

CROSS-WISE

Themeless #2

John Nagamichi Cho

ACROSS

1. Bad connection?
7. Like some stuffed toys
12. Two particles of equal and opposite charge
13. Perform a dance again
15. Roman carrier
16. Gordon ____, co-star of 1955's "Oklahoma!"
17. Remove surgically
18. Sent a private note, in brief
20. Part of NYE
21. Log unit
22. Large Hadron Collider org.
23. Major chip maker
24. A drought, or dry wind, in Brazil
25. Bossy types?
26. Serpent with a Zulu name
27. They may be taken for suckers
29. Magnetic induction units
30. Area of strong atmospheric pressure over a large land mass
33. Cumulonimbus incus clouds, familiarly
34. "Annus Mirabilis" poet
35. Superman portrayer
36. Name found in "ingredient"
37. South Asian
40. Pleasant French city?
41. Castle fortress
42. Like some credit cards

43. Apt name for a painter
44. Dutch portraitist Frans
45. Roughed up
46. Pain in the neck?
48. Legislators
50. Japanese mushrooms
51. Gerrymanders, say
52. [That's hilarious!]
53. Swift replies?

DOWN

1. Vertical air motion driven by heat and water phase change
2. Hands-on
3. Not all there
4. "Freeze!"
5. $LX \div XX$

6. Arid region associated with Hadley cell
7. Spinners?
8. Pb
9. College inits. on both the East and West Coasts
10. Laminar fluid motions
11. Boxer's training tool
12. "The L Word" co-creator Chaiken
14. Hot, dry, dust-laden wind of India
15. Apollo's half brother
19. Virginia Woolf's "____ Dalloway"
22. Weather the storm
23. Showed anger toward
25. Hustles

26. Fuse
28. Penrose ____
29. Actor Diggs
30. Bloodshed
31. Rarely used clubs
32. Word with "day" or "round"
36. Unagi or anago
38. Forward-looking sorts
39. Mil. roadside hazards
41. Limestone terrain full of caves and sinkholes
42. Iridescent material
44. Apparent leader?
45. Not natural
47. It stops a round and a bout
49. Part of NYE

© 2025

See page 113 for the answers to this puzzle.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Denver7 Chief Meteorologist **Mike Nelson** has retired after 48 years in broadcasting. Nelson's career accolades include being named a Fellow of AMS, winning 20 Emmy awards for his weather coverage, and being inducted into the Emmys Silver Circle in 2016 for 25 years of service. In 2023, Nelson became the first Colorado broadcast meteorologist ever inducted into the Denver Press Club Hall of Fame.

Nelson began his career in 1976 with the Wisconsin-based weather consulting firm Weather Central. Working with Terry Kelly, he developed one of the first weather graphics systems built for television. He installed weather computers at more than 50 television stations nationwide while also working as a broadcast meteorologist.

In 1985, Nelson left Weather Central to become the chief meteorologist at KMOV-TV in St. Louis. He moved to Denver in 1991 and served as chief meteorologist at KUSA and then, starting in 2004, at Denver7 (KMGH). Nelson has been an outspoken advocate for using his television role to educate the public about climate change and encouraging other meteorologists to do the same.

In addition to his on-air work, Nelson volunteered his time doing school talks in gymnasiums from Wisconsin to Missouri and Illinois to Colorado. Nelson shared his enthusiasm for weather and science with an estimated one million students over more than four decades. In 2001, he was named the Colorado Broadcasters Association Citizen of the Year for his volunteer work teaching weather and climate to the public. ●

DO POINTS

AMS partners with the American Geophysical Union for the Thriving Earth Exchange program, bringing scientists and community leaders together on science-based projects to address local community needs. Learn more on how to be a community science fellow, community leader, or community scientist at [AGU Thriving Earth Exchange](#).

IN MEMORIAM

DEAN BERRIEN MOORE 1941–2024

JULIA A. STUART 1968–2024



Answers to the puzzle on page 110.