

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.

“ W E M D E P F V Y D B P R M V X B F R V M C P .
G C Y J Z B Y V M Y Z B Y ? J D I C P Y Z B K D
L D X P D K D X B F U D B F H B G V K D B W W
U V F M E H D F U D E F V C X P D W K D P . ”
— I B X E D U C X E D

Previous Solution: “I do try to have privacy ... I try to be honest to who I am when I am in public, but I also try to keep things for myself.” — Zendaya

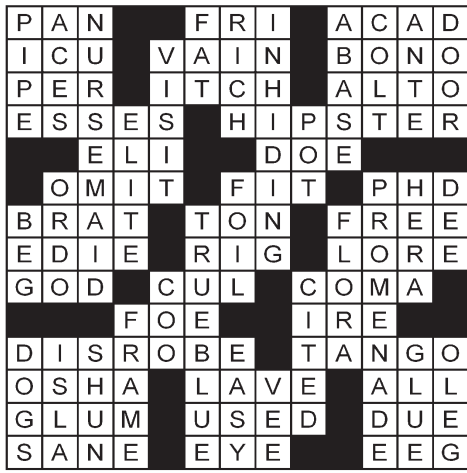
TODAY'S CLUE: *H sijnbe X*

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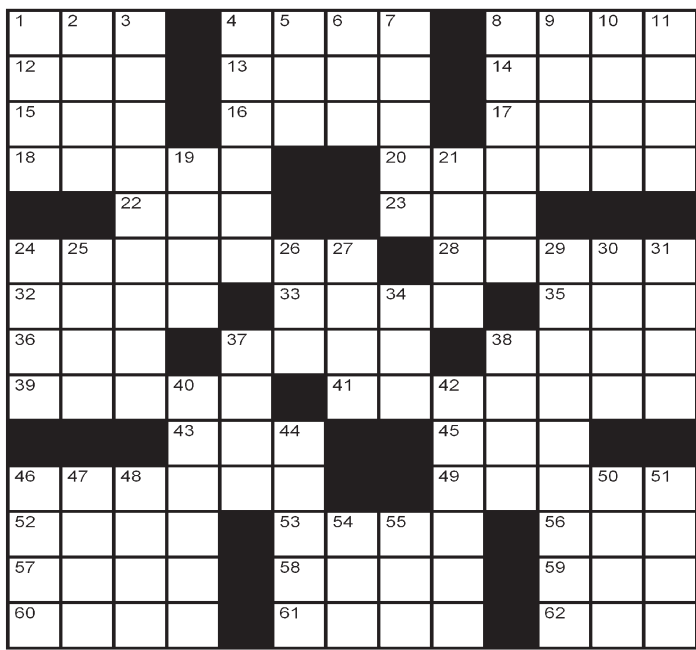
- ACROSS**
- 1 Suitable
 - 4 Unfreeze
 - 8 Strike with a whip
 - 12 Color
 - 13 From the U.S.
 - 14 — podrida
 - 15 Completely
 - 16 Trick
 - 17 Yemen neighbor
 - 18 Sheep's cry
 - 20 Compositions
 - 22 Greek letter
 - 23 Take to court
 - 24 Drive crazy
 - 28 Angry
 - 32 Diving bird
 - 33 Dismounted
 - 35 Holiday drink
 - 36 “— a chance!”
 - 37 Practice boxing
 - 38 Numerical prefix

- 39 Battery terminal
 - 41 Guffawed
 - 43 Domicile (Abbr.)
 - 45 Paid athlete
 - 46 Screenplay
 - 49 Flavoring plants
 - 52 Bread unit
 - 53 French cleric
 - 56 Macaw genus
 - 57 Drop
 - 58 Close tightly
 - 59 Joke
 - 60 Gets hitched
 - 61 Animal group
 - 62 “— of the Tiger”
- DOWN**
- 1 Melville captain
 - 2 Influence
 - 3 Type of camera lens

Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 4 Actor — Sheen
- 5 Down Under bird
- 6 Bandleader — Brown
- 7 Saplings
- 8 Not so tight
- 9 — mater
- 10 Do in
- 11 — Christian Andersen
- 19 Z — zebra
- 21 Hearts or clubs, e.g.
- 24 Arm bone
- 25 Midday
- 26 Opening
- 27 Israel's airline
- 29 City in Alaska
- 30 Big bag
- 31 Mild oath
- 34 Lyricist — Gershwin
- 37 Ooze
- 38 Fairy tale monster
- 40 Goes aimlessly
- 42 Maintained
- 44 Secret supply
- 46 Sluggish
- 47 “Easy —, easy go”
- 48 Foray
- 50 Cry like a donkey
- 51 Wise
- 54 Honey producer
- 55 Saloon



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ASTROGRAPH

By Eugenia Last

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Assess and follow through. Don't leave what's important to you in someone else's hands. Put pressure where pressure is due, and don't be afraid to move forward alone if necessary.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Your vision may be expansive, but when it comes to enforcing modifications, practicality will be necessary. Base the changes you want to implement on the result, and filter out steps that are financially taxing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Dedicate your time to learning, new experiences and committing to a path that motivates you. Don't let frustration set in when directing your energy is what's necessary.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Plan to socialize, network, or market and promote something you want to pursue. The feedback you get will be more reactive than suggestive. Putting your energy into what you feel most passionate about will pay off.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Discipline and hard work will change how you think, live and use your attributes. Choosing to do something you enjoy and turning it into additional income is within reach.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Thoughts followed by actions will give you something to celebrate. Your insight and directness will be appreciated, along with your compassion for those you love.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — A diversion or change of scenery will help you gain a unique perspective regarding your options. Make sure your budget can live up to your demands before you get started.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Don't share unverified information. Ask questions, be observant and base your decisions on facts, figures and having enough time to warrant moving forward with your plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — If you stay tuned in to what you are

trying to achieve, you will accomplish more. Home improvements will give you a new lease on life and help you put a legitimate plan in place that encourages both emotional and financial strength.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Spend less time talking and more time designing and defining how you want your space to accommodate your plans and needs. Focus on things that encourage you to thrive. Romance is on the rise.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Take a back seat, observe, reflect and delineate your thoughts once you have a grasp on what's unfolding around you. Trust your instincts, and be wary of what others say and do.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — A change will energize you. Updating your space or moving to a location that inspires you to bring about positive personal changes will get you moving in the right direction.

DEAR ANNIE

By Annie Lane

Dear Annie: My sister and I have always been close. We grew up sharing clothes, secrets and late-night phone calls, and for years I considered her my best friend. But lately, every conversation with her feels less like a conversation and more like a contest I never signed up to enter.

If I mention that my son made the honor roll, she immediately tells me her daughter's school is much harder. If I say we had a nice family vacation, she reminds me that her trip was more expensive, more adventurous or more “educational.” If I share that I'm tired from work, she is somehow more exhausted. Even when I try to keep things light, she finds a way to compare our children, our marriages, our homes or even how busy we are.

The last straw came at a family dinner when I proudly mentioned that my son had scored a goal in his soccer game. Instead of saying congratulations, she smiled tightly and said, “Well, some kids peak early.” I laughed it off in the moment, but I drove home feeling hurt and embarrassed.

I love my sister and do not want to cut her out of my life. But I am starting to dread talking to her because I leave every interaction feeling smaller instead of supported. How do I protect my peace without creating a family feud? — Tired Of Competing

Dear Tired: Your sister may be turning life into a scoreboard, but you do not have to pick up a pencil. The next time she makes a cutting comparison, calmly say, “I'm not competing with you. I was just sharing something that made me happy.”

Do not argue, defend or try to prove your point. That only keeps the game going. Instead, change the subject

or excuse yourself from the conversation. Over time, share less personal news with her and save your happy moments for the people who know how to cheer without checking the score.

You can love your sister and still protect your peace. Boundaries are not punishments; they are guardrails.

Dear Annie: My sister has always been the dramatic one in the family, but lately every conversation turns into a crisis. She has what I can only describe as catastrophic thinking. If her husband is quiet at dinner, she is convinced the marriage is falling apart. If one of her children gets a bad grade, she talks as if their future is ruined.

When I try to reassure her, she either argues with me or makes the problem even bigger. I love her, but I am exhausted by always

being cast as either the rescuer or the villain.

How do I stay close to my sister without being pulled into every storm? — Weathering the Storm

Dear Weathering the Storm: Your sister may see every drizzle as a hurricane, but you do not have to hand her an umbrella and move into the basement. Be kind, be brief, and say, “I love you, but I can't keep turning every worry into an emergency.”

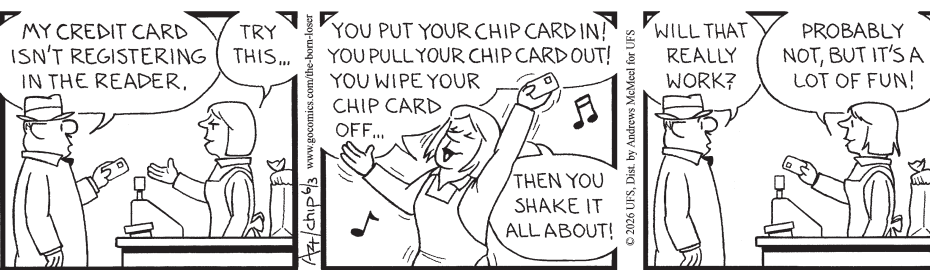
Compassion is lovely, but so are boundaries and a quiet phone.

“Out of Bounds: Estrangement, Boundaries and the Search for Forgiveness” is out now! Annie Lane's third anthology is for anyone who has lived with anger, estrangement or the deep ache of being wronged — because forgiveness isn't for them. It's for you.

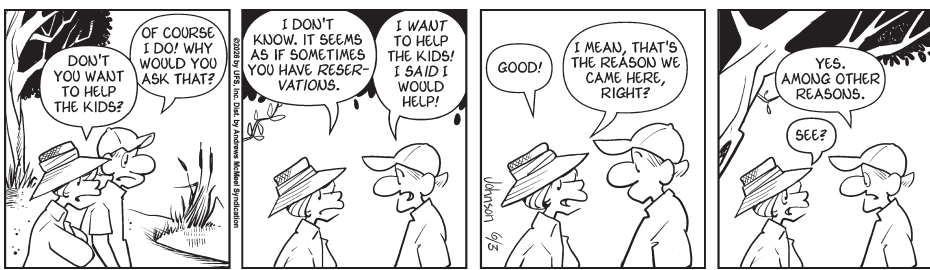
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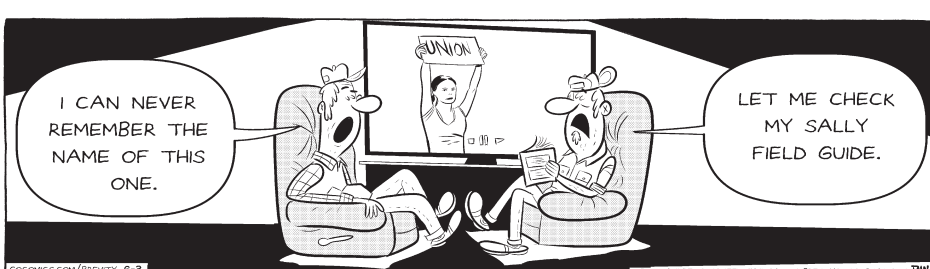
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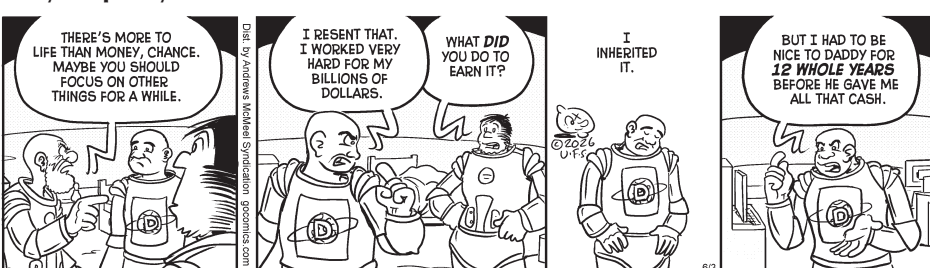
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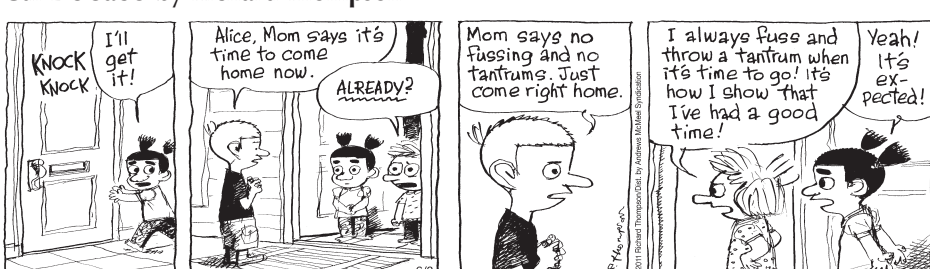
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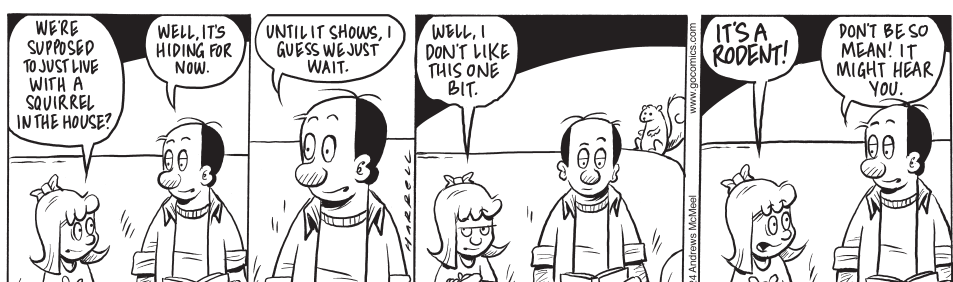
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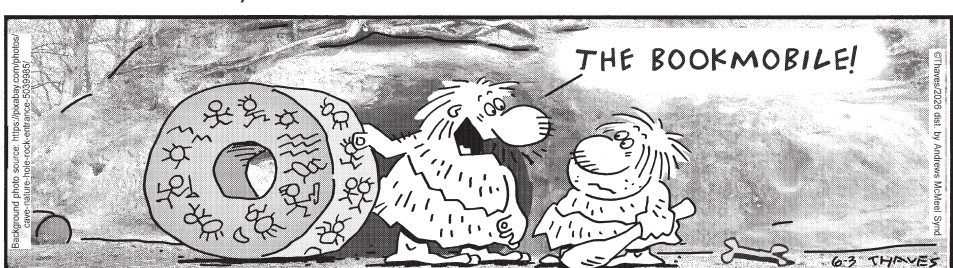
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