

**GARFIELD**



**PEANUTS**



**ALLEY OOP**



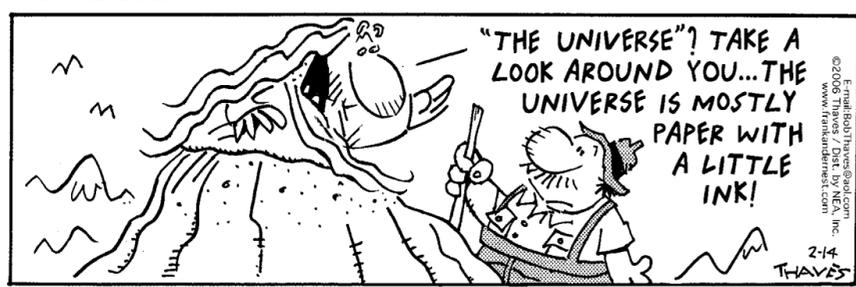
**SOUP TO NUTS**



**THE BORN LOSER**



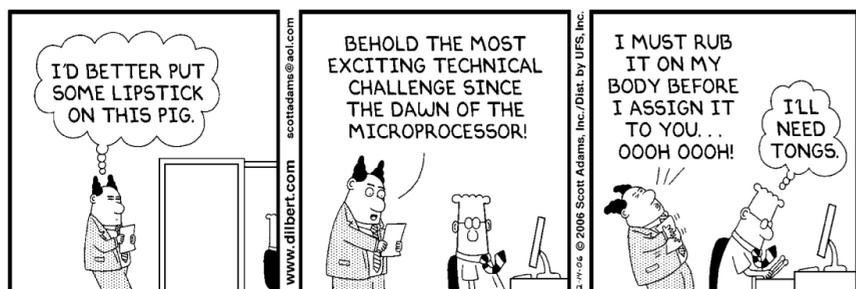
**FRANK AND ERNEST**



**ARLO AND JANIS**



**DILBERT**



**COMMITTED**



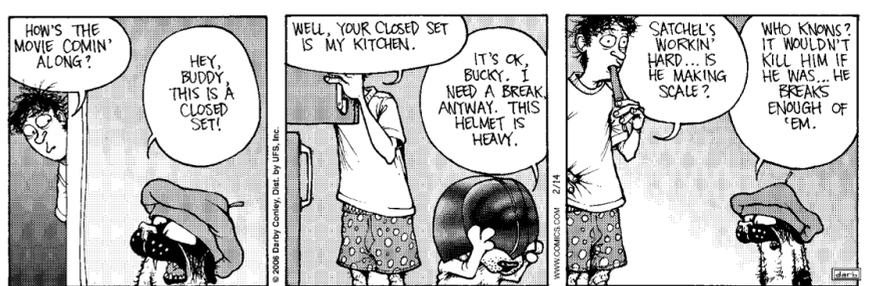
**THE FAMILY CIRCUS**



**HERMAN**



**GET FUZZY**



**GRAND AVENUE**



**ASTROGRAPH**

**Your birthday:**  
**Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2006**  
 You are likely to develop two additional good friends in the year ahead, who will introduce you to many people and outlets that will take you down a number of new paths.  
**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)**  
 "Proceed, not postpone" should be your motto today and the code that you live by, especially if there are some important objectives you'd like to achieve. Big goals are reachable at this time.  
**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)**  
 Your creative mind will be pumping out bright ideas today. Their brilliance may be recognized, and their worth apparent to one who knows how to turn them into pots of gold.  
**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**  
 Someone may present you with an usual offer today of a work-related nature which will be worthy of probing a bit further. Even though it might sound a bit bizarre at first, check it out.  
**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
 Be sure to hang out with as many people as possible today, because those with whom you associate could be lucky for you.  
**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
 Upgrading your methods or techniques today will do much to enhance your productivity and quality of work. Look for ways to do things better.  
**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
 Seize as many opportunities as possible to meet and mingle with both old and

new friends today. There is a strong possibility that something opportune could develop through a social encounter.  
**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
 Focus your thoughts and energy on your personal material desires, because your possibilities of realizing them today are much greater than usual. Be a big dreamer with a purpose in mind.  
**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
 Try to arrange your schedule today so you will have plenty of time to run around freely. Even mundane errands or communications could turn into lucky events.  
**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)**  
 Material opportunities to better your lot in life could come to you in an unusual manner today. Expect the unexpected so you won't unknowingly ignore lucky situations dropped into your lap.  
**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)**  
 You have remarkable resiliency today, which will turn out to be a tremendous asset in enabling you to bounce back successfully from a situation where you previously failed.  
**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)**  
 To your credit, you will display a compassionate interest today in those who are less fortunate in life. Surprisingly, what you give will turn out to offer far greater rewards for you in return.  
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
 Be careful how you label groups to which you do not belong, because today you could be thrown into contact with one of them and share in the fruits of their past efforts and triumphs.



'Dear Abby' by Pauline Phillips and Jeanne Phillips

**Husband's fantasy nothing but a bad dream for wife**

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have been together nearly five years. We have two beautiful children.  
 Over the weekend, I had a friend over. We had a few drinks, and my husband asked if I wanted to try something new. I thought he meant between us, but when I said yes, he went to my friend and asked her to join us.  
 We had never discussed having a third person join us in our private time. I would never be with anyone besides my husband.

Why would he ask her without consulting me? I am really hurt and offended because now I think he is interested in her, and I'm not enough for him. He did apologize. He said he thought that's what I wanted.  
 I no longer know how to act around him because he made me feel so worthless. Should I forgive him?

— HELEN IN HOLLYWOOD  
**DEAR HELEN:** I don't know how many drinks your husband had, but it appears he had at least one too many and acted on an impulse to live out a sexual fantasy.

Should you forgive him? Yes, but not until you have hashed this whole episode out in the sober light of day and are fully assured that he's faithful and intends to remain that way.

**DEAR ABBY:** A new family moved into our neighborhood a couple of weeks ago. They have this little tube tacked next to their front door they call a "me-zoo-zah."

I'm embarrassed to ask them what it's for. Have you ever heard of one, and can you answer my question?

— CURIOUS IN IRVINE, CALIF.

**DEAR CURIOUS:** The little tube is a mezuzah, and it's hung on the doorposts of the homes of observant Jewish people.

The cylinder contains a parchment scroll inscribed with verses from the Old Testament written in Hebrew, which remind the dwellers every time they leave or enter to be faithful to the commandments and to Jewish values.

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and her daughter Jeanne Phillips. Write to Dear Abby at P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

**CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

- ACROSS**
- 1 Diner sandwich
  - 4 Dressy event
  - 8 Not even
  - 11 Debt memo
  - 12 Psyche
  - 13 components
  - 15 Coach — Shula
  - 16 Every
  - 17 Muscle injury
  - 18 Flower parts
  - 20 Ardently
  - 21 Above, to a bard
  - 23 Skip the ads
  - 24 Narrow the gap
  - 27 Sheikh's cartel
  - 29 Clammy
  - 32 Dry toast
  - 33 Pointed part
  - 34 Beverage
  - 35 Age
  - 36 Rajah's wife
  - 37 Stuffy
  - 38 decorous
  - 39 Technique
  - 40 French state
  - 41 Tavern sign
  - 42 Ad — committee
  - 44 Fail
  - 47 Sandy expanse
  - 51 Cellar contents
  - 52 Pastime
  - 55 Meadow
  - 56 Lavish
  - 57 — 500
  - 58 Blunder
  - 59 Also not
  - 60 Glasgown girl
  - 61 Jauntly lid
- DOWN**
- 1 Proposals
  - 2 Stolen goods
  - 3 Ballad
  - 4 Aquatic birds
  - 5 Turkish potentate
  - 6 Rapper Tone —
  - 7 Pale blond
  - 8 Tavern sign (2 wds.)
  - 9 Applied henna
  - 10 Bargain
  - 14 Attempt
  - 19 Brother
  - 20 Knight's weapon
  - 22 Take turns
  - 23 Nadir opposite
  - 24 Raised
  - 25 Emanation
  - 26 Brit's exclamation (2 wds.)
  - 28 — colada
  - 29 Serious conflicts
  - 30 Name in essays
  - 31 Office fill-in
  - 36 Smell awful
  - 37 Runner's rate
  - 41 Look of loathing
  - 43 Yields to
  - 44 VCR button
  - 45 Circus performer
  - 46 Golden Rule word
  - 48 Aid and —
  - 49 Irene of "Fame"
  - 50 Damage
  - 52 Hodges of baseball
  - 53 Miscellany
  - 54 Rx givers



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