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LEFT/RIGHT SYMMETRY

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Will Nediger, of London, Ontario, has a Ph.D. in linguistics from the University of Michigan. These days he makes his living by constructing crosswords and writing trivia questions. His quiz-bowl team won the 2016 A.C.F. Nationals and the 2017 Intercollegiate Championship Tournament. The reason for this puzzle's unusual grid pattern with left-right symmetry will soon be clear. — W.S.

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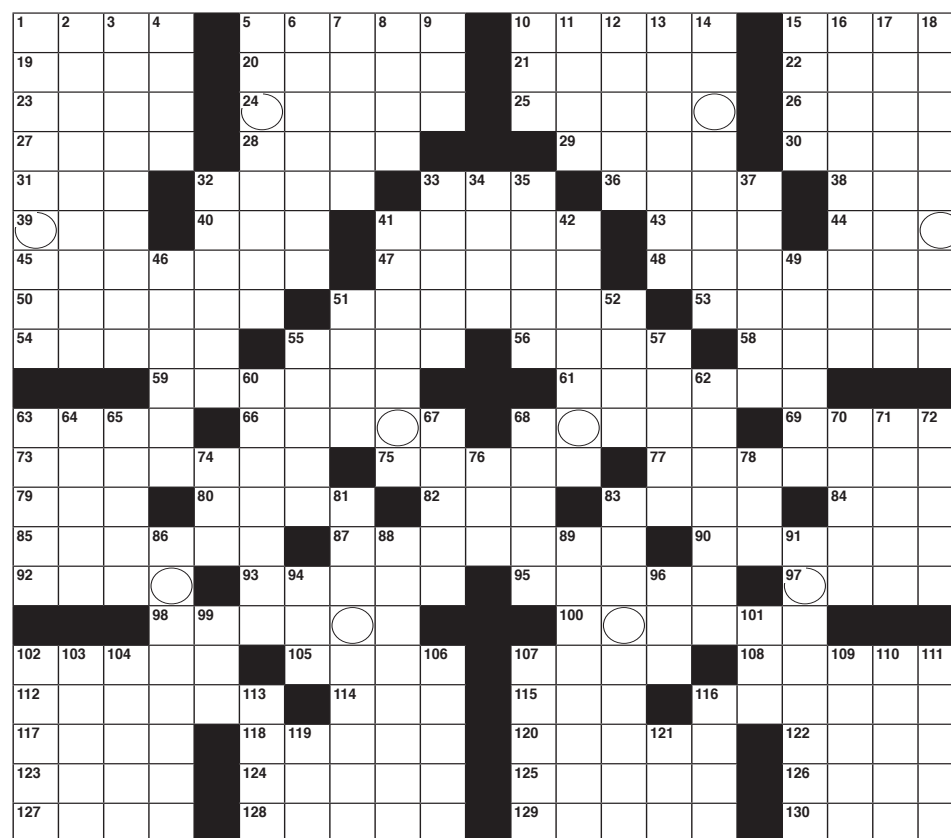
- 1 (I don't believe it!)
 5 Time to treat yourself
 10 "The Chosen" novelist Potok
 15 Vaper's purchase, for short
 19 Performer at a canine talent show in "Garfield: The Movie"
 20 Water or rust
 21 "Au contraire ..."
 22 Paul of "There Will Be Blood"
 23 "Toodle-oo!"
 24 Territories
 25 Mascara mishap
 26 Sort of
 27 Work with a number
 28 Just fabulous
 29 Guest bed when you don't have an actual guest bed
 30 Mr. _____ (fictional sleuth)
 31 Grp. that often has its first meeting in the fall
 32 Onetime trans-Atlantic fliers, for short
 33 Things to skip
 36 Major to-do
 38 Thanks for waiting
 39 Word with "in," "on" or "in on"
 40 Road safety spot, e.g., for short
 41 Blueprint details
 43 Cryptanalysis org.
 44 Tram part

- 45 Enlightens
 47 Affix with a thumbtack
 48 Important address
 50 Ermines, in the summer
 51 Hits the jackpot
 53 They're full of holes
 54 Actress Sohn of "The Wire"
 55 "Phooey!"
 56 Popular girl's name any way you look at it
 58 Not just words
 59 "Curious ..."
 61 Father figure?
 63 "Begone!"
 66 What "T" may represent commercially
 68 Clarinetist Shaw
 69 Bout ends, informally
 73 Samurai swords
 75 Delish
 77 Totally apt
 79 What you might write to someone you like
 80 2016 No. 1 Rihanna album
 82 Peeples person?
 83 Goddess represented wearing a solar disk
 84 Artless nickname?
 85 Wreck site
 87 Web user
 90 Cousin of a martini
 92 Blogger's code
 93 Cuzco residents
 95 Person with a record
 97 Some breads ... or a homophone for what bread loaves do
 98 Historical records
 100 Flower traditionally used to relieve inflammation
 102 Airheaded
 105 No-nos in many apartment buildings
 107 Hook's helper
 108 Junk transporters
 112 Get ready for a long auto trip

- 114 Gaping opening
 115 Cook in the news
 116 Troy of N.F.L. fame
 117 _____ Spumante (wine)
 118 Having a high B.M.L., say
 120 Seemingly forever
 122 Literary character who says, "Cassio's a proper man"
 123 TV's "_____ Is Us"
 124 Object of wishful thinking?
 125 Home of the 2016 men's and women's Olympic marathon winners
 126 "Begone!"
 127 Pricing word
 128 Not bottled, say
 129 _____ Park, Colo.
 130 Full house, e.g.

DOWN

- 1 What some carefree beachgoers do
 2 Got comfortable with
 3 Pickle
 4 Samosa ingredients
 5 Epitome of slowness
 6 Some track bets
 7 Takes a few courses?
 8 Goes on to say
 9 "Right you are!"
 10 Longtime broadcaster of the Masters golf tournament
 11 Runs perfectly
 12 Tasted, quaintly
 13 Down
 14 Quagmires
 15 Dutch cheese
 16 "Murder, She Wrote" setting
 17 In the club
 18 Start printing
 32 Treat with utter contempt
 33 Imitation



- 34 Homes in the woods
 35 Seaside rental
 37 Get hitched
 41 Like the legs of a daddy longlegs
 42 Laundry setting
 46 Tex-Mex dish
 49 Must
 51 Walletfuls
 52 Part of a dark cloud
 55 Verb with "thou"
 57 "Giao!"
 60 Sub
 62 Roberto of "Life Is Beautiful"
 63 Mere smidgen
 64 Starfleet Academy attendee
 65 Starting lineup

- 67 Dahlia and Agatha, in the Jeeves novels by P. G. Wodehouse
 68 Dazzle
 70 _____face
 71 How a ballerina might be seen
 72 Knocks the socks off
 74 Not, to a Scot
 76 Early millennium year
 78 Next-to-last letter
 81 Stormy
 83 Unit in a bar graph
 86 ABC sitcom about the Johnsons
 88 Oceania's enemy, in "1984"
 89 Probes
 91 Slightly salty
 94 Rip Van Winkle had a long one

- 96 Liffort preceder
 99 Sch. from which Lady Gaga and Woody Allen were dropouts
 101 15-season show set in Vegas
 102 Chihuahua, e.g.
 103 Ottoman rank
 104 Madcap
 106 4-0, e.g.
 107 Pump up
 109 Poker variety
 110 Part of an old train
 111 Hair net
 113 _____stick
 116 Some prosecutors, for short
 119 Michael Jackson's second album
 121 Countdown time, for short

The art of aging: a call for entries

NEHALEM — What moves you about aging? How does it feel watching people you love grow older? Taking care of people you love? Feeling it in yourself?

Find the beauty in it, and share the results with your community this May.

Art must be delivered between noon and 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 1, at the North County Recreation District Gallery, 36155 Ninth St., in Nehalem

(unless other arrangements have been made). The opening reception takes place 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, May 3.

The pieces can later be picked up Thursday, May 30.

Artists are limited to three pieces in any medium, including three-dimensional works. Art does not have to be framed but should be ready to hang.

Work can be for sale,

or not. If sold, the artist gets 75%, the Raven Project 15% and the Recreation District 10%.

This exhibition is sponsored by the Raven Project, a group leading conversations and teaching sessions in our North Coast community around issues we face as elders.

For more information, contact Lane deMoll via text or phone at 503-440-1342 or email lane@nehalem.tel.net.



Avery Bibeau

The Saxophones: Alexi Erenkov and his wife, Alison Alderdice.

The Saxophones, plus Lynette, perform at Sou'wester Lodge

Show takes place April 20

SEAVIEW, Wash. — The Saxophones, plus Lynette — a Portland-based electronic music artist — perform at the Sou'wester Lodge, 8 to 10 p.m. Saturday, April 20.

Alexi Erenkov's duo, The Saxophones, create beautiful, personal music.

With his wife, Alison Alderdice, on percussion and samplers, they blend the darkness and melancholy of 1950s balladry with minimalist woodwind arrangements.

Lynette's work deals mostly with the idea and content of dreams, both conscious and not. This is music to be heard in imaginary spaces.