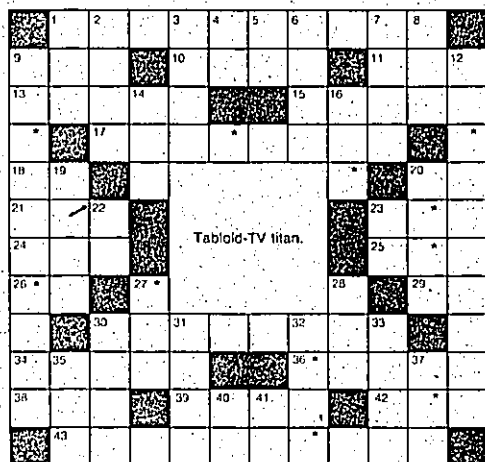


## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

## SOAP TALK



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. Sam Waterston's drama (3)
9. Presidential campaign program
10. Not up yet
11. Cut off
13. As light as
15. Make honeydew
17. Film for Sally Field (2)
18. Jack Benny's state of birth after
20. Initials for Clara Huxtable's portrayer
21. Use one of this senses
23. Tired
24. Stewart or Sebring
25. Joe's portrayer on Wings
26. Just the tip of
29. Law
30. Rocky
34. Singer John
35. 34 Acres' westward
36. Yellow, Red or Black
37. That Tube
42. Bart, to Homer
43. Cabot/Atari series (2)

## DOWN

1. Dog tags, for short
2. Skinny
3. Co-star with Alida & Burghall, once
4. Weight, abbr.
5. Biblical provision
6. House no.
7. Extra
8. Out, distant
9. Writers' comedy (2)
12. Famous TV lawyer (2)
14. # of palm trees in a film
16. Host of Family Feud

19. Thirteen Pieces
20. Talk show host
22. Talking animal
23. I like here
27. From ... 2
28. Pella for form or sex
30. Leading lady
31. Hancock or Meira
32. Melonot alliance, for short
33. Let up
35. Country piece
37. Words for Nanetta
40. American Christmas Carol, 1979 Warner film
41. Caroline legats, to Mary and Linda

Solution  
Marilyn Horvich



## Soaps crowded with living dead

By Candace Havens

There must have been a convention once that each writer from every soap attended where they took a class titled, "Why invent new characters, when you can bring back dead ones."

Never have there been so many dead people brought back to life on the soaps. Take *Days of Our Lives*. We thought Lawrence was a little demented all this time, because he had seen his brother Forrest drown and was unable to save him. Now we find out Forrest is actually the amnesiac John Black. On the same soap, Carly had Lawrence's baby and it died at birth. Now, the baby is said to be alive and Carly and Bo are looking for him. Which is one way of saying, as long as you are related to Lawrence you never really die.

Then there is Dorian on *One Life to Live*. Dorian, who is well into her 40s, discovered that Addie, the sister she always thought to be dead, is still alive and has been living in an insane asylum. Of course, this isn't as bad as Vicky forgetting she ever had a baby.

On *Another World*, Felicia just discovered that Lorna is the daughter she believed died at childbirth. Unfortunately, Lorna hates Felicia.

*The Bold and the Beautiful* brought back Caroline's twin sister, Karen, who was kidnapped at birth and presumed dead. Now the dark-headed Karen has dyed her hair blond and studied videotapes of her sister so that she can emulate Caroline's every move. So it's like Caroline never died.

And *General Hospital* recently brought back the character of Holly (Emma Samms). Holly turned up in New York after everyone thought she had died in a plane crash. Plot devices like this allow popular soap stars to return to the show after they've strayed to other jobs.

Bringing back dead characters is nothing new, it has been going on for years on the soaps. But it suddenly seems as though it is the only way to facilitate several present story lines. Better watch those family funerals closely from now on to make sure it's all for real.

By the way, if you thought you saw the last of Sheila on *The Young and the Restless* when they found her charred body in the farmhouse, you've got another think coming.