

ADDING TO AREA’S PARENTING TOOLBOX



ROD AYDELOTTE, TRIBUNE-HERALD

Breastfeeding Success’ new outpatient clinic at Ascension Providence features a scale, a comfortable couch for moms to practice feeding and several cheeky areola references, including a lamp that reminds owner Janet Jones of ducts.

Providence opens new outpatient breastfeeding clinic

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This past week Ascension Providence in partnership with Breastfeeding Success launched a new lactation consultation outpatient clinic for new parents, filling a gap in Waco’s postpartum continuum of care.

“Sometimes it really is just a matter of coming in, getting that reassurance that yes, my baby is gaining and growing well, and tweaking some of the things that they’re already doing right,” Breastfeeding Success owner Janet Jones said. “It’s really normal for families to need support. We used to have a lot more community support.”

The clinic, located in Providence’s Women’s and Newborn Center, is run by the company Breastfeeding Success, which has provided inpatient and outpatient lactation services for the Waco hospital since 2021. Jones said the service and new outpatient clinic comes at little to no cost to the hospital and accepts most major insurers, creating a benefit for both new patients and

hospital staff who do not have to pick up the extra work.

“So it’s really a win-win for the hospital system and the patients itself,” she said. “There’s so many facilities that struggle with payroll and budget on a yearly basis and because lactation is kind of one of those nice-to-have services and not a requirement ... that’s usually the first to get cut.”

The outpatient clinic is brand new for the Waco group of international board certified lactation consultants that continues to grow, and it fills a need in the area, Jones said. The clinic is able to schedule new parents within a day or two and accept several different types of insurance. Those without insurance may also qualify for pro bono care.

Jones said the pandemic put lactation support in jeopardy, making the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children the primary resource for parents, beside a few private practices in Waco.

She said her company will continue to

partner with community resources patients were referred to before the opening of the on-site clinic, “but now they have a place to come to with regular hours ... now we’ll actually be able to give that hands-on support.”

“We will ultimately have enough staff to where somebody’s always available on standby to come in and help out inpatient, or to then come out and support the outpatient staff,” Jones said. “And that makes it better for the lactation consultant as well because there’s so many different avenues at which they can support families.”

The group is able to staff up or down depending on the community’s needs at any time, Jones said. She said Breastfeeding Success makes a point to see every postpartum patient staying in the hospital every day, ideally matching the same consultant each day, because babies and their needs change quickly within the few days following birth.

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County poised to approve \$149 million annual budget

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McLennan County commissioners are poised to vote Tuesday on a budget \$8.3 million larger than the current one expiring Sept. 30. It includes a 3.51% cost-of-living adjustment for most of the county’s 1,100 employees and 16 new positions “to assist in law enforcement, judicial functions, and information technology support,” says a budget summary.

“Compared to the current tax rate of .376355, the proposed tax rate for the upcoming year is a 4.655-cent decrease, or 12.4%,” says the county.

With the proposed tax rate of 32.9 cents per \$100 valuation, the county has decreased the tax rate 20 cents since 2016, or 37.2%.

“The court had the ability to raise the tax rate to the max rate—without an election—of .46701, which is the voter-ap-

proval rate,” said the county.

The summary says population growth countywide has made necessary increases in the budgets for law enforcement, indigent health care and indigent defense. County commissioners increased by 10% the county contribution to employee health insurance due to inflation.

Helping the cause is a 16% year-over-year increase in the county’s taxable property value, appraisals now standing at \$27.9 billion.

The no-new-revenue rate is a rate that would produce the same amount of taxes if applied to the same properties taxed in consecutive years.

As usual, law enforcement and jail operations combine to represent a sizable chunk of the roughly \$149 million general fund budget. Running the McLennan

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JERRY LARSON, TRIBUNE-HERALD FILE PHOTO

Operating the Jack Harwell Detention Center will cost \$12.3 million, a projected jump from this year’s \$11.6 million.

BRIEFLY

Historic films showcase

Historic Waco, the McLennan County Historical Commission and Baylor University’s Texas Collection will present screenings of historical documentaries involving Waco starting at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 7 at the Mayborn Museum, 1300 S. University Parks Drive.

The Historic Waco Films Showcase will offer a first-of-its-kind look at newly digitized films from Waco’s past, including silent movie footage, Baylor athletics film thought lost to time, and a documentary on the urban renewal program. The event is free and open to the public.

A panel of presenters will discuss films and found footage. The event will include never-before publicly screened movies, archival footage and a specially restored 1910s silent film, “The Passersby,” re-edited to represent its original storyline for the first time in more than 100 years.

Other film topics include: 1971 urban renewal documentary “Waco: A Changing City” The 1953 Waco tornado 1973 film “Baylor University — A Life Experience”

1968 Baylor basketball footage.

‘Big Hat Brunch’

Esther’s Closet and the Centex African American Chamber of Commerce will host a “Big Hat Brunch” at the annual Women of Distinction Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 7 at the Lee Lockwood Library and Museum, 2801 W. Waco Drive.

The event will feature a panel discussion with local professional female leaders who understand issues affecting women in the community, as well as a big hat fashion show, awards, silent auction and door prizes.

Tickets are \$75 per person, or \$55 for chamber members, available at bit.ly/3JYDICq.

Cranfills Gap reunion

The Cranfills Gap Lions Booster Club will hold an all-school reunion for former students, faculty and staff of Cranfills Gap High School on Sept. 9, at the Cranfills Gap Independent School District cafeteria.

Doors will open at 11 a.m. with a meal to follow at noon. The meal will include pulled-pork sandwiches,

chips, drinks and desserts. A free-will donation will be accepted with proceeds going to the Mrs. LaVerne Pendleton Memorial Scholarship fund. Attendees should bring pictures, annuals and memories to share.

Septemberfest will be taking place in town with a parade at 10 a.m. A car show, cookoff, and arts & crafts booths will be set up in Cranfills Gap City Park on Highway 22.

Call or text Laura at 254-253-1210 to RSVP by Saturday. Email may be sent to cglutefisk@gmail.com.

4-H organizing meeting

A come-and-go meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. Aug. 30 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office, 4224 Cobbs Drive, will allow participants to learn about 4-H in McLennan County and how to get connected.

‘Art and Science of Rest’

As part of its health and wellness initiative, the Baylor University School of Music will present a talk by Broadway actor Hardy Weaver on “The Art and Science

of Rest” at 4 p.m. Monday at Roxy Grove Hall in the Waco Hall complex.

The event is free and open to the public.

Waco Sunrise Rotary

Meghan Bias, new executive director of Art Center Waco, will speak during a Waco Sunrise Rotary Club meeting at 7 a.m. Tuesday at Central Presbyterian Church, 9191 Woodway Drive.

The meeting is open to existing and prospective members. A free light breakfast will be served.

For more information, call 254-715-1868.

Luxury leather raffle

The McLennan Community College Foundation is holding a luxury leather raffle to support student scholarships.

The raffle features Tecovas boots, a Lucchese briefcase and a King Ranch duffle bag.

Tickets purchased online at bit.ly/MCCLeatherRaffle are \$20 each. Tickets are six for \$100 if purchased in person between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays at the MCC Foundation, 1728 Powell

Drive, or at the MCC Foundation Golf Tournament on Oct. 6 at Cottonwood Creek Golf Course. The winning tickets will be drawn at the tournament.

For more information, call the MCC Foundation at 254-299-8604.

Sign up for Kendo

It’s never too late to learn Kendo, and affordable classes for all skill levels are offered each Saturday at Doris Miller Community Center, 1020 Elm Ave.

Kendo, the martial art of Japanese fencing, is a fun activity that promotes physical, mental and cultural learning. Just \$10 per month for students and \$20 per month for adults.

Saturday class schedule is as follows: Beginners: 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; intermediate: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; and advanced from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

To register, call 254-750-1956 or stop by the center in person.

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Breastfeeding

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First-time parents Justin and Keany Nelson were visiting the clinic Thursday with their week-old baby Lucas for their first consult with Jones. Keany Nelson said she was happy with the attention to care she received from lactation specialists, both before and after she was discharged from the hospital.

Nelson said her baby was unexpectedly delivered a week early and she did not do much research on breastfeeding beforehand. However, a lactation consultant visited her for the three days she was in the hospital following the birth to help her navigate latching and to introduce her to the clinic, she said.

“She helped me kind of figure out latching and that kind of stuff, and then she offered me this resource too,” Nelson said. “And so she gave me information regarding that and had somebody ... call me when we discharged on Saturday, and then followed up on Monday with setting up this appointment.”

Getting an appointment was quick and easy, with text and online options to input information and check in, and the location was easy to find, she said. There is also a place during the check-in process for parents to dump all of their questions they have been hanging on to. For Nelson, this meant asking about her baby’s expected weight gain, as he was born at 5 pounds, 14 ounces.

Thursday’s appointment started with a weigh-in, then a consultation of mom’s progress with feed-



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Breastfeeding Success owner Janet Jones sits in her clinic at Ascension Providence that will provide outpatient lactation consultation services to parents.

ing and comfortable feeding positions so far. Then they practiced feeding from both breasts with guidance from Jones, finishing out each side with another weigh-in. Nelson said it was interesting to see after each feeding how much her baby had gained in just one session.

“So we did one, and he only did it for like 8 minutes and he gained a little bit then ... and then we did another position and he fed a little longer on that side,” she said. “... But it showed that collectively he got about 2 ounces from the feed which is really cool to see.”

Nelson said it was helpful to ac-

tively receive pointers and reassuring to know that her milk supply was good to give Lucas as much as he needs.

Jones said it is easy for new parents to want to give up on breastfeeding around day five, as babies need to start gaining weight, but moms might not be comfortable or producing much milk yet. However, that is when pregnancy hormones decrease and give rise to the lactation hormone prolactin, which can also be uncomfortable for mothers, she said.

“If you’ve ever heard of the term engorgement, that’s where

that comes in,” she said. “Because now all of a sudden, and it could just be overnight, she goes from not feeling like she has anything and the baby is just constantly at the breast, to like Dolly Parton and hard as a rock.”

That is when outpatient services are needed most for mothers and babies newly discharged from the hospital to monitor babies’ weight gain, possible breast infections and to ease the learning curve into breastfeeding. Discouraged parents may also turn to formula during times of frustration, which could signal the mother’s body to

create even less milk, Jones said.

“That’s one of the issues and the reasons why, you know, there’s a big push to try to give that encouragement and give support in the early days and to avoid unnecessary formula supplementation,” she said. “... It’s so important for families to really be making an informed decision and if you’re just getting that support then ... it typically is the lactation consultant who’s like ‘we do need to supplement your baby, not necessarily with formula though.’”

Nelson said she plans to stick with breastfeeding, and for her it is a cute and important bonding experience between her and Lucas. Being able to provide breast milk also saves money on formula, she said.

Jones said breastfeeding is beneficial to health for both the mom and the baby, with a decreased risk of obesity, diabetes, asthma, eczema and childhood cancers for the baby and a decreased risk of breast and ovarian cancer, osteoporosis and heart disease for the mother.

Breast milk is a living substance with antibodies that change every day, and babies are born with sterile guts that need to be colonized with their mothers’ beneficial gut bacteria, she said. Moms can pass on protective antibodies to their babies through breast milk, and the nutrients offered in the milk changes day to day, she said.

“If you can imagine, every illness that that mom has had in her life, she’s going to have tiny amounts of antibodies that she’s passing to baby, kind of preparing the baby for the world that she’s lived in,” Jones said.

Budget

From A1

County Sheriff’s Office will cost \$14.6 million next fiscal year, up from \$13.3 million. Running the county jail will cost a budgeted \$18.9 million, up from \$17.8 million; and operating the Jack Harwell Detention Center will cost \$12.3 million, a projected jump from this year’s \$11.6 million.

Recruiting and keeping industry falls into the category of economic development. The county will increase its contribution to the Waco-McLennan County Economic Development Corp. fund from \$3.75 million to \$4 million, and the city of Waco will do the same. County commissioners allocated \$175,000 for industrial business grants in the new budget, having made no such grants in the current fiscal year. It will

increase its contribution to the McLennan County Community Investment Fund, which assists small businesses, from \$50,000 to \$100,000. And it will increase contributions to the Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce from \$293,363 to \$374,500.

These expenditures “will have a positive R-O-I impact,” said a county news release, referencing return on investment.

“Although the proposed bud-

get is an increase compared to the prior year, the Commissioners Court has been able to support the budget needs while lowering the tax rate,” said the release. “This is due to leaning on increases in other revenues—sales and use tax, fines and fees, charges for services to support the increases in the budget.” The release said the county continues to maintain a minimum fund balance of 33% of operating ex-

penditures, which is available for emergencies or unexpected expenses.

Countywide street and bridge repair apparently will pick up steam beginning Oct. 1, commissioners increasing the allocation for right-of-way purchases from \$175,000 to \$539,424. Professional services related to street and bridge work will increase to \$500,000 from \$136,641, the budget projects.

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DIGEST

Russian forces shell Ukraine city

KYIV, Ukraine — Russian forces struck a cafe in a key front-line area in northeastern Ukraine on Saturday, killing two civilians and wounding a third, regional officials said.

The shelling near the city of Kupiansk came as U.K. officials said Russia may try to retake the area, which was captured by Kyiv in a lightning counter-offensive last September after more than six months of Russian occupation. Fierce fighting there earlier this month prompted mandatory evacuations.

A Russian defense ministry spokesman said in a briefing Saturday that Moscow's forces "improved their position along the front line" in the area and repelled five Ukrainian assaults over the previous day.

On Saturday, a new drone attack on Moscow forced a temporary shutdown of all three major airports serving the city, Russian state media reported. Officials blamed Ukraine.

Maui fire prompts fresh evacuation

LAHAINA, Hawaii — A brush fire on Saturday prompted Maui authorities to evacuate residents from a neighborhood of Lahaina, just a few miles from the site recently ravaged by blazes that killed at least 115 people and destroyed 2,000 structures.

An evacuation order was issued for a residential part of Lahaina in the hills above Kaanapali resort hotels, the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency said.

Later, Maui County said firefighters "stopped forward progress of the fire," which no longer posed an active threat, but firefighters were working in the area and evacuees should stay clear until it was safe to return. It wasn't immediately clear how many people were affected.

BRIEFLY

PUERTO RICO: A new plan for restructuring \$10 billion in debt owed by Puerto Rico's power company was filed late Friday in the latest attempt to end a lengthy bankruptcy process marked by acrimonious negotiations. If confirmed, the plan would mean an increase in already high power bills for many people on the island.

HAITI: A gang opened fire Saturday on a large group of parishioners led by a pastor as they marched through a community armed with machetes to rid the area of gang members. Several people were killed and others injured, said Marie Yolène Gilles, director of human rights group Fondasyon Je Klere.

SOCIAL MEDIA: In a speech to participants of the International Catholic Legislators Network annual conference in the Rome area, Pope Francis on Saturday warned against the danger of reducing human relationships to "mere algorithms" and urged lawmakers to be vigilant against "partisan" propaganda and divisiveness on social media.

SYRIA: Insurgents in Syria attacked an army position Saturday, killing and wounding over 30 troops, opposition activists said. The attack came days after Russian and Syrian warplanes carried out airstrikes on the last major rebel stronghold in Idlib province and parts of Aleppo, killing several insurgents.

INDIA: A fire erupted inside a stationary train compartment at a railway station in southern India, killing nine people Saturday, officials said. The blaze broke out at 5 a.m. and burned for two hours.

MUSEUM: The head of trustees at the British Museum said Saturday that the museum recovered some of the 2,000 items believed to have been stolen by an insider, but admitted the 264-year-old institution does not have records of everything in its collection.

— Associated Press

NUCLEAR WASTE

Fishing industry wary

Prices mixed following treated water release; Seoul seeing protests

MARI YAMAGUCHI
Associated Press

IWAKI, Japan — Fish auction prices at a port south of the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant were mixed amid uncertainty over how seafood consumers will respond to the release of treated and diluted radioactive wastewater into the ocean.

The plant, which was damaged in a 2011 earthquake and tsunami, began sending the treated water into the Pacific on Thursday despite protests at home and in nearby countries that are adding political and diplomatic pressures to the economic worries.

In Seoul on Saturday, thousands of South Koreans took to

the streets to condemn the release of wastewater and to criticize the South Korean government for endorsing the plan. The protesters called on Japan to store radioactive water in tanks instead of releasing it into the Pacific Ocean.

Hideaki Igari, a middleman at the Numanouchi fishing port, said the price of larger flounder, Fukushima's signature fish known as Joban-mono, was more than 10% lower at the Friday morning auction, the first since the water release began. Prices of some average-size flounder rose, but presumably due to a limited catch, says Igari. Others fell.

It was a relatively calm market reaction to the water release. But, Igari said, "we still have to see how it goes next week."

The decadeslong release has been strongly opposed by fishing groups and criticized by neighboring countries. China immedi-

ately banned imports of seafood from Japan in response, adding to worries in the fisheries community and related businesses.

A citizens' radiation testing center in Japan said it's getting inquiries and expects more people may bring in food, water and other samples as radiation data is now a key barometer for what to eat.

Japanese fishing groups fear the release will do more harm to the reputation of seafood from the Fukushima area. They are still striving to repair the damage to their businesses from the meltdown at the power plant after the earthquake and tsunami.

"We now have this water after all these years of struggle when the fish market price is finally becoming stable," Igari said after Friday's auction. "Fisheries people fear that prices of the fish they catch for their living may crash again, and worry about their fu-

ture living."

The Japanese government and plant operator Tokyo Electric Power Company Holdings say the water must be released to make way for the facility's decommissioning and to prevent accidental leaks of insufficiently treated water. Much of the tank-held water still contains radioactive materials exceeding releasable levels.

Some wastewater at the plant is recycled as coolant after treatment, and the rest is stored in around 1,000 tanks, which are filled to 98% of their 1.37 million-ton capacity. The tanks cover much of the complex and must be cleared out to make room for new facilities needed for the decommissioning process, officials say.

On Friday, the first seawater samples collected after the release were significantly below the legally releasable levels, the power company said.

SPACEX



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A SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket with the Crew Dragon spacecraft lifts off Saturday from the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Fla.

New crew heads to space station

Spacecraft's four seats occupied by astronauts from different nations

MARCIA DUNN
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Four astronauts from four countries rocketed toward the International Space Station on Saturday.

They should reach the orbiting lab in their SpaceX capsule Sunday, replacing four astronauts living up there since March.

A NASA astronaut was joined on the predawn liftoff from Kennedy Space Center by fliers from Denmark, Japan and Russia. They clasped one another's gloved hands upon reaching orbit.

It was the first U.S. launch where every spacecraft seat was occupied by a different country — until now, NASA always included two or three of its own on its SpaceX taxi

flights. A fluke in timing led to the assignments, officials said.

"We're a united team with a common mission," NASA's Jasmin Moghbeli radioed from orbit. NASA's Ken Bowersox, space operations mission chief, added: "Boy, what a beautiful launch ... and with four international crew members, really an exciting thing to see." SpaceX has now launched eight crews for NASA.

Moghbeli, a Marine pilot serving as commander, is joined on the six-month mission by the European Space Agency's Andreas Mogensen, Japan's Satoshi Furukawa and Russia's Konstantin BorISOV.

"To explore space, we need to do it together," the European Space Agency's director general, Josef Aschbacher, said minutes before liftoff. "Space is really global, and international cooperation is key."

The astronauts' paths to space couldn't be more different.

Moghbeli's parents fled Iran

during the 1979 revolution. Born in Germany and raised on New York's Long Island, she joined the Marines and flew attack helicopters in Afghanistan. The first-time space traveler hopes to show Iranian girls that they, too, can aim high. "Belief in yourself is something really powerful," she said before the flight.

Mogensen worked on oil rigs off the West African coast after getting an engineering degree. He told people puzzled by his job choice that "in the future we would need drillers in space" like Bruce Willis' character in the killer asteroid film "Armageddon." He's convinced the rig experience led to his selection as Denmark's first astronaut.

Furukawa spent a decade as a surgeon before making Japan's astronaut cut. Like Mogensen, he's visited the station before.

BorISOV, a space rookie, turned to engineering after studying

business. He runs a freediving school in Moscow and judges the sport, in which divers shun oxygen tanks and hold their breath underwater.

One of the perks of an international crew, they noted, is the food. Among the delicacies soaring with them: Persian herbed stew, Danish chocolate and Japanese mackerel.

SpaceX's first-stage booster returned to Cape Canaveral after liftoff, an extra treat for the thousands of spectators gathered in the early morning darkness.

Liftoff was delayed a day for reviews of valves in the capsule's life-support system. The countdown almost halted again Saturday after a tiny fuel leak in the capsule's thruster system. SpaceX engineers verified it would pose no threat with barely two minutes remaining on the clock, said Benji Reed, the company's senior director for human spaceflight.

Masked shooter kills 3 in racially motivated attack

White man targets predominately Black community in Florida

ASSOCIATED PRESS

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — A masked white man fatally shot three people inside a Jacksonville, Florida, Dollar General store in a predominately Black neighborhood on Saturday in an attack after leaving behind racist writings,

officials said. The shooter then killed himself.

"He hated Black people," Jacksonville Sheriff T.K. Waters told a news conference. "There is absolutely no evidence the shooter is part of any larger group."

Waters said the shooter, who was in his 20s, used a Glock handgun and an AR-15 semi-automatic rifle with at least one of the firearms painted with a swastika. He wore a bullet-resistant vest.

Officials didn't immediately re-

lease the names of the victims or the shooter.

The sheriff said the gunman left behind writings that led investigators to believe he committed the shooting because it was the fifth anniversary of when another gunman opened fire during a video game tournament in Jacksonville, killing two people before fatally shooting himself.

The shooting happened just before 2 p.m. at a Dollar General near Edward Waters University, a small

historically Black university. Sheriff Waters said the suspect was seen on campus shortly before the shooting, putting on his vest and mask.

The shooter drove to Jacksonville from neighboring Clay County. Shortly before the attack, he sent his father a text message telling him to check his computer. The father found the writings and the family notified 911, but the shooting had begun, Sheriff Waters said. The FBI said it opened a hate crime investigation.

GOLF | PGA TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Hovland takes 6-shot lead

DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Viktor Hovland can't remember playing this well with every aspect of his game, and he can't think of a better time for it to all come together.

One more round of that and he'll have \$18 million to show for it, along with his name on the FedEx Cup trophy.

Hovland delivered another sterling performance Saturday in the Tour Championship, a 4-under 66 that allowed him to pull away from an All-Star cast of contenders and build a six-shot lead going into the final round of the season at East Lake.

"The list of names that's been on that trophy is pretty special," Hovland said. "It feels more like a sprint. Obviously, it's a marathon getting into this week. But it's hard to win the FedEx Cup if you haven't played well the last few weeks."

No one has played better.

He broke the course record at Olympia Fields on Sunday with a 61 that allowed him to surge past Scottie Scheffler and win the BMW Championship. He has not let up at East Lake, even in the extreme heat.

The Norwegian star was tied with Collin Morikawa to start the sunbaked third round, with Scheffler, Jon Rahm and Xander Schauffele all lined up behind him. No one could keep pace, especially after a 90-minute stoppage because of storms in the area.

Hovland, who started at 8-under par as the No. 2 seed, was at 20 under.

Schauffele, who has never finished worse than seventh or shot worse than par in his seven years playing the Tour Championship, had a 68 and was at 14 under. All he could think about was a pair of 4-foot putts he missed on the back nine — for par at No. 15, for birdie on the closing hole — knowing how much ground he had to make up.

"Not good enough," Schauffele said about his round.



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Viktor Hovland prepares to putt on the 15th green during the third round of the Tour Championship on Saturday in Atlanta.

Morikawa didn't make a birdie until the 16th hole in his round of 73, leaving him seven shots behind with Keegan Bradley, who had to birdie two of the last four holes for a 70.

Scheffler only started making putts — only one for birdie — late in his round of 73 that tied him with Rahm (71), leaving both nine shots behind and out of contention for the FedEx Cup title.

Hovland still has one round left, and last year was an example that no lead is safe. Scheffler started the final round with a six-shot lead over Rory McIlroy, only to shoot 73 as McIlroy rallied for a 66 to beat him by one.

"I know what I need to do," Schauffele said. "I need to go out and try and put as much pressure on him tomorrow on that front nine as I can, and hope for the best."

Hovland played bogey-free on the front nine as so many contenders were slowed by mistakes.

Bradley had three bogeys in a four-hole stretch. Scheffler three-putted from 12 feet, missing his par putt from 30 inches on the par-5 sixth. Rahm drove into the water on No. 8 for a double bogey and didn't make his first birdie until the 12th hole.

And then clouds began to appear on another day of extreme heat, leading to the 90-minute

delay. When players returned, Hovland made a 10-foot birdie putt on the 12th and a 20-footer on the next hole.

At one point he stretched his lead to seven shots, and it looked as though that's how he would end the day until he missed a 7-foot putt as darkness fell on East Lake.

"He's just playing unbelievable golf," Schauffele said. "He's been working really hard. I saw him working hard through the playoffs there. I was out late and he was one of the guys I always saw until dark as well. So, no surprise."

The FedEx Cup comes with an \$18 million bonus (\$17 million in cash) and a five-year exemption on the PGA Tour. It also might be enough to at least merit consideration for Hovland as PGA Tour player of the year, having also won the Memorial and a FedEx Cup playoff event.

"I don't think I've ever played this well before, with this stretch, just putting all the short game and stuff together," Hovland said. "I've certainly hit the ball this good before. I feel like I've hit the ball better than I have this week and even last week."

U.S. Open champion Wyndham Clark had only one bogey in his round of 68 that left him in the group with Scheffler and Rahm.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | TOP 25 RECAP

Notre Dame routs Navy in Ireland

KEN MAGUIRE
Associated Press

DUBLIN — Sam Hartman threw for four touchdowns in his Notre Dame debut and the No. 13 Fighting Irish routed Navy 42-3 on Saturday in a season-opening victory in Ireland's capital.

Notre Dame (1-0) scored at will by air and on the ground against the Midshipmen (0-1), improving to 3-0 all-time against Navy in Dublin games.

Hartman completed 19 of 23 passes for 251 yards.

"It starts up front. I had a lot of time to go through my reads and progressions, and felt comfortable," Hartman said.

Hartman connected with Jaden Greathouse on two scoring strikes, the second a 20-yard reception that made the score 35-0 early in the third quarter and kept the Irish offense perfect at that point — scoring touchdowns in their first five possessions.

The Irish quickly eased fears about another possible slow start after going 0-2 to open last season.

"You couldn't draw it up any better," Irish coach Marcus Freeman said.

After touchdown runs by Audric Estimé and Jadarian Price, Hartman's first TD pass went to Greathouse, who caught a deep ball at the 5 and took it in for a 35-yard scoring play and a 21-0 lead. That drive was a no-huddle special requiring just 1:52 and four plays to go 78 yards.

Navy followed with its best drive before stalling at Notre Dame's 20. On a fourth-and-4, kicker Evan Warren was wide right on a 37-yard field goal attempt, leaving Hartman with 1:55 on the clock.

Hartman, a grad transfer who set ACC records at Wake Forest, ended Notre Dame's nearly flawless first half with a 29-yard touchdown pass to Jayden Thomas.

Notre Dame's sixth drive

ended when new kicker Spencer Shrader missed a 42-yard field goal attempt in the third quarter.

Hartman hit Deion Colzie in the flat for a 25-yard touchdown pass that made the score 42-0 early in the fourth quarter.

After pledging to open up its offense a bit from the triple option, Navy attempted just one pass in the first half — when starter Tai Lavatai threw incomplete on a fourth-and-3 from Notre Dame's 37 under pressure from Jack Kiser.

Navy avoided the shutout when Warren kicked a 30-yard field goal with 3:33 to play.

"When you play a team like Notre Dame, you've got to be dang near perfect," Navy coach Brian Newberry said. "They controlled the line of scrimmage, the running backs ran hard, we didn't tackle well — that's a bad combination. When they did throw it, they were deadly efficient."

Estimé led the Irish rushing attack with 95 yards on 16 carries.

Starting Navy quarterback Tai Lavatai finished 3 of 6 for 43 yards. Alex Tecza led Navy with 38 yards rushing on eight carries.

NO. 6 USC 56, JSU 28: Southern California opened the season with a victory over visiting San Jose State.

Caleb Williams passed for 278 yards and four touchdowns in his return from his Heisman Trophy season, and freshman Zachariah Branch made an electrifying debut with a 96-yard kickoff return and a 25-yard reception for touchdowns.

Dorian Singer, Tahj Washington and Brenden Rice also caught TD passes, and Austin Jones rushed for two more scores as USC opened its second season under Lincoln Riley with another impressive offensive performance that easily covered the Trojans' persistent defensive flaws.

NASCAR | DAYTONA



ROB SWEETEN, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ryan Blaney (12), Ty Gibbs (54) and Christopher Bell (20) collide in Turn 4 at Daytona International Speedway Saturday.

Buescher wins regular-season finale

Wallace lands final playoff spot on points; Elliott eliminated

MARK LONG
Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Chris Buescher won the NASCAR Cup Series regular-season finale at Daytona International Speedway on Saturday night, eliminating fan favorite Chase Elliott from the playoffs and sending Bubba Wallace into the postseason.

Buescher and teammate Brad Keselowski finished 1-2 for RFK Racing, with Buescher winning for the third time in the last five races. Because Buescher already had won, Wallace got the 16th and final playoff spot on points.

Ryan Preece flipped about a dozen times after sliding into the infield grass with six laps to go



PHELAN M. EBENHACK, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Chris Buescher celebrates in Victory Lane with team members after winning Saturday's race.

and came to a halt in his mangled No. 41 Ford. The Stewart-Haas Racing driver was able to get out with help before emergency personnel put him on a gurney and into an ambulance for a quick trip to the infield care center.

Preece's crash with SHR teammate Chase Briscoe sent the race into overtime. Buescher was out front for the restart and Keselowski stayed in line to keep them 1-2 at the checkered flag.

Seventeen drivers started the

night with hopes of securing the final spot.

Elliott needed a victory that never came, even at his favorite tracks. He knew Daytona was a wild card, but he still managed to get to the front and lead two laps early.

He missed six races after breaking his left leg in a snowboarding accident in early March and was suspended for another for intentionally wrecking Denny Hamlin at Charlotte Motor Speedway in May. Those absences left NASCAR's most popular driver trying to dig out of a huge hole all summer.

Martin Truex Jr. took the regular-season championship over Denny Hamlin, giving Truex an extra 15 playoff points.

Truex and Hamlin were the only drivers vying for the regular-season title at Daytona.

RESULTS

Coke Zero Sugar 400 Saturday, Daytona International Speedway Daytona Beach, Fla.; Lap length: 2.50 mi. (Start position in parentheses)	
1. (11) Chris Buescher, Ford, 163 laps, 40 points.	
2. (12) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 163, 45.	
3. (2) Aric Almirola, Ford, 163, 34.	
4. (23) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 163, 37.	
5. (14) Joey Logano, Ford, 163, 39.	
6. (31) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 163, 38.	
7. (18) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet, 163, 39.	
8. (27) William Byron, Chevrolet, 163, 35.	
9. (10) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 163, 36.	
10. (37) Corey LaJoie, Chevrolet, 163, 27.	
11. (30) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 163, 26.	
12. (4) Bubba Wallace, Toyota, 163, 30.	
13. (39) Michael McDowell, Ford, 163, 24.	
14. (26) Austin Hill, Chevrolet, 163, 0.	
15. (36) Chandler Smith, Chevrolet, 163, 0.	
16. (15) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 163, 30.	
17. (25) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 163, 22.	
18. (24) Erik Jones, Chevrolet, 163, 19.	
19. (33) JJ Yeley, Ford, 163, 0.	
20. (22) Daniel Suárez, Chevrolet, 163, 26.	
21. (28) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 163, 16.	
22. (29) Josh Berry, Chevrolet, 163, 0.	
23. (38) BJ McLeod, Chevrolet, 163, 14.	
24. (13) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, 163, 23.	
25. (20) Tyler Reddick, Toyota, 163, 17.	
26. (19) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 162, 14.	
27. (7) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 161, 10.	
28. (3) Harrison Burton, Ford, 160, 9.	
29. (17) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 160, 8.	
30. (1) Chase Briscoe, Ford, accident, 156, 9.	
31. (9) Ryan Preece, Ford, accident, 155, 6.	
32. (35) Todd Gilliland, Ford, overheating, 131, 5.	
33. (21) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, accident, 102, 7.	
34. (32) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Chevrolet, accident, 96, 3.	
35. (5) Ty Gibbs, Toyota, accident, 94, 9.	
36. (8) Ryan Blaney, Ford, accident, 94, 1.	
37. (16) Austin Cindric, Ford, accident, 94, 5.	
38. (6) Riley Herbst, Ford, accident, 94, 0.	
39. (34) Brennan Poole, Ford, accident, 93, 0.	

Race Statistics			
Average Speed of Race Winner: 156.357 mph.			
Time of Race: 2 hours, 34 minutes, 22 seconds.			
Margin of Victory: .098 seconds.			
Caution Flags: 3 for 18 laps.			
Lead Changes: 22 among 17 drivers.			
Playoff Field			
William Byron	2025	9. Ryan Blaney	2005
Martin Truex Jr.	2015	10. Ross Chastain	2005
Kyle Busch	2015	11. Christopher Bell	2005
Chris Buescher	2015	12. M. McDowell	2005
Denny Hamlin	2010	13. R. Stenhouse Jr.	2005
Kyle Larson	2010	14. Brad Keselowski	2000
Joey Logano	2005	15. Kevin Harvick	2000
Tyler Reddick	2005	16. Bubba Wallace	2000

BRIEFLY
RETIRED: Kurt Busch held back tears as he announced his retirement Saturday at Daytona International Speedway. The 2004 series champion called it quits mostly because he's been unable to shake the lingering effects of a significant concussion. Busch suffered the concussion during a qualifying crash at Pocono Raceway last summer after slamming into the wall backwards.
UP NEXT: The Round of 16 kicks off next Sunday at Darlington Raceway for the Southern 500.
— Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away
Baltimore	81	48	.628	—	—	7-3	W-4	44-24	41-24
Tampa Bay	79	52	.603	3	+6	7-3	W-1	44-23	35-29
Toronto	71	59	.546	10½	1½	5-5	W-1	33-28	38-31
Boston	69	61	.531	12½	3½	6-4	W-1	36-29	33-32
New York	62	67	.481	19	10	2-8	L-1	36-33	26-34
Central	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away
Minnesota	67	63	.515	—	—	5-5	L-1	38-27	29-36
Cleveland	61	69	.469	6	11½	3-7	L-1	33-33	28-36
Detroit	59	70	.457	7½	13	6-4	L-1	32-35	31-34
Chicago	51	79	.392	16	21½	3-7	W-1	27-37	24-42
Kansas City	41	90	.313	26½	32	2-8	L-2	23-40	18-50
West	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away
Seattle	73	56	.566	—	—	9-1	W-2	36-28	37-28
Texas	73	56	.566	—	+1	2-8	W-1	42-24	31-32
Houston	73	58	.557	1	—	4-6	W-1	35-31	38-27
Los Angeles	63	67	.485	10½	9½	4-6	W-2	32-33	31-34
Oakland	38	92	.292	35½	34½	5-5	L-1	20-45	18-47

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away
Atlanta	84	44	.656	—	—	8-2	W-4	44-22	40-22
Philadelphia	71	58	.550	13½	+3½	6-4	W-2	38-25	33-33
Miami	65	65	.500	20	3	2-8	L-3	37-29	28-36
Washington	61	69	.469	24	7	8-2	W-3	29-36	32-33
New York	59	71	.454	26	9	5-5	L-4	31-30	28-41
Central	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away
Milwaukee	72	57	.558	—	—	7-3	W-7	37-27	35-30
Chicago	68	61	.527	4	+½	7-3	W-1	35-30	33-31
Cincinnati	68	63	.519	5	½	6-4	W-1	31-34	37-29
Pittsburgh	58	72	.446	14½	10	4-6	L-1	32-35	26-37
St. Louis	56	74	.431	16½	12	2-8	L-2	28-37	28-37
West	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away
Los Angeles	79	49	.617	—	—	7-3	L-1	43-21	36-28
Arizona	68	62	.523	12	—	8-2	L-1	34-32	34-30
San Francisco	66	63	.512	13½	1½	3-7	L-2	35-30	31-33
San Diego	61	69	.469	19	7	4-6	L-2	35-33	26-36
Colorado	48	81	.372	31½	19½	2-8	L-6	28-33	20-48

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

American League

N.Y. Yankees 6, Tampa Bay 2
Detroit 4, Houston 1
Cleveland 5, Toronto 2
Oakland 12, Chicago White Sox 4
Minnesota 12, Texas 2
Seattle 7, Kansas City 5

National League

Philadelphia 7, St. Louis 2
Pittsburgh 2, Chicago Cubs 1
Washington 7, Miami 4
Milwaukee 7, San Diego 3
Atlanta 5, San Francisco 1
Arizona 10, Cincinnati 8

Interleague

Baltimore 5, Colorado 4
L.A. Dodgers 7, Boston 4
L.A. Angels 3, N.Y. Mets 1

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

American League

Toronto 8, Cleveland 3
Tampa Bay 3, N.Y. Yankees 0
Seattle 15, Kansas City 2
Houston 9, Detroit 2
Chicago White Sox 6, Oakland 2
Texas 6, Minnesota 2

National League

Washington 3, Miami 2
Atlanta 7, San Francisco 3
Milwaukee 5, San Diego 4
Philadelphia 12, St. Louis 1
Chicago Cubs 10, Pittsburgh 6
Cincinnati 8, Arizona 7, 11 innings

Interleague

Boston 8, L.A. Dodgers 5
Baltimore 5, Colorado 4
L.A. Angels 5, N.Y. Mets 3

SUNDAY'S GAMES

American League

Cleveland (Syndegaard 2-6) at Toronto (Kikuchi 9-4), 12:37 p.m.
Houston (Verlander 9-6) at Detroit (Faedo 2-4), 12:40 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Rodón 1-4) at Tampa Bay (Littell 2-4), 12:40 p.m.
Oakland (Blackburn 3-3) at Chicago White Sox (Clevinger 5-6), 1:10 p.m.
Texas (Montgomery 8-10) at Minnesota (Ober 6-6), 1:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Marsh 0-6) at Seattle (Castillo 10-7), 3:10 p.m.

National League

Chicago Cubs (Assad 2-2) at Pittsburgh (Falter 1-7), 12:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Rom 0-1) at Philadelphia (Nola 11-8), 12:35 p.m.
Washington (Williams 6-7) at Miami (Chargois 1-0), 12:40 p.m.
San Diego (Wacha 10-2) at Milwaukee (Houser 5-4), 1:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Ashcraft 7-8) at Arizona (Cecconi 0-0), 3:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Shuster 4-2) at San Francisco (Beck 3-2), 6:10 p.m.

Interleague

L.A. Angels (Canning 7-4) at N.Y. Mets (Peterson 3-7), 11:05 a.m.
Colorado (Blach 1-1) at Baltimore (Flaherty 8-8), 12:35 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Ferguson 7-3) at Boston (Houck 3-7), 12:35 p.m.

AROUND MLB

RED SOX: Alex Verdugo became the first player in Red Sox history to hit a leadoff home run in the first inning in three straight games. Verdugo is the third major leaguer to accomplish the feat, joining Brady Anderson (1996) and Ronald Acuña Jr. (2018).

ORIOLES: All-Star reliever Félix Bautista was placed on the 15-day IL. GM Mike Elias said the right-hander has “some degree of injury to the ulnar collateral ligament.” Bautista has 33 saves and a 1.48 ERA this season.

PADRES: Jake Cronenworth was placed on the 10-day IL with a fractured right wrist, ending his season.

Angels 5, Mets 3

Los Angeles	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Renfijo ss-2b	5	1	2	1	0	0	.244
Ohtani dh	3	2	2	1	2	0	.307
Drury 2b-1b	5	0	2	2	0	0	.267
Moustakas 3b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.256
O'Hoppe c	4	0	0	0	0	0	.234
Moniak cf	4	1	1	1	0	1	.277
Renfroe rf	3	0	1	0	1	0	.241
Cabbage 1b	3	1	1	0	0	0	.216
Velazquez ss	1	0	0	0	0	0	.187
Grichuk lf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.138
Totals	36	5	9	5	3	8	
New York	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Nimmo cf	5	0	0	0	0	0	.260
McNair ss	5	1	1	0	0	0	.255
London 2b-1b	4	1	1	0	0	0	.266
Alonso 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0	.220
Vogelbach dh	4	1	1	0	0	0	.224
Stewart rf	3	0	2	1	1	0	.263
Narváez c	3	0	0	0	1	0	.195
Ortega lf	2	0	1	0	0	0	.229
Araúz 3b	3	0	1	0	0	0	.135
Almonte ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.067
Totals	33	3	7	2	4	9	
Los Angeles	000	201	000	—	5	10	
New York	000	201	000	—	3	7	0

E: Cabbage (1). **LOB:** Los Angeles 7, New York 8. **2B:** Ohtani (24), Cabbage (3), Drury (21), Renfroe (30), Renfijo (14), Stewart (5). **3B:** Ohtani (8). **HR:** Moniak (13), off Cabbage; Vogelbach (12), off Leone. **SB:** Ohtani 2 (19), Ortega (4).

Los Angeles

Silvest 3½ 2 2 2 2 3 4.10
Loup, W, 2-2 1½ 3 0 0 0 3 5.62
Leone 1 1 1 1 2 2 4.40
Soriano 2 1 0 0 0 2 2.81
Estévez, S, 28-30 1 0 0 0 0 0 3.40
New York **IP** **H** **R** **ER** **BB** **SO** **ERA**
Carrasco, L, 3-8 1½ 7 5 5 0 1 6.80
Reid-Foley 1½ 0 0 0 1 3 0.00
Bickford 2 0 0 0 1 2 7.43
Smith 1 1 0 0 0 1 3.83
Kolarek 1 0 0 0 0 0 1.00
Ottavino 1 0 0 0 0 0 3.18
Raley 1 0 0 0 1 1 2.45
Inherited runners-scored: Loup 1-1, Reid-Foley 1-0. **IBB:** off Raley (Ohtani). **HBP:** Soriano (Alonso). **T:** 2:57. **Att.:** 35,890.

Cincinnati

Crúz 1½ 1 1 0 0 4 4.19
Moll 1½ 0 0 0 1 0 1.54
Gibault 5½ 6 3 3 0 5 5.17
Lively ½ 0 0 0 0 0 1.32
Díaz, W, 6-4 1 1 3 0 1 1 2.22
Sims, S, 3-7 1 0 0 0 0 0 2.70
Arizona **IP** **H** **R** **ER** **BB** **SO** **ERA**
Davies 5 5 1 1 2 5 6.93
McGough 1 0 0 0 0 2 0.40
Nelson 1 0 0 0 0 0 3.19
Ginkel 1 1 1 1 1 1 2.32
Sewald ½ 2 2 1 1 0 4.66
Mantiply ½ 0 0 0 0 0 0.08
Cristanto 0 3 3 2 0 0 5.37
Crisomatt, L, 0-1 2 2 1 0 0 3 0.00
T: 3:35. **Att.:** 34,028.

MLB

Schneider helps Jays end 3-game skid

ASSOCIATED PRESS

TORONTO — Davis Schneider hit a two-run home run and an RBI single, helping Hyun Jin Ryu and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Cleveland Guardians 8-3 on Saturday.

Schneider went 3 for 3 and scored three times as Toronto stopped a three-game losing streak. Bo Bichette had two hits and Daulton Varsho added a two-run single.

Ryu earned his third straight win. The left-hander allowed three runs, two earned, and four hits in five-plus innings.

José Ramírez hit his 20th homer and Tyler Freeman connected for his first career homer, both off Ryu, but Cleveland lost for the fifth time in seven games.

RED SOX 8, DODGERS 5: Adam Duvall's three-run homer lifted Boston over Los Angeles. Mookie Betts had three hits in his second game back at Fenway Park.

REDS 8, D-BACKS 7 (11): TJ Friedl scored on a balk in the 11th and Cincinnati won a back-and-forth game with Arizona in Phoenix. The Reds trailed 4-2 in the ninth.

BOX SCORES

Blue Jays 8, Guardians 3

Cleveland	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Calhoun 1b	4	1	0	0	0	0	.262
Ramirez 2b	4	1	1	0	1	0	.278
Gonzalez lf	4	0	0	0	2	0	.223
Laureano rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	.213
Jiménez 2b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.239
Arias ss	4	0	0	0	0	0	.202
Freeman 3b	4	1	1	1	0	1	.250
Gallagher c	2	0	1	0	0	0	.138
Naylor ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	0	.205
Straw cf	2	0	1	0	0	0	.239
Totals	32	3	5	3	10	0	
Toronto	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Merrifield lf	4	1	1	0	1	1	.289
Bichette dh	5	0	2	0	0	1	.316
Guerrero Jr. 1b	5	1	1	0	0	0	.269
Springer rf	4	2	1	0	1	0	.256
Schneider 2b	3	3	3	3	1	0	.424
Jansen c	3	1	1	0	0	1	.223
Chapman 3b	3	0	1	1	1	1	.249
Espinal ss	3	0	0	1	0	1	.214
Varsho cf	3	0	1	2	1	0	.221
Totals	33	8	11	8	4	6	
Cleveland	100	011	000	—	3	5	0
Toronto	300	200	30x	—	8	11	2

2B: Gallagher (6), Merrifield (23), Schneider (2). **Bichette** (26), **Springer** (20). **HR:** Ramírez (20), off Ryu; Freeman (1), off Ryu; Schneider (4), off Allen. **SB:** Springer (17). **CS:** Varsho (6). **SF:** Espinal. **S:** Straw.

Cleveland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Allen, L, 6-7	4	6	5	4	2	3	6.01
Morris	2	3	2	2	3	3	9.00
Karinchak	1	2	1	1	0	1	3.66
Morgan	1	0	0	0	0	0	3.21
Toronto	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Ryu, W, 3-1	5	4	3	2	5	2	2.25
García	1	0	0	0	0	0	3.86
Swanson	½	1	0	0	0	0	3.10
Mayza	½	0	0	0	0	0	0.99
Richards	2	0	0	0	0	2	3.55
Inherited runners-scored: Karinchak 2-2, García 3-1, Mayza 1-0. T: 2:39. Att.: 41,924.							

Mariners 15, Royals 2

Kansas City	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Garcia 3b-ss	3	0	1	1	0	0	.280
Pitt Jr. ss	4	0	0	0	0	0	.278
Wertz 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.451
Massey 2b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.224
Fermín c	4	0	0	0	0	0	.277
Waters rf	3	1	1	1	0	0	.235
Beatty dh	4	0	0	0	0	0	.295
Blanco lf-cf	3	0	1	0	0	0	.250
Isbel cf	2	0	0	0	0	0	.144
Taylor cf-3b	1	1	1	0	0	0	.200
Totals	32	2	5	2	2	10	
Seattle	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Crawford ss	3	3	2	1	1	0	.268
Moore ss	1	0	0	0	0	0	.137
Rodriguez cf	3	1	1	2	1	0	.279
Marlowe cf	1	1	2	0	0	0	.253
Suárez 3b	2	1	0	0	0	2	.237
Caballero 1b	1	0	0	0	0	0	.239
Raleigh c	3	2	2	1	2	0	.232
T.Hernández rf	5	2	6	6	0	2	.259
France 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.253
Canzone lf	5	1	1	0	0	1	.242
Ford dh	4	2	2	2	1	1	.226
Rejas 2b	5	2	2	1	0	1	.300
Totals	37	15	13	15	7	7	

SUDOKU

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Solution to Last Week's puzzle

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

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [sudoku.org.uk](https://www.sudoku.org.uk).

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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MEANDILATESONOTTRUE
PANORAMVIEWCHIMHANGA
SPIREIALSLOEIRISES
CENACSPOONCERTS
BARDEM TVHOSTBIAS
ECOFACIALHOLDMPG
NAOMAMPBELLROPENEAR
TIMIDNYSECANS CUTIE
CREECARELATELY
WHATAMHOPPEDLIVER
FLOATS IOTA EVIL
LEVEEVCRSGREGALINE
AXELMIRARORIGAMRANES
GINDANO NAPOLISOS
CUJONOISES CASINO
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Boggle BrainBusters!

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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INSTRUCTIONS: Find as many words as you can by linking letters up, down, side-to-side and diagonally, writing words on a blank sheet of paper. You may only use each letter box once within a single word. Play with a friend and compare word finds, crossing out common words.

BOGGLE POINT SCALE

3 letters = 1 point
4 letters = 2 points
5 letters = 3 points
6 letters = 4 points
7 letters = 6 points
8 letters = 10 points
9+ letters = 15 points

YOUR BOGGLE RATING

151+ = Champ
101-150 = Expert
61-100 = Pro
31-60 = Gamer
21-30 = Rookie
11-20 = Amateur
0-10 = Try again

Boggle BrainBusters Bonus

We put special brain-busting words into the puzzle grid. Can you find them?
Find AT LEAST SIX COUNTRIES STARTING AND ENDING WITH A CONSONANT in the grid of letters.

Answers to Last Sunday's Boggle BrainBusters:
BEAR BOAR GOAT LION MOLE SEAL LYNX DEER WOLF

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

TEETBR
INIOCC
YRZEBE
BRUSDA
DNUTIP
SALIEY

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PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW

SWITCH UNCLUG DELETE
FAMILY TYRANT GENTLE

The older horseback rider who needed help into her saddle was —

GETTING ON IN YEARS

Kubok 16

By Davide Coppo

Difficulty: MEDIUM

35 44 37 20

26 3 10
32 7 9
44 6 14
34 13 2

Solution to last Sunday's puzzle

4 3 6 14
11 8 13 2
5 1 15 10
7 9 16 12

Enter the missing numbers from 1 to 16 without repetitions so that the sum of the four numbers in each row and column is the same as the corresponding circled number.

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SUNDAY CROSSWORD

DIY
By John-Clark Levin

ACROSS

1 Talmud scholars
7 Always and forever
14 Test runs
20 Wide of the mark
21 Italian aperitif
22 "What a piece of work is a man" speaker
23 "The Mousetrap" playwright
25 Magazine sale
26 A, in braille
27 "The Westing Game" novelist
28 Fort Knox block
30 Press
31 Green Toyota
32 Fishy bagel topper
35 Turn down
38 Dry-spell relief
39 Non-neutral atoms
40 Really bothered
41 Objectives
42 Greyhound, e.g.
44 Former quarterback Tim
48 Dinner table question
52 Mimic
53 Spot for a Hindu bride's nath
54 Winter sport where competitors wear spiked gloves
55 "Queer Eye" fashion expert France
56 Lassie, for one
59 NNW opposite
60 Camera option
61 Answered charges
63 Released early
64 Ikea task, and a task that can be applied to the sets of circled letters in this puzzle
68 Car care franchise that started as a muffler specialist

60 Comes into
6 Yalla conferee
7 Some flu symptoms
8 "Shucks"
9 Rival sch. of The Citadel
10 Mini-albums, briefly
11 Parcel out
12 Cliff's edge
13 10-year event in the "Iliad"
14 "You don't say"
15 Wicked cool
16 Itch
17 Freak out
18 "Hands off my waffle!"
19 Dutch painter of "Peasants Before an Inn"
24 Escape room find
29 Horace, for one
31 Saucer
32 Old story
33 Overlook
34 Amazon worker?
35 Begins
36 Value system
37 Engagement breakers?
38 Heckle relentlessly
41 Shoptalk
42 Miyuki bracelet elements
43 Banquet dispenser
45 Heavily hyped
46 Ryan Hurst's "Sons of Anarchy" role
47 Quack grass or crabgrass
49 Doesn't pass
50 Protruding navel
51 Swordfish cut
56 Was in tents?
57 Spheres
58 IM giggle
60 Mars counterpart
61 Narrative writing
62 Soccer great
Messi, to fans

63 "See ya!"
65 Flip!: Mattel card game
66 Excessive
67 Improvises vocally
68 Sailboat pole
69 Amazon gadget
73 Hike leisurely
74 Sean of "Will & Grace"
76 Variety
77 Reporter Lane of "Superman"
78 Musical closings
80 "Twilight" heroine
81 Catch some rays?
82 Drama honor
83 Spot for an irritating "driver"
85 Colorful marble
86 Feeling reported by astronauts viewing Earth from space
91 Fixate (on)
92 Animated film featuring a sloth named Sid
93 "Words _____ me!"
94 Lies ahead
95 Latte art sites
96 "Ulalume" author's middle name
97 Witherspoon with a book club
98 Uneven
99 More spruced-up
100 Selfish desire
103 Up to it
104 Hockey term derived from "decoy"
105 Agitate
106 Fitbit unit
108 Budget rental
110 "Delta of Venus" author Anaïs
111 Like postseason matchups before the end of the season: Abbr.
Old TV hookup

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SCRABBLE GRAMS

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A1 O1 Y4 D2 N1 L1 T1

RACK 1

A1 I1 O1 D2 N1 C3 N1

RACK 2

A1 A1 U1 L1 T1 S1 P3

2nd Letter Double
RACK 3

A1 E1 O1 M3 F4 R1 R1

RACK 4

O1 U1 Y4 H4 T1 G2 L1

Triple Word Score
RACK 5

PAR SCORE 255-265
BEST SCORE 337

FIVE RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT: 25 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. Finally, 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official SCRABBLE® Players Dictionary, 5th Edition. SOLUTION TOMORROW

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

SCRABBLE GRAMS SOLUTION

E1 N1 T1 H4 U1 S1 E1

RACK 1 = 60

P3 R1 O1 S1 O1 D2 Y4

RACK 2 = 63

R1 I1 M3 L1 A1 N1 D2

RACK 3 = 66

O1 V4 E1 R1 D2 U1 E1

RACK 4 = 72

T1 R1 E1 M3 O1 L1 O1

RACK 5 = 59

PAR SCORE 260-270 TOTAL 320

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ASK AMY

Grieving daughter needs more comfort from family

Dear Amy: I married my husband two years ago. He has two children from a previous marriage, both in their mid-20s. I have a teen still at home. We have a really nice time with his children. We regularly talk/check in with them, and I believe we have a good relationship. However, recently my mother died — after a sudden and torturous battle with cancer. My stepchildren have not expressed their condolences in any way, and both skipped the funeral. I then saw them two days later and they did not address it at all. My feelings are very hurt, but I'm not sure they should be. My mother used to say that young adulthood was her least favorite phase of life — people in their 20s are particularly self-involved. So this may just be the behavior of that age group. I haven't shared my feelings with my husband because I don't want him to feel bad. Should I bring this up? Or should I allow my feelings to subside (I'm sure they will), and allow time to tell? — *Hurt and Confused*

Dear Hurt: Please, don't question your own hurt feelings. Your feelings are yours, they are real, and you have every right to feel them! Your late-mother was onto something about people in their mid-20's. They are expected to assume mature behavior — because they are adults. But if they don't know what to do in a given situation (expressing condolences, for instance), they tend to avoid it. But, as a reader recently pointed out in this space, we are overall a “grief illiterate” society, where we lack the cultural tools and traditions to express solidarity and comfort. You must talk to your husband



AMY DICKINSON

about this. This disappointment is adding to your grief. He should advocate for you by essentially telling his children how important it is for them to express their condolences to you. They can say, “I’m so sorry for your loss,” or even, “I know this is a hard time for you, but I don’t really know what to say.” An acknowledgment will help you to feel less lonely and invisible. You and your husband are still in the process of knitting your family together. Let him do his best to comfort you, now.

Dear Amy: My husband and I have been talking about doing some updating on our house. I would also love to add a fresh coat of paint in one of the rooms, for sure. But we have two young children (ages 3 and 1). They are at home — all day every day. I’m trying to teach my children a whole bunch of stuff to make sure they thrive. I feel bad any time I try to do something that isn’t directly benefiting the kids. I feel like I’m neglecting them if I don’t spend as much time as possible playing with them. But is it OK to let them play safely in a different room while I try to get the house in better shape? How do I let go of the guilt for having my attention elsewhere? — *Feeling Neglectful*

Dear Feeling: You’ve got an incomplete idea of how children learn. Don’t leave them in another room while you work — have them “help” you! A 1-year-old can clang Tupperware lids together while the elder child stands on a chair to help you to wash non-breakable items. A 3-year-old can “fold” washcloths when they come out of the dryer. My point is that there are many, many lessons embedded in house and yard work — and you could use some of these chores to teach your children.

You can email Amy Dickinson at askamy@amydickinson.com.

YOUR DAILY ASTROLOGY | NANCY BLACK

Today’s Birthday (08/27/23) — Learn valuable tricks this year. Strengthen partnerships with regular routines and coordinated collaboration. Rake in the cash this autumn, before complications reroute winter explorations. Adapting to unexpected expenses next spring motivates summer collaboration for lucrative family gain. Take your education to the next level. To get the advantage, check the day’s rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — Grab a lucky professional break. With Mars in Libra over about six weeks, collaboration gets more fun. Coordinate with your partner and win a prize together.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 9 — Explore the possibilities. Physical efforts seem energized, with Mars in Libra for six weeks. Build productivity, strength and endurance with steady practice. Prioritize health.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Today is an 8 — Generate an abundance of fun. Your pas-

sions awakened over the next six weeks, with Mars in Libra. Love and romance flower with playfulness.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Today is a 7 — Collaborate to energize domestic improvements. Physical action gets beautiful results. Over about six weeks, with Mars in Libra, make home repairs and upgrades.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 9 — Maintain healthy practices. Pursue the full story over about six weeks, with Mars in Libra. Research, edit and publish. Investigate new threads. Record findings.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 9 — Energize your money making efforts over the next six weeks, with Mars in Libra. Put lucrative plans into motion and maintain momentum.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 9 — Focus on personal development, with Mars in your sign for six weeks. You’re energized and empowered. Practice builds talents and capacities. Listen to your coach.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — Clean closets,

garages and attics. File away the past to clear space for new adventures over the next six weeks, with Mars in Libra.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is an 8 — Team projects and community efforts get farther, with Mars in Libra for six weeks. Work together and share resources. Collaborate with friends for common gain.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 9 — Your career gets energized. Advance professionally over the next six weeks, with Mars in Libra. Hunt for exciting opportunities and find them. Your influence rises.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is an 8 — Make plans. Travel, education and exploration occupy your imagination. Go discover new frontiers. Venture farther over the next six weeks, with Mars in Libra.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is an 8 — Make financial plans and strategize with your partner, with Mars in Libra. Review and revise budgets. Collaborate for growth and shared ease. Pull together.

— *Tribune Content Agency*

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today’s highlight
On Aug. 27, 1883, the island volcano Krakatoa erupted with a series of cataclysmic explosions. The resulting tidal waves in Indonesia’s Sunda Strait claimed some 36,000 lives in Java and Sumatra.

On this date
In 1776, the Battle of Long Island began during the Revolutionary War as British troops attacked American forces who ended up being forced to retreat two days later.

In 1894, Congress passed the Wilson-Gorman Tariff Act, which contained a provision for a graduated income tax that was later struck down by the Supreme Court.

In 1949, a violent white mob prevented an outdoor concert headlined by Paul Robeson from taking place near Peekskill, New York.

In 1967, Brian Epstein, manager of the Beatles, was found dead in his London flat from an accidental overdose of sleeping pills at age 32.

In 1979, British war hero Lord

Louis Mountbatten and three other people, including his 14-year-old grandson Nicholas, were killed off the coast of Ireland in a boat explosion claimed by the Irish Republican Army.

In 2004, President George W. Bush signed executive orders designed to strengthen the CIA director’s power over the nation’s intelligence agencies and create a national counterterrorism center.

In 2005, coastal residents jammed freeways and gas stations as they rushed to get out of the way of Hurricane Katrina, which was headed toward New Orleans.

In 2008, Barack Obama was nominated for president by the Democratic National Convention in Denver.

In 2020, speaking on the White House South Lawn, President Donald Trump accepted his party’s renomination, blasting Joe Biden as a hapless career politician who would endanger Americans’ safety

and painting a grim portrait of violence in American cities run by Democrats.

Ten years ago: Maj. Nidal Hasan, the Army psychiatrist who days earlier was convicted of fatally shooting 13 people and injuring 30 more at Fort Hood, Texas, in 2009, rested his case without presenting any evidence during his trial’s penalty phase. (Hasan would later be sentenced to death.) Authorities in California revealed that the Rim Fire near Yosemite National Park, among the largest in the state’s history, had grown to 281 square miles.

Five years ago: Under pressure to take part in the national remembrance of the late Arizona Sen. John McCain, with whom he had feuded, President Donald Trump tersely recognized McCain’s “service to our country” and re-lowered the White House flag, which had been at half-staff only briefly after McCain’s death.

— *Associated Press*

What to watch SUNDAY

August 27, 2023

All times Central. Start times can vary based on cable/satellite provider. Confirm times on your on-screen guide.

Love Island Peacock ■ Season Finale

The reality relationship series concludes Season 5.

Godzilla Movie Marathon Comet, beginning at 10 a.m.

The King of the Monsters is stomping all over the Comet lineup this afternoon and early evening in a six-hour marathon that begins with Godzilla, King of the Monsters!, the 1956 Americanized version of the original 1954 Japanese film Gojira. That is followed by Invasion of Astro-Monster (1965) and Son of Godzilla (1967).

Little League Baseball World Series: Championship ABC, 2 p.m. Live

The U.S. and international champions face off today at Howard J. Lamade Stadium in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, for the 2023 Little League Baseball World Series title.

NTT IndyCar Series: Bommarito Automotive Group 500 NBC, 2:30 p.m. Live

World Wide Technology Raceway near St. Louis brings IndyCar drivers Alex Palou, Scott Dixon, Marcus Ericsson and others to compete for 260 laps around the 1.25-mile egg-shaped oval.

The Chosen The CW, 7 p.m.

In “Invitations,” Jesus (Jonathan Roumie) forges a core group of people to prepare for the work ahead.

NFL Preseason: Houston at New Orleans FOX, 7 p.m. Live

First-round draft pick C.J. Stroud could see some action under center for the Houston Texans as they visit the New Orleans Saints in the final game of the 2023 NFL preseason.

Running Wild With Bear Grylls: The Challenge Nat Geo, 8 p.m. ■ Season Finale

In the Season 2 finale, Bear Grylls invites She-Hulk and Orphan Black star Tatiana Maslany on a journey across Wyoming’s Laramie Mountains. Tatiana admits that while she’s fearless on the screen, she can’t tap into that same bravery in the real world. So, Bear challenges her to conquer massive cliff rappels, menacingly icy cliffs and a zero-degree cold shock to the body to help her overcome her fears.

Never Say Never With Jeff Jenkins Nat Geo, 9 p.m. ■ Season Finale

In the first season finale, “From Iceland to the Amazon,” Jeff Jenkins jumps between extreme adventures in the Amazon rainforest and Iceland. Up north, the host scales icy glaciers, paddles through frigid waters and hikes to beautiful blue ice caves. Then, in the Amazon, with help from local expert Adhara Scanavino, Jeff gets a lesson in the Brazilian



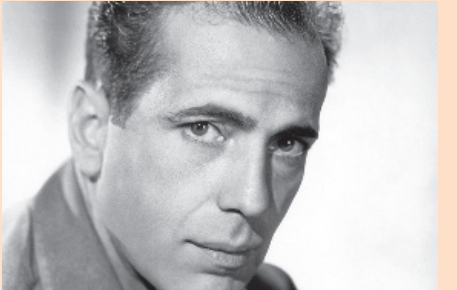
‘Running Wild With Bear Grylls: The Challenge’

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martial art of capoeira, enjoys fresh-caught shrimp from the Amazon River and overcomes his fear of riding a water buffalo.

San Francisco Sounds: A Place in Time MGM+, 9 p.m. ■ Series Finale

The two-part docuseries that tracks the history of San Francisco’s music scene between 1965 and 1975 concludes.



EVERETT COLLECTION

(1942). It would be impossible to include all the films Bogart has starred in, but TCM has quite the lineup for today, including **The Oklahoma Kid** (1939), a Western co-starring James Cagney and Rosemary Lane; **Passage to Marseille** (1944), a war drama about patriotic convicts who escape imprisonment to help fight Nazis; and **To Have and Have Not** (1944), the Ernest Hemingway adaptation about an American expat who helps transport a French Resistance leader and his wife to the island of Martinique, co-starring Lauren Bacall.

CATCH A CLASSIC

Summer Under the Stars: Humphrey Bogart TCM, beginning at 5 a.m.

Catapulted to fame by the 1941 film-noir crime thriller **The Maltese Falcon**, which is one of the films featured in today’s lineup, Humphrey Bogart, founder of the original Rat Pack, is perhaps the most memorable name in Hollywood. Though he only won a single Oscar, for his role as Charlie Allnut in **The African Queen** (1951), his portrayal of private detective Philip Marlowe in 1946’s **The Big Sleep** would be the touchstone for actors playing law enforcement for decades to come, and he would be forever immortalized for his role as Rick Blaine in what is considered one of the best films of all time, **Casablanca**

MOVIES YOU’LL LOVE



PETER MOUNTAIN

Jaws (1975, Suspense) Roy Scheider, Robert Shaw **AMC, 5 p.m.**

Coming to America (1988, Comedy) Eddie Murphy, Arsenio Hall **VH1, 5:30 p.m.**

The Breakfast Club (1985, Comedy-drama) Emilio Estevez, Molly Ringwald **CMT, 6 p.m.**

The King’s Man (2021, Action) Ralph Fiennes, Harris Dickinson **FX, 6 p.m.**

Rocky V (1990, Drama) Sylvester Stallone, Talia Shire **Vice, 6:30 p.m.**

Bee Movie (2007, Children) Jerry Seinfeld, Renee Zellweger **Nick, 7 p.m.**

Shooter (2007, Action) Mark Wahlberg, Michael Pena **BET, 7 p.m.**

Lara Croft: Tomb Raider (2001, Adventure) Angelina Jolie, Jon Voight **BBC America, 7:30 p.m.**

Road House (1989, Action) Patrick Swayze, Kelly Lynch **Sundance, 7:30 p.m.**

Clueless (1995, Comedy) Alicia Silverstone, Stacey Dash **CMT, 8 p.m.**

Harlem Nights (1989, Comedy) Eddie Murphy, Richard Pryor **VH1, 8 p.m.**

Rocky Balboa (2006, Drama) Sylvester Stallone, Burt Young **Vice, 9 p.m.**

The Hangover Part III (2013, Comedy) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms **TBS, 9 p.m.**

From the editors of TV Weekly and tvinsider.com



TCM	*** Grey Gardens ('75, Documentary) Former socialites become recluses in decrepit mansion.	*** La Promesse ('96, Drama) (Jérémy Renard) teenager befriends a widowed illegal immigrant.
TLC	My Knees <i>N</i> Skin/Peeling <i>N</i>	My Baby Weighs <i>N</i> Body/Shak <i>N</i>
TNT	NBA Basketball Washington Wizards at Boston Celtics. <i>N</i>	In NBA <i>N</i> *** Shar <i>N</i>
TRAVEL	Delicious Delicious Bizarre Foods/Zimmer	Best Bars Best Bars Delicious
TRU	Carbonaro Carbonaro Carbonaro Carbonaro	Imp. Jokers Imp. Jokers Imp. Joke



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WACO’S FIVE-DAY FORECAST

TODAY

An afternoon t-storm; hot

WIND
NNW 7-14 mph

105°

TONIGHT

A thunderstorm around early

WIND
NNE 6-12 mph

79°

MONDAY

A thunderstorm around

WIND
NE 7-14 mph

100° 75°

TUESDAY

Mostly sunny and very warm

WIND
NNE 7-14 mph

98° 67°

WEDNESDAY

Mostly sunny and very warm

WIND
NNE 7-14 mph

99° 68°

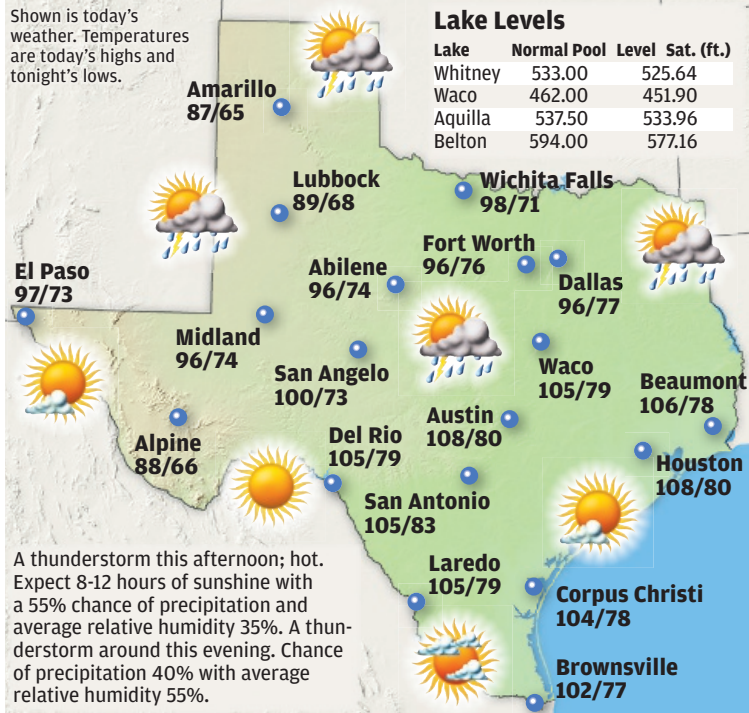
THURSDAY

Sunny and hot

WIND
ESE 6-12 mph

102° 71°

REGIONAL OUTLOOK

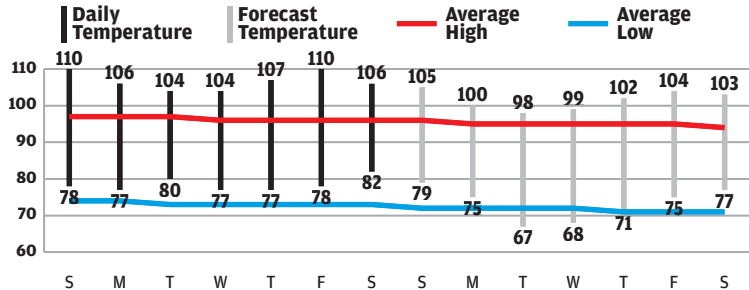


City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Monday Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Monday Hi/Lo/W
Abilene	96/74/t	97/68/t	Houston	108/80/s	100/78/t
Albuquerque	87/68/s	89/63/t	Laredo	105/79/s	107/79/s
Alpine	88/66/pc	85/65/t	Lubbock	89/68/t	85/64/t
Amarillo	87/65/t	86/62/t	Lufkin	107/77/t	96/75/t
Austin	108/80/t	102/76/t	Midland	96/74/t	83/68/t
Beaumont	106/78/t	99/74/t	Oklahoma City	89/65/t	89/64/s
Brownsville	102/77/pc	108/79/s	Roswell	96/70/pc	91/69/t
College Station	109/82/t	101/80/t	San Angelo	100/73/t	91/68/t
Corpus Christi	104/78/s	107/79/s	San Antonio	105/83/s	101/80/t
Dallas	96/77/t	97/76/t	Shreveport	104/74/t	94/72/t
Del Rio	105/79/s	101/78/t	Texarkana	96/72/t	90/69/pc
El Paso	97/73/s	95/71/c	Tulsa	87/67/t	86/65/pc
Fort Smith	90/72/t	89/66/pc	Wichita Falls	98/71/t	96/66/c

Saturday's State Extremes

High: 112° in Hillsboro Low: 59° in Alpine

TEMPERATURE TRENDS



Statistics through 4 p.m. Saturday

Temperature

High/low	106°/82°
Normal high/low	96°/73°
Record high	105° (2011)
Record low	61° (1926)

Precipitation

24-hour total	0.00"
Month to date (normal)	0.00" (1.62")
Year to date (normal)	15.66" (23.11")
Last year to date	11.34"

Pollen Yesterday

Grasses	Low
Trees	Absent
Weeds	Low
Molds	Absent

Cooling Degree Days

Degree days are an indicator of energy needs. The more the total degree days, the more energy is necessary to cool.

Saturday	29
Month to date	702
Normal month to date	546
Since January 1	2360
Normal since January 1	2154

RealFeel Temperature® Today

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8 a.m.	noon	4 p.m.	8 p.m.

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Good Moderate Unhealthy (sensitive) Unhealthy Very Unhealthy Hazardous

Skywatch

	Rise	Set
Sun	7:01 a.m.	7:59 p.m.
Moon	5:49 p.m.	2:39 a.m.

Full Moon
Aug 30

Last Quarter
Sep 6

New Moon
Sep 14

First Quarter
Sep 22

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National Forecast: Thunderstorms are expected to develop today near and along a front that will be draped across the South and the mid-Atlantic. Monsoon thunderstorms will also become more widespread across the Intermountain West. Showers will be possible in the Northeast, especially in New England. Most of the Great Lakes region will be dry.

Shown are noon positions of precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

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Cold front **Warm front** **Stationary front** **Showers** **T-storms** **Rain** **Flurries** **Snow** **Ice**

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Monday Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Monday Hi/Lo/W
Albuquerque	87/68/s	89/63/t	Los Angeles	91/70/s	94/69/s
Albany	77/56/pc	79/61/pc	Memphis	84/72/t	86/70/c
Anchorage	62/55/sh	57/52/r	Miami	92/79/t	91/80/t
Atlanta	97/72/t	87/72/t	Milwaukee	71/58/s	78/65/s
Atlantic City	79/69/pc	75/70/pc	Minneapolis	78/61/pc	85/63/pc
Billings	87/59/c	87/59/s	Muskegon	77/51/s	76/60/s
Birmingham	98/75/t	89/71/t	Nashville	83/71/t	82/68/c
Boise	94/65/s	98/67/s	New Orleans	103/83/s	95/77/t
Boston	70/61/pc	72/63/pc	New York City	81/67/pc	76/67/pc
Buffalo	73/53/s	76/58/pc	Oklahoma City	89/65/t	89/64/s
Charleston, WV	83/64/c	81/62/t	Omaha	83/61/pc	85/61/s
Chicago	74/60/s	80/63/s	Orlando	90/78/t	94/76/t
Cincinnati	81/60/pc	80/57/pc	Phoenix	112/90/s	114/91/s
Cleveland	74/58/pc	75/59/s	Portland, ME	71/55/sh	72/58/pc
Dallas	96/77/t	97/76/t	Portland, OR	90/63/pc	82/63/pc
Davenport	77/52/s	82/60/pc	Rapid City	86/59/t	85/55/s
Denver	85/59/t	76/57/t	St. Louis	82/63/pc	85/65/s
Des Moines	80/60/pc	86/63/s	St. Paul	78/59/pc	84/60/pc
Detroit	72/51/s	75/57/s	Salt Lake City	94/66/s	96/69/s
Duluth	72/56/pc	78/54/t	San Antonio	105/83/s	101/80/t
El Paso	97/73/s	95/71/c	San Diego	80/66/pc	83/66/s
Houston	108/80/s	100/78/t	San Francisco	77/60/pc	76/58/pc
Indianapolis	80/57/s	79/58/s	Seattle	87/59/s	78/56/pc
Kansas City	82/59/c	85/65/s	Tampa	96/80/t	93/79/t
Las Vegas	105/81/s	106/84/s	Trenton	82/65/pc	76/65/pc
Little Rock	93/74/pc	89/70/c	Tucson	105/80/s	107/82/s

Saturday for the 48 contiguous states
High: 112° in Palm Springs, CA **Low:** 37° in Mammoth Lakes, CA

WORLD FORECAST

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Monday Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Monday Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	65/53/r	68/53/sh	Mexico City	74/58/sh	74/57/r
Baghdad	107/89/s	107/89/pc	Montreal	72/56/pc	76/60/pc
Beijing	80/64/c	87/63/s	Moscow	69/51/pc	69/48/pc
Bermuda	87/81/s	86/82/sh	Nassau	90/78/sh	90/78/s
Buenos Aires	55/46/s	58/49/c	Paris	71/54/sh	70/54/c
Calgary	81/53/s	85/55/s	Rio de Janeiro	67/62/r	67/64/sh
Copenhagen	69/57/sh	67/55/t	Rome	90/74/pc	80/68/s
Frankfurt	69/52/c	67/56/pc	Singapore	87/78/c	87/78/t
Hong Kong	89/80/t	88/79/t	Sydney	67/51/pc	67/51/pc
Jerusalem	85/66/s	83/67/s	Tokyo	89/78/c	88/80/c
Johannesburg	70/35/s	70/36/s	Toronto	72/54/s	74/55/s
Kabul	87/58/s	87/62/s	Vancouver	78/58/s	72/60/c
Lima	73/64/pc	74/65/c	Vienna	89/65/pc	80/63/t
London	68/52/sh	71/52/pc	Warsaw	76/65/t	77/62/c

W-weather, s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, i-ice, r-rain, t-thunderstorms, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow

THE KID WHISPERER



DREAMSTIME

Teenager isn't ready to drive

Q: I think I have an unsolvable problem. I have twin 15-year-olds, a boy and a girl. I told them many years ago that I would buy them a car when they turned 16. My daughter



SCOTT ERVIN

presents no problem. She is responsible, and she's one of those kids whom you basically don't have to parent. My son, on the other hand, has the responsibility of an 8-year-old. He is barely able to get to school every day, even though I drive him (he can't get out of bed, he dawdles until he's late, etc.). I worry about letting him get his license and giving him a car, but I don't want to go back on my promise.

— Judy, Nelsonville, Ohio

A: Why in the world not? Yikes. This is not a tough one. Your daughter is ready to have a car. Your son appears to not yet be ready for fourth grade. She gets a driver's license; he doesn't. She gets a car; he doesn't.

Why? Because it appears that she can be safe and responsible using a car, and it appears that he cannot.

If you gave her a car, she would use it as a car, and if you gave it to him, he might use it — probably by accident — as a means of injuring someone, including himself.

You “made a promise” to him? I’m not sure how this matters or what this really even means. Who cares? He is not yet capable of driving a car or having a driver’s license, so he doesn’t get either.

Here’s how I would “break my promise” without shame or regret:

Kid Whisperer: Ugh. Kid No. 1, you have been showing me you are not responsible. You are never ready for school on time, and I have to remind you multiple times to get out of bed.

Kid No. 1: I feel that you are casting shame upon me, and this is a violation of my human and civil rights. I’m very much looking forward to having my new car so I can drive away from this House of Shame.

Kid Whisperer: About that. Due to your inability to act in a way that shows you are responsible for owning a car and having a driver’s license, I will not yet allow you to own a car or have a driver’s license.

Kid No. 1: Very funny. I re-

quire a leather interior.

Kid Whisperer: You can have a driver’s license when you show me with your actions that you are responsible enough to get one or when you turn 18, whichever happens first. You can take part ownership of Kid No. 2’s car if you become sufficiently responsible before the age of 18.

Kid No. 1: THIS IS RIDICULOUS! THIS ISN’T FAIR! WHY DOES SHE GET A CAR AND A LICENSE?!

Kid Whisperer: I only say things once.

Kid No. 1: YOU ARE A LIAR!

Kid Whisperer: Alrighty.

Kid No. 1: THIS IS A HOUSE OF LIES!

That’s it. I have some problems with this plan (I think giving a kid a car without them paying for any of it teaches some bad lessons), but this answers the question you asked. The rest is none of my business.

This will encourage responsibility and make Kid No. 1 both safer and more responsible once he does get behind the wheel.

Behavioral consultant Scott Ervin is a parent and former teacher and principal. More information can be found at www.behavioralleadership.com.

TREASURES IN THE ATTIC

Gettysburg cannonball is beautifully engraved

HELAINE FENDELMAN AND JOE ROSSON
Tribune News Service

Dear Helaine and Joe: I found this in my parent’s basement and am not sure what we have here. It looks to be a portion of a cannonball with markings that say “Battle of Gettysburg.” Any information would be appreciated.

Thank you. — J.K.

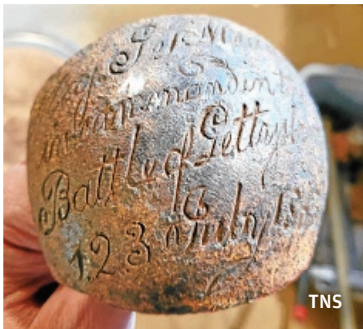
Dear J.K.: The American Civil War Battle of Gettysburg was horrific. Tens of thousands of Union and Confederate soldiers were killed, and many historians consider this to have been the turning part of the war.

When the battle was over, the farms around the small Pennsylvania town were strewn with bodies and bits and pieces of ordnance — cannonballs plus various kinds of shot and bullets. The battlefield was also strewn with objects such as uniform buttons, belt buckles, canteens and other accoutrements worn or carried by soldiers.

The partial cannonball in today’s question is beautifully engraved. The top line, which we cannot quite make out, is a reference to Gen. George G. Meade. The rest of the inscription reads, “in command in the Battle of Gettysburg 1-2-3 July 1863.” We speculate that this piece of memorabilia might have been harvested near Meade’s first headquarters at the Leister Farm on Taneytown Road or his second headquarters at the widow Pfeffer house on Baltimore Street.

After the titanic conflict, the battlefield became a sacred site and attracted both tourists and veterans. Various individuals and enterprises in Gettysburg went to the battlefield and gathered relics, which they assembled into trays or mounted as desk sets or other remembrances to sell as souvenirs.

Perhaps the most famous of the scavengers/assemblers was John Good, who was a cabinet-maker with a shop on Race Horse



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Alley. We have also seen such items attributed to J.A. Good, Gettysburg Battlefield Novelty Works, 30 N. Washington St. These may be one and the same enterprise with different business addresses, but the information available is a bit sketchy.

Associated with Good was someone named John Woodward, but the exact nature of the connection is unclear. Groupings of Gettysburg souvenirs were typically made for Grand Army of the Republic Halls, small museums, veterans and sightseers. It is hard to tell in this case who might have salvaged this shard from the field, but we do believe it was once part of a larger collection of artifacts assembled and retailed as a grouping.

The engraving on the shard does look like Good’s work, which we have seen pictured on a much more complete cannonball that was said to have been engraved by Good in the 1870s. It is our understanding, however, that Good normally nailed his artifacts to boards, and the piece is today’s question appears to have been attached with a screw. We think the engraved fragment is authentic and of interest to collectors as well as to the Gettysburg History Museum, 219 Baltimore St., Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, 717-337-2035.

Assigning a monetary value to this piece would be pure speculation, so we will refrain.

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DIY

By John-Clark Levin

- ACROSS
- 1 Talmud scholars

7 Always and forever

14 Test runs

20 Wide of the mark

21 Italian aperitif

22 “What a piece of work is a man” speaker

23 “The Mousetrap” playwright

25 Magazine sale

26 A, in braille

27 “The Westing Game” novelist Raskin

28 Fort Knox block

30 Press

31 Green Toyota

32 Fishy bagel topper

35 Turn down

38 Dry-spell relief

39 Non-neutral atoms

40 Really bothered

41 Objectives

42 Greyhound, e.g.

44 Former quarterback Tim

48 Dinner table question

52 Mimic

53 Spot for a Hindu bride’s nath

54 Winter sport where competitors wear spiked gloves

55 “Queer Eye” fashion expert France

56 Lassie, for one

59 NNW opposite

60 Camera option

61 Answered charges

63 Released early

64 Ikea task, and a task that can be applied to the sets of circled letters in this puzzle

68 Car care franchise that started as a muffler specialist
- 70 Recess

71 Beanies and berets

72 “That’ll be the day!”

75 Crossword heading

76 Club door requests

77 Jabot material

78 Deep sleep

79 “__ Wolf”: Shakira song

80 Colorful Galápagos bird

84 Puccini opera about an opera singer

87 Scrape (out)

88 Bird with a down-curved bill

89 “21” and “25” Grammy winner

90 USAF no-show

92 Egyptian fertility goddess

93 False fronts

95 Free rein

100 Rubbernecks

101 Some keg contents

102 “Gymnopédies” composer

103 84-Across solos

104 OB-GYNs, e.g.

107 Swindle

109 “You must be joking!”

113 Gimme courses

114 Possible to make out

115 Bring down a Giant, say

116 Mocking looks

117 Went viral on Twitter, say

118 Actress with the most Oscar nods
- DOWN
- 5 Comes into

6 Yalta conferee

7 Some flu symptoms

8 “Shucks”

9 Rival sch. of The Citadel

10 Mini-albums, briefly

11 Parcel out

12 Cliff’s edge

13 10-year event in the “Iliad”

14 “You don’t say”

15 Wicked cool

16 Itch

17 Freak out

18 “Hands off my waffle!”

19 Dutch painter of “Peasants Before an Inn”

24 Escape room find

29 Horace, for one

31 Saucer

32 __ old story

33 Overlook

34 Amazon worker?

35 Begins

36 Value system

37 Engagement breakers?

38 Heckle relentlessly

41 Shoptalk

42 Miyuki bracelet elements

43 Banquet dispenser

45 Heavily hyped

46 Ryan Hurst’s “Sons of Anarchy” role

47 Quack grass or crabgrass

49 Doesn’t pass

50 Protruding navel

51 Swordfish cut

56 Was in tents?

57 Spheres

58 IM giggle

60 Mars counterpart

61 Narrative writing

62 Soccer great Messi, to fans

63 “See ya”

65 __ Flip!: Mattel card game

66 Excessive

67 Improvises vocally

68 Sailboat pole

69 Amazon gadget

73 Hike leisurely

74 Sean of “Will & Grace”

76 Variety

77 Reporter Lane of “Superman”

78 Musical closings

80 “Twilight” heroine

81 Catch some rays?

82 Drama honor

83 Spot for an irritating “driver”

85 Colorful marble

86 Feeling reported by astronauts viewing Earth from space

91 Fixate (on)

92 Animated film featuring a sloth named Sid

93 “Words __ me!”

94 Lies ahead

95 Latte art sites

96 “Uialume” author’s middle name

97 Witherspoon with a book club

98 Uneven

99 More spruced-up

100 Selfish desire

103 Up to it

104 Hockey term derived from “decoy”

105 Agitate

106 Fitbit unit

108 Budget rental

110 “Delta of Venus” author Anaïs

111 Like postseason matchups before the end of the season: Abbr.

112 Old TV hookup

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Solution to Last Week's puzzle

8/27/23

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

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit sudoku.org.uk



INSTRUCTIONS: Find as many words as you can by linking letters up, down, side-to-side and diagonally, writing words on a blank sheet of paper. You may only use each letter box once within a single word. Play with a friend and compare word finds, crossing out common words.

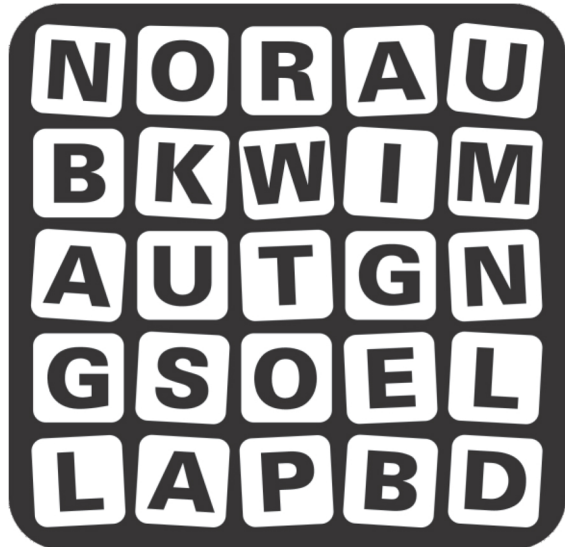
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- 21-30 = Rookie
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By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



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BEAR BOAR GOAT LION MOLE SEAL LYNX DEER WOLF

8-27-23

Kubok 16

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Difficulty:
MEDIUM

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Solution to last Sunday's puzzle

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Enter the missing numbers from 1 to 16 without repetitions so that the sum of the four numbers in each row and column is the same as the corresponding circled number.

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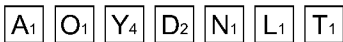
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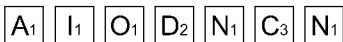
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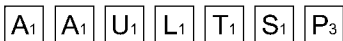
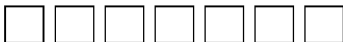
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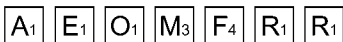
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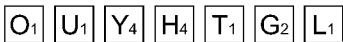
2nd Letter
Double



RACK 3



RACK 4



Triple
Word Score



RACK 5

PAR SCORE 255-265

BEST SCORE 337

FIVE RACK TOTAL

TIME LIMIT: 25 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. Finally, 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official SCRABBLE® Players Dictionary, 5th Edition. **SOLUTION TOMORROW**

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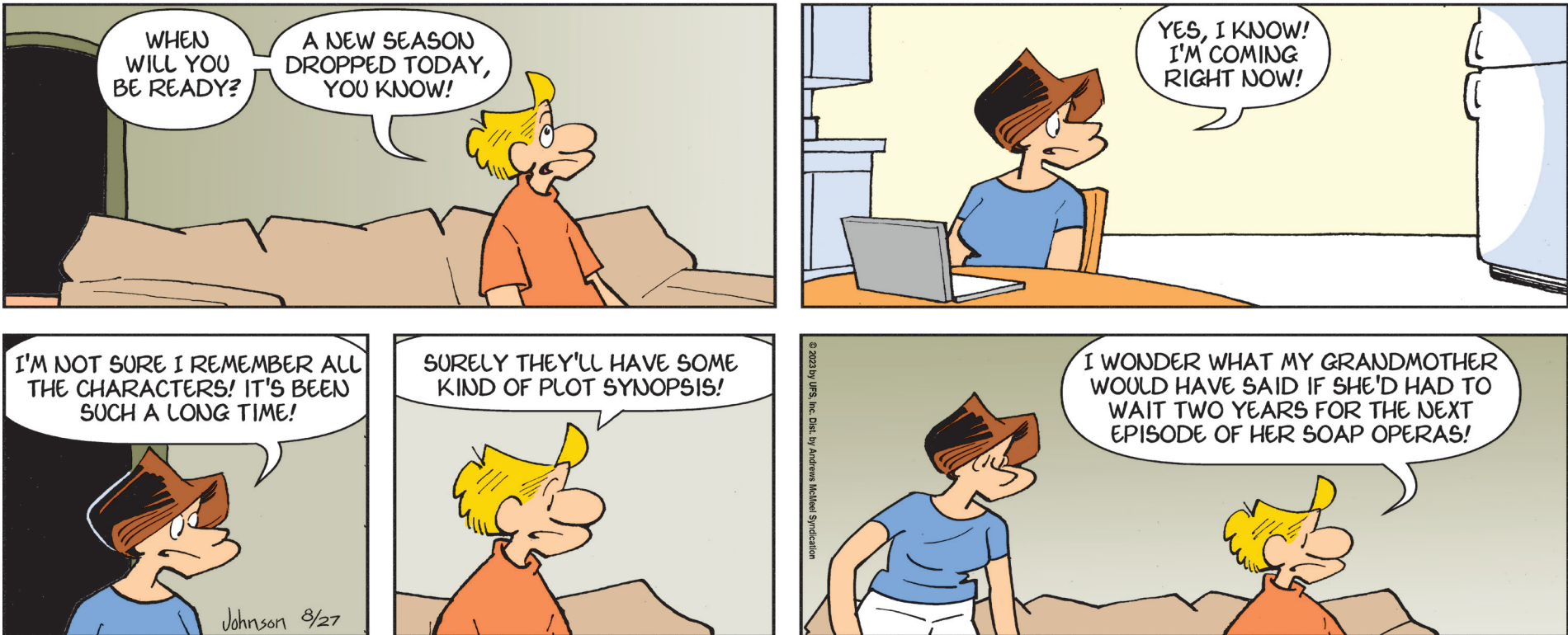


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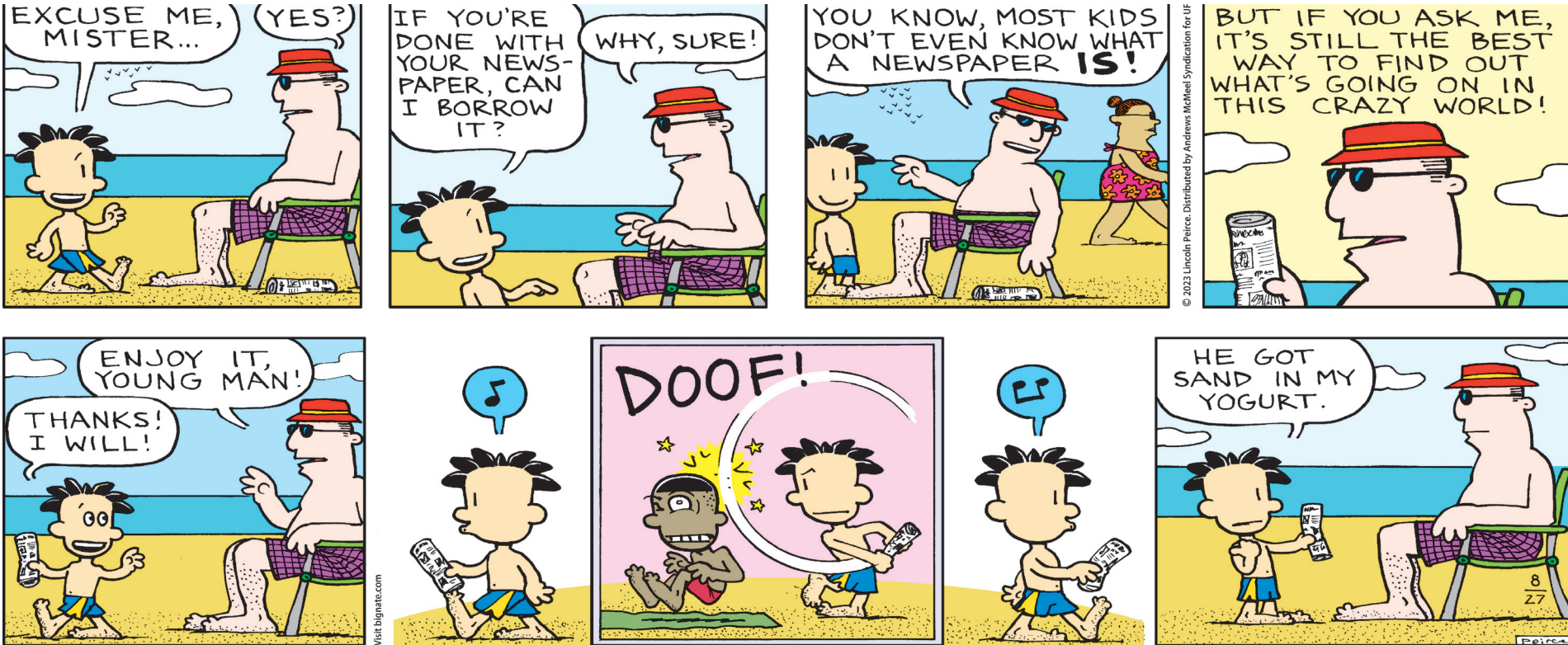
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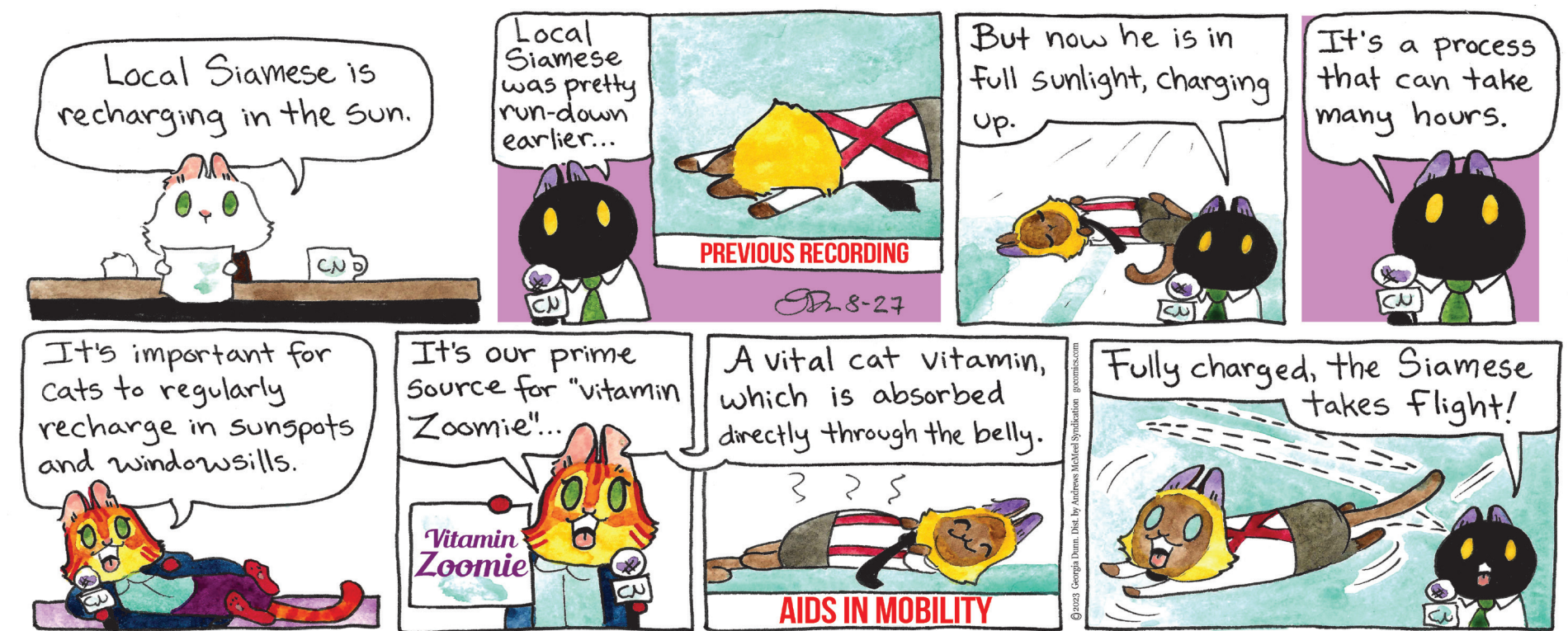
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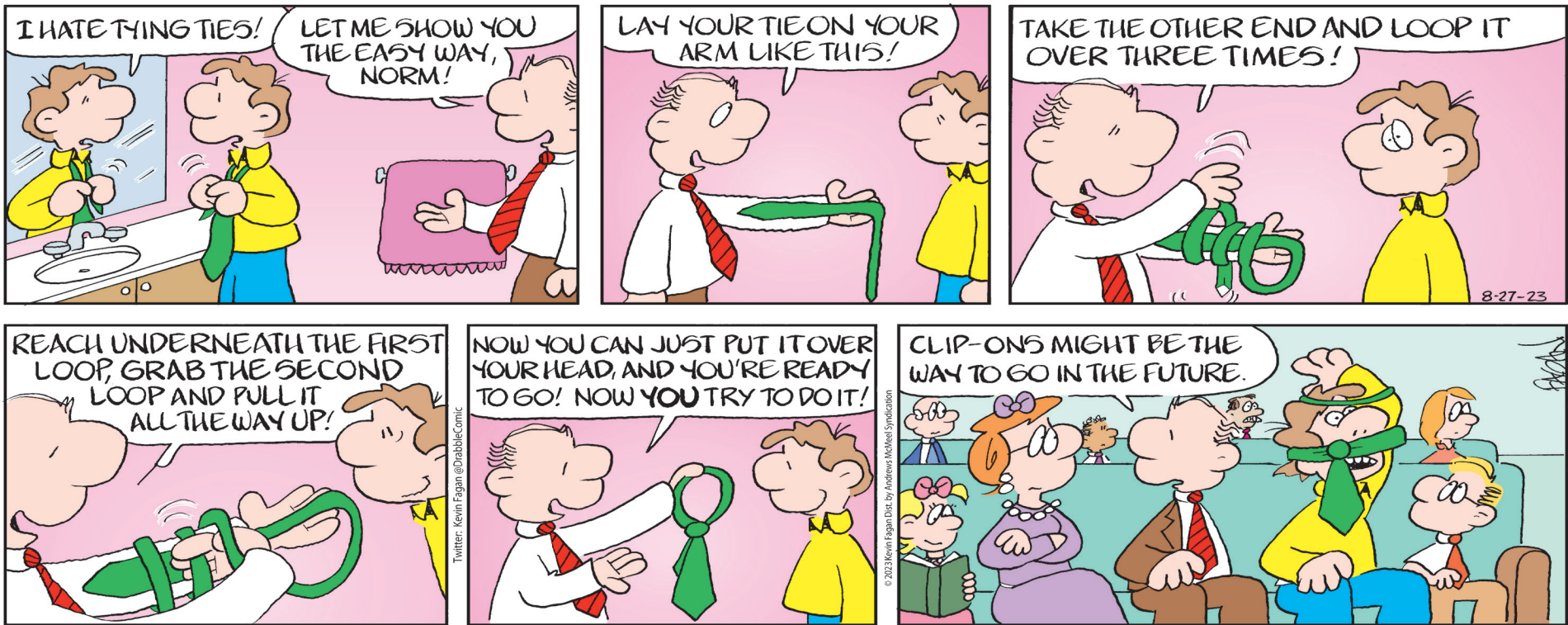
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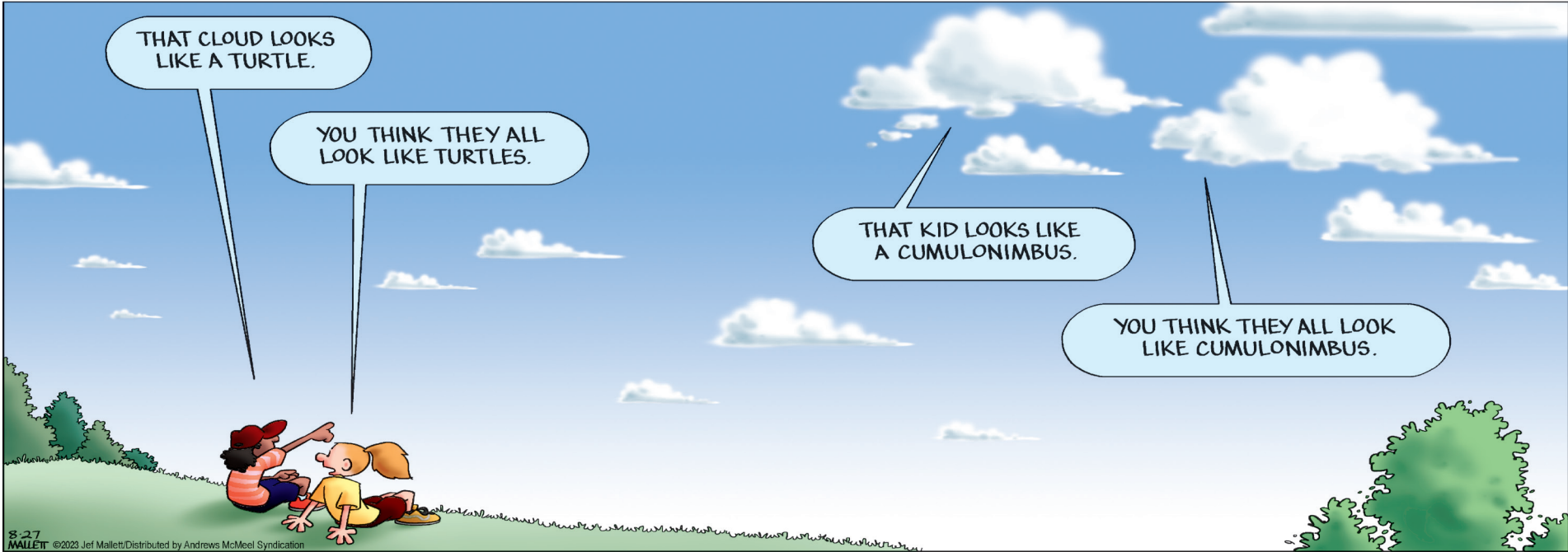
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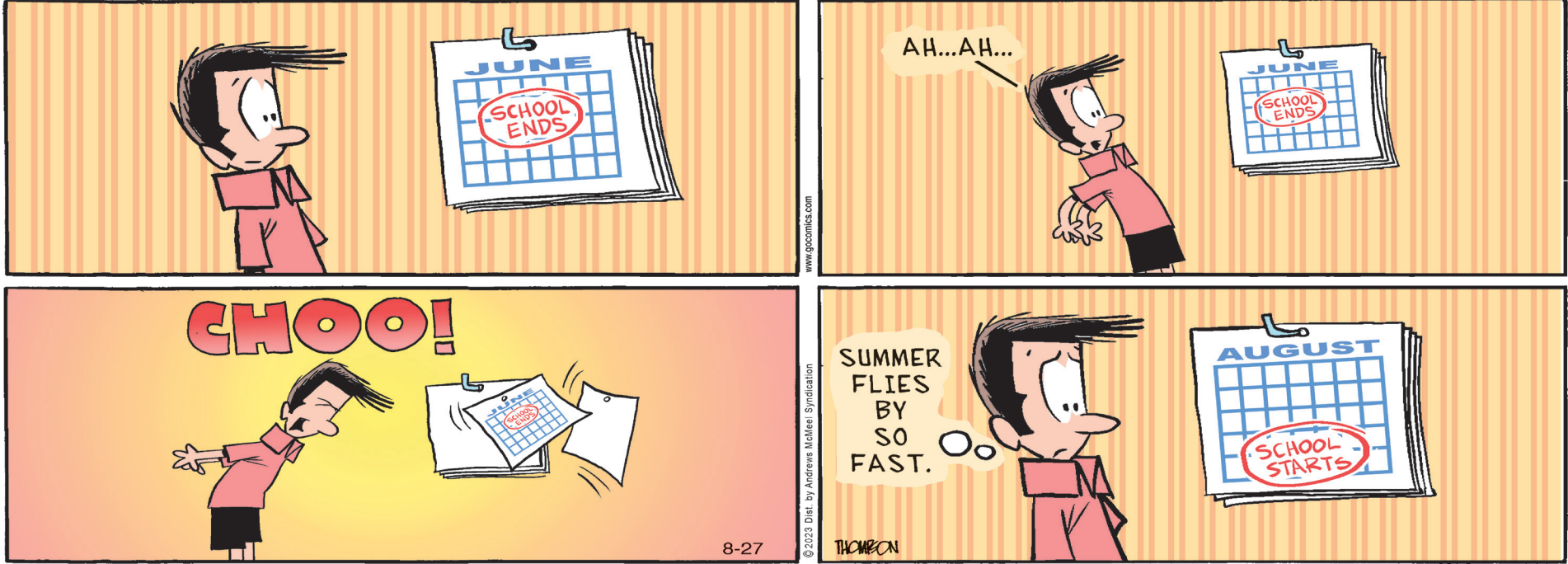
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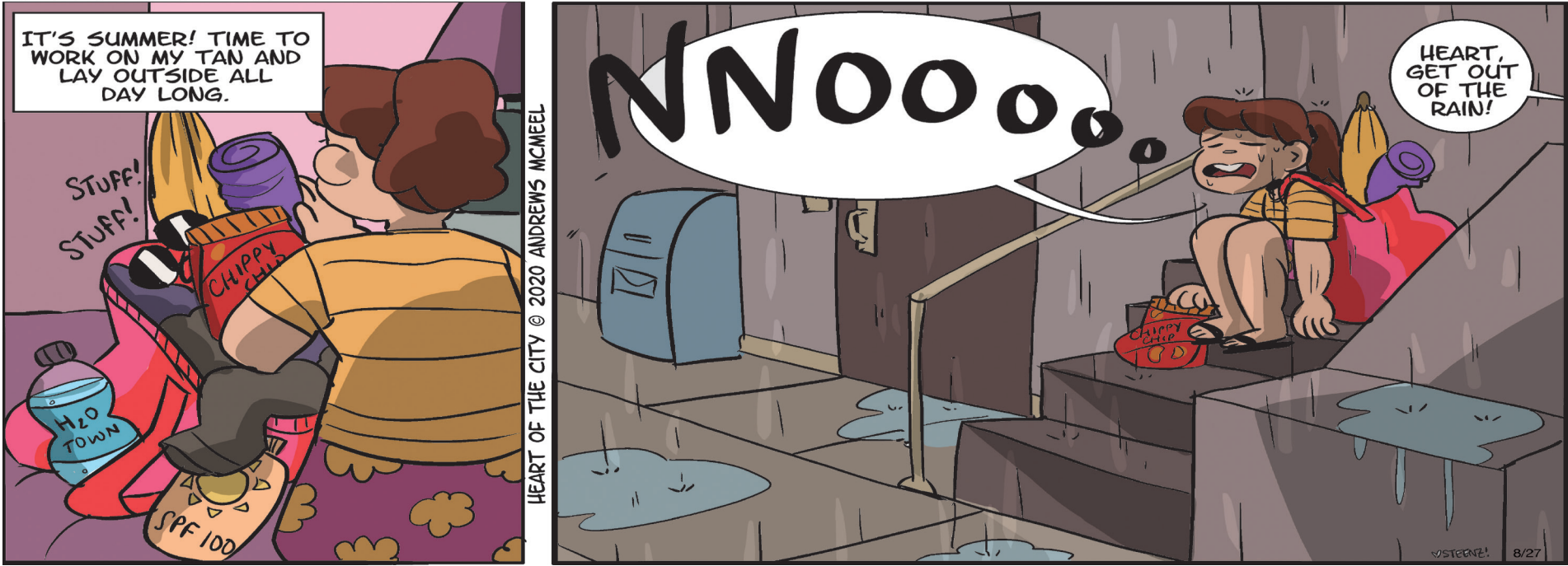
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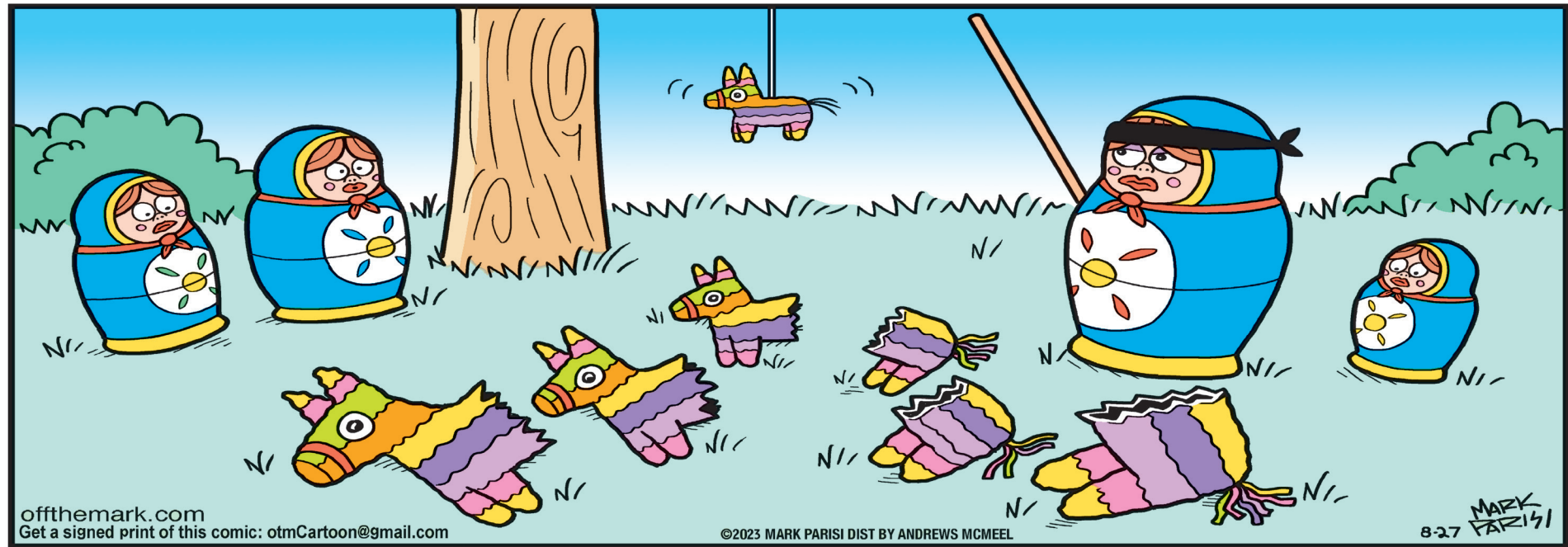
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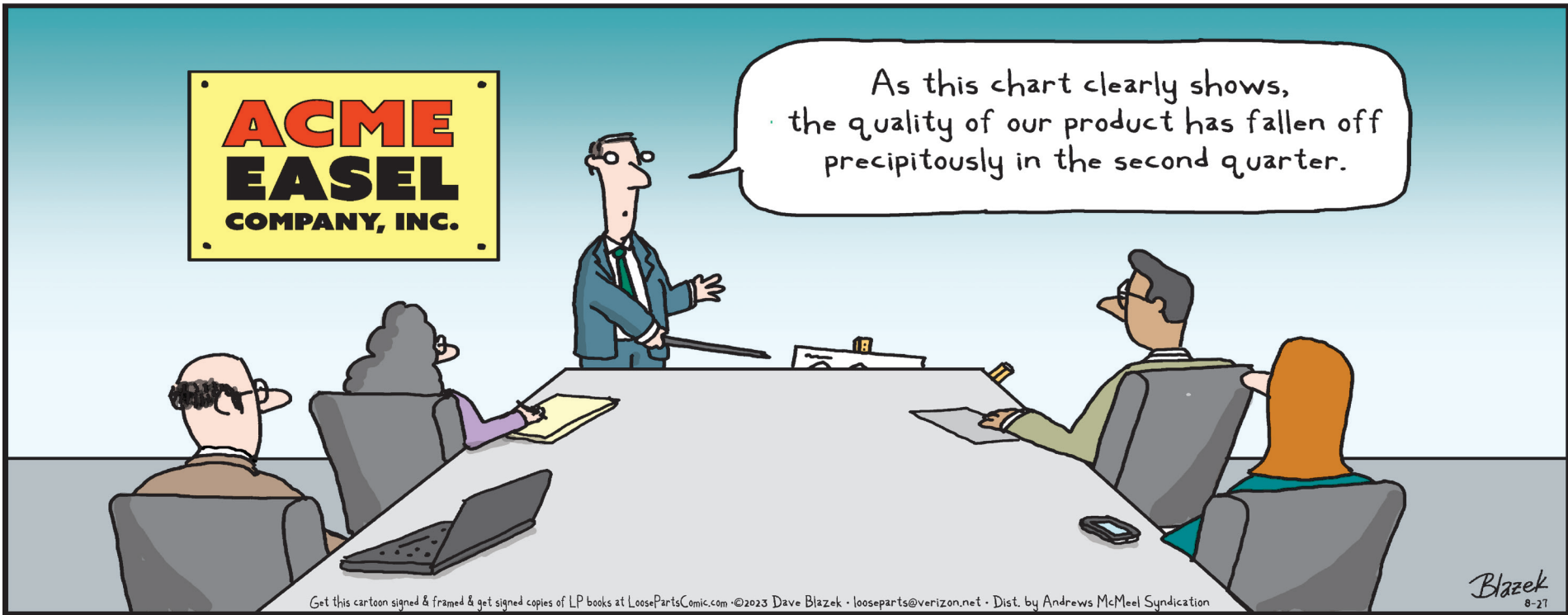
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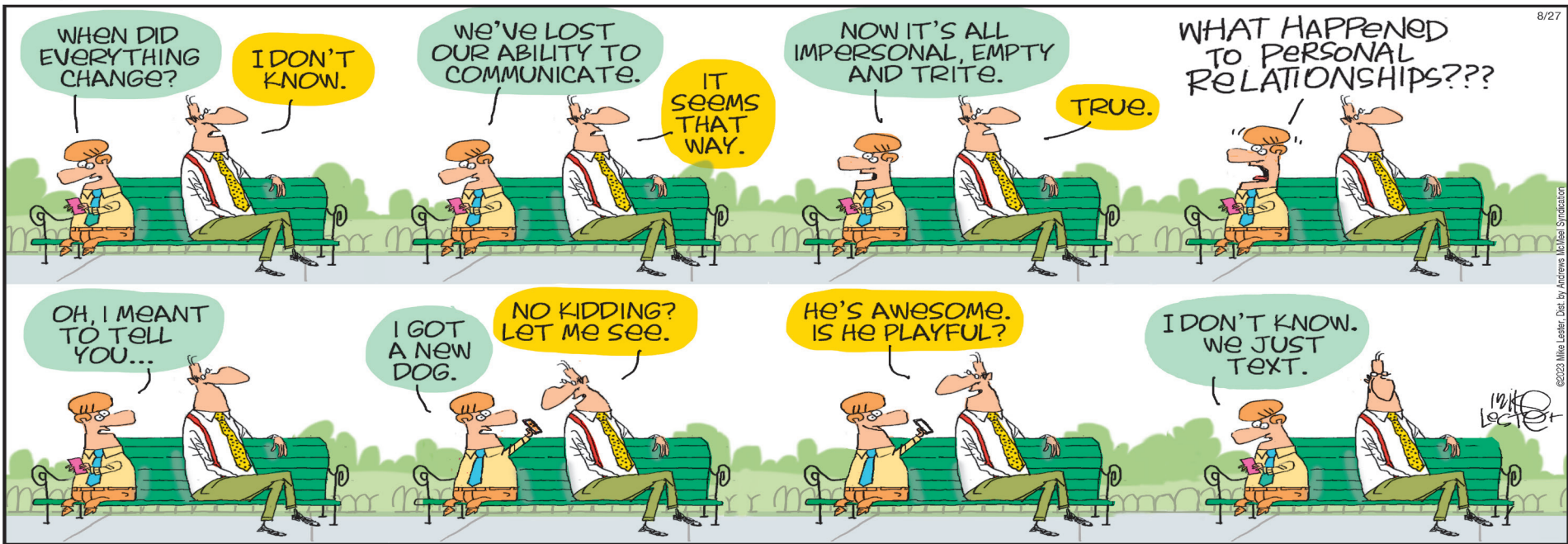
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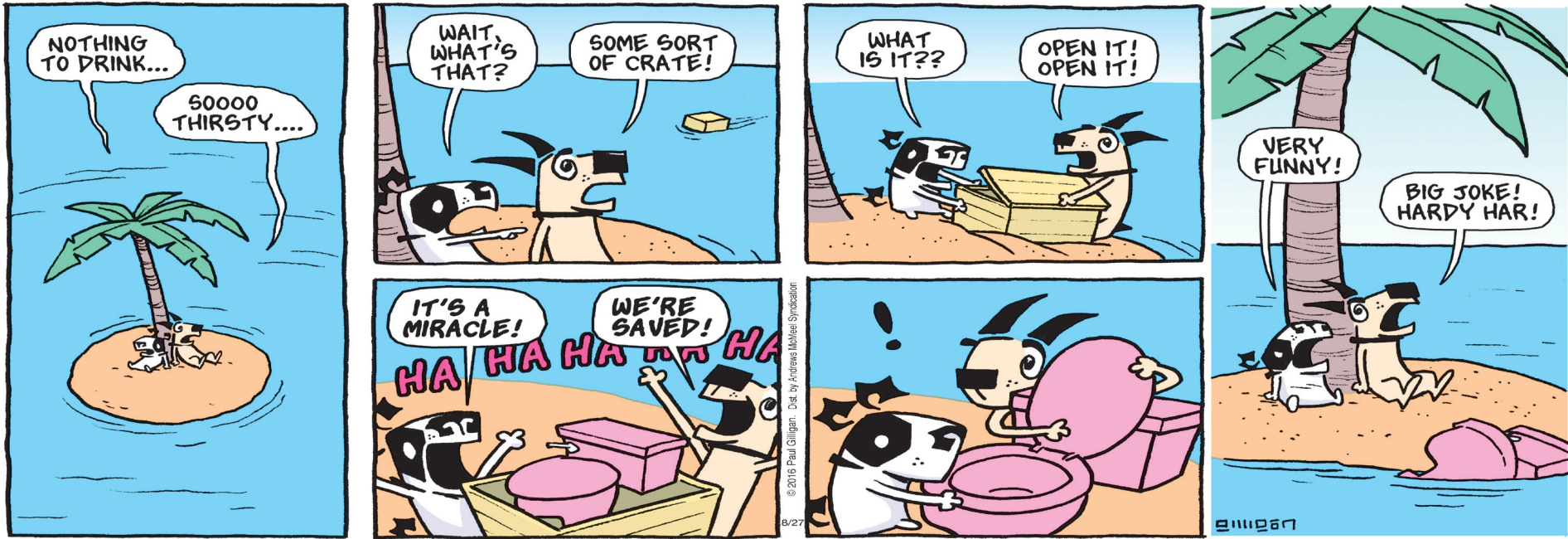
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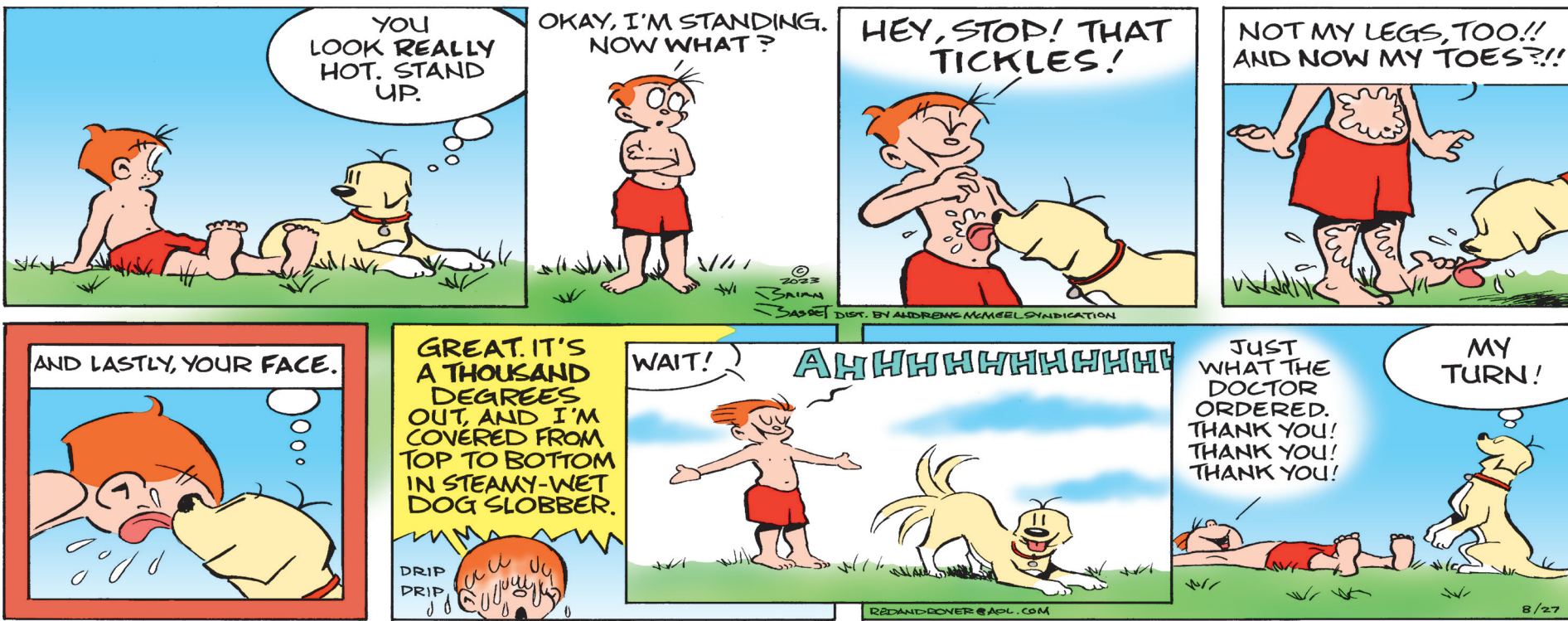
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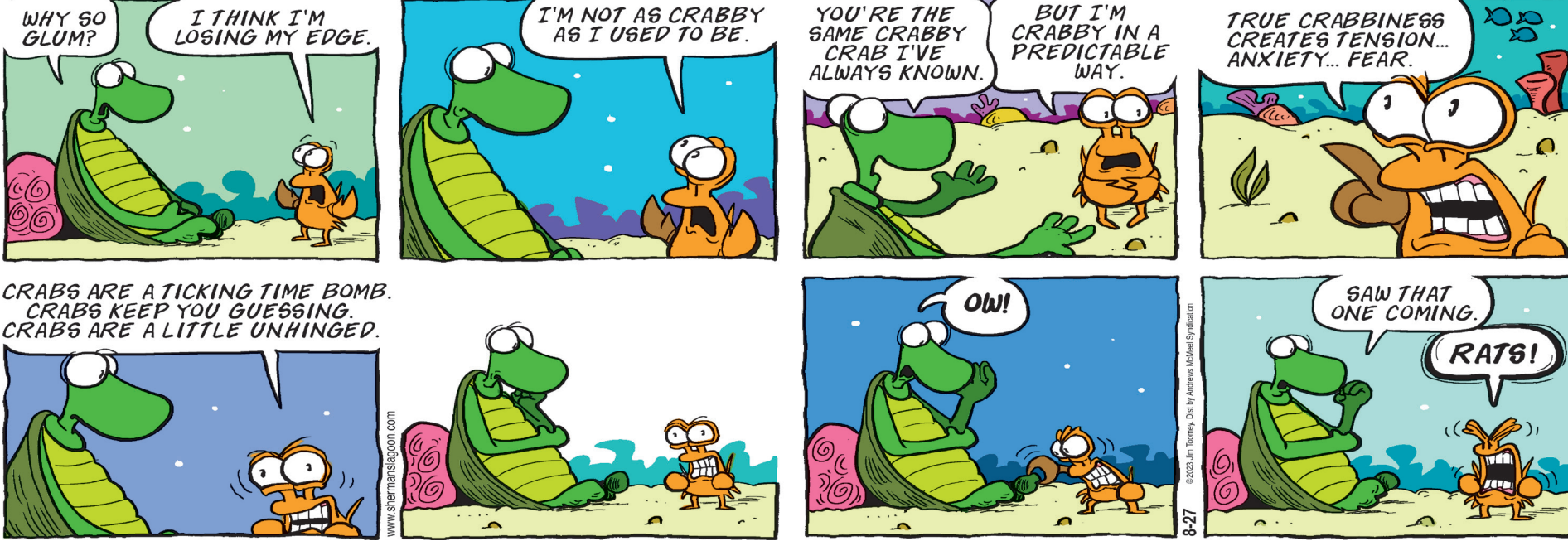
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