



DUMPLINGS

BY VICTOR VAN ACKER



ZITS

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ROYAL STARS

YOUR DAILY HOROSCOPE FROM GEORGIA NICOLS

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

Moon Alert: Avoid shopping (except for food and gas) and important decisions until 9 a.m. EDT today (6 a.m. PDT). After that, the Moon moves from **SCORPIO** into **SAGITTARIUS**.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ This is a great day to break out of your routine and do something different. In fact, you might have no choice. Travel plans might suddenly change. Or you might unexpectedly have to travel. Discussions about politics, religion and racial issues will be intense. Fortunately, you're sympathetic. Tonight: Explore and learn!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ Double-check banking issues, because something unexpected could impact your assets. Today you might feel compassion for those who are less fortunate. This is admirable. Help someone if you can. (But don't give away the farm.) Look for new resources to try a new approach to something. Tonight: Check your finances.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Your partner might catch you off guard today by saying or doing something you least expect. In fact, they will probably express themselves with intent and passion. This might involve a friend about whom you feel concerned. People are tenderhearted today. Tonight: Listen and cooperate.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Your routine might be interrupted today. Pet owners also might be surprised by something. (Be vigilant.) This is also an excellent day for creative work or coming up with new approaches to medicine or something that is health-related. Tonight: Get better organized.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ This is a lovely day to schmooze with others. Surprise invitations might come your way. Artists will flourish because they are in touch with their muse. However, parents should be aware that issues related to your kids are unpredictable. Guard against accidents. Tonight: Play!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Your home routine might be interrupted today. A minor breakage could occur or a small appliance might break down. Someone unexpected might appear at your door. Be patient with parents and bosses if plans suddenly change. Stay flexible. Tonight: Relax at home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Pay attention to everything you say and do today because this is an accident-prone day for you. However, bright, clever ideas also might spring up in your mind. You might see new places and meet new faces! You also might feel sympathetic to a partner

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Saturday, May 30, 2026:

You're imaginative and innovative. You have a restless inquisitiveness. This is the end of a nine-year cycle. Take inventory of your life this year, and let go of people, places and things that have held you back. Do some internal and external housecleaning. Commune with nature. Be compassionate.

BORN TODAY

Actress, singer Idina Menzel (1971), singer Wynonna Judd (1964), actress Rachael Stirling (1977)

or close friend. Tonight: Lively discussions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ Keep an eye on your money and assets today. Of course, you might find money or you might lose money. Be smart and protect what you own against loss, theft or damage. You also might be tempted to spend on luxury, art and beautiful things. Tonight: Check banking.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Today the Moon is in your sign, dancing with unpredictable Uranus, which makes you feel impulsive, excited and up for adventure! You might attract people to you who are different from your usual crowd. You also might feel sympathetic toward children. Tonight: You win!

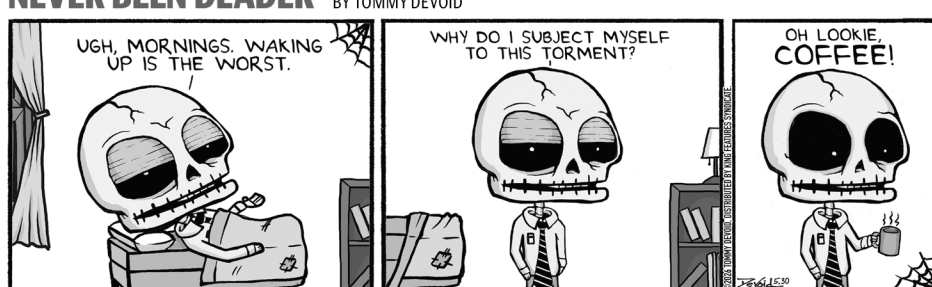
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Something going on behind the scenes might disrupt your work or your health today. It might even affect your pet. Meanwhile, relations with those who are closest to you are warm and helpful. This is a good day to help family members and show support for them. Tonight: Enjoy privacy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Friendships are important to you, and you especially love to meet a new character. This is exactly what might happen today, because you'll be drawn to unusual people. Alternatively, someone you know might throw you a curveball. Stay lighter on your feet and be ready for sudden changes. Tonight: Be friendly.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ You're high-viz today, which means people notice you more than usual. Some might know intimate details about your private life. Relations with a parent or a family member might surprise you. Someone might do something you least expect. Tonight: You're admired.

NEVER BEEN DEADER

BY TOMMY DEVOID



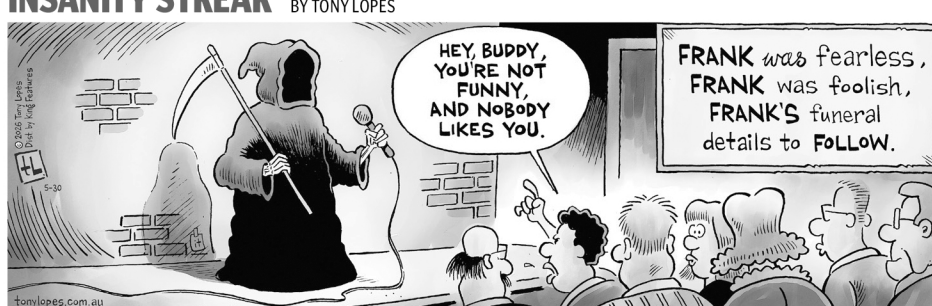
HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

BY CHRIS BROWNE



INSANITY STREAK

BY TONY LOPES



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Difficulty: ★★★★★

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Solution time: 26 mins.

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Yesterday's answer 5-30

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