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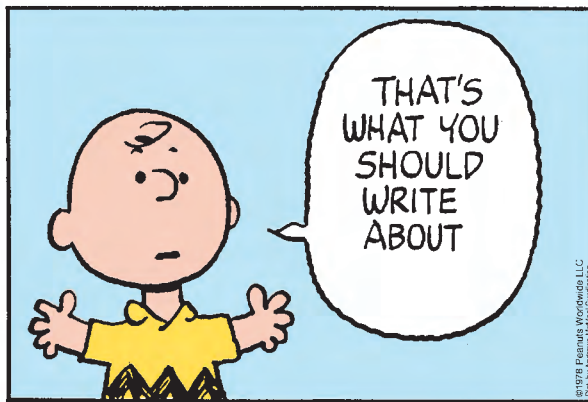
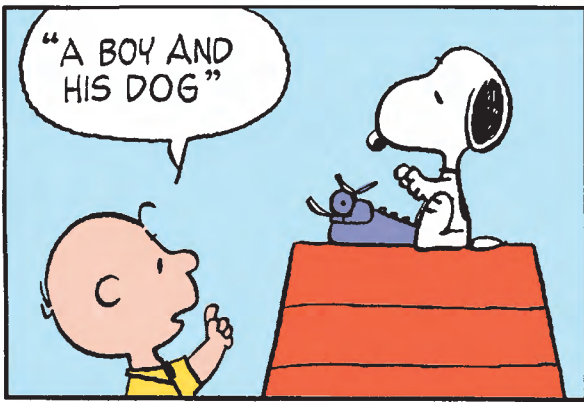
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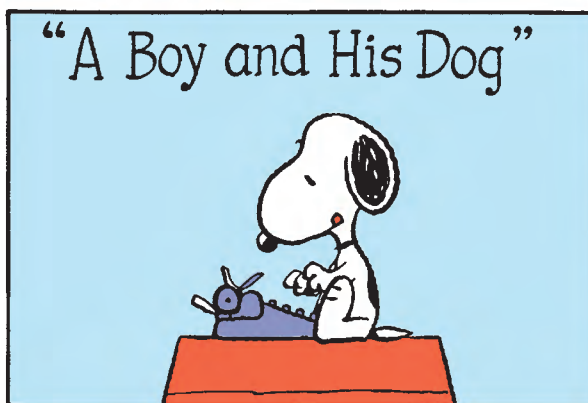
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# Comics

By Charles Schulz

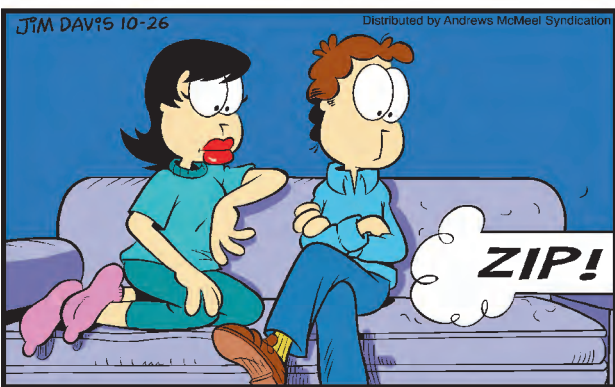
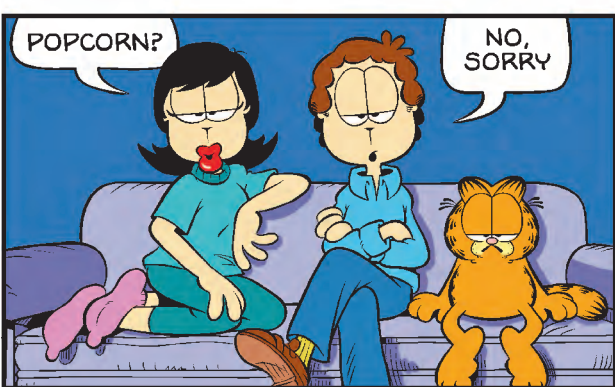
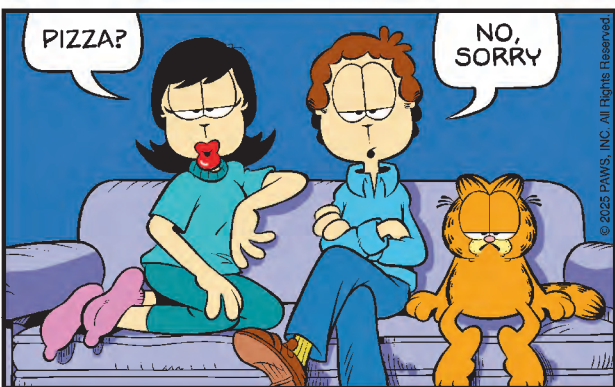
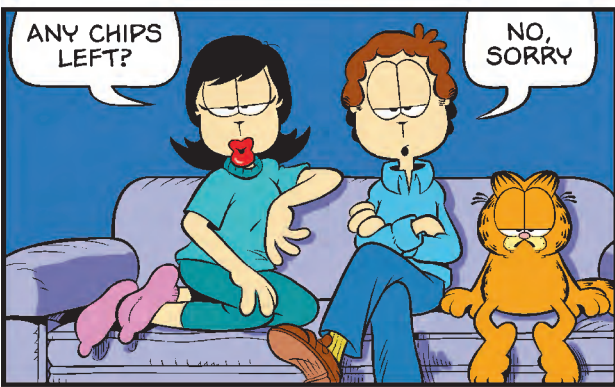


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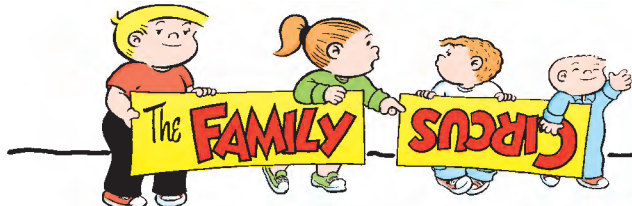
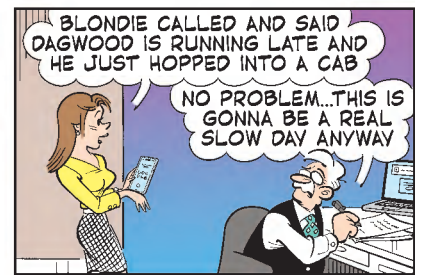
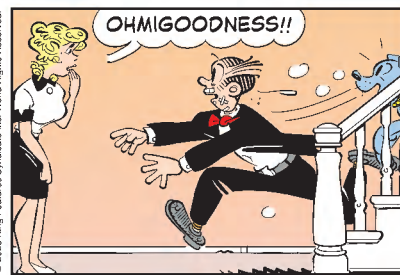
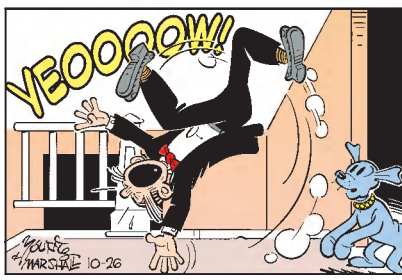
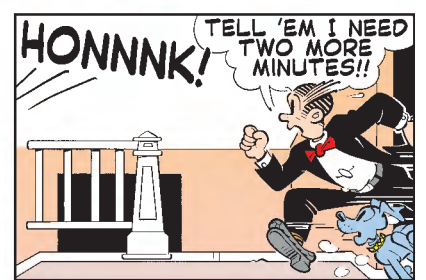
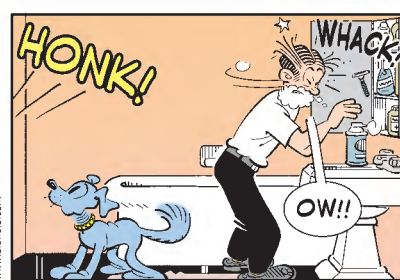
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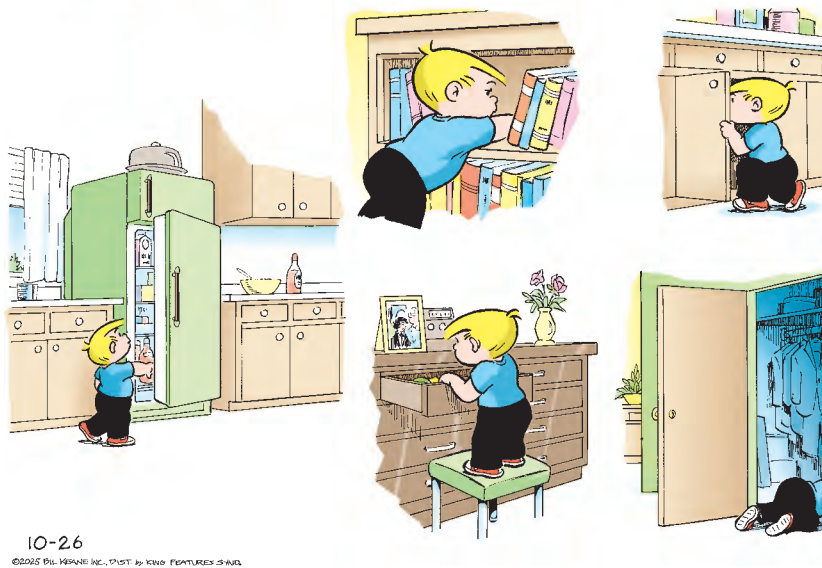


## BLONDIE

BY SEAN YOUNG OF JOHN MARSHALL

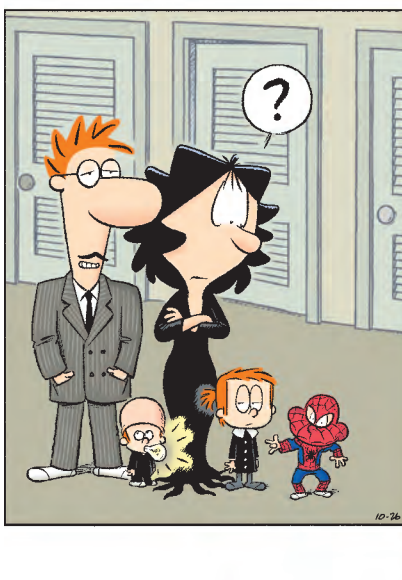


By Bill Keane



## BABY BLUES

BY RICK KIRKMAN & JERRY SCOTT



**FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE**  
By Lynn Johnston

OH, MAN! WAIT TILL ANTHONY SEES ME... HE WILL DIE LAUGHING!!

HOH-HOH!

UH-HOH!

JOHN, DID I JUST SEE ELIZABETH IN YOUR OLD COSTUME?

THAT'S AMAZING! A YEAR AGO, SHE'D HAVE BEEN FAR TOO EMBARRASSED TO GO ANYWHERE LOOKING LIKE THAT!

I KNOW.

HEY, DAD - CAN I BORROW YOUR OLD RABBIT COSTUME?

SURE!

HERE IT IS!!

WOW! THIS IS SO STUPID - LOOKING - IT'S COOL!

IT'S NICE TO SEE THAT SHE'S GROWING UP, ISN'T IT!

HOP HOP HOP HOP

**Jeff MacNelly's**  
**Stipe**  
By Ben Lansing & Susie MacNelly

I'M HERE FOR YOU.

OH, THANK YOU! THE BREAKUP WITH FRANK WAS SO HARD, MY MOM IS ADDING SO MUCH STRESS, AND MY BOSS KEEPS PILING ON WORK EVEN THOUGH HE KNOWS I NEED A VACATION. I CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER WHEN I LAST HAD THE TIME TO STAY IN MYSELF, AND MY THERAPIST THINKS THAT...

WAIT... WHO IS THIS?

YOUR UBER DRIVER. I'M HERE FOR YOU.

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No Candy here

Boooo no candy

Turn around

No candy at all

Skip this house

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**MUTTS** BY PATRICK MCDONNELL

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# PICKLES

by BRIAN CRANE



HAL FOSTER'S **Prince Valiant** BY SCHULTZ AND YEATES

DISGUISED AS ARTA AND VASO, ALETA CONTINUES TO TELL THE TRAVELERS OF HER HATRED FOR THE EMEROR JUSTINIAN.

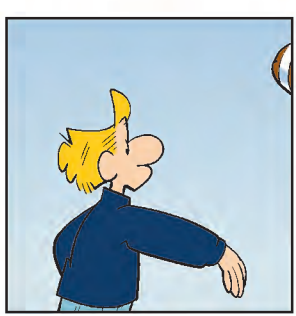
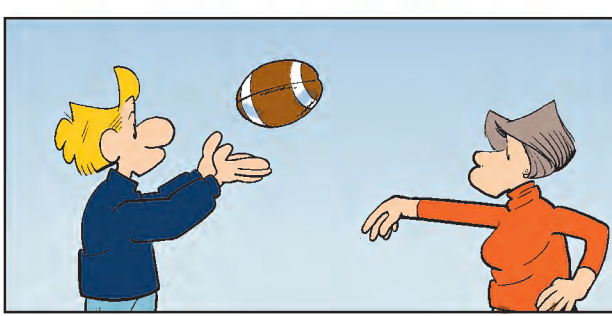
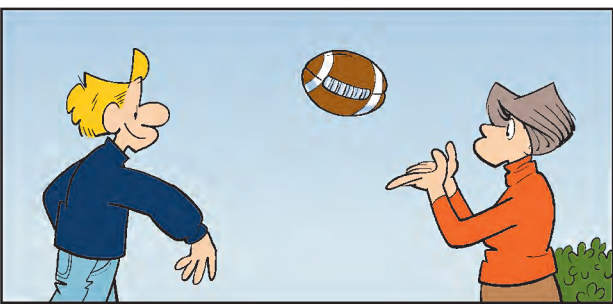
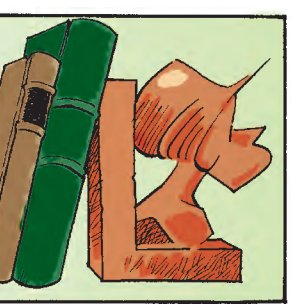
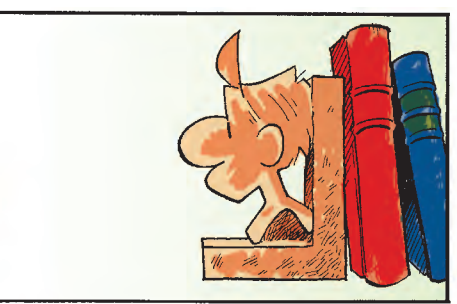
"ALTHOUGH QUEEN ALETA WAS COURTED PASSIONATELY BY JUSTINIAN, HER HEART WAS STOLEN BY ANOTHER—A KNIGHT NAMED VALIANT, FROM THE FAR NORTH. THEY WERE MARRIED..."

"...WHILE JUSTINIAN BROODED, MAD WITH JEALOUSY—AND ENRAGED BY THE LOSS OF THE STRATEGICALLY IMPORTANT ARCHIPELAGO THAT IS THE MISTY ISLES."

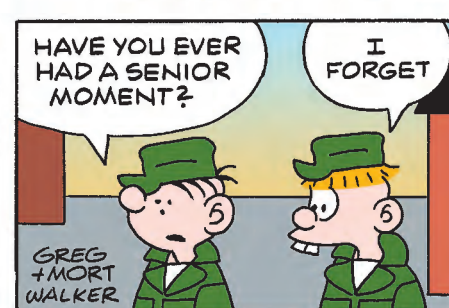
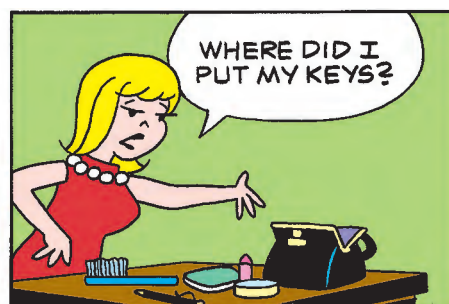
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# Arlo and Janis



# Mort Walker's beetle bailey



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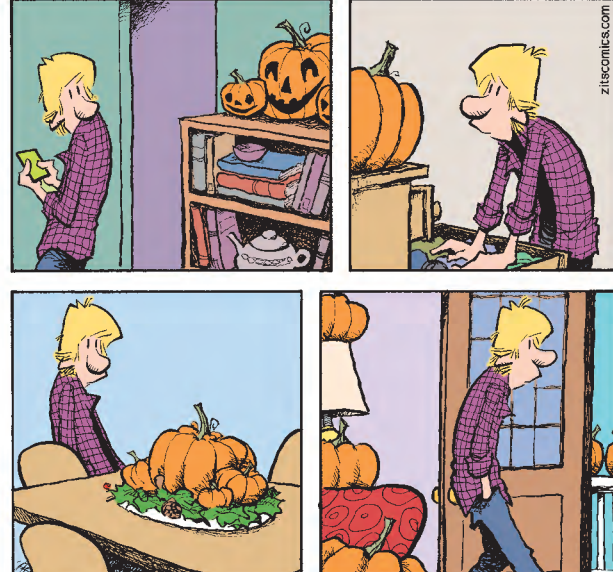
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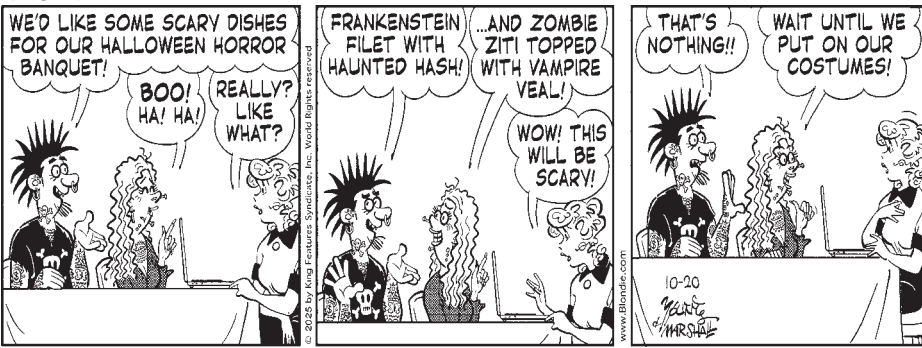
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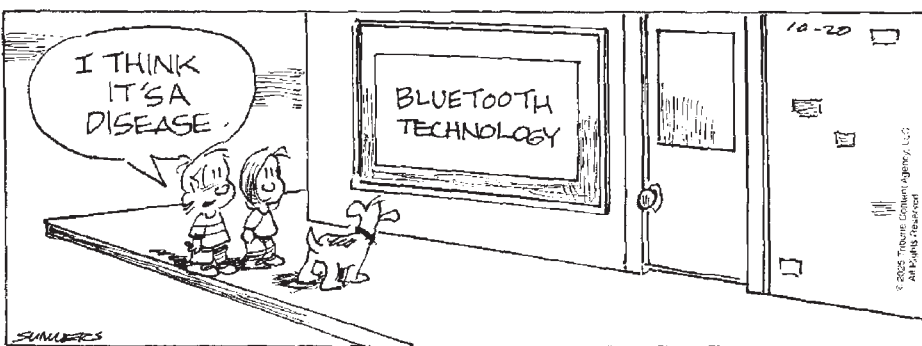
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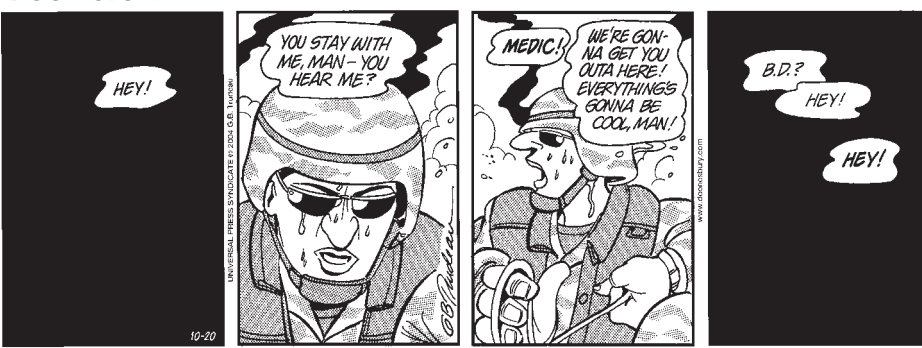
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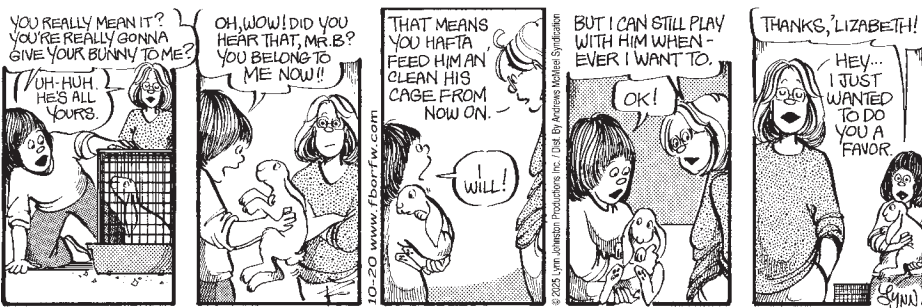
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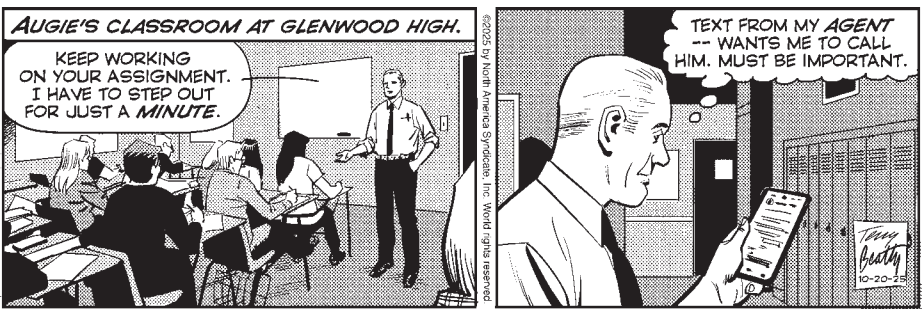
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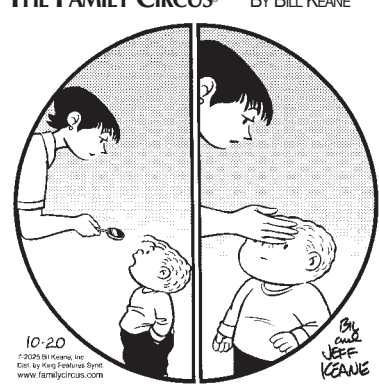
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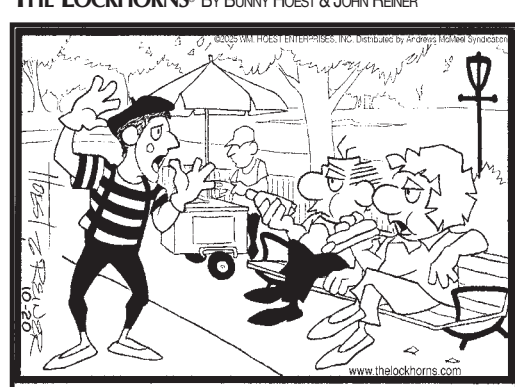
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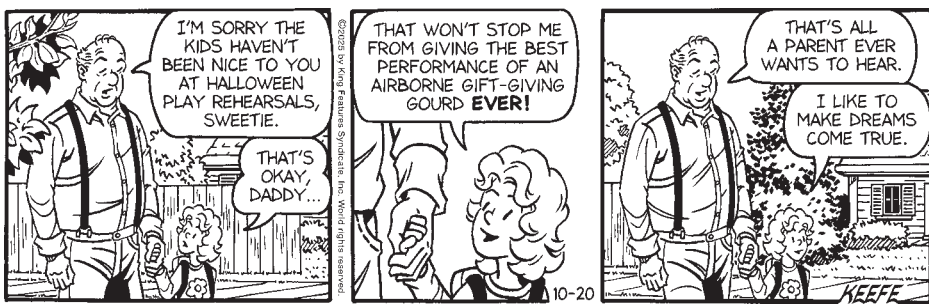
**JUMBLE** THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

Jumble word game instructions and grid with words: OTDSO, NRPIIT, FIVRYE, BULOED. Includes cartoon of a man at a computer.

**SPEED BUMP** by Dave Coverly



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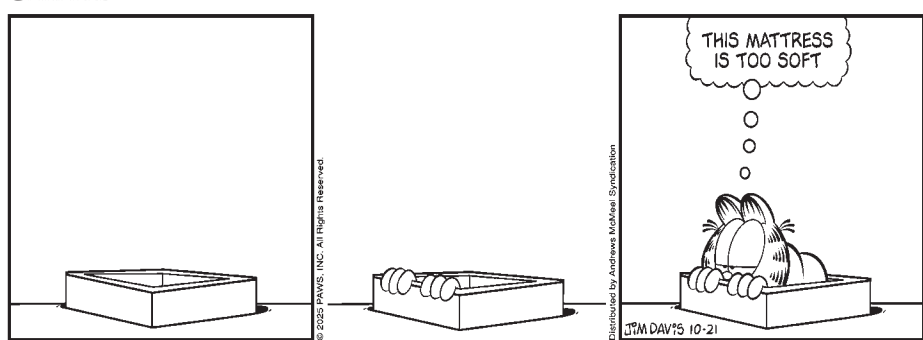
Cryptoquip puzzle with 10-20 clues and the answer: Saturday's Cryptoquip: SCI-FI MOVIE IN WHICH COMPUTER PROGRAMS ARE USED TO GOVERN THE WORLD: "PLANET OF THE APPS."

**CROSSWORD** by Eugene Schaffer

Crossword puzzle with 60 clues and a 10x10 grid. Includes a solution time of 21 mins and a grid with some letters filled in.

Large crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-61 indicating starting positions for clues.

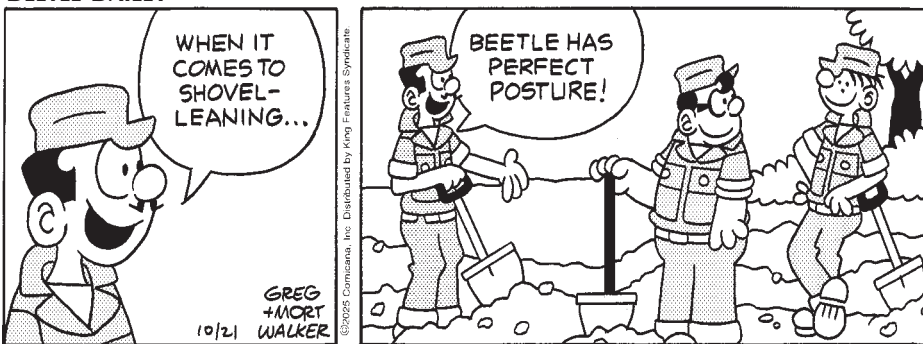
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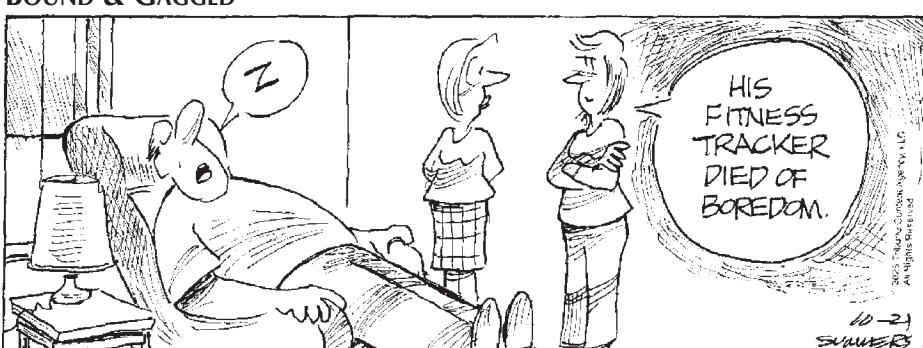
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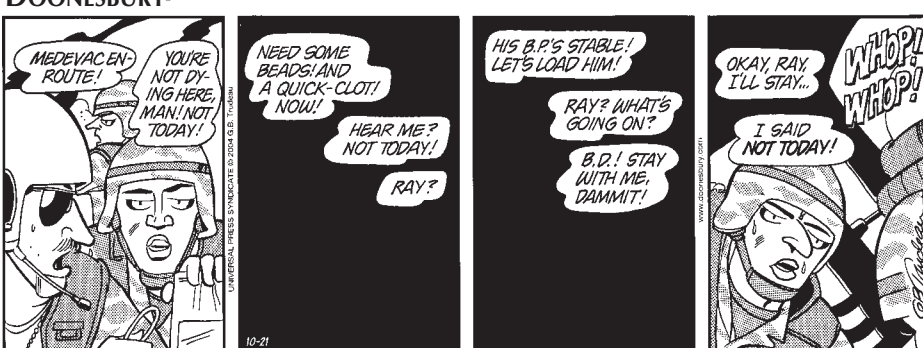
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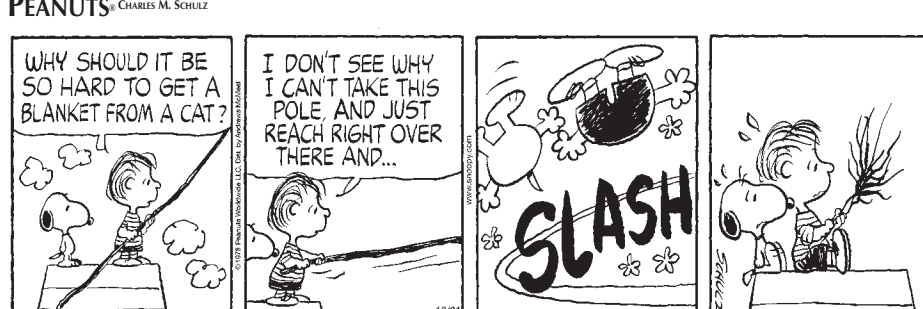
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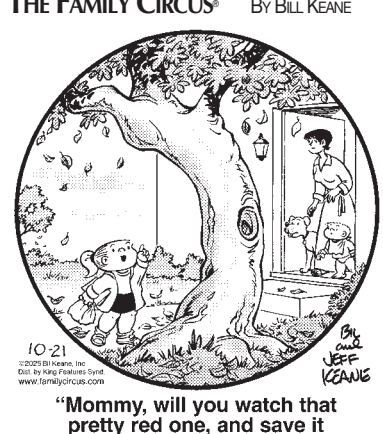
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**JUMBLE**

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

ODHGU

□ □ □ □

MEMIO

□ □ □ □

IGNNNI

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NCIVOE

□ □ □ □

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Are you ready to make an offer?

Let's take another look across the street, and I think we'll know.

10-21

THEY HADN'T YET DECIDED WHICH NEW HOUSE TO BUY, BUT THEY WERE ---

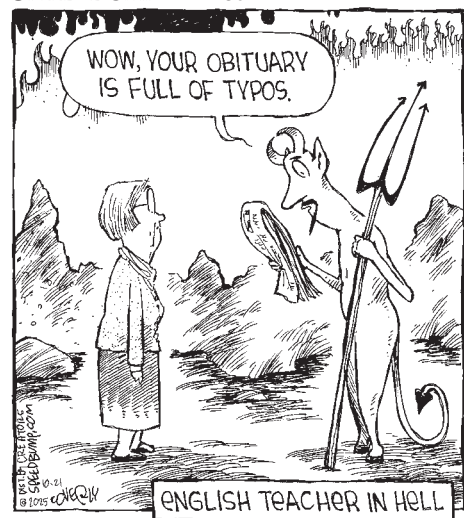
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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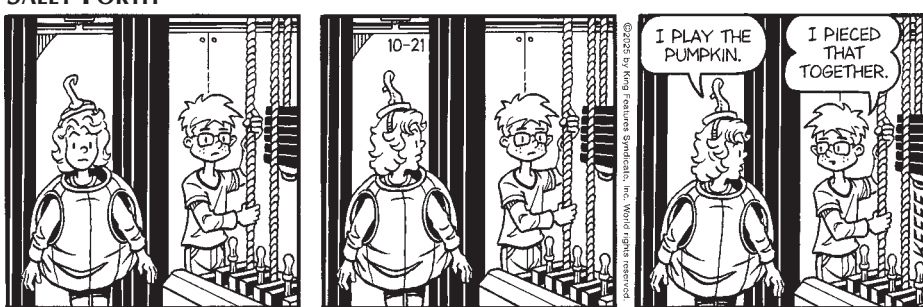
(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: STOOD PRINT VERIFY DOUBLE  
Answer: When asked what your blood type is, sometimes you need to — BE POSITIVE

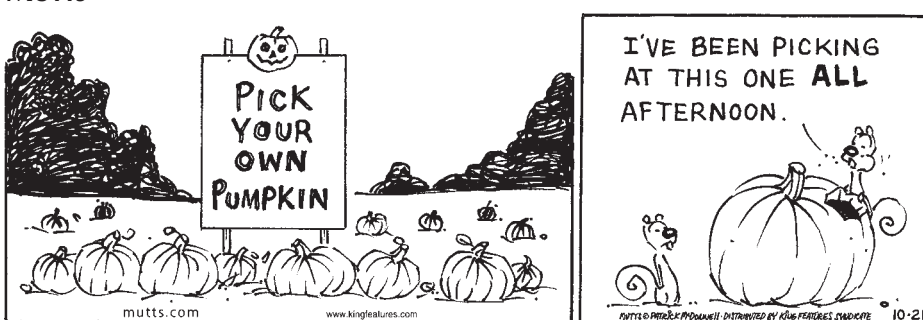
**SPEED BUMP** DAVE COVERLY



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**CRYPTOQUIP**

10-21 CRYPTOQUIP

HU YVAOSVZP UVGQOUEJJP

GOAVIOZ N WHGNRO'Y OPO

QVIOGHXB, PVE AHBCR YNP

CO'Y SOOX ZHY-WNRQCOZ.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: NAME OF A SPECIES OF EIGHT-ARMED MARINE MOLLUSKS THAT LIKE TO SNUGGLE UP TOGETHER: CUDDLEFISH.  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Z equals D

**CROSSWORD** By Eugene Scheffer

**ACROSS**

1 Binges

5 The Magic, on scoreboards

8 Mast

12 Building wings

13 Luau bowlful

14 Tooth-paste holder

15 Jazz saxophone legend

17 Wall St. traders

18 Quarter-back Brady

19 Mine material

20 Jack who es-chewed fat

21 Govt. loan agcy.

22 Actor Holbrook

23 Baghdad resident

26 Arm bone

30 Pasta sauce brand

31 Cat's coat

32 Sphinx site

33 "Ms." co-founder Gloria

35 Clear-headed

36 Drops on grass

37 Mafia boss

38 Canal vessel

41 Diarist Anais

42 Fuel stat

45 La Scala melody

46 Marine color

48 Bridge coup

49 Aviv preceder

50 Sicilian peak

51 Bagel feature

52 NFL stats

53 Air outlet

**DOWN**

1 Bit of banter

2 Sax range

3 Glitz partner

4 Tax form ID

5 "A Night at the —" (Queen album)

6 Memory method

7 "30 Rock" role

8 Fastening tool

9 Kitten's sound

10 "Mamma Mia" group

11 Take five

16 Asian desert

20 Muppet eagle

21 Emmy-winning Netflix series

22 "Ben- —"

23 Tax-collecting org.

24 Dumpster critter

25 Candle count

26 Drone

27 Documentarian

28 Action flick

29 Blue

31 Hardly any

34 Formerly known as

35 Pro-tracted

37 Clock faces

38 Wild party

39 Woody Guthrie's son

40 Iranian money

41 Grant basis, at times

42 Apportion

43 Ivy in Philly

44 Pesky insect

46 Messy room

47 Speed (up)

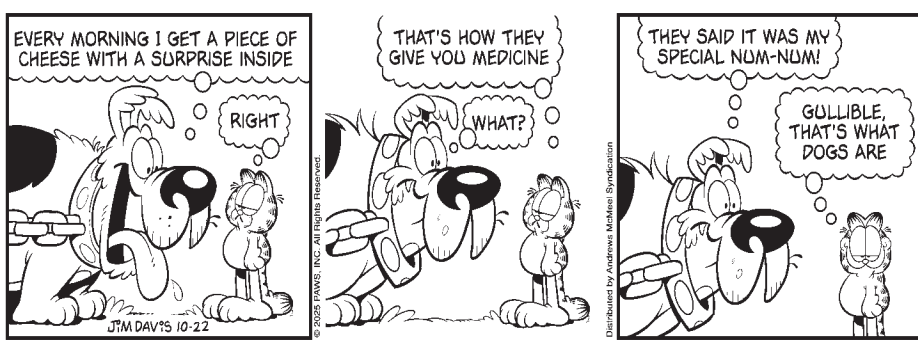
**Solution time: 22 mins.**

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			E	M	O	F	R	A	C	A	S
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P	E	N	N	L	C	D	O	N	I	T	
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P	O	P	S	R	E	X	N	O	T		

Yesterday's answer 10-21

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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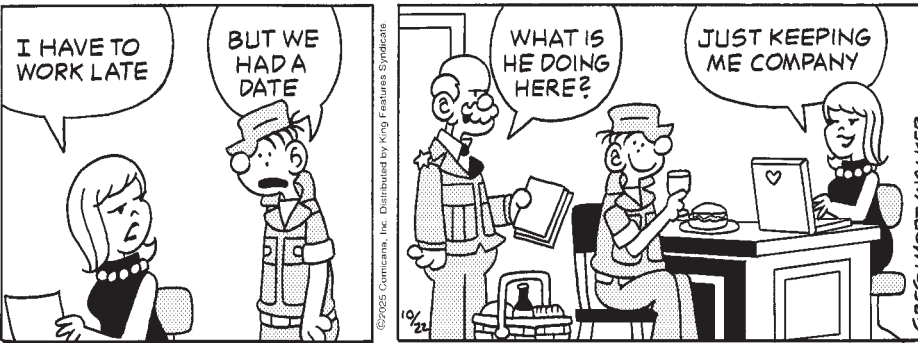
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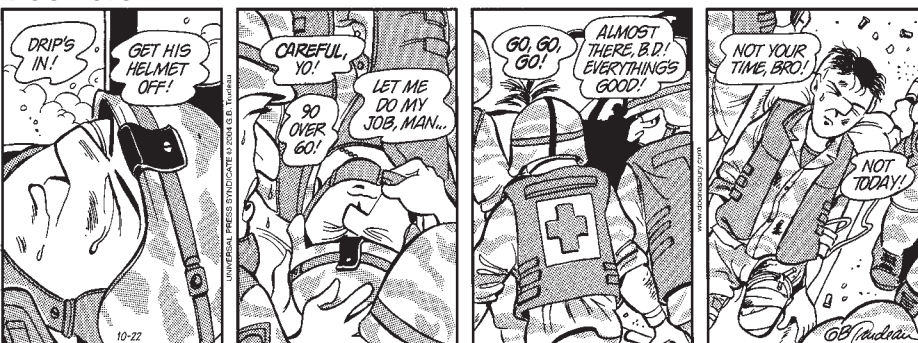
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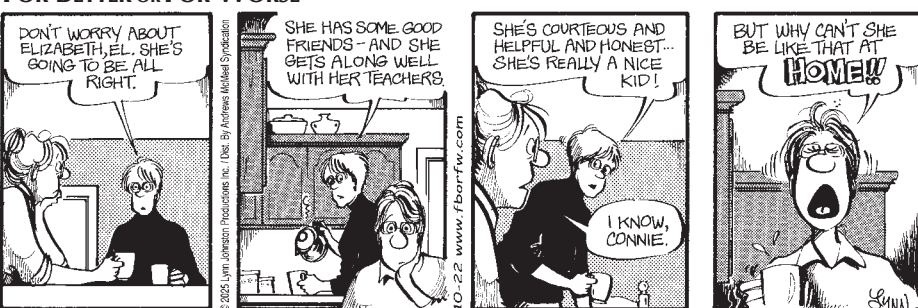
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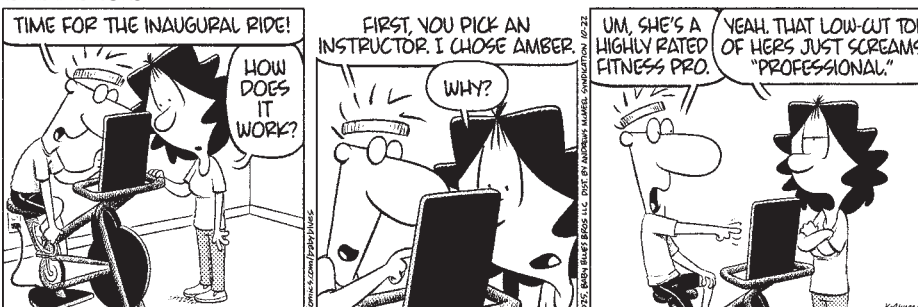
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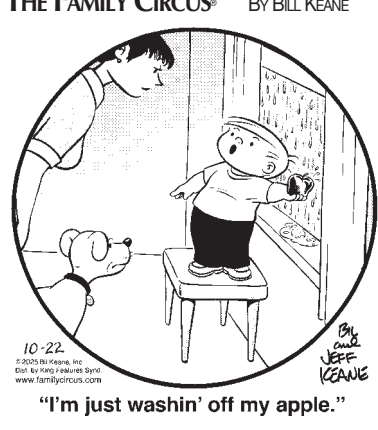
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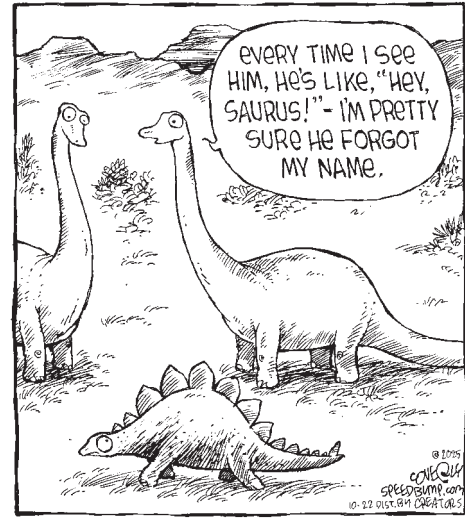
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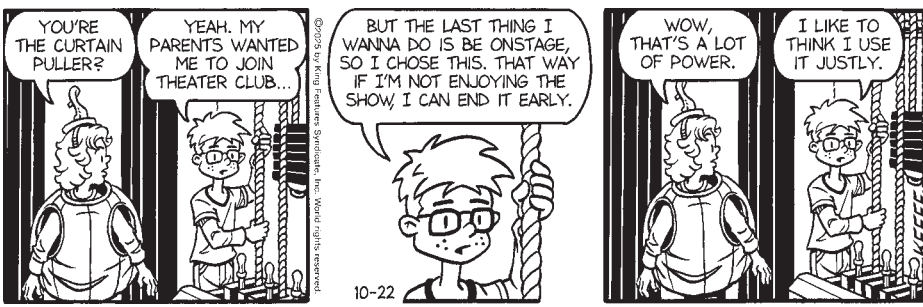
**JUMBLE**

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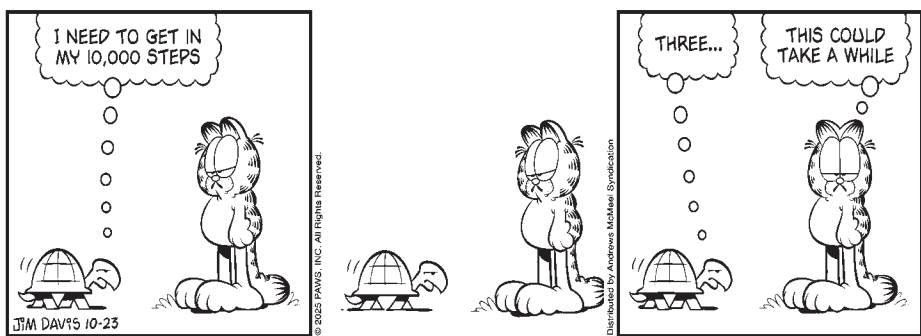
10-22 CRYPTOQUIP LVZB DT BVN OZGPKDBN TLNNB TUZSH PO WPTB FNPEN ZBBNURDUJ VNZGX-WNBZE SPUSNKB? KPSH SZURX. Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF SOMEBODY FORCEFULLY REMOVED A PIRATE'S EYE COVERING, YOU MIGHT SAY HE'S BEEN DIS-PATCHED. Today's Cryptoquip Clue: F equals P

**CROSSWORD** By Eugene Schaffer

ACROSS 1 Sci-fi prefix 5 Knock 8 Coffee pod 12 One-named super-model 13 Tram load 14 Post-WWII alliance 15 Easy money 17 Mother of Horus 18 Dog's rewards 19 Kitchen whistler 21 Impose 22 Con 23 Swiss peak 26 Wimbledon division 28 Jeter of baseball 31 Carrots' mates 33 24 horas 35 Peregrinate 36 Green sauce 38 Timetable abbr. 40 Pester 41 Scrabble piece 43 NASA moon craft 45 Noted Jewish scholar 47 Dwellings 51 Landed 52 Barkeep's cry 54 Teeming 55 Compass dir. 56 Hawaiian city 57 Home-owner's document 58 Refusals 59 Admin. aide DOWN 1 Falling-out 2 Sharif of film 3 Pyramid part 4 Available 5 Awakened suddenly 6 Rainbow shape 7 Conductor 8 Yarn shop customer 9 Skillet makeup 10 Gas co., for one 11 Stance 16 A/C measures 20 Finale 23 iPhone download 24 Country music star 25 Former incarnation 27 Cravat 29 Ms. Longoria 30 Beer barrel 32 Pompous 34 Collections of maps 37 World Cup cheer 39 Arrears 42 Barkin or Pompeio 44 Coffee flavoring 45 Difficult 46 "Would — to you?" 48 Lectern locale 49 Building wings 50 Mailbox feature 53 Year in Madrid

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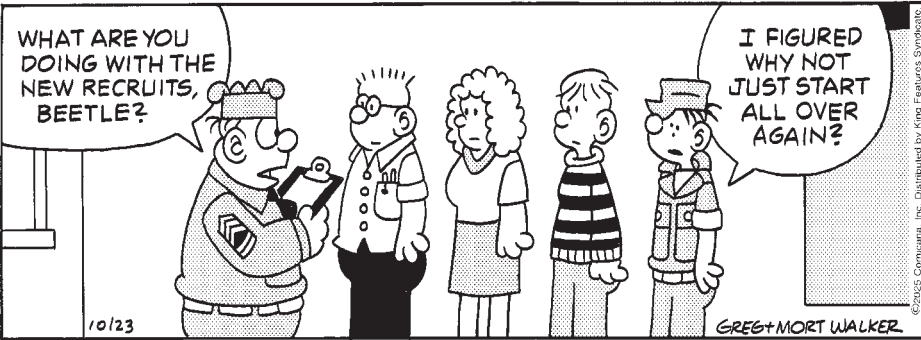
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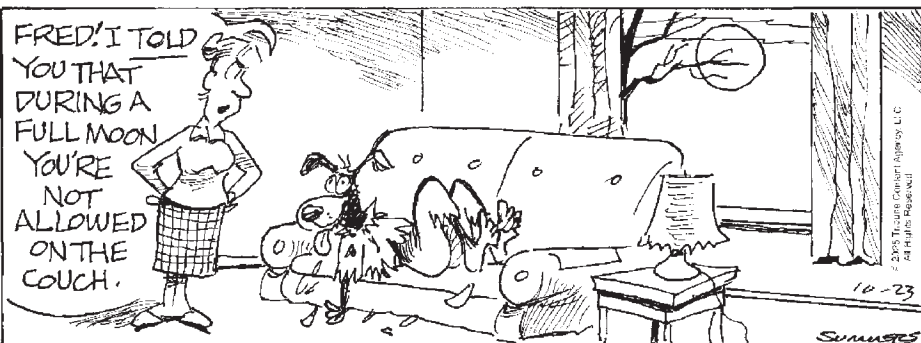
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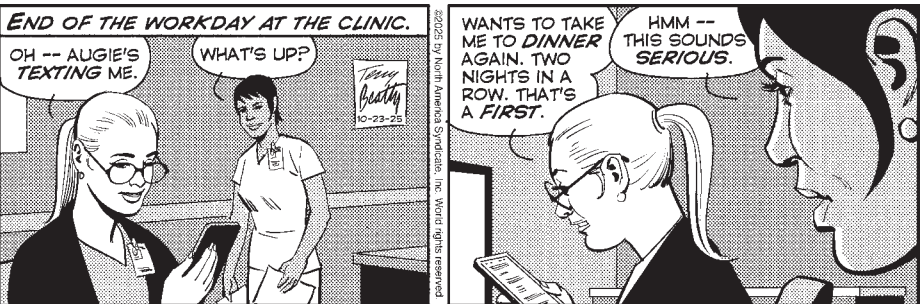
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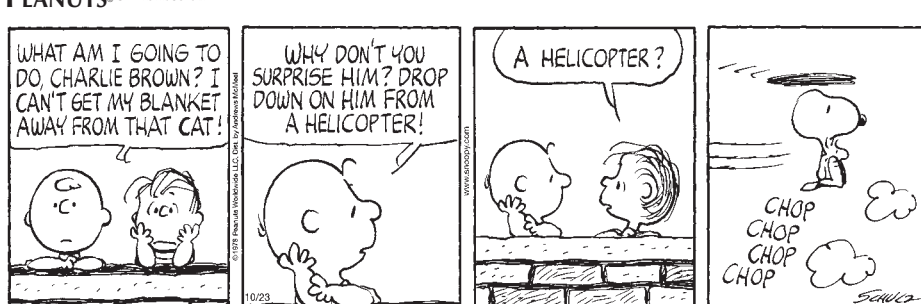
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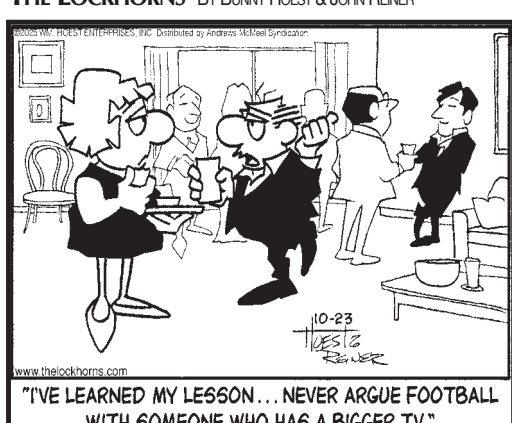
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**THE FAMILY CIRCUS** Bill Keane



**THE LOCKHORNS** Bunny Hoest & John Reiner



**JUMBLE**

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

OSEPI  
FREAT  
TBRETA  
MZIOEB

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

You've really captured the performers. I'm used to seeing the circus from above.

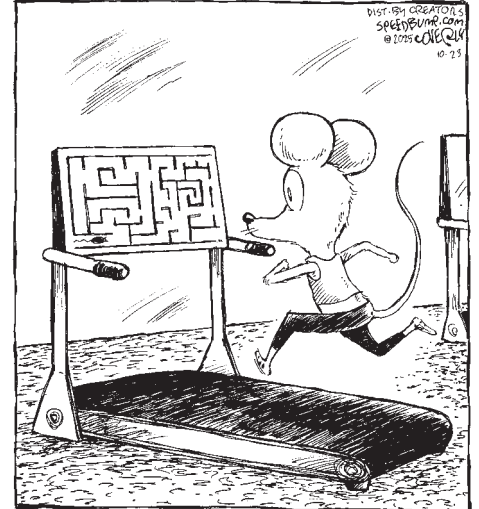
THE CIRCUS PERFORMER PAINTED DURING HIS TIME OFF BECAUSE HE WAS A ---

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

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: CRAZE DRIFT HELMET CASINO  
Answer: The fashion runway star was politically active as a -- MODEL CITIZEN

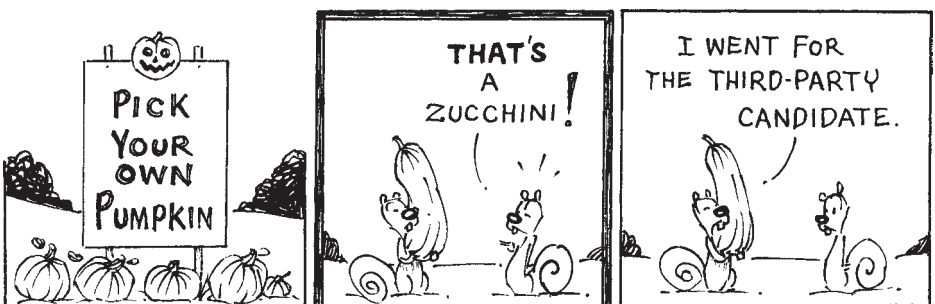
**SPEED BUMP** Dave Coverly



**SALLY FORTH** Created by Greg Howard



**MUTTS** Patrick McDonnell



**CRYPTOQUIP**

10-23 CRYPTOQUIP

DUS ADUZU VBVU, SHB'ZU  
GAPQVJQE VJZUOATS HQ KS  
LPWHZJAU AZPWUTJQE WPTJGU.  
EUA HLL KS OPGU!

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHAT IS THE FAVORITE SWEET SNACK OF MOST PEOPLE ATTENDING HEAVY-METAL CONCERTS? ROCK CANDY.  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: L equals F

**CROSSWORD** By Eugene Schaffer

**ACROSS**

1 Deli array  
5 Beer ingredient  
9 Comedian Margaret  
12 Oaxaca water  
13 Sheltered  
14 MSN rival  
15 Emotional release  
17 Numerical prefix  
18 Catch some z's  
19 Lindsay of "Mean Girls"  
21 UFO pilot  
22 "Swell!"  
24 Campaign-funding gps.  
27 Minivan alternative  
28 Spill the beans  
31 Mode lead-in  
32 Tours season  
33 401(k) alternative  
34 Minor quibbles

**DOWN**

36 Blog feed  
37 Battery fluid  
38 Avocation  
40 Hosp. drip  
41 "Fences" actress Davis  
43 College unit  
47 Annex  
48 — the Great  
51 Country music's Greenwood  
52 Storybook heavy  
53 Couch  
54 Capital of Spain?  
55 Close

56 Seth's son  
11 Actress Lena  
16 HIV-treating drug  
20 Wagerers' site (Abbr.)  
22 Bonkers  
23 Prior nights  
24 Skillet  
25 "The Greatest"  
26 Battery terminals  
27 Belgrade resident  
29 "Exodus" hero  
30 Abysmal  
35 Costa del —  
37 Loath  
39 Breakfast strip  
40 Rage  
41 Low-lying area  
42 Mid-month date  
43 "Believe" singer  
44 Pop diva Céline  
45 Data  
46 Brewed drinks  
49 Bio stat  
50 — -la-la

**Solution time: 24 mins.**

R	O	B	O	R	A	P	K	C	U	P	
I	M	A	N	O	R	E	N	A	T	O	
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Yesterday's answer 10-23

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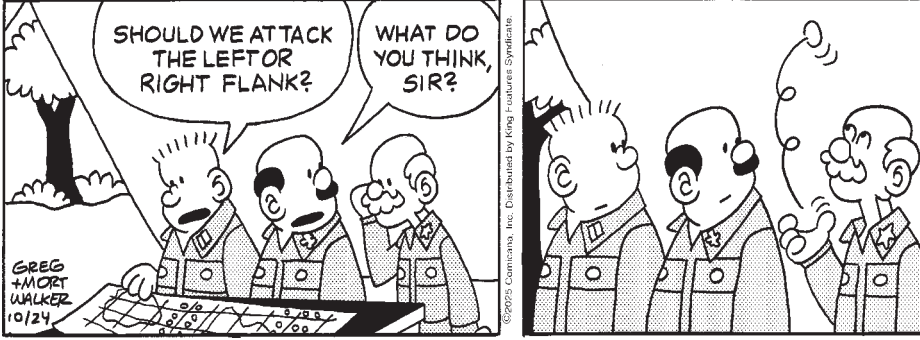
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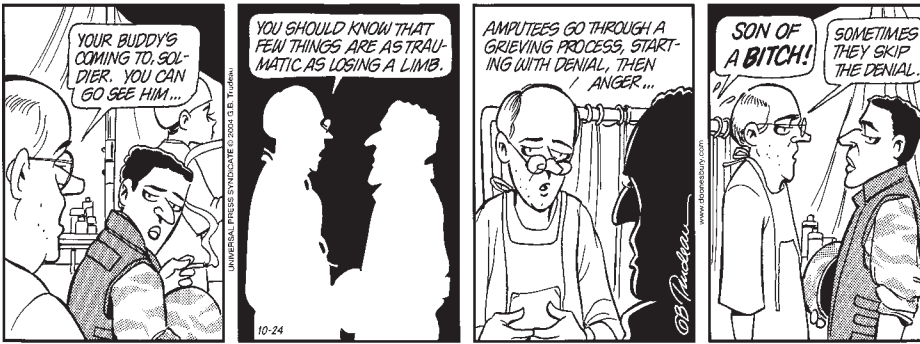
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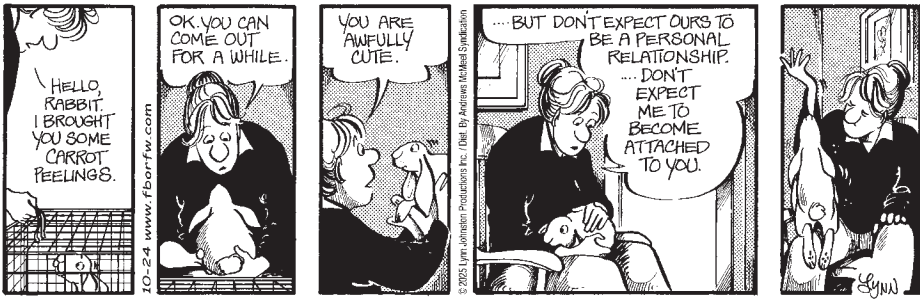
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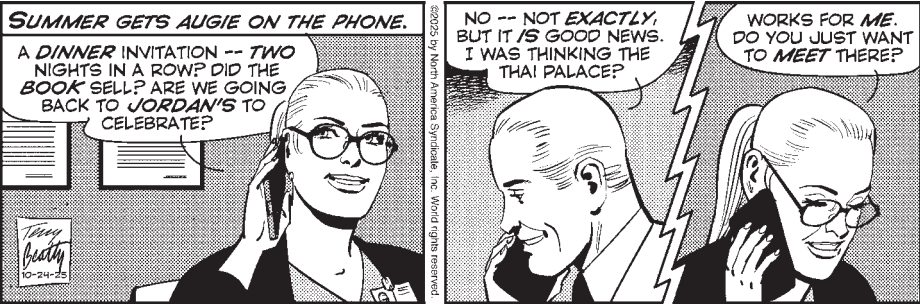
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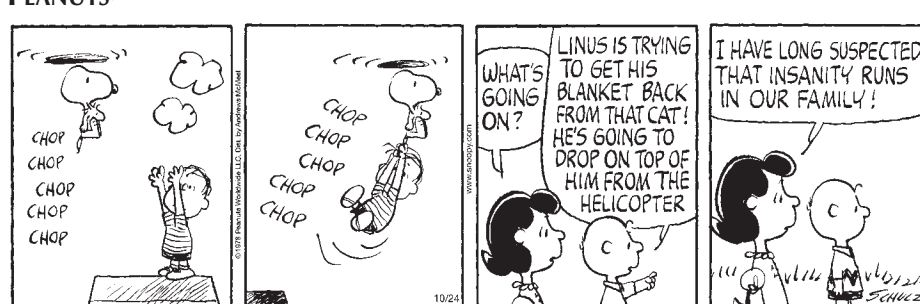
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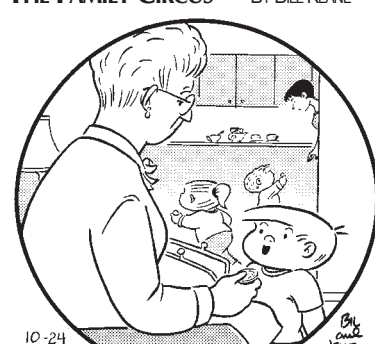
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**JUMBLE**

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

SIDYA  
RNEAA  
NAIDNL  
CPTEIO

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

Answer here:

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: POISE AFTER BATTER ZOMBIE  
Answer: The circus performer painted during his time off because he was a — TRAPEZIST ARTIST

**THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME**

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Square wheels? How is this possible? The coolest thing that ever happened to math reads a larger space!

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

Answer here:

**SPEED BUMP** by Dave Coverly



**SALLY FORTH** by Greg Howard



**MUTTS** by Patrick McDonnell



**CRYPTOQUIP**

10-24 CRYPTOQUIP

RQXI DMSPX KSMIPX PKNSGB  
GFXDKC NIRXDZKYX QKDXB,  
O DOWX JK SXCMOS JQXY  
NBOIP CNYCWOI CMJZQXB.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: HEY THERE DUDE, YOU'RE STANDING DIRECTLY ON MY FAVORITE TRAVELING VALISE. GET OFF MY CASE!  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: P equals G

**CROSSWORD** by Eugene Schaffer

**ACROSS**

1 "Spring ahead" hrs.  
4 Greek cheese  
8 Beach crawler  
12 Ecol. watchdog  
13 Verbal  
14 Actress Chaplin  
15 Postal nuisance  
17 Some wines  
18 View-points  
19 Embrace  
21 Chemical suffix  
22 Tibetans, e.g.  
26 Brains  
29 Soccer's Hamm  
30 "— voyage!"  
31 "Toodle-oo!"  
32 Pioneering ISP  
33 City bond, for short  
34 Calendar abbr.

**DOWN**

1 — vu  
2 Whirled  
3 Tart flavor  
4 Instigate  
5 Delete  
6 — chi  
7 Old-style greeting  
8 Welsh pooch  
9 Caviar  
10 Moreover  
11 Some coll. degrees  
16 "— and the Sun" (Kazuo Ishiguro novel)  
20 Olympics chant

**35 Carried out**  
**36 Choral work by Palestrina**  
**37 Sneaky sort**  
**39 Dyeing vessel**  
**40 Highland hat**  
**41 Takes a whiff of**  
**45 Rum cake**  
**48 Massive disaster**  
**50 Slightly open**  
**51 Close by**  
**52 Menagerie**  
**53 Docile**  
**54 Albacore, e.g.**

**55 Jargon suffix**  
**23 Border on**  
**24 Zilch**  
**25 Peevish fit**  
**26 Pack cargo**  
**27 Nutmeg spice**  
**28 Lead-in to girl or boy**  
**29 '60s chic**  
**32 Clinic concern**  
**33 Decorator's theme**  
**35 Narc's org.**  
**36 Broadway's "Man of La —"**  
**38 Gawk (at)**  
**39 Winner's gesture**  
**42 Disconcert**  
**43 Verizon service**  
**44 Tart fruit**  
**45 Belfry critter**  
**46 WNBA star — Wilson**  
**47 "Kapow!"**  
**49 More, in music**

**Solution time: 25 mins.**

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A	G	U	A	A	L	E	E	A	O	L			
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Yesterday's answer 10-24

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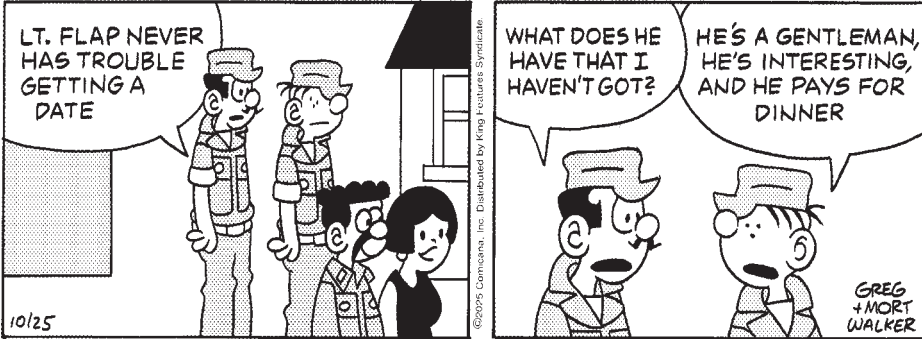
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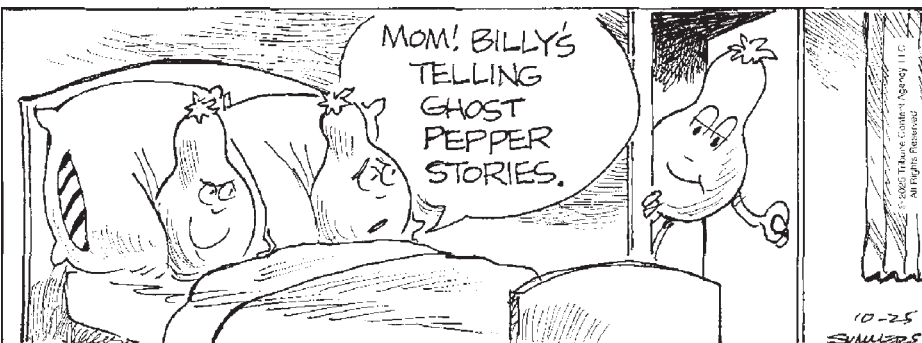
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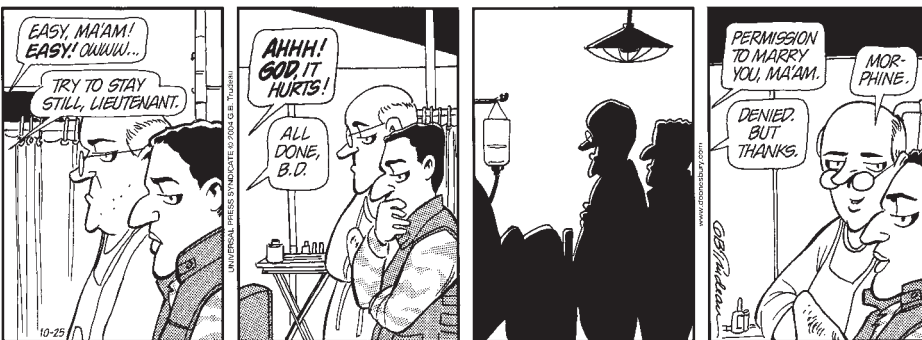
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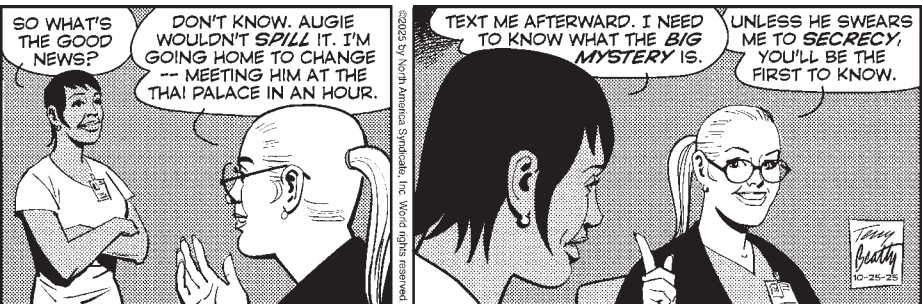
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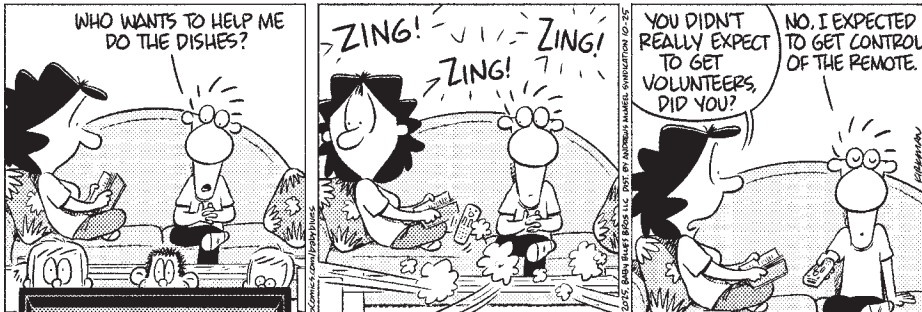
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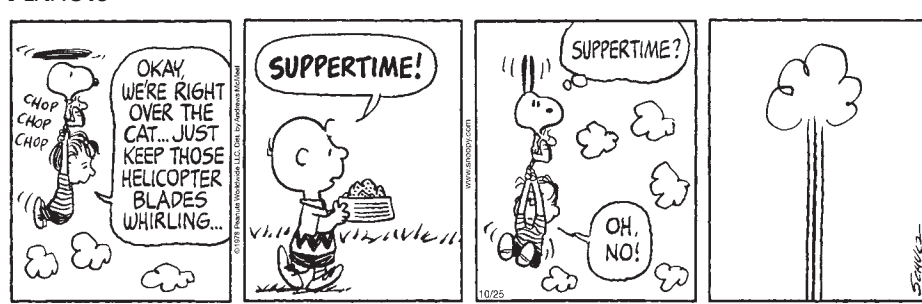
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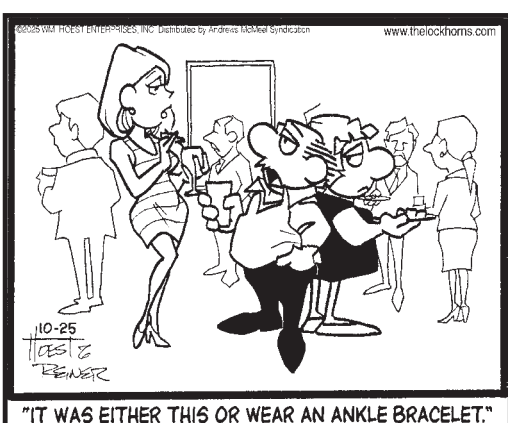
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**JUMBLE**

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ILTET  
VNYEO  
NBTNOE  
REHLBA

**THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME**

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

WHEN CENTRAL AIR CONDITIONING WAS INVENTED, THERE WAS...

**SPEED BUMP** by Dave Coverly



Answers Monday: Yesterday's Jumbles: DAISY ARENA INLAND POETIC Answer: The math museum in NYC was moving because it wasn't possible to build — AN ADDITION

**SALLY FORTH** by Greg Howard



**MUTTS** by Patrick McDonnell



**CRYPTOQUIP**

10-25 CRYPTOQUIP  
UGRJG HWOPRJHM EVHVO  
GHE HM OKVPOWOXC BOMEQ  
AZATXHVRZM ZQ JZXZPQT X

EHXHWHMBOPE? MOUV WOKRJZ.  
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHEN LARGE ORANGE GOURDS DEVELOP UNWELCOME HOLES, I LIKE TO REPAIR THEM USING PUMPKIN PATCHES.  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: K equals X

**CROSSWORD** by Eugene Schaffer

**ACROSS**  
1 Tickle Harmon  
6 Narcotic TV series  
12 Delivers a keynote recording  
13 Come back label  
14 Of the abdominal cavity  
15 Placed in the attic  
16 Bath powder  
17 Balm ingredient  
19 Curvy letter  
20 Gillette razor  
22 Speed (up)  
24 Scale notes  
27 Oaxaca water  
29 Perfectly colorful tortilla snacks  
35 Denomination  
36 Pond duck  
37 Actor Stephen  
38 Rotating part

**DOWN**  
2 Shopping complex  
3 City near Syracuse  
4 Briny expanse  
5 Snail, in Tours  
6 Roughly  
7 Fizzle (out)  
8 Olympic skater  
9 Sorbonne send-off  
10 "— chic!"  
11 Goals  
12 Calendar abbr.  
18 Designer Yves Saint —

**Solution time: 26 mins.**

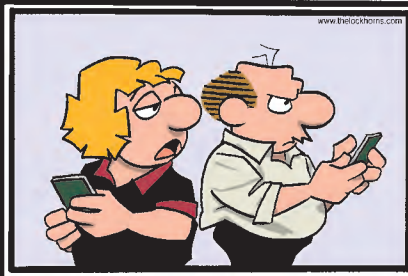
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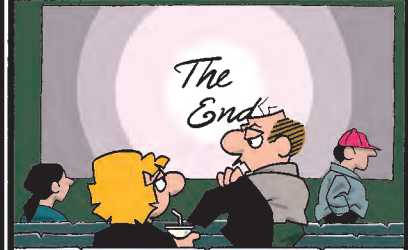
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# THE LOCKHORNS

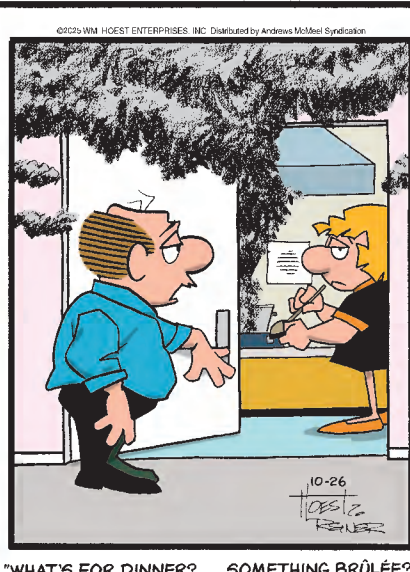
BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER



"OF COURSE IT'S A TERRIBLE VIDEO GAME... THAT'S OUR BANKING APP."



"WHEN THEY SAID IT DIDN'T HAVE ANY VIOLENCE, PROFANITY, DRINKING OR SMOKING, THEY FORGOT TO ADD PLOT."



"WHAT'S FOR DINNER?... SOMETHING BRÛLÉE?"



"I HATE THESE CLASS REUNIONS... ALL OF LEROY'S OLD GIRLFRIENDS SEEK ME OUT TO SAY THANK YOU."



"YES, LORETTA, YOU'RE OVERPACKING."

featuring  
Andy Bear

# Pluggers™

by Rick McKee

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Pluggers give their senior softball teams names like the Relics, the Retreads, and the Ancient Mariners.

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# FLO & FRIENDS

Aging with an Attitude!

By Jenny Campbell  
CREATED BY JOHN GIBEL

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, EARL! I HEAR YOU'RE TURNING 98!

INDEED I AM, FLO!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO CELEBRATE?

MY GREAT-GRAND-KIDS ARE TAKING ME OUT TO GET A TATTOO!!!

BUT I CAN'T DECIDE WHAT I SHOULD GET.

I'D SUGGEST YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS.

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SPEED BUMP

by  
DAVE  
COVERLY

IT DOESN'T FREAK ME OUT WHEN HE TURNS INTO A WEREWOLF AS MUCH AS IT TICKS ME OFF WHEN HE EATS OUR FOOD.

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Hank Ketchum's **Dennis the Menace**

# THE FALL GUY

HENRY...

LET'S TAKE A DRIVE AND LOOK AT THE FALL FOLIAGE!

YOU KNOW, YOU'RE RIGHT.

IN FACT, YOU'D BETTER GET OUT THERE AND START RAKING.

GET YOUR JACKETS. I'LL START THE CAR.

BUT WE CAN SEE IT RIGHT OUT THE WINDOW!

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# WIZARD OF OZ

by Hart, Mastroianni and Parker

SOMETHING FEELS OFF...

SO, TELL ME OF THIS AI

IT WILL BE A REVOLUTION

IT WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE TRILLIONS OF CALCULATIONS PER SECOND

IT WILL BE ABLE TO PROCESS UNFATHOMABLE AMOUNTS OF DATA

SO, IT WILL CURE CANCER?

AFRAID NOT

END WORLD HUNGER? SOLVE THE CLIMATE CRISIS? END POVERTY?

NO...NONE OF THOSE THINGS

THEN WHAT THE @#%!! WILL IT DO?

UM... WE'LL BE GETTING MORE TIME OFF AT LEAST...

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# SUDOKU

**JANRIC CLASSIC SUDOKU**  
 Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and 3x3 block. Use logic and process elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

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Rating: BRONZE  
 Solution to 10/18/25

9	5	4	7	1	3	8	6	2
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1	2	3	5	6	8	7	4	9
2	7	5	3	9	6	4	8	1
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6		2		5				
	7				8	9		2

Rating: SILVER  
 Solution to 10/20/25

5	7	3	1	2	4	8	9	6
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1	4	8	9	3	6	7	2	5
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Rating: BRONZE  
 Solution to 10/22/25

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Rating: SILVER  
 Solution to 10/23/25

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Rating: GOLD  
 Solution to 10/24/25

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Rating: SILVER  
 Solution to 10/26/25

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Which scene is slightly different than the other two?



Answer -- Number three (stick).

Every trick-or-treater in the area claims that in the last hour Count Weirdly zapped holes in their bags of candy with his laser. But Weirdly insists he couldn't be guilty because he just returned from an hour of trick-or-treating in the area with Purple Pete. What did Slylock not see that casts some doubt on the count's alibi?

Solution -- All trick-or-treaters in the area have holes in their bags, while Purple Pete's bag has no hole. Whether from the castle or remotely, Slylock strongly suspects Count Weirdly is the bag zipper.

Spot six differences between these panels.

Answer -- Lightning, shoe, hair, cable, rat's tail and clock.

**HOW TO DRAW a Halloween cat in a jack-o'-lantern**

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Candy corn was originally called ...

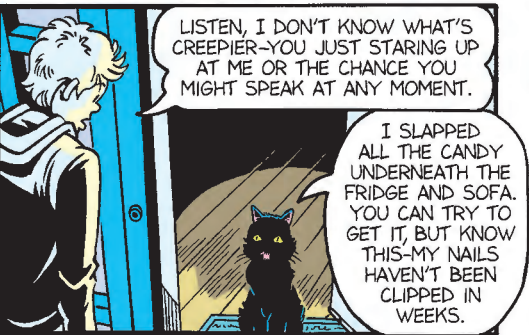
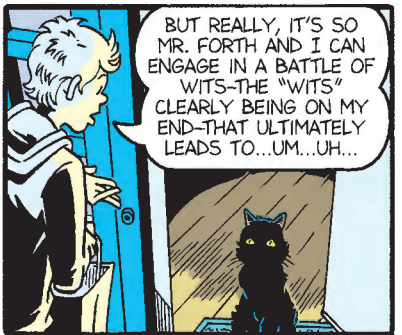
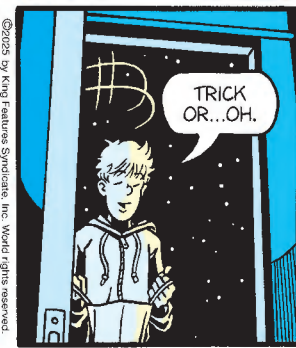
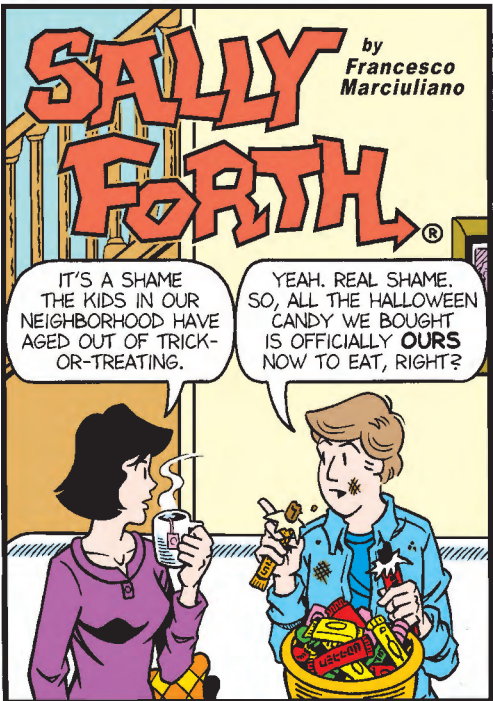
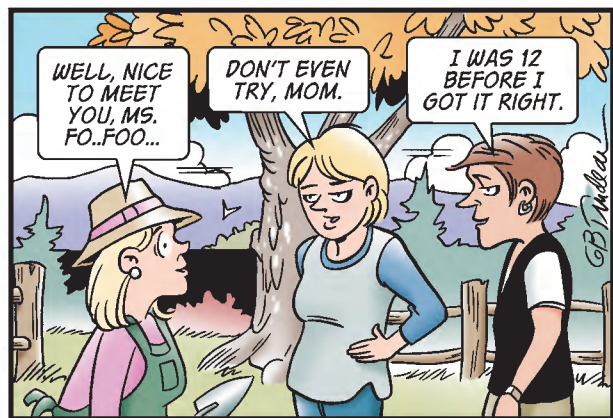
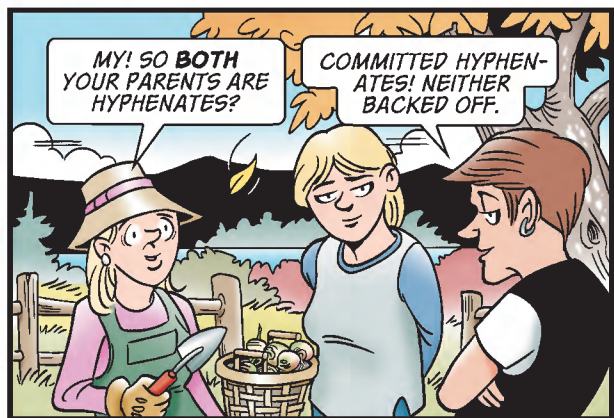
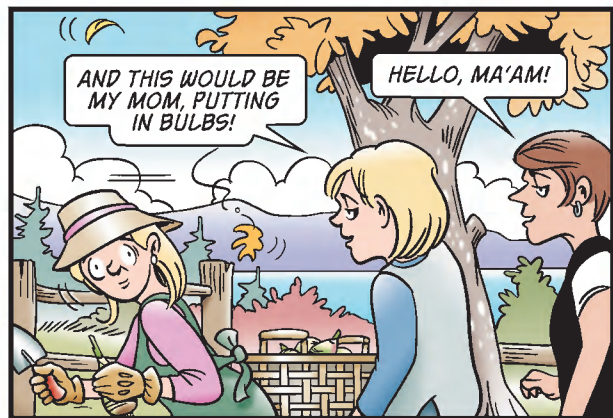
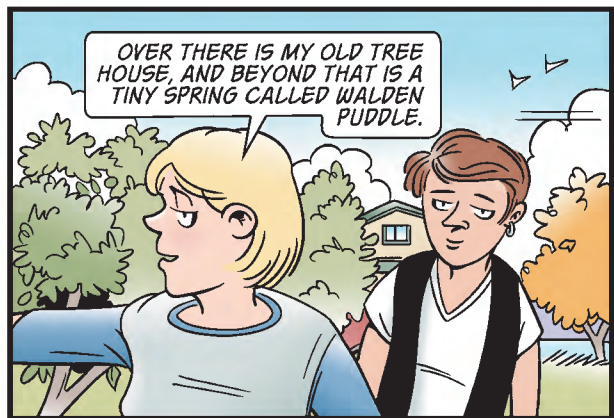
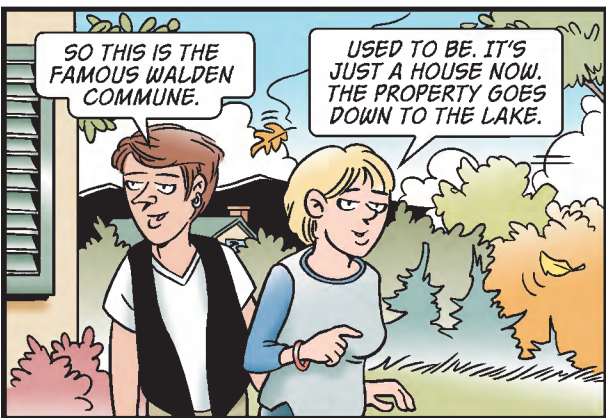
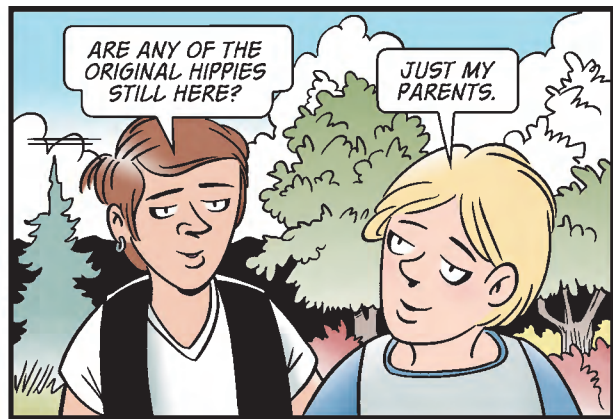
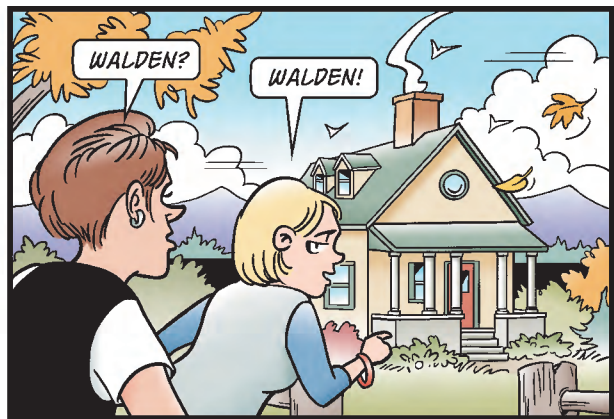
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- Sugar corn
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Answer -- c) Created in the 1880s by George Henniger, later sold to the masses by Goelitz Confectionery Company (now Jelly Belly Co.) around the turn of the century.

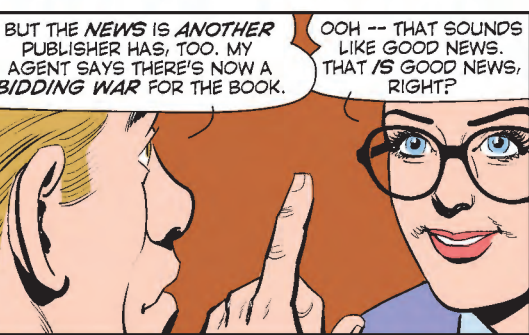
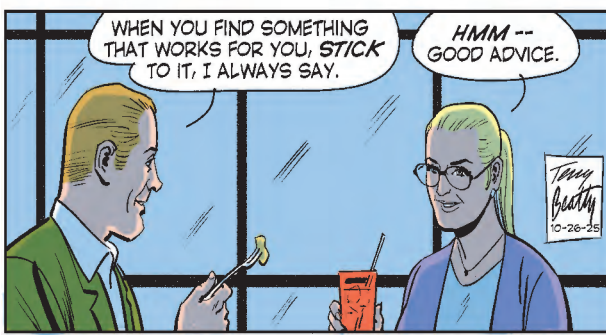
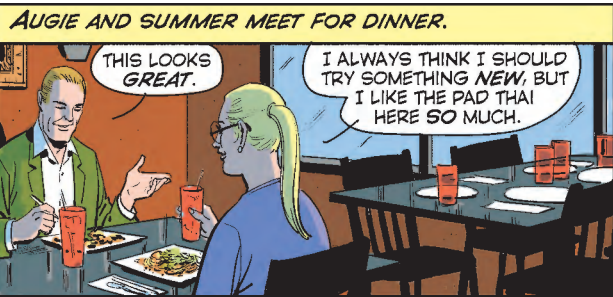
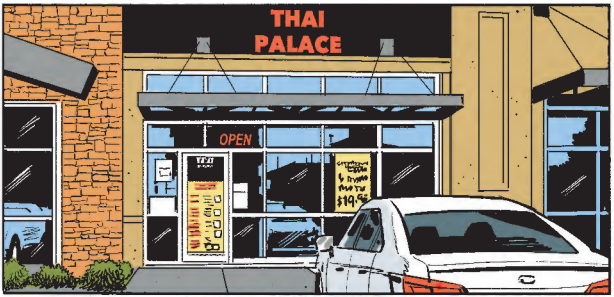
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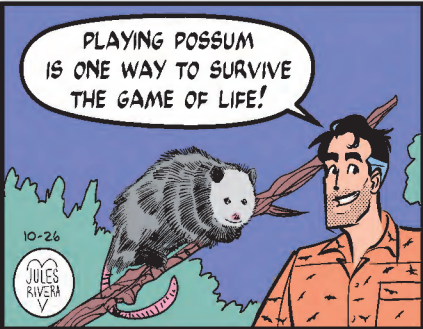
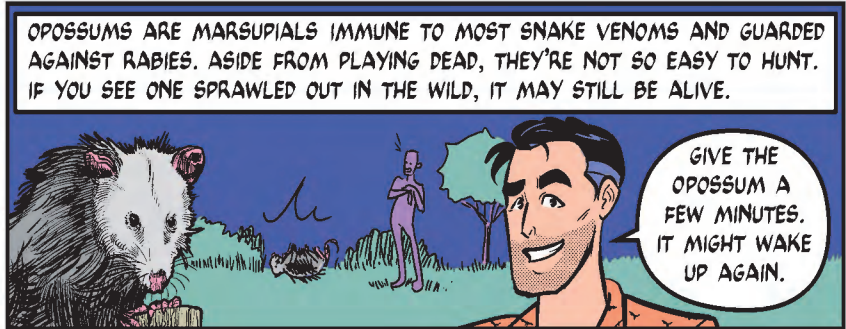
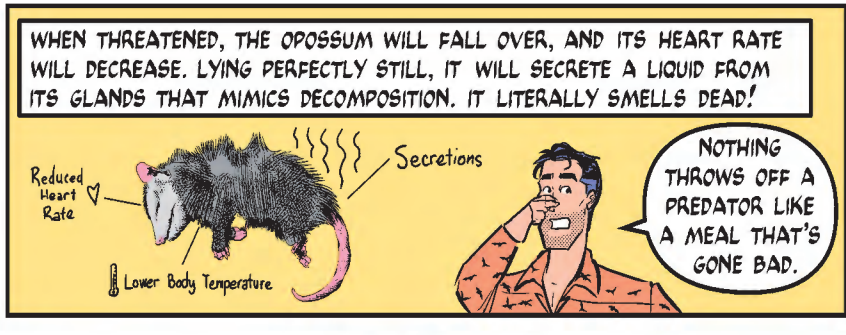
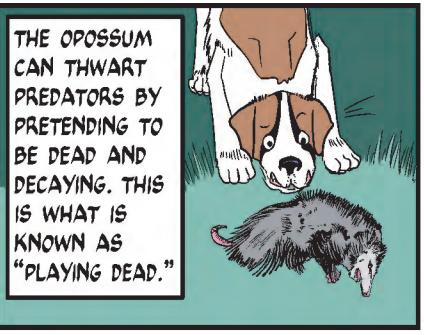


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WEDNESDAY PRIMETIME

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HOROSCOPES

Spooning the Universe

It is said that overhead, there's a cosmic soup in which the imagination of the world swirls. We need only spoon the universe — taste and embrace, curl and collapse into it — to know the flavor of what is possible.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your capacity for curiosity is remarkable. You have the instinct to ask how and why things work as they do, and because of this orientation of mind, your questions will keep leading you to fresh discoveries no one else has noticed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Doing carries more weight than saying. You might not be able to fully articulate what you're experiencing, learning



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and feeling right now, but that's OK because what really speaks is the action you take. Action is the difference in the world.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Love makes space for you to be yourself. If you feel you have to shrink or act a certain way, it's not love; it's control or dependency. You'll know the kind of love that delights in who you are, not just in what you provide.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll appreciate circumstances that are not ideal. You don't ignore the fact that they are hard, but you see something beautiful in them — something

that couldn't exist if things were any other way than exactly how they are.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). When plans come together, it's really exciting. You may feel eager to talk about the budding success, but things are still in the fragile, early stage. Don't share too soon — much is going to change.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Efficiency is wonderful, but sometimes the long way around is richer. Let the conversation meander if it wants to. Hint: it wants to. The detours and other "inefficiencies" will bring information to light. Side trails have better scenery than the main road.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Balance isn't always about symmetry; sometimes it's about giving more weight to what really matters, or what doesn't seem to matter at all, because you never know. Think of it as

a check to make sure the scales are calibrated correctly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Share your way of seeing. What's ordinary to you may be dazzling to someone else. Even your routines are filled with novelty others would thrill to know. You'll realize you've been living with treasures so familiar you've forgotten their worth.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Control is overrated. Even when you think you have it, surprises still happen. Today you'll discover the relief in letting go. It's not about surrendering your power, but refusing to waste it in places it can't do much.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Authority will be shown in ways outside of rank or title. Sometimes the most influential voice in the room belongs to the one who listens the most carefully. Your steady at-

ention changes dynamics, quietly shifting the direction of the group.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Memory is unreliable. It edits, changing the meaning. It exaggerates, inspiring unhelpful takes. It plums erases. But what remains is often what matters most: the feeling. Your body recalls things your mind doesn't. Trust sensation as much as story.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There's wisdom in boredom. When nothing entertains you, your mind starts to wander. Out of the lull comes brilliant connections and ideas. So don't be afraid of gaps. They are incubation chambers for your next adventure.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 22). Welcome to your Year of Secret Doors. What seems ordinary opens to a whole new world. A casual chat turns into an extremely fortu-

itous relationship, a short trip changes your life. More highlights: A clever pivot starts new streams of income. You'll be someone's most inspiring muse, then use what you learn to create masterpieces. You'll bond with a furry companion or marvel at creatures in the wild. Pisces and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 16, 25, 33 and 44.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Deepak Chopra has launched a digital wellness experience — a virtual Zen garden where users can engage in meditative quests and immersive spiritual practice. Born on the cusp of Libra and Scorpio, Chopra has influences in both signs, with his natal sun in Libra and Venus in Scorpio.

Write Holiday Mathis at HolidayMathis.com.



**DR. KEITH ROACH**  
To Your Good Health

## New practitioner advises 70-year-olds to stop low-dose aspirin

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** My wife and I are both healthy and in our 70s. At 5 feet, 9 inches tall, we are both at a reasonable weight. Our yearly blood panels always come back with good results. We both take Lipitor. We play pickleball, walk and ride bikes on a regular basis. We don't smoke and enjoy wine in moderation. There is no history on either side of our families of heart disease.

Our question is this: For about two decades, our primary care provider had us take daily low-dose aspirin. He recently retired and sold his practice. Now our new practitioner has recommended that we no longer need to take the daily aspirin as the medical opinions regarding its use has changed. What are your thoughts regarding low-dose aspirin? — R.Y.

**ANSWER:** The consensus on the use of aspirin to prevent heart disease has changed with the publication of new studies. We have long known that aspirin reduces heart disease risk but also raises the risk of serious bleeding. For many years, the data supported the use of aspirin in prevention for men who are at a moderate risk.

However, three large trials were published in 2018 showing that aspirin probably causes significant bleeding more than it prevents heart attacks in most people without known heart disease. In your specific age group of over 70, the only randomized trial showed that aspirin did not reduce the risk of heart attack, stroke or death but did increase the risk of serious bleeding. (The risk was small, an increase in about two people per thousand who had "major hemorrhage" per year of the study.) Your new practitioner is following evidence-based guidelines about aspirin.

I don't think that aspirin has suddenly lost its power. As the risk of heart disease and death has decreased, largely due to better blood pressure control and the widespread use of statin medications in people who are at an increased risk, aspirin's benefits are less, but its risks are the same. I almost never start my patients who are over 70 on aspirin to prevent heart disease; however, I do use aspirin in my patients who have existing heart disease.

I have some patients whose risk for heart disease is so high that I treat them as though they have heart disease, even if I haven't proven it through an angiogram or another study. In these cases, I discuss my rationale and recommendations with the patient.

Because of this, I do not recommend stopping aspirin without discussing with your doctor. Because you are both in your 70s and apparently at a low risk, it sounds like your new practitioner is right on the mark.

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** What causes the common cold? — A.M.H.

**ANSWER:** Viruses cause the common cold, but there are many viruses that can do so. The most common are the human rhinoviruses, which account for over half of colds. Non-COVID coronaviruses, parainfluenza viruses, adenoviruses and enteroviruses may all cause an illness that looks and feels exactly like a cold.

Even though influenza and a cold can usually be told apart (flu usually has a higher fever, a sudden onset, muscle aches, and an overall higher severity), sometimes young, healthy people can have a flu that seems like a cold. This is why it's important to stay away from people when you have a cold as you might be spreading something that can be quite serious to a person who is older, has a chronic illness, or has something wrong with their immune system.

## DEAR ANNIE

# Keeping the peace at Thanksgiving



**BY ANNIE LANE**

**Dear Annie:** Every year, Thanksgiving turns into a tug-of-war in my family. My siblings and I all live within driving distance of our parents, but the holiday always comes with arguments about who's hosting, who's cooking and which in-laws get priority. This year feels worse than ever. My sister insists that everyone come to her house, but my brother refuses because of something she said last year. My parents just want peace but are too afraid to pick sides. I want us all together, but I also dread another holiday full of tension, whispered complaints and people leaving early in a huff. How do I keep Thanksgiving from turning into a battlefield without feeling like the referee? — Weary Turkey

**Dear Weary:** You are not the

United Nations. Stop trying to broker world peace at the dinner table. Thanksgiving should be about gratitude, not grudge-holding. Let each adult take responsibility for their own choices; if they don't want to come, that's on them. You can host with warmth, set clear boundaries and refuse to play referee. Invite everyone, but don't twist arms. Whoever shows up gets your best stuffing and your best self. Whoever stays away will miss the pumpkin pie and

maybe realize next year that family drama isn't worth more than family.

**Dear Annie:** I love my family, but every gathering turns into a drama. My mother criticizes my sister, my sister snaps back and before long I'm stuck in the middle trying to keep the peace. I leave these visits emotionally drained and sometimes wonder why I keep showing up. I don't want to cut ties, but I also don't want to spend every weekend refereeing arguments that have nothing to do with me. How do I set boundaries with my family without becoming the "bad guy"? — Tired of the Drama

**Dear Tired of the Drama:** The only role you are required to play in this family production is yourself. You are not the referee, mediator or emotional punching bag. The health-

iest boundary you can set is simply this: "I will not stay in the middle."

When the arguments start, excuse yourself. Step outside, clear dishes or politely say, "I am not getting involved." It may feel awkward at first, but you will be amazed at how quickly people stop dragging you in once they realize you will not play along.

Boundaries do not make you the bad guy. They make you a healthier, calmer version of yourself. You can still love your family while refusing to absorb their conflicts. Love does not mean sacrificing your peace. It means protecting it so you have something real to offer when the dust settles.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to [dearannie@creators.com](mailto:dearannie@creators.com).

## HINTS FROM HELOISE

### TRY THIS EASY WAY TO OPEN CANS

**Dear Heloise:** Recently, I watched a flight attendant open up cans using a credit card under the tab. After I returned home, I had a black bean can to open and tried using the credit card to pull the tab up. No broken fingernail or sore fingers! I would guess that people who have arthritis would find this to be an easy way to open cans. — D.B., via email

### SEND A GREAT HINT TO: Heloise@Heloise.com

### MISSING KEY FOB

**Dear Heloise:** I was having trouble remembering to take my key fob when I left home until my husband put a safety pin on my fob. I just pin the fob to my blouse or other garment (or inside a pocket). I never forget my key fob now. I hope this will help some other forgetful person. — Shirlene B., in Arkansas

### A HAIRDRESSER'S PLEA

**Dear Heloise:** I've been a hairdresser for over 18 years, and there are a few things that I'd like to remind women of when they make an appointment at a beauty salon. First, this is not a hobby; it's a job. It's how I pay my bills and feed my kids. I work hard and stand on my feet all day. So, please remember:



**BY HELOISE**

appointment. My next client is sitting in the waiting area, and it's not fair to keep them waiting. Thank you. — Diana T., in Arizona

### WEIGHT LOSS WOES

**Dear Heloise:** Since I am on a low-carb, low-sugar diet, jellies and jams are off-limits to me. But once in a while, a guy has to have a peanut butter and jelly (or jam) sandwich. Peanut butter on a non-carb tortilla is OK. For my fruit spread, I take several frozen blackberries and thaw them out in the microwave. If they aren't sweet enough, I add a teaspoon of monk fruit and artificial sweetener. It is very satisfying and has few carbs. — Uncle Johnny, via email

### DEHUMIDIFYING

**Dear Heloise:** If you live in a humid climate and are building or remodeling a house that has pocket doors, you may want to make sure that the pocket is sealed against outside air. I live in a house without such sealing, and moist air blows past the pocket door and raises the humidity in a 300-square-foot room to 75%.

A dehumidifier, which lowers the humidity to 40%, removes 2 gallons of water a day from the air and has been doing so daily for over a week. — Ron S., in Charlottesville, Virginia

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Rating: GOLD

Solution to 10/21/25

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## TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Black Panthers co-founder Bobby Seale is 89. Actor Christopher Lloyd is 87. Actor Derek Jacobi is 87. Actor Catherine Deneuve is 82. Physician and author Deepak Chopra is 79. Actor Jeff Goldblum is 73. Actor-comedian Bob Odenkirk is 63. Olympic gold medal figure skater Brian Boitano is 62. Country singer Shelby Lynne is 57. Reggae deejay and singer Shaggy is 57. Film director Spike Jonze is 56. Argentine President Javier Milei is 55. Former MLB All-Star Ichiro Suzuki is 52. Actor Jesse Tyler Ferguson is 50. Actor Corey Hawkins is 37. Actor Jonathan Lipnicki is 35. Rapper 21 Savage is 33. Rapper Roddy Ricch is 27.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 22, the 295th day of 2025. There are 70 days left in the year.

On Oct. 22, 2012, cyclist Lance Armstrong was formally stripped of his seven Tour de France victories and received a lifetime ban from Olympic sports after the International Cycling Union chose not to appeal doping charges against Armstrong by the United States Anti-Doping Agency.

In 1836, Sam Houston was inaugurated as the first elected president of the Republic of Texas, which earned its independence from Mexico that year in a military rebellion.

In 1934, bank robber Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd was shot to death by federal agents and local police at a farm near East Liverpool, Ohio.

In 1962, in a nationally televised address, President John F. Kennedy revealed the presence of Soviet missile bases under construction in Cuba and announced a naval blockade of all offensive military equipment shipped to Cuba.

In 1968, Apollo 7, the first crewed mission of NASA's Apollo space program, returned safely from Earth orbit, splashing down in the Atlantic Ocean.

In 2014, a gunman shot and killed a soldier standing guard at a war memorial in Ottawa, then stormed the Canadian Parliament building before he himself was shot and killed.

In 2016, the Chicago Cubs won their first pennant since 1945, beating the Los Angeles Dodgers in Game 6 of the National League Championship Series. (The Cubs would go on to beat Cleveland in the World Series in seven games, their first series championship since 1908.)



**A Soviet woman pushes a shopping cart past a nearly empty refrigerator and shelves at a local general food store on Oct. 22, 1990. The Supreme Soviet passed an embattled economic reform endorsed by President Gorbachev.**

Associated Press