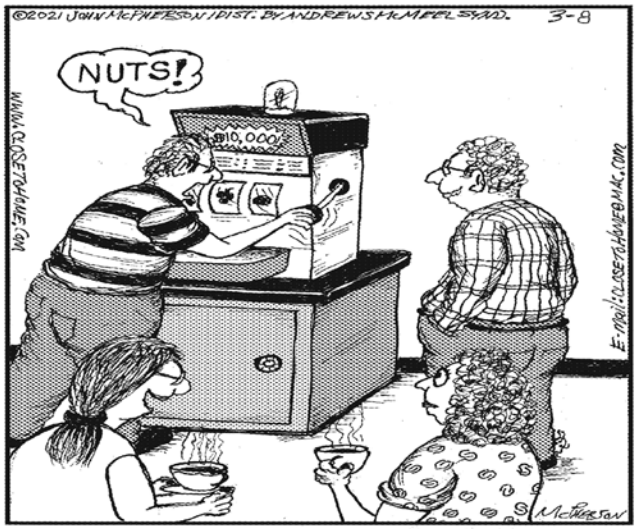
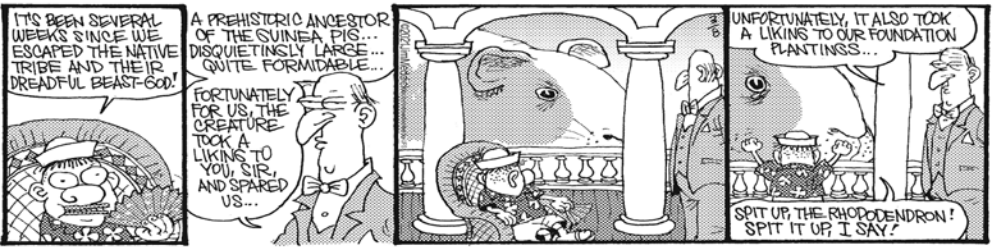
CLOSE TO HOME **JOHN MCPHERSON**



"It's turned out to be a great way to raise funds for the kids' educations."

ROBOTMAN AND MONTY **JIM MEDDICK**



JANRIC CLASSIC SUDOKU

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and 3x3 block. Use logic and process elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

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

Rating: BRONZE

Solution to 3/6/21

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

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CROSSWORD PUZZLER

ACROSS

1 Dined
4 Rank
9 Typewriter key
12 Ice hockey team
13 Omega opposite
14 Groom's reply (2 wds.)
15 Guides in a theater
17 Citizen's —
19 Everybody
20 Had
21 In fine fettle
23 Emails a dupe
24 Pro votes
27 Geological period
28 Prune
29 Small pleasure
30 Monopoly prop.
31 Rookie socialite
32 Airline to Stockholm
33 Southern st.
34 Confused fight
36 Saloon
37 North Dakota state tree
38 Quell
39 Mug
40 Retain
41 Wisdom tooth
43 Above, in verse
44 Untie
46 Motel networks
49 — and yang
50 Caesar's year
52 Relay race part
53 Golfer Ernie —
54 Wide valleys
55 Up till now

DOWN

1 Initials at Tempe
2 Scale notes
3 Breathe out
4 Astronomer — Sagan
5 Unser and Gore
6 HS language class
7 Melts
8 Merit
9 Wild T-shirt (hyph.)
10 Blurbs
11 Plant sci.
16 Pipe bend
18 Emulates a bronco
20 Autumn mo.
21 Heats up
22 Snowy-white bird
23 Baby bear
25 Powerful raptor
26 Postage sticker
28 Mediocre grade
29 Pitch
31 Trade show presentations
32 Exhaust
35 Defective autos
36 Prickly seed case
37 Uncannily
39 Huge blossom
40 Large parrot
42 Go first
43 Units of resistance
44 Wood ash product
45 Heating fuel
46 Stage signal
47 Born
48 Pfc.'s boss
51 Pittsburgh Pirates org.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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

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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		35			■	36			■	37		
38				■	39			■	40			
■	■	41		42			■	43			■	■
44	45					■	46				47	48
49			■	50		51			■	52		
53				54						55		