

**ASK
ERIC**

I have no interest in going. These family events involve so many people; it is difficult to spend any meaningful time with anyone. In addition, it's on the other side of the country, and the graduate-to-be and I have never been close. He has barely spoken to me at other gatherings and has never acknowledged

By addressing this head-on and early, you also have the opportunity to send your well wishes, and a gift if you so desire. You also have the opportunity to set a precedent that's fair and that works for you. That precedent: you'll come when you

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Hazardous waste and electronic drop off will be

Heard Huttunen report that he and a personnel committee will begin negotiations this week with four union groups and that he will be traveling to the University of Minnesota Crookston campus Wednesday, Sept. 24, to present to the Minnesota House Capital Investment Committee on a bonding request the city submitted earlier this year for improvements to the Industrial Park roads.

administrator as the only agenda item.

JUMBLE

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

SUDEO

URTIF

MGBTIA

SIFNHI

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Yesterday's | Jumbles: **DINKY** **SWEPT** **EMERGE** **COMMON**
 Answer: When it came to teaching his cooking students

(Answers tomorrow)

Sudoku

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Level **1** **2** **3** **4**

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

Solution to Wednesday's puzzle

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

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit sudoku.org.uk.

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IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Speak your truth but mind the room you are in during September. Clear communication could lead to a great opportunity to make positive changes which could add up over time. Listen to your intuition to make the most of what is offered. October isn't likely to be the peaceful, cozy month people usually expect—it is filled with poor stars pushing people to behave badly. Stay nothing new, meet no one new, be patient. November could be a month to meet and greet for business or pleasure. You might meet a mentor or someone significant or become an important asset in someone else's life, join hands so all are uplifted. December is a month to rock it out in the world, your abilities are extra-shiny now and will likely be impossible for others to ignore. Discretion would be wise early in the new year, don't spill any tea. From there, move confidently into your future, 2026 can bring new successes based on careful

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THE Daily Commuter Puzzle

by Stella Zawistowski

ACROSS

1 Garden area

5 TV sports awards

10 Happy

14 _ and learn

15 Very expensive

16 Pasta sauce brand

17 Sign of the future

18 Rainforest mammal

19 Individuals

20 "Be quiet!": 2 wds.

22 Least refined

24 Shoe bottom

25 Native people of Arizona

26 Actress Green

29 Pelosi of Congress

31 Type in

35 Morsel

37 Insurance option: Abbr.

39 River near Phoenix

40 Alumni weekend honoree: 2 wds.

43 Actress Shawkat

44 Operate

45 Making a fool of

46 "Yes, of course!"

48 San __, California

50 No vote

51 Embraces

53 Aardvark's food

55 Nimble and supple

58 Painting, music, etc.: 2 wds.

62 Most populous continent

63 Sports venue

65 Horn sound

66 Exchange for cash

67 Many rescue dogs

68 Notion

69 "Go __ It on the Mountain"

70 Big hit

71 Container for eggs

DOWN

1 Walk heavily

2 Prom vehicle rental

3 Kitchen appliance

4 Camping shelters

5 Moving staircase

6 Taken illegally

7 Mountaintop

8 To date

9 Former VP Agnew

10 Becoming an adult: 2 wds.

11 Country road

12 Becomes mature

13 Clean with a rag

21 Gin and __

23 Imitate

25 Church song

26 Actor Hawke

27 Actress Davis

28 Confess to

30 Beijing's country

32 Promotional gimmick: 2 wds.

33 Kagan of SCOTUS

34 Tall and skinny

36 Inflatable toy: 2 wds.

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Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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

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38 "Candy is dandy" poet: 2 wds.

41 British mothers

42 Name a price

47 Color gradation

49 Contaminates

52 Small weight units

54 Shiny fabric

55 Final

56 "___ your point": 2 wds.

57 Steel factory

58 Greek cheese

59 Used a bike

60 Parts of socks

61 Right away, in the OR

64 ___ and Coke