

SOAP TALK

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Fans want joy for Bob, Kim

By Candace Havens

Dear Candace: My husband and I are retirees. We enjoy the soaps, as they are a good pastime for my husband, who has poor health and is housebound.

I remember *As the World Turns* many years back. It was very much a family show, and somehow in these days of "loose loves" we still cling to a family we grew up with — the Hughes family. Bob and Kim have been through a lot of bad times, yet to us as viewers we don't like the present dialogue they have. We think they should keep a respected family that we can associate with.

We want the happiness and lifestyle the Hugheses once had to be returned. We know these are troubled times, but for two old fogies, return to us Bob and Kim's happiness together. —W.A. Johnson, Jonesboro, Ark.

Dear W.A.: Thank you for writing in. I have received several letters concerning this same situation. Most everyone who has written agrees with you, they want Kim and Bob to be happy again.

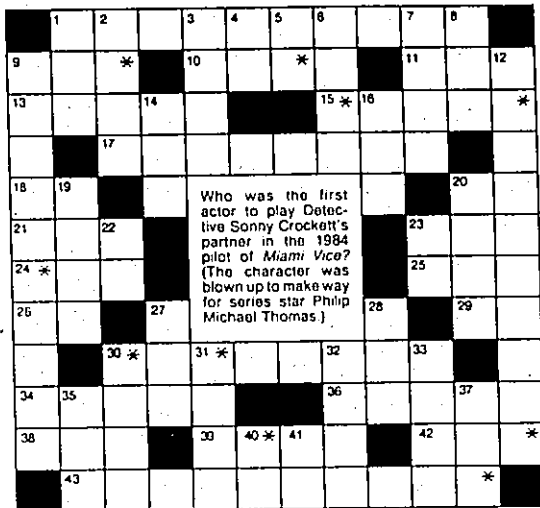
Dear Candace: I like watching *The Young and the Restless*, but I cannot stand the lady who plays Mary Williams (Paul's mother). She's not on the show very often, but what little time she is, is too much. She has her nose stuck in everyone's business. —Elizabeth Bowen, Goodland, Kan.

Dear Elizabeth: If you don't like the character of Mary, then you have to admire the great job Carolyn Connell does playing her. Remember, the actress only performs the lines the writers write. You are not supposed to like the busybody Mary, so Connell is doing her job.

Dear Candace: A lot of my friends and myself could really be a great, excited audience if once and for all the writers of *One Life to Live* would really let Gabrielle get what she deserves.

Just having Max leave her is nothing. She needs everything — every he and all — to catch up with her all at once. She needs to be left homeless, destitute, penniless and childless. She needs to pay the penalty. Then after a few months they could rescue her for a short period. —H. Weitzel, California

I want to hear from you! If you have a favorite soap scenario you would like to sound off about, or a question about the soaps, write to Candace Havens, Soap Talk, P.O. Box 17748, Fort Worth, TX 76102-0748.



The answer to the Crossword Quiz is found within the answers in the puzzle. To find the answer, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

ACROSS

1. ... the beautiful
2. ... connection
3. Role on *The Golden Girls*
4. Refreshing beverage
5. Name for a French girl
6. ... gras
7. Over My ...
8. Continent: abba
9. Historian/actor Elia's monogram
10. Cooking meats
11. R. C. or Amiche
12. Murder ... wrote
13. Sphere
14. Pronoun
15. *Grease* ... 1978 movie
16. *Murphy's* series (2)
17. *Compton*
18. Do you hear what ...?
19. Valerie Bertinelli's state of birth: abba
20. Singing brothers Ed, Gene, Joe and Vic
21. Word with one or two
22. Carol Anne's portrayal on *Grand* (2)

DOWN

1. Face ... Nelson
2. Female red deer
3. California's ... Tar pits
4. Initials for Popeye's sweetheart
5. Swift's monogram
6. Car used as a model by dealer, for short
7. Not any ... dialect
8. Awful report card for one with 3 classes
9. Mies' portrayal on *Murphy Brown* (2)
10. Jill ... of L.A. Law

14. Ending for snail or muskrat
15. Put 2 and 2 together
16. Arthur of tennis
17. Character on *Cheers*
18. Gym class, for short
19. Musical note
20. Untrustworthy one
21. ... "Huntley"
22. Venus de ... statue
23. Actress: Stapleton
24. Plate
25. James or Jimmy
26. Henry Ford's state of birth: abba
27. Insect
28. D + D
29. Initials for El Greco

