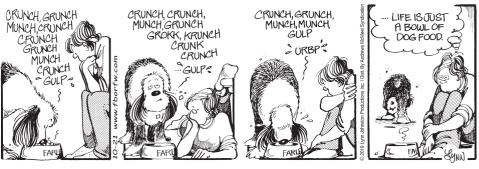
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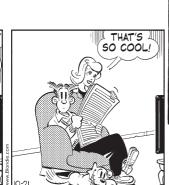
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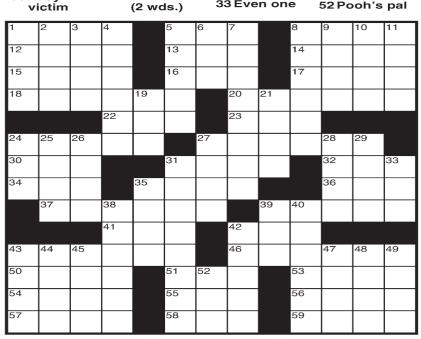




NEA Crossword Puzzle

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5 Mr. Spade	42 Truth's
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12 Not	43 Weapon
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13 Spy org.	46 Official
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shaped	50 Bread u
15 Costa —	51 Nest eg
16 "Thrilla	letters
in Manila"	53 Aha!
boxer	(2 wds.)
17 Waiter's	54 Subtle g
handout	55 Denials
18 More nasty	56 Egyptia
20 Closer	solar de
22 Last letter	57 Prickly
23 June	sensatio
honoree	58 Tibetan
24 Adjust	gazelle
slightly	59 Register
27 Detain	Saregiste
30 Curve	
31 River in	DOWN
Russia	1 Crocus
32——	"bulb"
matter	2 Pierre's
of fact	girl
34 Glass	3 Not elite
container	4 Verse
35 Minor	5 Spook
setback	6 Have a
36 Hosp.	cough
staffer	7 Primary
37 Church	road
part	through
39 Easy	town
00 Lusy	

	Answer to Previous Puzzle
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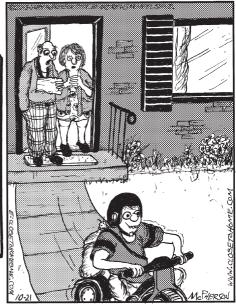
LUNCH!

6r=6 +MORT WALKER

BUY ME



"I'M SKIPPING YOUR FAMILY REUNION, LORETTA ... I'M ALLERGIC TO NUTS."



'Man, that's despicable! Hiring a 5-yearold to deliver a subpoena?!"

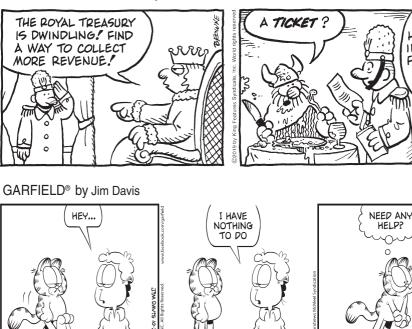
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MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019 Being observant will help you gain insight into the trends that are happening this year. Preparation will turn into progress as doors begin to open and lead to your next adventure. Don't hesitate to follow your heart and intuition. Don't dwell on what's past; live in the moment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) --You can dodge a bullet if you refrain from sharing your opinion. Listen, learn and choose your battles wisely. Don't waste time on a dead-end project; focus on what's new and exciting

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) - Discuss your thoughts and feelings. It's important that the people you are dealing with know your plans if you want to get the support you need to be successful.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Insincerity is apparent when dealing with matters that concern money, settlements and expectations. Don't dismiss your intuition. If some-

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Opening lead: ¥ 4

<u>Astrograph</u> thing doesn't seem right, ask you go about your business questions. Stay in charge and

avoid being manipulated. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Don't start your day on the wrong foot. Put emotional negativity on the back burner and embrace the things that can bring you the rewards you desire. Choose love over discord.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) - You can waste time arguing, or you can focus on making personal gains, expanding your interests and contributing to something worthwhile. Maintain a positive attitude.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) - Don't stir up trouble or take part in someone else's chaos. You'll make gains if you use ingenuity when handling your finances, approaching your responsibilities and taking care of your health. ARIES (March 21-April 19) --

Get on board and make things happen. Don't leave your future in someone else's hands. Pitch in and be a part of the process. Your contribution matters.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) --A change someone makes may not sit well with you, but if

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and do your own thing, you will feel satisfied with your accomplishments. Keep the peace.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If someone questions you, offer only what's necessary. Remain in control and protect yourself against theft. Be smart and equitable.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Share your stories, dreams and intentions with a loved one. The insight and thoughtfulness you get in return will help you bring your plans to the forefront. Romance is featured.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) --Broaden your horizons, learn all you can, build your stamina and endurance, and prepare for inevitable changes. Don't be fooled by someone using temptation or manipulation to lead you astray.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) --Listen and learn. The information you pick up will help you mold your ideas and strengths into something beneficial. A positive change is heading your way. Romance is accentuated.

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READ THE LEAD TO PLACE THE CARDS

Groucho Marx said, "I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book.

At the bridge table, both declarer and third hand should try to read the lead -- work out what the opening leader has in the suit he chose. Usually, for one of those two players the light will go on, and the information will help that player to make or break the contract.

This week, let's look at some example deals. First, how should South plan the play in five spades after West leads the heart four?

When South responds one spade, North counts his losers. With seven, he would raise to two spades; with six losers. he would jump to three spades; and, as here, with only five losers

(two spades, one heart and two clubs), he can bid game. Then South uses Blackwood and stops in five spades when he learns that two aces are missing.

What can South deduce about the heart four?

If a defender leads a spot-card in dummy's long side suit, it is almost certain to be a singleton. The rare alternative is that he has so many cards in that suit, he is hoping partner can either ruff now or on the second round of that suit.) So, here, declarer should realize that if he immediately attacks trumps. the defenders will probably

take two aces and a heart ruff. Instead, South should first cash dummy's diamond winners and discard his second heart. Then, when East tries to give his partner a ruff, declarer can ruff high.