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Parenthood

Thursday at 10 p.m. on

KGW, KOBI, KMTR

Fans of the series both have and haven't been looking forward to this episode: "May God Bless and Keep You Always" is the last one, closing out the drama's six-season run. Co-star Lauren Graham promises the Braverman family gets a definite feel of closure, with solid indications of the directions in which the characters' lives are headed. Other cast members bidding farewell to their roles include Peter Krause, Monica Potter and Frika Christensen



Mel Brooks Live at the Geffen

Saturday at 9 p.m., 10 p.m.

on **HBO**

In his third special for HBO in recent years, the veteran director, writer and comic takes the stage before a live audience at the Geffen Playhouse in the Westwood neighborhood of Los Angeles to perform a one-man show that includes jokes, songs and anecdotes culled from 63 years in comedy, as well as an appearance by a surprise special guest.

American Idol

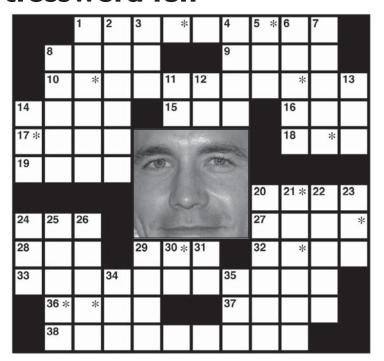
Wednesday at 8 p.m. on KLSR

The new episode "Hollywood Week No. 1" offers a brutal wake-up call to many of the 200-plus contestants who scored a golden ticket to Tinseltown during their regional auditions earlier. That initial joy, however, is dashed for most of the group in California, where they are told to form lines of 10 and audition for judges Jennifer Lopez, Harry Connick Jr. and Keith Urban yet again. Ryan Seacrest is the host.



gametime

crossword fun



The identity of the featured celebrity is found within the answers in the puzzle. In order to take the TV Challenge, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

Across

- 1. Tea Leoni's role on "Madam Secretary"
- 8. Allies' foe in the 1940s
- 9. "If __ be so bold ..."
- 10. "The Good Wife" role (2)
- 14."__ Marlene"; popular song during WWII
- 15."__ Dogs"; 2009 film for Robin Williams
- 16. Wildebeest
- 17."__ Maverick" (1981-82)
- 18. Word with bran or meal
- 19. Fit snugly together, as gearwheel teeth
- 20. Assists
- 24. Bernie, for one
- 27. Pesky insect

- 28."__ du lieber!"; German exclamation
- 29. "The A-Team" actor (2)
- 32." White Season"; 1989 movie for Donald Sutherland
- 33. Role on "Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D." (2)
- 36."__ Is Sleeping"; 1990 Judge Reinhold film
- 37. Bears in a Spanish forest
- 38. "World News Tonight With ___ __"

- 1. Those living away from their native lands
- 2. Frasier's ex
- 3. Cuba or Catalina: abbr.

- 4. Big __; character on "Sesame Street"
- 5. Sen. Dirksen's initials
- 6. "__ & Cash"; 1989 Sylvester Stallone film
- 7. Laughing predator
- 8. "Bird on __ _"; 1990 movie for Mel Gibson
- 11." On" (2012-13)
- 12. "Married ... With Children" role
- 13. Dirt road feature
- 14. Monogram for film producer Mayer
- 20.1999 U.S. Open winner
- 21.__-outdoor carpet; low-pile floor covering
- 22. Mends a sock
- 23. Place where the meals are aola
- 24. "A __ of the World"; '99 Sigourney Weaver film
- 25. Continued to feel sore
- 26."__ Beach" (1988-91)
- 29.614 years ago
- 30. Rosie's initials
- 31. Night we watch "NCIS: New Orleans": abbr.
- 34. Actress Ullmann
- 35. Role on "The Mary Tyler Moore Show"

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