



Wood-Fired Bagel Cafe

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Crosswords of Wisdom

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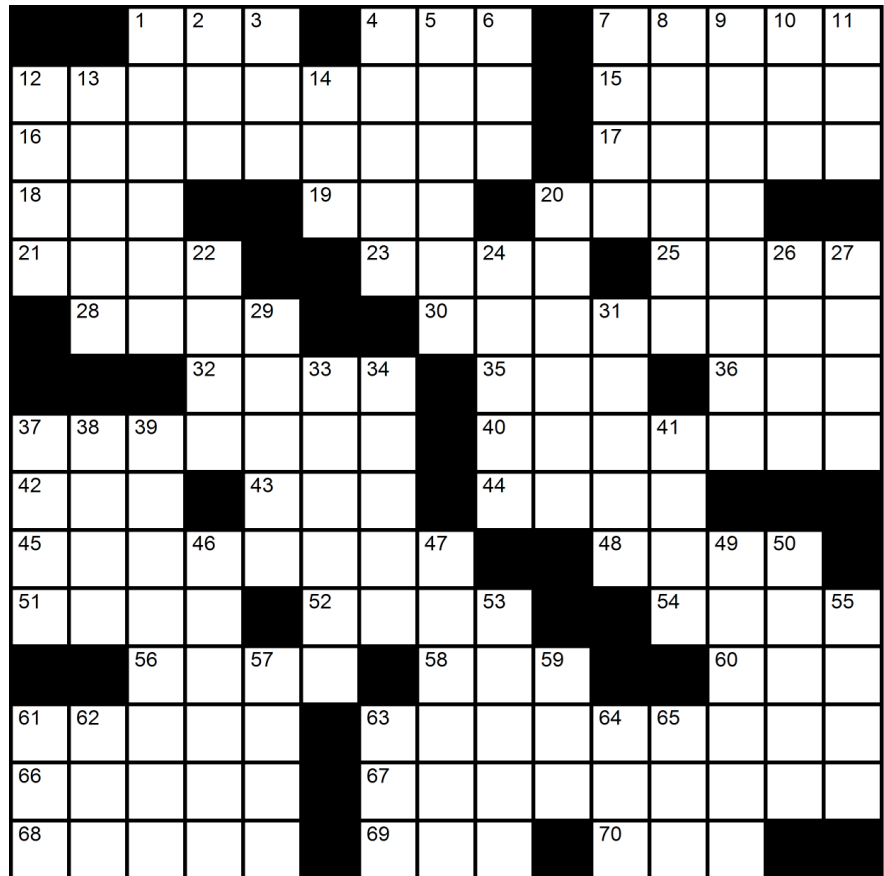
This Week's Wisdom: STRIVE FOR CLARITY

by Mike Selinker

The Sanhedrin courts had the rule, "If it be as clear to you as the light of morn, say it! If it be not, say it not!" But clarity is hard to obtain. There's a type of word called a Janus word, which means both a thing and the opposite of that thing. When you say something's "fast," is it moving quickly, or not at all? When you're "dusting," are you adding a fine powder or removing it? The italicized clues will lead to an understandable lack of certainty.

ACROSS

- 1 Bible subject
- 4 Groom's garb
- 7 Chose
- 12 Work to cause disease, or work to ward off disease
- 15 Less frequent
- 16 Fended off the elements, or damaged as from the elements
- 17 Separates, or fastens together
- 18 Woodsy is one
- 19 Screw up
- 20 Still
- 21 Toolbox item
- 23 3:10 to ___
- 25 Book that inspired *Clueless*
- 28 Golf bag contents
- 30 Approval, or disapproval
- 32 Crafters' site
- 35 Genetic building block
- 36 Word whose middle letter is often replaced by an apostrophe
- 37 Issue forth, or hide away
- 40 Goes away from a job, or comes back to a job
- 42 News org.
- 43 ___ *Poetica*
- 44 Genesis locale
- 45 Making a place more active, or making a place less active
- 48 Users of a certain type of park
- 51 Recently deceased NFL player Junior
- 52 Nu metal band whose third letter is often displayed in reverse
- 54 Its charter's Article 5 has been invoked just once, on 9/12/01
- 56 Choice on a two-answer question
- 58 Favorable vote
- 60 Starmaking Angelina Jolie role
- 61 Adds a covering, or subtracts a covering
- 63 Attention to detail, or lack of attention to detail



- 66 Talks like 18-Acrosses
- 67 Exactly, or not exactly exactly
- 68 Girl Scout's quality
- 69 Letters after a periodontist's name
- 70 Unified
- 24 Sierra ___
- 26 Heavenly body on a Tarot card
- 27 Hill residents
- 29 Break the Eighth Commandment
- 31 Checked out illicitly
- 33 Hit with a bat, or miss with a bat
- 34 Type of question
- 37 ___ out (understand)
- 38 Fencing item
- 39 What you get for a good deed, or what you get for a bad deed
- 41 Aware of
- 46 Seek help from
- 47 Pregnant
- 49 Group of geese
- 50 Brand of chainsaw
- 53 Putin's opposites of 58-Across
- 55 Like some stout beers
- 57 Bygone national acronym
- 59 Poetical preposition
- 61 Sound with a finger placed before one's lips
- 62 Kathleen Dee-Anne Stark, familiarly
- 63 Decrepid
- 64 Abbr. on box offices
- 65 *The Vampire Diaries* star Somerhalder

DOWN

- 1 Michael Gspurning, for the Sounders
- 2 Baseball playoffs mo.
- 3 "I mean, c'mon!"
- 4 Stick around
- 5 Where the endometrium is
- 6 Signed simply
- 7 Symbolic animal of the Pacific Northwest
- 8 Shipping platform
- 9 Adding to a tree, or subtracting from a tree
- 10 Wild ___ (classic alert sound on early Macs)
- 11 No and Pepper, e.g.
- 12 "Congratulations to me!"
- 13 Inexperienced in
- 14 Director Spike or director Ang
- 20 Preserved for one's use, or removed from one's presence
- 22 Commit sexual harassment, maybe