



THE INDEPENDENT CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Part of Einstein's formula
- 5 Mathlete, maybe
- 9 Girth
- 14 Auricular
- 15 Stackable snack
- 16 Nantucket ___ House Cup
- 17 Start of a comment overheard at a Nantucket annual contest
- 20 Joust
- 21 Issue
- 22 Fit
- 23 English horn, for one
- 26 Mouse of cartoons
- 28 First place ribbon winner of a Nantucket annual contest
- 32 They're caught in harbors and creeks
- 33 After boo or yoo
- 34 Of a forearm bone
- 38 Lazy refusal
- 39 More of a comment overheard at a Nantucket annual contest
- 42 Words of tribute
- 43 Lowlife
- 45 Borax or stannite
- 46 Graphic puzzle
- 47 E. J. Harvey of 28 Across
- 51 Sun Myung Moon, e.g.

- 53 Chef Hudson of Brant Point Grill
- 54 Pro nobis preceder
- 55 British corps.
- 57 Cisco Brewers product
- 60 End of a comment overheard at a Nantucket annual contest
- 65 Word form meaning "wind"
- 66 Halo
- 67 Caesar's wings
- 68 Brought back
- 69 Those on the Lee side?
- 70 M. Johanns' concern

DOWN

- 1 Cut down
- 2 Going full tilt
- 3 Acapulco affirmative
- 4 German castle
- 5 Eastern theatrical form
- 6 Piece of the past
- 7 Merlot and Pinot Noir
- 8 Lettuce or cabbage
- 9 Carpentry need
- 10 VCR speed
- 11 Clarify broth
- 12 Suffix with mono or neuro
- 13 "Pal Joey" lyricist
- 18 "How can ___?"
- 19 Parisian peeper
- 24 Kailua locale

- 25 I witnesses
- 27 Underworld goddess
- 28 Billfold bills
- 29 Get better
- 30 Kñ12, textbook-wise
- 31 Huey blade
- 35 Elder penguin in "Happy Feet"
- 36 Tool for Bunyan
- 37 Sailing hazard
- 39 Place for Pageo purchases
- 40 South Beach Street restaurant, with 44 Down,
- 41 Goose of Maui
- 44 See 40 Down
- 46 Media expert Marshall
- 48 Alliance once headed by A. Haig
- 49 Tom Clancy video game
- 50 Kind of brakes
- 51 Danish currency
- 52 Took part in a shell game?
- 54 Moreno of baseball
- 56 Swerve
- 58 Loser of 1996
- 59 Do a deckhand's job
- 61 Grounded bird
- 62 Well-rounded one?
- 63 Mi followers
- 64 Literal end of 60 Across (sic!)

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PUZZLE BY SAM BELLOTTO JR.

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THE INDEPENDENT SUDOKU

		9			8	2	1	3
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7		4		3				
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				5		4		2
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INSTRUCTIONS

Sudoku is a Japanese logic puzzle growing in popularity in Britain and the United States. Meaning "single number" in Japanese, a sudoku consists of a 9-by-9 grid with some of the 81 squares filled in with numbers. Your challenge is to fill in the rest. There's only one simple, but often maddening, rule: The numbers 1 through 9 must appear only once in each of the grid's nine rows, nine columns, and nine 3-by-3 blocks.

Proper sudokus have only one solution, meaning they can always be solved by logic. Don't place a number unless you have determined it is the only number that can go in that square. Trial and error guessing is hard work unless there are only a few squares remaining to solve.

HISTORY

Sudoku was designed by Howard Garns, a retired architect and freelance puzzle constructor, and first published in 1979. Although likely inspired by the Latin square invention of Leonhard Euler, Garns added a third dimension (the regional restriction) to the mathematical construct and (unlike Euler) presented the creation as a puzzle, providing a partially-completed grid and requiring the solver to fill in the rest. The puzzle was first published in New York by the specialist puzzle publisher Dell Magazines in its magazine *Dell Pencil Puzzles and Word Games*, under the title Number Place (which we can only assume Garns named it).

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