

BAILEY

BY GREG WALKER, BRIAN WALKER AND NEAL WALKER

WHY IS OTTO IN THE LEAD?
HE'S GOING SO SLOWLY

SO SARGE CAN GET
TO HIS SNACKS

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DUMPLINGS

BY VICTOR VAN ACKER

WHY DOES BENNY HAVE
TO GO TO
OBEDIENCE
SCHOOL TODAY?...

I THOUGHT
THERE'S NO
SCHOOL ON
PRESIDENTS
DAY.

FRANNY,
DOGS DON'T
CARE ABOUT
PRESIDENTS.

UNLESS THEY
START PUTTING
TARIFFS ON MY
DOG TREATS!

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ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN

GLUG! GLUG! GLUG!

HEY, PIERCE,
CAN I HAVE
A SIP?

SURE...

...BUT BE CAREFUL—
I HAVE A WICKED
COLD

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BY DEAN YOUNG AND JOHN MARSHALL

WHAT'S WITH THE OOMPAH BAND?
I HIRED THEM FOR THE BOSS
FOR PRESIDENTS DAY

YOU'RE ONLY ENCOURAGING DITHERS
TO THINK PRESIDENTS DAY
IS ABOUT
HIM!
I HAD NO CHOICE! HE ISSUED
ME AN EXECUTIVE ORDER!

FOR HE'S A JOLLY
GOOD PRESIDENT!

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NEVER BEEN DEADER

BY TOMMY DEVOID

READY TO
SEIZE THE DAY?

ARE YOU
KIDDING?

OBVIOUSLY.

IT'S CALLED
SARCASM, MYRTLE.

I KNOW. I'M
FLUENT.

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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

BY CHRIS BROWNE

HALT! WHO GOES THERE ??

WEREWOLF

I HOPE THAT WAS A QUESTION!

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ROYAL STARS

YOUR DAILY HOROSCOPE FROM GEORGIA NICOLS

The day ahead: ★★★★★ = Dynamic; ★★★★★ = Positive; ★★★ = Average; ★★ = So-so; ★ = Difficult

Moon Alert:

There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today. The Moon is in **AQUARIUS**.

ARIES

(March 21-April 19) ★★★

Today requires a bit of **ARIES** finesse because an unexpected quarrel or a sudden dispute with a friend or a member of a group might arise. Naturally, you will speak your mind as is your wont. Fortunately, you also have the ability to smooth things over, especially with family members if need be. It's all good. Tonight: Be friendly.

TAURUS

(April 20-May 20) ★★★

Tread carefully around authority figures today because some kind of outburst or argument might occur. Admittedly, you're pumped with energy and ambition! Someone younger, perhaps a friend or a member of a group, might restore the peace. Tonight: Show respect.

GEMINI

(May 21-June 20) ★★★★★

Pay attention to everything you say and do because this is an accident-prone day for you. Travel plans might suddenly change. Quarrels about politics, religion and racial issues might erupt. People are sensitive today. Tonight: Explore and learn.

CANCER

(June 21-July 22) ★★★★★

Two different influences are at play today. One influence might encourage arguments and flareups about shared property, taxes, debt or inheritances. However, the other influence, by contrast, will promote agreement and the fun exploration of lofty ideas and travel plans. Tally ho! Take your pick. Tonight: Check your finances.

LEO

(July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★

Be patient with partners, spouses and close friends today because sudden comments or unexpected behavior might be upsetting. However, on the upside, good news about money, investments and shared property will bring a smile to your face. Ka-ching! All is well. Tonight: Listen and cooperate.

VIRGO

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★

Be patient with work colleagues today, as well as care workers and issues that are related to your pet because arguments and sudden disruptions are likely. Fortunately, conversations with those who are close to you like spouses, partners and dear friends are upbeat! Tonight: Get organized.

LIBRA

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★

Please note: This is an accident-prone day for your kids, which is a warning for parents. It's also an accident-prone day for sports events. Social occasions might suddenly change. However, be confident that work-related conversations (especially with work-related travel) will go well. Tonight: Socialize!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Monday, Feb. 16, 2026:

Justice and fair play are important to you. You are insightful, analytical, compassionate and intuitive. This is a year of new beginnings and adventures. Keep your eyes open for new opportunities and be ready to act. What you do now will bring great benefits in the future. Prepare for leadership.

BORN TODAY

Actor Mahershala Ali (1974), actress Elizabeth Olsen (1989), tennis champ John McEnroe (1959)

SCORPIO

(Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★

Family arguments or something else that might disrupt your home routine — perhaps appliance breakdowns or a minor breakage — might change your day. Be patient with family members to avoid arguments. Fortunately, social outings, sports events, the arts and fun activities with kids are blessed. Yay! Tonight: Cocoon at home.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★

This is a restless day. Pay attention to everything you say and do today because this is an accident-prone day for your sign. Be aware and mindful. Sudden arguments might occur. Tonight: An interesting discussion.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★

Keep an eye on your money and assets today because something unexpected could impact them. Protect what you own against loss, theft or damage. Meanwhile, short trips and conversations with siblings, relatives and neighbors are upbeat and fun! Tonight: Check your money and belongings.

AQUARIUS

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★

All kinds of unexpected things might occur today — among them, you might be suddenly separated from someone or an argument might occur. It's an accident-prone day. Be careful! On the upside, financial negotiations will go well. Looking good! Tonight: You're strong.

PISCES

(Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★

You can be persuasive today, especially when talking to your kids or in any area related to the arts, sports or social outings. People will listen to you. Privately, however, something going on behind the scenes could promote accident-prone behavior. Don't take anything for granted and keep your wits about you. Tonight: Enjoy privacy.

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16 President born in New York

18 Character

20 Asked for ID

21 Move, in Realtor-speak

23 Year in Mexico

24 President born in New York

28 Intentionally ignore

31 Mimic

32 Early Peruvians

34 Hosp. scan

35 Automations, for short

37 President born in Ohio

39 Phone bug

41 Wound cover

42 Burdens

45 Wise sayings

49 President born in Pennsylvania

51 Espy

52 Nantes notion

53 Wimbledon 2025 winner — Swiatek

54 Bonn article

55 Hardy lass

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19 Notes after “do”

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24 “Groovy!”

25 Wall St. debut

26 Bibb and romaine, e.g.

27 Auditory passage

29 Web address

30 eBay offer

33 Tunisian seaport

36 Pageant bands

38 Nile birds

40 Shepherd's pie morsel

42 Story of a lifetime?

43 Un-dressed

44 Use scissors

46 Mayberry moppet

47 “— Lisa”

48 Goblet feature

50 Istanbul honorific

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Saturday's answer 2-16

DENNIS THE MENACE

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MR. WILSON USED TO TAP DANCE.

“LIKE A RAIN DANCE TO MAKE THE FAUCET COME ON?”

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

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“I don’t care for this cherry pie. I wish George Washington chopped down a blueberry bush.”

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