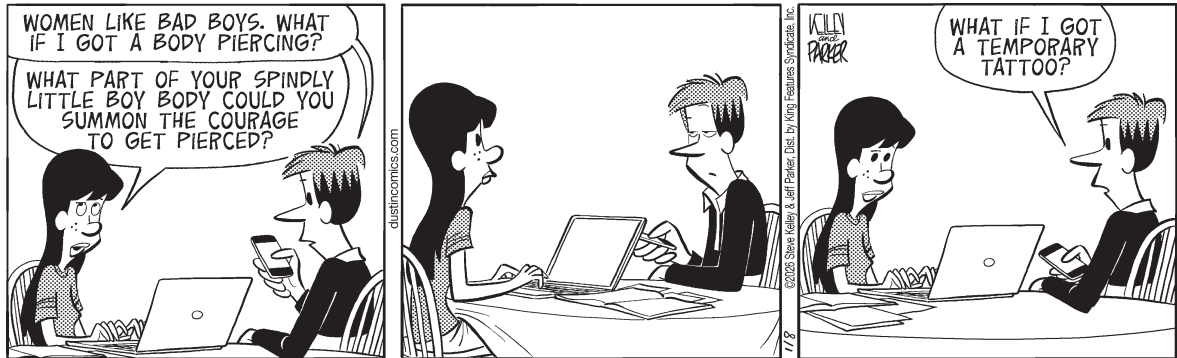


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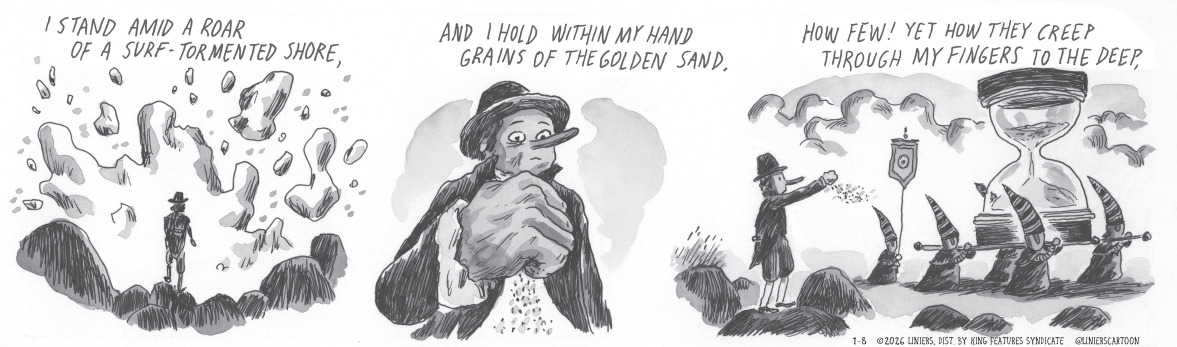
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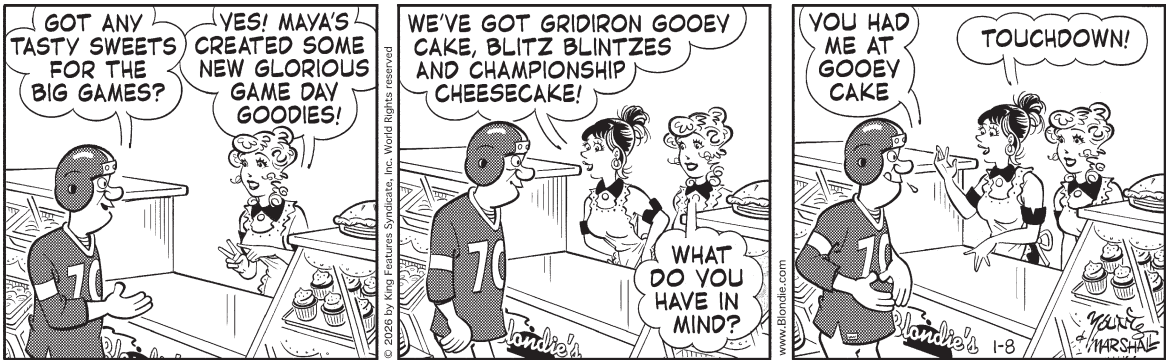
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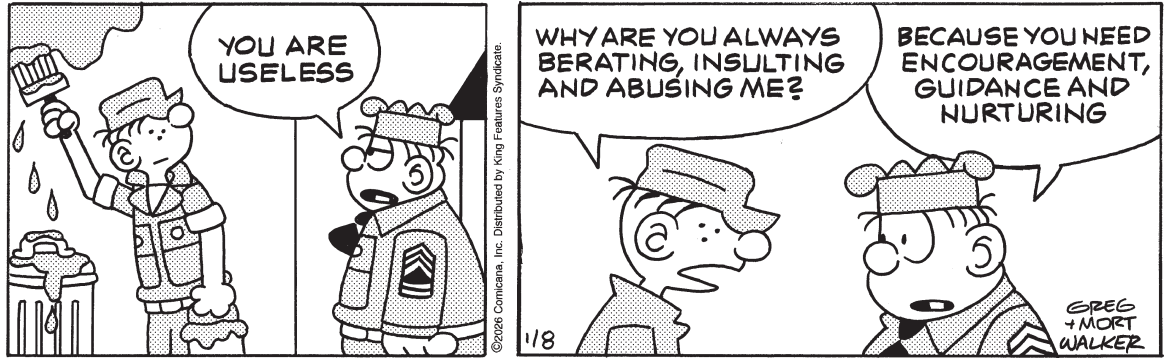
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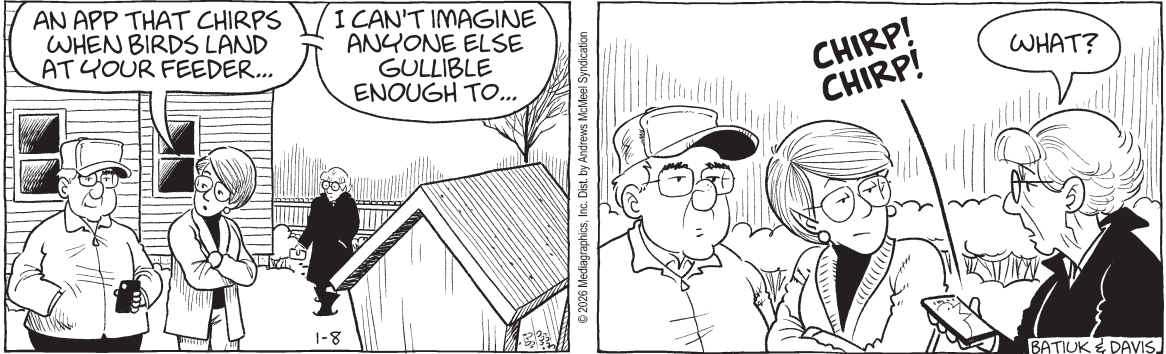
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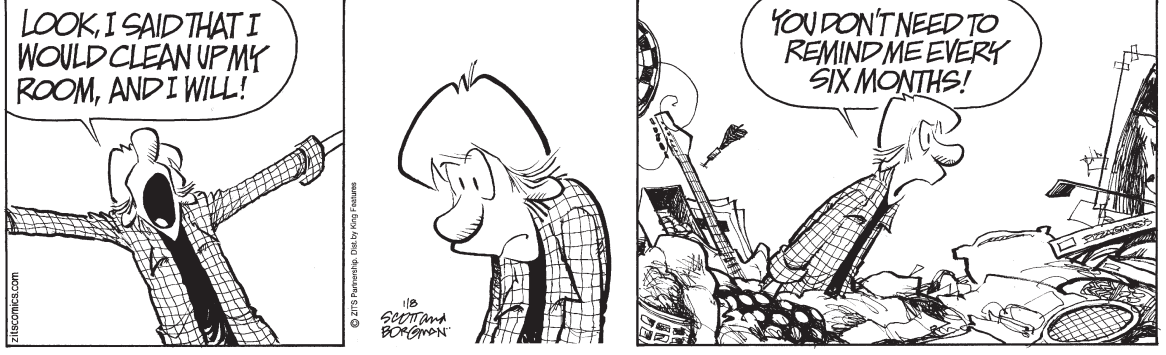
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BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Important times
- 5 Tries for flies
- 10 Audition goal
- 11 Cry of terror
- 12 "Got it"
- 13 "Airport" author
- 14 Protesters, at times
- 16 Book sections
- 20 Office machine
- 23 Fade out
- 24 Berry of film
- 25 Sculpture in St. Peter's
- 27 Mineral suffix
- 28 Twister shape
- 29 Gossips, say
- 32 Club documents
- 36 Hampers
- 39 Opera piece
- 40 Charm
- 41 Walk unevenly
- 42 "Taps" tooter
- 43 Reduced amount

DOWN

- 1 Sweeping story
- 2 Foolhardy
- 3 Open space
- 4 Lettering aid
- 5 Musical symbol
- 6 Cuff site
- 7 Trouble
- 8 Kicker's aid
- 9 Sun setting
- 11 Cut off
- 15 Quaker's pronoun
- 17 Unspoiled spot
- 18 Ceremony
- 19 Barking beast

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

Yesterday's answer

- 20 Smart
- 21 Solemn
- 22 Entreaty
- 25 Contented
- 26 Load, as software
- 28 Big meal
- 30 Immune system
- 31 Low digit
- 33 Buffalo's lake
- 34 Borders
- 35 Easy targets
- 36 Bit of ointment
- 37 Outback runner
- 38 Pull gently

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9
10					11				
12					13				
14					15				
				16				17	18
20	21	22						23	
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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.

CRYPTOQUOTE

CUT SFTZCMYI MZI'C DUY MZ

QYMIQ CY KTC NT; MC'Z DUY

MZ QYMIQ CY ZCYV NT.

— RWI ERIG

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: SOMETIMES YOUR WORST HITS IN LIFE END UP BEING YOUR BEST ADVANTAGE. — LAILA ALI

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.

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

Difficulty: ★★★

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SOLUTION:

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