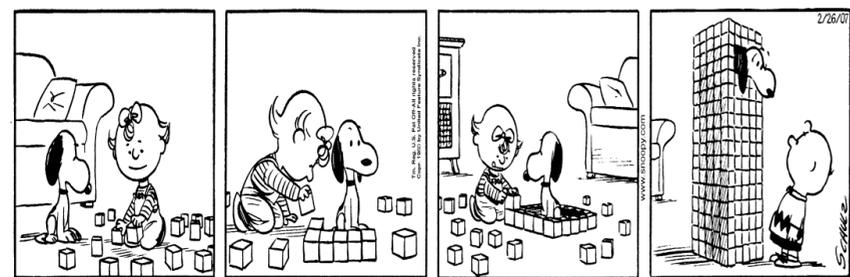


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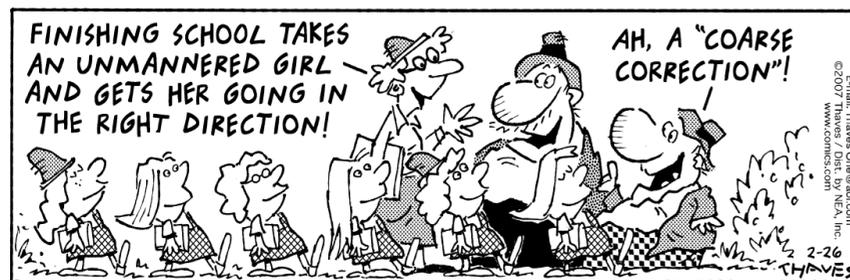
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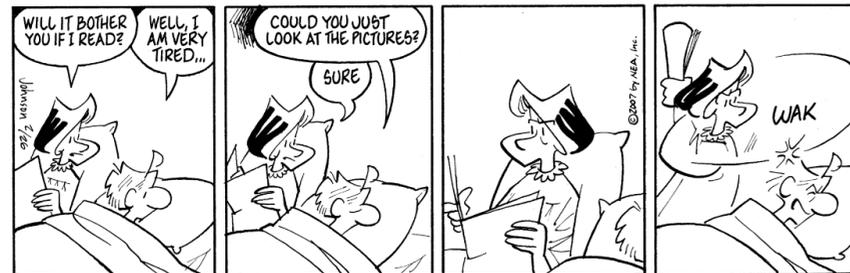
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**REALITY CHECK**



**THE FAMILY CIRCUS**

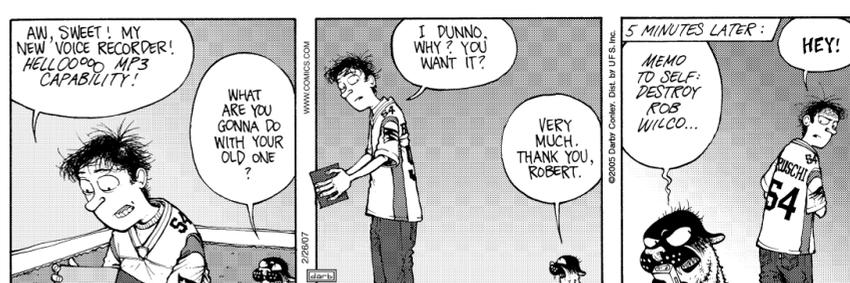


**HERMAN**



"I'm just going over to the bowling lanes to get a candy bar."

**GET FUZZY**



**GRAND AVENUE**



**ASTROGRAPH**

**Your birthday**  
Monday, Feb. 26, 2007

You can be particularly fortunate when it comes to ventures or enterprises that you personally originate. If you believe you have something worthy to put on the market, by all means give it a try.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)**  
It's one of those days when it might actually be advisable to fly by the seat of your pants. Spontaneous, not structured activities, will afford you a most fulfilling and enjoyable time.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**  
An opening to tie down a delicate matter, which you've been hoping would come about, is apt to occur. Be on your toes, so it can be concluded to your satisfaction once and for all.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
This is a good day to see if you can get together with some friends whom you haven't seen too much of lately. They're just as eager to see you and will welcome any arrangement you have in mind.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
Several opportunities continue to hover over you where your finances or career are concerned, so be doubly alert so you don't miss any occasion that suddenly develops which you can use.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
You have a natural faculty for saying all the right things that will have uplifting and inspiring effects on the downtrodden. Spread your sunshine wherever you encounter sadness.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
Without being asked, close friends or

associates are apt to do some nice things, which you can't accomplish unaided, for you. What's even kinder is they might not even mention it.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
Project yourself into a social situation that would give you a good opportunity to make some new and valuable contacts. People you meet now could become very important to you.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)**  
Believe that you have the capability to do whatever it is that needs doing and you'll make things happen. You'll really shine when confronted with challenges that pique your imagination.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)**  
Try to spend as much of your time as possible with friends who know how to enjoy whatever comes along to make life happy. Their companionship will have an uplifting effect.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)**  
Don't be dismayed by early indicators of impending change or shifting conditions. Go with the flow because what transpires can turn things around for you to your ultimate benefit.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
Not only are you a quick thinker and the possessor of excellent judgment, you are also a person who will know how to utilize those bright ideas to advance your personal self-interests.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)**  
Your area of greatest strength will be with those situations which can be quite meaningful to you financially. Put other interests aside for the moment and concentrate on your resources.



'Dear Abby' by Pauline Phillips and Jeanne Phillips

**Woman seeking deep relationship**

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a single woman in my early 30s who has never been married. I recently fell in love with a wonderful man with whom I spend a great deal of time. He is unaware of the intensity of my feelings, and I'm afraid of telling him out of fear of rejection.

There are a couple of additional concerns: He is 15 years my senior and a medical doctor. I am a social worker in a lower socio-economic class. In addition, we are of different religions, but we have similar spiritual beliefs and values. He is also my co-worker.

I am very interested in pursuing a deeper relationship with this man, but would like to hear your advice first. Thank you for your thoughts on this. — **LONGING FOR MORE IN CHICAGO**

**DEAR LONGING:** Although it is possible that the doctor is also attracted to you, the fact that you are co-workers makes the situation possibly problematic. Because you spend "a great deal of time" together, I assume that you discuss subjects beyond those that are work-related. One way to proceed might be to mention that you "happen" to have a couple of tickets to a play or other event he might be interested in — and would he like to accompany you. If the answer is yes, you're off to a good start.

**DEAR ABBY:** As the "baby boom" generation is now growing older, when will food product manufacturers wise up to the fact that printing cooking instructions on their products is no longer acceptable?

I pass on buying many items in the supermarket for this reason. Perhaps with your influence these people will begin to understand that they're losing money from older people simply because we can't make out a half-cup from a third of a cup in such tiny print. There are also young people with visual impairments, too. Thank you! — **REVEREND JOE IN CONNECTICUT**

**DEAR REVEREND JOE:** Much as one might pray for it, I'm doubtful that the food manufacturers are going to alter their labels for the visually challenged. However, because reading package directions — and I presume labels — has become a problem for you, I recommend you carry reading glasses and/or a strong magnifying glass with you when you do your marketing. That should solve the problem.

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.

**KidSpot** by Dick Rogers

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**CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

**ACROSS**

- Fills road cracks
- Bus alternative
- Hungry for more
- Strong pullers
- Aha!
- Quick reminder
- What's cooking
- Less than ideal
- Big pileup
- Kal Kan rival
- Six-shooter
- Actor's prompt
- Rock stars, say
- Proceeded along
- Bump or knot
- Opening for air
- Drapery support
- Colorful carp
- Organized
- Wind indicator
- Comment
- Evenings out
- Out — limb
- Old French coin
- Wild tale
- Keep out of sight (2 wds.)
- Biker's backrest (2 wds.)
- Monorail
- Fencer's weapon
- Single unit
- First name in jazz
- Duck or hue
- Longing
- Prez stand-in
- Did batik
- Cat or turkey
- Eddie, in "Beverly Hills Cop"
- Gamblers' mecca
- Nestle
- Role for Arnold
- Beg pardon!
- Kind of kite
- Walked slowly
- Prez stand-in
- Sorry!
- Period
- Ridicule
- Roast beef au —
- Penny
- Publicity
- Easy way out
- Comic-strip dog
- Faint
- Was, to Ovid
- Completed
- "Alice" waitress
- Moines, Iowa
- Au pair
- Jumped over
- Bite
- Forest mom
- Fire alarm
- Egal!
- Not in harbor
- Jet route
- Air France destination
- Corduroy rib
- Hardened, as cement
- Man, once
- Ticked off

**DOWN**

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