

PEANUTS®



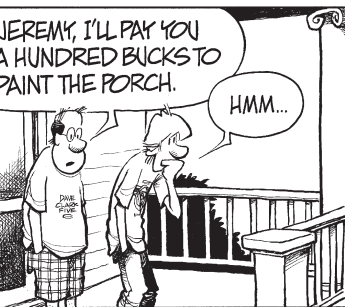
BY CHARLES SCHULZ

GARFIELD®



BY JIM DAVIS

ZITS®



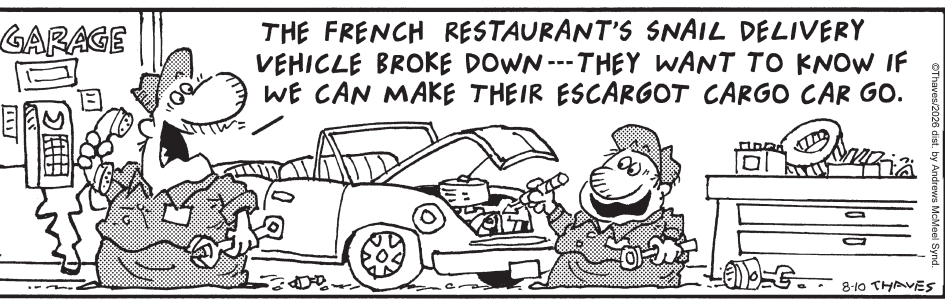
BY JERRY SCOTT & JIM BORGMAN

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE®



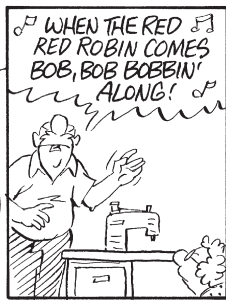
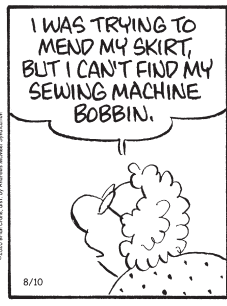
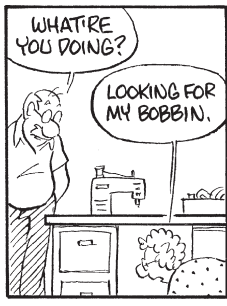
BY CHRIS BROWNE

FRANK AND ERNEST®



BY BOB THAVES

PICKLES®



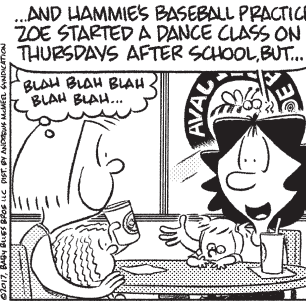
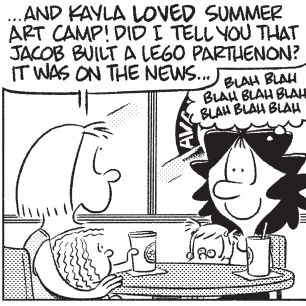
BY BRIAN CRANE

BEETLE BAILEY®



BY Greg Walker, Brian Walker and Neal Walker

BABY BLUES®



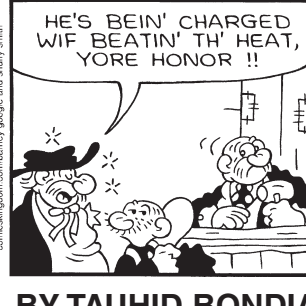
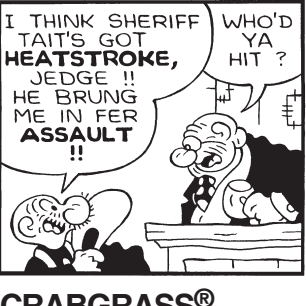
BY RICK KIRKMAN & JERRY SCOTT

THE BORN LOSER®



BY ART & CHIP SANSOM

BARNEY GOOGLE & SNUFFY SMITH®



BY F. LASSWELL & JOHN ROSE

HI AND LOIS®



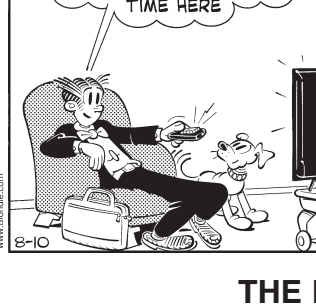
BY BRIAN & GREG WALKER & CHANCE BROWNE

CRABGRASS®



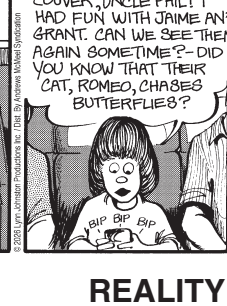
BY TAUHID BONDIA

BLONDIE®



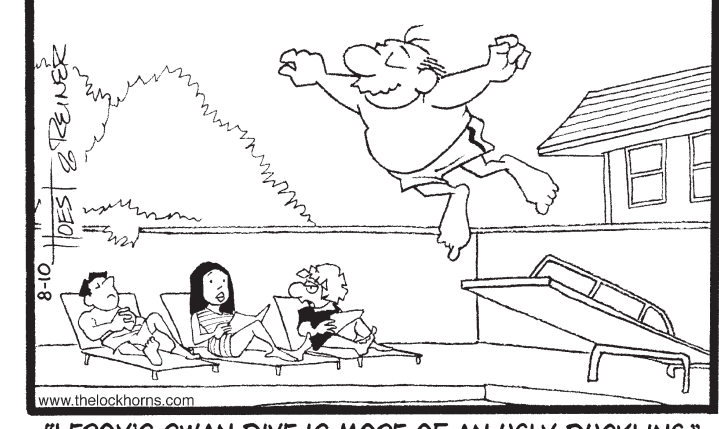
BY DEAN YOUNG & JOHN MARSHALL

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE®



BY LYNN JOHNSTON

THE LOCKHORNS®



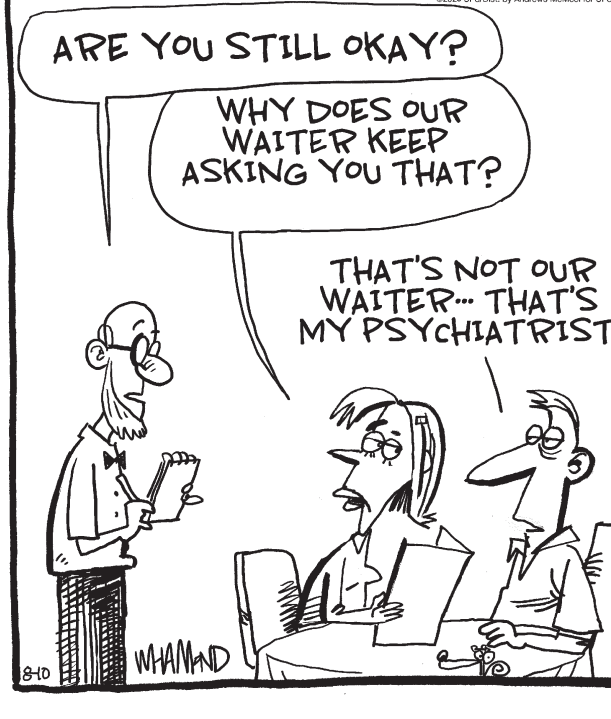
BY STEVE BECKER

THE FAMILY CIRCUS®



BY BILL AND JEFF KEANE

REALITY CHECK®



Dave Whamond

JUMBLE®

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

DLMOY

RASFC

LYFRUR

GNLAOL

©2026 Tribune Content Agency, LLC All Rights Reserved.

Answer here:

Get the free JUST JUMBLE app - Follow us on Facebook

Don't you have work to do?

Just waiting for them to bake.

WITH HIS FRESH BREAD IN THE OVEN, THE BAKER HAD TIME TO ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: AROSE DOUGH UNLOAD FOSSIL

Answer: When asked how her long-distance relationship was going, she said — SO FAR, SO GOOD

West dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ A Q 9 4

♥ K Q 6 5

♦ K 8 5 3

♣ 9

WEST

♠ J 3 2

♥ J 9 7

♦ K

♣ A K 10 8 6 2

EAST

♠ 10 8 7 6

♥ 10 8 4 3

♦ A 10 9

♣ 7 3

SOUTH

♠ K 5

♥ A 2

♦ J 7 6 4 2

♣ Q J 5 4

The bidding:

West North East South

2 ♠ Dble Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — ten of clubs.

Giorgio Belladonna, winner of 16 world championships and a member of the famed Italian Blue Team that dominated world bridge from the late 1950s to the early 1970s, was a player of infinite resources.

On top of his oft-demonstrated talent for rarely making an error in judgment — the trademark of all great players — Belladonna had an imagination that seemingly knew no bounds. He made bids and plays on the spot that no one had ever thought of before, and bridge literature is replete with his exploits.

Consider this deal where Belladonna, playing the Precision System, opened two clubs (showing a minimum opening bid with long clubs) and soon found himself on lead against three notrump. The hand was played in the 1972 London Sunday Times Invitational Pairs Championship.

Belladonna made the extraordinary opening lead of the ten of clubs, and declarer (Terence Reese) could not survive this lethal blow. He took the ten with the queen, crossed to dummy with a heart and returned a low diamond.

East went up with the ace, catching his partner's king, but that didn't really matter. East returned a club, and the contract went down two.

At the other tables where the contract was three notrump, West led either his fourth-best club or a lower club, and in all these cases declarer made three notrump after dummy's nine held the first trick. South lost at most two diamonds and two clubs.

Belladonna reasoned that Reese had the Q-J of clubs for his three-notrump bid, and in order to guard against the possibility that dummy had the singleton nine, he led the ten of clubs rather than a low club. No truer arrow was ever shot!

Tomorrow: Mathematical niceties.

©2026 King Features Syndicate Inc.

Resolve to Stay Informed

Like us on facebook to stay up-to-date on news, weather and sports.

Tribune-Star

2800 Poplar St., Suite 37A Terre Haute, IN 47803

(812) 231-4274

www.tribstar.com



