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ACROSS

1

Uppercase letters

5

Address for a lady

9

"The Super ___ Bros. Movie"

10

Beehives and chignons

12

Spread made from cream

13

Tilted

15

Aussie friend

16

Spreadsheet number

18

Strong winds

20

Morning waker-upper

22

Playground fixture

24

Genetic material: Abbr.

25

Gets the feeling

27

Had a meal

28

Sports defeat

29

Former fast plane: Abbr.

30

Diana Ross's group: 2 wds.

33

___-purpose

34

Accomplishment

35

Very widespread

39

"That's all ___ wrote"

42

Shed tears

43

Adam's spouse

44

Drive off, as rumors

46

___ of Good Feelings

47

Newton of physics

49

Gets through hard work

50

Ambulance noise

52

Ensnare

54

Shoestrings

55

Gas brand with a star logo

57

Make pure

59

Vacuum flask

60

Take with you

61

Hardens

62

"No problem!"

DOWN

1

Provides food for

2

Painting or sculpture

3

Crusty desserts

4

Puts into piles

5

Vast number

6

King Kong, e.g.

7

Wise saying

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___ Lisa (Louvre painting)

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Genetic anomaly

11

Not often

12

Bundles of hay

14

Tightly packed

15

Catholic service

17

"Sorry to say..."

19

Impertinence

21

Got together: 2 wds.

23

Rely (on)

26

Units of company stock

28

Headed up

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Skyscraper conveyances

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Knot again

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Guacamole or tzatziki

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Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

L A B E L F A C T C U F F

O P E R A U G L I O S L O

S T A R T L E A D U S E R

N O H O L D S B A R R E D

R E P S I P S

F A R R I C H T R E A T S

A P E N E A T I S S U E

N A P C E N T R A L I L L

G R A P H T E A L D I M

S T Y L E S S P I T E P A

A W L S N E T

C H R Y S A N T H E M U M

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B E E N M E M E S O W E D

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35

Is indebted to

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Worthiness

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Got close

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Cook in a hot pan

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Leaped

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Therefore

41

"What ___ is new?"

45

Salty solution

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Utterly amazed: 2 wds.

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Pasta and potatoes

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Former lovers

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Lima's country

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Pet that purrs

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Christmas tree type

CRYPTOQUIP

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip:

IF A PRODUCT IS MADE SUCH THAT IT CANNOT BE DAMAGED BY BIRDS, YOU MIGHT CALL IT FLIER-PROOF.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: J equals W


WHAT TO WATCH | CONTENT BY TV WEEKLY

Network broadcasting shows are listed in Eastern/Pacific Time, unless noted otherwise. Shows air one hour earlier in Central/Mountain Time. Cable broadcasting shows are listed in Eastern Time.

Hell's Kitchen

FOX, 8 p.m.

There is no margin for error when the chefs are challenged with shucking and preparing the perfect scallop dish for Chef Gordon Ramsay in the new episode "Hell on a Halfshell."



Special Forces: World's Toughest Test

FOX, 9 p.m.

The recruits escape a sinking plane and fight against each other in a boxing match in the new episode "Survival."

English Teacher

FX, 9 p.m.

Three back-to-back episodes air to-night. First, in "College Week," as the students prepare their college applications, Evan (Brian Jordan Alvarez) starts to question his own hiring. Then, in "Evan's Mom," Evan receives a surprise visit from his mother. Finally, in "Recruiter," a military recruiter comes to the school, and the teachers experiment with new classroom phone policies.

"The Graham Norton Show"

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Abbott Elementary

Hulu

It's back to school for Abbott Elementary. After the Wednesday 10/1 Season 5 premiere on ABC, you can catch it next day (Thursdays) on Hulu and Hulu on Disney +. The Emmy-winning series follows a group of underfunded, dedicated teachers — and a slightly tone-deaf principal — who go above and beyond for their students, turning everyday classroom chaos into sharp, heartfelt comedy. Season 5 brings back the Philly pride, surprise guest appearances, and the fast-growing legacy that makes Abbott one of TV's most celebrated comedies.

Elkhorn

INSP, 9 p.m. • Season Premiere

The critically acclaimed Western series about Theodore Roosevelt's early days as a rancher returns for Season 2.

Velvet

PBS, 9 p.m.

Ana (Paula Echevarría) gets a promotion and will become the designer of the new uniforms at the airline.

Greatest Mysteries Ever

Travel Channel, 10 p.m.

Mentioned at least a dozen times in the canonical Gospels, Mary Magdalene remains one of the Bible's most mysterious and controversial figures. Despite her prominence, little is known about her, and depictions of her have varied widely.

The Graham Norton Show

BBC America, 11 p.m. • Season Premiere

Host Graham Norton is back with Season 33 of this talk show featuring the biggest celebrities and the brightest conversation on television. The show moves from Friday to Thursday nights this season.

ASK CAROLYN | CAROLYN HAX

Parents blatantly favored brother, so all the elder care falls on him

Adapted from an online discussion.

Dear Carolyn: I'm the child who never does any elder care whatsoever, and I'm a common theme in your columns. I, the daughter, leave everything for my brother to do. On purpose.

When we were kids, my parents made it clear my brother, the firstborn son and firstborn grandson, was the favorite. I had to hear about how he had potential, smarts, looks and the ability to accomplish anything.

Me? Well, I was there.

They paid for his house, not mine. His wife gets better treatment than I ever did, and his kids get love, time and attention from my parents, whereas mine get the same physical and behavioral "corrections" I always got as a kid. During estate planning, my parents cut me out, despite the fact I'm a trust and estates attorney, and my brother does everything: estate planning, financial adviser, unofficial legal counsel, and medical and legal power of attorney. Even though he's a tech exec, my parents are convinced he knows more than I do.

As my parents' health declines, my brother is getting more and more overwhelmed and annoyed with me. I see it like this: He got a very nice boost in life, which is reflected in his success, and he is power of attorney, so he's getting paid to handle these issues. He can outsource if he wants. My parents made subtle comments that I'm getting nothing anyway because he's the eldest son. So in addition to getting paid, my brother will be inheriting several million dollars, and he has zero history of sharing anything with me.

I ignore their calls and pleas for help. I've told them my conscience is clear, but is there anything extra I can say? I've only ever seen my brother's side in advice columns but never mine.

— I Refuse

I Refuse: Whoa. I think the Earth shifted.

Anyway, here you go – your side for all to see. Including your parents and brother and others who share their perspective, not that they'll see themselves.

Enjoy the reprieve from elder care. No sarcasm in that at all.

I hope I would have the spine to remove myself from their care completely, too, if I were in your place.

Speaking of – please tell me that upon

their first "physical 'correction,'" you took your kids out of your parents' reach, at least unsupervised, for good? Wow. Show them this warped hierarchal family ethos ends with you. That is your statement.

For me to bother suggesting something "extra" for you to say, I'd have to believe your family capable of understanding they made their own beds with their myopia and insistent cruelty. And I don't.

But do you?

Think hard. Write down what you want your brother to know regardless, and what you want your parents to know. Stash the letters somewhere safe while you weigh the value of trying against the likelihood they'll listen.

If futility wins, then there's nothing extra to do ... except maybe counseling for the (valid) fury? Unless refusal is doing the trick. If you decide there is a chance, then you'll have your thoughts already organized and written.

I am so sorry they did this to you.

Email Carolyn at tellme@wash-post.com.

Kubok 16

By Davide Coppo

Difficulty: EXPERT

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	13		
		2	
			8

Solution to Wednesday's puzzle

4	5	15	1
16	6	10	9
14	11	12	7
3	2	13	8

Enter the missing numbers from 1 to 16 without repetitions so that the sum of the four numbers in each row and column is the same as the corresponding circled number.

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TODAY'S CROSSWORD | ANDREWS MCMEEL

ACROSS

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Sombreros

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Parts of shoes

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Strike with a whip

14

Yearn

15

Fully developed

16

Run with long strides

17

Shock

18

Vitality

19

Sign of what's in store

20

Asian temple tower

22

Stay even (2 wds.)

24

— and rave

26

Insult

27

Crevice

29

Cake servings

33

Quid — quo

34

Silk-cotton tree

37

Intended

38

Urban pests

40

Sheep

41

Facet

42

Stay far from

44

Not very bright

47

Tier

48

Combined into a whole

50

Constricted

52

Brad

54

Christmastide

55

Characteristic of gold or silver

59

Sweet drink

63

October birthstone

64

"Stop!" at sea

66

Italian river

67

Withered

68

Taut

69

Beach resort

70

Look after

71

Stage direction

72

"— in Space"

DOWN

1

Hinged fastener

2

Official proceedings

3

Criminal

4

Lady of Spain

5

Grassy woodland

6

Pindaric

7

Remain concealed

8

Sprites

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Strengthens

10

Computer disks from years past

11

"Casa — Stomp"

12

Energy cartel

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Actor — Hackman

21

Dark and damp

23

Hand part

25

Used a keyboard

27

Desire

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED

H O O P P A L M S S T A B

A P S E O R I O N M I N E

W E L L L A P S E U L N A

K N O T T Y T A N G L E D

R U D O L P H K E G

Y A K T O T A L T E R R A

A D A T I B E T A R M

R I S E R N I G H T C E E

D I E T E D T A R R I E D

E N E L O A N

E M B R O I L B Y G O N E

G A I N C A R O B E B O N

A L L A E V A D E S O S O

D E L L D A T E D T E E S

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Revolving machine part

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City on the Nile

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Set up a fund for

32

Ragout

33

Baby buggy, in Britain

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Be in the red

36

Country singer — Rogers

39

Sent an SOS

43

Distribute cards

45

Go at a leisurely pace

46

— Stanley Gardner

49

Open wide

51

Bring to mind

53

Invigorate

55

Part of MVP

56

Sword

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Mountain lake

58

Jargon

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Three performers

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Conjunctions

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Cheer

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Compass dir.

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Leah Remini: Science and the Aftermath

The Other Mother

Kimberly Cross

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