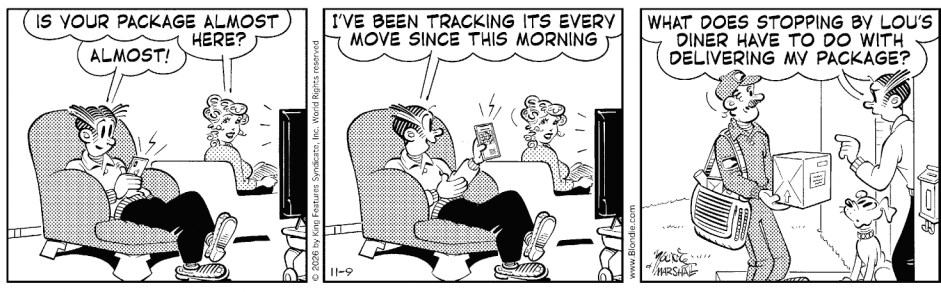
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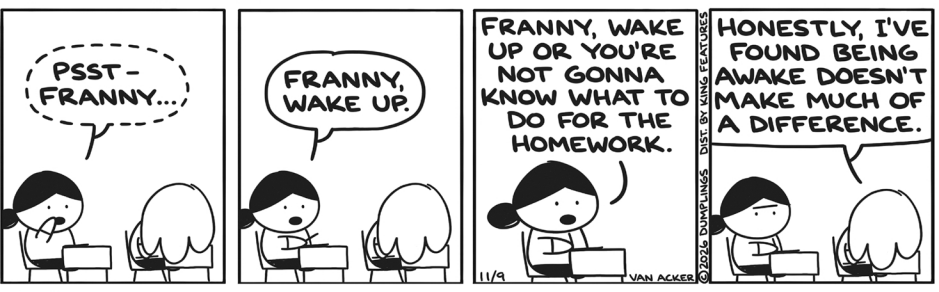
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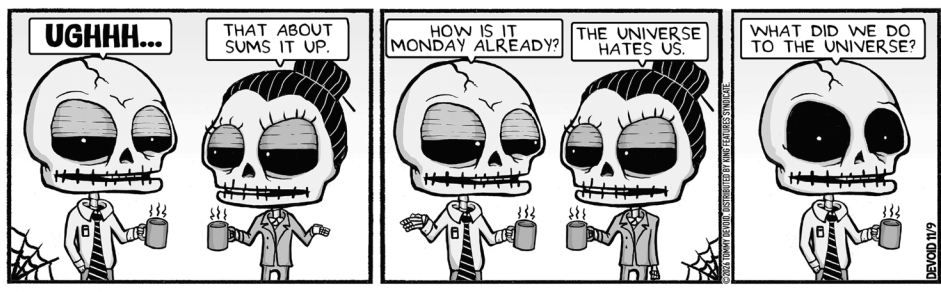
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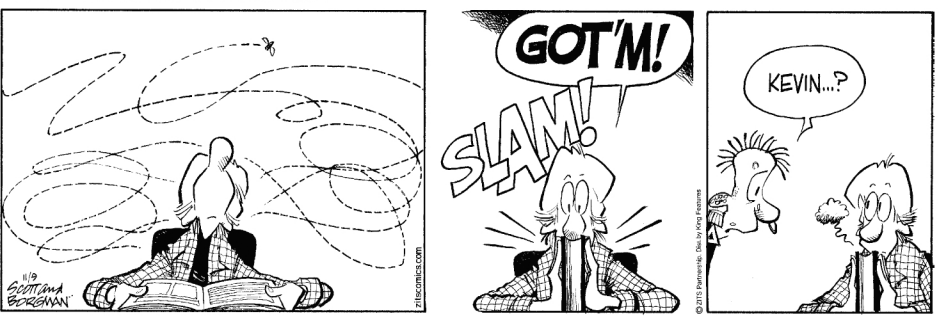
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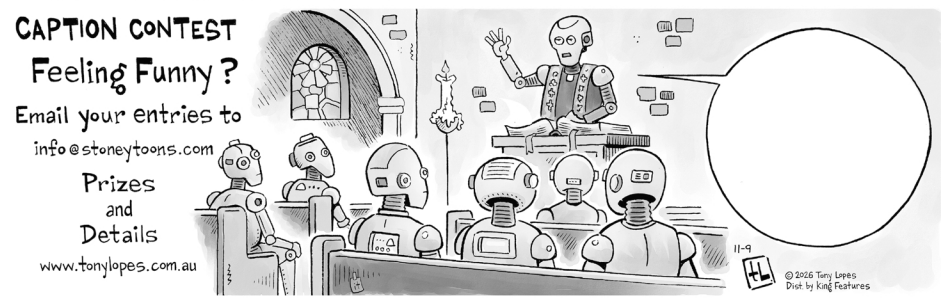
HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

BY CHRIS BROWNE



INSANITY STREAK

BY TONY LOPES



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 after 6 p.m. Eastern Time (3 p.m. Pacific Time, 4 p.m. PDT). The New Moon is in **SCORPIO**.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Today's New Moon urges you to inject more excitement into your life. What can you do to make your world more interesting? This particular New Moon is also the best time all year to focus on red-tape details and debt. Pull your act together! Tonight: Check banking details.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ Because today's New Moon is taking place opposite your sign, it's the best day of the year to think about how you can improve your partnerships and closest relationships. In a successful relationship, you must be as good for your partner as he or she is for you. Tonight: Listen and cooperate.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Each New Moon is an opportunity to set intentions. Today's New Moon urges you to think about how you can work more efficiently and be more productive. Conversations with siblings, relatives and neighbors might be testy but enthusiastic! Tonight: Get better organized.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ What can you do to add a little more sizzle and fun playfulness to your life? In part, this is what today's New Moon is all about. Romance also might offer exciting possibilities. Focus on activities with kids, sports and socializing. Tonight: Play!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Today is the best day all year to think about how to improve family relationships and make your home a happier place for you. You don't have to do a big makeover. Just think of one or two things that would be a step in a positive direction. Tonight: Relax at home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You're a clever mimic, and you have a fantastic memory for details, especially trivia. Today the New Moon is taking place in your House of Communications. What can you do to improve your daily conversations with others? Tonight: Discussions.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ You're private about your money. (One hand doesn't know what the other hand is doing.) It so happens that today's New Moon is occurring in your Money House, giving you a chance to think about how you can improve how you handle your money. Ideas? Tonight: Check your belongings.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Monday, Nov. 9, 2026:

You're a perceptive, observant trailblazer. You're enthusiastic and socially responsible. Take time to socialize this year, because your zest and creativity are at a pinnacle. Let your guard down and loosen up a bit. Have fun but don't lose sight of your goals. Old friends might rekindle relationships.

BORN TODAY

Actor Eric Dane (1972), actress, inventor Hedy Lamarr (1914), director, screenwriter Bille August (1948)

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Today the only New Moon in your sign all year is taking place, which is the perfect time for you to take a realistic look in the mirror and ask yourself what you can do to improve the image you project on your world. Wardrobe change? Hair? Shoes? Anything? Tonight: You're in charge.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Today's New Moon is your opportunity to honestly assess where you are your most self-defeating. Where do you undermine yourself with the very things that you're trying to accomplish? Grrr. (We all do this.) Tonight: Enjoy privacy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ This is the best day of the year to think about how you can improve your friendships, as well as how to improve your relations with people in groups and organizations. You function well in groups. What might you do to improve this talent? Tonight: Be friendly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ You're high-viz today, which means people notice you more than usual. In fact, some know personal details about your private life. Because the New Moon is taking place high in your chart, it's a good day to think about how you deal with authority figures. (You are rebellious and independent.) Tonight: You're admired.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Today is a good day to think about what further education or travel you could get that will enrich your life. After all, why not have the most fulfilling life that you can have? Why settle for less? What is one thing you might like to do? Tonight: Learn something.

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33 Cotillion attendee
35 Deadly septet
36 Mirror fogger
38 Night flier
40 Texter's guffaw
41 "Candida" playwright
43 Key in again
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49 Kentucky Derby venue
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59 Purse

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4 Cookout spots
5 Beautified
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7 "The Sound of Music" teen
8 Borrowed
9 Crocheted furniture
10 Roman god of love
11 Man-handles
16 Type measures
20 Prejudice
21 Body pics
22 One
23 Business school research
27 Charlotte's creation
29 L-Q bridge
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32 "Funny!"
34 Enter a room impolitely
37 Computer short-cuts
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44 Sailor
45 "Twelfth Night" divisions
46 Snare
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52 Espionage org.
53 Small barrel

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Saturday's answer 11-9

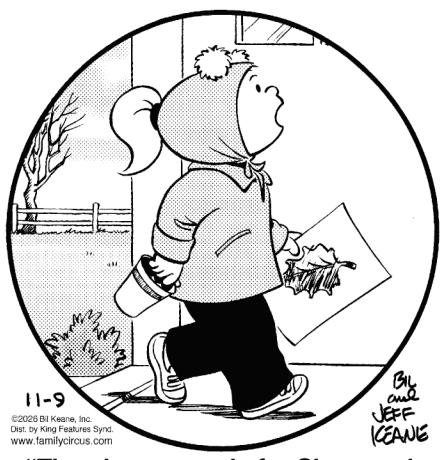
TODAY'S ANSWER

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DENNIS THE MENACE



THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"There's a new rule for Show-and-Tell. No more bugs."

