

Wednesday's Puzzles

Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 New cadet
- 6 Seaside setting
- 10 Take it easy
- 11 Christmas song
- 12 Bring to bear
- 13 Heavenly being
- 14 Musical flourish
- 15 Shrewd
- 16 Play division
- 17 Cart puller
- 18 Taxpayer's ID
- 19 Place for some elves
- 22 Finger feature
- 23 Mayor's domain
- 26 Diner entree
- 29 Sty resident
- 32 Simple denials
- 33 Regret
- 34 Vigor
- 36 Vengeful goddess
- 37 Blitzen's boss
- 38 Might
- 39 Kids' boo-boos
- 40 Thread holder
- 41 Spots
- 42 Like cheap speakers

DOWN

- 1 Would-be attorney's major
- 2 Dictionary
- 3 Sophocles play
- 4 Seal sound
- 5 Work phone no.
- 6 Jargon
- 7 Many-eyed monster of Greek myth
- 8 Burns and Frost
- 9 Barkin or Burstyn
- 11 Clerical robes
- 15 Sturdy wood
- 17 If
- 20 Laotian money
- 21 Snap
- 24 Slipped into
- 25 "It's a bet!"
- 27 Singer Orbison
- 28 Like Heaven's gates
- 29 Mexican money
- 30 Deeply impressed
- 31 Wish granter
- 35 Hwys.
- 36 Pueblo people
- 38 Calif. hrs.

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Cryptoquote

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different. 12-24

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M V O L E U L E V M , T F S L E S L S U

V B I Q M Y . — N L R Z Q M N V V R Q Y A U

Tuesday's Cryptoquote: CHRISTMAS IS LIKE CANDY; IT SLOWLY MELTS IN YOUR MOUTH SWEETENING EVERY TASTE BUD, MAKING YOU WISH IT COULD LAST FOREVER. — RICHELLE E. GOODRICH