

DAILY COMICS FOR

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2026

REALITY CHECK

FAMILY CIRCUS



THE END OF SUMMER IS NIGH!

PUMPKIN SPICE LATTE

WHAM! 8-28

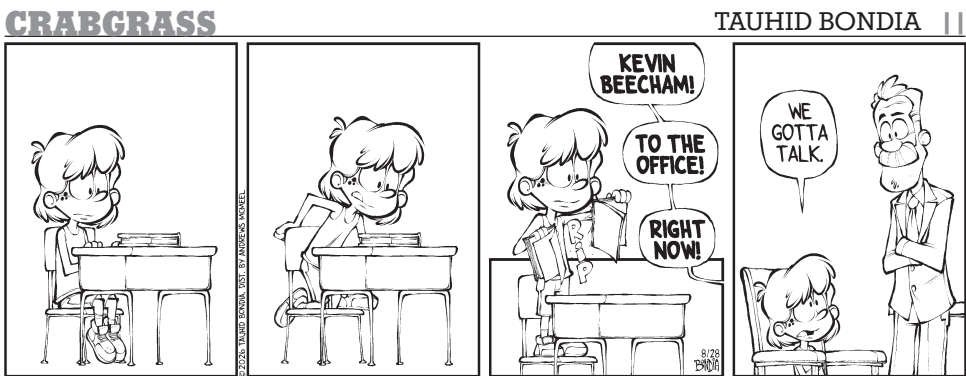
I DON'T GIVE A FROPPY



By Bil Keane

8-28

"My dad's into recycling. When he hears a joke, he likes to tell it over and over."



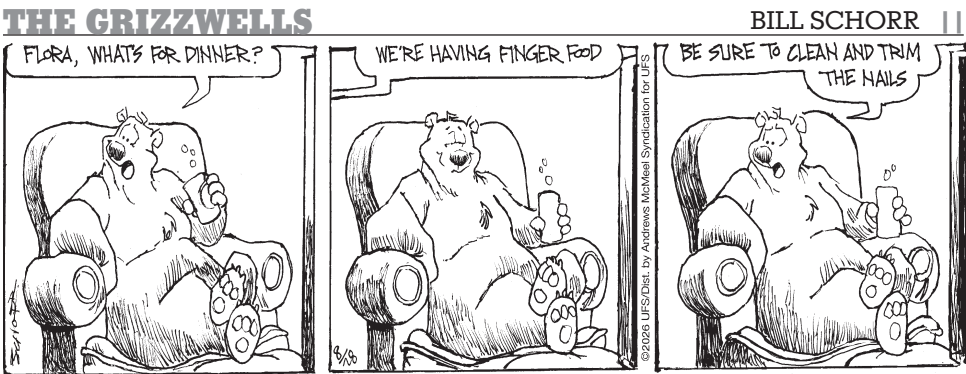
TAUHID BONDIA

KEVIN BEECHAM!

TO THE OFFICE!

RIGHT NOW!

WE GOTTA TALK.



BILL SCHORR

FLORA, WHAT'S FOR DINNER?

WE'RE HAVING FINGER FOOD.

BE SURE TO CLEAN AND TRIM THE NAILS.



JIM MEDDICK

AH, YES! BACK TO SCHOOL TIME ONCE AGAIN!

CLASSMATES WILL NO DOUBT SPECULATE WILDLY ABOUT MY SUMMER ADVENTURES ONCE THEY SEE MY TAN...

I LOOK FORWARD TO CATCHING UP WITH TH' OL' GANG AT THE ACADEMY...

YOUR... YOUR TAN, SIR?

YES... SEE THESE PINK AREAS... ON MY EARLOBE AND LEFT CALE... WHERE AUNTIE NEW! MISSED SLATHERING ON PRESCRIPTION SUNBLOCK DURING OUR JAUNT TO LAKE GENEVA?



DAN THOMPSON

YOU CALLED FOR ME, BOSS?

YES, I HAVE A PROBLEM, MUG.

I WANT YOU TO KEEP AN EYE ON THE MAN WHO JUST LEFT.

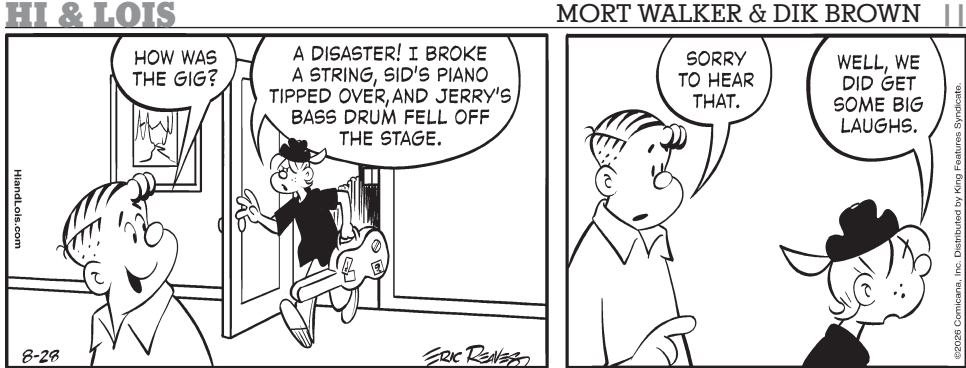
WANT ME TO SEND HIM A MESSAGE?

GUYS LIKE HIM... HE'D SEND YOU BACK POSTAGE DUE.

I'LL SHOW HER. THEN SHE'LL KNOW I'M A MAN WORTHY OF HER LOVE.

WOULD YOU STOP READING THOSE HARLEQUIN ROMANCES, MUG?

I'LL READ WHAT I WANT!



HI & LOIS

MORT WALKER & DIK BROWN

HOW WAS THE GIG?

A DISASTER! I BROKE A STRING, SID'S PIANO TIPPED OVER, AND JERRY'S BASS DRUM FELL OFF THE STAGE.

SORRY TO HEAR THAT.

WELL, WE DID GET SOME BIG LAUGHS.



HEART OF THE CITY

MARK TATULLI

I REALLY LIKE YOUR DAD. I AM SEEING SOME NEW SIDES TO HIM THIS WEEKEND.

BUT I THINK YOU BEING SO UPFRONT WITH HIM WAS THE RIGHT THING TO DO!

I ALWAYS TELL HIM WHEN HE'S WRONG. IT'S SUPER SATISFYING!

IT DID FEEL REALLY GOOD TO SAY ALL THOSE THINGS TO HIM.

BEING RIGHT IS THE BEST!!



FRANK AND ERNEST

BOB THAVES

ATLANTIS PLUMBING

WELL, SOMETHING'S UP! THAT'S THE TENTH FLOODED BASEMENT CALL I'VE BEEN ON TODAY!



THE BORN LOSER

ART SAMSON

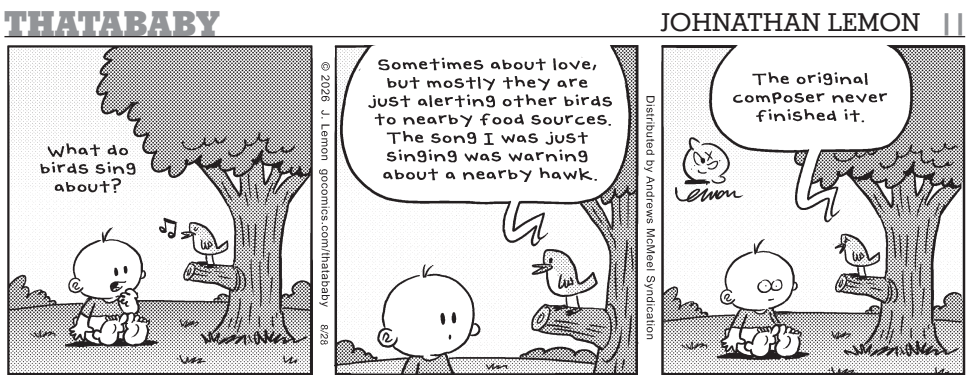
HEY, BRUTUS! LONG TIME, NO SEE!

HI, JERRY! HOW'S WORK GOING?

THIS IS MY BEST WEEK ALL YEAR!

LAND A BIG SALE?

NOPE... I'M ON VACATION!



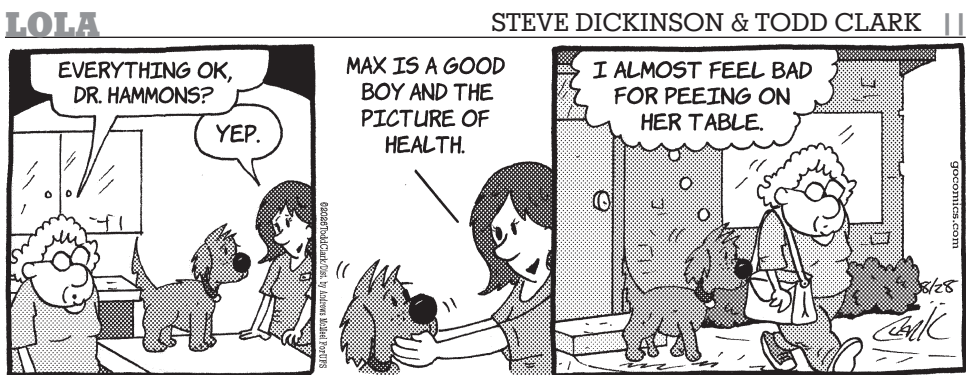
THATABABY

JOHNATHAN LEMON

What do birds sing about?

Sometimes about love, but mostly they are just alerting other birds to nearby food sources. The song I was just singing was warning about a nearby hawk.

The original composer never finished it.



LOLA

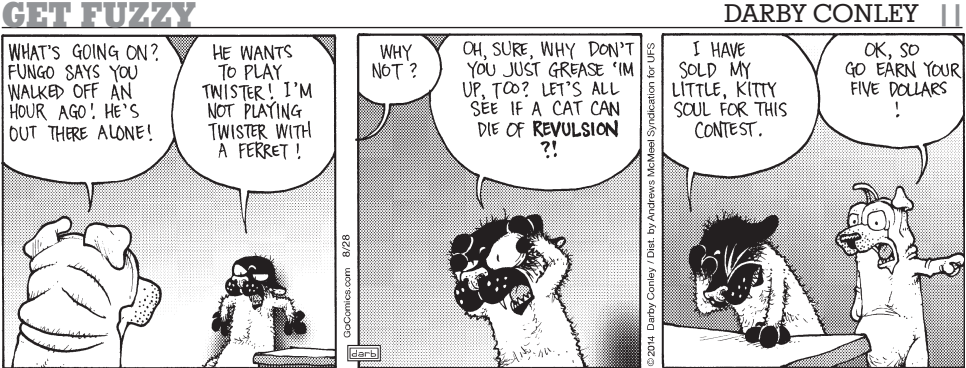
STEVE DICKINSON & TODD CLARK

EVERYTHING OK, DR. HAMMONS?

YEP.

MAX IS A GOOD BOY AND THE PICTURE OF HEALTH.

I ALMOST FEEL BAD FOR PEEING ON HER TABLE.



GET FUZZY

DARBY CONLEY

WHAT'S GOING ON? FUNGO SAYS YOU WALKED OFF AN HOUR AGO! HE'S OUT THERE ALONE!

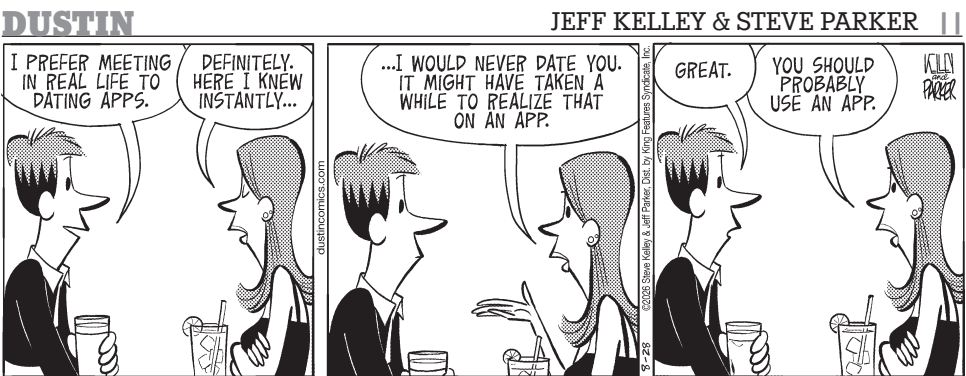
HE WANTS TO PLAY TWISTER! I'M NOT PLAYING TWISTER WITH A FERRET!

WHY NOT?

OH, SURE. WHY DON'T YOU JUST GREASE 'IM UP, TOO? LET'S ALL SEE IF A CAT CAN DIE OF REVULSION?!

I HAVE SOLD MY LITTLE, KITTY SOUL FOR THIS CONTEST.

OK, SO GO EARN YOUR FIVE DOLLARS!



DUSTIN

JEFF KELLEY & STEVE PARKER

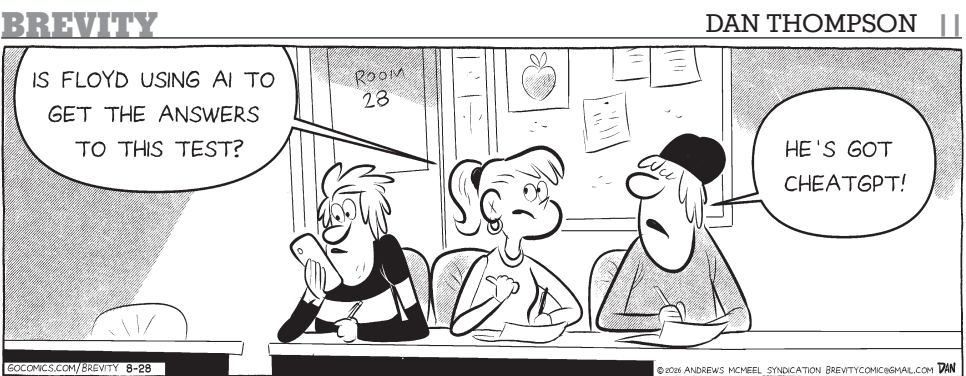
I PREFER MEETING IN REAL LIFE TO DATING APPS.

DEFINITELY. HERE I KNEW INSTANTLY...

...I WOULD NEVER DATE YOU. IT MIGHT HAVE TAKEN A WHILE TO REALIZE THAT ON AN APP.

GREAT.

YOU SHOULD PROBABLY USE AN APP.

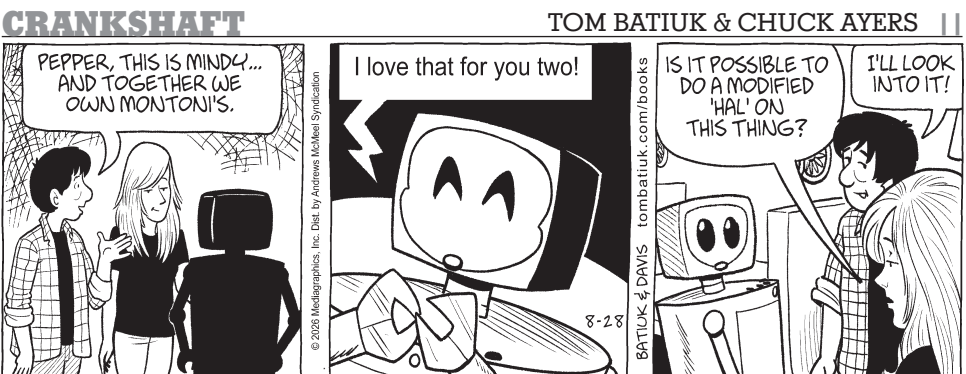


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DAN THOMPSON

IS FLOYD USING AI TO GET THE ANSWERS TO THIS TEST?

HE'S GOT CHEATGPT!



CRANKSHAFT

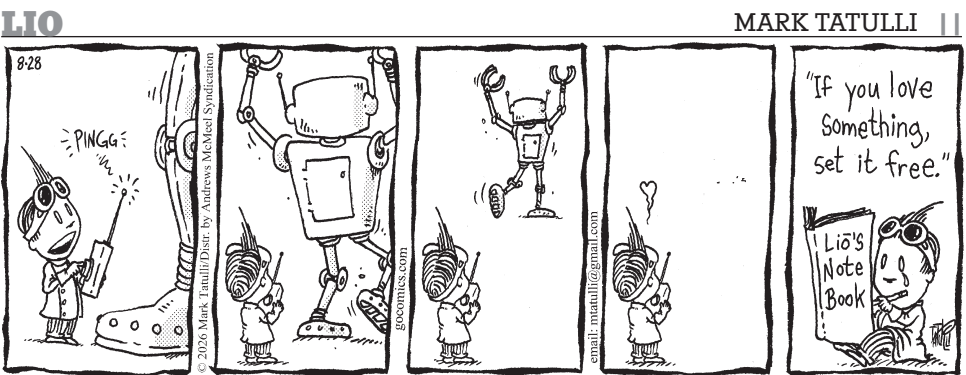
TOM BATIUK & CHUCK AYERS

PEPPER, THIS IS MINDY... AND TOGETHER WE OWN MONTONIS.

I love that for you two!

IS IT POSSIBLE TO DO A MODIFIED 'HAL' ON THIS THING?

I'LL LOOK INTO IT!



LIO

MARK TATULLI

"If you love something, set it free."



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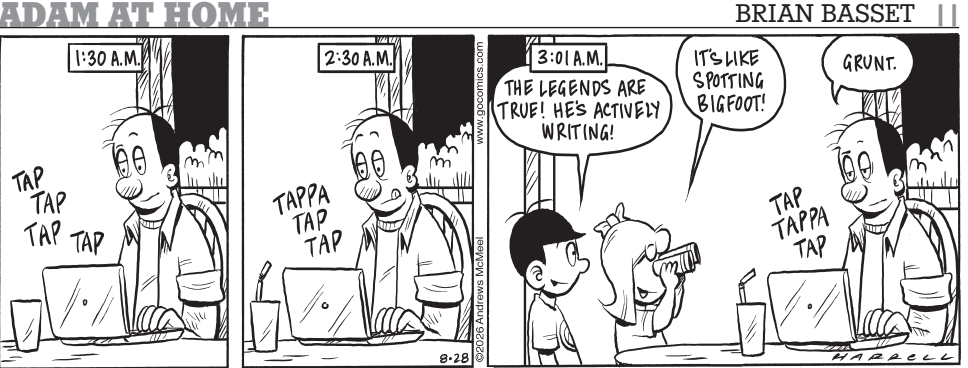
JEFF CORRIVEAU

EVERYBODY IS ALL ABOUT "DECLUTTERING" THESE DAYS. WELL, NOT ME.

I JUST AVOID CLUTTER TO BEGIN WITH. I ONLY FILL MY LIFE WITH THE THINGS I NEED. NOTHING MORE.

DIDN'T YOU JUST BUY A 20-PACK OF NOVELTY GUACAMOLE SOCKS?

HELLO! WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO WHEN ALL MY PIZZA SOCKS ARE IN THE WASH??



ADAM AT HOME

BRIAN BASSET

1:30 A.M.

2:30 A.M.

3:01 A.M.

IT'S LIKE SPOTTING BIGFOOT!

GRUNT.



ZITS

JERRY SCOTT & JIM BORGMAN

JEREMY, YOUR DAD AND I HAVE BEEN REVIEWING YOUR S.A.T. RESULTS.

WE DON'T EXPECT YOU TO GET A PERFECT SCORE.

AND WE DON'T EXPECT YOU TO GET INTO HARVARD.

BUT YOU NEED TO TAKE THE TEST AGAIN.

WHY? I'VE MET ALL OF YOUR EXPECTATIONS.



CUL DE SAC

RICHARD THOMPSON

Okay, guys and gal! I really like what you did with your daily diary comics! Now let's bump it up a notch!

I want you to do some real life reportage! You need to go out in the real world, observe something closely, and do a great comic about it!

And make this a personal statement! Keep it honest, authentic and grounded in the gritty reality of a modern eight-year-old's life!

So we have to go outside to do this?

My sister's room is gritty as a coal mine. Can I do my report thing there?

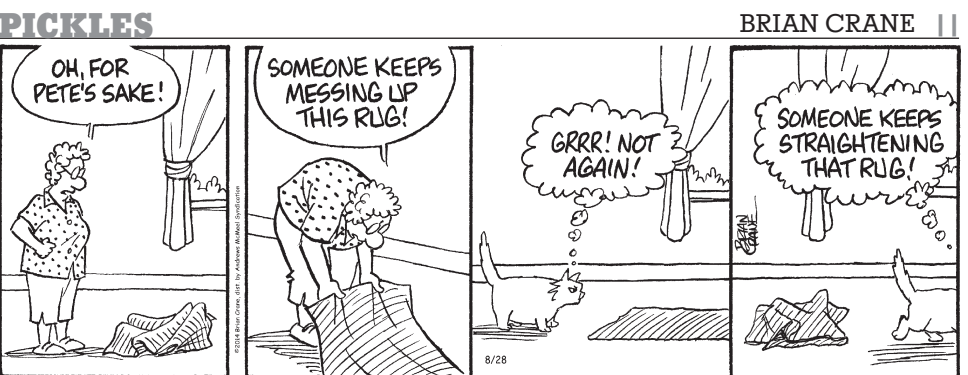


ARLO AND JANIS

JIMMY JOHNSON

YOU DO KNOW THE HEAT INDEX IS 112??

THERE'S SOMETHING ICKY ABOUT WATCHING TV IF YOU DON'T WANT TO!



PICKLES

BRIAN CRANE

OH, FOR PETE'S SAKE!

SOMEONE KEEPS MESSING UP THIS RUG!

GRRR! NOT AGAIN!

SOMEONE KEEPS STRAIGHTENING THAT RUG!



BABY BLUES

RICK KIRKMAN & JERRY SCOTT

MOM SAID YOU'RE THINKING ABOUT BEING THE BAD GIRL AT SCHOOL.

MAN, BE.

BUT YOU'LL STILL GET STRAIGHT A'S AND HAVE PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

OF COURSE.

THEN WHAT'S ACTUALLY "BAD" ABOUT YOU?

I'M WEARING MY TUESDAY UNDERWEAR ON A FRIDAY.