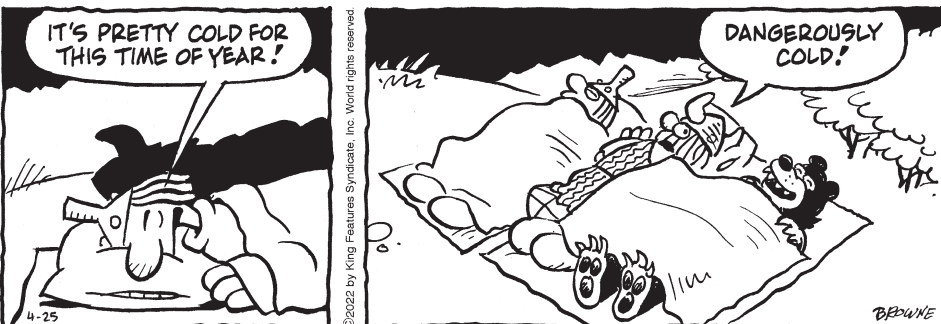


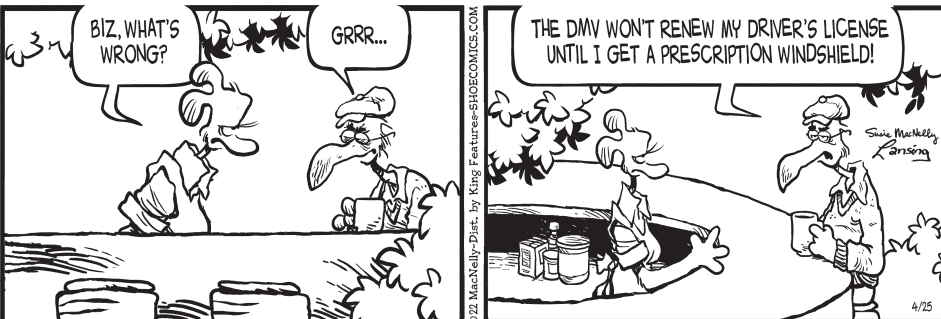
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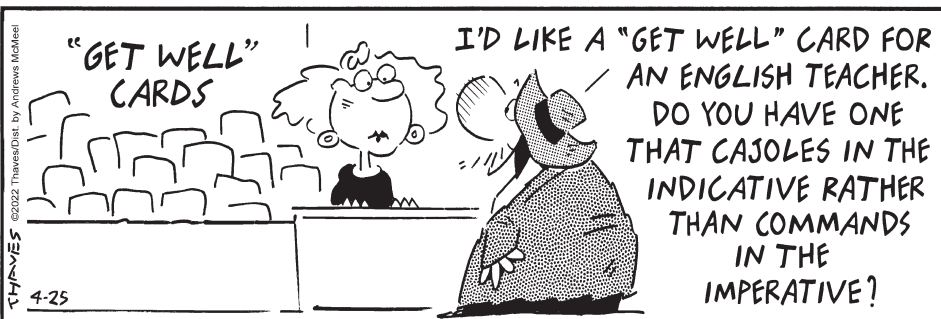
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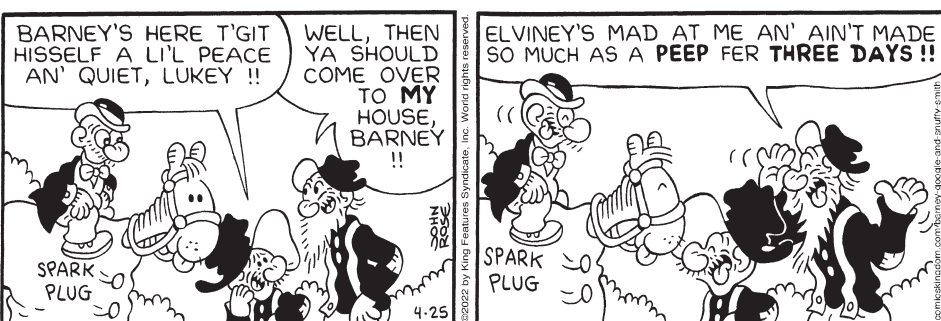
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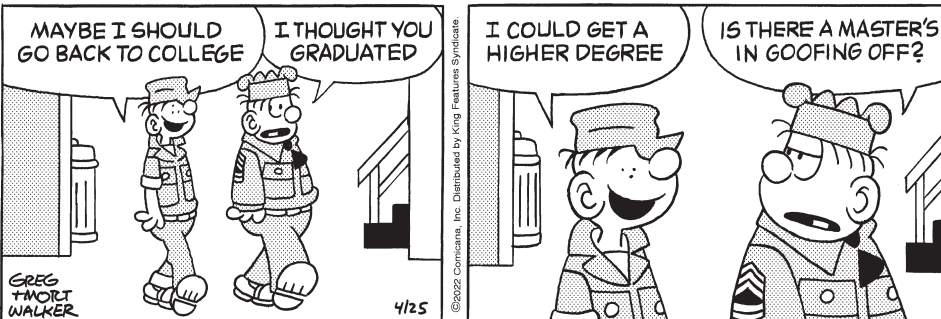
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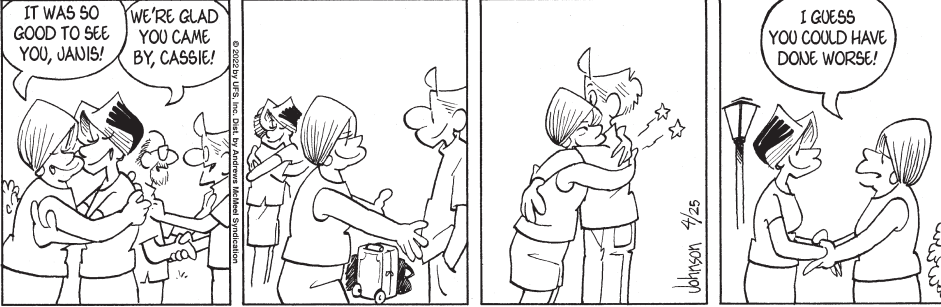
**Hi and Lois**



**Beetle Bailey**



**Arlo and Janis**



**Your Birthday today:**

Show compassion and understanding for others, and offer people hands-on help. Your efforts will make a difference and change how you see things moving forward. Participation will open doors to new opportunities. You can make positive choices and changes. Put your energy into what counts, and it will be a good year.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** -- Share your story while accommodating others. Participation will encourage you to explore options that haven't been available in the past. Step into the future with optimism and courage.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** -- Do it yourself if you want something done. Counting on others will lead to disappointment and anger. Avoid competitions with people who don't play fair. Practice moderation and honesty.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** -- Display what you have to offer. Diversity and spontaneity will attract attention and support. An investment or joint venture looks promising. Greater opportunity is heading your way.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** -- You'll be tempted to follow someone's lead, but you must first consider the ramifications. A disciplined attitude will help you stay on track and minimize loss. Hard work will pay off.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** -- Keep an open mind. You'll receive information that can change how you live. Discuss your thoughts and intentions with someone close, and you'll come up with an acceptable plan.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** -- Concentrate on what you are trying to achieve. Refuse to let others' actions slow you down or cost you mentally or financially. Pay attention to living expenses and time-sensitive payments.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** -- You'll understand what others want if you step back and look at the big picture. Think outside the box to come up with an innovative plan. Personal gain is apparent. You can solve problems today.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** -- You'll face opposition if you are stubborn or overbearing. Work behind closed doors so you can complete your tasks without interference. Avoid manipulation.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** -- Rethink your long-term plan and adjust your course of action. Bring about a change at home that will improve your relationships with loved ones and make your surroundings more convenient.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** -- Plod along until you get the results you want. Put your heart and soul into something meaningful, and you'll gain a new perspective. Don't feel obligated to follow in someone's footsteps.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** -- Don't show your emotions when dealing with colleagues or competitors. Know what others expect of you and stay ahead of any deadlines you face. Refuse to let sensitive issues throw you off guard.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** -- Tidy up loose ends. Don't give anyone a chance to disrupt your plans. Maintain focus and keep your goals simple. Don't put your money or health at risk. Patience will pave the way to success.

**DEAR ABBY**

Advice written by  
Jeanne Phillips



**DEAR ABBY:** I ended my 24-year marriage after learning my wife, in addition to several one-night stands, had an affair with a married couple for nine years. She also gave me an STI. I was faithful, though I admit to being difficult to live with.

We were unable to agree on parenting, finances, health, fitness, diet, religion, politics and more. I worked hard, but I was a present and active father, attending all games, concerts and activities, as well as coaching and teaching my children in music and the arts.

In the pursuit of helping other men deal with the grief of infidelity, divorce and mental health, I began sharing my experience on a social media platform. My oldest child has now chosen to "write me off" and refuses to speak to me. I'm hurt, but I respect her decision. I will no silence my story, as it is a tool of empowerment for other men. Is there a way to build a relationship with this adult child? -- **DISAPPOINTED DAD IN THE MIDWEST**

**DEAR DAD:** Your daughter may be embarrassed or angry because you are publicly labeling her mother as an adulteress. Once she is willing to concede that there are often two sides to every story, she may mend fences, but it won't happen until she is ready, and you cannot force it.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have noticed so many obituaries omit where the person worked. A lot of people worked at the same places for many years. Coworkers and acquaintances I'm sure would like to pay respects to those who have passed. Too often, by the time they find out, the person has been laid to rest.

My late wife was a nurse for almost 40 years and came in contact with many people. The outpouring of love from family, friends and acquaintances from her social and work lives was overwhelming and heartfelt. They say if we have memories of our loved ones touching others' lives, they live on in our hearts forever.

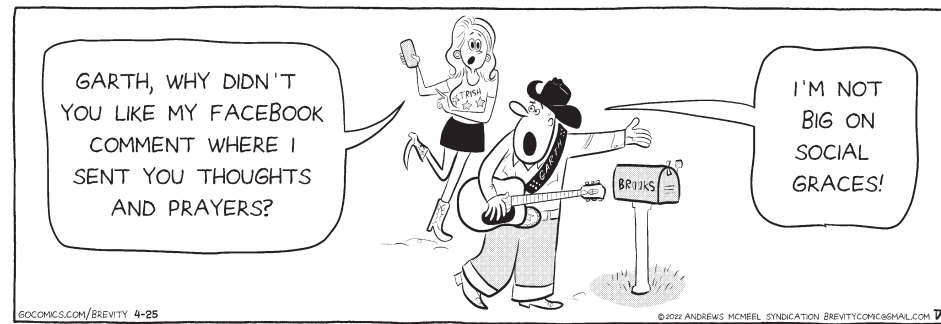
People, please don't let their memories fade. Let families know to include the work history of their loved one in the obituary, particularly if they had jobs dealing with the public. -- **REMEMBERING WELL IN OHIO**

**DEAR REMEMBERING:** Because the obituaries one reads in the newspaper are costly, it's possible the writers try to keep them brief in order to save money. I am, however, printing your helpful reminder for those who may need it.

**DEAR ABBY:** I was wondering, even though we call our priests "Father," can I also call him "Dad"? Why or why not? -- **PONDERING IN THE WEST**

**DEAR PONDERING:** I posed your question to Father Guy Gurath, a longtime friend in the Milwaukee archdiocese. He chuckled and told me this is a standing joke among Catholics, who have been known to refer to the rectory as the "Home for Unwed Fathers." (!) He went on to say the formal answer to your question is no. Calling a priest "Dad" is likely to offend some people. He suggests the correct terms "Father," "Reverend" or "Pastor" be used. Thank you, Father Guy.

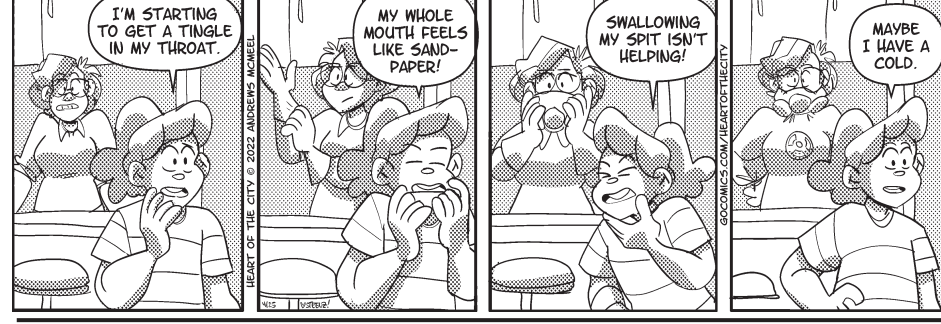
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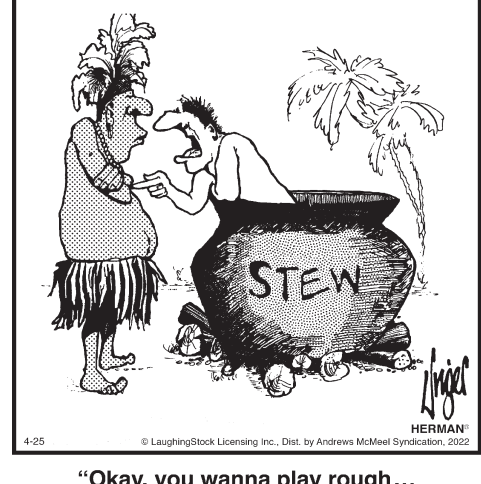
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**Heart of the City**



**Herman**



**Moderately Confused**



**Born Loser**

