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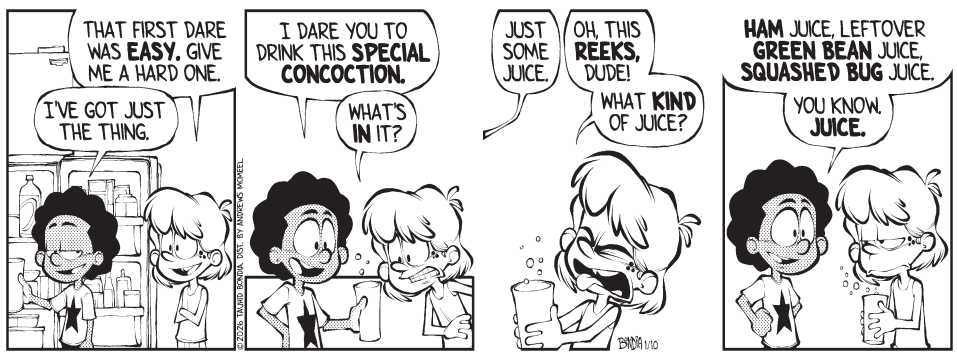

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

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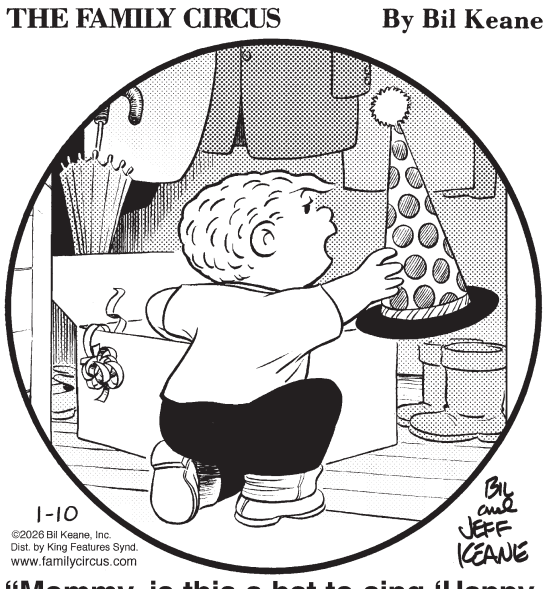
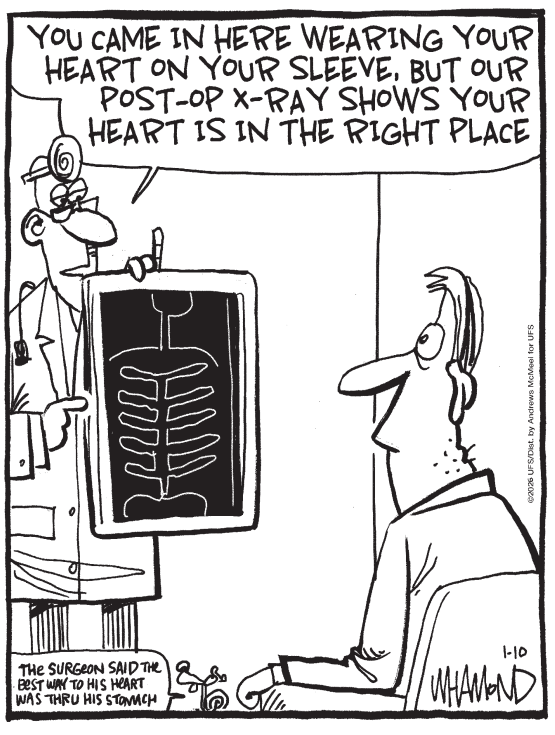


"Mommy, is this a hat to sing 'Happy Birthday' in, or do you wear it to yell 'Happy New Year'?"

MODERATELY CONFUSED

REALITY CHECK



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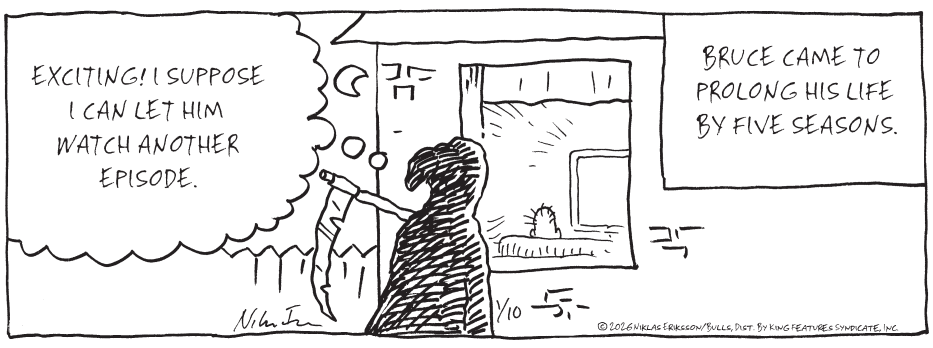

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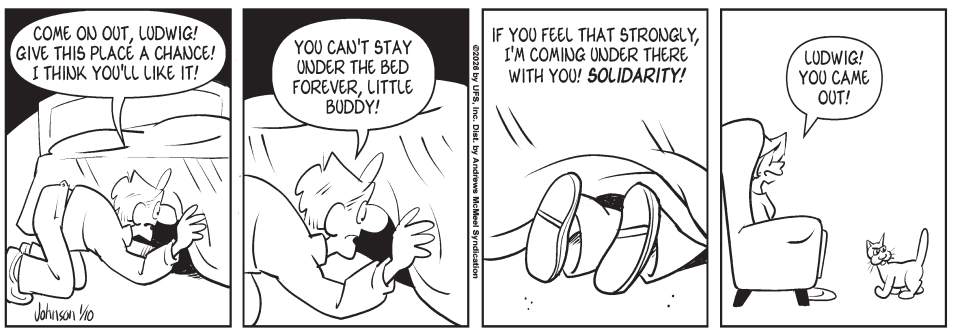

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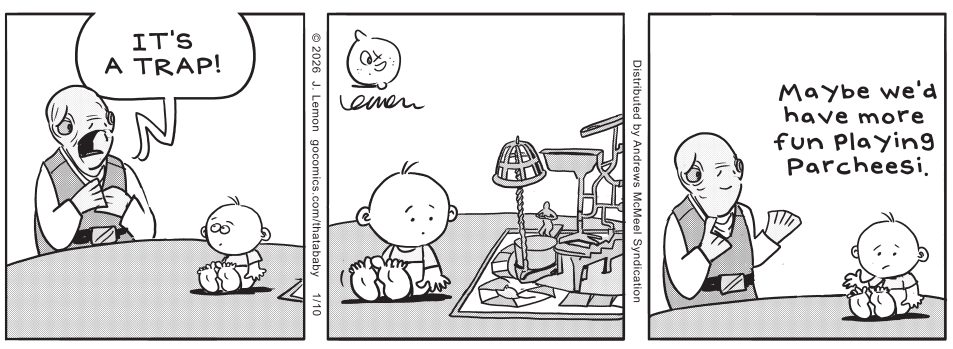
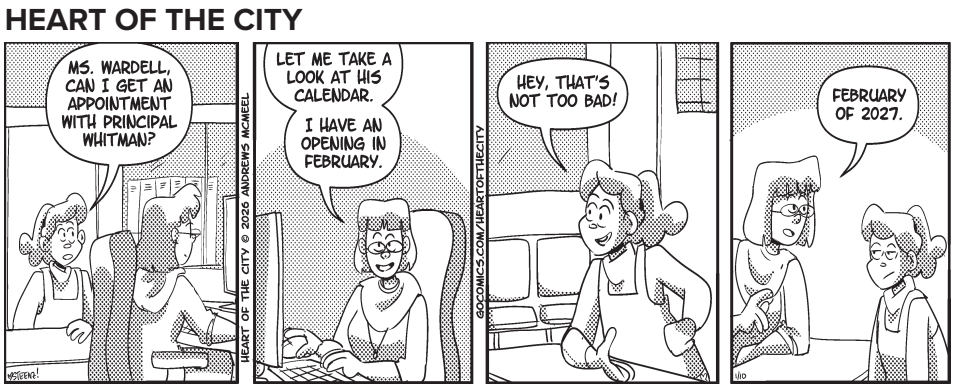


HEART OF THE CITY

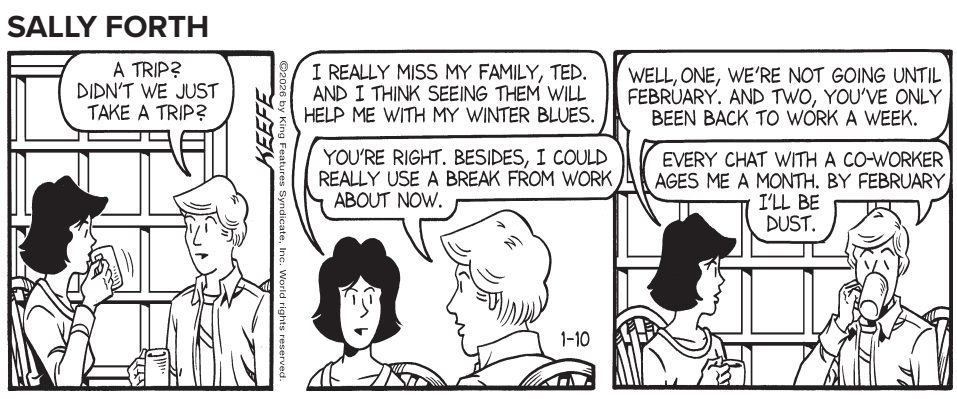


HERMAN

"I had a good job waiting for me on the outside, but they installed a burglar alarm."

OFF THE MARK

SALLY FORTH



KIDTOWN

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SPOT THE DIFFERENCE!

Our gentle possum isn't fooling anyone with his APOSEMATIC disguise and props... but can you spot the 10 differences between the two cartoons?

In picture B: A bulb is missing from the mirror; a bolt is missing from the pipe bracket; the Stage Door sign is reversed; the frog photo is now a wasp; the "s" is missing from bombs; the flower has gone from the hat; the pink necklace is now green; the snake's rattle is missing; "matte" now reads "gloss" on the paint can; the bottom parts of the maracas are now red.

APOSEMATIC

Some animals use camouflage to hide from predators that might do them harm ... but there are others that deliberately announce that they are there and that they are dangerous!

The yellow and black stripes of bees and wasps, the rattle of a rattlesnake, the black and white fur and foul-smelling spray of a skunk are all warnings to deter predators. Animals that use bright colors, loud sounds or unpleasant odors to warn off attackers are called "APOSEMATIC."

TRUE but STRANGE

The Panamanian golden frog's bright coloring is a warning to any predators that they will pay a heavy price if they attack. The frog may be tiny, but its skin secretes enough toxin to kill 1,200 mice!

How many different types of animal can you count in today's paper?

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