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ACROSS

- 1 Serious kudos 11 Participate in a
- regatta 15 Place to see the Phantom menace?
- 16 Ye Shoppe
- 17 Decorative Speck on a Lab coat, perhaps
- 19 Was aware
- 20 Sprite that you can't drink
- Matcha and oolong, e.g.
- 22 Set straight
- 24 Novelist Hoag 25 It's put on winter
- roads 26 Number of lives cats are said to
- have 27 Shirley Ann Jackson's alma
- mater 28 Arab leaders
- 30 "Totally!"
- An idolatrous person might worship them

33 It has a punch line

- 35 Parents who can do it all
- confiscate gel insoles
- with eyes
- 42 Demonstrate
- 44 "Chess" opening?
- 46 Rib
- 48 Language similar
- 49 Champagne name
- 50 Makes a choice 51 Taxing job?
- 55 Nintendo Switch
- 56 Like unfavorable odds
- 57 Small unit of progress 58 "That's delicious!"

DOWN

- "Quit yanking my
- udder!" 2 Month after Mar.

- 34 Puppy pickup place
- 37 Org. that might 40 Type of cheese
- 41 Mike and
- 43 Stylish
- 8 Consumes more 47 Widespread
- to Thai
 - amazing frontfacing photos Gentler part of one's personality
 - 12 Eager to listen
 - preceder 13 Standards of excellence
 - 14 Bare minimum 22 "Pick a card, _ card!

3 "If Beale Street

director Barry

4 Color of a traffic

5 It might be made

with tonkotsu

"That was a close

Stoppable

(Kim Possible's

cone

broth

one!

pal)

than

9 Sacred song

10 Ability to take

Could Talk" writer-

29 Cleans up a spill

mushroom in

33 Charges, like a

35 Fan who might

need to calm

down when "You

Down" comes on

Need To Calm

"Another great

"Send help!"

incredible" feeling

two characters

42 Going steady with

45 Actress Gugino

46 Everybody, in

"You're on

(Zoom reminder)

53 Singer-songwriter

54 Wine selection

Spanish

52 Gal. or qt.

Yoko

49

"That was

Wish for a coupling between

43 Black birds

cellphone

36 Cell division

process

point"

Japanese cuisine

31 Fancy dressers

32 Long, thin

- 23 Stretch the truth 24 Person tearing up the dance floor,
- mavbe? 27 What Santa does before Christmas

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2022 Lucky Solar Trine to Jupiter



To be presented with more information than can be processed is a given of the information age. On the plus side, this teaches us to focus ourselves better. There is no need to carve away irrelevant bits; that would give them too much attention. Instead, make the most of the solar trine to Jupiter by focusing exclusively on what you want.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You make the extra effort to see someone. It's actually good if it's a little inconvenient to do so because it shows that you value the other person. The benefits of keeping up with relationships will far outweigh the trouble you go to. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Too often, you carry more than your load. This is a day to carry only what you need to get through the day. Less will be more. Better yet, carry what you'll need this hour.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). List three things you can do to move forward and execute it. Even if they are the wrong three things, you will still progress and learn enough to choose a more effective list

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There's a role to fill, and you're an excellent casting director, but there's no perfect person for this. You'd have a better probability of finding Bigfoot. So, when you land on a pretty good fit, take it, and move to the next challenge.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The more structures and plans you have in place the better, as it makes you feel both secure and free to be very clear about your options. You don't have to leave room for the unexpected; it will happen anyway.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're not always in the mood to be acknowledged. Because it sometimes feels embarrassing and unnecessary to have the attention on you, you might decide to keep your contributions low-key or completely anonymous.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A relationship paradox: You can't always do what you want to do and what they want to do at the same time. Sacrifices will be freedom at the altar of the relationship.

made. You will give up a bit of autonomy and personal **SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** The game you're playing has a prize you hadn't considered, and you're catching

stopped playing for the prize a long time ago. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). People use any number of methods for attention and leverage. A manipulator may be apologetic, offended, ill or desperate. You have a sense about these things today and can avoid nuisance by heeding it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're like a

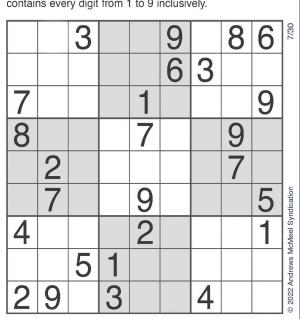
up to it, too. This is getting interesting! Of course, you

hybrid car, toggling between different types of fuel to keep your wheels spinning. Energy sources may be emotional, inspirational, nutritional and caffeinated. **AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** Keep your impressions in check. Be careful not to glorify anyone just because they do a few things right. Likely, they struggle with better and lesser impulses, just like

everyone else trying to rise to the moment. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). People develop expectations of you that you cannot control. Subsequently, they may get their feelings hurt by the reality of the situation. You'll draw on your deep wells

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 31). You'll travel lighter emotionally and physically. Your cosmic birthday gift is a spotlight on the essentials; you'll let go of what you don't need. With energy rising, you'll attract a crew of co-creators and get to work on a new project. While you're busy making new things possible for the next generation, you'll build a legacy. Scorpio and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 44, 4, 11 and 16.

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Themeless Sunday 8 by Rafael Musa

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ACROSS

- 1 Susceptible to a scalp sunburn
- 5 Act
- overdramatically 10 Katy Perry hit with the lyric "Louder, louder
- than a lion" 14 Texter's guffaw
- 15 Muffuletta meat
- 17 Share a border 18 Dessert featuring creme and ice
- 19 Note that tests a singer's range

cream

- 21 Facet 22 Attachment (relationship
- analysis
- framework) "Things aren't looking good ..."
- 28 culpa 29 Clucking bird
- 31 Game with +2 cards
- Result of a critical 32 error?
- Two-finger peace gesture

Thingamajig

40 Dulce de

- 41 Short-term stock transactions 42 " Pray Love"
- 43 Attracted to all genders, for short
- 44 Outer edge 45 Emergency prioritization
- 48 Syrian city at one end of the ancient Silk Road
- 51 Summery footwear item
- 54 Embitters 56 "Definitely!" 60 Hence
- 61 Piece of safety
- gear for a cyclist 62 Rip
- 63 Proxima Centauri, for one 64 University officials
- 65 Email folder **DOWN**
- 1 Meh 2 Scope
- 3 Have the last
- 4 "You can figure it
- out"
- 5 "Sugar, We're Goin Down"

- 6 Type of eel 7 Galena and
- bauxite 8 Sporty car roof
- 9 Enter slowly 10 Moms and dads, slangily
- 11 Ancient 12 In the manner of 13 Actress Issa
- 16 Heating tube 20 Persuade with pressure
- 23 Impulsive 25 Make a Lego house, maybe
- 26 Radio personality Martinez
- 27 Do's and 29 Homo sapiens
- 30 Site that marketplace in
 - acquired an NFT 2022
- 32 Hooting hatchling 33 Gather wool from 34 Saguaro and
- prickly pear

Spanish)

- __" ("You're "De welcome," in
- network 57 Top 40 song 58 Sorority or alias

36 Goes up and

down, say

37 Spoken word

43 Wrote

46 Fall flower

47 Wound that

competitors

SZA album that

shares a name

with a PC key

might require

bandaging

48 Strange and

49 Tomato

base)

church

52

unfamiliar

(pizza sauce

50 Instrument in a

Whip

53 Lead-in to "mater"

"Full Frontal With

Samantha Bee"

(pineapple

dessert)

55 Put in order

letters 59 Milky Way visitors, e.g.

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2022 Words Light Fuses ***********************

Mars and Uranus are in a precariously incendiary LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Important events have position. What lights the fuse? Words. Lucky are those who favor the pristine expression of silence. The loop of thought to breath to vocal cords uses energy but often isn't worth the expenditure. While caught up in one's owns opinions, it's easy to miss key details. In

short, talk less, listen more. ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll deal with a tangled mess that appears to have the power of a strong net. Yes, you could get caught up in it or even trapped. But the power of your spontaneous impulse will help you dissolve the tangles and break free.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll find out how supportive your support system is. Lean in a bit and see who is there, ready to catch you. Also, you'll consider how you show up for other people, and who you're willing to go out of the way for.

innately talented or innately disadvantaged is beside the point. Either way, they can improve. You believe everyone is capable of getting a little better, and you'll therefore bring hope to others CANCER (June 22-July 22). Some say the first

step is the hardest part of the journey, but this won't

ring true for you. Without hesitation, you'll follow an

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Whether a person feels

intuition. The first stretch of the road will be a blur as you hit the ground running. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're starting to treat yourself differently. You may not even realize it at first, but the changes become evident in the way others treat you, which is always a reflection of what's going on

between you and you. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). If you don't ask, the answer will be no. But asking is not so simple. Before you reveal what you want with a request, think about what the other person wants that you might be able to offer in exchange.

a way of rolling out sans fanfare. Even so, maybe the challenge is as glorious as the battles of dragon slayers in days of yore. However ordinary the task may look, don't be fooled; fight the gallant fight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Putting your heart on the line is risky business. Taking that chance and living with the adrenaline, fear and thrill of it can be overwhelming to the point that love can become mixed with other feelings. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Because someone feels free to be themselves around you, you'll be privy to the best and the less endearing sides. Hidden qualities, habits and behaviors that get on your nerves can coexist with the love you feel.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your outcome will depend not only on your knowledge of what you're trying to do before you do it but also your understanding of why. If your "why" is solid, everything else will fall into place. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're on a discovery mission. You could ask the person what you want to know about them, but questions produce defensiveness and suspicion. Try revealing something about yourself. You'll

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Though you know that compromise is not punishment, meeting the other person halfway still entails giving up some of your personal freedom. Sacrifice when you're ready and when you know you won't resent it

give trust to get trust.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 1). The right job will combine your many talents. You do not treat science and art as opposites. You will meld logic and feeling in your endeavors, finding an auspicious arrangement of fact to fantasy. As a result, you create strange and lucky scenarios. People are drawn into your truly original world, and you'll be well-loved. Capricorn and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 5, 49, 6 and 28.

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