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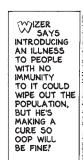








ALLEY OOP by Jack and Carole Bender









SENSE AND SENSITIVITY

Mother struggles with eye problem

perfect, because now that I am a young adult, my taste is different from that of my mother or other family members. For vears, I would either just stuff the clothing in my bottom people's feelings sometimes, but I can't help it if we don't like the same things.

I appreciate that my family finally gave me something that I can use. Should I show them what I buy with the money they gave me, or is saying thank you enough?

-- Best Gift Ever, Norfolk, Virginia

DEAR BEST GIFT EVER: care for herself. Start by thanking your family members -- from your mother on down -- for the gift cards. Tell them how much you appreciate the fact that they realize that the best gift is to Ask your mother if she would like to see what you bought If it would interest her, show her. Otherwise, just say thank you and let that be enough.

learned that my mother is going blind. She has macular degeneration. She says she cannot read well and generally she her. She lives by herself and sion-loss/2 to get started. has been independent forever. I have invited her to come and hire full-time care.

because we -- her children -- 64106.)

HARRIETTE: I begged her to stop. Believe it or received gift cards from my not, her doctor didn't even family for Christmas. That was require that she stop, even though he knew she had this condition. How can I help my mother?

-- Going Blind, New Orleans

DEAR GOING BLIND: It drawer or ask if I could take it may be a relief to you to know back. I know that probably hurt that macular degeneration does not necessarily lead to complete blindness, even though it does lead to significant loss of vision. Indeed, in the early stages of the disease, many people continue to drive during the day without incident. Talk to your mother's doctor about her condition so that you can be clear about what she is facing. Ask for suggestions for how she can

Ask for the signs that she may no longer be able to live alone. When that time comes, you will have to address it with her and figure out how her Social Security and your let you buy what you want. support will be able to take care of her.

For more information about with the money or gift cards. living with macular degeneration, go to macularhope.org/ about-md/coping-skills/.

If she is willing, you can also have her learn how to live DEAR HARRIETTE: I just as a blind or partially blind person. There are many resources available to support her, including the American Foundation for the Blind. Visit sees fuzzy. I am so scared for afb.org/info/living-with-vi-

(Harriette Cole is a lifestylist live with me and my family, and founder of DREAMLEAPERS, but she said no. I am afraid for an initiative to help people access her to live by herself much lon- and activate their dreams. You can ger, and we cannot afford to send questions to askharriette@ harriettecole.com or c/o Andrews This is such a big shift. She McMeel Syndication, 1130 stopped driving only last year, Walnut St., Kansas City, MO

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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