

2/6 **TOO TOO** By Carla Azure

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
14					15					16			
17				18						19			
			20						21	22			
23	24	25							26				
27						28	29						
30					31					32	33	34	
35					36	37					38		
39					40						41		
		42	43						44	45			
46	47							48					
49						50	51						
52					53	54					55	56	57
58					59						60		
61					62						63		

Universal Crossword

Edited by Timothy E. Parker February 6, 2016

- ACROSS**
- 1 Alpha's counterpart
 - 6 Faux chocolate
 - 11 1/6 of an ounce (Abbr.)
 - 14 Thesaurus man
 - 15 Type of acid
 - 16 "So there you are!"
 - 17 It may form a crown
 - 19 Bard's "above"
 - 20 Deserving
 - 21 A dot in the ocean
 - 23 Apollo's sister
 - 26 Expels, as a tenant
 - 27 Like some winter blankets
 - 28 Capital of Cuba
 - 30 "Over the hill," in the military
 - 31 Colony member of old
 - 32 Unit named for a telephone pioneer
 - 35 Snitch
 - 36 Limerick writers, e.g.
 - 38 Wedding words
 - 39 "The Nanny" has three of them
 - 40 Elephant's tiny kin
 - 41 Fit of agitation
 - 42 Old-time delivery person
- DOWN**
- 1 Bit for the dog bowl
 - 2 Sound heard in a dairy herd
 - 3 Inflatable item
 - 4 Kind of card
 - 5 "Make yourself _____"
 - 6 Pitches to one side
 - 7 Baby's nurse, in China
 - 8 Frost-laden
 - 9 What the unified are
 - 10 Venezuelan monetary units
 - 11 Carpenter's storage place
 - 12 Paper unit
 - 13 Cities with piers
 - 15 Ireland, romantically
 - 22 Go astray, biblically
 - 23 Not duped
 - 24 "Laugh-In" co-host
 - 25 Drummer's favorite candy?
 - 26 "Glades" or "green" starter
 - 28 "Masters of the Universe" fellow
 - 29 Tip top
 - 31 Vega's constellation
 - 33 Royal order
 - 34 People are picky about this game
 - 36 Dimmer switch, e.g.
 - 37 "Ave Maria," e.g.
 - 41 Fizz ingredient
 - 43 Accounting pro
 - 44 Trigonometric function
 - 45 Perfumery compounds
 - 46 "Coming of Age in _____" (Margaret Mead book)
 - 47 Hikers' path
 - 48 Customary ceremonies
 - 50 Hole in the skin
 - 51 "Is that all right with you?"
 - 54 You and my
 - 55 What aves lay
 - 56 Albanian currency
 - 57 Not wet at all

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

DEAR ABBY

Clutter of holiday decorations crushes man's Christmas spirit

Dear Abby: Every December my wife virtually buries our home in Christmas decorations. It's not just the tree and stockings in the living room; she's not happy until there are Christmas towels and Christmas soap in the bathroom and another tree and knicky-knacky stuff downstairs. Not even a doorknob is safe from decoration.



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

arrive at work, the middle-aged men start "working out" and flexing their muscles. Literally! It makes me uncomfortable. I want to tell them I'm not interested and they're making fools of themselves. Should I say something? They read your column. Help me out, please! — **There To Work**

It drives me nuts; I feel so claustrophobic. I bump into these decorations everywhere I turn. I was raised differently, more simply. There was a tree in the living room and stockings hung from the mantel. That was it.

For the last 20 years of our marriage, I have suggested — unsuccessfully — that we compromise and alternate every other year. One year her way, the next mine. When I do, she tearfully accuses me of being Scrooge. I admit I'm not big on the commercialized Christmas season, but is my request unreasonable? — **Not Fond Of Christmas In North Ogden, Utah**

Dear Not Fond: No, it's not. You are suggesting meeting each other halfway. Your wife is unwilling to do that even though she knows what she's doing is making you uncomfortable. And that's regrettable because Christmas is supposed to be about what's in the heart, not what's all over the house.

Dear Abby: Please settle a disagreement I have with my husband and daughter. How do you determine "up the street" or "down the street"? I contend that it goes by the house numbers. They disagree. Any advice? — **Curious In New York**

Dear Curious: According to Merriam Webster's Learner's Dictionary online: "In general, the prepositional phrases 'up the street' and 'down the street' mean the same thing, and in most cases either one is appropriate. ... However, if the street is on a hill, use 'up the street' when talking about something that is further uphill, and 'down the street' when it's further downhill."

My postman said that, in his opinion, "up the street" means in the direction of higher address numbers, and the reverse for lower ones — so I'll defer to him and to you.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 6-7, 1916

Pendleton today is filled with apprehension of flood because of thawing weather that has been underway all day long and because of rather alarming reports from foothills and mountains. About 11 o'clock the Umatilla River began to rise and at 2 was carrying a considerable stream of muddy water. At 2 o'clock this afternoon the official government thermometer registered 51 degrees above zero, the warmest weather in many days. Snow is melting to considerable extent here this afternoon and slush is forming though little water was running on the ground or in the gutters.

50 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 6-7, 1966

"Someone was watching over them," a lawman said today of nine persons who missed a 110-mile-an-hour head-on collision by inches Saturday. As it was, the sides of both cars were heavily damaged in a hit-run sideswipe on old Highway 30 near Memory Lane 1 1/2 miles east of Pendleton. Chester Minthorn, 19, Pendleton, is being held in the Umatilla County Jail charged with hit-run. He told deputies the car he was driving was moving more than 70 miles an hour when it brushed the side of a car coming from the other direction, toward Pendleton. That car was driven by Joe Craig, Cayuse. Craig's speed was estimated at at least 40 miles an hour. Sheriff's deputy Bill McPherson said he found the alleged hit-run vehicle near Mission and arrested Minthorn and three juveniles, including two girls, who were charged with being minors in possession of alcoholic beverages.

25 Years Ago
From the East Oregonian
Feb. 6-7, 1991

Tuesday was "Jeanne Hughes Day" in both Pendleton and Umatilla County, and about 65 people gathered for a no-host luncheon to honor the former county commissioner from Pendleton. "It's good to be recognized while you're still here," Hughes told the crowd. Hughes served on the commission from April 1985 to December 1990. She has worked on the Area Agency on Aging advisory council, League of Women Voters, county courthouse clock tower project and formation of the Umatilla County Special Library District.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 37th day of 2016. There are 329 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Feb. 6, 1911, Ronald

Wilson Reagan, the 40th president of the United States, was born in Tampico, Ill.

On this date:

In 1778, the United States won official recognition from France with the signing of a Treaty of Alliance in Paris.

In 1788, Massachusetts became the sixth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1899, a peace treaty between the United States and Spain was ratified by the U.S. Senate.

In 1933, the 20th Amendment to the Constitution, the so-called "lame duck" amendment, was proclaimed in effect by Secretary of State Henry Stimson.

In 1952, Britain's King George VI died; he was succeeded by his daughter, Elizabeth II.

In 1959, the United States successfully test-fired for the first time a Titan intercontinental ballistic missile from Cape Canaveral.

In 1978, Muriel Humphrey took the oath of office as a United States senator from Minnesota, filling the seat of her late husband, former Vice President Hubert Humphrey.

In 1991, comedian and television performer Danny Thomas died in Los Angeles at age 79.

In 1992, 16 people were killed when a C-130 military transport plane crashed in Evansville, Ind.

In 1996, a Turkish-owned Boeing 757 jetliner crashed into the Atlantic Ocean shortly after takeoff from the Dominican Republic, killing 189 people, mostly German tourists.

In 2006: President George W. Bush submitted a \$2.77 trillion budget blueprint for fiscal 2007. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales defended the Bush administration's eavesdropping program before the Senate Judiciary Committee. Terrorist conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui disrupted the opening of his sentencing trial in Alexandria, Va., and was tossed out of court. Hundreds of protesters hurled stones and fire bombs at the Danish Embassy in Tehran to denounce published caricatures of the prophet Muhammad. Stephen Harper was sworn in as Canada's 22nd prime minister. Isabelle Dinoire, the Frenchwoman who'd received the world's first partial face transplant, showed off her new features at a news conference.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Zsa Zsa Gabor is 99. Cinematographer and filmmaker Haskell Wexler (Film: "Medium Cool") is 94. Actor Rip Torn is 85. Actress Mamie Van Doren is 85. Actor Mike Farrell is 77. Former NBC News anchorman Tom Brokaw is 76. Singer Fabian is 73. Actress Gayle Hunnicutt is 73. Actor Michael Tucker is 72. Producer-director-writer Jim Sheridan is 67. Actor Jon Walmsley is 60. Actress Kathy Najimy is 59. Rock musician Simon Phillips (Toto) is 59. Actor-director Robert Townsend is 59. Actor Barry Miller is 58. Actress Megan Gallagher is 56. Rock singer Axl Rose (Guns N' Roses) is 54. Country singer Richie McDonald is 54. Singer Rick Astley is 50. Rock musician Tim Brown (Boo Radleys) is 47. "Good Morning America" co-host Amy Robach is 43. Actor Brandon Hammond is 32. Actress Alice Greczyn is 30.

Thought for Today: "Life is just one grand sweet song, so start the music." — *President Ronald Reagan (1911-2004).*

UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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

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

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆☆

KENKEN

THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

1-	11+	10x	5-		3-
			3+	2-	
2÷		2÷			3
30x	3÷		4	3÷	
		4	11+	40x	
	2	3÷			

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.

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 behind the eight ball (7)
- 2 eighth prime number (8)
- 3 8-point type (7)
- 4 does figure eights, perhaps (6)
- 5 eight bells (4)
- 6 eight gills (5)
- 7 eight musical tones (6)

SOLUTIONS

YM NE NO NI ON
TE AT SK BR TA
ST EN ES RT ER
IED OC VE EVI QUA

WORD★Roundup™

by David L. Hoyt & Jeff Knurek

Find and Circle...

- Nine four-letter birds
- Five seven-letter things you can wear
- Julia or her brother Eric
- Band featuring John, Paul, George and Ringo
- The joining together of atomic nuclei

Answers to Sunday's puzzle: CROW LOON DUCK SWAN GOOSE WREN TERN / ROBERTS / BEATLES / FUSION

2/6

C	K	I	W	I	S	N	E	A	K	E	R
L	R	H	A	W	K	S	R	S	G	M	E
D	O	O	X	Z	F	E	O	W	O	R	A
S	U	O	W	T	U	L	B	E	G	O	R
D	W	C	N	E	S	T	E	A	G	F	R
J	O	A	K	R	I	A	R	T	L	I	I
Z	X	V	N	N	O	E	T	E	E	N	N
K	W	R	E	N	N	B	S	R	S	U	G