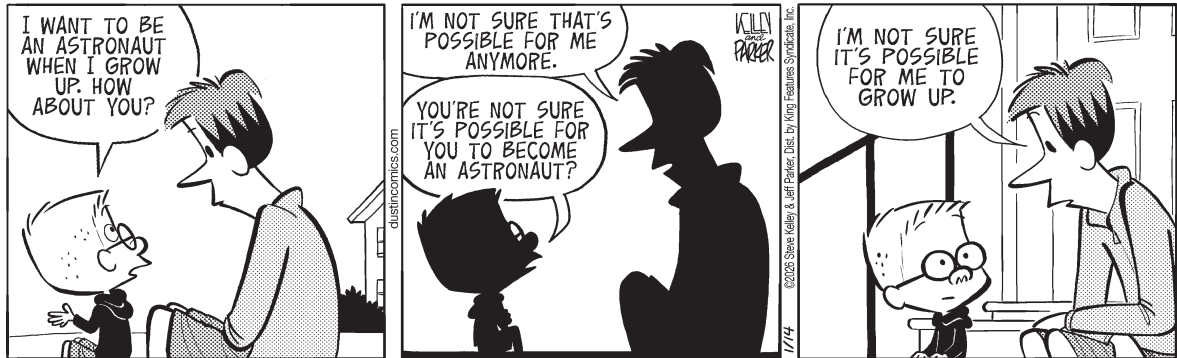


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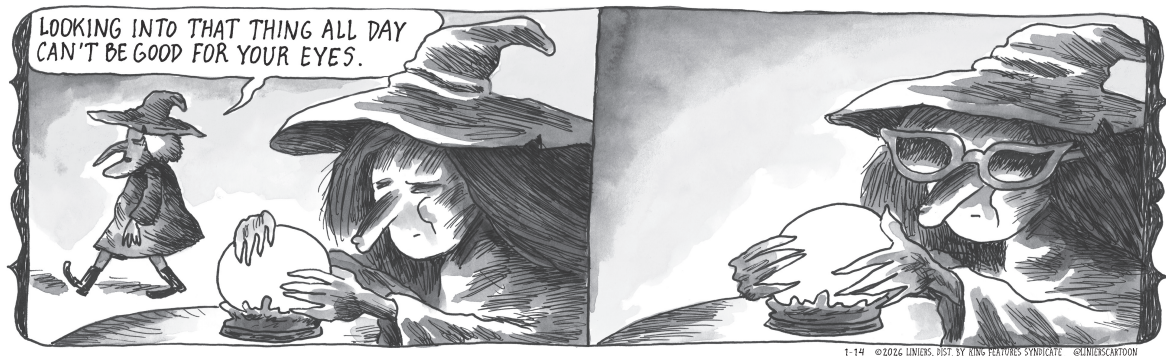
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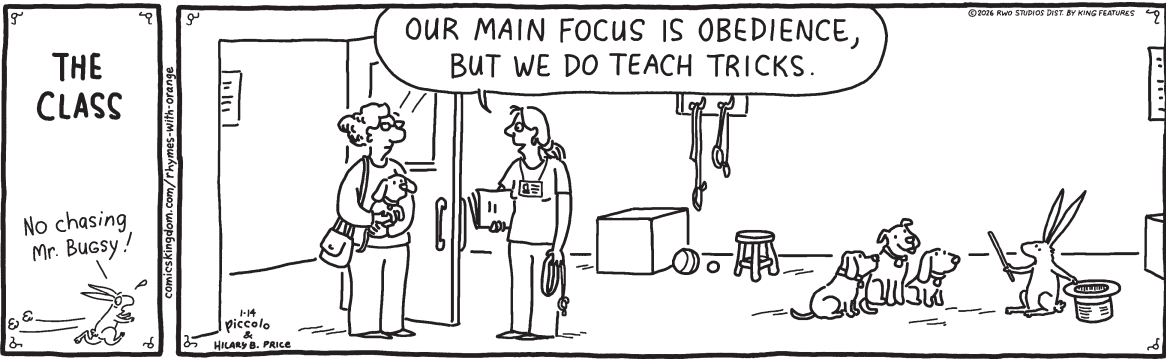
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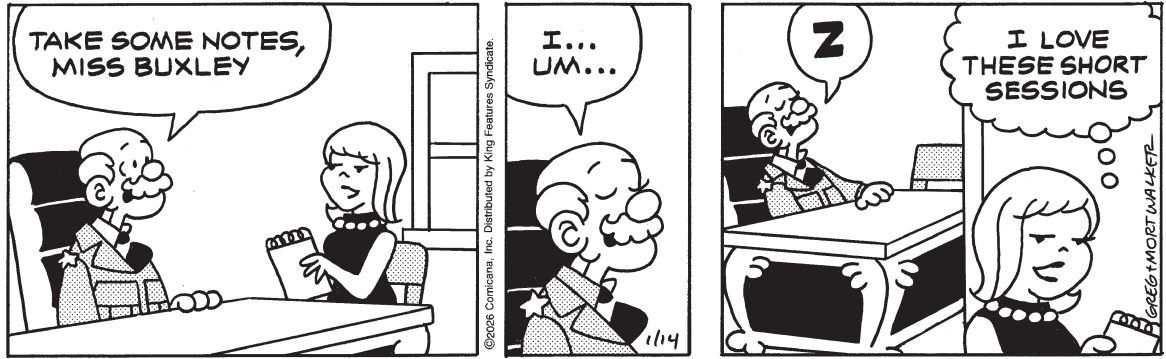
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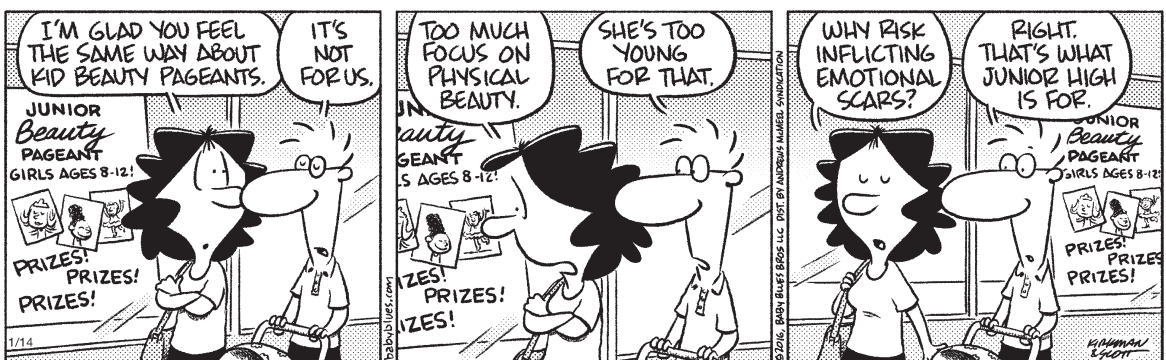
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MUTTS



BABY BLUES



ZITS



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Bottom-dwelling fish
- 7 Pinnacle
- 11 Relaxed
- 12 Diner offering
- 13 Stephen King book
- 14 Apple or pear
- 15 St. Francis's home
- 17 Immense
- 20 Shows disuse
- 23 S&L offering
- 24 New pet, e.g.
- 26 Animation frame
- 27 Day light
- 28 One — million
- 29 Rivals
- 31 Neither follower
- 32 Pacific island group
- 33 Corrals
- 34 Bach piece
- 37 Like most NBA players
- 39 Stephen King book
- 43 Horse halter
- 44 Menu choice

- 45 Solemn word
- 46 Prepares veggies

DOWN

- 1 Buddy
- 2 Hagen of the theater
- 3 German article
- 4 Jeweler's unit
- 5 Tag sale words
- 6 Casual tops
- 7 Mis-behaves
- 8 Stephen King book
- 9 Bartender on "The Simpsons"
- 10 Lamb's mother
- 16 Golf bag group

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E	Q	U	A	L		A	G	I	L	E
B	U	N	G	E	E	C	O	R	D	S
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Yesterday's answer

- 17 Bad habits
- 18 Concert venue
- 19 Stephen King book
- 21 Mortise's mate
- 22 Scorches
- 24 Korean or Thai
- 25 Word on a bill
- 30 Dinero
- 33 Cut's counter-part
- 35 City on the Skunk
- 36 Shade
- 37 Binary base
- 38 Cry of insight
- 40 Pitching stat
- 41 Band from Athens, Georgia
- 42 "You bet!"

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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

A H P E G X F H A K Z Z K I W X N
W H X V K L N T X B H Z K T H A H ' C H
D Z Q I I H L , G N Q G X N B Q C H
X B H Z K T H X B Q X K G A Q K X K I W

T N V E G . — Y N G H D B O Q P D F H Z Z
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THE IDEA OF PLAYING
A PART WHERE I GET TO WEAR A COMPLETELY
UNDETECTABLE HAIRPIECE ... YOU CAN'T
WALK AWAY FROM THAT. — ROB REINER

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.

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

Difficulty: ★★★

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SOLUTION:

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