

1/2 **CYCLE THROUGH** *By Jerry Berns*

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Universal Crossword

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ACROSS

1 Wooden carpentry pin
6 Easy way to draw
11 "Gotcha!"
14 Editorialize verbally
15 Not inner
16 Be light, in a poker game
17 Airplane's undercarriage
19 April payment
20 "May I get you anything?"
21 Desert delight
22 "Buona _____" (Italian greeting)
23 Bother, in a title of the Bard
25 Like a cozy infant
27 "Arabia" man
32 Architect's detail
33 Chicken-king tie
34 Changes course suddenly
36 One who's attained nirvana
39 Concealed, informally
41 Drysdale or Johnson
42 Instruct
43 Capital of South Korea
44 Fiat
46 Thing for savers
47 Basilica area

49 Computer cable
51 Uncooked condition
54 Important time in history
55 Sound bounce-back
56 Best-seller list entry
59 Beliefs, for short
63 Expert fighter pilot
64 Advantageous situation
66 "Before," when before
67 Varsity starters
68 Chill-inducing
69 The Erie mule
70 Director Almodovar
71 Sports commentator

DOWN

1 Big name in pineapples
2 Certain birthstone
3 Comes in first
4 Make desirable
5 Hawaiian souvenir
6 Augustan attire
7 Floor coverings
8 Dined wearing pajamas

9 Brings to a stop
10 "To _____ is human ..."
11 Marriott, for one
12 Open-eyed
13 Group of six
18 "There's _____ here but us ..."
22 Cubic meter
24 Pass on to another
26 Splash, as grease
27 Scottish guys
28 Common lotion ingredient
29 Wild West coach support
30 Turn over, as land
31 Wear away
35 Peeved mood
37 Piece of farmland

38 Just one of those things?
40 Eco-friendly fertilizer
45 Joyfulness
48 Assets, collectively
50 Poker player who takes risks
51 Gathers, as crops
52 Capital of Ghana
53 Positioned, as artillery
57 Ski lift
58 Classy wheels
60 Arid
61 Important street
62 "Don't expunge that!"
64 Salary limit
65 Cotillion star, informally

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DEAR ABBY

Man without kids gets no respect from some parents



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

Dear Abby: I'm a gay man in my late 40s who has worked for 10 years in the public school system with young adults and kids with special needs. I have done everything from changing preschoolers' diapers, to tutoring, travel training and teaching life skills to older children. In the process, I have encountered my share of cooperation, defiance, failure and success.

When speaking with family, friends or strangers about their parenting, I sometimes share my experiences. This is usually accepted and even encouraged, but occasionally I am put in my place by a parent who feels I must be told that what I've done "isn't the same as being a parent." Some even go so far as to imply that I should remain silent, as I have nothing of a parenting nature to offer.

I would think that making everyone feel included would be more important than official parent status, especially when discussing similar experiences. So what's the best way to handle this? I have no kids of my own; my students are all I have to share stories about. Should I just dummy up? — **Sort Of Childless In San Francisco**

Dear Sort Of Childless: No, but recognize that whatever you offered clearly made someone defensive. When people are in that mode, they aren't receptive to your opinion.

Remember the phrase "casting pearls before swine"? It means offering something

valuable to those who don't understand that it's precious. You and I, and most parents, understand that you are rich in experience. Don't let the others get under your skin.

Dear Abby: My boyfriend, "Richard," is 15 years my senior, and the more he is involved in my life, the more overprotective he is becoming. Some of his concerns are legitimate, but it seems like he considers me more like a child or "little woman" than his equal partner.

He isn't comfortable with me walking two blocks from my house to a friend's house at night without an escort. I recently obtained my motorcycle license, and he doesn't want me riding at night. The latest issue is that he doesn't want me to walk him to his car because he would "rather me be locked safely in the house."

I think I'm capable enough to cross my front lawn at night without being attacked. How do I differentiate between legitimate concern and overprotective paranoia? — **Overprotected**

Dear Overprotected: If your neighborhood is safe, then this may be a question of how your boyfriend is presenting his concerns to you. If he is SUGGESTING that he would prefer you be more cautious after dark, that's one thing. However, if he's INSISTING, then it's something else, and it could be a tip-off that he's not only "parental," but controlling.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Jan. 2-3, 1916

The largest steelhead trout in these parts in years was hooked yesterday in the Umatilla river between Umatilla and Hermiston by Fred Fullington, popular O-W motorman, and is today on exhibition in the LaDow windows. The fish measures 35 1/2 inches in length, 16 inches around and weighed 14 pounds when caught. Mr. Fullerton made the catch with an ordinary six ounce rod.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Jan. 2-3, 1966

A howling wind that caused considerable drifting of snow, tumbleweeds and dust in various sections of the county, plus eight inches of snow in Pendleton, provided a variety of weather for the Round-Up City Sunday. All this followed a relatively mild New Year's Day. The eight inches of snow had melted down considerably in downtown Pendleton with streets turning slushy by mid-morning and the temperature about 37,

but there was a chance of more snow today and tonight and a few snow flurries Tuesday, according to the local station of the U.S. Weather Bureau. It was a spotty storm but a very wet one locally with 1.18 inches of precipitation in Pendleton during the 30 hours ending at 10 this morning — four times as much as occurred throughout December.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Jan. 2-3, 1991

Additional charges of kidnap and burglary were filed today against James M. Norris, the man arrested for the armed robbery of the Indian Hills Shell station New Year's Eve. Norris, 28, of Pendleton was arrested by Pendleton police at the Eagles Lodge Monday night, a few hours after he allegedly abducted service station attendant Steve Taxon at knife point and robbed him of nearly \$1,000. In addition to first-degree robbery, Norris has been charged with first- and second-degree kidnapping, first-degree burglary and first-degree theft, a spokeswoman in the Umatilla County district attorney's office said.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the second day of 2016. There are 364 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Jan. 2, 1900, U.S.

Secretary of State John Hay announced the "Open Door Policy" to facilitate trade with China.

On this date:
In 1788, Georgia became the fourth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1893, the U.S. Postal Service issued its first commemorative stamp to honor the World's Columbian Expedition and the quadricentennial of Christopher Columbus' voyage.

In 1921, religious services were broadcast on radio for the first time as KDKA in Pittsburgh aired the regular Sunday service of the city's Calvary Episcopal Church.

In 1935, Bruno Hauptmann went on trial in Flemington, New Jersey, on charges of kidnapping and murdering the 20-month-old son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh. (Hauptmann was found guilty, and executed.)

In 1942, the Philippine capital of Manila was captured by Japanese forces during World War II.

In 1955, the president of Panama, Jose Antonio Remon Cantera, was assassinated.

In 1960, Sen. John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts launched his successful bid for the presidency.

In 1971, 66 people were killed in a pileup of spectators leaving a soccer match at Ibrox Stadium in Glasgow, Scotland.

In 1974, President Richard Nixon signed legislation requiring states to limit highway speeds to 55 miles an hour as a way of conserving gasoline in the face of an OPEC oil embargo. (The 55 mph limit was effectively phased out

in 1987; federal speed limits were abolished in 1995.) "Singing cowboy" star Tex Ritter died in Nashville at age 68.

In 1981, police in Sheffield, England, arrested Peter Sutcliffe, who confessed to being the "Yorkshire Ripper," the serial killer of 13 women.

In 1986, former baseball owner Bill Veeck, remembered for his well-publicized stunts and promotional gimmicks, including an exploding scoreboard and a dwarf pinch-hitter, died in Chicago at age 71.

In 1991, Sharon Pratt was sworn in as mayor of Washington, D.C., becoming the first black woman to head a city of Washington's size and prominence.

Today's Birthdays:

Country musician Harold Bradley is 90. Singer Julius La Rosa is 86. Former House Speaker Dennis Hastert is 74. TV host Jack Hanna is 69. Actress Wendy Phillips is 64. Actress Cynthia Sikes is 62. Actress Gabrielle Carteris is 55. Movie director Todd Haynes is 55. Retired MLB All-Star pitcher David Cone is 53. Actress Tia Carrere is 49. Actor Cuba Gooding Jr. is 48. Model Christy Turlington is 47. Actor Taye Diggs is 45. Rock musician Scott Underwood is 45. Rock singer Doug Robb (Hooobastank) is 41. Actor Dax Shepard is 41. Actress Paz Vega is 40. Country musician Chris Hartman is 38. Ballroom dancer Karina Smirnoff (TV: "Dancing with the Stars") is 38. Rock musician Jerry DePizzo Jr. (O.A.R.) is 37. Rhythm-and-blues singer Kelton Kessee (IMX) is 35. Actress Kate Bosworth is 33. Actor Peter Gadiot (TV: "Once Upon a Time in Wonderland") is 31. Jazz singer-musician Trombone Shorty is 30.

Thought for Today: "Love doesn't grow on trees like apples in Eden — it's something you have to make. And you must use your imagination too." — *Joyce Cary, Anglo-Irish author (1888-1957).*

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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THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

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RULES

- Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 6 without repeating.
- 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.
- Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

WORD★Roundup™

by David L. Hoyt & Jeff Knurek

Find and Circle...

- Six countries
- Six five-letter birds
- Pipe fixer
- Spring or summer, for example
- Lee, Willis or Dern

ANSWERS TO SATURDAY'S PUZZLE: SINGAPORE, AUSTRALIA, ICELAND, CYPRIOTS, RAVEN, BRUCE, CRANE, LUMBER, PIPER, SEASON, FINCH, STORK, GRANE, PLUMBER.

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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

- Baked Alaska ingredient (8)
- "Blue Hawaii" star (7)
- Hannah Montana actress (5)
- Rhode Island Red (7)
- Virginia reel (5)
- Texas longhorn (6)
- "New York" and "New Yorker" (9)

SOLUTIONS

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