

Baby Blues • Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

OKAY, I GOT EVERYTHING STRAIGHTENED OUT WITH YOUR SERVICE COACH.

SHE APPRECIATES YOUR ENTHUSIASM, BUT AGREES WITH ME THAT ONE VOLUNTEER PROJECT AT A TIME IS ENOUGH.

“SIGH.” OKAY.

SAVING THE PLANET IS GOING TO TAKE LONGER THAN I THOUGHT.

Beetle Bailey • Mort Walker

COME ON, GUYS! YOU'RE ALL OVER THE PLACE! GET TOGETHER!

WHAT'S THE WORD FOR A LOOSER FORMATION WITH SOME SIGNS OF ALERTNESS?

Blondie • Chic Young

I'VE VOLUNTEERED TO HELP WITH A SENIOR CITIZENS' PROJECT THIS AFTERNOON

OH, GOOD FOR YOU, DEAR!

NOW HERE'S THE TRICKY PART... NEVER LET THE PIMIENTO TOUCH THE PASTRAMI...

SO THAT'S WHY I ALWAYS MESS UP

Hagar the Horrible • Chris Browne

MEN, TODAY I WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING...

NOT ONLY DO YOU HELP TO IMPROVE OUR WORLD, BUT YOU WILL FEEL BETTER PERSONALLY BY VOLUNTEERING !!!

SO...WHO WANTS TO VOLUNTEER TO GO UP THE LADDER FIRST?!

Mother Goose and Grimm • Mike Peters

ALL RIGHT YOUNG MAN, WRITE IT AGAIN.

YOU ARE NOT ANYTHING EXCEPT A HOUND DOG. YOU ARE NOT ANYTHING EXCEPT A HOUND DOG.

Sally Forth • Greg Howard

I WANT US TO GO ON DATES AGAIN, TED.

WITH EACH OTHER?

BE SERIOUS. WE NEED TIME ALONE TO RECONNECT EMOTIONALLY AND ROMANTICALLY.

ISN'T THIS HOW KIDS GET SENT TO COAL MINES IN DICKENS' NOVELS?

SOMEONE'S GOTTA EARN MONEY TO PAY FOR OUR NIGHTS OUT.

I SCORED TWO THEATER TICKETS FOR OUR DATE NIGHT.

NOT EXACTLY... FOR A COMMUNITY PRODUCTION?

THINK TENTH GRADERS WEARING FAKE BEARDS.

WELL, IT'S THE THOUGHT THAT-- NO, GET OUR MONEY BACK NOW.

Todd the Dinosaur • Patrick Roberts

READING THIS SIGN 5¢ NOT READING THIS SIGN 10¢

AHEM! NO R SI

I'M NOT PAYING YOU A NICKEL OR A DIME! THAT'S JUST CRAZY!

RE AND I'M NOT PAYING FOR THAT EITHER!

CALLING ME CRAZY 50¢

READING THIS SIGN 5¢ NOT READING THIS SIGN 10¢

CALLING ME CRAZY 50¢ 30-SECOND HEAD START \$1.00

Zits • Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott

I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW GLAD I AM TO HAVE THAT TWENTY-PAGE PAPER FINISHED!



Heloise

- Hints from Heloise

Hangers mark clothing repairs

Dear Heloise: I have been doing LAUNDRY for myself and family, and have recently discovered how to keep clothing up to date.

When I remove clothing from the dryer to hang up and have ready for ironing, I use two different-colored plastic hangers. The white hangers are for clothing that is in good repair, wearable and desirable to wear anywhere, anytime. The colored hangers are for items that may need a button, minor stitching, be too big or small but still not ready for the giveaway or trash pile.

That way, I don't have to stop and think about what is ready to wear. This saves time by not having to try something on to make sure it is presentable. — Mary N., Port Charlotte, Fla.

A few minutes sorting and organizing clothes can save time on a busy morning, or save money by knowing what's in your closet. Shop in your closet before shopping for clothes. — Heloise

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CLOUDY GLASSES

Dear Heloise: This was great timing! In a recent Orange County (Calif.) Register, you published a solution for my cloudy glasses. I was just about to ask what to do, and there was my answer! I must admit that I had tried soaking them in full-strength vinegar for 24 hours, but that didn't work, and now I know I must use my nylon scrubber and put a little elbow grease into the job. My work will be cut out for me, but it will be well worth it! — Nova in California

Thanks, Nova. Remember, the updated hint is to heat the vinegar. It almost bubbles away the mineral buildup! — Heloise

FOAM TOPPER

Dear Heloise: Recently, I changed a queen-size bed for a twin trundle and ended up with a foam mattress topper that didn't fit. After measuring the twin bed, I removed the covering, then used a permanent marker and measuring stick to mark the foam. With my electric knife and a cutting board underneath, I cut the queen-size foam down. The padded topper covering was downsized with scissors and my sewing machine.

The leftover pieces were cut into standard and neck-size pieces to make pillows. I not only had a new mattress topper for my bed, but several pillows as well. — A Reader, via e-mail

SHELF LINING

Dear Heloise: My daughter moved into a new home, and I volunteered to line the shelves in the kitchen and bathrooms. After a tiring attempt at cutting the heavy-duty liner with scissors, I decided to try my rotary cutter, ruler and cutting mat. I was able to measure accurately, cut straight lines with square corners and finish the job in a fraction of the time it would have taken me with scissors. — Sandra Lovelace, Missouri City, Texas

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“Hi, Mommy! Can I volunteer to be some 'nother help?”

Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

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

Difficulty Level ★★★★★ 10/23

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

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

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

Cryptoquip

B F S G P E S M G D S R S V X

S M O B G S L H S S V B E F P C T J G Z T R S

N P E F B E F H V T U S D Z . O T J V L

B G C S U B Z G S D B P N X Z G S D B P ?

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHEN PEOPLE SING SEVERAL NOTES IN HARMONY, YOU MIGHT SAY THEY WILL PRODUCE A VOCAL CHORD.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: S equals E

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS

1 Curved line

4 Sheltered

8 Use as an example

12 "Phooey!"

13 Folder's locale

14 Hebrew month

15 Workers' jargon

17 "West Side Story" gang

18 Loading site

19 Friars Club event

20 Shocking weapon

22 False god

24 Responsibility

25 Accelerator

29 Inseparable

30 Suggest as a theory

31 Bat stat

DOWN

32 Company's promo-tional

35 Smacks

36 Profundity

37 Wild

40 High point

41 Racetrack shape

42 Curbside octagon

46 Krupa or Simmons

47 Woody's son

48 One of the brass (Abbr.)

49 Fit of peevishness

50 Beer ingredient

Solution time: 25 mins.

S	H	O	P		B	A	G		S	I	G	H	
Y	O	G	I		E	G	O		K	N	E	E	
N	A	R	C		R	E	D		I	L	L	S	
C	R	E	C	H	E		F	U	M	E			
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A	D	U	L	T		V	E	E		G	A	R	
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T	I	E		W	O	K		I	N	E	P	T	
I	N	N	E	R	P	E	A	C	E				
S	A	Y	S		S		S		S				
S	T	I	R		P	A	T		T	O	R	O	
H	E	L	L		I	D	O		A	G	I	N	
E	A	S	Y		N	O	R		R	A	C	K	

Yesterday's answer 10-23

1	2	3		4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11
12				13					14			
15			16						17			
		18						19				
20	21					22	23					
24					25					26	27	28
29					30					31		
32			33						34			
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37	38	39						40				
41						42	43				44	45
46						47				48		
49						50				51		