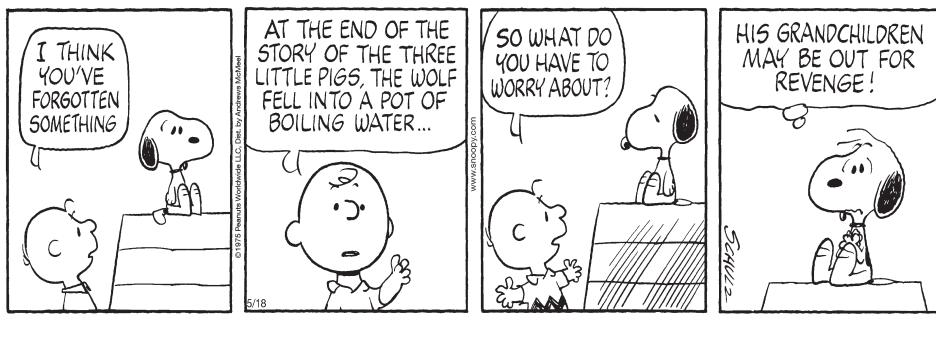


Peanuts



Your Birthday today:

Budget wisely and keep your possessions and assets protected. Avoid joint ventures and giving others too much personal information. Concentrate on taking care of business and using common sense to help you get what you want. Consistency and moderation will help you ward off anyone who tries to get in your way. Make yourself clear to avoid mistakes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Take care of details personally. Don't let anyone meddle in your affairs. A pick-me-up will help you put things in perspective. How you handle responsibilities will be noted.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Someone will take advantage of you if you aren't careful. Know when to say no, and back away from anyone trying to manipulate you. Put your responsibilities first to ease stress.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Learn as you go, and make a splash that others remember. An innovative approach to your responsibilities will pay off if you don't go overboard physically or financially.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Overreacting will invite opposition. A stubborn attitude will cause grief. The best way to get things done is to do them yourself or get others to do them by offering kindness and incentives.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Keep life simple and stay within budget. You have plenty to gain if you adjust to the world around you and make the most of what you have. Don't give in to pressure or emotional manipulation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Be careful what you wish for when dealing with domestic matters. Disagreements will leave you unsettled. Do your best to resolve issues quickly and to practice kindness and consideration.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- You'll come up with good ideas, and your resourcefulness will lead you to the winner's circle. Bask in the glory and enjoy the moment. Share your joy and good fortune with others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Practically will win out, so don't take a risk or believe everything you hear. Keep an eye on someone who tends to exaggerate. Do your due diligence regarding a proposal.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- A simple, modest attitude will carry you further than a risky venture. Look at the logistics of anyone's offer before making a move. Put more time and effort into taking care of your home and family.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Trust the facts, not what someone wants you to believe. Focus on your health and physical well-being. Healthy eating and a fitness routine will build confidence and courage. Romance is favored.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Stick to the truth and avoid being scrutinized. Don't get involved in someone's plan or in activities that can lead to overindulgence or wrongdoing. Choose your words wisely to avoid problems.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Keep your feelings to yourself. A problem will surface if you are overindulgent. Gauge your time and use your tools, skills and experience to get to your destination.

DEAR ABBY

Advice written by
Jeanne Phillips



DEAR ABBY: I lost your cookbooklet collection! My family and I have really enjoyed some of those recipes. I have loved all the ones I have tried, but my favorites are the desserts. Particularly noteworthy is your Peanut Butter Pie. It is yummy! Please let me know how I can order the booklets again. I need them because I'm having a family celebration for Father's Day. -- SWEET TOOTH IN PHOENIX

DEAR SWEET TOOTH: You and I have something in common -- our affinity for desserts. I have made the Peanut Butter Pie for guests many times, and it has been well received. The last time I prepared it, I thought I'd try to "de-calorie" it. I drained some nonfat yogurt in cheesecloth until it thickened and substituted it for the cream cheese. It worked beautifully. My guests couldn't tell the difference. For readers who might like to try it, here's the original recipe:

HEAVENLY PEANUT BUTTER PIE

CRUST:
2 cups graham cracker crumbs
1/4 cup butter (1/2 cube), melted
2 oz. semi-sweet chocolate, grated

FILLING: 1 cup crunchy peanut butter

1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened

2 teaspoons butter, softened

1 cup sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla

1/2 cup miniature chocolate chips

1/2 cup salted peanuts (optional)

1 pkg. (8 oz.) frozen whipped topping, thawed

In medium bowl, combine cracker crumbs, butter and chocolate; mix well. Reserve 1/4 cup crumb mixture to use as garnish. Press remaining crumb mixture onto bottom and sides of 9-inch pie plate. Chill.

In large bowl, beat together peanut butter, cream cheese and butter. Add sugar and vanilla. Blend well.

Stir in chocolate chips and peanuts. Fold in whipped topping. Pour into chilled crust and garnish with reserved crumb mixture. Chill overnight.

Serves: 8 DISCIPLINED people.

My cookbooklet set contains more than 100 tasty recipes for soups, salads, appetizers, main courses and, of course, desserts for special occasions. Order by sending your name and address, plus check or money order for \$16 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby Cookbook Set, P.O. Box 447, Mt. Morris, IL 61054. Shipping and handling are included in the price.

I'm proud to say that some of the recipes included have won blue ribbons in country fairs, while others were featured on the cover of women's magazines. But whether your entertaining is formal or casual, remember it's who you put in the chairs in ADDITION to the food that makes a great party.

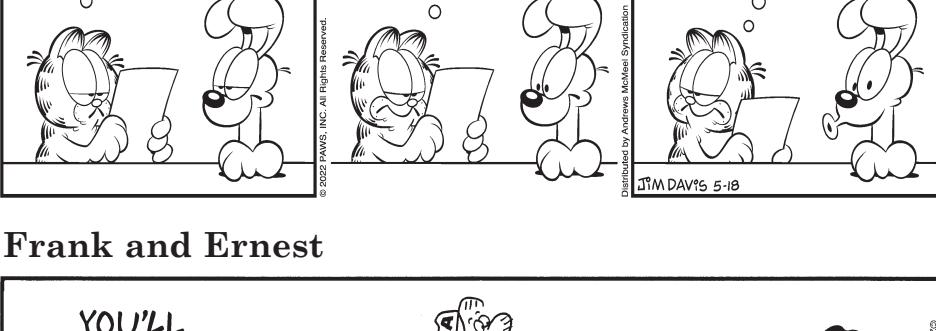
DEAR ABBY: My daughter's boyfriend recently stayed at our home for eight days. He's 50; we are in our 60s. He regarded "help yourself" to mean it was OK to drink our liquor from early afternoon to bedtime. How can we have some control over this situation without causing a scene? -- BAR'S CLOSED IN NORTH CAROLINA

DEAR BAR'S CLOSED: Put a lock on the cabinet where you stow your liquor, or move it out of the house entirely when you know he's planning a return visit. And while you're at it, have a serious conversation with your daughter about her boyfriend's insatiable appetite for alcohol, because it could have a negative impact on her future.

Hagar The Horrible



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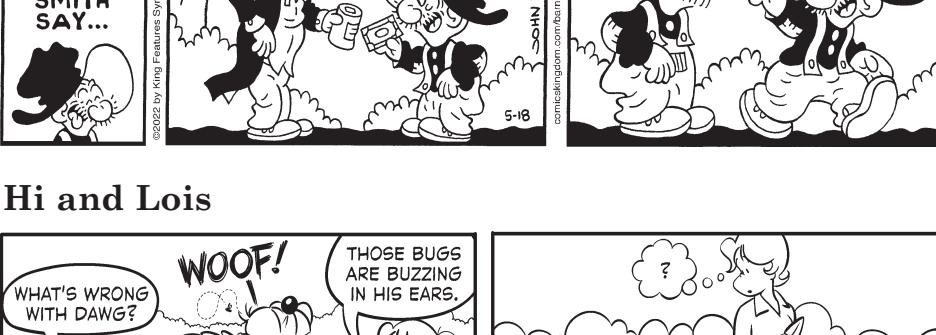
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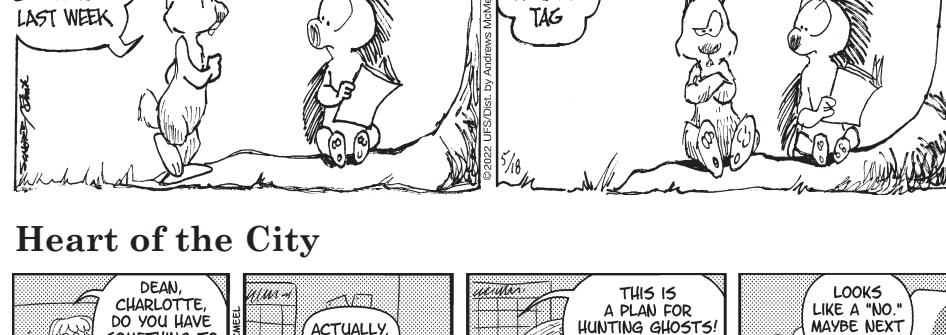
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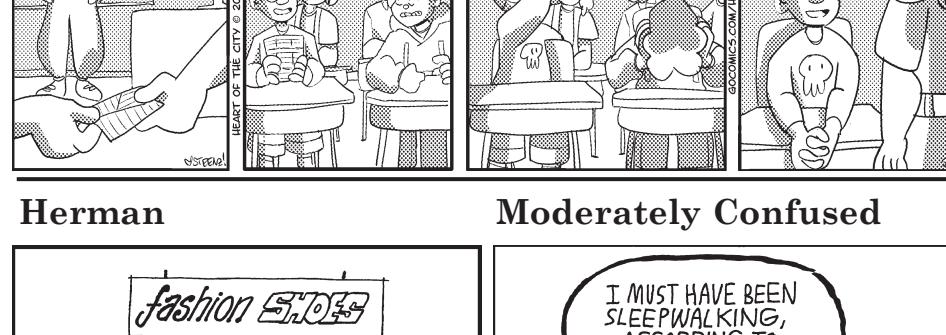
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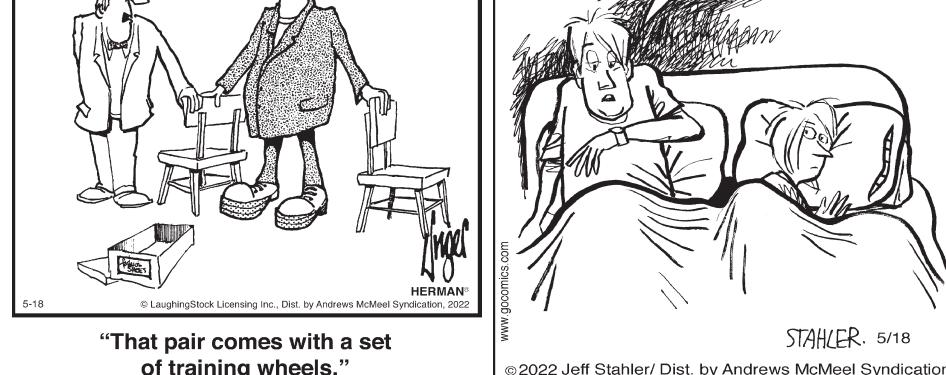
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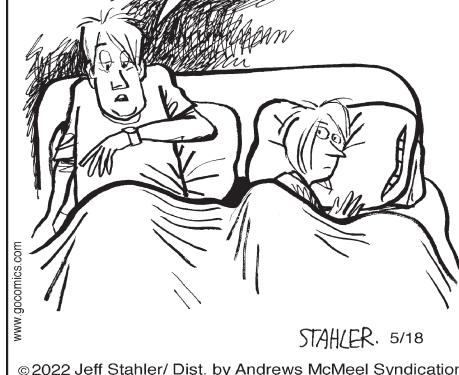
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