CLASSIC COMICS

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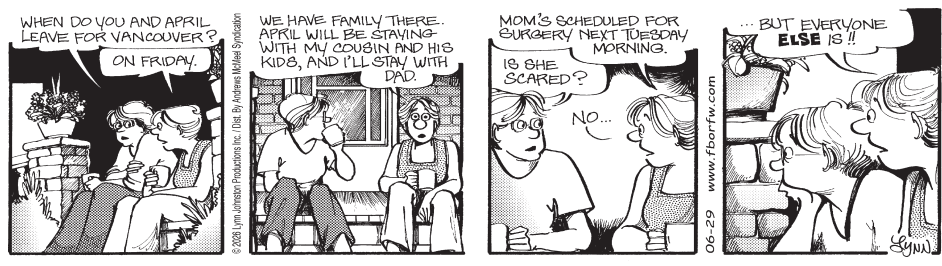

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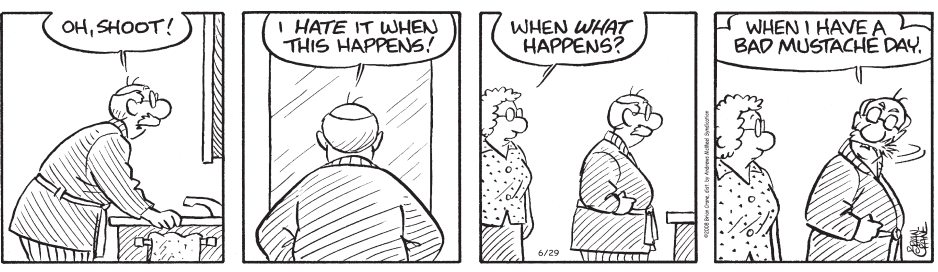

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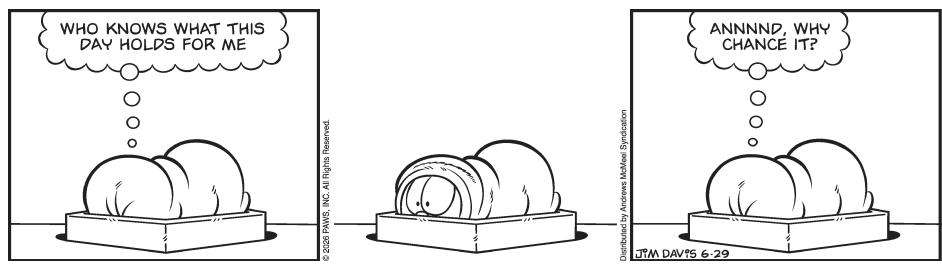

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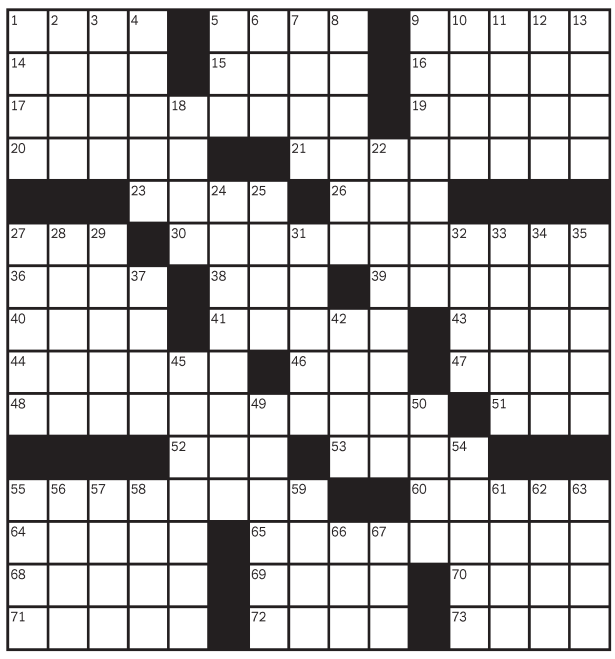

PUZZLE BY ANTHONY GRUBB

ACROSS

1 Jokes (around)
5 Not very spicy
9 Super 8 or Red Roof Inn
14 Paper cut?
15 Big name in laptops
16 Public relations concern
17 Steamy segment in a movie
19 Fruit that makes your lips pucker
20 Tennis skirt feature
21 Lack of light
23 Locale for a plastic flamingo
26 Yoga studio essential
27 De-tension center?
30 Variety of chili that can reach a Scoville score of 1+ million
36 European ski destination
38 Volcanic spew
39 Sample collected by Ancestry.com
40 Daily Planet reporter Lois
41 Show the ropes
43 "___ sesame!"
44 Comfortable
46 Anguish
47 Manage, as a bar
48 California national park known for its dryness
51 Pigs' digs
52 Number starting a countdown
53 Sitting on
55 Bring dishonor upon
60 "I'm sleepy" signals
64 Ancient Mexican empire
65 1980s hit with the lyric "Me mind on fire, me soul on fire" ... or how one might describe 17-, 30- and 48-Across?
68 Back of a car or front of an elephant
69 Orchestral woodwind
70 Place of buzziness?
71 Most watches have three of these
72 Japanese electronics giant
73 An estimated 25% of modern phone calls

DOWN

1 Seaweed in an underwater forest
2 Revered figure
3 Go off the deep end?
4 Incredible bargain
5 Kraft ___ & Cheese
6 Lead-in to maker or breaker
7 Give, but expect back
8 Experienced during sleep
9 Frothy drink often served with boba
10 A ladybug landing on you is considered a good one
11 Opposite of wild
12 Alter ___ (other selves)
13 Camera shop purchase
18 Adult male deer
22 A hardened criminal might have a long one
24 "Yeah, yeah"
25 Missing part of the Great Sphinx of Giza
27 Leafy lunch order
28 Piece of armadillo armor
29 Common sleep disorder
31 Item worn over the shoulders
32 "The ___ thickens ..."
33 Vocal cords, informally
34 Happening
35 Singer Newman with the hit "You've Got a Friend in Me"
37 Chair or pew
42 Coke or Pepsi
45 Gimmicky routines
49 Dried poblanos used in mole sauce
50 Toy on a string
54 Trails
55 Relaxing soak
56 Book just after Ezekiel, alphabetically
57 Flabbergast
58 Patch up
59 Drifter in search of work
61 What to do with egg whites when making meringue
62 Luminous stellar explosion
63 Women in ___ (educational advocacy group)
66 Colossal quantity
67 "Yoo-hoo!"

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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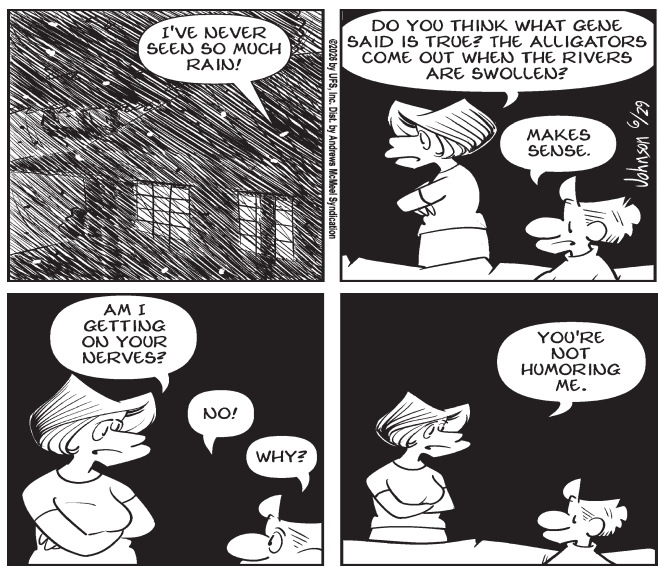

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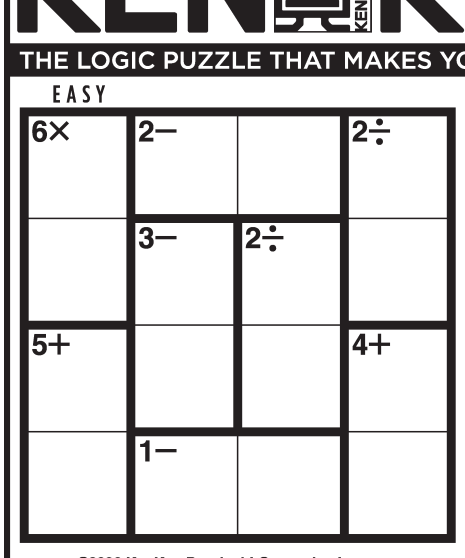

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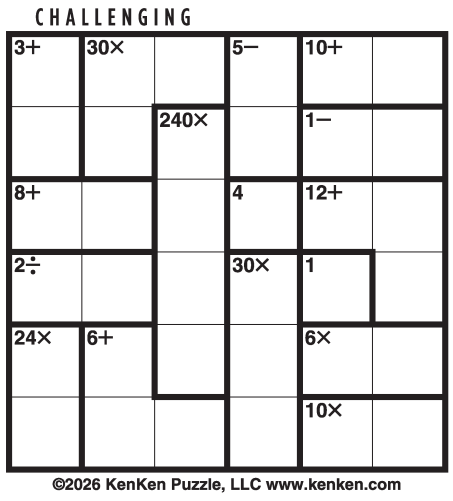

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1. Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 4 (easy) or 1 through 6 (challenging) without repeating.
2. The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.
3. Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

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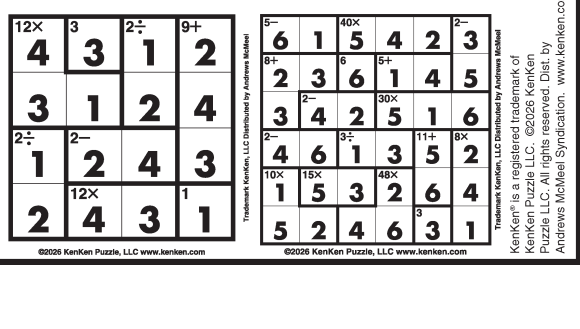

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

ACCOH

ALYSD

ELTRTE

TRPSIC

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here: ( ) ( )

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: THEME HYENA SHRINK ROBBER
Answer: In the hive, workers would often gather around the queen to — "BEE" NEAR HER

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WONDERWORD®

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the **WONDERWORD.**

LANDLINE TELEPHONES — Solution: 6 letters

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S	E	V	N	T	Y	R	O	N	M	E	N	U	A	E
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R	S	G	R	E	C	E	P	T	I	O	N	A	G	N
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Last Saturday's Answer: Wrongfully