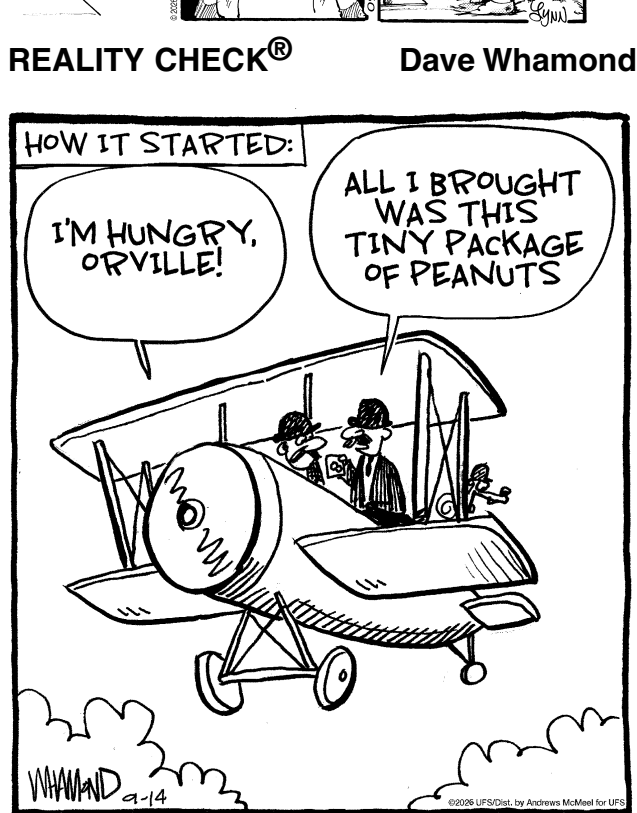
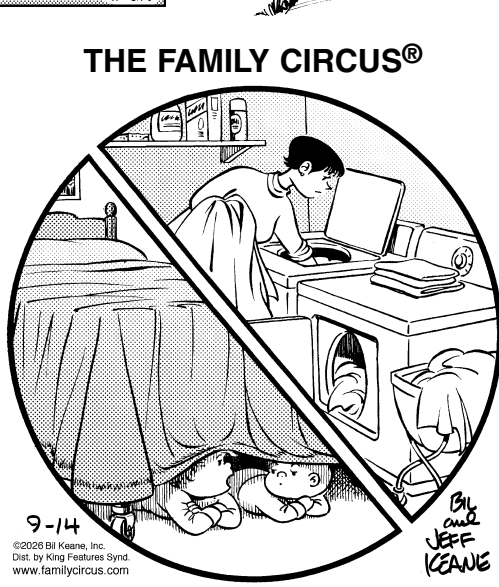
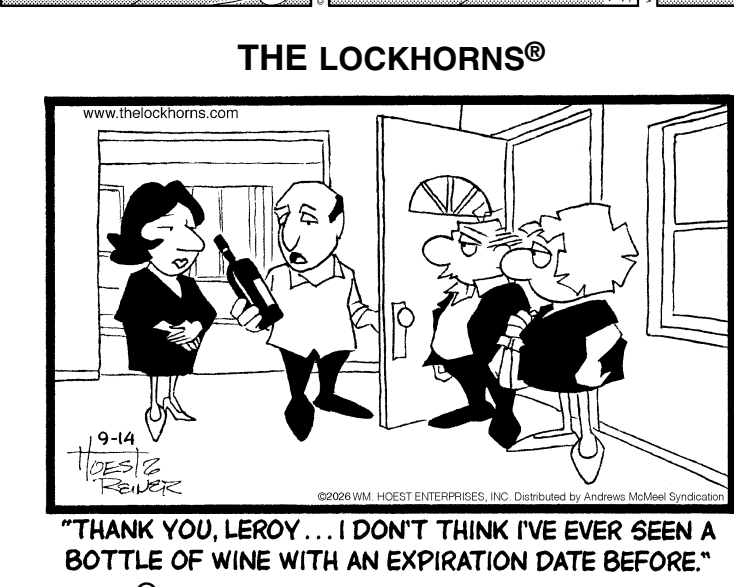
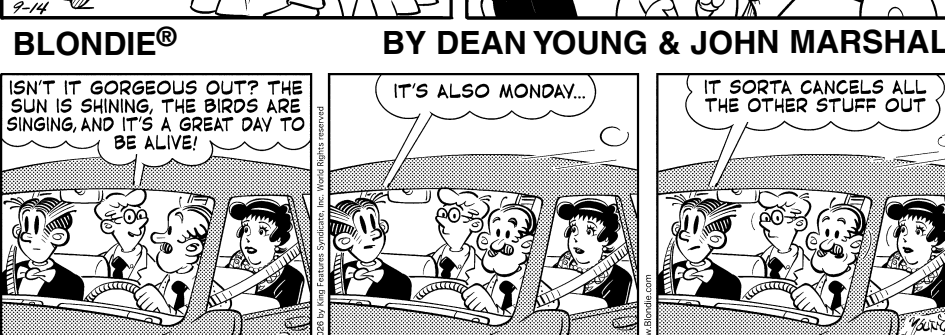
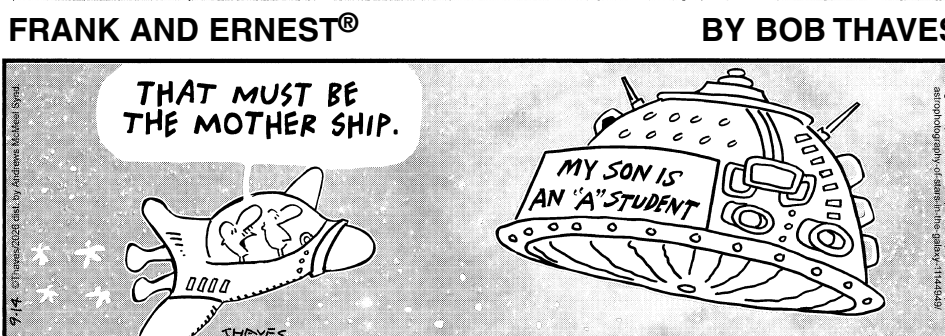
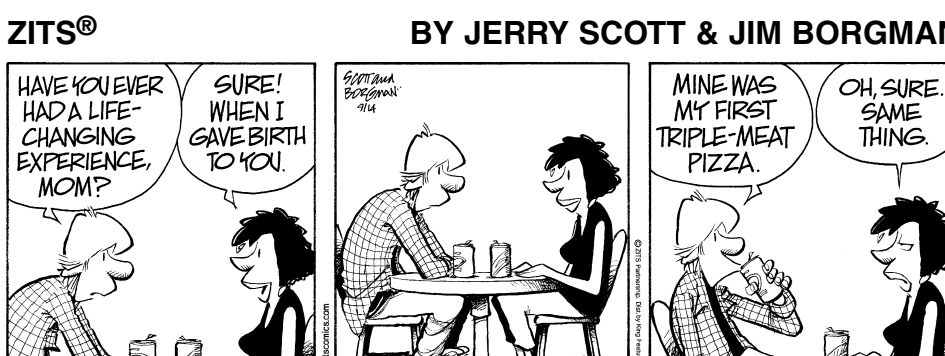




West dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ J 8 6 5 3 2
♥ 10
♦ 10 7 3
♣ 10 5 3

WEST
♠ Q 10 7 4
♥ J 8 7 6
♦ Q 9 8 6 4
♣ —

EAST
♠ A K 9
♥ K 4 3
♦ K J 5 2
♣ A K 6

SOUTH
♥ —
♦ A Q 9 5 2
♠ A
♣ Q J 9 8 7 4 2

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	2 NT	3 ♣
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	5 ♣
Pass	Pass	Dble	

Opening lead — six of diamonds.

This dramatic deal occurred in a playoff match to determine the team to represent the United States in the 1973 world championship.

At the first table, Bill Grieve, playing with George Rapee, over-called East's two-notrump opening with three clubs, intending to show a genuine club suit. But Rapee thought three clubs was the Landy Convention, showing length in both majors, and he jumped to four spades.

This response did not sit well with

Grieve, who retreated to five clubs. After two passes, East — with 21 high-card points, including the A-K of trump — doubled. This proved to be a grievous error when the contract turned out to be unbeatable.

Grieve won the opening diamond lead with the ace, cashed the ace of hearts, ruffed a heart, ruffed a spade and ruffed another heart on which the king fell. He then gave up two trump tricks to make five clubs doubled for plus 750.

At the second table, the bidding went:

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 NT			

John Swanson, playing with Paul Soloway, was South at this table and elected to pass two notrump because he was playing Landy and knew his partner would read three clubs as an artificial bid.

When the bidding died at three notrump, Swanson passed again — this time because he thought he had a good chance to beat the contract with a club lead. This proved to be an illusion when declarer won the club queen with the king, drove out the ace of diamonds and romped home with nine tricks to produce a total gain of 1,350 points for his team.

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(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: SALSA DECAF GALLEY BORDER
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Tomorrow: The aim of the game is to win.

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