

CLOSE TO HOME by John McPherson



"This will help you to donate your pint a lot faster."

# Man can't cope with girlfriend, ex-wife

**Dear Abby:** My situation is upsetting and I don't know what to do anymore. My girlfriend, "Dana," is pregnant.

My ex-wife showed up at our door with terminal cancer and nowhere to go. When I told her she could stay with us, Dana moved out.

There is no one that my ex can rely on except me. I am torn.

I love Dana and don't want to lose her, but I can't turn my back on someone who has no one in her life who cares. I wish Dana could understand what I'm going through.

Please help. — *In Turmoil in Wisconsin*



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DEAR ABBY

**Dear In Turmoil:** Are you absolutely certain about your ex-wife's prognosis? Have you verified it? Why is she your ex-wife? Why are you the only one in her life who cares? Has she burned all her other bridges?

Without more information, your question is a tough one to answer. But if you love Dana, then the wrong woman is living with you.

While you don't have to turn your back on your ex if she truly is terminal, you should absolutely find her other living arrangements.

**Dear Abby:** I am five years older than my fiancé. He has never been married and has a daughter. We have been together for a few years, and something has happened to make me wonder about him.

I thought it was funny that he bought Cosmopolitan magazine every month and talked about his flat belly. But I recently found my Victoria's Secret catalog hidden in his toolbox.

I have also seen him look at other, much younger women. Am I making something out of nothing? — *Suspicious in Maine*

**Dear Suspicious:** Yes. All men "look." It goes along with being male. As to his having stashed your lingerie catalog in his toolbox, that's rather chaste considering the number of men who buy Playboy, Hustler and watch online videos.

I don't know what conclusions you're jumping to, but you'll be better off clearing the

air with your boyfriend rather than stewing about it. If you do it good-naturedly, it shouldn't make him defensive, and you'll get the answers you're looking for.

**Dear Abby:** I'm 16 and lead a pretty good life. I attend a fantastic school, do well, have lots of friends and am overall happy. I have siblings and a mom who love me.

The thing is — I don't love her. It's not because of "teenage angst"; I just don't like her as a person. I'm polite to her and she doesn't know how I feel. How should I handle this? — *Concerned Daughter in San Francisco*

**Dear Concerned Daughter:** I think you should "handle it" by keeping your trap shut. Not every mother likes/loves her daughter all the time either, but the feeling usually passes.

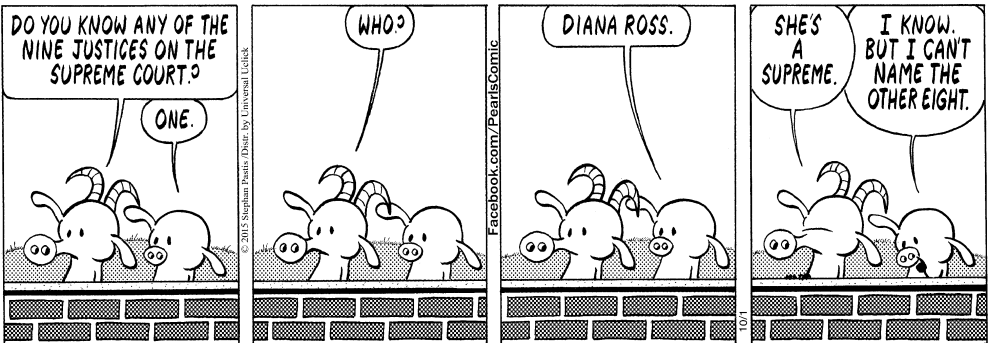
Consider this: Because you have so many positive things going on in your life, your mother may have had something to do with it, so try to be a little less judgmental.

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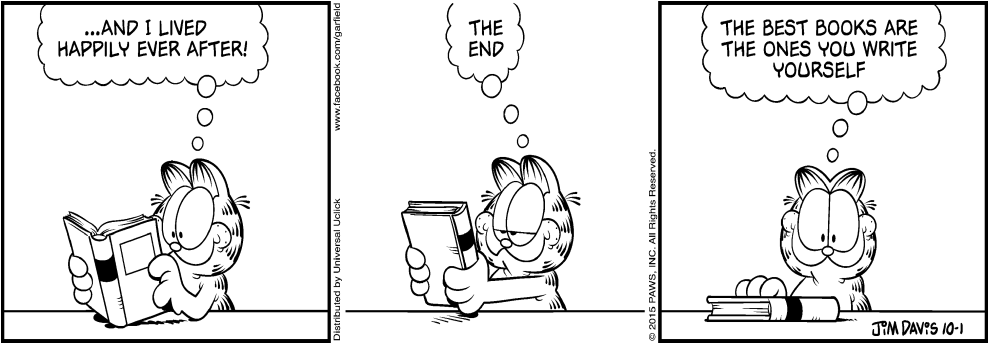
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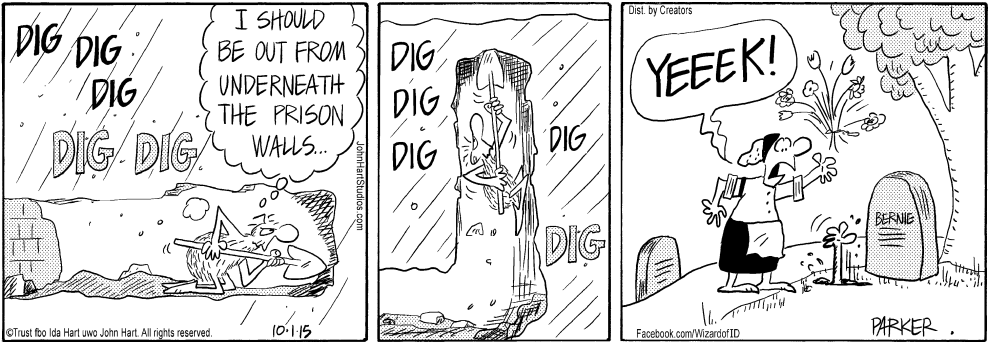
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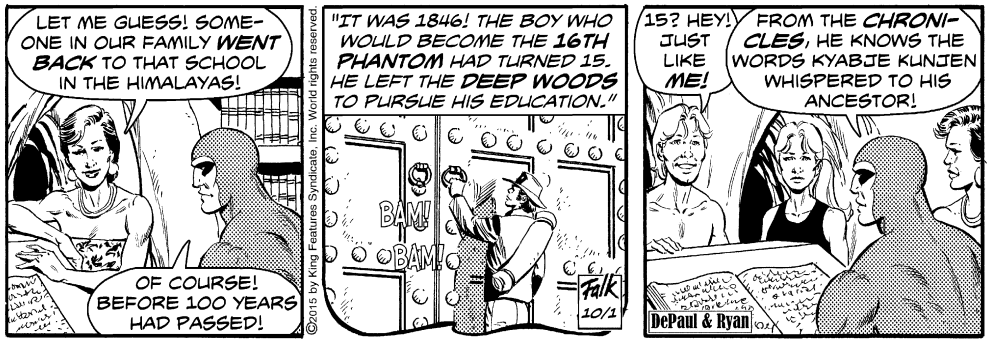
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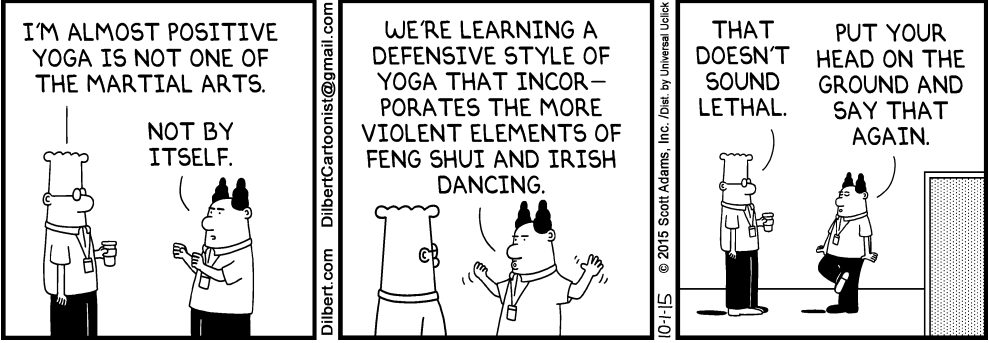
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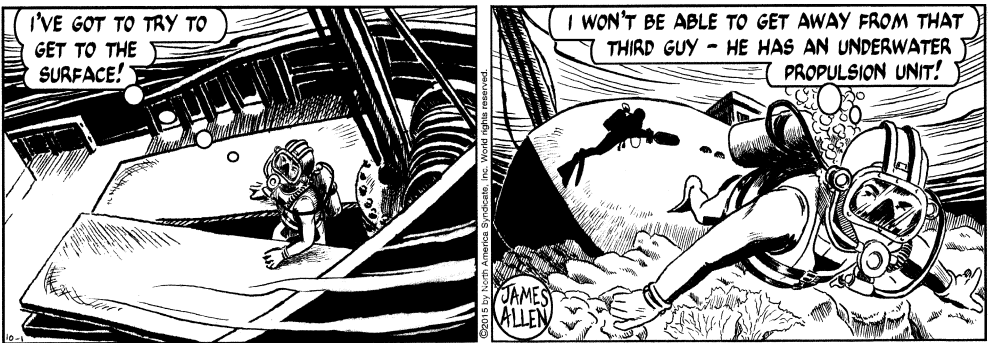
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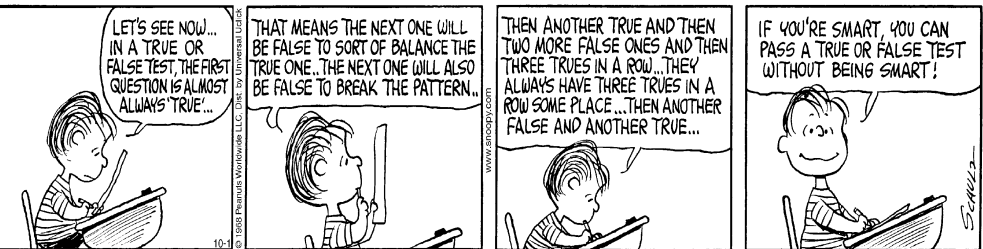
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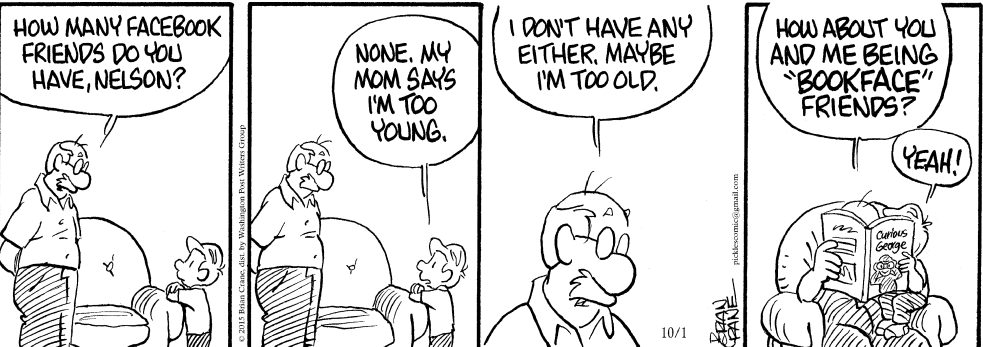
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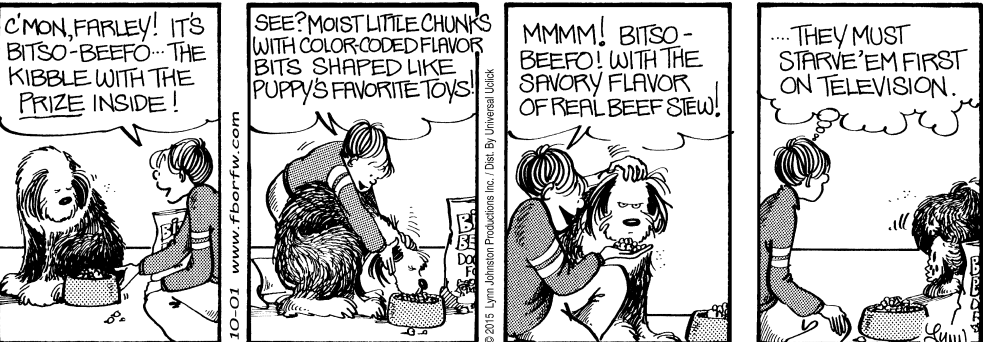
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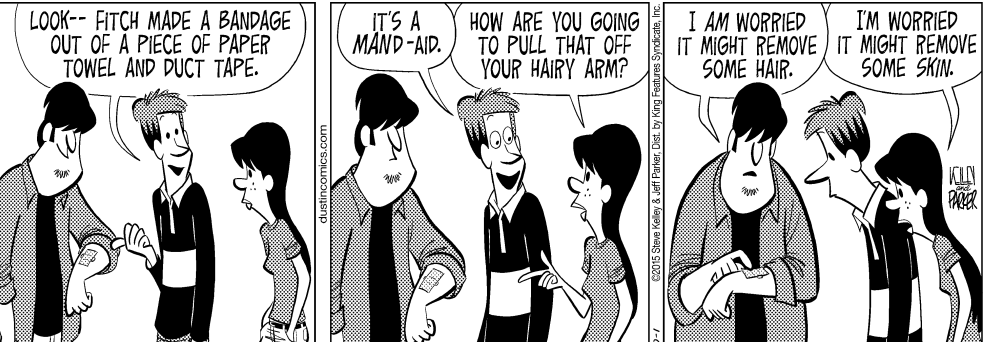
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## Daily Horoscope

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Your teachers have come in many forms: friends, parents, colleagues, bosses, children, enemies. Some showed you what to do; others showed you what not to do. You'll apply what you've learned very well today.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Your forte today is your ability to plan well. You'll send your mind as far ahead of you as you can so that when you're doing your thing you can stick as close to "now" as possible.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** When your friends are happy, you are happy for them, regardless of the other emotions you may be experiencing throughout your day. When it's your turn to share about your happiness, anyone who can't join you is suspect.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** You're feeling assertive. Ask (very nicely) for the experience you'd like to have. It is very possible that people's behavior will change to accommodate that experience.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** When it doesn't work out, your tendency is to blame yourself, if only because you're the only one you have some amount of control over. It's not your fault, but you'll definitely learn from assuming the responsibility.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** You're gathering facts, figures, evidence, inspiration — all the

things you need to move forward with your project. The better you know your subject the better your work will turn out.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** If it's a show they want, then a show you will give them! You'll do this the classy, understated and elegant way your sign usually does things.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** An unglamorous task is up for the taking. This is a hidden gem, and there will be numerous benefits to the one who claims the job. There won't be much competition for it, either. So why not you?

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Your heart is a locating device that can get you to the kinds of strangely beautiful places that cannot be mapped with longitudinal coordinates.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Some days it benefits you to deal with reality as it is and not as you would have it be. But today you're better off imposing your reality on the situation. You're so headstrong that it's likely the others will go along with your version.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** Strong personalities are part of the day's mix. There is no one right way to interact here. Stay flexible and alert. Sometimes you're the shaper, and sometimes you're the shaped.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Wanting too intensely is a danger that leads to grabby hands, which leads to things (and relationships) getting knocked around, ruined or broken. If you're grasping too tightly, let go.



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