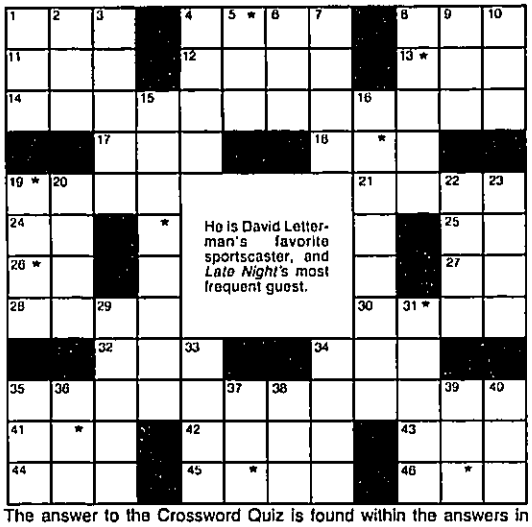
CROSSWORD PUZZLE



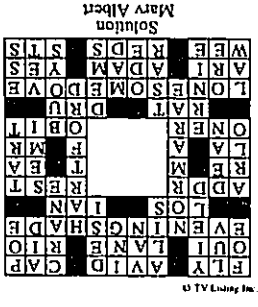
The answer to the Crossword Quiz is found within the answers in the puzzle. To find the answer, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

ACROSS
1. *I'll __ Away*
4. Enthusiastic
8. Beaver Cleaver's accessory
11. "Si, Gigi!"
12. Superman's love
13. Atlantic resort, for short
14. Series whose lead character is Wood (2)
17. __ *Tarantos*; 1964 film
18. Writer Fleming
19. 704 Hauser Street, for one: abbr.
21. Others
24. Prefix for view or heat
25. Initials for a *Green Acres* star
26. With 35 Down, series about a legal firm (2)
27. Ed's abbr.
28. Oddball
30. Death notice, for short
32. Brother __ ; 1938 film
34. Former actress Joanne
35. Hit mini-series that starred Robert Duvall (2)
41. Jackie's second
42. First man
43. See 11 Across
44. Minute
45. 1981 Beatty movie
46. Elsewhere, et al.

DOWN
1. Hatfield, to McCoy
2. *P. S. I. __ U*
3. Traffic sign
4. Boxer & namesakes
5. Mr. Johnson
6. Gerund ending
7. Half of a late comedy pair
8. Frasier __ of *Cheers*
9. Assistance
10. Author of *Murders in the Rue Morgue*
15. Sally Field film role (2)
16. State capital
19. Woody's boy
20. Martin
22. Prefix for sweet or circle
23. Baked dessert
29. Sesame Street resident
31. Floating bells
33. Peter I or Ivan V
34. Carter & Clinton: abbr.
35. See 26 Across
36. Gold or silver
37. __ *to Billy Joe*
38. Magazine title
39. 11/11 honoree
40. Feminine suffix

Solution

Mary Albert



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SOAP TALK

After 'Days,' Easton turns to 'Nighttide'

By Candace Havens

Last spring, Michael Easton was named one of *People Magazine*'s 50 Most Beautiful People, and millions of fans agree. Most recently, the good-looking actor could be seen daily on NBC's *Days of Our Lives* as Tanner Scofield, the rebel without a cause.

Unfortunately, the NBC brass didn't care much for Easton's rebel-like attitude around the set and chose not to renew his contract. Easton defends his actions by saying he only wanted to make the work better.

"Working on the soaps is very physically and mentally draining," says Easton. "Day in and day out, it is not some of the most artistically rewarding work you are doing. Sometimes I would walk out of the studio banging my head on the wall.

"You spend a lot of time just trying to make the material work and be believable, but because of the time element with daytime, sometimes it just doesn't happen," says Easton. For the most part, he was happy to leave the show and was ready to move on.

But Easton has moved on. He is starring in *Nighttide*, a prime-time movie with Emma Samms, Parker Stevenson and Joan Chen airing this fall on NBC. "It's a thriller with a lot of twists and turns in the plot," says Easton. "I play a guy named Shawn who is kind of a dark character and is not who he appears to be. It's a big change from Tanner."

Samms and Stevenson play a couple who appear to have it all -- looks, money, success. The two slip away for a weekend at the beach, and that is where the tale of larceny and murder begins.

Easton prepared for his role by working out twice daily with a personal trainer and eating only fruits and vegetables. "I visualized this character as a very lean, muscular, hungry-looking man," says Easton.

So what happens after *Nighttide*?

Easton has done a multitude of jobs besides acting. He enjoys writing poetry and says writing is his first love.

"It is not easy for me, but it is what I like to do, better than acting." Of course, if things get too tough, Easton says, he can always go back to bartending.

Whatever happens, you get the feeling that this rebel will survive.

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