

BEETLE BAILEY

BY GREG WALKER, BRIAN WALKER AND NEAL WALKER

WHEW! I'M FINALLY DONE SETTING UP THE GENERAL'S COMMUNICATIONS

WELL, HE NEEDS IT TO COORDINATE WITH COMMAND CENTRAL

NOT REALLY. HE WANTS TO WATCH THE GOLF MATCH

BLONDIE

BY DEAN YOUNG AND JOHN MARSHALL

THE BOSS TOLD ME TO TELL YOU THAT YOU DID A ROTTEN JOB ON THE BINGWART CONTRACT!

WELL, IF HE WAS UPSET, WHY DIDN'T HE COME TELL ME IN PERSON?

IT'S PART OF HIS NEW ANGER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

HE'S OUTSOURCING HIS BAD TEMPER

DUMPLINGS

BY VICTOR VAN ACKER

BENNY, LOOK! SOMEONE LEFT A BOWL FULL OF YOGURT UP HERE!

OOH-THROW ME DOWN SOME!

I DON'T KNOW, BUDDY-YOGURT'S NOT REALLY A THROWABLE FOOD.

...NOW IF IT WAS A SCOOP OF FROZEN YOGURT, I COULD PROBABLY HELP YOU... BUT...

YEAH... YOU'RE RIGHT.

NEVER BEEN DEADER

BY TOMMY DEVOID

I'M TAKING THE REST OF THE WEEK OFF.

YOU'VE GOTTA BE DREAMING.

UH... NOPE, NOT DREAMING.

HOW ARE YOU SO SURE?

NO DREAM WOULD TAKE PLACE HERE.

ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN

I GOT A COMFORTABLE SUBURBAN HOME, BABY. DAA-DAA-DA-DUMM! FOOD IN THE FRIDGE! DAA-DAA-DA-DUMM! MY PARENTS ARE LOVING AND REASONABLY SUPPORTIVE OF ME, HONEY. DAA-DAA-DA-----

THIS IS NOT WORKING.

YOUR BLUES ARE, LIKE, PERIWINKLE, DUDE.

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

BY CHRIS BROWNE

LUTE, ARE YOU READY FOR YOUR FIRST PERFORMANCE AT THE MAD BERSERKER'S SALOON TONIGHT?

HE'S NOT READY!

NOW HE'S READY!

THANK YOU, DADDY!

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 7 p.m. EDT today (4 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. PDT). After that, the Moon moves from TAURUS into GEMINI.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Discussions about home repairs and family matters, especially with respect to the cost needed to do the job, might occur. It's an excellent day to make plans about the education and care of your kids. Some, however, will plan out a vacation, every detail. Tonight: Conversations.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Today the Moon is in your sign dancing beautifully with Mercury, which will increase the pace of your day and attract others to you. It will be a chatty day. You might be keen to share your feelings or write down something for someone else to read. Plans to solidify your home look solid. Tonight: Check your money.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Someone older might have advice for you today. Possibly, you are the person dispensing advice. This is a good day to learn something new because you have the discipline and focus necessary to make it happen; plus, you won't overlook details. Tonight: You win!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ It's the perfect day to draw up a budget and think about how to use your money as economically as possible. (Right up your alley. Let's face it, you wrote the book.) You might give advice to a boss or someone in authority, or a boss might have advice for you. Tonight: Solitude.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ A conversation with a parent, boss or someone in authority could be important today. It might be your chance to share your feelings about something. You want to organize your life with an overall plan. (Always a good idea.) Tonight: Friendships.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ If you have a chance for some time alone today, you might do some deep thinking. (Even shallow thinking is worthwhile.) This is also a good day to think about how you can expand your world through travel, learning, study and talking to different people. Tonight: You're admired.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Discussions with partners, spouses and close friends will be serious today but meaningful. Advice might flow back and forth. Someone might have an idea about how to talk to a boss or a parent. You're fo-

INSANITY STREAK

BY TONY LOPES

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

Books UNLIKELY to make the BEST SELLER list

THE TAX AUDITOR'S SECRET PASSION FOR ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS

THE STIFF WESTERLY WIND

NEVILLE EMBRACES MEDIOCRITY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Thursday, Aug. 6, 2026:

You are charming, strong-willed and open-minded. You're also perceptive, independent and determined. This is a year of service to others, probably to family. Therefore, take care of yourself so you can be a resource to those who turn to you for guidance.

BORN TODAY

Actress, comedian Lucille Ball (1911), Oscar-winning actress Michelle Yeoh (1962), Tony award-winning actor, singer-songwriter Leslie Odom Jr. (1981)

cused more on solid, practical issues today. Tonight: Explore!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You'll make a great impression on bosses, parents, teachers and VIPs today. They see you as reliable, conscientious and hard-working. Meanwhile, spouses, partners and close friends will see you as bright, clever and interesting. Tonight: Check your finances.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ This is the perfect day to study, write or review an important paper. Your mind will be detail-oriented and self-disciplined. You'll have a practical approach to dealing with kids, as well as social events. You might have ideas about covering the cost of something. Tonight: Cooperate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ This is a solid day to discuss how to divide assets or share the cost of something or deal with inheritances, taxes and debt. Very likely, it could relate to family matters or something to do with your home. A partner or friend might keep things lighthearted. Tonight: Work.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ When talking to someone close today, you'll steer the conversation in the way you want it to go. You know what's important to you, and you'll discuss it. You don't want to waste anything. You'll get great satisfaction from a job well done. Tonight: Socialize!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ This is a productive day. You'll keep plugging along at whatever you have to do with your job, your health or a pet. Meanwhile, you'll enjoy little intervals and breaks where you can "chat over the fence" with the someone in a lighthearted way. Tonight: Rest.

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Difficulty: ★★★

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TODAY'S ANSWER

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SHEFFER CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Thick chunk

5 Cranberry territory

8 Fraud

12 Mani counterpart

13 Olympics chant

14 Word heard over a baby monitor

15 Work on proofs

16 Barbecue seasoning

17 Catch sight of

18 Moulin Rouge dance

20 Dorm alternative

22 In need of repair

26 "Let's Dance" singer

29 Request

30 Wish undone

31 Portent

32 Crunchy sandwich

33 Automations, for short

34 A Bobbsey twin

35 Sheepish "Hello!"

36 Dunkable treat

37 In need of repair

40 Say it isn't so

41 Salsa scoopers

45 Linen source

47 Owned

49 Broadcast journalist

50 Drill

51 Actor Vigoda

52 Skin care brand

53 Sorts

54 Prom suit

55 Approving cheers

DOWN

1 Detail, in short

2 Castor's mother

3 Tennis score

4 Digital currency

5 Overcooked

6 Buckeyes' sch.

7 Talkers' marathon

8 Slander

9 Skillet makeup

10 Pump up the volume

11 Has permission

19 Chemical suffix

21 "Bobby" subj.

23 Sanctioned by Islamic law

24 Ballet wear

25 Pizzazz

26 U2 lead singer

27 Muscat's land

28 Ceased communicating

32 Infant's head warmer

33 Chinese cabbage

35 "Gandhi" star

36 "CSI" find

38 Evil spells

39 Alphabetized list

42 Spanish greeting

43 Singer Anita

44 Utters

45 Justice Dept. agency

46 Texter's chuckle

48 "Aladdin" monkey

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Yesterday's answer 8-6

DENNIS THE MENACE

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

"IF YOU WANT TO PUT IN YOUR TWO CENTS' WORTH, IT'LL COST YOU A DIME!"

"...and that's what Marmaduke is doing today. Next up—Garfield the cat..."

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