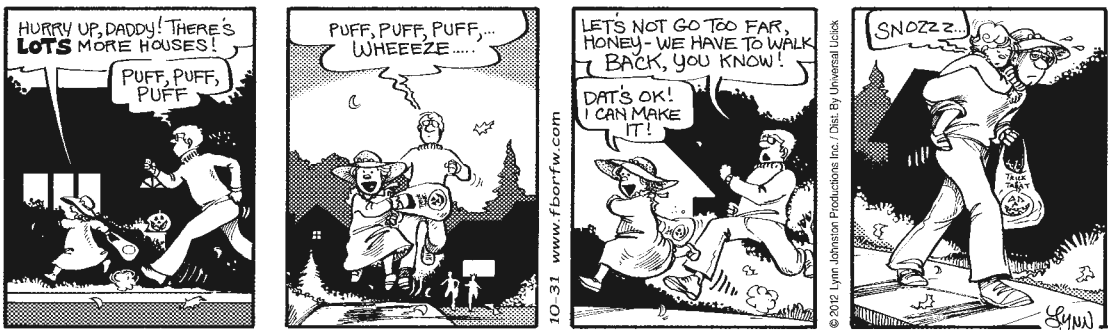
★★★ You might want to spend more time at home or with a family member. Even if you have to work, you still can plan on making time with this person afterward. He or she will be delighted by your actions. Tonight: You do not need to go far to have a haunting experience.

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