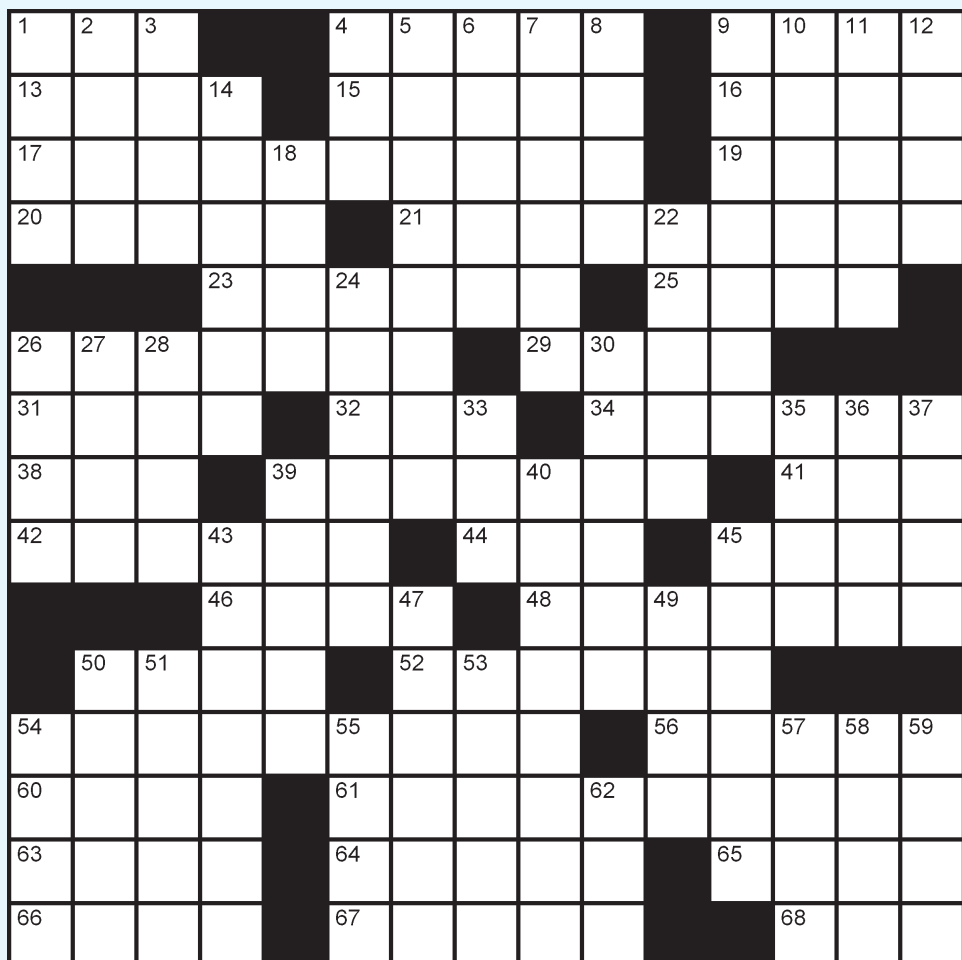


Inner Insertion by Alex Rosen
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Skippy competitor
 - 4 Standoffish
 - 9 Machine parts
 - 13 ___ code map
 - 15 Tubular pasta
 - 16 Taken by mouth
 - 17 Redoes / Runs faster than (insert 61-Across between letters 5 and 6 in this answer)
 - 19 Tart sherbet flavor
 - 20 Musical with the song "Tomorrow"
 - 21 Book jacket / Audibly (... between letters 5 and 6 ...)
 - 23 One spelling for a Plains dwelling
 - 25 ___-and-peck
 - 26 Big name in rum
 - 29 Included on an email
 - 31 Periods of time
 - 32 Hoppy beer letters
 - 34 Peanut butter cup brand
 - 38 One who may skip the line, briefly
 - 39 Came for dinner / Something unusual (... between letters 3 and 4 ...)
 - 41 Earth-friendly prefix
 - 42 Start of a shoppe name
 - 44 Org. that X-rays luggage
 - 45 "Let's go!"
 - 46 Derby calculation
 - 48 Bite symptom
 - 50 German Mrs.
 - 52 Straight, informally
 - 54 Vacuum brand / No longer published (... between letters 2 and 3 ...)
 - 56 Get up
 - 60 "At ___, soldier!"
 - 61 Nonsensical radio signoff
 - 63 Arab ruler
 - 64 Wide-eyed primate
 - 65 Phoenix ballers
 - 66 Recolors
 - 67 Appliance for onion rings
 - 68 Where eagles fly
- DOWN**
- 1 Cloaked humanoid in "Star Wars"
 - 2 Get the wrinkles out of
 - 3 Plant with fronds
 - 4 Apt rhyme of "tap"
 - 5 Clue weapon whose token is bent
 - 6 When prompted
 - 7 "Just a moment!"
 - 8 Ending for Oktober?
 - 9 Conspire (with)
 - 10 Belted constellation
 - 11 Run the ___
 - 12 Toboggan, for instance
 - 14 Japanese dogs
 - 18 Crystal ball gazer
 - 22 "Ole!" or "Hooray!"
 - 24 Reworded, perhaps
 - 26 Large group
 - 27 R&B's India. ___
 - 28 Mafia boss
 - 30 Come up with
 - 33 Key near the space bar
 - 35 Vehicle with many axles
 - 36 Finance major's subj.
 - 37 Dance partner?
 - 39 Compute the sum of
 - 40 Question about a rumor
 - 43 Slip-on shoes
 - 45 Groups of musical notes
 - 47 React to cold
 - 49 ___-Grape (Ocean Spray flavor)
 - 50 Like the top of a cappuccino
 - 51 Woman who had a riveting job?
 - 53 Lex Luthor, to Superman
 - 54 Pay attention to
 - 55 Massage deeply
 - 57 Debt slips
 - 58 Dropped to the bottom
 - 59 Online crafts source
 - 62 "I can't read this treasure map!"

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS
SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2021 Lunar Antics on Easter Sunday



The Capricorn moon throws in some tension for good measure, and Easter celebrations will feature lively exchanges as people jockey for position within the power dynamics of their familiar groups. Hopefully, this texture won't pull from the heart of the celebration of miraculous rebirth and the sweetness of new life.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Anyone who's ever undergone a construction project knows that destruction is part of expansion. The mess goes on and on until that grand moment... out of the rubble rises a new frame. You'll see it today.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Intellectual challenge will be part of the fun. You'll be sharpened by dealing with problems. Seek input from those who've been there already and who have something to teach about that.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You desire to neither control nor be controlled. People with good intent usually don't mind when you set a boundary. As for those who take this as an offense, consider it a red flag.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Galileo declared that the universe was written in the language of mathematics, without which we cannot understand a single "word" of it. A bit of math in your personal universe can be worked out for game-changing clarity.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). If there's a recipe for feeling good, you don't need to follow it. You're like the master chef with so much experience that you need no added instruction. Conjuring deliciousness is just what you do.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Being a role model beats trying to get your point across with verbal instruction, especially considering how often you've had to repeat yourself lately. Be the lesson.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Once upon a time, comfort was your priority. Now there are many things that

come before your comfort – principles that are so much a part of who you are that sticking by them is your first reaction, even if that hurts a little.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You can put the brakes on a project if you want to. Things will definitely slow, but the screeching sound will attract much attention and, as it goes with this sort of thing, give the impression of an impending accident.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Who is rich? The child with a million toys who can't find one he likes to play with, or the child with one toy beloved? You live the obvious answer today, reveling in your time with a much-enjoyed possession.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Even the most hardened criminals believe they are good people. Today, you'll break from assuming you're good to demand from yourself an honest tally of the good you've done lately. Only a good person would do this.

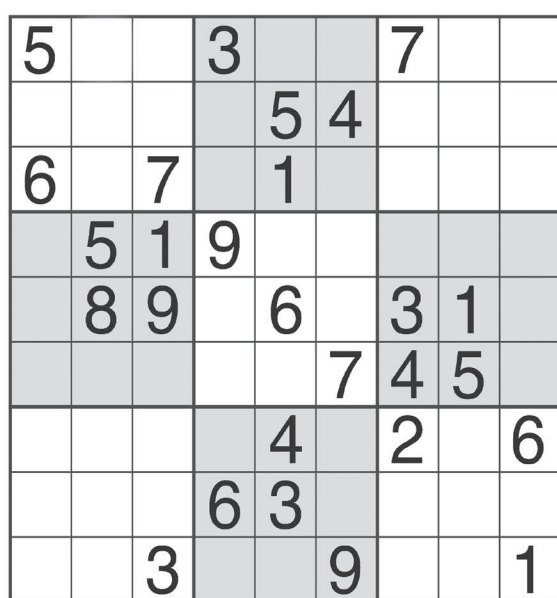
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). What you're working on now is not a quick fix but a solution with many steps that will unfold over time. First things first: awareness. It's hard for people to change things they know nothing of.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Very little is needed to make you happy today, and anything required is well within your reach. And yet... there's nothing like a good chase. Part of you considers making it harder, just for fun.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 4). The character traits that impact your happiness include loyalty, integrity and courage. You'll balance virtuous work with lighter investments that tap into your adventure and fun-seeking side. Mentors delight to your asks, so return often. Keep learning and making requests until you feel certain of your path. Gemini and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 44, 12, 9 and 15.

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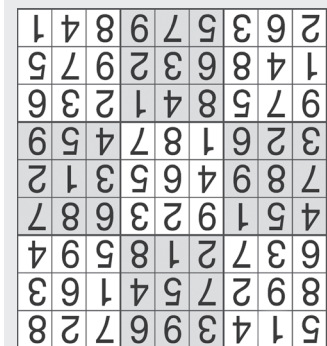
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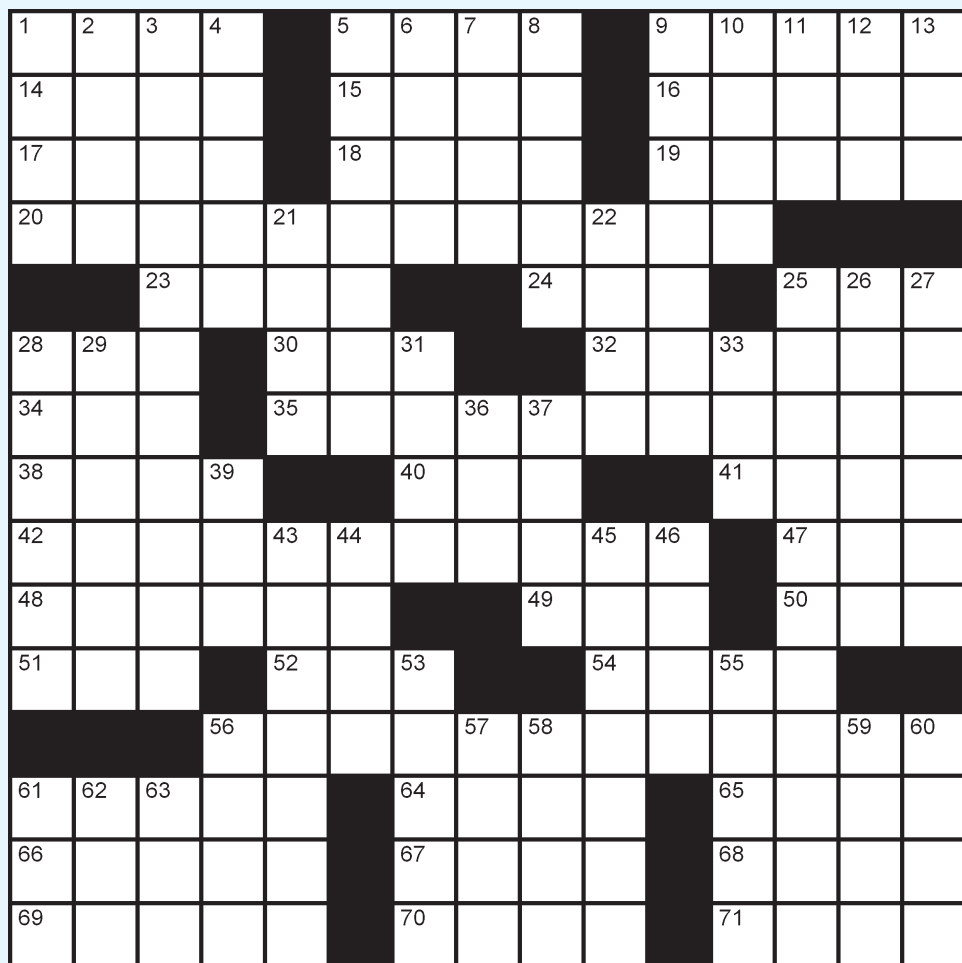
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Time Frame by Enrique Henestroza Anguiano
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Victorious shout
 - 5 Taps gently
 - 9 Baloney
 - 14 Place to find ore
 - 15 Muscat's country
 - 16 Chicago airport
 - 17 Utah ski resort
 - 18 Emmy winner
 - 19 Waithe
 - 20 Metaphorical bit of appreciation
 - 21 "Place to hang costumes
 - 23 Throw out
 - 24 Prefix with "tourism"
 - 25 Mud bath venue
 - 28 "You wish!"
 - 30 Covertly email
 - 32 Symbols on Twitch
 - 34 Competitor of AP
 - 35 "Hollow support for a raised garden
 - 38 Thing to pick, or pick clean
 - 40 London's Big ___
 - 41 Fraternal group
 - 42 "Genre for The Byrds and The Yardbirds
 - 47 Evian product, in France
 - 48 Silverstone of "Clueless"
 - 49 Premium TV network, for short
 - 50 Org. for Federer
 - 51 "___ favor"
 - 52 Bigheaded attribute
 - 54 Charged particles
 - 56 Items that are "right twice a day," and a hint to the word surrounding each starred answer
 - 61 Supply with food
 - 64 Field of expertise
 - 65 "Read 'em and ___!"
 - 66 Sports venue
 - 67 One may become a queen but not a king
 - 68 Queen in "The Favourite"
 - 69 Dell offerings
 - 70 Analogy words
 - 71 Cartoonish "Ouch!"
- DOWN**
- 1 Apple's "all-in-one for all"
 - 2 Document that bequeaths things
 - 3 Where a spy might seemingly vanish
 - 4 "Peachy!"
 - 5 White House field, for short?
 - 6 Word of agreement
 - 7 Space drink
 - 8 Capture
 - 9 Hair-straightening tool
 - 10 "Ah, got it"
 - 11 Sturdy tree
 - 12 "Ended, ___ it begun" (Dickinson)
 - 13 Tokyo currency
 - 21 Bank based in the U.K.
 - 22 Big name in PCs
 - 25 Drew attention from the star
 - 26 Eat like a bird
 - 27 Invites for a rooftop drink, say
 - 28 Wheel cover
 - 29 Greek god of prophecy
 - 31 "Fast Money" network
 - 33 Cheer at a flamenco show
 - 36 Germany's ___ Spiegel
 - 37 Mireille of "Hanna"
 - 39 Key often pressed frantically
 - 43 California mountains, informally
 - 44 Schemer in "Othello"
 - 45 Cesar Chavez, notably
 - 46 ___ & the Gang
 - 53 Zebra giraffe
 - 55 "Get outta here!"
 - 56 Crooked
 - 57 Presidential periods, e.g.
 - 58 Eye of ___ (witches' ingredient)
 - 59 Apt rhyme for "casino"
 - 60 Gush forth
 - 61 Video taker, briefly
 - 62 Violets-blue connector
 - 63 Green or black drink

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS
MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2021 Next Time Pluto Aligns...



When fear talks, it says, "You can do it next time." Sometimes there's a next time, sometimes not. Do everything in your power to make the deal, create the impact or find out the answer *this* time. A lunar alignment with Pluto brings up a strong point: Opportunities come more often to those who seize the moment.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're not working for the praise. You really want to learn from the task at hand. The applause makes the work more pleasant, though. Beware the addictive quality of approval.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Because you know how to have fun, you also know how to *be* fun. This is what you'll bring to others today – a playful sensibility that keeps the day percolating with interest.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There will be a strong urge to poke around and figure out how things work. Some disassembly will be required. It gets especially interesting when you apply the concept on a psychological level.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Reputation is a shadow. Sometimes its contours seem exactly like you; other times, it presents a grand distortion. Either way, neither your shadow nor your reputation will ever be the real you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). While you may have a complicated relationship with authority, you like accountability very much. In fact, where none exists, you'll proactively create it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). To know who a person is, study what the person does. That's the rule to remember today, as you'll be hearing stories and getting marketed to nonstop with pretty words that only mean as much as their supporting evidence.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll do the same thing.

Technically, it works just fine, but it won't feel like before, because you've changed. These are early signs. No need to make a move yet. A curiosity is growing in you. More information is coming.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Society may prioritize personality traits and qualities of influence over values like nobility of heart, mind and deed, but your depth of soul prevents you from caving to this shallowness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Whenever you have an experience that raises the excitement-level high, it also raises the bar high for future experiences. To some extent, you've got your hand on the controls of life today. Happiness will be a pace.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Many skills are nontransferable. With modesty, you'll learn what's needed for a new arena. People appreciate your confident yet modest opinion of your own importance.

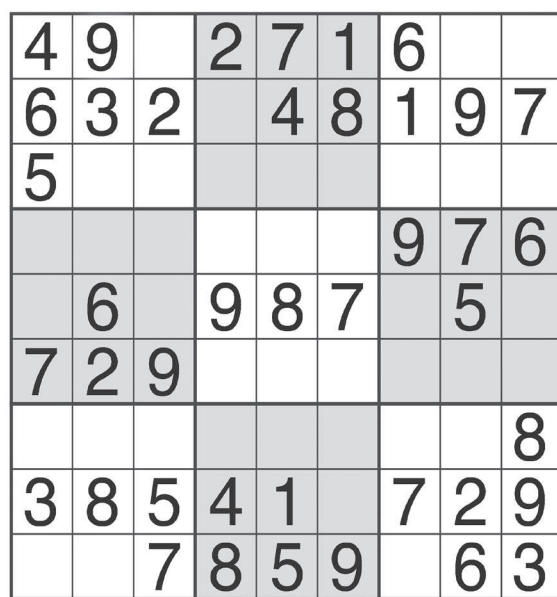
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). As for the posturing people, you read their ambition as a desire to evolve instead of a pose to trick people. To some extent, pretending is part of the learning process. Of course, there's a line. You'll draw it today.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Aside from Stretch Armstrong and Jell-O, very few things, once moved, will revert to their original state. That's what makes it so remarkable today when a relationship resumes as though nothing happened.

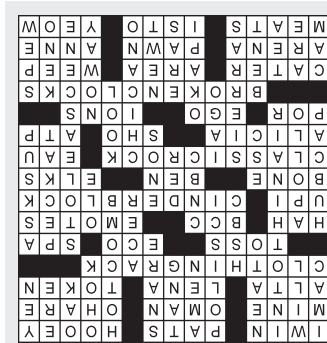
TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 5). Multifaceted prosperity will be a hallmark of the year. You'll either like what you're attracting or tweak your output until you do. Love comes on waves of practicality, earning your trust and allowing you to revel in the joys and perks of teamwork. September features joint ventures and the acquisition of skills. Scorpio and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 22, 7, 17 and 49.

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