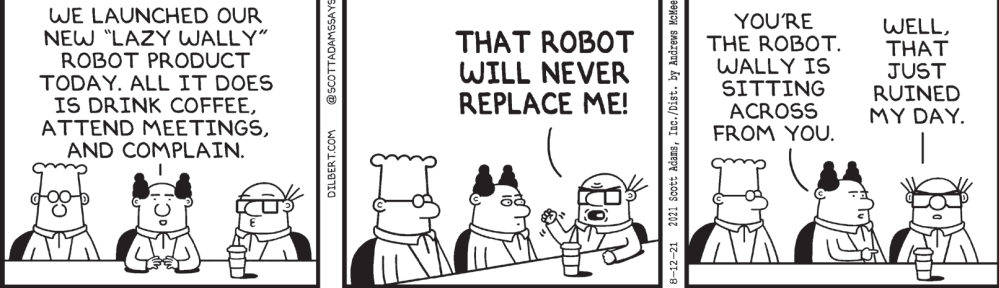


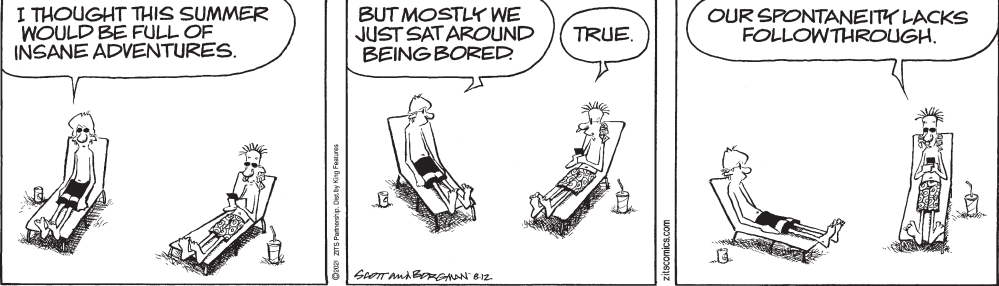
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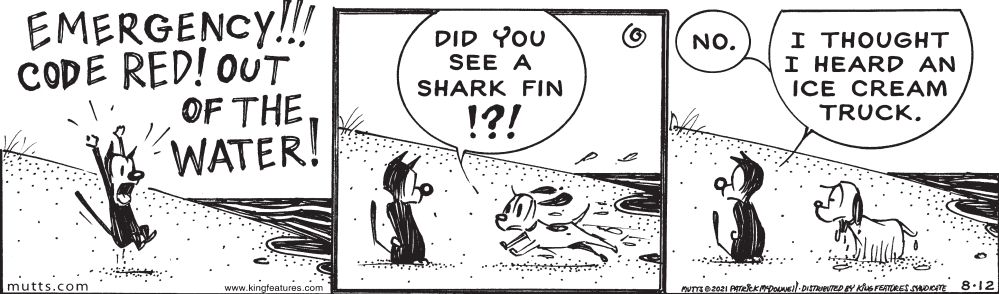
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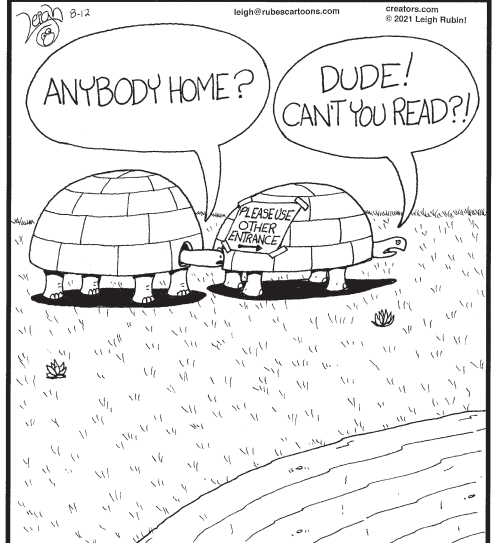
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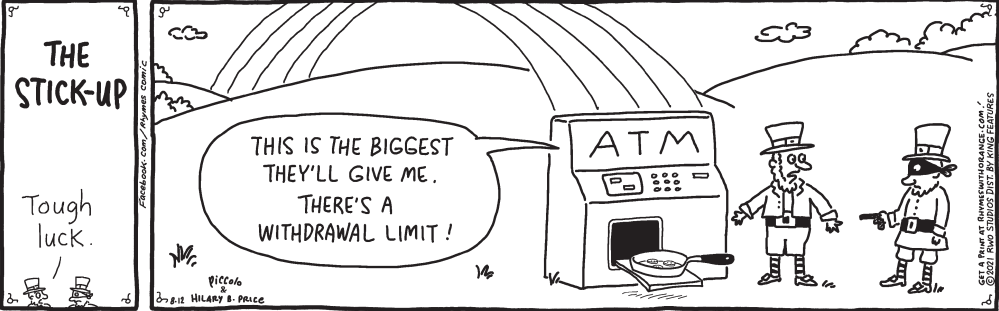
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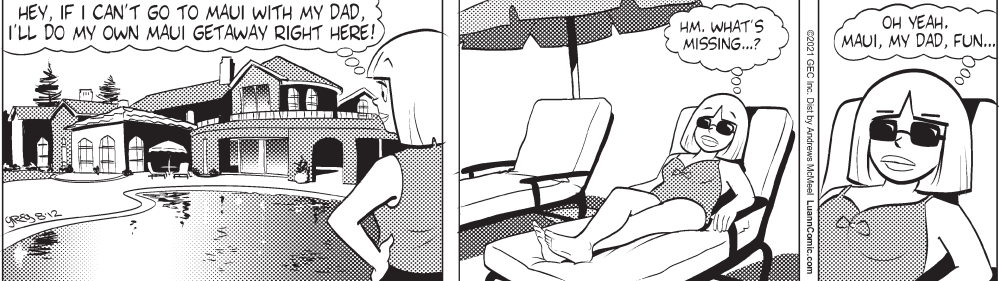
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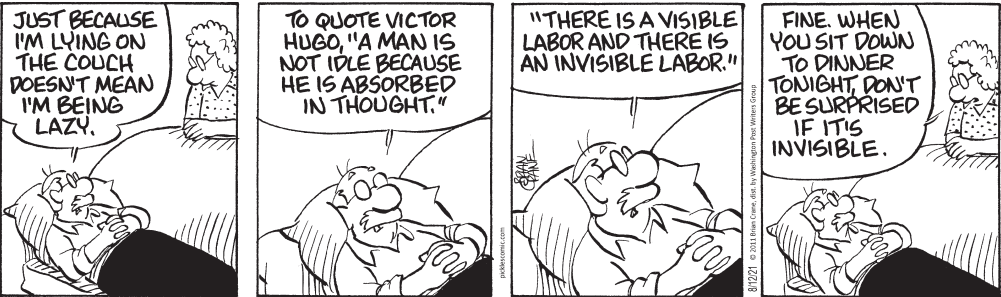
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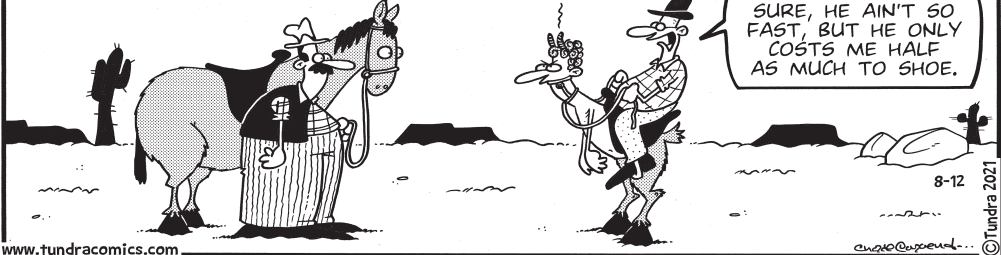
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WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the WONDERWORD.

BEING ANODYNE

Solution: 9 letters

M	U	R	D	M	U	H	L	I	U	Q	N	A	R	T
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M	R	N	R	O	I	T	N	A	S	E	E	D	N	R
O	A	K	E	N	S	G	T	E	R	N	L	R	A	E
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Agreeable, Aloof, Boring, Carefree, Dally, Desolate, Discreet, Dozy, Drab, Dull, Easy, Empty, Feel, Flat, Gentle, Harmless, Humdrum, Lack, Lifeless, Luck, Mild, Monotonous, Mundane, Needs, Numb, Painkiller, Passionless, Peaceful, Private, Quiet, Remove, Routine, Safe, Silent, Simple, Stale, Tame, Terms, Tiresome, Toneless, Tranquil, Wearisome

Yesterday's Answer: Television

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TODAY'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1 Experts
- 5 Dispensed candy
- 8 Unwanted email
- 12 Volcanic flow
- 13 Chowd down
- 14 Apple center
- 15 Gas co., for one
- 16 Light touch
- 17 October birthstone
- 18 Famed Florentine family
- 20 URL opener
- 22 Coral reefs, e.g.
- 26 Zodiac dozen
- 29 Annoy
- 30 Pair
- 31 Latin 101 word
- 32 Hosp. workers
- 33 Ballet attire
- 34 More (Sp.)
- 35 Air safety org.

36 Wind-shield cleaner

- 37 Some EPA scientists
- 40 Booty
- 41 Take on
- 45 First bed
- 47 Unwell
- 49 "Exodus" author
- 50 Barn roof spinner
- 51 Silent
- 52 Lawman
- 53 "The — of March"
- 54 Actress Longoria
- 55 Do in

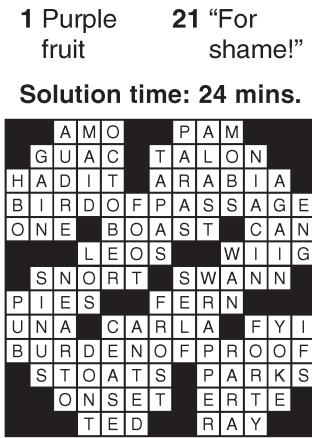
2 Assess

- 3 "Meta-morphoses" poet
- 4 Note-worthy
- 5 Barbecue site
- 6 JFK info
- 7 Light breezes
- 8 Composer Joplin
- 9 Appeared suddenly
- 10 Altar constellation
- 11 Actor Ferrer
- 19 Includes in an email
- 21 "For shame!"

23 Mideast peninsula

- 24 TV remote button
- 25 Tart
- 26 "Ditto"
- 27 Computer debut of 1998
- 28 Tank filler
- 32 E.L. Doctorow novel
- 33 Sneezer's needs
- 35 Egg — yung
- 36 Oz., lb., et al.
- 38 Off-pierced ear areas
- 39 Hayek of "Frida"
- 42 Russian river
- 43 Actress Sorvino
- 44 Glimpse
- 45 106, in old Rome
- 46 "Awe-some, dude!"
- 48 Candy-heart word

Solution time: 24 mins.



Yesterday's answer 8-12

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WHAT'S IN YOUR STARS

By HOLIDAY MATHIS

It is said that love is blind. Not true! To see only what we want to see instead of the person before us isn't love—it's narcissism. Love is curious and open, seeking to know flaws and strengths alike. Love—which requires abundant powers of observation by definition—cannot be blind. Love does, however, know when to shut its eyes.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).

Fear, worry and sadness are all teachers. Anger, jealousy and humiliation are even better teachers! Without negative emotions, we wouldn't evolve very quickly—or possibly at all.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

Rarely does beauty wave you down then make an undeniable presentation. Instead, beauty is mysterious and makes itself available to those with the eye for it. In today's case, beauty hides in plain sight.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).

Life often meets your expectation. This is why you avoid seeing things as dire or less than optimum. Truly, there is much to work with in your environment today. These strange conditions might even be ideal.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

In a quiet moment, you may notice that you are missing someone. Follow the pang—reach out and share. It will bring good fortune and, possibly, healing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).

You're the boss. Keep it simple and life will follow the order you set for it. Pick just one plan. Then, before you talk to anyone or make a move, envision how you want things to go down.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).

Our weaknesses are our greatest advantages. How are we going to use them if we don't know what they are? This is what makes the feedback of enemies, frenemies and the rude general public so extremely valuable.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).

If courage had form—if it could be heaped into mounds like gold or gathered up like blossoms—you'd see that you somehow have much more of it than can actually fit inside you. Use it indiscriminately. You've plenty!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).

The displacement you feel is likely the result of overthinking. No one will say your due diligence was lacking! After you've exhausted all reason, an intuitive logic will take over to quietly guide you home.

ARIES (March 21-April 19).

It will be up to you to cast a certain role. Avoid the comfortable trap of merely filling the slot with someone you know. Choose the one with the right accomplishments to earn the position.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

An adoring supporter will pay more attention to you than you're used to receiving. This person either has a lot of heart or a lot of free time. Likely, both are true.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

The balance of power is heavily weighted on one side of a relationship. There's a better way to coexist. Conversations go better with a mediator.

CANCER (June 22-July 22).

There are those who live in a palace and still feel poor inside. Wealth is not all about money. You'll make heart-guided decisions to grow the riches that matter.