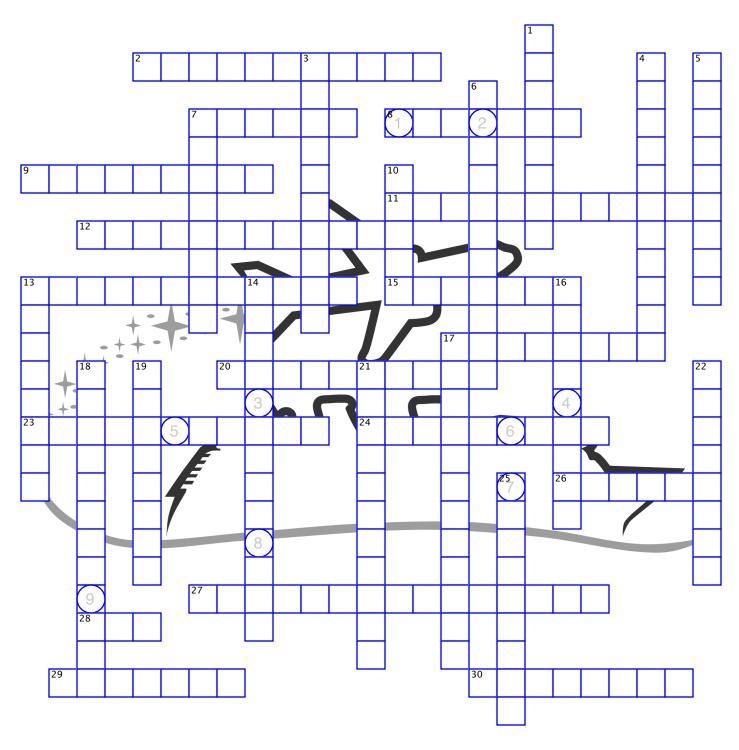
This Year in Disney History, 1996
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★ The theme of WDW's 25th Anniversary Celebration, which began in October, 1996 was " to Remember the"	
Across	Down
<ol> <li>In January, 1996, the U.S. Government purchases the of Resort after leasing for 2 years.</li> <li>"First Kid," starring as a Secret Service agent is released in theaters in August, 1996.</li> <li>In March, 1996, "Muppets " premieres on ABC Television.</li> <li>At Disneyland Paris, a " Festival", which celebrated the magic of European storytellers, begins.</li> <li>In January, 1996, Universe of Energy closes temporarily to make way for the new " ' Adventure," which opens in September.</li> <li>The live-action version of "101 Dalmatians," starring Glenn Close as is released in November. 1996.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Toy Story opens and closes in the same year, in Disneyland's Tomorrowland.</li> <li>"James and the " is released in April, 1996.</li> <li>In 1996, the first family moves into Disney's new Florida community,</li> <li>In September, 1996, " The Goliath Chronicles" premieres on ABC.</li> <li>In February, 1996 Gerry Laybourne, former president of, is hired as the new president of Disney/ABC Television Networks.</li> <li>In October, 1996 Mickey's is renamed Mickey's Toontown Fair.</li> <li>In January, 1996, Airlines removed its sponsorshop of the Dreamflight attraction in Tomorrowland.</li> </ol>
<ul> <li>13. "Homeward Bound II: Lost in" is released in March, 1996.</li> <li>15. In August, 1996 " and the King of Thieves" is released direct-to-video.</li> <li>17. In September, 1996</li> </ul>	14. In September, 1996 " 25" opens
<ul> <li>17. In September, 1996, opens at Tokyo Disneyland.</li> <li>20. "D3: The Mighty Ducks" was released in theaters with the byline, " Opens Oct. 4."</li> </ul>	at Epcot.  16. "The Hunchback of " is released in June, 1996.  17. In March, 1996 Disneyland announces plans to renovate, which would take two
23. The of Pavilion closed on Jan. 2, 1996 to make way eventually for Test Track.	years to complete.  18. In October, 1996 WDW celebrates its 25th
<ul><li>24. In March, 1996 Disney and sign a 10-year multinational promotion alliance, which began in 1997.</li><li>26. In February, 1996 Treasure Island is</li></ul>	Anniversary by decorating the Castle as a, to the chagrin of many guests.  19 Antiques Shop closed in Liberty Square at the MK in January, 1996.
released, starring Tim Curry and Kevin Bishop.  27. In May, 1996 Miniature Golf opens between the Dolphin & Swan Resorts.	21. In Jan., 1996 running back of the Dallas Cowboys declares "I'm Going to Disneyland!" after his team wins Super Bowl
28. In January, 1996, shareholders officially approve the merger of Disney and Capitol Cities/	XXX. 22. The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and
29. In September, 1996, "Brand Spanking and "Mighty Ducks: The Animated Series" premieres on ABC.	Sciences votes to award John Lasseter a Special Achievement Award for his work on
30. At the 23rd American Music Awards, "The " wins Favorite Soundtrack Award.	25. In September, 1996, WDW's Speedway is renamed Tomorrowland Speedway.