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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

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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 after 3 a.m. EDT today (12:01 a.m. PDT). The Moon is in **CANCER**.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ It's the beginning of the week, and you're up for fun socializing! The arts, the entertainment world and the hospitality industry are highlighted. Increased chaos and activity at home might be demanding. Even if pressed, make no commitments with a partner or close friend. Tonight: Relax at home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You're keen to express yourself to others today! You'll be convincing, which is good news for those in sales, marketing, teaching, writing or acting. Nevertheless, your primary focus now is on home and family. Caution about work-related romance. Tonight: Upbeat discussions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ This week begins with a busy, eager pace! Short trips and conversations with daily contacts, siblings and relatives will interest you. You're working hard to earn money and spend it. (See the **Moon Alert** for today!) When it comes to romance, be careful. Wait until tomorrow. Tonight: Maintain your possessions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ You are careful with money, which is a good thing. Be aware of the restrictions of the **Moon Alert** today and avoid spending (except for food and gas), because you will be tempted to do so with three planets in your Money House. Meanwhile, make no promises at home. Tonight: You're strong.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You hold all the cards this week because the Sun, Mercury and lucky Jupiter are in your sign. Looking good! However, today, don't feel pressured by others into saying something, doing something or committing to something you don't want. Check the **Moon Alert**! Tonight: Enjoy privacy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ You might be tempted to buy something beautiful and elegant today; however, please be aware of the restrictions of the **Moon Alert**! Despite your strong feelings, there's an element of confusion present, perhaps about your financial ability to pay for something. Tonight: Be friendly!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ This is a tricky day because in one way, it's a gorgeous day to be friendly and sociable with everyone. There's a Moon alert, which lightens the feelings of all your social exchanges and encourages a carefree nonchalance to everything. Nevertheless, confusion and deceit are possible.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

For Monday, Aug. 10, 2026:

You are self-assured and have strong opinions. You think incisively, logically and like to share your views. This is a year of new beginnings, adventures and major changes in your life. What you do now will bring great benefits in the future. Prepare for leadership roles.

BORN TODAY

Actor Antonio Banderas (1960), actress Angie Harmon (1972), actress Rosanna Arquette (1959)

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ You make a great impression on everyone now with the Sun, Mercury and Jupiter high in your chart. Furthermore, you're eager to travel and expand your world through learning and talking to others. But today, relations (especially a secret romance) might be confusing. Do nothing. Tonight: Explore and learn!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ This is a wonderful week to travel, learn and expand your world, all the things you love to do. However, today a commitment to a friendship or a group might create confusion for you. You might feel compelled or coerced by someone. Wait until tomorrow to decide. Tonight: Check your finances.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ It's easy for you to be charming and gracious right now, especially in the eyes of others. You might feel urged by someone or a strong sense of responsibility to do something, and yet, there is hesitation. Wait until tomorrow for clarity. Tonight: Listen and cooperate.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Romance with someone "different" might be exotic and compelling. Nevertheless, don't be seduced by someone else (or even yourself), because things are not clear today. Wait until tomorrow, which is a lovely, romantic day! Things will flow naturally. Tonight: Work!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ This is an industrious week. You're motivated to work hard, and you'll be pleased to accomplish a lot. However, today issues about shared property, taxes, debt and inheritances are fuzzy. Knowing this, don't act. Do not agree to anything important. Furthermore, restrict your spending to food and gas during the **Moon Alert**. Tonight: Enjoy socializing!

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Difficulty: ★ 8/10

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12 Apple varieties
14 Hawaiian dance
15 Drove by
16 Spring flower
17 Bottom line
18 Soft and weak
20 Oman neighbor
23 Nanny's headache
24 Jog
25 Stirred to action
28 God, to Galileo
29 Track legend Bolt
30 Goose egg
32 In a tangle
34 Broadway actress Daly
35 Ocho —, Jamaica
36 Shred, as cheese
37 Arnaz/Ball studio
40 Overseas agreement?
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42 Nightly TV fare
47 Fashion model Hadid
48 They fill and drill
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50 Campus VIPs
51 Verdi opera

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20 Since Jan. 1
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22 Earth orbiter
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25 Flabbergasts
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31 Grant's foe
33 Starting point
34 One of the Nixons
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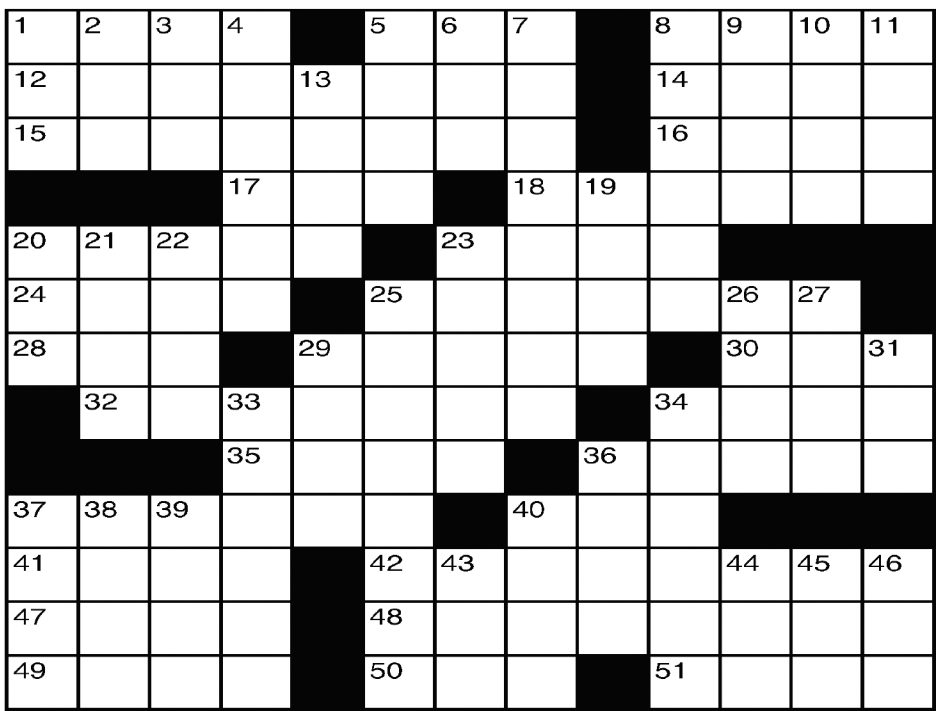
Saturday's answer 8-10



TODAY'S ANSWER

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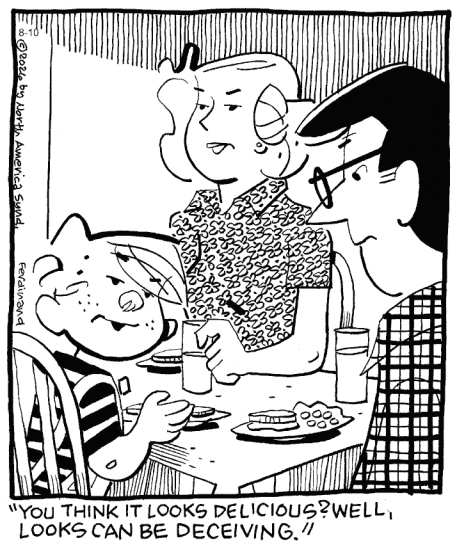

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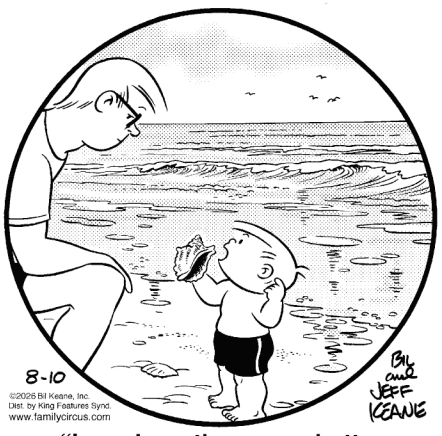

"I can hear the ocean better if I DON'T put the shell to my ear."