

**ANN LANDERS**

**Blues over sleeping husband**

Dear Ann Landers: After 25 years of hard work, my husband sold our very successful business and retired. I worked right along with him and held down a second job when money was scarce. I am several years younger than he is but energetic and not ready to sit in the rocking chair.

What does one do with a retiree who watches the "tube" or sleeps from 9 p.m. to 9 a.m.? On those lucky days when he decides to go out, he visits his old business friend, who is busy, or sits in a bookie joint. He has no hobbies, doesn't even read a newspaper - just waits for his three meals a day. Sometimes he sleeps sitting up.

If we go out in an afternoon, he is ready to go home by 2:30 so he can sleep a little before his favorite TV programs begin. Saturdays and Sundays are murder. He's out of bed by 9:30 a.m., then asleep in the chair or stretched out on the sofa by 10:30 a.m. He hasn't worked or done one thing around the house in 18 months. He runs to the doctor for "check-ups," comes home and says he has a variety of illnesses. I had a private consultation with his doctor recently and was assured there is nothing wrong with him.

He watches me garden, cook, clean and keep up with my hobbies. I even suggested that he work as a volunteer with some charitable organizations, but that was turned down.

Don't suggest a trip. I don't have to go to Europe to watch him sleep. He has become a terrible bore. There is no conversation between us. Where do I go from here? Waiting For What?

Dear W.F.W.: I strongly recommend that you have Methuselah checked out by another physician. He may have narcolepsy. This is an illness that causes people to sleep a great deal. If he gets a clean bill of health, resolve

that you are not going to let him drive you crackers. Investigate the Golden Age Clubs for retirees in your city and urge him to take a look. Regardless of what he does, keep active, busy and involved, go places alone or with women friends if he refuses to accompany you. Maybe when he gets tired of being alone and you no longer cater to him he'll show some signs of life.

Dear Ann: Please settle this argument for me. My husband insists that his brother's wife is HIS sister-in-law only - not mine. He says she is just an acquaintance to me. I say she is my sister-in-law also - by law. Who is right? - The Odd Couple

Dear Odd: I have news for both you and your husband. According to John Beckstrom, professor Family Law at Northwestern University Law School, there is no absolute legal definition of sister-in-law.

Black's Law Dictionary (Fourth Edition) says: A sister-in-law is (1) sister of one's spouse; (2) wife of one's brother.

According to Corpus Juris Secundum, sister-in-law can be derived from the term brother-in-law (to help me) which is defined as: (1) Brother of one's husband or wife; (2) one's sister's husband. It has been held that the husbands of two sisters are NOT brothers-in-law, based on one old case in Florida. (Clear as mud, eh? Yeah, here, too.)

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**Political 'hanky panky' in appointment**

Interested Citizen's Group (ICG) vice-chairman John Schneider suspects that the appointment of Reuben Baetz as the new Ontario Energy Minister last weekend is just "more political hanky panky" of the type that has stalled the group's efforts to get answers about the proposed Bradley-to-Milton 500 Kv transmission corridor. However Mr. Baetz is sincere in what he says, "we may really see some action," Mr. Schneider says.

Mr. Schneider finds Mr. Baetz's statement that "when somebody is suddenly told that a Hydro line is going through his back yard he has to be told why" to be very interesting. "I interpret that to mean that he will immediately stop the corridor going through our area because no one knows why this route must be used," he says. He intends to ask Mr. Baetz for his interpretation of the statement as soon as possible.

Efforts by The Herald to reach Mr. Baetz for comment failed.

Mr. Baetz will be energy minister number for that the ICG has had to deal with, Mr. Schneider says. He suggests, tongue-in-cheek, former energy minister James Taylor may have got in a little trouble by being too sensitive to the people's position instead of listening more closely to his fellow cabinet ministers.

"I don't think these guys (McKeough, Timbrell, Taylor) had all the facts," he says. "I'm afraid the decisions are being made by the bureaucrats the paid civil servants. And how does the public get at them? We can take our venom out on the politicians by electing someone else but that doesn't touch the bureaucrats."

Mr. Schneider respected Mr. Taylor as being direct and frank in his dealings. Of the three energy ministers the ICG has dealt with he says Mr. Taylor seemed the most sensitive to the people's position.

ICG public relations spokesman John Minns called Mr. Taylor's resignation a "mixed blessing."

"He seemed to understand the problem and be sorry that it had been created," Mr. Minns says. He apologized on two different occasions and commented that if he had been energy minister for the past two years the problem might not have gone so far and perhaps the outcome could have been different."

On the other hand, Mr. Minns says, "Taylor was not strong enough to combat the negative forces in his own ministry and in cabinet. Baetz's lip service but how much effect a new cabinet minister will have on years of deep-rooted problem remains to be seen."

Mr. Minns agrees with Mr. Taylor's statement that Ontario Hydro is a cabinet minister's nightmare.

"There was political interference on a high level with Hydro's plans beginning with the first Energy Minister Darcy McKeough in 1974," he says. "McKeough made a statement in July, 1974, which changed Hydro's priorities and systems planning. Each successive minister has tried to cope with that bad decision ever since and none has been able to overcome the problem McKeough created."

"Taylor put more weight on the problem but he was severely constrained by the political system which didn't allow the minister to function as he should. Taylor himself said that he had "run into a system that is more important than the substance."

Unless Baetz can change the system, "I doubt if he will be any more successful than his predecessors."

Mr. Minns says the ICG hopes to meet Mr. Baetz soon to make a new presentation to him and ask for his support.

"We'll see if responsible government truly is responsible to the people," he says.

**New Sheridan chairman**

For the first time in its 10-year history, the Sheridan College board of governors has elected a woman chairman. Audrey Ryckman of Burlington was acclaimed as chairman at the board's inaugural meeting on Jan. 11 with George Farrow of Oakville being elected vice-chairman. Terms of offices are for one year.

**Horticulturalists elect executive**

The Georgetown Horticultural Society elected its new executive at the society's first meeting of 1978 last Wednesday night.

Lou Stadelman was elected president, with Jack Nieuwhof and Chris Doupagne elected first and second vice-

president. Directors with one year remaining in their terms, are Darlene Fitzsimmons, Pearl Brown, Shari Cooper, Dorothy Pearson and Gerda Moerkkerken.

H. J. Herder, Joanne Vravac, Janet Dean, Neil Benton and Irene Breen are the new directors who have two-year terms.

The program of the evening featured a slide show entitled "Oh Canada!" The next meeting will feature a presentation by the Niagara Escarpment Commission.

**CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

**TODAY'S ANSWER**

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11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40

**ACROSS**

- Crescent moon's point
- in the know (twice ones)
- Poker term
- Send back
- Flow of seats
- One of the Bows
- Greek letters
- By - mouth (2 wds.)
- Deposed
- Germanic empire (abbr.)
- Naught
- Forum garb
- Laundry
- Sound (Pacific inlet)
- Hunt or Monty
- Autograph-seeker
- Wide st.
- Union soldier
- Harsh
- Dalai -
- Journey
- Dutch cheese
- Complete
- Father
- Lamprey secker
- Be walled
- Service affairs

**DOWN**

- Antonym of divide
- Kind of shovel
- Kind of pronoun
- Mason's tool
- Hebrew king
- Khayyam
- Tunnel worker
- Swallow greedily
- Vanquish
- Wine (Fr.)
- Lacking melody
- Uncorrupted
- Penny
- Marshall on TV
- Harse
- Memo -
- Preliminary query
- Jacques
- Talk show medium
- Soprano
- Lucine
- Mure
- disabled
- Wicked

**YOUR WEEK AHEAD By DAMIS**

- ARIES** Mar. 21-Apr. 19 New associations bring new opportunities your way. Keep your credit rating clean as a whistle.
- TAURUS** Apr. 20-May 20 A legal matter must be resolved. An error in judgment could be costly.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Tax matters come to the fore. Get your documents organized and there should be no problem.
- MOONCHILD** June 21-July 22 Avoid competitive situations and let your affections shine through. Relationships with others are where you find the answers.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 Increased efficiency in job related matters brings recognition and advancement. Harmony on the job is rewarding.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Entertaining continues to be a source of pleasure. Love and romance seem to be part of the picture.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Thoughts turn to home renovating ideas. Straighten up your surroundings with your ingenious ideas.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Neighborhood affairs provide a great deal of enjoyment. Be careful of imposing on kin, or letting yourself be imposed on.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Your financial prowess should be put to good use. Keep your income and outgo in careful balance.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 This week brings the possibility of an increase in incoming funds. Be aware of your impact on others.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Find a quiet spot where you can straighten your inner self and renew your energies.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-Mar. 20 It's time to abandon time wasting pursuits and associates. Seek out worthwhile pursuits.

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The weather sheltered entrance leads into a small foyer, which leads left to the large, L shaped, living dining room combination. The living room features a brick faced fireplace and excellent natural light. The dining room separates from the kitchen via pocket door and has provision for a built in china and linen storage sideboard.

All three bedrooms are well separated from the main living area for disturbance free entertaining. Each has good natural light and adequate closet storage facilities. The master has a two piece ensuite bath, tucked behind a pocket door, and has the added benefit of a window facing the rear of the home, providing for gentle early morning light.

Access to the full basement is gained from the hall and the large storage area off the kitchen. Here is abundant storage space and room for the future development of an extra bedroom and/or family room and recreational facilities.

Finished with the carport, vertical channel siding and shake roof, this practical home has all the charm of a rural western bungalow. If the garage option is selected, and the exterior finished in brick veneer with shingle roof, the design bears the solid, masonry appearance so characteristic of the residential districts of our larger urban centres.

Plans for design No. 75 1106B may be obtained at a cost of \$50 for the first set and \$9 for each additional set, plus \$4 for postage and handling. Ont. residents please include 7 per cent sales tax.

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