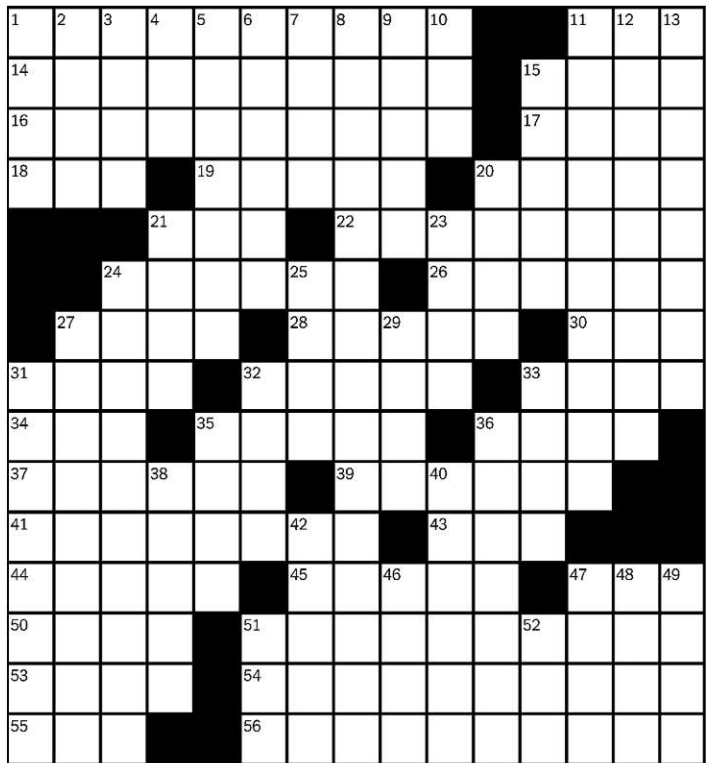


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ACROSS

- 1 Literally, "our thing"
11 What might come between "that" and "that"
14 They go downhill fast
15 Notes taken by a single person?
16 Condescendingly spells out Chi-town daily
17 Colorado's Mountains
18 Make sense of Industry for marketing majors
19 Scrap
20 "That seems like a bad idea"
21 Scottish fold and Russian blue, e.g.
22 Sticky stuff on a shoe
23 Roughly half of mice
24 Genesis
25 Piece of wall décor at a lake house, perhaps
26 One of 17 on a Clue board
27 Like some covers
28 Nickname for a 3.2 million-year-old Australopithecus skeleton discovered in 1974
29 Word at the bottom of some marketing emails
30 Island that's home to Pop-eye Village, a film-set-turned-theme-park
31 Peddled good
32 It erupts from time to time
33 Word with failure or terror
34 Consideration for the Academy
35 In China, it's 1 at birth
36 Airport with the most runways in the world (8)
37 Filth
38 Screening org.
39 Feature of many a bodega
40 Sign of sluggishness?



Puzzle by Billy Bratton

7/26

- 53 Fish that can survive for several hours on land
54 Rare shots
55 Shares on X, for short
56 "Hang on!"

DOWN

- 1 Turned up
2 Shape of the Crab Nebula
3 Didn't go down well?
4 Green and others
5 Dummies: pacifiers :: ___: diapers
6 Like much adult programming
7 Leave damaged
8 "Serious situation developing!"
9 Extend, in a way
10 Fool
11 It takes suits from around the globe
12 Vulcans, e.g.
13 Blue yarn?
15 Repeat an interviewer's question, perhaps
20 Haggis ingredient
21 Title in children's literature

- 23 Dutch ___
24 Rings given to a lover
25 One might be nesting
27 Page for a bookmaker
29 Covid test component
31 Holier-than-thou type
32 Biting comment
33 Intertwine
35 Paltry
36 "Yeah, yeah, yeah"
38 Sights on the Bollywood red carpet
40 First Stuart king of England
42 Dome-icicle?
46 Pinged online
47 Home of a 20th-century art colony
48 Function that can be derived from a unit circle
49 ___ Burks, NBA shooting guard since 2011
51 Sound in the stacks
52 Translation material

ANSWER TO THURSDAY'S PUZZLE:



CAROLYN HAX

Woman wore a revealing dress to wedding



BY CAROLYN HAX tellme@washpost.com

Dear Carolyn: We got married overseas and did the "legal bit" in a courthouse. Since the courthouse was small, we invited only close family and the wedding party, no significant others... Friends and family were fine with this. However, my now-brother-in-law's girlfriend interpreted this as a personal slight. BIL sent my husband a barrage of texts arguing for her to attend. I met with her to explain the seating and said it wasn't meant as a slight. She made clear she would not forgive me. The courthouse ceremony went well, so imagine my surprise when she wore a transparent mesh dress with a black thong and no bra to our religious wedding. She has no history of wearing revealing clothes. I'm an only child, and this was an important day for my parents, so I am angry that she thought this was the way to voice her frustrations. The wedding was amazing and we had the best time, but what do we do going forward? My husband and I have always been friendly with her. We've privately not had a high view, since she screams at waiters, is rude

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1. Time-tested truism A ----
2. Paycheck recipient ----
3. Turncoat R ----
4. Largest country in the UK ----
5. Organ providers D ----

to my brother-in-law's friends (I think he's been isolated from them), etc., but never voiced these concerns. I don't even know how to behave around her now. It doesn't help that my husband's family insist this must have been an accident and we are being paranoid. They want my husband to reach out to his brother to "hear his side." We think his brother will propose soon, which is his choice, but means even more time with her. I want to let this go, but on top of feeling disrespected by the girlfriend, I now feel betrayed by the family. How do I move forward? — Angry
Angry: You can "move forward" in one thought if you can agree with one thing: The girlfriend's big mistake wasn't to flip you the bird in a peekaboo dress. It was taking her courthouse exclusion as a personal insult when it wasn't about her personally. Agree? Then apply it to your outrage right now: You've taken her dress as a personal insult. But if you reread your letter, I think (hope) you'll see the girlfriend is an angry, insecure, unstable, chaotic emergency of a person — which is no more a personal statement about you than your courthouse rule was about her. How people respond to situations is always about them, fundamentally. But for someone in a dysfunctional place, it's important to put up mental sticky notes that she's subject to acting out, so one must disengage accordingly. Meaning: She didn't "disrespect" you with her clothing, she called attention to herself. Your husband's family hasn't "betrayed" you; they're merely as distracted as you are by her show, into believing it deserves a response at all. She warrants attention in one sense: for the entirety of the emotional hot mesh. That problem is only worsening for your brother-in-law and his family. You asked about her wedding antics, so I addressed them, but the real headline is the evidence she's abusive that you've witnessed but not discussed. So. Cancel the dress scandal. Politely disengage from the girlfriend. Nurture the brother-in-law bond; he needs allies she can't scare away.

FROM PAGE 1B BOONE

the new boys basketball head coach at Frederick Douglass, making him the fourth different coach in four years at Douglass. Boone—who is ranked by 247Sports as a three-star prospect and as the third-best prospect in Kentucky in the 2025 recruiting class — was part of the 2022-23 Frederick Douglass team that reached the Sweet 16 state semifinals. Douglass has won five consecutive 42nd District championships. A key part of this recent run of success for Douglass has been Boone, who led the Broncos in scoring last season with nearly 21 points per game. "I play hard, I bring energy," said Boone, who added that he's hoping to show off his ball handling and shooting skills during his senior season. On the Nike EYBL circuit, Boone wrapped up his travel basketball career last week playing for Team Thad, a Memphis-based grassroots basketball program that was co-founded by 17-year NBA veteran Thaddeus

Young. One of Boone's teammates on Team Thad was Jasper Johnson, the five-star class of 2025 guard who is among the most coveted college basketball recruits in the country.

BOONE IS ONE OF SEVERAL LOCAL BASKETBALL STARS WHO ARE CHANGING HIGH SCHOOLS

The Central Kentucky high school boys basketball landscape will look a lot different when the 2024-25 season begins. That's because several of the best players in the area are changing schools. Boone's move from Frederick Douglass to Woodford County isn't the only switch of note. Former Woodford County standout guard Antonio Waide will be playing his senior season at Great Crossing, the powerhouse 11th Region school that went 36-2 last season and reached the semifinals of the Sweet 16 state tournament. Great Crossing — led by Malachi Moreno, a top class of 2025 UK recruit

and the probable favorite for the 2025 Kentucky Mr. Basketball award — will be one of the favorites to win next year's Sweet 16. Another former Woodford County star, 6-foot-3 class of 2025 guard Jaunte Jenkins, is transferring to Frederick Douglass. Woodford County is also reportedly adding Chudier Dorar, a 6-foot-11 class of 2025 prospect

who recently announced a Division I scholarship offer from Cal State-Northridge. All of this player movement occurred while a potential bombshell loomed in the background. Johnson, the aforementioned five-star prospect who spent last season at Missouri prep school Link Academy, was ru-

mored to be considering a return to Woodford County for his final high school season. Johnson previously played three seasons at Woodford County, where Johnson's father, Dennis, is the head football coach and athletics director. The younger Johnson led the Yellow Jackets to the semifinals of the Sweet 16 state tournament in 2023.

But the potential for a high school homecoming for Johnson has been quashed: On Saturday afternoon, it was announced that Johnson would be transferring to the Atlanta-based Over-time Elite program for his final high school season. Cameron Drummond: 859-242-5257, @cdrummond97



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Armelo Boone, part of a big run of success at Frederick Douglass the past few years, will play his senior high school season at Woodford County.

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