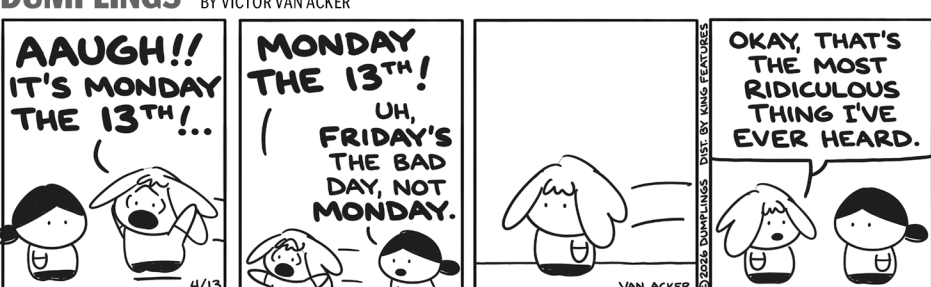
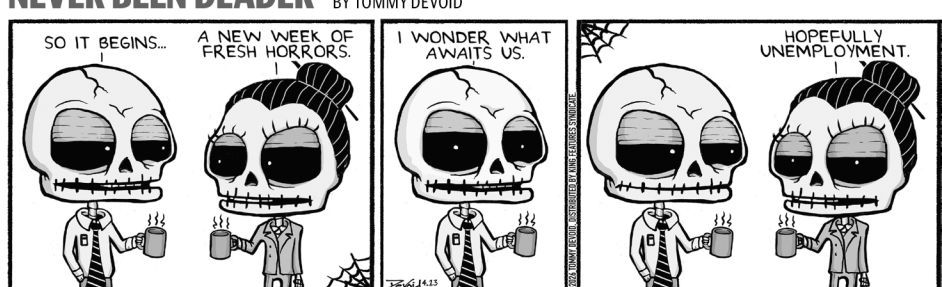


**DUMPLINGS** BY VICTOR VAN ACKER



**NEVER BEEN DEADER** BY TOMMY DEVOID



**ZITS** BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



**HAGAR THE HORRIBLE** BY CHRIS BROWNE



**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 from 3 a.m. to 5:30 a.m. EDT today (12:01 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. PDT). After that, the Moon moves from **AQUARIUS** into **PISCES**.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Today your ruler fiery Mars is lined up with fuzzy Neptune, which could make you feel irritable or discouraged. You might doubt yourself, which is not your style. Meanwhile, you might attract money to you or you might spend money on beautiful things. Don't give away the farm. Tonight: Enjoy privacy.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★★ Today is a mixed bag. It's an excellent day to shop for wardrobe goodies for yourself. However, don't go overboard because of feelings of inadequacy or a desire to overcompensate. You don't have to prove anything to anyone. Tonight: Be friendly.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You're high-viz today, which means some people know personal details about your private life. Don't push too hard with issues related to a friend or a group because something is confusing here. Meanwhile, a secret romance might be exciting! Tonight: You're noticed.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Your dealings with a friend or a group are excellent today. However, you might feel confused about your long-term direction. Be cautious talking to bosses and authority figures. Don't commit to anything today. Tonight: Learn and explore.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You make a great impression on bosses, parents and VIPs today because they see you as attractive, supportive and even affluent. But be smart and double-check issues with travel, medicine, the law, publishing and higher education because something is dicey. Tonight: Check your finances.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ This is a great day to make travel plans. It's also the perfect day to pursue opportunities in publishing, medicine, the law and higher education. However, issues related to shared property, taxes and debt should be double-checked. Commit to nothing today. Tonight: Listen and cooperate.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ You have the financial advantage today, which is why this is a good day to negotiate issues related to wills, inheritances, taxes, debt and shared property. Nevertheless, be careful if dealing with spouses, partners or close friends, because it might be hard to defend your best interests. Tonight: Work.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**For Monday, April 13, 2026:**  
 You are intellectual, realistic and strong-willed. You are a private person who is curious, methodical and progressive. Take inventory of your life this year. It's time to let go of the people, places and things from the past that held you back. Do some internal and external housecleaning.  
**BORN TODAY**  
 Actor Ron Perlman (1950), actor Edward Fox (1937), actor Glenn Howerton (1976)

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ This is a great day to schmooze and deal with members of the general public. Everyone loves you! However, at work or with issues that are health-related you might feel confused about asserting yourself. If you're unsure, do nothing. Tonight: Socialize.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ This is a productive day. Work-related travel is favored. You might see ways to expand whatever you're doing. Co-workers will be helpful. But when it comes to romance or dealing with your kids, you might feel hesitant or indecisive. If so, wait until these issues look clearer. Tonight: Relax at home.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Home and family mean a lot to you, and today something confusing is going on, perhaps with a parent. You might be unsure or discouraged about how to tackle something or deal with someone. If this is a case, don't act today. Don't volunteer for anything. However, it's a great day to socialize. Tonight: Enjoy conversations.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ You'll enjoy entertaining at home today or making where you live look more attractive. However, if shopping or negotiating with others be careful, because you might not have all the facts. You might feel reluctant to assert yourself and protect your own best interests. Tonight: Check your belongings.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ You have the advantage today because the Moon is in your sign. However, financial matters might be confusing. If you suspect something fishy is going on, it is. Don't act if you're not sure. Nevertheless, communications with others are warm and friendly. Tonight: You win!

**INSANITY STREAK** BY TONY LOPES

Dear Valued Readers,  
 Please be advised that today's scheduled Insanity Streak cartoon—originally intended for light entertainment purposes only—has been pulled from circulation. The editors deemed the cartoon was too humorous for public consumption. We understand in these challenging times, laughter is a lot to ask. Please understand the safety of our readers is paramount and no unauthorized happiness will be tolerated.  
 Yours humorously,

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Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

Difficulty: ★

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**ACROSS**

- 1 Galvanizing matter
- 5 Bud
- 8 Jr.-year exam
- 12 "By Jove!"
- 13 Vein yield
- 14 Sicilian spouter
- 15 Smooth-talking
- 16 Impression left by a pet?
- 18 Wrapped garment
- 20 Birthing coaches
- 21 — avis
- 23 Jargon suffix
- 24 Kind of table
- 28 Engrave
- 31 Brit. record label
- 32 Road runners
- 34 Commonest English word
- 35 Witty ones
- 37 Make light of
- 39 Uplands, for short

**DOWN**

- 1 Veers suddenly
- 2 Actress Fisher
- 3 Director Mira
- 4 Bionic woman, e.g.
- 5 ABBA, for one
- 6 Celestial altar
- 7 Lascivious
- 8 Read
- 9 Heel type
- 10 "— Karenina"
- 11 Makes lace
- 17 "Ulalume" writer
- 19 Wine valley
- 22 Composer Bruckner
- 24 Church seat
- 25 "— Believer"
- 26 Bedtime drink
- 27 Act of kindness
- 29 Comedian Margaret
- 30 Sneaky chuckle
- 33 "Candida" playwright
- 36 Use a sieve
- 38 Sacred songs
- 40 Capitol VIP
- 42 Fencing sword
- 43 Loch — monster
- 44 Grand tale
- 46 Cry of pain
- 47 "Peter Pan" pooch
- 48 Wax-coated cheese
- 50 Hollywood's Lupino

**Solution time: 21 mins.**

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**Saturday's answer 4-13**

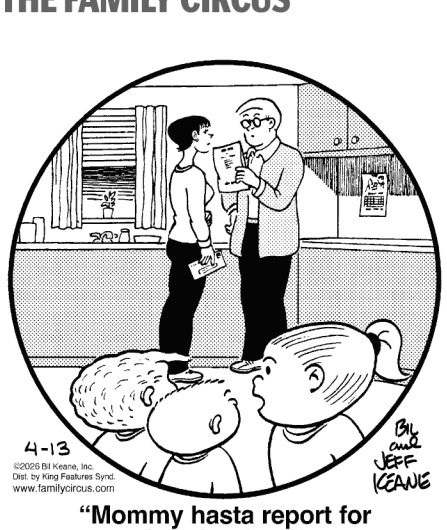
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**DENNIS THE MENACE**



**THE FAMILY CIRCUS**



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