

Horoscope

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Protect what you've worked so hard to obtain. Handle your money and reputation with care. Build strength and gain respect. Personal improvement will boost confidence. Follow a healthy daily routine.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Choose your words wisely. If you are emotional, you will end up in a no-win situation. Look for alternative ways to reach your objective. Complaining will lead to a stalemate.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Look for an outlet, a way to offer help to those less fortunate or an activity that provides a physical or mental challenge. Learn from experience.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Don't let challenges get you down or set you back. Find unique solutions that are geared toward bringing about a positive lifestyle change.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Do something that will boost your morale or bring you one step closer to looking the way you want. Consider a physical workout, makeover or trendy new outfit.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Be open to suggestions, but don't let anyone talk you into something that makes you feel uncertain or uncomfortable. Limit change by remaining focused on what's most important to you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Make an adjustment that encourages you to take better care of your finances, possessions and yourself. Set up a home office or a workout room, or box up stuff you no longer use.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Change the way you do things at home. Fine-tuning your schedule to meet current demands will help you get ahead. More structure and discipline are the keys to success.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Keep tabs on how much you spend. Unnecessary purchases will leave you short and stifle the way you live. Put more effort into preparing healthy meals and getting sufficient

exercise.
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Confusion will set in due to the mixed messages you receive. When in doubt, go directly to the source and ask questions. Protect against injury and illness.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Your emotions will reveal your true feelings. Before you share your intentions with anyone, make sure you can trust him or her to keep a secret. Put your plans in place first.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Go on a learning expedition, and you'll pick up valuable information that will alter the way you use your skills. Change with the times and turn a negative into a positive.

Crossword

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

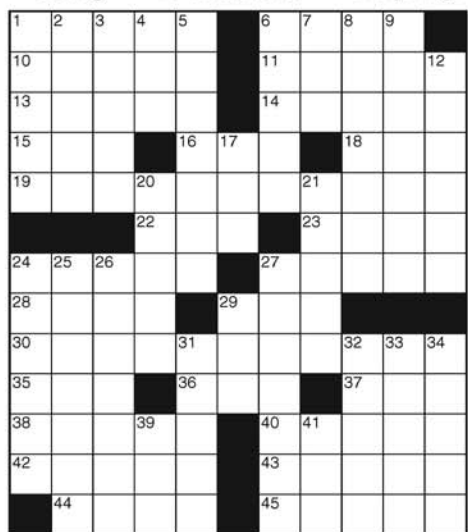
ACROSS
40 Kind of pool
42 Car type with the palm
43 Happening
44 Extinct bird
45 Office sights



Saturday's answer

DOWN
1 Strike defiers
2 Deductive thinking
3 Justice Samuel
4 Deep hole
5 Triangle type
6 Doofus
7 Overly
8 Vienna base setting

9 Trample
12 Has faith in
17 Alphabet start
20 Stair part
21 Sports attractions setting
24 Rate
25 Fought
26 Guacamole
27 Increased
29 "60 Minutes" network
31 Like some questions
32 Carnival
33 Guzzled
34 Sea dogs
39 Seething
41 "Now — seen everything!"



27 Chili need
28 Rescue
29 Swindle
30 Movie-planning sketches
35 List-shortening abbr.
36 Snaky shape
37 Lyricist Gershwin
38 Closes with a bang

Cryptoquote

A XYDLB AAXR
 is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

6-15 CRYPTOQUOTE

P D K V T B R F I V X B

P D U N X D G G R U Q — B D O

S X V K S A R U Q E V D E G V G S O Q L .

— Q R G T S X S T U V X
Saturday's Cryptoquote: THAT WHICH CAN BE ASSERTED WITHOUT EVIDENCE, CAN BE DISMISSED WITHOUT EVIDENCE.
 — CHRISTOPHER HITCHENS

Alder on Bridge: Would you even think of it?

By Phillip Alder

In 1986, the world bridge championships were played in Miami. Glyn Liggins and Andy Robson reached the final of the open pairs.

They did not get close to winning, but since then have gone from strength to strength, especially Robson. He has one gold, two silver and three bronze world championship medals. He was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the 2013 New Year Honours for services to bridge and charity. He is also the bridge columnist for The Times newspaper in London.

In today's deal from that column, Liggins was sitting East. South was in three no-trump. West led a fourth-highest heart two. What did Liggins do

after winning the first trick with his heart ace?

Liggins knew that his partner had exactly four hearts, and if he had had a five-card suit, he surely would have led from that. So West had 1=4=4=4 distribution. This meant that South had 0=4=2=7, making a diamond switch look appealing. However, on this deal South would have claimed his nine winners.

Liggins realized that a diamond shift could wait until trick three. Since declarer had no way to reach the dummy, Liggins cashed his spade ace!

What could South do? If he pitched a heart, the defenders would take one spade and four hearts. But when declarer discarded a club, East shifted to a diamond, and South had to go down one.

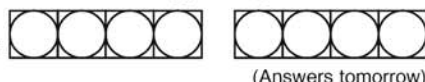
Jumble

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



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Print your answer here:



Saturday's Jumbles: CHEEP SCARF UNTOLD PLURAL Answer: When the forest's conifers had a party, they got — ALL SPRUCED UP



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

				North	06-15-20
				♠	K Q 10 7 5 3 2
				♥	7 4 3
				♦	4 3
				♣	3
West			East		
♠	9		♠	A J 8 6 4	
♥	K Q 6 2		♥	A 5	
♦	J 9 6 2		♦	Q 10 8 7 5	
♣	10 8 5 2		♣	7	
				South	
				♠	—
				♥	J 10 9 8
				♦	A K
				♣	A K Q J 9 6 4
				Dealer:	North
				Vulnerable:	Neither
South	West	North	East		
		3♠	Pass		
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass		
				Opening lead:	♥ 2