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by Stella Wilder

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YOUR BIRTHDAY by Stella Wilder

Born today, you like to keep your eyes and ears open at all times so that you are the first to receive signs and warnings of all kinds, and so you will never miss a new opportunity that comes your way. You are quite adept at interpreting what happens around you; the events of the day don't merely happen to you, but rather, they involve you directly -- and you do what you can to affect them in turn, just as they affect you.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Complaining isn't likely to get you very far today, so you might want to think about adopting a more positive and proactive approach.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Environmental influences have taken their toll, but today you should be able to resume all that was working for you before.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) -- You will either have to give up worrying or give up controlling -- but trying to do both at the same time is a recipe for disaster.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- A shock to the system has you rethinking your whole approach to health and well-being. Start with something you know you should be doing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Someone may be expecting the impossible from you at this time, and the only way you can reduce resulting tension is to talk about it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- You'll find yourself surrounded by those who are eager to adopt your ways -- but you don't have the time or inclination to play teacher.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Your eyes are likely to be opened today to a possibility that has been front and center for quite some time. Why haven't you seen it?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- You may not be able to fake it any longer, so be ready for some

difficulty when the time comes for you to talk about how you really feel.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Someone may be trying to avoid a necessary step today, but you're there to ensure that everyone does as required. Lay down the law!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- You may discover quite by surprise that you cannot get along with someone who plays a major role in either your professional or personal affairs.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- This is a good time to make clear your feelings about a certain key issue. For too long everyone else has been exerting their influences.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- You are eager for some alone time in which you'll be able to explore, in your own unique way, certain pending opportunities.

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Born today, you are something of an adventurer, and you are eager to experience the kinds of things that most individuals would go out of their way to avoid or simply never think of in the first place. To go where no one has ever gone before is one of your primary motivations in life, whether literally or metaphorically. Indeed, there are times in which your adventurous wanderings are merely philosophical, when you choose to experiment with thought or feeling rather than do something literal. On the other hand, you never feel truly alive unless you are testing your limits.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- You may be thinking of someone far from home for much of the day, and it will be difficult to sort out your feelings much of the time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Someone gets your blood pumping today, and you may

want to take precautions lest you find this new element too compelling! Play it safe.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) -- You can enjoy yourself fully today, provided there is nothing left unsaid after dealing with a sudden, tricky issue. A friend reaches out.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- You will want to balance thought and feeling very carefully today. What you do will reflect all that is going on inside -- and it's a lot!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Your behavior may lead some to conclude that you are merely being reckless, but in fact you've planned for every eventuality -- haven't you?

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- When asking certain questions today, you may be met with nothing but questions in return. There's a reason this is a stubborn issue!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Cash flow will be an issue today, surely, but you'll also want to keep other necessities firmly in mind. It's a juggling act, for sure!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- You may be

accused of being inconstant today, but all you are doing is exploring your options and exercising your right to do what you will.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- You may not recognize an error today the moment it is made, but later on you'll recognize your mis-step and work quickly to reverse it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Facts and figures of all kinds will figure prominently today. Make sure you have what you need to sort things out to your liking.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- You may be looking to someone for help who is ill-equipped to give it at this time. This doesn't mean you have to go it alone, however.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- You may be making decisions today based on information that is no longer applicable. Update your thinking and revise your plans.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2019

CROSSWORD PUZZLER

ACROSS

1 Bawl

4 Boxing wins

9 Smelter input

12 Kimono accessory

13 WWII sea menace (hyph.)

14 Good in Calais

15 — del Fuego

17 Thwarted

19 Shoot the bolt

21 Luau dish

22 Angus Young's band

24 Big green parrot

26 Bad-looking

29 Gets going

31 Estuary

33 Look at

34 Teaser

35 Predicament

38 Architect — Pei

39 Ms. Arthur

41 Allow

42 Opposite of supine

44 Baja Ms.

46 Incite a dog

48 Token

49 Broad-antlered animal

51 Sing door-to-door

53 Ticket bargain

56 Agree

59 — de cologne

60 Lighter than lite (hyph.)

62 Healers' org.

63 Louvre display

64 Innsbruck locale

65 Hassle

DOWN

1 Item in a tent

2 Baseball stat

3 Gives up

4 Mr. Russell

5 Taken — (surprised)

6 Attention-getting word

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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7 Lummock

8 Desist

9 Do a favor

10 Fish-to-be

11 Come to a halt

16 Sped

18 Promise to pay

20 Dissenter

22 Fast horses

23 Autumn beverage

25 Rifle range command

27 Deceitful

28 Oman neighbor

30 — vous plaît

32 Rock band's need

36 Brown of renown

37 Torch job

40 Did not cook (2 wds.)

43 Garage squirter

45 Visitor from Melmac

47 Chocolate tree

50 Superman, incognito

52 — of the dice

53 Popular beverage

54 Armed conflict

55 Judge — Bean

57 Ms. Thurman

58 Scold

61 Acct. entry

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2019

CROSSWORD PUZZLER

ACROSS

1 “She Done — Wrong”

4 Check endorser

9 “— Te Ching”

12 Onassis nickname

13 One-celled swimmer

14 Boring tool

15 Substantial, as a meal

17 Spouted rhetoric

19 Damage

20 Wayside establishments

21 Short stays

23 Verdi opus

27 Maiden loved by Zeus

28 Owls' cries

30 Playwright — Coward

31 — degree

33 Gigggle (hyph.)

35 201, to Claudius

36 Misgiving

38 Shatter

40 Look — that!

41 Fat cat's friend

42 Nerdy

44 Jungle swingers

47 Do a sewing chore

48 Granite mine

51 Adorn

54 Explosive letters

55 Quiver item

57 Before marriage

58 Actor — Shepard

59 Repairs

60 Leif, to Eric

DOWN

1 Disdainful snort

2 Pique

3 Marlins' city

4 New England griddle

5 A Vanderbilt

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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6 “... and — shall find”

7 Poet's black

8 Merit

9 Make lace like granny

10 Stun

11 Vintage

16 Headstrong

18 Strong — ox

20 Continent connector

21 Marked a ballot

22 Familiar digits

24 Winter Games org.

25 Colorful transfer

26 Settled

27 Stats

29 Madonna's ex

32 Osaka “yes”

34 Avoids

37 Emulate a bronco

39 Weeded

43 Signs

45 Tot's transport

46 Brontë heroine Jane —

48 Gallon divs.

49 One, to Conchita

50 PIN prompter

51 Iron pumper's pride

52 Co. honcho

53 Actor — Howard

56 TLC provider

Drive safely —

my Dad

works out there.

The Way to Go.

Transportation Safety — ODOT