

DAILY COMICS FOR

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2026

REALITY CHECK

FAMILY CIRCUS

BAH! THERE AREN'T ANY NECK BOLTS! THEY ALWAYS SHORT YOU THE NECK BOLTS!

By Bil Keane

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CRABGRASS

TAUHID BONDIA

HEY! LOOK AT YOU! YOU DON'T NEED TO GET ALL DRESSED UP.

I NEVER GET TO HANG OUT WITH ADULTS, SO I THOUGHT, WHY NOT TRY A LITTLE BIT?

HEY, BABE. CHECK OUT JANINE, ALL DRESSED-

GO CHANGE. WELL, I GUESS I'LL GO CHANGE!

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THE GRIZZWELLS

BILL SCHORR

I THINK INSTEAD OF PEOPLE BEING MAD AT EACH OTHER, THEY SHOULD LISTEN TO WHAT THE OTHER SIDE SAYS AND REACH COMMON GROUND

GOOD IDEA...

THAT WAY YOU CAN LULL THEM INTO A FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY AND THEN DESTROY THEM

NOT WHAT I MEANT

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MONTY

JIM MEDDICK

DID YOU BY ANY CHANCE INJECT HELIUM INTO A PING-PONG BALL?

NEXT TIME, I'VE GOTTA BE NEATER COVERING UP TH' LIL' HOLE WITH CAULK.

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RIP HAYWIRE

DAN THOMPSON

I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE STEALING GOLD FROM STARLIGHT'S FORT KNOX, COBRA!

RELAX, MUG.

JUST ENOUGH TO FRAME RIP AND BREEZY TO MAKE THEM WANTED, AND MAKE HIM A DISGRACE IN THE HERO BIZ...

RIP WILL BE SO BUSY RUNNING FROM THE LAW THAT HE WON'T HAVE TIME TO WORRY ABOUT STOPPING ALL THE CORRUPTION IN STARLIGHT.

SMILE FOR THE CAMERA, MUG.

CHEESE.

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HI & LOIS

MORT WALKER & DIK BROWN

THERE WAS THE "GREATEST GENERATION."

AND THE "BABY BOOMERS."

ALL WE GET IS A LETTER OF THE ALPHABET.

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HEART OF THE CITY

MARK TATULLI

ENOUGH FIGHTING! THIS IS GOING NOWHERE. DANA, YOU CAN DIRECT "A CHORUS LINE."

HEART, YOU'LL DIRECT WHATEVER WE DO AFTER THAT.

GREAT! WHAT'S THE NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS?

WITH "A CHORUS LINE", TECHNICALLY, YOU'LL HAVE TO AUDITION FOR THE ADDITION.

HA! GOOD MUSICAL THEATER JOKE. I FORGIVE YOU FOR BEING UNREASONABLE EARLIER.

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FRANK AND ERNEST

BOB THAVES

COME TAKE A LOOK AT THIS, SAM... AND TRY TO KEEP A STRAIGHT FACE.

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THE BORN LOSER

ART SAMSON

CHIEF, IF YOU DON'T MIND, I'M GOING TO TAKE A SHORT WALK,

I NEED TO CLEAR MY HEAD, SO I CAN THINK STRAIGHT.

FORGET THE SHORT WALK, YOU BETTER PLAN ON A MARATHON!

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THATABABY

JOHNATHAN LEMON

HEY, YOU GOT THE TIME?

IT'S BETWEEN NOON AND 6 P.M.

NOW WE'RE EVEN.

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LOLA

STEVE DICKINSON & TODD CLARK

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO WATCH, LOLA?

ANYTHING WITHOUT SEX, VIOLENCE OR FOUL LANGUAGE.

ANOTHER NIGHT OF WATCHING MR. BUBBLES.

YEP.

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GET FUZZY

DARBY CONLEY

SO THE POLICE JUST CALLED. THEY PICKED UP MAC MANIC M-MANX ON THE HIGHWAY.

I DIDN'T KNOW THEY HELPED OUT HITCHHIKERS. PROPS TO THE COPS.

THEY'RE NOT DRIVING HIM TO CALIFORNIA, BUCKY. THEY'RE HEARD BACK HERE.

WELL, THAT'S JUST SILLY. I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT THE POLICE HAD ALL KINDS OF GOD MAPS.

THEY ALSO TOLD ME THAT HE HAS MY CREDIT CARD.

SEE?! AND YOU TOLD ME THAT I DIDN'T TAKE CARE OF HIM!

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DUSTIN

JEFF KELLEY & STEVE PARKER

I JUST GOT AN APP THAT GOES THROUGH ALL MY SUBSCRIPTIONS...

...AND FLAGS THE STUFF I'M PAYING FOR BUT PROBABLY FORGOT.

HAS IT FOUND ANYTHING YOU CAN GET RID OF?

TOTALLY. I HAD THREE OTHER APPS THAT FLAG SUBSCRIPTIONS.

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BREVITY

DAN THOMPSON

I'M TIRED OF THESE FLOCK CAMERAS TRACKING MY MOVEMENTS.

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CRANKSHAFT

TOM BATIUK & CHUCK AYERS

THIS IS IT? NOTHING MORE?

NOPE... THAT'S ALL I COULD FIT IN THE CAR!

IT'S SUCH A BEAUTIFUL FALL DAY THAT I COULDN'T RESIST STOPPING TO PICK UP SOME APPLE CIDER!

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LIO

MARK TATULLI

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CYRIL!

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DEFLOCKED

JEFF CORRIVEAU

MY LOVE LIFE IS A DISASTER. I JUST SPENT THE LAST TEN MINUTES TALKING TO SOME CHICK BY THE DOOR, UNTIL I REALIZED SHE WAS A MANNEQUIN.

YOU MEAN THAT GIRL OVER THERE, TALKING AND LAUGHING WITH THAT GUY?

WAIT -- MANNEQUINS ARE REAL ???!!!!

"DISASTER" MIGHT NOT BE STRONG ENOUGH.

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ADAM AT HOME

BRIAN BASSET

THIS STORM IS WILD!

I KNOW! DID YOU SEE THE LIGHTS FLICKER?

I DID! IT- =BLINK=

WHOA. WHAT NOW?

WE JUST SIT TIGHT AND-

WE HAVE TO EAT ALL OF THE ICE CREAM, NOW!!

I'M IN.

ADAM.

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ZITS

JERRY SCOTT & JIM BORGMAN

THE MIGRATORY SEASON IS UPON US.

UPON YOU, SPECIFICALLY!

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CUL DE SAC

RICHARD THOMPSON

You popped my back-pack!

Good thing I always keep a sharpened pencil handy for eviscerating vampires.

EVISCEERATING VAMPIRES?? You sound like Ernesto!

ERNESTO? HA! He's not the imaginary one. Petey Potterpoop. You are!

Plus, you're UNIMAGINABLE!

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ARLO AND JANIS

JIMMY JOHNSON

YES, I THINK I MIGHT JUST LIKE OL' YOGI!

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PICKLES

BRIAN CRANE

EARL!

HAVE YOU BEEN USING MY SPECIAL ENERGIZING AND VOLUMIZING SHAMPOO AND CONDITIONER??

THE BOTTLE WAS FULL YESTERDAY AND NOW IT'S HALF GONE!

WHAT MAKES YOU THINK IT WAS ME?

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BABY BLUES

RICK KIRKMAN & JERRY SCOTT

CAN YOU TEACH ME HOW TO THROW A WATER BALLOON?

OKAY.

FIRST YOU BRING YOUR ARM BACK LIKE THIS...

I WASN'T FINISHED.

I'M A FAST LEARNER.

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