BEETLE BAILEY

BY GREG WALKER, BRIAN WALKER AND NEAL WALKER

BLONDIE

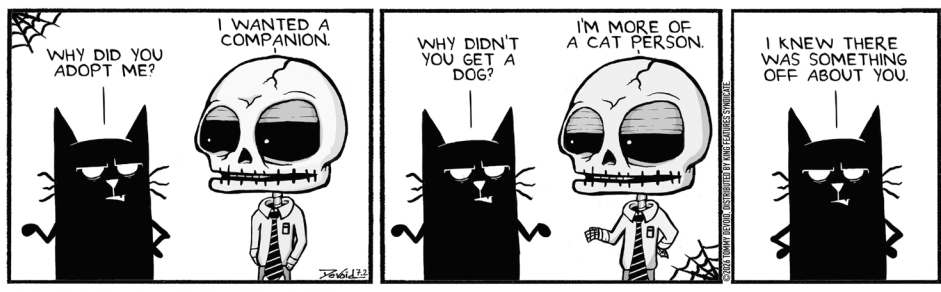
BY DEAN YOUNG AND JOHN MARSHALL

DUMPLINGS

BY VICTOR VAN ACKER

NEVER BEEN DEADER

BY TOMMY DEVOID

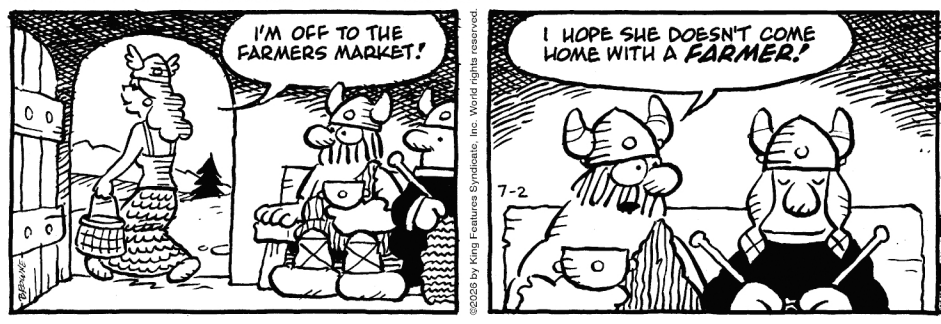


ZITS

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) or important decisions after 1 p.m. EDT today (from 10 a.m. to 11:45 p.m. PDT). After this, the Moon moves from **AQUARIUS** into **PISCES**.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Listen to the advice of someone older or more experienced today. It could be to your advantage. Because this is a good day to make plans for the future, any advice will be a welcome thing. (Two heads are better than one.) Tonight: Think about goals.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ Today you're high-viz. People notice you more than usual. However, this also means that some people know personal details about your private life. Be aware of this in case you have to do some damage control. A discussion with a boss will go well. Tonight: Be modest.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ This is the perfect day to do something different. Shake things up a little. If you can't travel, then be a tourist in your own city, which can be enlightening and fun. Read books, see films and talk to people who can broaden your world. Tonight: Explore!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ You are fortunate because the Sun is in your sign, which will help any discussions about shared property, taxes, debt or inheritances go in your favor today. Authority figures will help and support your ideas or give you permission. Tonight: Check your finances.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Today a conversation with a partner, spouse or close friend will focus on practical matters, perhaps related to travel, publishing or legal or medical issues. Whatever the case, these discussions will be down to earth and sensible. Learn what you can. Tonight: Schmooze.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ You'll be productive at work or with any task that you set for yourself because you're in a practical frame of mind today. Make a list and tackle it. Advice from someone older or more experienced might help you. You might apply this energy to improve your health as well. Tonight: Get organized.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ A practical approach to sports, taking care of kids, planning for vacations as well as making art will give you results today. Half of the problem is attitude and planning, and today you have this in abundance because your mind is focused and detail-oriented. Tonight: Playful socializing.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Thursday, July 2, 2026:

You're sensitive, protective and perceptive. You want what is good for others. This is a year of new beginnings, adventures and major changes in your life. Keep your eyes open for new opportunities. What you do now will bring great benefits in the future.

BORN TODAY

Actress Lindsay Lohan (1986), actress, producer Margot Robbie (1990), pianist, composer, bandleader Ahmad Jamal (1930)

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ Family discussions will be productive today. You might talk to a parent, an older family member or a number of relatives. This could relate to long-range plans for the home or for a family member. Disputes about shared property might be an issue. With Venus high in your chart, you'll be diplomatic. Tonight: Relax.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ This is the perfect day to learn or study something new because your mind is focused and you will pay attention to detail. You will more easily retain what you're learning. Discussions with older or more experienced people will go well. Be patient with partners, spouses and close friends. Tonight: Study.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ You'll be careful about your spending today. (You don't like waste.) But today you might want to buy long-lasting, practical things, or maintain what you own to preserve or keep their use. An older family member might have advice for you. Tonight: Check your belongings.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Today the Moon is in your sign, which gives you a slight advantage over other signs. Things will tend to go your way. You can test this by asking for what you want. Discussions with others will be serious and practical. Decide to get a lot done; this is possible. Tonight: You're strong.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Keep a low profile today. Rest if you can. This is a playful, fun-loving time for you, in addition to which, it's also a productive time because employees and friends are supportive to you. Behind-the-scenes research will pay off. Tonight: Enjoy privacy.

INSANITY STREAK

BY TONY LOPES

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

Difficulty: ★★★ 7/2

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ACROSS

1 Nile reptiles
5 Winnebago owner, briefly
9 Beer barrel
12 Maui meal
13 First-rate
14 Wall St. debut
15 Mythical royal of Crete
17 Born as
18 Reach
19 Avid
21 Pharmacy abbr.
22 Before
24 Requests
27 Hotel amenity
28 Beloved
31 French monarch
32 Summer hrs. in D.C.
33 Verb for you
34 Hit on the noggin
36 Bill's partner
37 Hosp. scans
38 Presents
40 "10" star Derek
41 Stretchy fabric
43 Dawn goddess
47 Not 'neath
48 Traditional Mardi Gras treats
51 — standstill
52 Pitcher
53 TV's Anderson
54 Pen tip
55 Fizzy drink
56 Squeezes (out)

DOWN

1 — -Seltzer
2 Business attire
3 Huff and puff
4 Sweeteners
5 April forecast
6 Part of some German names
7 Rock's Brian
8 Stopwatch button
9 Cordelia's father
10 Duel tool
11 Active one
16 Blend
20 Succor
22 High hairstyles
23 Post-WWII alliance
24 Joan of —
25 "Hamilton" actress Phillipa
26 Seafood delicacy
27 Denomination
29 Shapiro of NPR
30 Scale members
35 White wine cocktail
37 Esprit
39 Forgeries
40 Tampa Bay NFLer
41 Cash advance
42 Bigfoot's kin
43 Taj Mahal city
44 "Enough already!"
45 Russo of "The Intern"
46 Tag sale words
49 — Jima
50 Nancy Drew's boyfriend

Solution time: 24 mins.

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Yesterday's answer 7-2

TODAY'S ANSWER

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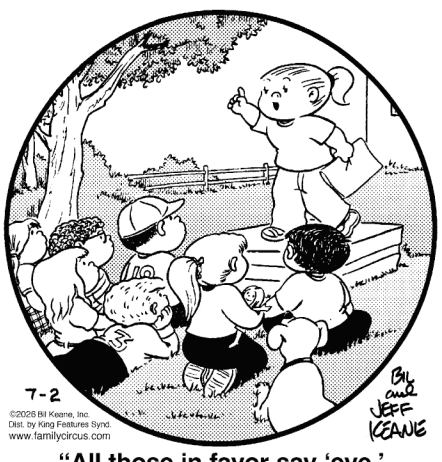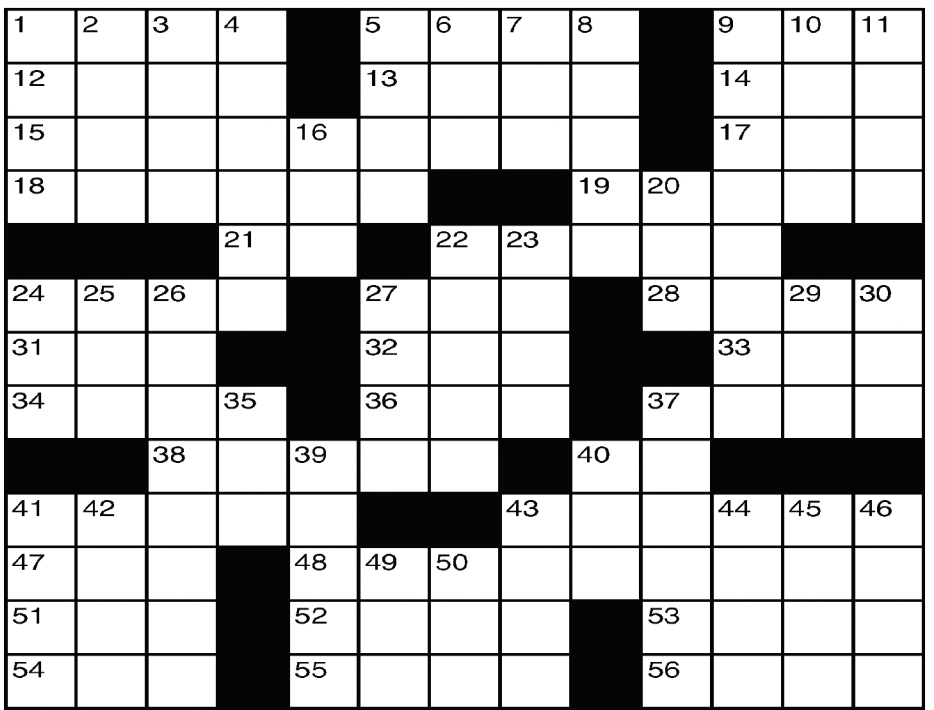
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