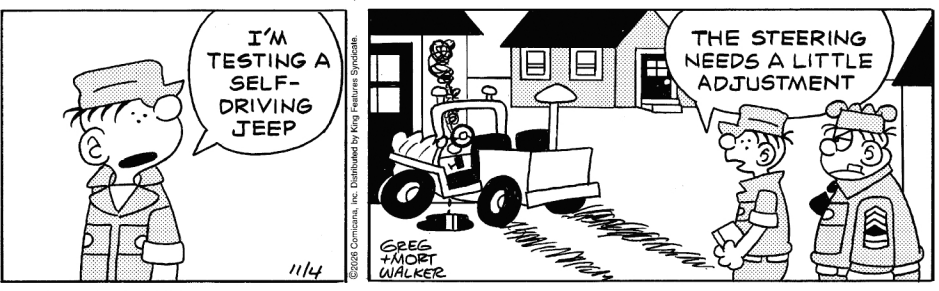
BEETLE BAILEY

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: Caution! Avoid shopping (except for food and gas) and important decisions all day! The Moon is in **VIRGO**.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Relations with partners, spouses and close friends are excellent today! In fact, a platonic relationship could turn romantic. It's a fantastic day for romance, as well as dealing with members of the general public. Sports, fun socializing and activities with kids will please you. Tonight: Get organized.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ A work-related romance might be blossoming for many of you. Others might see ways to use money and resources from work to improve your job and your domestic world. Meanwhile, give yourself permission to please yourself and do exactly what you want to do today! Let go of what you no longer need. Tonight: Socialize!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Social occasions, romantic get-togethers and fun times with kids are on the menu for you today. Enjoy schmoozing with everyone! You'll be emphatic in discussions related to your job and work. A sense of enthusiasm will pervade your day! Tonight: Relax at home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ This is wonderful day to socialize, especially with younger people. You will also enjoy entertaining at home or doing something to make your home look more attractive. Relations with family members will be warm and mutually generous. Tonight: Discussions.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You're happy with your surroundings today and pleased to interact with others. Your energy is pumped, in part because you're in contact with family members you haven't seen in a while. This is a feel-good, romantic day! Home and family issues (including home improvements) will please you. Tonight: Enjoy your favorite surroundings.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Today the Moon is in your sign, which means things will tend to go your way. Discussions about finances and your possessions will go well. However, commit to nothing important, because today is a **Moon Alert** all day! Do your homework and prepare to act tomorrow. Tonight: Interaction with others is important.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You'll find it easy to charm everyone today because you're enthusiastic and happy! You might have strong ideas about financial matters, especially issues related to the past. Be smart and postpone speaking up about these ideas until tomorrow. You can organize your thoughts today. (See the **Moon Alert**.) Tonight: Peace and quiet.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You're enthusiastic to talk to everyone today because you have something to say! This is all well and good, but be aware there's a **Moon Alert** all day today, which means postpone important decisions until tomorrow. Nevertheless, you make a great impression on everyone, including authority figures. Tonight: Friendly discussions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You continue to be high-viz today. In particular, friends and groups are supportive of you. Issues related to higher education, publishing, the media, medicine and the law will shine. Behind-the-scenes research can pay off. But wait until tomorrow to share ideas. Tonight: You're admired.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You're happy with the impression you create on everyone today, and you're pleased with the practical and financial support from another party or your spouse or partner. Do something different today to expand your world! (See the **Moon Alert**.) Tonight: Learn something new.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You're powerful. You look good to everyone and your style of relating to those who are close to you (as well as members of the general public) is positive! Travel is blessed. Romance with someone from afar or someone different might be meaningful. Tonight: Check your finances.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Today you're happy because financial and practical support is forthcoming, and this is reassuring! In particular, it makes you feel better about your job. Be prepared to go more than halfway when dealing with someone else. It's just what's happening today. Be conciliatory. Tonight: Cooperate.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2026:

You're a charming communicator. You're objective, clear-sighted and intellectually perceptive. This is a year of learning and teaching. Take time to renew your spiritual beliefs. Explore meditation or philosophies that get you closer to the meaning of your life.

BORN TODAY

Actor Matthew McConaughey (1969), performer, actor, social commentator Will Rogers (1879), broadcaster Walter Cronkite (1916)

INSANITY STREAK

BY TONY LOPES



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TODAY'S ANSWER

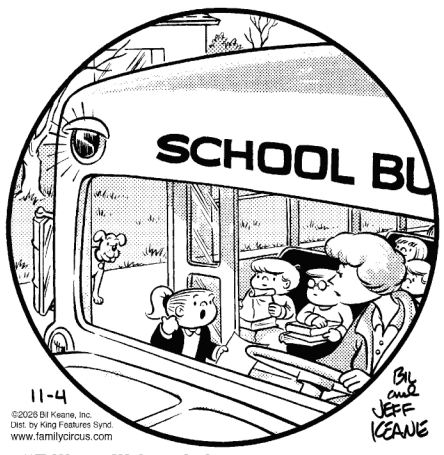
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DENNIS THE MENACE



"WHEN YOU DRIVE IT IN REVERSE... THAT MAKES ME THE BACKSEAT DRIVER."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Billy will be right out—as soon as he finds his other shoe."

