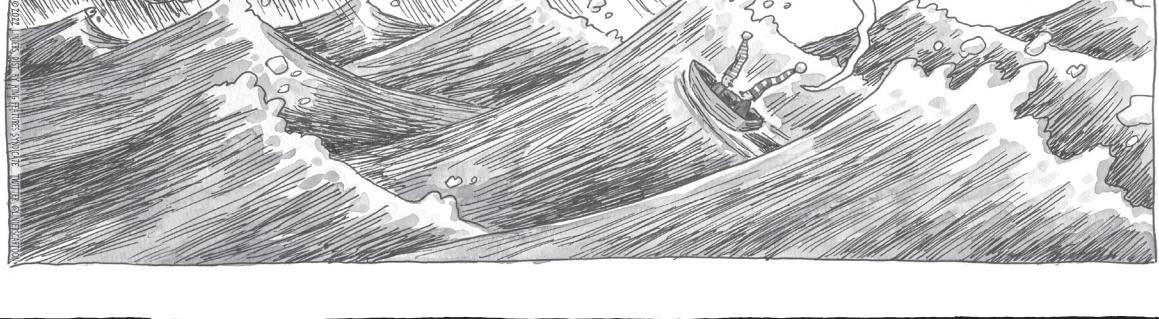


COMICS AND FEATURES

GARFIELD



MACANUDO



RYMES WITH ORANGE



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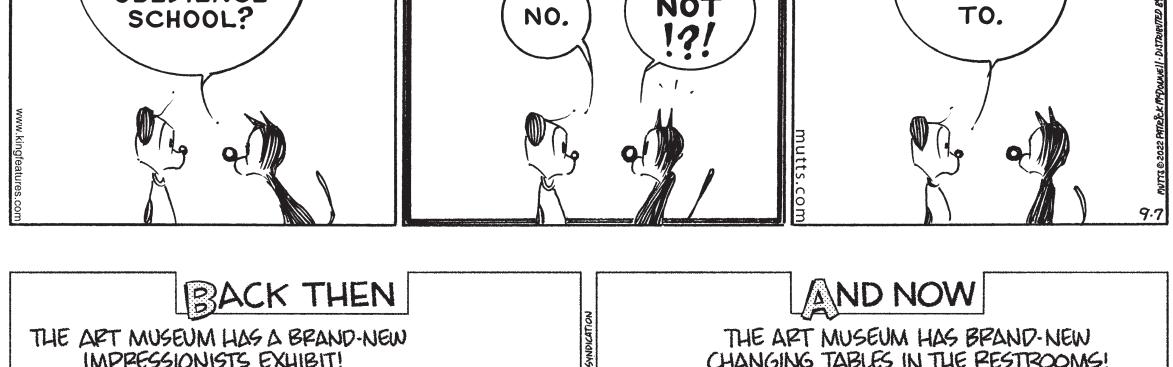
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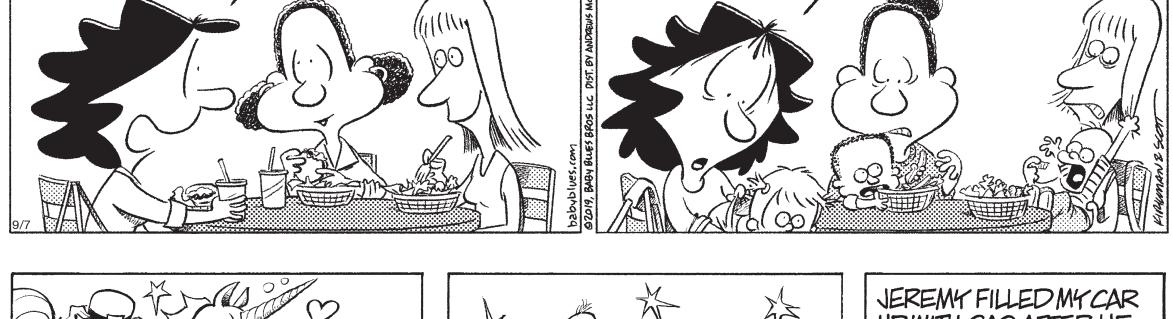
CRANKSHAFT



MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 42 Cold forecast

1 Barely adequate

6 Parks of civil rights history

10 Hardly a fan

11 Last year's frosh

12 Stand

13 Gold unit

14 Take it easy

15 Diatribe

16 Conditions

17 Cobbler's tool

18 That woman

19 Quadruple

20 Coral structure

21 Punch

22 Prophesied

23 Expected

24 Tire track

25 Be a contender

26 Overrun

27 Crooked

28 Latitude

29 River boat

30 Encrusted

31 Knight's wear

32 Ignored the limit

33 Regret

34 Hinders

35 Open, e.g.

36 Conjure up

37 Mimicked

38 Au naturel

39 Diamond club

40 Job interview topic

41 Binary base

V	A	P	O	R	C	A	G	E
I	N	A	W	E	A	B	O	V
C	O	U	N	T	R	S	T	P
A	D	S	W	A	D	A	R	E
R	E	E	L	E	R	E	S	A
E	E	L	J	E	S	T		
S	C	A	N	T	P	A	C	T
P	O	G	O	N	A	B		
O	A	R	D	A	S	P	A	S
U	S	E	U	N	O	A	G	O
S	T	E	P	C	O	N	T	R
E	A	T	A	T	T	A	I	T
S	L	O	T	S	T	O	P	S
O	T	S	P	O	T	S	O	T

Yesterday's answer

17 Was able to buy

20 Field worker

24 Morse bit

25 Language spoken at some conventions

27 Regret

28 Hinders

31 Mimicked

33 Au naturel

36 Diamond club

1	2	3	4	5		6	7	8	9
10					11				
12					13				
14					15				
16					17				18
19		20			21				
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A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

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

H R Y G Q Q W X V F W O V Y F D

R X T H J V X Y O M H V H F H F V P X G ;

Y O V Y F D V R X T H J V X Y O M H V H

V W F D . — L H U H H F D X S W J

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: I'VE NEVER RUN INTO A PERSON WHO YEARNED FOR THEIR MIDDLE SCHOOL DAYS. — JEFF KINNEY

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.

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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SOLUTION:

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

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