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Universal Crossword

Edited by Fred Piscop April 2, 2016

ACROSS

1 France's Cote d'___

5 "___ to bury Caesar ..."

10 Ltr. add-ons

13 Striker's cry

14 "Fat chance!"

15 Soccer fan's cry

16 Basketball strategy

18 Bit of frat jewelry

19 Give a pep talk to

20 Added zip to

22 Shown on TV

25 Olfactory offenses

26 Verbally abuse

30 Accepted, as a job

32 Thruway signs

33 "Alfie" star Michael

34 Bay State fish

37 Bratty talk

38 Goes belly up

39 Silver State city

40 Texter's "didn't need to know that"

41 Fastener for drywall

42 Marx Brothers specialty

43 Camden Yards player

45 Like hoppy ale

46 Added wing

48 Firebug's offense

50 Makers of Barbie

52 Cried

57 "The Gold-Bug" author

58 Place for bargains

61 Rescue squad letters

62 Not so congenial

63 Rocket segment

64 Morse tap

65 Quitter's comment

66 Word that can precede the first parts of this puzzle's theme answers

DOWN

1 In a short time

2 Some California wines, for short

3 Lone Star state sch.

4 Calls again

5 Derive by reasoning

6 Cedar Rapids college

7 Hold title to

8 Church event

9 Assault from Moe

10 Selena Gomez show, e.g.

11 Harder to outwit

12 FedExes, say

13 Action movie gun

17 "HOMES" part

21 Altar affirmation

23 Amazon.com, notably

24 Embroidered ornament

26 Veg out

27 Event with proctors

28 Driver's license prerequisite

29 "___ alive!"

31 Come-___ (lures)

33 Showy lily

35 Story opener

36 Take-charge sort

38 Rock's ___ Fighters

39 Maze scurrier

41 Added to the recipe

42 Deft touch

44 AARP part (Abbr.)

45 Physicist Niels

46 Excited, with "up"

47 "Diana" star Watts

49 Near-miss, perhaps

51 Off one's rocker

53 Caesarean rebuke

54 Leonine outburst

55 Logician's "therefore"

56 Balmoral Castle river

59 Lucy of "Elementary"

60 "___ Girls" (Kelly movie)

DEAR ABBY

Stepmom loves husband's kids, but wants to be a mom herself

Dear Abby: I am a childless stepmom with an enormous desire to be a mother. My husband has two kids and I love them, but he doesn't understand the emptiness I feel inside knowing I'll never have that biological bond of unconditional love with his kids.

I deal with anxiety and sometimes become easily frustrated when the kids stay with us. My husband thinks it's because the kids are "invading my space." I try to tell him it has more to do with the fact that I have this dream of being a whole family, but just as we get into a routine, the kids go back to their mom and we must start all over again.

We have talked about trying to have a baby together, but my husband is skeptical. He thinks it would cause a bigger rift in my relationship with his kids, but I think it would give me something to share with the kids, as well as give me the biological bond of unconditional love I want so deeply.

Do you think a new addition to a blended family would cause more problems than it would solve? — **Needs To Be A Mom**

Dear Needs: I define a "blended family" as one that encompasses "yours, mine and ours." What you have is a situation in which you want a child of your own, and your husband is afraid that if you have one, it will distract you from trying to get along better with HIS kids. What I think is that you and your husband should resolve this with a licensed marriage counselor to help you mediate this major difference in your perspectives — if that's possible.

Dear Abby: I am 55 and have never lived by myself. I married at 19, moving from my



JEANNE PHILLIPS
Advice

parents' house to live with my husband. We divorced a few years later, and I raised my two kids alone. They are in their 30s now. I did remarry and we were together for 23 years before I filed for divorce.

At the beginning of my separation, I moved in with my daughter and grandson, which benefited us both financially. I'm financially stable now, and so is my daughter. I'm ready to move out on my own, but my daughter says that's not fair because she wants

to finish college and needs my help to get her through this. I'm proud that she works and goes to college full time.

My sister says I should stay because if I leave, my kids may resent me. It's a hard decision for me, because I want my independence and my own life. I have been a caretaker for as long as I can remember. I want to be MY caretaker now — solo.

Am I wrong to want this? Should I stick around another three years until my daughter is finished with college? Am I selfish to want my own life? — **Wants My Own Life**

Dear Wants: You wrote that you and your daughter are both financially stable at this point. Does she need you to be her resident baby sitter?

At 55, if you want your freedom, and it wouldn't cause a financial burden on your daughter, you should have the freedom to live the life you want. If, after the move, you would like to contribute child care on an as-needed basis, it would be a loving thing to do. But to maintain the status quo out of fear that you will be resented if you leave strikes me as a poor reason for staying.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago

From the East Oregonian

April 2-3, 1916

A group of Pendleton high school boys fared forth Saturday evening to play a prank at the expense of the Phoenix Club and fate managed their expedition in such a manner that they became the butt of their own prank. The Phoenix Club of young ladies went out to the James Thompson ranch to hold their initiation. The boys, learning of the trip, secured an auto and followed, bent on mischief. They passed the Thompson ranch at full speed and soon returned with lights out. However, Jim Thompson and his two men, Bill Jones and Arie White were on the lookout. No sooner had they left their car than the three men seized it and steered it to a hiding place. Later they succeeded in capturing Tom Murphy, one of the boys, and made him a prisoner of war under heavy guard. The others succeeded in locating the auto and hurried back to town for reinforcements. They returned to the ranch about midnight to rescue their comrade, a venture in which they were unsuccessful. The girls carried on their initiation unmolested and Murphy was held until yesterday morning when he was permitted to return home.

April 2-3, 1966

Charles Herbert Wood, 28, Athena Hotel resident, was lucky today to be alive and uninjured but unlucky so far as his car was concerned. About 1:45 a.m. Wood fell asleep at the wheel, according to state police, and didn't make the turn on Oregon-Washington Highway 11 a mile south of Athena. The car took out three complete sections of guard rail and was demolished, but Wood walked away from the smash-up, thoroughly awakened.

25 Years Ago

From the East Oregonian

April 2-3, 1991

Mary Pound is one of the few employees of Northeast Oregon Regional Youth Center who doesn't have to worry about provoking the ire of the children, ages 12-17, detained there. The reason? Pound is the facility's cook. "If anyone deserves special recognition it's Mary. She's called 'Grandma' by the teenagers — and that is an affectionate term, which says a lot about her," said Harry Grant, supervisor of residential programs for the Umatilla County Juvenile Department, which runs the center. Pound has cooked at the center since it opened in 1975. Now she works three days a week. Sometimes 21 people are served three meals a day, and there is always enough for seconds for teens who clean their plates.

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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	1							
3			5					4
	9	8	3	1				

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆☆

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THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

4-2-16

3	2÷	2÷	20×	5-	4-
2÷					
	24×		3÷	30×	3
1-		9+			12+
	2				
11+		1	1-		

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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.

4	6	1	5	9
9	8	1	5	6
6	5	9	6	1
6	5	9	6	1
1	9	5	6	8
5	1	4	2	9

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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

1 ten a penny (6)

2 twenty-one (7)

3 Leto of 30 Seconds to Mars (5)

4 forty winks (6)

5 50 Cent, for example (6)

6 "60 Minutes" trademark (9)

7 78 player (10)

SOLUTIONS

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AM

Today's Answers: 1. COMMON 2. PONTIAC 3. JARED 4. SNOOZE 5. RAPPER 6. STOPWATCH 7. GRAMOPHONE

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WORD★Roundup™

by David L. Hoyt & Jeff Knurek

Find and Circle...

New _____ (geographic locations)

Four words starting and ending in B

Three six-letter movie titles starting with C

_____ in "Birdman"

Sign for addition

Answers to Saturday's puzzle: ENGLAND ZEALAND GUINEA JERSEY YORK / PLUS / BLAB BLOB BULB BARB / CAPOTE CASINO CARRIE / MICHAEL KEATON

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D O J C A R R I E A I D

N C R E L B V Z X S C N

A A V K R K L K J I H A

L P L U S S B O Z N A L

A O B L A B E A B O E G

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THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 93rd day of 2016. There are 273 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 2, 1917, President Woodrow Wilson asked Congress to declare war against Germany, saying, "The world must be made safe for democracy." (Congress declared war four days later.)

On this date:

In 1792, Congress passed the Coinage Act, which authorized establishment of the U.S. Mint.

In 1800, Ludwig van Beethoven premiered his Symphony No. 1 in C Major, Op. 21, in Vienna.

In 1865, Confederate President Jefferson Davis and most of his Cabinet fled the Confederate capital of Richmond, Virginia, because of advancing Union forces.

In 1932, aviator Charles A. Lindbergh and John F. Condon went to a cemetery in The Bronx, New York, where Condon turned over \$50,000 to a man in exchange for Lindbergh's kidnapped son. (The child, who was not returned, was found dead the following month.)

In 1942, Glenn Miller and his orchestra recorded "American Patrol" at the RCA Victor studios in Hollywood.

In 1956, the soap operas "As the World Turns" and "The Edge of Night"

premiered on CBS-TV.

In 1968, the science-fiction film "2001: A Space Odyssey," produced and directed by Stanley Kubrick, had its world premiere in Washington, D.C.

In 1974, French President Georges Pompidou, 62, died in Paris.

In 2005, Pope John Paul II died in his Vatican apartment at age 84.

Today's Birthdays:

Actress Rita Gam is 89.

Actress Sharon Acker is 81.

Actress Penelope Keith is 76.

Singer Leon Russell is 74.

Jazz musician Larry Coryell is 73.

Actress Linda Hunt is 71.

Singer Emmylou Harris is 69.

Social critic and author Camille Paglia is 69.

Actress Pamela Reed is 67.

Rock musician Dave Robinson (The Cars) is 63.

Country singer Buddy Jewell is 55.

Actor Christopher Meloni is 55.

Singer Keren Woodward (Bananarama) is 55.

Country singer Billy Dean is 54.

Actor Clark Gregg is 54.

Actress Jana Marie Hupp is 52.

Rock musician Greg Camp is 49.

Rock musician Tony Fredianelli (Third Eye Blind) is 47.

Actress Roselyn Sanchez is 43.

Country singer Jill King is 41.

Actor Pedro Pascal is 41.

Actor Adam Rodriguez is 41.

Actor Jeremy Garrett is 40.

Actor Michael Fassbender is 39.

Actress Jaime Ray Newman is 38.

Rock musician Jesse Carmichael (Maroon 5) is 37.

Actress Bethany Joy Lenz is 35.

Singer Lee Dewyze (TV: "American Idol") is 30.

Actor Jesse Plemons is 28.

Thought for Today:

"Living is a form of not being sure, not knowing what next or how. The moment you know how, you begin to die a little." — Agnes de Mille, American dancer-choreographer (1905-1993).

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