DEAR ABBY

Family won't stop reminding of failed marriage

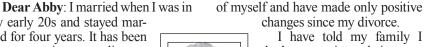
my early 20s and stayed married for four years. It has been five years since my divorce.

We had no children, and I haven't had contact with my ex. The problem is, my family won't stop bringing him up. My sister is being married soon, so they constantly dis-

cuss my wedding. I didn't live near my family before the divorce, so they don't know how bad my marriage really was. I didn't tell

them because I don't think it's their business. They didn't like him, but they don't know all of my reasons for getting divorced. I have moved on with my

I recently moved back to be near my family, which I regret now because they can't let go of my past. I have changed a lot in the time that I lived away from them. I worked my way through college and dealt with a genetic, life-threatening health issue (hospital stays included), all without their support. Since then, I have focused on my career, my health, self-care and my happiness. I'm proud



I have told my family I don't appreciate their constantly bringing up my failed marriage and my sister's wedding all the time, but they continue to do so. They say they don't understand why it bothers me. Am I overreacting? How do I establish boundaries with them about this? As of now, I'm spending less time with them in order to stay

focused on my life goals. **Keeping the Past in the Past**

JEANNE

PHILLIPS

ADVICE

Dear Keeping: You shouldn't blame your relatives for something they don't know — specifically, the fact that your marriage was much worse than they realize. This is wedding season, your sister's nuptials are fast approaching, and it's only natural that the subject of weddings — present, future and past comes up. Remind them that your marriage is a sensitive subject. If they don't stop bringing it up after that, then continue to distance yourself.

Dear Abby: After many years of much silence, backstabbing and abuse

from my sister, I got a text from her telling me she's starting chemo for a form of leukemia. This has been going on for more than four years, but she thought now I should be "in the loop.'

I told her I will be praying for her. I had to hold back the emotional, "What can I do for you?" She lives about five hours away, but knowing my siblings, I know they'll be hanging around and judging me on what I do next. I told her I am in shock right now.

I have very mixed emotions about how to handle this news — from trust issues to guilt to pain. We are both in our mid-60s. Any advice would be helpful. — Lost Sis

Dear Lost Sis: Start by doing what you said you would — praying for her. A few days — or weeks — after her treatment has started, call to see how she is doing. If the call goes well, continue to check in on her. If she wants you to come, put aside your differences and pay her a visit. If the call doesn't go well, don't put yourself in that position again, and do not apologize or feel guilty for doing it. Forgive her and forgive yourself.

7 LITTLE W@RDS

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 SOLUTIONS

1 like a deposit you get back (10)

2 social butterfly (8)

3 praiseworthy quality (11) 4 in a preventable way (9)

5 like an architect's plan (9) 6 rotary intersection (10)

7 good for a treasure hunt (7)



Today's Answers: 1. REFUNDABLE 2. GADABOUT 3. LAUDABLITY 92/2 4. AVOIDABLY 5. BUILDABLE 6. ROUNDABOUT 7. HIDABLE

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian May 25-26, 1919

Within three hours of his mother's visit to him Sunday morning, Charles Conners, a prisoner at the county jail, had sawed his way to freedom through the bars and escaped. With him went Manuel Herera, who was captured an hour later a mile east of town along the railroad. Conners is still at large. Two weeks ago, Conners, a young fellow with a convict record since his sixteenth year, was arrested for attempting to obtain money under false pretenses. He has been in jail since. On Friday his mother came here from Baker and had been permitted to talk to her son each day.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian May 25-26, 1969

Westland Estates, a subdivision covering over 500 acres, is in the early stage of development three miles southwest of Hermiston in the Westland district. The subdivision, plotted for approx-

imately 108 lots of 11/4 acre, is located between Powerline and Agnew roads. The developer is Howard S. Gass, Portland, veteran developer. Construction is under way on two of the model homes on Agnew Road, and their completion is expected within 30 days.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian May 25-26, 1994

Pendleton powerlifter Ross Phillips set an American Powerlifting Federation world record in the squat by lifting 491 pounds at the National Masters competition in Nashville, Tenn., Saturday. Phillips, lifting in the 181-pound, 61-64 age group, totaled 1,216 pounds at the competition. He bench pressed 240 points on his first life, but missed his next two lifts. He lifted 485 pounds on his first deadlift and then tore a muscle in his bicep on an attempt at 510 pounds, said his son, Pendleton powerlifter Greg Phillips. Ross Phillips is scheduled to lift at the world championships in Ohio in November.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

On May 25, 1935, Babe tional Convention began Ruth hit his last three career home runs — Nos. 712, 713 and 714 — for the Boston Braves in a game against the Pittsburgh Pirates. (The Pirates won, 11-7.)

In 1787, the Constitu-

at the Pennsylvania State House (Independence Hall) in Philadelphia after enough delegates had shown up for a quorum.

In 1895, playwright Oscar Wilde was convicted of a morals charge in London; he was sentenced to two years in prison.

In 1961, President John F. Kennedy told Congress: "I believe that this nation should commit itself to achieving the goal, before this decade

is out, of landing a man on the moon and returning him safely to the earth."

Thought for Today: "I hate quotations. Tell me what you know." — Ralph Waldo Emerson, American essayist and poet (1803-1882).

WORD ★Roundup

Find and Circle...

Seven four-letter mammals

Two opposing directions Team captain, e.g.

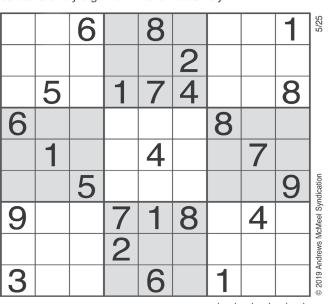
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Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.



DIFFICULTY RATING: 会会会会会

- **ACROSS**
- 9 Signal to pull over
- Zones
- 16 Fed. security

- a drink)
- governor Mario
- "Band of Brothers"
- 22 Not out
- 27 Extremities
- 34 Sacred
- 37

1 Brazilian dance

- 19 Bend one's _ __ (have

- conflict, briefly
- 25 Cheer-leader's

- 32 Asylum seeker
- 35 "___ Got a Secret"
- 38 Everybody

39 Wish that a short

- hairdo looks good?
- 42 Word of possibility
 - - - 45 Fuel additive

 - 50
 - 53 Singer of the 2018 No.
 - 1 hit "Without Me"
 - 54 Bites like a puppy

 - 60 Windy weather front?
 - 64 Lengthy attack
 - Number of Q's in
 - Scrabble
 - 66 Additional

 - 68 Pops

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Universal Crossword

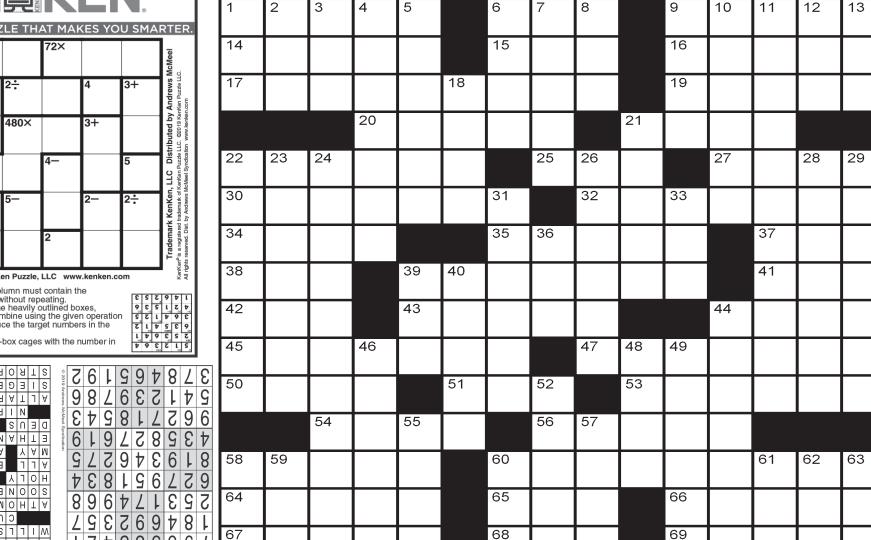
DOWN

- 1 Word with "band" or
- "hand"
- 2 Shapiro of NPR
- 3 Funnyman Brooks
- 4 Where Juliet says, "O Romeo, Romeo!"
- 5 Take for granted

- 6 Gloomy
- 7 Play group member?
- 8 Scrooge's cry
- 9 Fret
- 10 Taking the place (of) 11 Known facts about a
- redbreast?
- 12 Ike's command in 21-Across
- 13 Just out
- 18 Homer's hangout
- 21 Puppy
- 22 Red-faced 23 "You missed it"
 - 24 One searching for vuletide greenery?

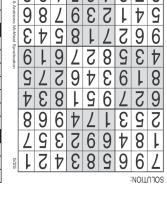
- 26 Anatomical ring
- 28 Go off course
- 29 Talking toy since 1965
- 31 rasa 33 Service charge
- 36 UPS competitor
- 39 Prohibit
- 40 Locker room woes
- 44 Paint-mixing site
- 46 Pungent cheese
- 48 Biblical pronoun
- 49 Snares, as a calf 52 2016 Disney hit
- 55 Kind of school 57 Drained financially
- 58 Long-eared beast 59 Like an awesome
- party
- 60 Pantheon member Resistance unit 61
 - Outdoor retailer __ White (former Clue character)

tourney "IN NAME ONLY" By Gary Larson



THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER 30× 2÷ 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 are contained to produce the target numbers in the ©2019 KenKen Puzzle, LLC www.kenken.com (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the

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- 6 Shoot the breeze
- 15 Zenith rival
- 17 Estate crafter?
- 20 Former New York

- syllable
- 30 Next available
- "Skyfall" singer

41 Beaujolais, e.g.

"Never moment" 44 Wasabi snacks

- 47 Falcons' home
- ex machina 51 Hit head-on
- 56 Having a high BMI 58 Sacrifice site
- 67 Razor sharpener 69 Finals' preceders, in a