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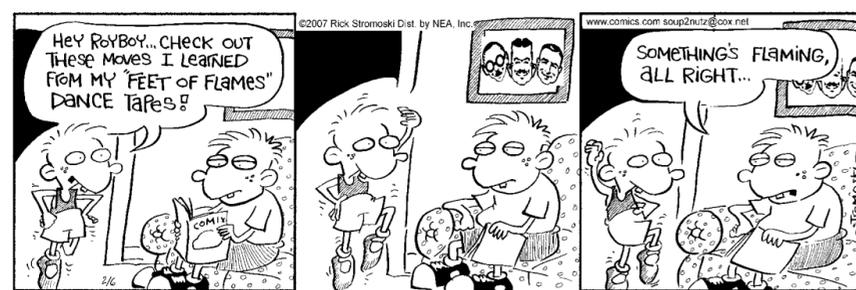
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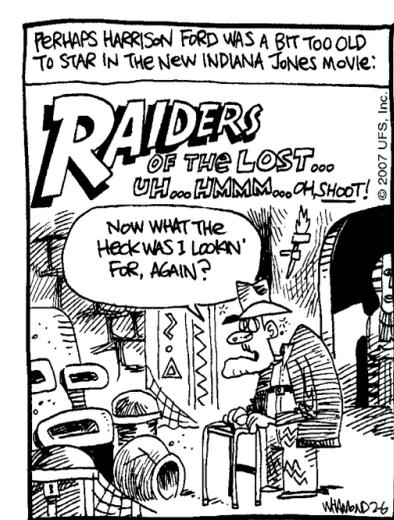
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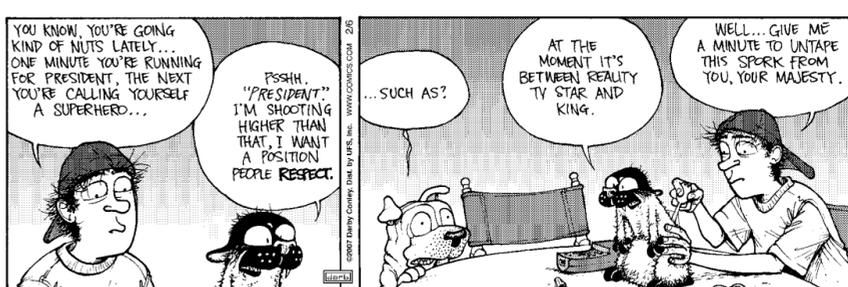
THE FAMILY CIRCUS



HERMAN



GET FUZZY



GRAND AVENUE



ASTROGRAPH

Your birthday:

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2007

You might be fortunate enough to spend your time on activities that you can share with others, whether they are social, work-related or family-oriented. In all instances, you can find success.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)

Should you be placed in the position of facing something that didn't work out too well before, make certain you reflect on what you've learned. Don't ignore experience.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

Don't play one of your loner roles, or this will end up being another vacant day. You'll derive great pleasure from sharing and doing things with good friends.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Although you might find conditions more restrictive than you like, you can find a few ways to change things a bit.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Before you get started on a project, make certain you have all the tools and materials needed to complete your task. What's left undone could stay that way for a long time to come.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Activities that have elements of friendly competition are likely to be very appealing and satisfying to you. However, if betting should enter the picture, it could be a different story.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

All serious domestic problems should be handled with a firm position, because

if you are wishy-washy or indecisive, instead of solving anything, the situation is likely to worsen.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Displaying fair-mindedness and an unbiased position of sensibility are the two elements that will win others over to your way of thinking. Forcefulness would create a rebelling effect.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

This could be a perfect day to balance your budget and set your affairs in order, since you are able to perceive the difference between what is and what is not essential.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

An important objective of yours might not be a priority to some of the people with whom you'll be spending your day. So if it's at all possible, try to operate as independently as you can.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

Although you might appear to be somewhat on the quiet side, in reality you will be hard at work weighing and balancing a number of critical issues that, if not handled, could be trouble.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

People you'll be associating with are more inclined to have fun than engage in any kind of business matters. If you're promoting anything commercial, keep it to yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Keep in mind that severe critics are always grading image and performance. Since it is difficult to escape the scrutiny of others, mind your manners and behavior.



'Dear Abby' by Pauline Phillips and Jeanne Phillips

Flags draped on caskets should be respected

DEAR ABBY: You advised "Wondering in Concord, N.H." that "as long as the flag is treated with respect — taken down at night, and not allowed to become tattered and faded because of exposure to the elements — it would be a loving tribute to (her) friend if it were displayed."

Although I could not find it in any flag etiquette site, it is customary that a flag used on a casket never be unfolded. It was folded and presented as an honor to the deceased soldier/Marine and should be unfolded only by God. This is a sentimental tradition, not a rule or law.

My husband has the flag that draped his brother's casket. He would probably kill before he would let someone unfold it.

— DAWN IN HAMPTON, ILL.

DEAR DAWN: If I was incorrect in my reply, thank you for correcting me. However, you are not the only reader who wanted to weigh in on this subject, and the suggestions I have received are varied.

DEAR ABBY: I belong to three veterans organizations. Most veteran posts, American Legion, AMVETS, Disabled American Veterans and Veterans of Foreign Wars will take a memorial flag and either fly it or dispose of it properly.

— ROBERT O., RICE LAKE, WIS.

DEAR ABBY: A better answer to "Wondering" would be to buy a triangular display case and place the very important gift of the American flag from the friend on the mantel or a table in his or her home. What a topic of conversation it would become in memory of a dear friend.

— RESPECTFUL IN OHIO

DEAR ABBY: "Wondering" could, if she so desires, donate the flag to a military cemetery. In Battle Creek, Mich., we have Fort Custer, a veterans cemetery, and I donated the flag given to me at my grandfather's funeral to it. There is an "Avenue of Flags" as you enter the cemetery, and it's a very moving sight to see all these flags flying in the breeze, knowing that people gave their lives for them.

— SANDY E., KALAMAZOO, MICH.

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