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FOOD FOR THOUGHT By Lucia Cole

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Universal Crossword

Edited by Timothy E. Parker February 28, 2015

ACROSS

1 “Be off!”

5 Easily split mineral

9 He had a golden touch

14 Aesop racer

15 Brown family member

16 That is, in Latin

17 “Venus de Milo” knock-offs?

18 Like some points

19 Like a bad faucet

20 Everything (with “the”)

23 Lesson taught by a fable

24 Drunkard

25 Blaster’s material

27 Watch covertly

28 “So that’s it!”

31 Exact copy

34 Wear proudly

36 Less cool, to a teen

37 “It’s easy!”

40 Box-score blemish

42 Spring month

43 Restrains

46 Turn blue?

47 Fastening pin

50 Bustling activity

51 Late dinner time

53 Model-plane wood

55 All-inclusive

60 Point the finger at

61 Hired hands

62 Muslim chief

63 Badgerlike mammal

64 Christiania, nowadays

65 Apportion (with “out”)

66 Actor’s representative

67 Wimbledon dividers

68 Heavenly garden

DOWN

1 Early oboes

2 Old-school drive-in employee

3 Arsenal

4 Electric car brand

5 “Who wants ice cream?” response

6 Clickable picture

7 Gators’ cousins

8 Name on the cover

9 Grain-grinding building

10 Brainstorm result

11 Long wait or layover

12 Suspicious way to look

13 Barnyard home

21 Couple taking flight

22 “Favor” add-on

26 Black goo

29 Ad ___ committee

30 Mineral in the raw

32 Control-group handout

33 Cardinal number (fifth power of 10)

34 “Ten” or “pen” suffix

35 Male turkey

37 Office of a certain religious leader

38 Latest thing

39 Weep

40 Significant time in history

41 Danger sign

44 They’re inhuman

45 Certain political pundit

47 Like an egret

48 Country house

49 Male meter readers

52 Call from a ward

54 Japanese cartoon type

56 Doomsayer’s sign

57 Tuna sandwich type

58 Animal’s hide

59 Counting method

60 Auto grille covering

Pregnant teen needs support and guidance, not rejection

Dear Abby: My best friend from school is pregnant. Her baby’s father is practically nonexistent, and she has no other friends besides me and one other person. I am the only one so far who knows about her pregnancy. She hasn’t told her dad and her grandparents because she’s scared they’ll kick her out. She has nowhere to go. My parents have told me to cut her off. What should I do? — **Unsure In Texas**



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

— **Adrift In Los Angeles**
Dear Adrift: Listen to your gut. If one of Keith’s “friends” was stalking you, your feelings about her are probably accurate.
You have already had at least one child with your fiancé. Recognize that Keith won’t change much if you manage to drag him to the altar. If he is telling you now that your feelings don’t matter (“you have no right to dictate his personal life”), I hope you realize this is how his attitude will be forever.

Dear Unsure: Because your friend is afraid to tell her family, she should talk to a counselor at school. The family will have to know soon because her pregnancy will become obvious, and she will need prenatal care so her baby will be born healthy.

I don’t agree with your parents that you should “cut her off.” She needs friends right now — and you can learn much from watching this scenario from the sidelines. Stress to her how important it is that she graduates from high school, because if she keeps her baby, she will need to be able to support it. Your state department of social services should also be contacted for guidance.

Dear Abby: I am engaged to a man, “Keith,” who has numerous female “friends.” I suspect they are something more. Recently, during my second pregnancy, one of his “friends” decided to follow me, but would never say a word to me.

When I tell Keith I am uncomfortable with these women, he says I have “no right to dictate his personal life.”

I want to know if I’m wrong for not wanting to have to deal with these “friends,” even if they were his friends before we got together.

Personally, I wouldn’t wish a life with someone this self-absorbed on anyone I cared about. But if more of the same is what you are prepared to settle for, then all anyone can do is wish you luck.

Dear Abby: Two friends decide to take a road trip to Miami. One lives in New York and the other in North Carolina. They agree to use the New Yorker’s car and split the cost of the gas.

The New Yorker says the amount to be split is the cost of the fuel from New York to Miami and back to New York. The North Carolinian says the cost to be split should be from North Carolina to Miami and back to North Carolina. Which is fair? — **Road Weary**

Dear Road Weary: Really? If you two can’t agree on your own, I have a suggestion for you: Cancel the trip. If you do, it may save the friendship.

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DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Feb. 28-March 1, 1915

The first xylophone in Umatilla county if not in eastern Oregon has been added to the instrumentation of the United Orchestra of this city. R. W. Fletcher, manager and trap-drummer, has just received a handsome and expensive instrument direct from the factory and will hereafter use it in the orchestra. The xylophone has become quite a popular addition to metropolitan orchestras and will undoubtedly be a pleasing novelty here.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Feb. 28-March 1, 1965

The embattled city council of the quiet community of Adams found itself faced with a recall election today. At least three of the councilmen were awakened early Sunday and handed special delivery letters informing them that voters were demanding their recall. The trouble started when the council voted 4-2 to fire watermaster Linn McCollum, 54. A citizen’s committee was formed to protest the action. Some of the citizens — at least 25 percent of those voting in the last election — obviously decided not to wait and signed the recall petitions. City recorder Frank Bryson, who earlier had said he would resign in the bitter conflict, signed the letters telling the councilmen of the recall demand. Receiving let-

ters Sunday were Floyd A. Stroud, Carl Winkler and Charlie Ingalls. Councilman Sherman Gillman, the fourth to vote for McCollum’s firing, resigned from the council, charging his job had been threatened.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Feb. 28-March 1, 1990

Four high school dropouts who have returned to classrooms at Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution gave educators a lesson in learning Monday. The four inmates, speaking to about 50 members of the Phi Delta Kappa education fraternity, acknowledged personal stubbornness and a general lack of resolve but identified problems within the public school system that also contributed to their educational failures. Each inmate explained his pre-prison educational experience, told why he’s returned to the classroom and offered educators ideas on how to keep young people in school and out of jail. Tony Wick and another inmate, Danny Pearson, suggested that school counselors be renamed “opportunity advisors” to avoid the negative connotation that a student who visits a counselor has a personal or academic problem. Chet Christopher suggested school counselors, teacher and administrators work harder to help students — particularly those who might fall between the cracks — find a proper niche.

UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆☆

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THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

6	2-		9x		120x
3+	1	14+			
			11+	24x	
12+	12x			1	
	2÷		2÷	60x	
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RULES
1 Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 6 without repeating.
2 The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.
3 Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

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

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THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 59th day of 2015. There are 306 days left in the year.

Today’s Highlight in History:

On Feb. 28, 1940, the first televised college basketball games were broadcast by New York City station W2XBS as Pittsburgh defeated Fordham, 57-37, and New York University beat Georgetown, 50-27, at Madison Square Garden.

On this date:

In 1844, a 12-inch gun aboard the USS Princeton exploded as the ship was sailing on the Potomac River, killing Secretary of State Abel P. Upshur, Navy Secretary Thomas W. Gilmer and several others.

In 1861, the Territory of Colorado was organized.

In 1915, actor-comedian Zero Mostel was born in Brooklyn, New York.

In 1942, the heavy cruiser USS Houston and the Australian light cruiser HMAS Perth were attacked by Japanese forces during the World War II Battle of Sunda Strait; both were sunk shortly after midnight.

In 1953, scientists James D. Watson and Francis H.C. Crick announced they had discovered the double-helix structure of DNA.

In 1993, a gun battle erupted at a religious compound near Waco, Texas, when Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents tried to arrest Branch Davidian leader David Koresh on

weapons charges; four agents and six Davidians were killed as a 51-day standoff began.

In 2013, Benedict XVI became the first pope in 600 years to resign, ending an eight-year pontificate. (Benedict was succeeded the following month by Pope Francis.)

Today’s Birthdays: Architect Frank Gehry is 86. Actor Gavin MacLeod is 84. Actor Don Francks is 83. Singer Sam the Sham is 78. Actor-director-dancer Tommy Tune is 76. Hall of Fame auto racer Mario Andretti is 75. Actor Frank Bonner is 73. Actress Kelly Bishop is 71. Actress Stephanie Beacham is 68. Writer-director Mike Figgis is 67. Actress Mercedes Ruehl is 67. Actress Bernadette Peters is 67. Former Energy Secretary Steven Chu is 67. Actress Ilene Graff is 66. Nobel Prize-winning economist Paul Krugman is 62. Comedian Gilbert Gottfried is 60. Basketball Hall-of-Famer Adrian Dantley is 60. Actor John Turturro is 58. Rock singer Cindy Wilson is 58. Actress Rae Dawn Chong is 54. Actress Maxine Bahns is 46. Actor Robert Sean Leonard is 46. Rock singer Pat Monahan is 46. Author Daniel Handler (AKA “Lemony Snicket”) is 45. Actress Tasha Smith is 44. Actor Rory Cochrane is 43. Actress Ali Larter is 39. Country singer Jason Aldean is 38. Actor Geoffrey Arend is 37. Actress Michelle Horn is 28. Actress Madisen Beaty (TV: “The Fosters”) is 20. Actress Quinn Shephard is 20. Actor Bobb’e J. Thompson is 19.

Thought for Today: “Who will give me back those days when life had wings and flew just like a skylark in the sky.” — *Marceline Desbordes-Valmore, French actress and poet (1786-1859).*

7 Little Words®

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

CLUES

1 “Change of Heart” singer (6)

2 change out, as players (10)

3 change the order of (9)

4 small change (7)

5 constant change (4)

6 apt to change one’s mind (6)

7 change direction (4)

SOLUTIONS

PE	SU	TR	SE	LAU
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FIC	TI	TU	UX	KLE

Today’s Answers: 1. LAUPER 2. SUBSTITUTE 3. TRANSPOSE 4. PENNIES 5. FLUX 6. FIDDLE 7. TURN

WORD★Roundup™

by David L. Hoyt & Jeff Knurek

Find and Circle...

Six four-letter words that rhyme with “friend”

Six European languages

Two words containing UU

_____ whale

Opposite of bottom

Answers to Saturday’s puzzle: BEND FEND LEND MEND SEND TEND / ITALIAN SPANISH FRENCH GERMAN POLISH GREEK / CONTINUUM VACUUM / BLUE / TOP

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