My Bad! *by Zachary David Levy*

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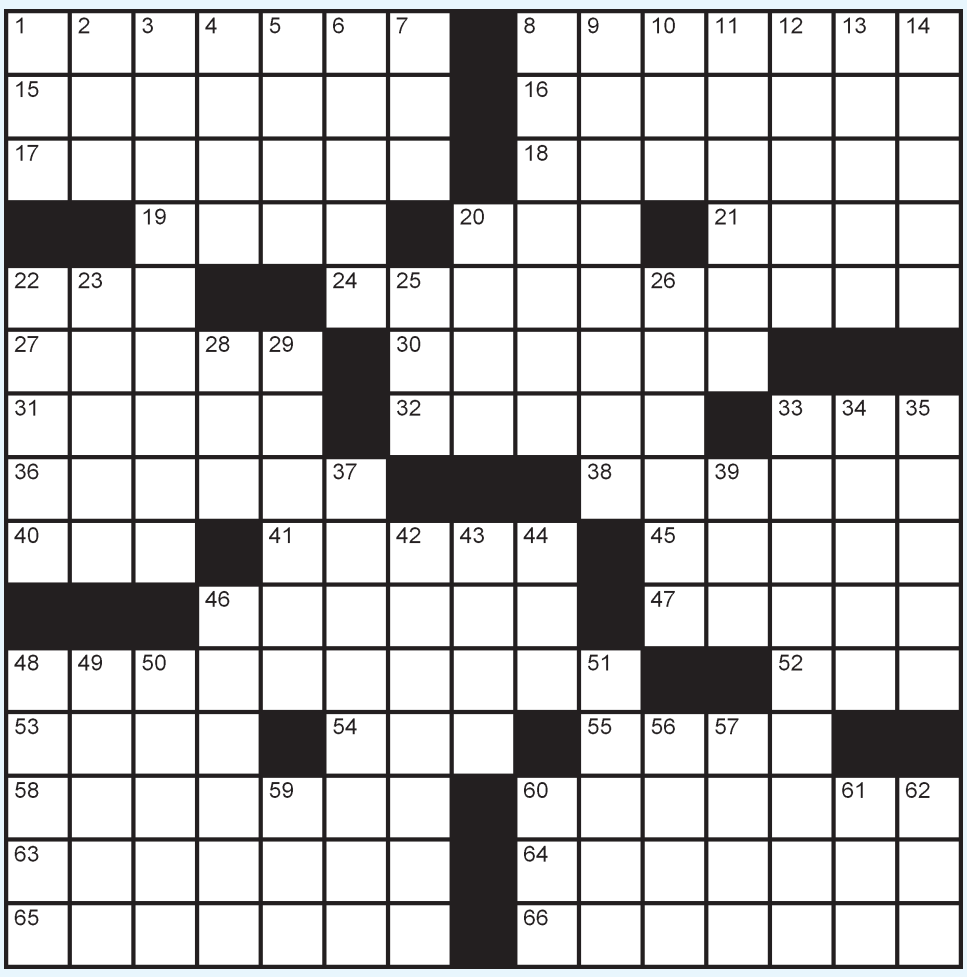

ACROSS
1 Action movie features
8 Long recliners
15 ___ Falls
16 What covers a dome in construction?
17 Pharma salesperson
18 Wrap around
19 Brain division
20 Ticked off
21 Singer born Eithne Padraigin Ni Bhraonain
22 Speck
24 *Air current from an engine
27 Narrow bay
30 Post cereal inspired by a cookie
31 Oozy stuff
32 Dolphin's detection process
33 What fills a tank ... or fuels a tank
36 Cold relief medication
38 Speaker of the House since 2019, and from 2007 to 2011
40 Be in debt
41 Pulsate
45 Crannies' partners
46 Pink cat in "Garfield"
47 Bunches of hairs
48 *Yogi's companion
52 A plastic bag is not one
53 Kuwaiti leader
54 Olympic code for Moscow's country
55 Worship from ___
58 Some seasoned sausages
60 Prime cut
63 Jeffrey Lebowski's nickname
64 Really suffering
65 Facial features that could aptly be blue?
66 Gap between neurons

DOWN
1 Finish
2 Christmas evergreen
3 *San Andreas, for one
4 Frozen pancake brand
5 Diet no-no, often
6 Their bark is silent
7 Gunk from 6-Down
8 Diminish in value
9 Cake associated with good health?
10 Rainbow, e.g.
11 Inactive people
12 Glistened
13 Simple course at school
14 Vapor that cooks vegetables
20 Catalan artist Joan
22 Ball club?
23 Playing softly
25 ___ Alamos
26 Apartment's availability sign
28 CPR provider
29 Milan's ___ alla Scalla
33 *Early '90s TV show featuring a Disney dog
34 Invite for
35 Spacek of "Tuck Everlasting"
37 Sodium ___ (salt)
39 Albano or Gehrig
42 Puzzles in which a ewe may mean "you"
43 Singles
44 "I'll ___ monkey's uncle!"
46 Rub the wrong way?
48 Defeats
49 Nebraska's largest city
50 Lubricated
51 Wet, weather-wise
56 Kukla and Ollie's friend, on old TV
57 Bit of aquarium gunk
59 Very, en Espanol
60 Bro's counterpart
61 Business connections
62 Occasion to stay up until midnight: Abbr.

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2021 *Neptune Draws Out Lunar Wisdom*

This lunar square to Neptune brings up a good point: A feeling can run through you, but it is not you. Identifying yourself as the feeling is as unempowering and absurd as identifying yourself as your lunch. "I am sad" is like saying "I am a turkey sandwich." "There is sadness" or "I am processing sadness" would be more accurate.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll discover that a belief you held was wrong or incomplete – oh, sweet liberation! This levels the mental ground where you'll be building something sturdier and more beautiful to dwell inside.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're divine, quite literally from heaven, assembled from the glitter of a distant exploded star. When you grant someone more warmth than they deserve today, it's a nod to your heavenly origins.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You keep your heart open and continue to take risks in love. Why? You believe there's something wondrous at stake – and that love, whatever form it takes, is its own reward.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Do you get the feeling that self-fulfilling prophecies are not the exception but the rule? It's true today, for sure, so dwell on what you want, not on what you fear.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). For you to be happy, no one else needs to change besides you. Your happiness will come with an internal adjustment, nothing too big, no giant leap, just a step into the sunshine.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The interaction of opposing forces in your mind creates friction, hot moods and frustrating mental traffic jams. Alignment changes everything. Thoughts flowing in the same direction create momentous forward movement.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The cause of stress is thinking, "This should be something other than what it is." Stress relief is a matter of adjustment. Either you can control the circumstances better, or you can manage your expectations of it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The work worth doing centers around your energy, perception and ability. Focus there, and so much else will naturally come together. Focusing elsewhere will be ineffective.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). As you look around, you'll notice how very few people seem to possess the thing you want. Don't let the numbers scare you! They don't attain the thing because they don't seek the thing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll realize that a certain line of reason no longer holds water. Put a line through it and replace it with something new. Don't know what yet? Just try anything then and see how it feels.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The helpless, quite simply, aren't. Don't buy into lies that keep you working on someone else's agenda. What about your plans? Get back to them.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Heavy topics and serious matters just don't have appeal to you now, though you're quite excited by novelty and the lighter side of life. This mood is perfect for building rapport with others.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 14). The amount of love flowing through your world will grow exponentially. The outcome of a project will earn glowing reviews. It will feel wonderful to know how proud your people are of you, and you'll get to find that out three significant times over the next solar journey. Broken things get fixed in August. Pisces and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 18, 4, 44, 20 and 38.

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Women's Sports Venues *by Gary Larson*

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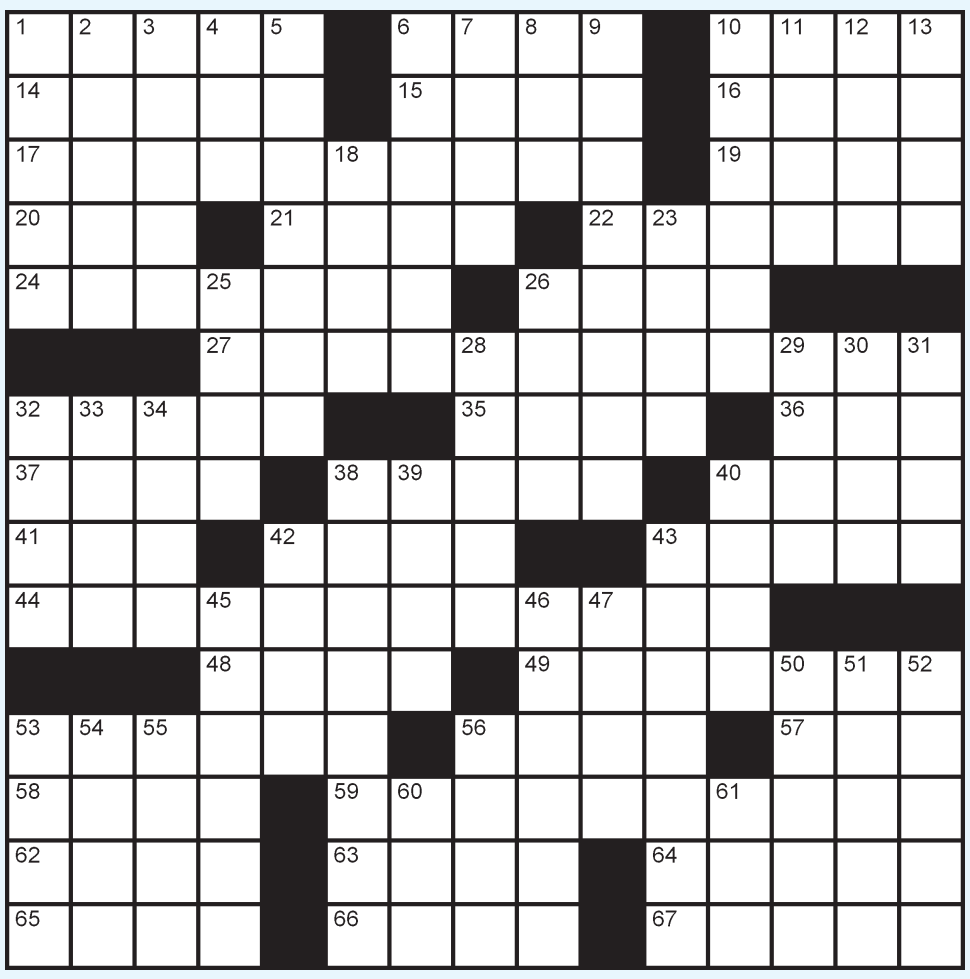

ACROSS
1 Storybook elephant
6 Striker's bane
10 "___ the night before Christmas ..."
14 Like a yoga instructor
15 Old King of rhyme
16 Blog's main page
17 "Girls Trip" actress who could aptly be a pool star?
19 Writer Bombeck
20 Put the kibosh on
21 Where to turn off
22 Sitcom star, say
24 Famous slapstick trio
26 Woes
27 "Night Court" actress who could aptly be a softball star?
32 Burn with hot water
35 Tear up
36 Tiny
37 Really, really
38 Musical practice piece
40 Tailor-made?
41 Video recorder, for short
42 Untidy one
43 Like Neptune's atmosphere
44 "Cheers" actress who could aptly be a bowling star?
48 Back muscles, in gym slang
49 Doesn't cook
53 Aquafina rival
56 Chest muscles, in gym slang
57 Org. that approves disinfectants
58 Zillions
59 "Lincoln" actress who could aptly be a soccer star?
62 Pest that may uproot a plant
63 What you used to be?
64 Academic journal edition
65 Recognizes
66 Fries or mashed potatoes
67 Rapunzel's lock

DOWN
1 Uncovers
2 Follower of "special" or "talent"
3 Huge celebration
4 Boxing legend Laila
5 Went back (on)
6 Deep divide
7 Garment that surrounds "cowboy hat"
8 Everyone
9 It encircles the waist
10 Belief in a god or gods
11 Promise, or part of a promise
12 Foam darts, perhaps
13 Marine animal with an elephant variety
18 Skating jump
23 Nickname that drops "imir"
25 Norway's capital
26 Carded
28 Oranjestad's Caribbean island
29 Must pay
30 What fills Time
31 Opposite of admit
32 Wallop
33 Indian tea
34 Spine-tingling video letters (RAMS anagram)
38 Snobs
39 Stocking stuffers?
40 Utters
42 Ollie's partner in old comedy
43 Tones up
45 Adds to a schedule
46 Retired actress Sobieski
47 Like delicate fabric
50 ___'s Pieces
51 Top grade
52 Gets one's feet wet?
53 Stops up, as a river
54 Succulent in a trendy juice
55 Flat fish
56 Responded in court
60 Yellowfin tuna
61 Syr. neighbor

HOROSCOPES BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2021 *Lunar Alignment to Mars*

Is the spider working toward the symmetry and grace of her artistic home, or is she simply focused on catching her next meal? Regardless of intention, both aims are simultaneously achieved. An alignment of Mars to the Cancer moon of homemaking suggests there's much success to be found at the intersection of beauty and practicality.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Take a step back and remember why you wanted to do a thing in the first place. Much has happened since; your purpose has evolved to fit the circumstances. But that initial kernel of intention is still the heart of this venture.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Confident in your abilities and choices, you'll find it unnecessary to compare and contrast with what others are doing. The habit of minding your own business will benefit 20 different ways today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). People will pick up on things that you're dwelling on, which is why you'll consciously steer yourself to dwell on the things that you'll be happy for them to know about you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Whether consciously or unconsciously, you keep placing yourself on the path of self-discovery. The respect and love you gather up is a natural byproduct you've earned along the way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Egos are like those pot-bellied pigs sold as "miniature." Actually, those pigs can grow to any size, according to their feeding. Attention is the food of the ego. A small ego is the result of a restricted-attention diet.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). As much as you try to live in the moment, something keeps pulling you back. These memories are worth investigating. They hold the key to unlocking a fuller experience of the present.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Amusingly, attractions and aversions can sometimes be obvious to everyone around except the person in the thick of the spell. In such a case, the value of honest friends becomes apparent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Every face has a default position, a latent pose that reveals the median mood of a person. You can't go wrong if by steering toward those with a pleasant resting face.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You don't have to like all the same things to like the person, but there's magic in the common ground. Where your taste intersects with another person's is not only a confluence of aesthetics; it's a soul connection.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The volume with which people comfortably express themselves can vary widely between individuals. It's a thing to be aware of as you match and mirror your way into establishing trust and connection.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When loved ones want your assistance, your response is automatic. Today's situation warrants a contemplative pause. Consider that, sometimes, the very best way to help is by not helping.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Today's plot is a swirl of complexity. Before you reward the hero of the day, just make sure this person didn't actually cause the problem to begin with.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 15). Instead of waiting for the work that fits your skills and talents, you quite brilliantly fit your skills and talents to the work at hand, thus multiplying all factors. And the skills, talents and opportunities aren't the only things swelling because money and relationships also expand in this ever-burgeoning year of abundance. Libra and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 1, 33, 38 & 15.

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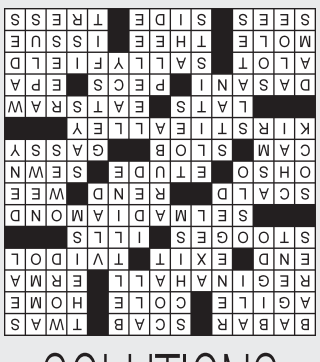

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