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HOW DID YOU GUESS?

## DUMPLINGS

BY VICTOR VAN ACKER



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## ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



## 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) or important decisions from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EST today (11 a.m. to 12 noon PST.) After that, the Moon moves from **SAGITTARIUS** into **CAPRICORN**.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) ★★★ You might need to take a news fast, because today the media, foreign countries, publishing or higher education might depress you. You might be disappointed in the reception your work receives. This is a fleeting dark cloud on your horizon. Relax. Tonight: You're admired!

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You are the financial wizard of the zodiac, and today financial news about inheritances, shared property, taxes or debt might disappoint you. Hey, this is temporary. Actually, you make a great impression on everyone right now. Work with this. Plus, relations to younger, creative people are excellent. Tonight: Explore!

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Be patient with partners, spouses and close friends today, even if they're cold or insensitive. In fact, separations might even occur. It's just a temporary thing. This is a temporary influence. Don't succumb to it. It will be gone by this evening. Tonight: Check your finances.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Don't ask bosses, supervisors or authority figures for permission or approval today if it is connected with your work, your health or a pet. The answer will probably be, "Talk to the hand." People are tough to deal with. They seem to be insensitive to your needs. Grrr. (It's temporary.) Tonight: Operate.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Romance is in the toilet this morning. Even relations with your kids are strained. Rise above these difficulties. They are temporary. By this evening, things will look different! Take the high road; the view is better. Tonight: Get organized.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Family discussions might disappoint you this morning, especially discussions with a parent or an older family member. You might feel criticized, misunderstood or dismissed. Some people will separate. Let this go. This negativity is gone by the evening. Tonight: Socialize!

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ "Worry is like a rocking chair. It gives you something to do but gets you nowhere." Try not to fall into negative thinking today, which is easy to do. Be comforted by the fact that this negativity will disappear by tonight. Keep smiling! Tonight: Relax.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Thursday, Feb. 12, 2026:

You're a natural leader with concerns for social justice. You're objective and progressive. You appreciate the finer things in life. This is a year of service, perhaps service to family. Take care of yourself so you can be a resource to those who turn to you for guidance, comfort and encourage.

## BORN TODAY

16th U.S. President Abraham Lincoln (1809), geologist, biologist Charles Darwin (1809), actor Josh Brolin (1968)

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ Financial matters look discouraging today. This could pertain to your salary, your cash flow or a financial deal you might anticipate. It might even relate to a purchase. "Why is there so much month left at the end of the money?" Stay strong. By evening things look different. Tonight: Chatty conversations.

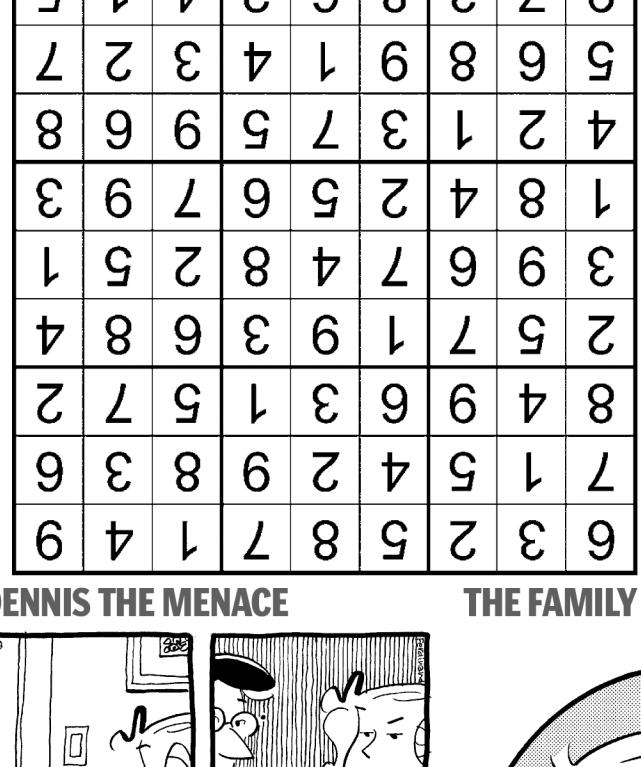
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ This morning the Moon is in your sign at odds with stern Saturn, which makes people feel lonely and out of touch with each other. Life will look worse than it is. Relationships are stressed and some will separate. But this is temporary! By evening it's a different story. Go figure. Tonight: Check your money.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Although this morning might be a struggle, later today after the Moon moves into your sign, things end up in a lovely, positive way! Discussions with relatives, siblings and neighbors will be warm and reassuring. Earlier in the day, keep the faith. Tonight: You win!

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Don't worry if you feel disappointed in a friend or member of a group this morning. This is due to a negative influence that everyone feels. People seem to be cold, insensitive and uncaring. Just wait this out, because later in the day, you'll have a warm feeling in your tummy. Trust me. Tonight: Privacy.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Don't ask for permission or approval from an authority figure this morning. It won't go well. Later in the day, after the Moon changes signs, relations with friends and groups are warm and friendly. People want to see you and you want to see them. Tonight: Be friendly.

## TODAY'S ANSWER



## DENNIS THE MENACE



## THE FAMILY CIRCUS



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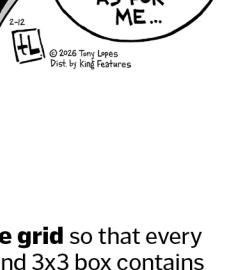
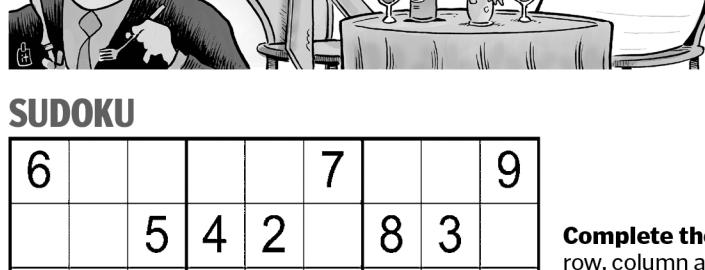
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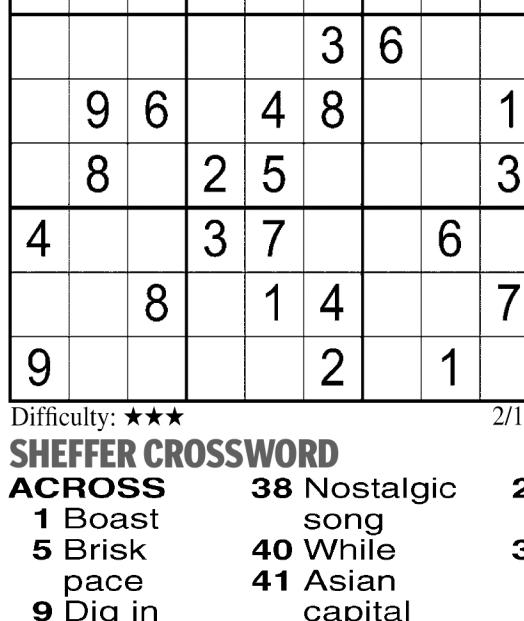
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## INSANITY STREAK

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## SUDOKU



Difficulty: ★★★

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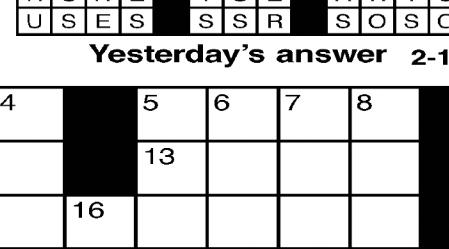
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1	Boast	38	Nostalgic song	23	Shakespeare title
5	Brisk pace	40	White	24	starter
9	Dig in	41	Asian capital	25	—
12	Dalai —	43	Kitchen gadgets	26	Speed-wagon
13	Suffix for million	47	"The Greatest"	27	Tallinn resident
14	Govt. lender for a start-up	48	Body shop figures	28	Sushi wrapper
15	River mouth	51	Aroma-therapy spot	29	Yucatan "Bravo!"
17	Sawbuck	52	Advanced math	30	PX patrons
18	Catch sight of	53	Umbrella weather	35	— -mo
19	Boat spines	54	Sweetie	37	Tinseltown awards
21	"Waiting" author — Jin	55	Tries the coffee	39	Some January 1 resolutions
22	Hockey great Gretzky	56	Norms (Abbr.)	40	Goal
24	Popular cookie	38	Nostalgic song	41	Corned beef recipe
27	Stanley Cup org.	40	White	42	Rival rival
28	Urban haze	41	Asian capital	43	Fixes illegally
31	Director Craven	43	Kitchen gadgets	44	Coup d—
32	Corn product	47	"The Greatest"	45	Tara of "Sharknado"
33	Peyton's brother	48	Body shop figures	46	Taxpayer IDs
34	Oodles	51	Aroma-therapy spot	49	— Lanka
36	ICU pros	52	Advanced math	50	Gratuity
37	Rhyming tributes	53	Umbrella weather		

Solution time: 24 mins.



Yesterday's answer 2/12

