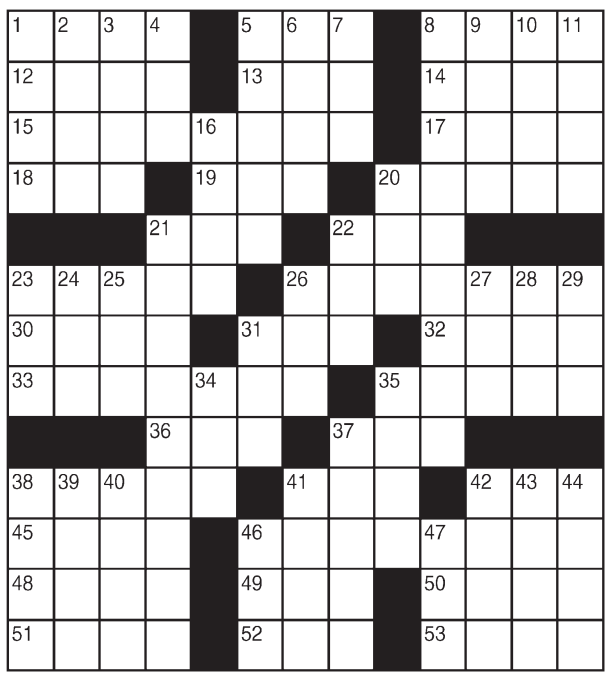
King Crossword



ACROSS
1 Coconut tree
5 Auto fuel
8 Bat a fly
12 Hodge-podge
13 Web address
14 Apiece
15 Panty raid site
17 1492 vessel
18 Shirt shape
19 Donkey
20 — mignon
21 See 36-Across
22 Court
23 Two-faced god
26 Takes temporarily
30 Greatly
31 Diving bird
32 Concept
33 Laundry task
35 Trusty horse
36 With 21-Across, senescence
37 Handyman's abbr.
38 Store staffer
41 Baseball great Hodges
42 Tease
45 Mischievous Norse god
46 More than half
48 Aid and —
49 In times past
50 Actor Clive
51 Too inquisitive
52 Skillet
53 Marceau's specialty

DOWN
1 Mail
2 Lotion additive
3 Former Italian money
4 Cow's call
5 Costume
6 — and crafts
7 Crafty
8 Privilege due to time served
9 Banshee's noise
10 Teen's woe
11 Just one of those things?
16 Tatters
20 Supporting
21 Expert
22 Oriental 52-Across
23 Mandible
24 — carte
25 Ph. bk. info
26 Insect
27 Rhyming tribute
28 Small
29 Blue
31 Moreover
34 Sort
35 Missile shelter
37 Mustard city
38 Family
39 Timber wolf
40 Scratches (out)
41 Totally smitten
42 New Zealander
43 Particular
44 Unit of force
46 Navigation aid
47 Computer acronym

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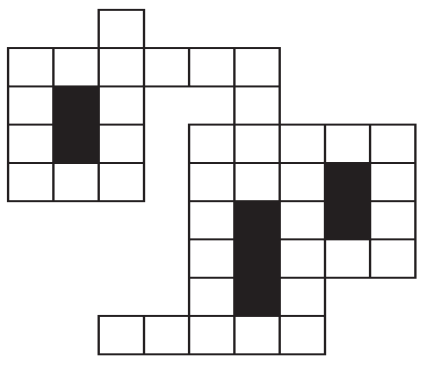
FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

CONQUER THE WHIRLED

♥ EAY
♥ DEMBAL
♥ ANLIP
♥ OLCA
HOTNYP
♥ PLA
♥ NAYM
♥ DAISE
♥ AMY
COSMIA
♥ ENDIM
♥ APEN



Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. **HAGNEC** becomes **CHANGE**). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ **RATHE** becomes **HATER** or **EARTH** or **HEART**). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH – SO SAD

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **What are unhappy cranberries called?**

ACHY
CRYING
DISMAL
DROOPY
GLOOMY
GLUM
GRAY
GRIM
LONG-FACED
MOODY
MOROSE
POUTY
SULKY
UNCHEERFUL
UNDONE
UNHAPPY
UNSMILING
UPSET
WEEPY

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

Riddle answer: __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ .

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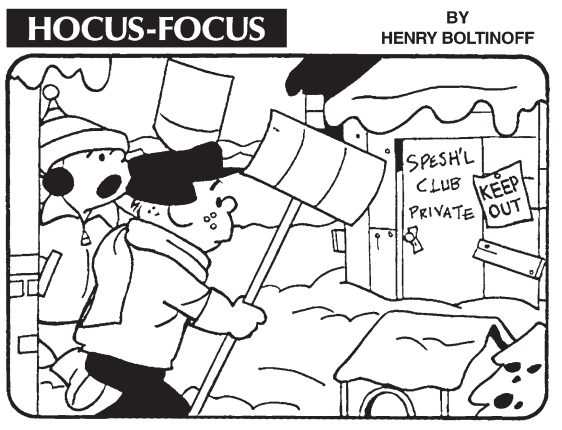
HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Cap is different. 2. Scarf is shorter. 3. Glove is smaller. 4. Shovel is turned. 5. Doghouse is missing. 6. Sign is missing.

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from M<u>A</u>STER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Place a wager	_ _ M _ _ _	Confuse	_ _ R _ _ _
2. Green ogre of film	_ _ _ _ K	*The Taming of the* ___	_ _ _ _ W
3. Eagerness	_ _ D _ _	Shady retreat	_ _ B _ _
4. Bank employee	_ E _ _ _ _	More statuesque	_ A _ _ _ _
5. Robust	_ _ _ _ _ Y	Fireside	_ _ _ _ _ H
6. Use one's ears	_ _ _ _ E _	Boxer Sonny	_ _ _ _ O _
7. Thirst quencher	_ _ T _ _	Be indecisive	_ _ V _ _
8. Bend	_ _ _ V _	Witch's spell	_ _ _ S _
9. Make a mess of	_ O _ _ _	Serving of cookies	_ A _ _ _
10. Lyon's location	F _ _ _ _ _	Cavort	P _ _ _ _ _

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MAGIC MAZE ● CAN YOU KEEP A SECRET?

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

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Agent	Combination	Hush-hush	Recipe
Cipher	Confidant	Mystery	Spy
Clandestine	Covert	Password	Undercover
Code	Formula	Private	

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Letter Box

by Linda Thistle

Place a letter in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the letters listed above the diagram. When completed, the row indicated will spell out a word or words.

A E H I L N Q R U

→								
	N	E		I		R		Q
U			H		R		A	
R				A			U	
	L		I					R
	I	U			N	H		
		H			U			A
	R		A			I		
Q				L			E	

Salome's Stars

ARIES ((March 21 to April 19) That lower-than-acceptable performance you're getting from others in your group might be the result of miscommunication. If so, correct it before serious problems arise later on.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) An unexpected situation could call for a change of plans. If so, you might feel that this is unfair. But it's best to make the needed adjustments now. There'll be time later for rescheduling.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The new year brings opportunities you might want to look into. Some might be more interesting than others. But take time to look at all of them before you make any decisions.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's a good idea to be careful about expenses until you've worked out that pesky financial problem. You might find it advisable to get some solid advice on how to proceed.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Romance looms large over the Leonine aspect. Single Lions looking for love should find Cupid very cooperative. Paired Cats can expect a renewed closeness in their relationships.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Making contact with a former colleague might not be high on your list of priorities. But it could pay off personally as well as professionally. Avoid bringing up any negatives about the past.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A personal relationship could face added stress because of a situation involving someone close to both of you. Be supportive and, above all, try to avoid playing the blame game.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might well find some lingering uncertainties about a decision. If so, take that as a warning that you might not be ready to make that move yet. More study would be in order.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Music is a dominant theme for Sagittarians right now, and it should remind you to make a greater effort to restore some much-needed harmony in that very special relationship.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although family matters might demand much of the Sea Goat's attention this week, you'll want to try to make time to handle those all-important workplace situations as well.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A recurring unresolved issue might need to be revisited before you can move forward. Consider asking someone familiar with the situation to act as an impartial counselor.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Ignore pressure to make a decision. Keeping your options open is still the wisest course, at least until you're sure you've learned all you need to know about the matter at hand.

BORN THIS WEEK: You're capable of great loyalty to those around you, which is one reason you can count on devotion from friends and family.

POPEYE

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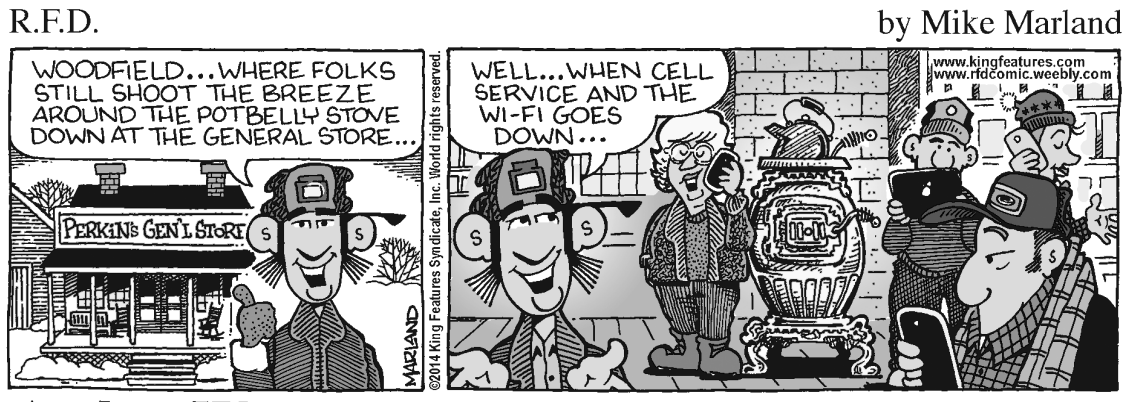
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



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Amber Waves

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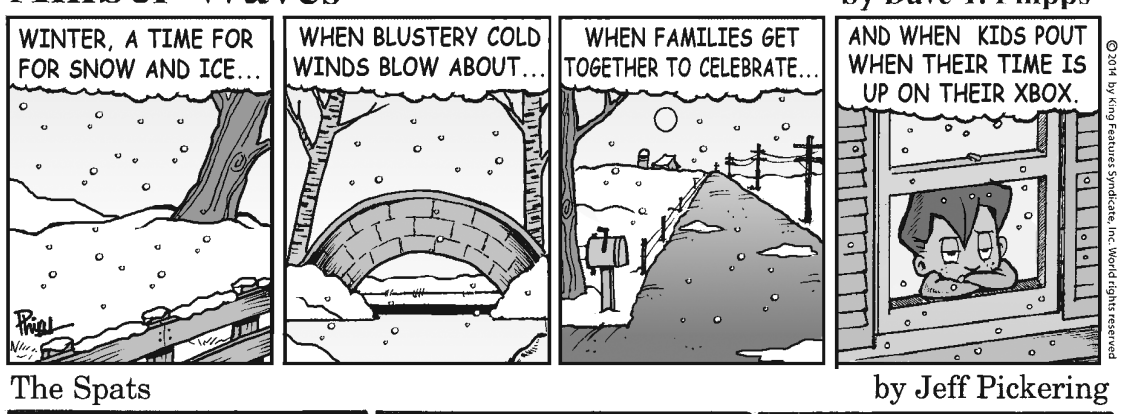

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