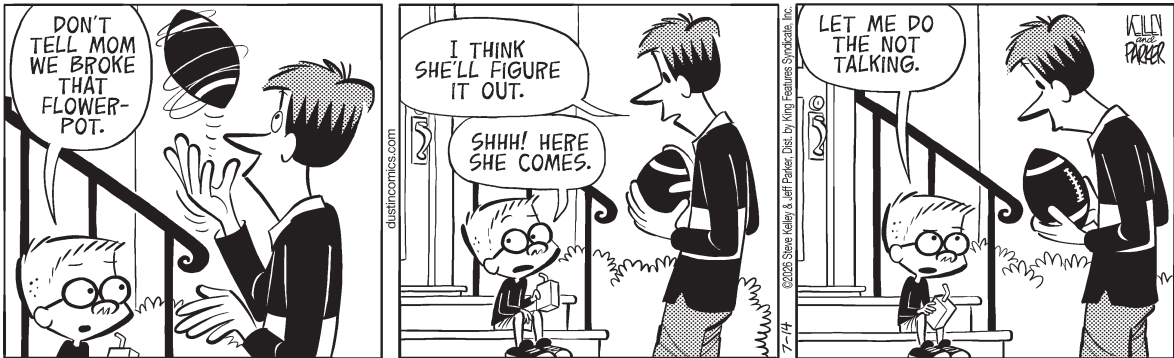


COMICS AND FEATURES

GARFIELD



DUSTIN



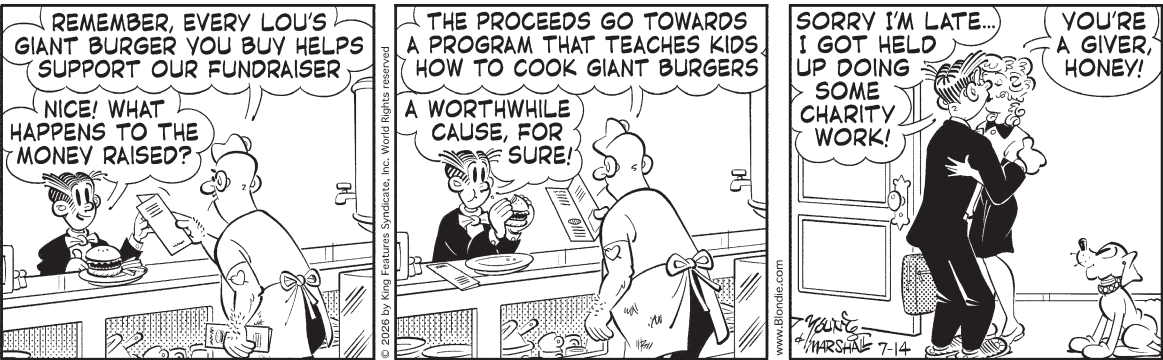
MACANUDO



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



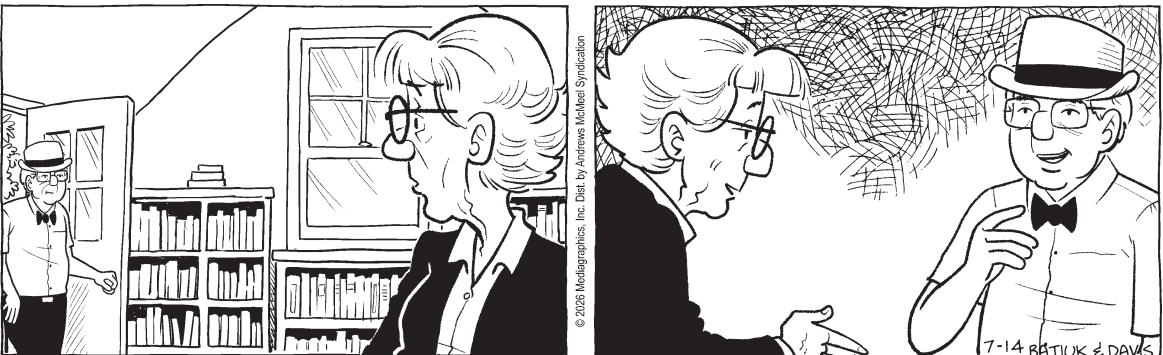
BLONDIE



BEETLE BAILEY



CRANKSHAFT



MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Boxcar rider
- 5 Oriental noodles
- 10 Nunavut native
- 12 Furious
- 13 Sleepover battle
- 15 Campaign pro
- 16 Obtain
- 17 Light touch
- 18 Anxious
- 20 Furniture wood
- 21 Celery unit
- 22 Bassoon part
- 23 Keyed up
- 25 Winslet of "Titanic"
- 28 Articles
- 31 Crocus cousin
- 32 Friendly
- 34 Golf peg
- 35 That girl
- 36 Sgt., e.g.
- 37 Curbside illuminator
- 40 Selected
- 41 Store events
- 42 Cerberus guards it
- 43 Self-referential

DOWN

- 1 Safari sight
- 2 Gimlet
- 3 Ammo unit
- 4 Motor need
- 5 Division
- 6 Singer Grande, to fans
- 7 Raucous bird
- 8 Flam-mable gas
- 9 Took in
- 11 Switch type
- 14 Workday evening

- 19 Calendar items
- 20 Hog the mirror
- 24 Fills with resolution
- 25 Tacky art
- 26 Singer Franklin
- 27 Steering system part

- 29 Mix at the party
- 30 Fragrant packet
- 33 "— luck!"
- 35 Espies
- 38 Jargon suffix
- 39 Des-cartes' conclu-sion

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| S | Q | U | A | S | H |   | D | A | M | E |
| A | U | N | T | I | E |   | A | R | E | A |
| R | O | M | A | N | Y |   | R | I | G | G |
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Saturday's Answer

|    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  |    | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  |
| 10 |    |    |    | 11 |    | 12 |    |    |    |
| 13 |    |    |    |    | 14 |    |    |    |    |
| 15 |    |    |    | 16 |    |    | 17 |    |    |
| 18 |    |    | 19 |    |    | 20 |    |    |    |
|    | 21 |    |    |    |    | 22 |    |    |    |
|    |    |    | 23 |    | 24 |    |    |    |    |
| 25 | 26 | 27 |    |    | 28 |    |    | 29 | 30 |
| 31 |    |    |    | 32 |    |    |    |    | 33 |
| 34 |    |    | 35 |    |    |    | 36 |    |    |
| 37 |    |    | 38 |    |    |    | 39 |    |    |
| 40 |    |    |    |    | 41 |    |    |    |    |
| 42 |    |    |    |    |    | 43 |    |    |    |

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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.

7-14 CRYPTOQUOTE

P Q N Q R X J Q O O F H Z G Q

A D X O D F Z C N T G R Z O Q Z O

E C D X O C D J C H N F X Q .

— U Q H H F N Q X J Q Q

Saturday's Cryptoquote: YOU DON'T PASS UP  
A RIDE TO SPACE. — VICTOR GLOVER

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

Difficulty: ★★

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SOLUTION:

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