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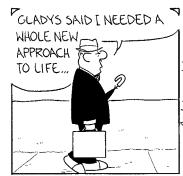
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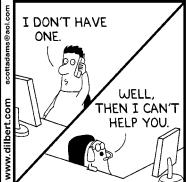


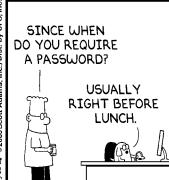












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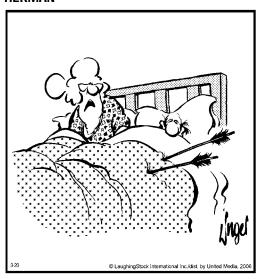
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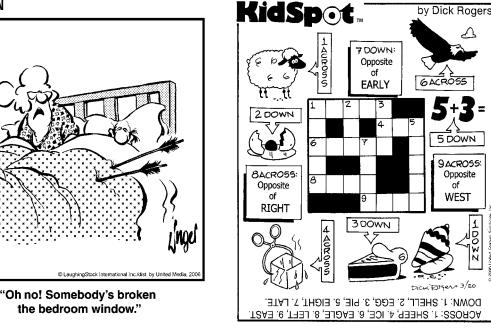
"In the spring Mother Nature gives all plant life the green light.'

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GRAND AVENUE





ASTROGRAPH

Your birthday:

Monday, March 20, 2006

Important conditions that have a large influence on your income will become far more stabilized in the year ahead, offering larger rewards for hard work produced. Put forth your best effort, and you'll cash in

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

Don't expect others to cooperate with your plans or desires if you give them any reason to suspect you are disguising your true motives. Lay all your cards on the table. Major changes are ahead for Pisces in the coming year ARIES (March 21-April 19)

A situation where you share a collective interest with others is limited in its potential output because of the need to satisfy the greatest number. Don't entertain unrealistic expectations. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

The apprehension you feel about teaming up with another because of your lack

of understanding will vanish once you put GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your methods might be a bit ineffective at first, as you test what it will take to

have a meeting of the minds with those

who are essential to your aims. But you'll find common ground. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Try not to go to extremes in your financial dealings, such as being clever and realistic in one case but foolish and careless in another. Stick to the former when dealing with others.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Someone who loves you will be concerned about protecting your interests. Unless you understand his/her motives, however, you could totally withdraw from any interaction with this person. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

The best way to spare yourself any mental anxieties is to forget all the "whatifs" and concentrate solely on those activities you know you can do efficiently. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

You might have to get a grip when it comes to business dealings with friends. You can handle yourself in a practical, prudent manner, without being a pushover or closefisted. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

Be smart and put your trust in a person who has proven loyal to you in the past, not in someone new who you merely hope might help you in the future. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Hearsay information you receive through an acquaintance should not be relied upon. Base your important deci-CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Your cherished goals cannot be fulfilled through wishy-washy ways and means. You must first set definite objectives and then proceed in a bold and determined manner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)

A career matter, which you may have taken for granted, will not fall into place as easily as you have anticipated. To be on the safe side, have a hard-nosed plan. ready for presentation.

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Phillips and Jeanne Phillips Teen might have done more than odd jobs for woman

'Dear Abby' by Pauline

DEAR ABBY: I think my grandson lives next door to me, but I'm not sure. I can't sleep at night ondering and worrying.

About two years ago, my neighbor kept inviting my then-18-yearold son over to help her do odd jobs while her husband was at work. He seemed happy to help out, and she always gave him some money for the jobs. A few months later, she and her husband announced they were expecting.

I work with this man's ex-wife, and she confided to me once that she never had children because he couldn't give her any. To me, this could mean that the husband knows he's not the father, or maybe that they used my son as an unintentional sperm donor.

The little boy looks a lot like my son did at that age. Should I confront him about the affair and possible parenthood? He may be unaware that he fathered the child. - SUSPICIOUS IN ILLINOIS

DEAR SUSPICIOUS: I don't know if confronting your son on the subject would be warmly received, but you are certainly entitled to discuss your concerns with him and find out if they are well-founded. Whatever happens or doesn't happen after that is up to your son.

DEAR ABBY: My 12-year-old daughter was invited to a classmate's birthday party today. When I asked for the details of the party, she told me it was a slumber party. Here's the kicker: The classmate in question is a boy.

As my shock dissipates, I'm suddenly reminded that the times sure are a-changin', and that even younger parents like me need to brace themselves. (I am 32.)

I don't consider myself oblivious, but boy, do I suddenly feel that way. I don't feel it is at all appropriate for my child, but I'm interested in what you and your readers have to say about this. – PERPLEXED IN

PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR PERPLEXED: The times may be a-changin', but they ain't a-changin' that much. It's the duty of a conscientious parent to do what is right for his or her child, even if it isn't a popular

By that, I mean that every family has different standards, and it's up to the parents to enforce them.

Phillips and her daughter Jeanne Phillips. Write to Dear Abby at P.O. Box 69440,

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