

YOUR DINNER WAS DELICIOUS TONIGHT

THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU SAID WHEN YOU ATE IT!

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GREG + MORT WALKER

MY STOMACH HAS RECOVERED NOW

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# DUMPLINGS

BY VICTOR VAN ACKER

DO YOU THINK THEY'LL CANCEL SCHOOL AGAIN TOMORROW?

NO...

IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE A "BALMY" 25°.

BALL?! ME?!

# ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN

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TALK ABOUT YOUR MOOD-KILLERS...

I DON'T EVEN WANT TO HOLD HANDS NOW.

# 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 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. EST today (1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. PST). After that, the Moon moves from **CANCER** into **LEO**.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Your home routine might be interrupted today. Small appliances might break down or a minor breakage could occur. Someone unexpected might appear at your door. A family member might have surprising news. It's a popular day for you. Tonight: Socialize!

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Pay attention to everything you say and do today. This could be an accident-prone day for you. It's a mild influence, but it's there. On the upside, brilliant solutions or clever ideas might suddenly occur to you. Enjoy meeting new faces and seeing new places today! Tonight: Cocoon at home.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Keep your wits about you and your eyes open when it comes to your money and possessions today. Something unexpected could impact them. You might find money; you might lose money. Guard what you own against loss, theft or damage. Travel if possible. Tonight: Talk to people.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You have a strong desire for excitement today, which is why you might do something to change your routine or shake things up a little. You'll be interested to meet a new and exciting acquaintance. You also might be attracted to technical subjects that require high-tech understanding. Tonight: Check your belongings.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You might be surprised by something unexpected today. Perhaps it's a hidden surprise or a private epiphany. It could be something happening behind the scenes that other people are not aware of. This might bring you good luck, or not. Be alert. Tonight: You win!

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Expect to be surprised by a friend or a member of a group today. Perhaps you will meet someone new who is different, unusual or exciting. Or maybe someone you already know will do something that catches you off guard. It's not a boring day. Tonight: Enjoy privacy.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ Stay on your toes today, because dealings with authority figures — bosses, parents, VIPs and the police — will be unpredictable or surprising. Something unexpected might happen. Make no assumptions. If things go south, remember the power of courtesy. Tonight: Be friendly.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**For Saturday, Jan. 31, 2026:**

You're original, compassionate and sensitive. People are magnetized to you, and you want to be taken seriously. This is a year of service, probably service to family. Therefore, it's important that you take care of yourself so that you can be a resource.

**BORN TODAY**

Singer-songwriter, actor Justin Timberlake (1981), actress Kerry Washington (1977), actor Jonathan Banks (1947)

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Travel plans might be canceled today. Or the flipside; something might happen that causes you to suddenly have to travel when you didn't expect to do so. You might hear from someone from far away. Or perhaps surprising news related to publishing, higher education, medicine or the law will occur. Tonight: You're admired.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Pay attention to your bank account and anything to do with shared property, taxes, debt or anything that you own jointly with someone else. Something unexpected might occur today. Stay on top of things so you don't have regrets later. Tonight: Try something new.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Someone close to you — a partner, spouse or a friend — might do something that catches you off guard today. Or you might meet someone who is different from the kind of person you usually meet. Whatever happens, guard against knee-jerk reactions. Tonight: Check your finances.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Your work routine might be interrupted today. Staff shortages, power outages, delays, goofy mistakes and surprises with co-workers are just some reasons this might happen. Note: Pet owners should be aware that this could be an accident-prone day for your pet. Tonight: Be cooperative.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Parents should be extra vigilant today, because this is a potentially accident-prone day for your kids. Meanwhile, social plans might suddenly change. You might get a surprise invitation, or a planned event might be delayed or canceled. Check for last-minute details so you are in the know. Tonight: Get organized.

## TODAY'S ANSWER

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## DENNIS THE MENACE

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"YOU'RE A GREAT SITTER, SIENNA. WE'LL CALL YOU AGAIN NEXT WEEK."

"MAYBE NEXT YEAR."

## THE FAMILY CIRCUS

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"Aw, Mommy! He's just warming up the bed for me!"

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## BLONDIE

BY DEAN YOUNG AND JOHN MARSHALL

I WONDER IF SPRING WILL EVER GET HERE

I'M READY FOR IT TO WARM UP SO I CAN GET OUT THERE AND ENJOY NATURE!

WHAT'S STOPPING YOU FROM GOING OUT NOW, DEAR?

SNOWY GOLF COURSES!

## NEVER BEEN DEADER

BY TOMMY DEVOID

AM I A RESCUE?

YUP.

THANKS. THAT WAS VERY NOBLE OF YOU.

WE RESCUED EACH OTHER.

ONLY TO REMAIN ON THIS SINKING SHIP.

## HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

BY CHRIS BROWNE

DOES IT BOTHER YOU TO SEE HANNIBAL AT THE PARTY?

NO! I CAN TOLERATE HIM!

BUT NOT HIS ELEPHANT!

SSSSSUUCK

## INSANITY STREAK

BY TONY LOPES

FREE WIFI

BZZZZ

GALA OPENING

CLAIM YOUR PRIZE INSIDE

SAFE SPACE

## SUDOKU

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Difficulty: ★★★★★ 1/31

## SHEFFER CROSSWORD

**ACROSS**

1 Ton fractions (Abbr.)

4 Relaxing refuges

8 Grit

12 Neck rub response

13 Poi base

14 Manitoba tribe

15 Freezer cubes

16 Advocacy org.

17 Authentic

18 Reversal in attitude

21 "Of course"

22 Hardly any

23 Ebbed

26 Layer

27 Micro-wave

30 Latin 101 word

31 Nemesis

32 Broadway flop

33 Fan's shout

34 Auction action

**DOWN**

1 Secular

2 One of the Three B's

3 — butter

4 Put on, as a play

5 Walks nervously

6 Folk-singer Guthrie

7 Puffed-up, airy dish

8 Threaded hardware

9 Location

10 Close

11 Shoulder muscle, for short

19 Russian refusal

20 "Yo!"

23 Armed conflict

24 Docs' org.

25 "Unh-unh"

26 Group of seals

27 Menagerie

28 Invoice fig.

29 "Nova" ailer

31 Stinging insect

32 Fore-shadow

34 Huge

35 Comedian Joan

36 Golf great Sam

37 Pursuing

38 Printer's blue

39 Nozzle site

40 Singer India.—

41 Draft status

42 Pleasing

43 Diamond heads?

44 Lawman Wyatt

**Solution time: 26 mins.**

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**Yesterday's answer** 1-31

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