Baby Blues • Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott







Beetle Bailey • Mort Walker





Blondie • Chic Young







Hagar the Horrible • Chris Browne





Mother Goose and Grimm • Mike Peters



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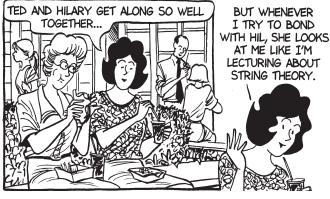
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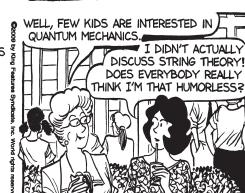
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Sally Forth • Greg Howard



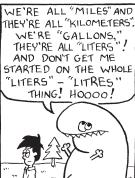


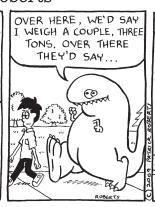




Todd the Dinosaur • Patrick Roberts









Zits • Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott



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Heloise

Hints from Heloise

Strawberry stew leaves pan of goo

Dear Heloise: Help, please! I forgot I was stewing strawberries in a stainless-steel pot. The result: a BLACKENED MESS inside of the pot. I can't get it off. Suggestions, please! – Bernice Weill, via e-mail

Here are a couple of hints to help! Fill the pot about 3/4 full of water, put it on the burner and bring to a boil for only a few minutes. DO NOT LET IT BOIL DRY! Let cool and then scrub.

If the pan is still black, fill with water and add 1 tablespoon of cream of tartar for each quart of water in the pan. Let the mixture boil for 10 minutes. Pour off the water. Wash, rinse and dry the pan. - Heloise

WEEVILS AND MOTHS

Dear Heloise: I, too, had a pantry and kitchen full of weevils and moths. After many days of searching, I discovered they were coming from an opened 25-pound bag of wild birdseed sitting innocently on the pantry floor. I had to take the whole thing outside. - Sharon Woodworth, Georgetown, Ky.

Yep, birdseed is notorious for "hatching" moths! - Heloise

BUY CHEESE IN BULK

Dear Heloise: Our family eats lots of tacos. I buy a large bag of shredded cheese to save money. I open the bag and divide it into smaller portions and freeze. Whenever we need cheese, I take out a bag and am ready to go. -- Pat Z., via e-mail CREAM-SOUP BASE

Dear Heloise: I put the dry ingredients for your generic cream soup in snack-size zipper-top bags. I press out excess air in the snack bags, then store several in a large, plastic container. Quick and easy to make when it's premeasured. -- Terry Powell, Staten Island, N.Y.

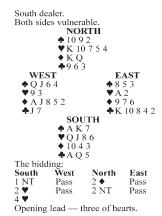
"Quick" and "easy" are two of my favorite words! Soup is good for lunch or dinner and can be very economical, too. I have compiled treasured soup recipes from my staff and families that include Italian Pasta, Meme's Potato, Sparkling Papaya and many others that are simply delicious. To get a copy of Heloise's Spectacular Soups, please send \$5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (61 cents) envelope to: Heloise/Soups, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. JLIE ZLI VZSMIEZ JOPZI The generic cream soup can be made into cream of mushroom, broccoli or any main ingredient of your choice. You will want to give it a try! – Heloise

FLOURING A PAN

Dear Heloise: Thought I would share my trick for flouring a greased pan. Take an empty spice bottle (one with a shaker with small holes) and fill with flour. It's simple to shake out some flour. - Barbara Blaylock, Hemphill, Texas

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Bridge • Steve Becker



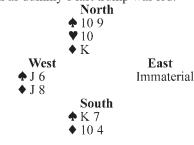
Opportunity Knocks but Once

This deal occurred at the 1986 world team championship in a match between Indonesia and the Netherlands. The hero was Holland's Kees Tammens, who took advantage of a subtle defensive slip to bring in a seemingly hopeless con-

North's two-diamond response was a transfer to hearts, and Tammens accepted his partner's invitation to game on the next round. West led a 1 trump, and Tammens was confronted by at least one loser in each suit.

East won the opening heart lead with the ace and shifted to a low club, ducked to the jack. 2 West's club return was taken by the queen, and South drew the missing trumps before leading a diamond.

West won with the ace and made the harmlesslooking return of the spade queen. This gave Tammens an opening that he quickly exploited. After winning with the ace, he cashed the ace of clubs and then ran his trumps, producing this position as dummy's last trump was led:



On the heart ten, declarer discarded a spade, and West was a dead duck. If he discarded a diamond, South would cash the diamond king and take the last two tricks with the spade king and diamond ten. If West discarded a spade instead, Tammens would cash the spade king and score the last two tricks with dummy's diamond king and spade ten.

West could have avoided this unhappy ending had he returned a diamond after taking the ace. This would have removed a vital entry to dummy, and the squeeze would not have materialized.

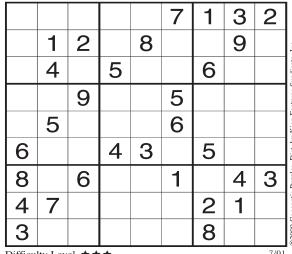
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Family Circus • Bil Keane



"Mommy, will you put some of this sunSCREEN-SAVER on my back?"

Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green



Difficulty Level ★★★

This is a logic-based number placement puzzle. The goal is to enter a num-

ber, 1-9, in each cell in which each row, column and 3x3 region must contain only one instance of each numeral. The solution to the last Sudoku puzzle is at right.

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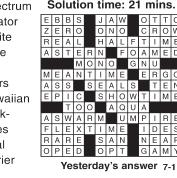
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: BECAUSE YOU MANAGED HAVING FIVE CHILDREN IN ONE BIRTH, YOU QUALIFY AS THE QUINT-ESSENTIAL MOM.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: D equals P

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

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