Laughing at the ‘end of the world’

Talking Points
1. The COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic has severely disrupted lives and frightened millions of people around the world. How are these cartoonists dealing with this situation?
2. Is it wrong to joke about life-and-death matters?
3. Does laughing help people cope with a terrifying subject?
4. Can ridiculous scenarios about COVID-19 sending us back to the Stone Age or travelers fleeing to Antarctica ease “end of the world” fears?
5. Can you find any coronavirus jokes that make you laugh?

Between the lines
“This coronavirus … it’s making people nervous. It’s making people anxious. But I think at a time like this we all need to laugh, to be together,” and then backing away, “from a distance of about 20 feet.” - Stephen Colbert.

Additional resources
- More by Dave Granlund
  https://www.cagle.com/author/dave-granlund/
- More by Paresh Nath
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- Association of American Editorial Cartoonists
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