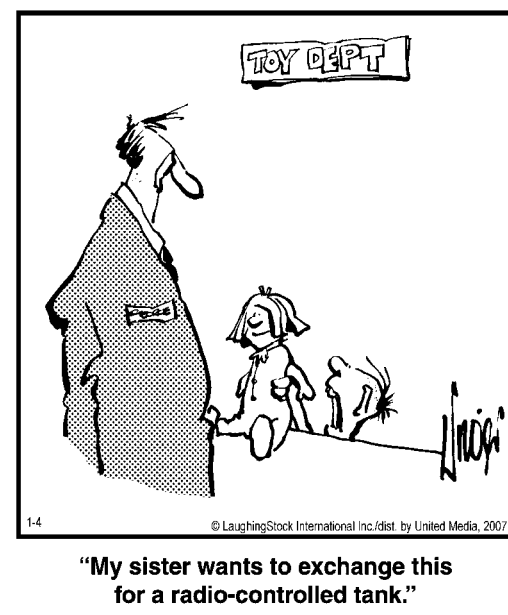


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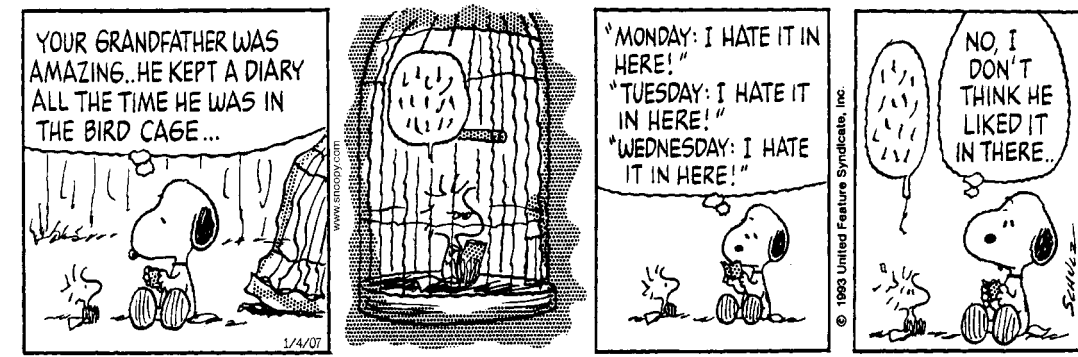


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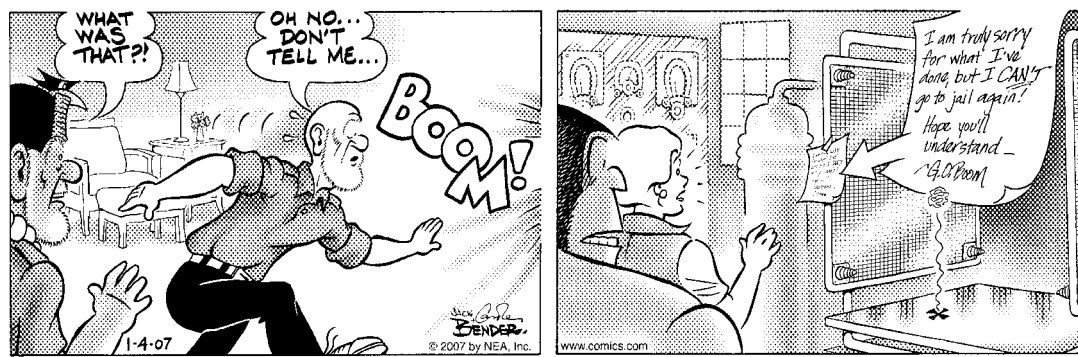


KidSpot by Dick Rogers. Words that begin or end in TEN. 1. Ten Camp shelter. 2. Ten Racket and ball game. 3. ten Young feline. 4. ten Frequently. 5. Ten One who rents. 6. Forgot Not remembered.

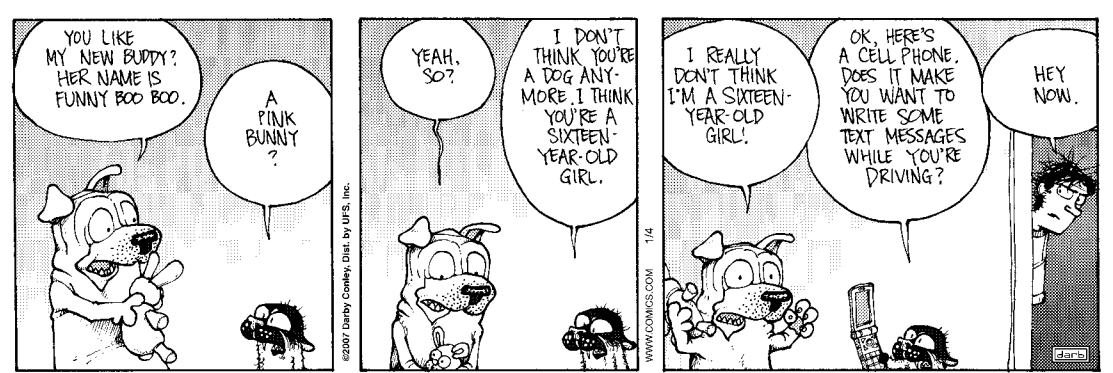
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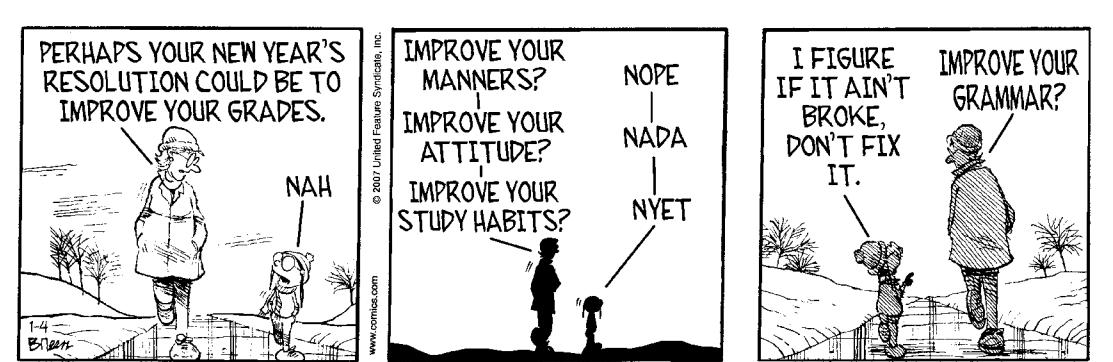
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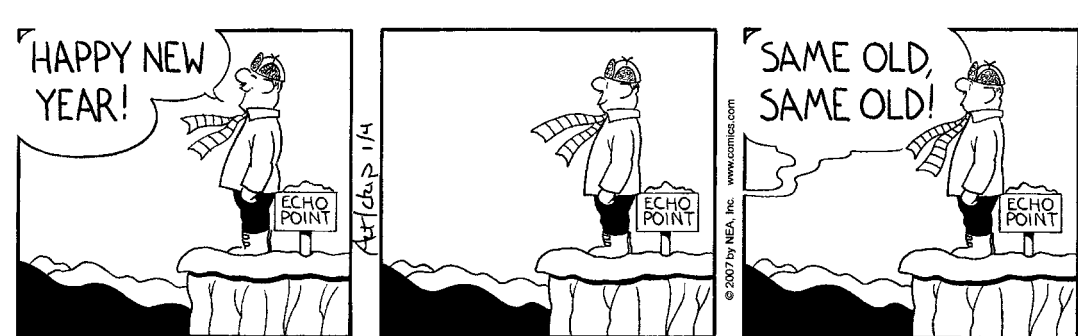
SOUP TO NUTS



GRAND AVENUE



THE BORN LOSER



ASTROGRAPH

Your birthday: Thursday, Jan. 4, 2007. A number of big achievements could be in the offing for you in the year ahead, but they won't be accomplished unaided.

things you really don't merit, but it won't be realistic. The world will never give you a free ride. Expect only what you earn and deserve, and no more.

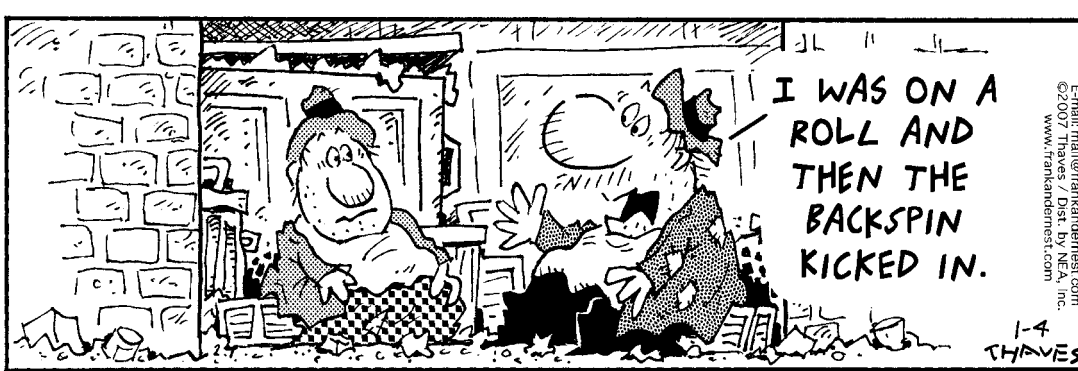


'Dear Abby' by Pauline Phillips and Jeanne Phillips

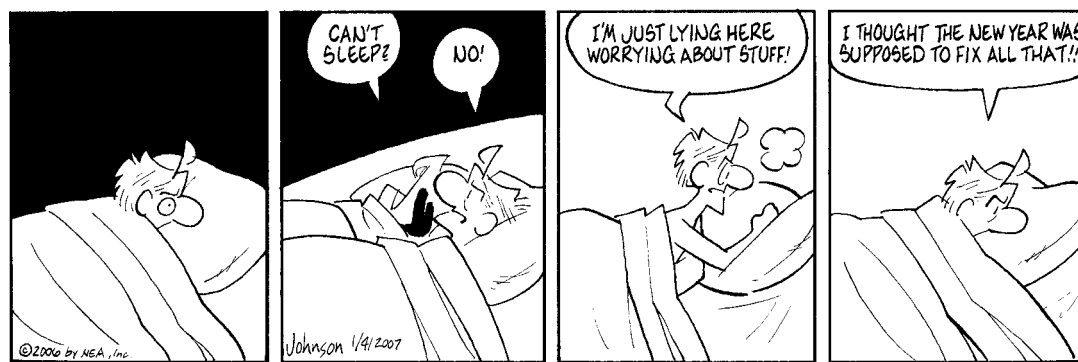
Vets suffering from stress can find needed help

DEAR ABBY: Although I am not a mental health professional, I am concerned for the welfare of "Stressed in Pennsylvania" (Nov. 22), who is suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder due to his tour of duty in Iraq.

FRANK AND ERNEST



ARLO AND JANIS



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword puzzle grid and word lists. ACROSS: 1 Kind of cuisine, 6 Outlaw, 11 Gold Rush figure, 12 Lone Ranger movie, 13 Buys by mail, 15 Whiter, 16 Casual top, 18 Hwy's, 19 Tend the garden, 21 S&L offering, 22 Rain very hard, 23 Soft shoes, 25 Amt., 28 Champing at the bit, 30 Prefix for classic, 31 Asian language, 32 Each, 33 Checkout scan, 35 Goodyear craft, 37 Yes, to Rob Roy, 38 Curly cabbage, 40 Dueler's sword, 41 Hip-hop music, 42 Winding curve, 43 Shake up, 46 Neater in appearance, 48 Purple flowers, 50 Uses a curling iron, 54 Intuitions, 55 Urban, for short, 56 Relieves tension, 57 Fire chief's suspicion, 4 Wobbles, 5 Blows it, 6 Sudden shock, 7 - Claire, Wisc., 8 Affect strongly, 9 Cell phone, 10 Joule, 13 Fractions, 14 Thin wedge, 15 Prop up, 17 Like a good alibi, 19 Comb contents, 20 Unconventional, 22 Storybook bear, 24 Cry loudly, 25 Swab brand, 26 Makes docile, 27 Holy cow!, 29 Hearty laugh, 34 Notre Dame's city, 36 More wary, 39 "Iliad" or "Odyssey", 43 Kid around, 44 Met highlight, 45 Makes fun of, 46 Dick Tracy's wife, 47 Humorist - Bombeck, 49 Perceive with the eyes, 51 High pts., 52 NFL player, 53 Junior.

DILBERT



REALITY CHECK



THE FAMILY CIRCUS



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DEAR CONCERNED: Thank you for your helpful letter. For any other veterans who are reading this column and are perhaps in need of assistance, I am offering a reference you can use to begin your quest for support: www.ncptsd.va.gov.

The Department of Veterans Affairs has launched this Web site for the National Center for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, a special center within Veterans Affairs.

The center is designed to advance the clinical care and social welfare of America's veterans through research, education and training in the science, diagnosis and treatment of stress-related disorders.

If someone is in need of assistance for problems related to his or her experience in combat, he or she should seek help immediately.

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.