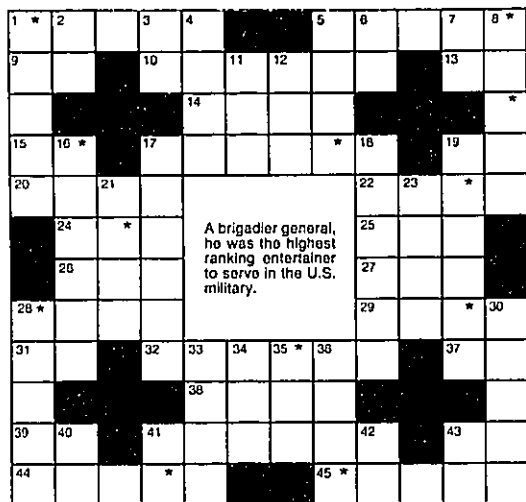


CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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. Bartender on *Cheers*
5. Sparkle
9. Pauser's syllable
10. One who claims he gets no respect
13. Caroline Ingalls, to Laura
14. Will ___ of *The Waltons*
15. Monogram for Tom Smother's brother
17. Craig T. Nelson's role on *Coach*
19. With 45 Across, "Yos, sir!" (2)
20. Musical instrument
22. Two ___ four is two
24. Ruin
25. Jerry Van Dyke's mother, in old comedy
26. Dinner owner on *Alice*
27. Cockney's residence
28. Burns of *Dear John*
29. Reel backwards
31. Douglas MacArthur's state of birth: abbr.
32. See 28 Down
37. ___ *Catch a King*, 1984
38. Wagner/Garr TV movie
39. Greasy
41. Now Kids ___ the Block
43. Exist
44. Nick
45. See 19 Across

DOWN

1. George ___ of *Cheers*
2. Truth-Consequences connection
3. Title for Cliff Huxtable
4. Hindu meditative system
5. Actor Richard
6. Lorella's initials
7. Early hours, for short
8. New York's governor
11. Susan of L. A. Law

12. Sparks or Boatty
16. Freddie's portrayal on *A Different World*
17. Globalrotator's home
18. Robin of *Major Dad*
19. Ed Bradley's ___ Stories
21. Boxers Max or Buddy
23. ___ *Thelma*
28. With 32 Across, "The Fatman" (2)
30. Role on *Murphy Brown*
33. Part of an apple
34. Nat'l. Security Act agcy.
35. Cappa and Capone
36. Adieu & adieu
40. ___ *Time for Sangoants*
41. Movie about an alien
42. Prolix for run or view
43. Jackson or Derek



Hall's no-pain, no-gain 'pregnancy'

By Candace Havens

Dear Candace: I heard that Deidre Hall had a baby and I wondered how they covered it up on *Days of Our Lives*. She always seemed so fit and trim. —Thanks, Amanda, Waco, Texas.

Dear Reader: Hall did stay fit and trim through the entire pregnancy, because the baby was carried by a surrogate mother named Robin. Hall is unable to have children of her own, so she and husband Steve Sohmer went through the Center for Surrogate Parenting in Beverly Hills.

David Atticus Sohmer was born Aug. 23 and weighed in at eight pounds three ounces.

Also, there is big news about another *Days* star, Lynn Herring, who portrays Lisanne Gardner, is leaving the show. Her last tape date is Oct. 30. A release from NBC states, "The decision was a mutual agreement between Herring, NBC and Corday Productions. Her character will not be replaced on the show."

Herring had signed a two-year contract, so this is an interesting turn of events. Herring's husband, Wayne Northrop (Roman), is remaining with the show for the time being.

Dear Candace: Please help me settle an argument with some friends of mine. They say that Amanda Bearse on *Married...With Children* used to be on *All My Children*. I have watched *AMC* for years and I don't ever remember seeing her. I hope you can help me; there's a big favor riding on this one. —Thanks, K.L. and friends in Oklahoma.

Dear Reader: Bearse portrayed Amanda Cousins on *AMC* from 1982 to 1984. Cousins was a friend of Liza (Marcy Walker). If you remember, Liza spent most of her time trying to keep Jenny (Kim Delaney) and Greg (Laurence Lau) apart, and Cousins helped Liza with her schemes.

Dear Candace: What happened to the actress who played Blake Thorpe on *Guldbagge Light*? The actress who took over the role is not very convincing. —L.M., Greenville, N.C.

Dear Reader: Sherry Stringfield (ex-Blake) decided to leave the show to pursue other interests, namely prime-time television and features. I wouldn't be surprised if she turned up on another soap sometime soon.

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