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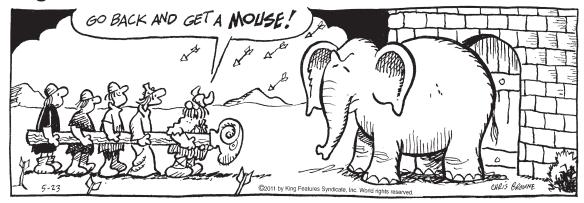
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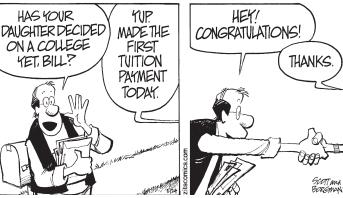
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Dr. Joyce **Brothers**

Ask Dr. Brothers

Woman feels like fake at work

Dear Dr. Brothers: When I started my job, I thought I had gotten it by some accident and didn't belong there, among all the brilliant people in this great career. A year later, I thought this feeling would have faded as I got comfortable with my career and responsibilities, but it hasn't. What can I do to kick this feeling that I don't deserve the great job I've got? – D.B.

Dear D.B.: This feeling, known as the "imposter phenomenon," is more common than you might think, especially among successful women. You rationalize success based on chance rather than feeling like you've earned it through hard work and talent. This can protect you from feeling like a failure when you don't succeed, but isn't worth holding you back from your goals.

To combat this feeling, be patient. You expected this feeling to diminish as you got comfortable at work and it will. In fact, if you look at your emotions, you'll see that in some ways this feeling has indeed faded. Additionally, don't be afraid to accept positive feedback. Too often, we dwell on the negative, and this can only reinforce the idea that we don't deserve success. Accept compliments graciously and they'll start to sink in. Lastly, try to eliminate compulsive habits you may associate with luck in the workplace. These things don't actually bring luck and you're forced to accept you're responsible for your success.

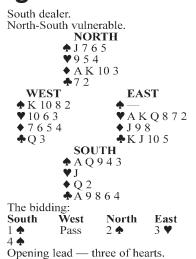
Dear Dr. Brothers: I recently got a new boss and I don't think he likes me. He's critical and doesn't seem to think I'm doing a good job. I like my job, and I'd been on track for advancement, so I don't want one boss to hold me back, when I'm not doing anything wrong. What can I do to get my boss to respect my work? - K.E.

Dear K.E.: It can be tough to be stuck in a job where your boss doesn't support you, especially when it's a job you otherwise enjoy. The trick here is to get this guy on your side. The first thing you can try is trying to find out why it is he's taken a dislike to you or your work. It's also possible his management style doesn't mesh with your working style, and that means you'll both have to make this relationship productive.

want to make things work and do a good job, and that you'd like his help. One tip that has worked for some people is to go a little over the top to get this boss on your side. Rather than talking to him once, take the working relationship to the next level: Ask him to mentor you. You can mention you have different styles and that you think you Y could learn a lot from him. His mentorship would mean you'd meet regularly and discuss your role, and you'll learn from him in a more formal setting. In the process, he'll get to know you much better. This is a positive step that can translate your good intentions into actions, and if things go well, this boss might end up being your biggest

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Bridge • Steve Becker



Famous Hand

This deal from the 1989 North American women's Swiss team championship features excellent play by Karen McCallum, a member of the winning foursome.

McCallum reached four spades on the bidding shown. Looking at all four hands, it appears that she has to lose four tricks: one heart, one club and two trump tricks. But McCallum proceeded to prove otherwise, and she did it without benefit of a single peek at the opposing cards.

She ruffed the second heart lead and played the ace and another club. West won with the queen and shifted to a diamond, covered by the ten, jack and queen. McCallum then cashed the A-K of diamonds and ruffed a diamond, producing this position with South needing to win four of the last five tricks:

> West North East ♥ A87 ♠ K 10 8 2 **★** J765 ♣ KJ

> > South **▲** AQ9 98

When McCallum now led a club, West was helpless. In practice, she discarded her heart, and declarer ruffed with dummy's five. The heart nine was then ruffed with the queen. West overruffed with the king, but had to return a trump from the 10-8-2 into South's A-9. McCallum then won the last two tricks by ruffing a club with dummy's jack and a heart with the ace.

Observe that if West ruffs the club high or low rather than discarding in the diagrammed position, South can always maneuver to take four tricks.

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Family Circus • Bil Keane



"... so why does my day always end at the same time?"

Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

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

Difficulty Level *

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

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