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East Wheatfield Township
Heather D. Lee, Secretary/Treasurer
9/2, 9/9

ASTROGRAPH

Your Birthday

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2026

By Eugenia Last

Happy Birthday: Make decisions based on your needs this year. Trying to please everyone before you please yourself will lead to mistakes, time-management problems and frustration. Put yourself first, and go through the proper channels to ensure you avoid repetition. Scoop up what life has to offer, and learn to enjoy the simple things. It's time to relax, enjoy and appreciate being you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Pay attention to detail. Jumping into something will have its pitfalls. Question everything, and listen to your inner voice. Fend for yourself, and do what feels right.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Relax, gather your thoughts and take time to rejuvenate and pamper yourself. Distance yourself from drama, and give yourself a chance to breathe and to sort through any confusion or difficulties you are experiencing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Give yourself a chance to live, learn and experience new people, places and pastimes. Engage in what brings you joy and makes you think. Look at controversial situations from a distance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Listen to suggestions, but do what makes you happy. Problems with those you associate with will lead to emotional differences and a change of heart. Put your energy into how you earn your living.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Take care of paperwork that's about to be outdated. Negotiate with those you do business with, and don't be afraid to

ask for and get what you want in writing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — You'll be tempted to overspend by trying to make someone you love happy. Offer affectionate gestures instead. Going into debt if you don't have to will lead to regret.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Take a back seat and watch the world go by. Taking a break will give you time to think and to consider what's next for you. Put your energy into self-awareness and finding your bliss. Choose practicality.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Do things your way. Use your ingenuity and discipline to ensure that whatever project you take on has your signature. What you do will help you gain momentum and recognition.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Focus on what you know you can deliver. Put your energy toward finishing what you start and presenting and marketing your skills and achievements personally. Don't take risks.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Say less, listen more. Truth and facts matter, and getting it right the first time will help you get what you want. Reach out to those in key positions. If you gather information, an opportunity will come your way.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Keep your plans to yourself. Changes at home or to your personal life require secrecy. Focus on how you can make your surroundings and lifestyle more convenient.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Keeping a steady pace will get you to the finish line. Take pride in what you do, and give credit to those who help you along the way. Partnerships look playful and fruitful if you maintain equilibrium.

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North 09-02-26

♠ 5

♥ Q 10 9 4

♦ K Q 9 8 6

♣ 10 9 3

West

♠ Q 7 2

♥ 8 3

♦ J 10 7 3

♣ A K 6 4

East

♠ K J 10 9 6 4

♥ 7 2

♦ A 5 2

♣ 8 5

South

♠ A 8 3

♥ A K J 6 5

♦ 4

♣ Q J 7 2

Dealer: East

Vulnerable: East-West

South West North East

3 ♥ 3 ♠ 4 ♥ 2 ♠

All pass

Opening lead: ??

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2026

By Phillip Alder

LEAD PARTNER'S SUIT, EXCEPT WHEN YOU DON'T

Kin Hubbard, a journalist and humorist who died in 1930, said, "Everything comes to him who waits, except a loaned book."

I assume he means that if you lend someone a book, you will never get it back. I agree with that. However, the word "except" applies to this deal. What should West lead against four hearts?

East opened with a weak two-bid, showing a respectable six-card suit and 6-10 high-card points. Then, after South overcalled three hearts, West raised spades, applying the Law of Total Tricks. With nine trumps, bid to the nine-trick level. However, in this instance, it was perhaps not the best choice. It effectively pushed North into bidding four hearts. And if West

had then bid four spades, he would have given the opponents a fielder's choice — double or bid higher. Here, though, he allowed the prevailing vulnerability to keep him quiet.

There was a strong case for jumping straight to four spades over three hearts, to pressure North. And pressured him it would have. He might well have gone to five hearts.

Now to West's lead. It is normal to select partner's suit — except when you have an ace-king holding in an unbid side suit. Here, West should definitely lead the club ace. East will signal with the eight, starting a high-low (an echo) with his doubleton. West will cash the club king and lead a third round. East will ruff it and the diamond ace will defeat the contract.

Note that after a spade lead, declarer will ruff his low spades in the dummy, draw trumps and lose only three tricks.

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CELEBRITY CIPHER
by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“ B R L T ’ K G N K Q C A U N I F N Q E J . . .
B Z D T D O N U U I R L K C D J N S D K C B T Z
K N E D N H K D O K N E D . . . F D Q N P J D
B E T L G G C N K B G N T K K L R L . ”
— J N S P D U U . M N Q E J L T

Previous Solution: “I think that the way that you act ... always changes because your point of view as a person changes as you age.” — Keira Knightley

TODAY’S CLUE: *X equals E*

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ACROSS

1 Showy performer
4 Junk mail
8 Leaf
12 Genesis name
13— Stanley Gardner
14 Shrek, for one
15 Pole
16 Chevy hybrid
17 Jetty
18 Cat- — — -tails
20 Yellowish
22 Mainte-nance
24 Grassland
25 Subject of some financial scandals
28 Dull
31 Long times
32 Crimson
34 Offer
36 Clean air org.
37 Utter
38 Cry heard at sea
39 “Born Free” lioness

42 “Do You Know the Way to —,”
44 Peruke
46 Costly
47 Kind of scream
50 Item in a quiver
53 Broth
54 Anchor
56 “... — I saw Elba”
57 English queen
58 Bad
59 Word in wedding notices
60 Act
61 Depend
62 Recipe amt.

DOWN

1 Hoagie
2 The Bard’s river
3 Having healing properties
4 Strict
5 Quid — quo
6 “— fair in love and war”

7 Rock genre
8 Cotton-wood tree
9 Exchange fee
10 Expanded
11 Always, in verse
19 Seizes
21 Directed
23 Blunders
25 Spelling event
26 Lariat
27 Some votes
29 Detestable
30 Life stories, for short

33 Set of two
35 Color
38 Open
40 Stole
41 Point a weapon
43 Just about
45 Xbox enthusiast
47 Corn bread
48 Magical letter
49 Adore
51 Minerals
52 Show sorrow
53— sack
55 Dressing ingredient

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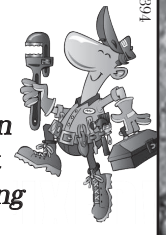


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