

COMICS AND FEATURES

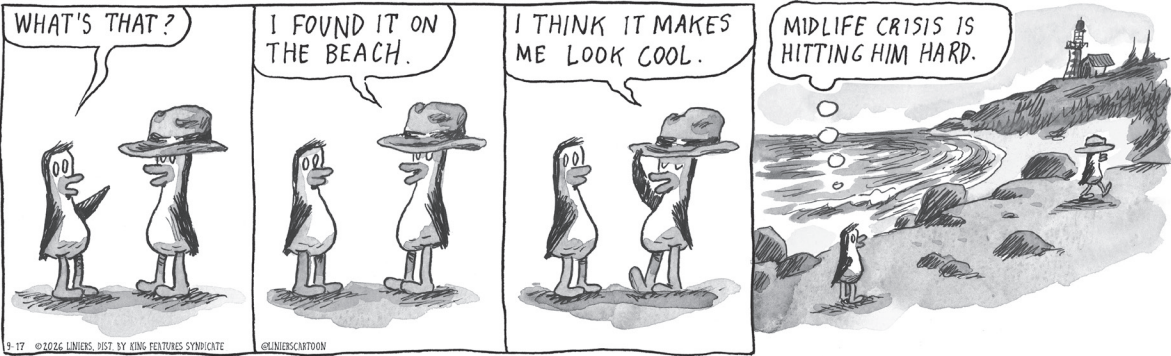
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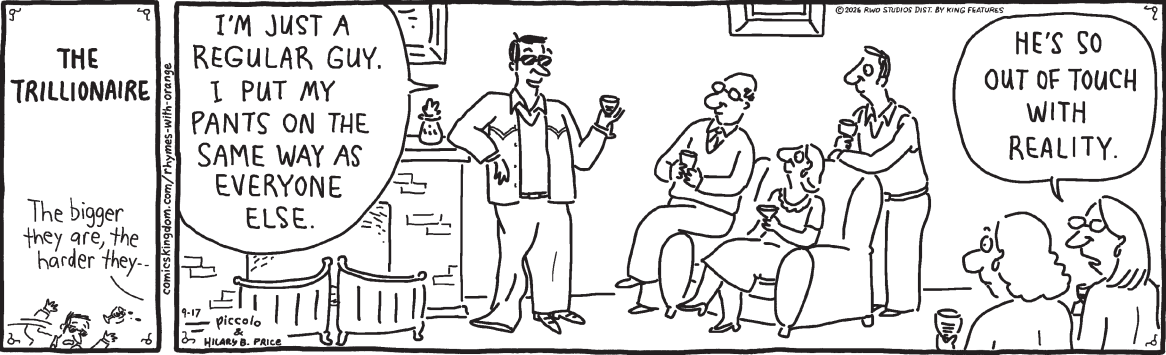
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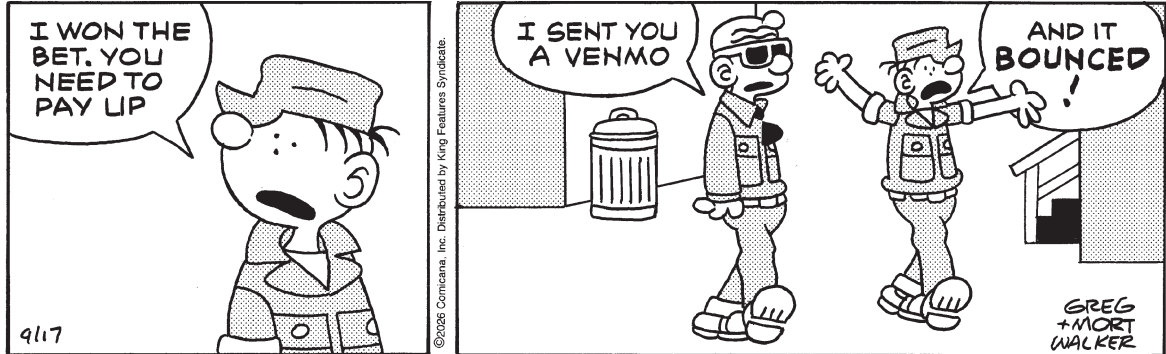
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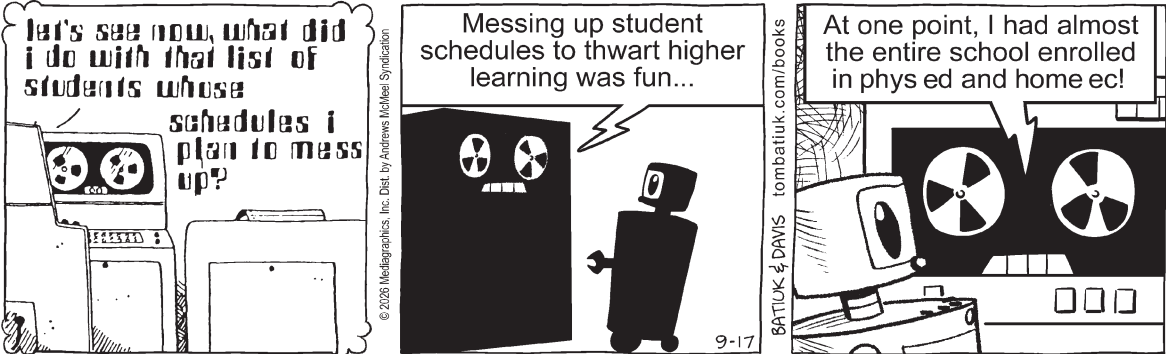
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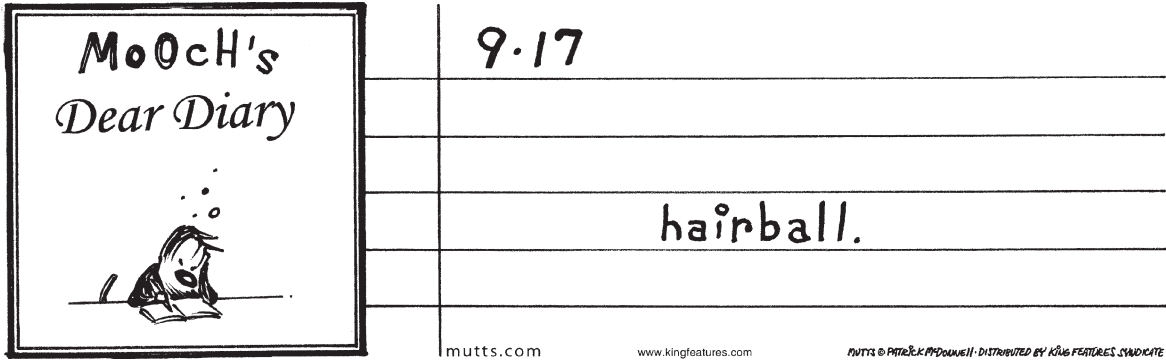
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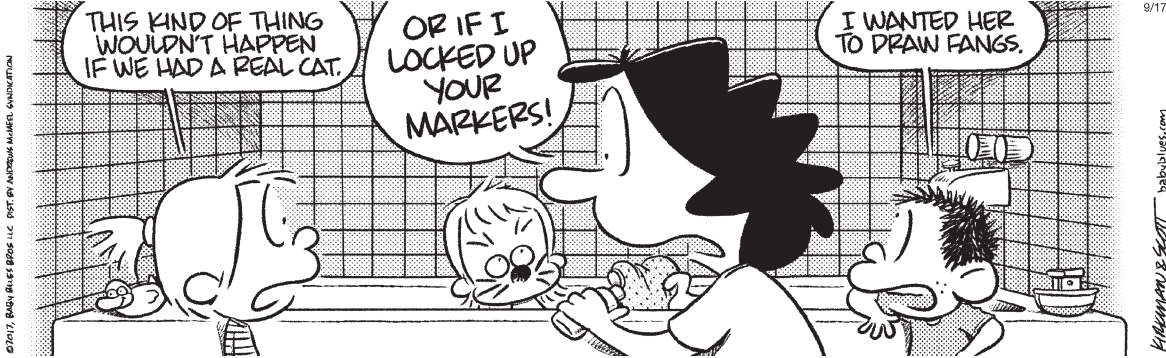
CRANKSHAFT



MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Tot's spot
5 White shade
10 Egypt-based opera
11 Saffron-flavored dish
12 Eye part
13 Pottery coat
14 Pre-sleep drink
16 Writing paper
20 High hits
23 Gibbon, e.g.
24 Lustrous gems
25 Dance of Brazil
27 Flowery ring
28 Nearly
29 Bottle topper
32 Breaking wave
36 Pampered
39 Harry Belafonte hit
40 Actor's reps
41 Manual reader
42 Salad servers
43 Mosquito or gnat

DOWN

- 1 Early farmer
2 "Diamonds" singer, to fans
3 Hepcat's "Got it!"
4 Doc's friend
5 Barge site
6 Gathers
7 Shade source
8 Frothy brew
9 — de mer
11 River to the Rio Grande
15 First-rate

P	R	E	P		B	A	R	N
R	E	N	A	L		R	U	P
E	V	A	D	E		E	L	O
Y	A	M		S	W	E	L	L
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S	E	P	I	A		U	N	I
E	N	E	M	Y		P	E	N
S	A	N	E			T	E	S

Yesterday's answer

- 17 Hunting garb, for short
18 LAPD bulletins
19 Fuel from bogs
20 Running pros
21 Oil org.
22 Twosome
25 Thin board
26 Really stoked
28 Lab liquids
30 Basketball star Patrick Sharpens
31 Lawyer's job
34 Pro votes
35 Cruise stop
36 Diamond club
37 In the past
38 Writer Jonson

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9
10					11				
12					13				
14					15				
				16				17	18
20	21	22						23	
24					25	26			
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AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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CRYPTOQUOTE

RY CZY CDD BL MT

TUCZT, CWN RY NYTYZEY

UB URGWODY. — JCZGDPW

JBWZBY

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THERE ARE TIMES YOU CAN'T REALLY SEE OR EVEN FEEL HOW SWEET LIFE CAN BE. — QUEEN LATIFAH

SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

3			4		8		7	
2	8		1		6	9		5
5	4			8		7		
9		7		5			2	
		2		4	7			
1						5		3
		5	7			8	9	
		3				2		7

Difficulty: ★★★

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SOLUTION:

5	6	2	9	8	7	1	3	4
3	9	1	2	6	4	7	8	5
4	7	8	5	3	1	6	9	2
6	4	5	3	1	9	8	2	7
2	8	3	7	5	6	4	1	9
7	1	9	4	2	8	3	5	6
8	5	6	1	4	2	9	7	3
1	2	7	6	9	3	5	4	8
9	3	4	8	7	5	2	6	1