

Saturday, September 15, 2012

ENTERTAINMENT

South Bend Tribune B7

When will adult kids learn to pay own way?

Dear Annie,

When can we stop giving our children money? When is enough enough?

My daughter and her husband are in their mid-30s. They bought a house they could not afford. The top of that, they are in the middle of filing for bankruptcy, as they have been overpaying for years. My daughter works two jobs that provide neither a consistent paycheck nor benefits. Her husband's job is even stable, but his salary is low.

At one point, we gave her one of our used cars, which she was able to keep running for a couple of years. When that car died, I took money out of my retirement fund to pay her a used car. My son-in-law's mother just bought them a new one.

My question is: When does all this stop? I've worked for 30 years and never more asked my mother for money. I'm tired of doing and doing for them. At what point can a parent stop taking on the problems of their children?

Resisting Parent

Dear Parent,

Whenever you are willing to let them sink or swim on their own. When an adult child is having temporary financial difficulties, it is a kindness for a parent to offer to help, provided the parent can afford it and the child uses the assistance to get out from under. But if a parent is constantly bailing out an in-

ANNIE'S MAILBOX

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sponsible spendthrift, the hands are most likely before parents become impoverished and resentful in a misguided attempt to "save" their children. And these children never learn to stand on their own two feet. Consider whether you are helping or simply prolonging your daughter's financial dependence, and act accordingly.

Dear Annie,

"Winged Out," who has a condition that makes her hair fall out. People constantly ask about her "perfect" hair, and some attempt to pull at her wig.

I have thin hair and wear a wig. I have been wearing light-colored hairpieces for 10 years. I can swim, play golf, exercise, sleep and anything else without removing my hair. No one can tell, and I am never "winged out."

Frankie: Some people can't stand it if they don't know absolutely everything about you. I wear hearing aids, but I was sensitive about them, even though my hair did not hide them.

Dear F,

Readers offered many suggestions. I am amazed.

Frankie: I, too, take medication that contributes to hair loss. My husband encouraged me to order some beautiful synthetic wigs, which I have

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An oil on canvas, "The Mighty Arm" is one of the paintings featured in the exhibit "We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball." Original Paintings by

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TV TONIGHT

ALL TIMES EASTERN DAYLIGHT

Saturday Night Live

11:30 p.m. NBC
Seth Meyers is the host, and Frank Ocean is the musical guest.

(H) denotes new show. Daily Listings: For a full guide to the daytime listings, see Saturday's TV Tribune. Online Listings: To create your custom TV guide, go online to www.southbendtribune.com.

SATURDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 15

	8 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
NBC	The Voice: Season 4 (Season 4) (H)	The Voice: Season 4 (Season 4) (H)	The Voice: Season 4 (Season 4) (H)	The Voice: Season 4 (Season 4) (H)
ABC	20/20: The Untold Story of the 9/11 Attacks (H)	20/20: The Untold Story of the 9/11 Attacks (H)	20/20: The Untold Story of the 9/11 Attacks (H)	20/20: The Untold Story of the 9/11 Attacks (H)
CBS	60 Minutes (H)	60 Minutes (H)	60 Minutes (H)	60 Minutes (H)
FOX	20/20: The Untold Story of the 9/11 Attacks (H)	20/20: The Untold Story of the 9/11 Attacks (H)	20/20: The Untold Story of the 9/11 Attacks (H)	20/20: The Untold Story of the 9/11 Attacks (H)
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