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Daily Bridge Club

Cy's superior air

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"Wendy accused me of being condescending," Cy the Cynic told me in the club lounge. "In case you don't know, that means I talk down to people."

Wendy, our feminist, and Cy, a shameless chauvinist, are always at odds.

"What brought this on?" I asked. "She went down at four spades in a penny game," Cy said, displaying today's deal. "West led a trump at the second trick. Wendy won in dummy and led a heart, playing low from her hand. She won the trump return and led a second heart to her king, but when West won and produced a third trump, Wendy lost another heart."

spade, you bid 1NT and he jumps to three hearts. What do you say?

ANSWER: Partner's jump is forcing. You can't bid 3NT after you bid 1NT with no club strength and should not raise the hearts with only three-card support (even with A-Q-6). Bid three spades. Partner has five or more spades and would like to know about your three cards in the suit.

West dealer
N-S vulnerable

NORTH
♠ Q 10 9
♥ 7 2
♦ Q 10 9 4
♣ K J 3 2

WEST
♠ 7 3 2
♥ A Q 6
♦ A K J 8
♣ 8 5 4

EAST
♠ 6 4
♥ J 10 9 8 3
♦ 6 5 3 2
♣ 10 7

SOUTH
♠ A K J 8 5
♥ K 5 4
♦ 7
♣ A Q 9 6

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Pass	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	1 NT	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
All Pass			

Opening lead — ♦ K

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DAILY QUESTION

You hold: ♠ 7 3 2 ♥ A Q 6
♦ A K J 8 ♣ 8 5 4. You open one diamond, your partner responds one

SEEKING A FRIENDLY DUPLICATE BRIDGE?
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The New York Times Crossword

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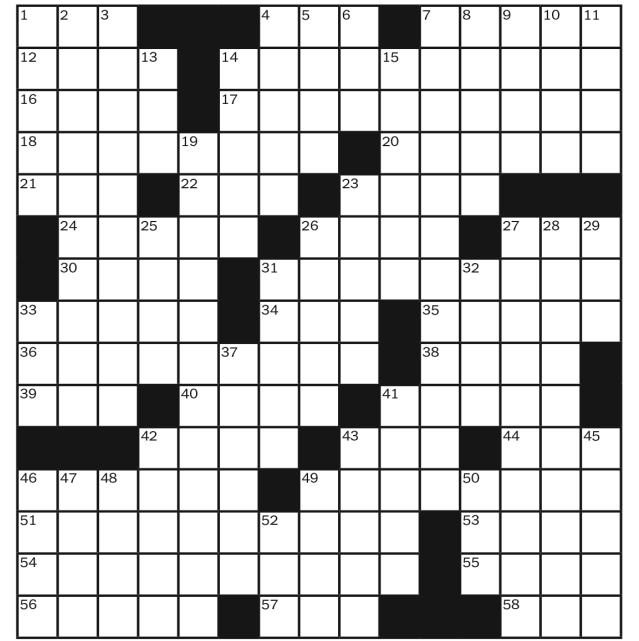
- 1 Article of attire akin to a tarboosh
- 4 Facetious response to "How'd you know that?"
- 7 One might be forever
- 12 Union deserters
- 14 Choice for those eager to retire and travel?
- 16 ___ Plus (brand with a "Lubrastrip")
- 17 Brownish-orange shade
- 18 Big brass
- 20 Reliable
- 21 Baglike structure
- 22 Spacewalk, e.g., in NASA shorthand
- 23 Insect repellent ingredient
- 24 Twitter : retweet :: Facebook :

- 26 Email notification, maybe
- 27 Go (for)
- 30 Hot dogs do this
- 31 Bar exam?
- 33 Early trans-Atlantic voyager
- 34 Creature in Liberty Mutual ads
- 35 Build
- 36 Small bit of floor décor
- 38 Material harvested for its hydrophobic properties
- 39 Basic cleaner
- 40 Actor who voiced the title character in 2018's "Sherlock Gnomes"
- 41 Like some toothpastes
- 42 Choice for a cinematographer
- 43 Swab

- 44 Exec with a noted mansion
- 46 "The weapon of the powerless against the powerful," according to Molly Ivins
- 49 "100% happening!"
- 51 State in which you might get a tax deduction
- 53 One with briefs, briefly
- 54 Defcon 1 mentality
- 55 Lisa with the 1994 hit "Stay"
- 56 Fuji, e.g.
- 57 ___ Lovett of "Sweeney Todd"
- 58 Snoop

DOWN

- 1 Achievements
- 2 Really, really hot
- 3 "100% not happening!"
- 4 First name on the Supreme Court
- 5 Desertlike
- 6 /, maybe
- 7 Something you can't get in a restaurant
- 8 Food for a grizzly bear
- 9 Doesn't hesitate
- 10 Apt name for a yoga instructor?
- 11 Talk up?
- 13 Uncle ___
- 14 Hot spot



PUZZLE BY ROBYN WEINTRAUB

- 15 George Washington signed America's first one in 1790
- 19 TV roommates for 50+ years
- 23 Fix, as in beta
- 25 Penny-___
- 26 Recapitulate
- 27 Excessive
- 28 Unlikely member of the "clean-plate club"
- 29 Bit of ink

- 31 Some guest roles on cop shows
- 32 Pressing need
- 33 Bud
- 37 Convictions
- 41 Le ___ (newspaper)
- 42 Von Trapp daughter who sings "Sixteen Going on Seventeen"
- 43 Indicative and subjunctive, e.g.

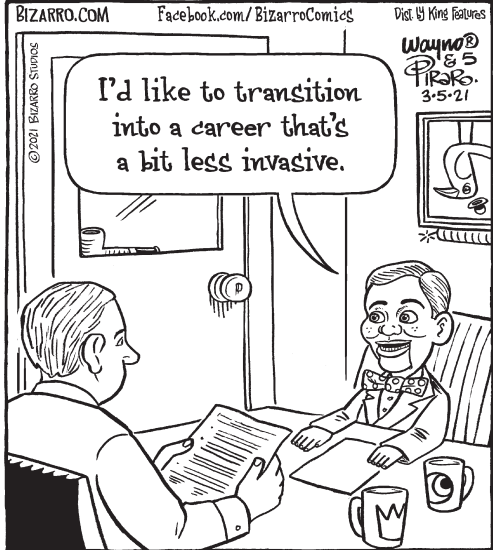
- 45 Spacecraft activity
- 46 Org. concerned with lab safety?
- 47 50+ group
- 48 Word with round or road
- 49 Symbol of opportunity
- 50 Indian lentil dish
- 52 What you might say after reading a tricky crossword clue

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



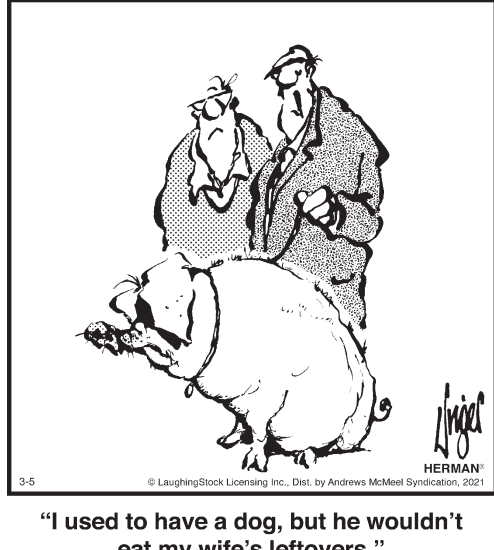
BIZARRO



DENNIS THE MENACE



HERMAN



JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

LNAPK
ITODI
SMUIES
CVNIEO

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

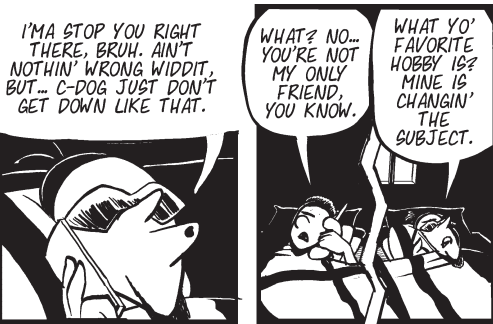
(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: JUDGE BERTH MODULE CACTUS
Answer: She got angry when he brought it up. He should have avoided the — SUBJECT "MAD-HER"

CANDORVILLE



WUMO



ZITS



Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

- 1 "Born From Jets" automaker
- 5 Fiscal exec
- 8 Sign of danger
- 14 Like letters in an outbox
- 16 Transport again
- 17 Connecticut home of the American Crossword Puzzle Tournament
- 18 Nobody special
- 19 One may reveal a secret
- 20 Inconsistent
- 22 Pro Bowl side: Abbr.
- 23 Past regulation, briefly
- 25 Land in the ocean
- 26 Cal Poly setting, initially
- 27 Morlock prey
- 29 Area 51 figures, supposedly
- 30 Way to earn interest?
- 32 Recipe amts.
- 34 "1984" superstate
- 36 Find
- 39 Lab tubes
- 40 Comparable things
- 42 "Black Narcissus" figures
- 43 Word on mail from Toledo, maybe
- 44 Abate
- 46 Just the best
- 49 ___ thai
- 50 Mystery novelist Paretzky
- 51 Sine qua non
- 53 One often chosen for lightness
- 54 Arced woodshop tools
- 57 Mex. title
- 58 Hercule's creator
- 60 "Join us for lunch?" regrets
- 62 Put back in the fridge
- 63 Hair problem, and what three short puzzle answers each has

- 64 Drafted
 - 65 Many a quote, for short
 - 66 "South Park" co-creator Parker
- DOWN**
- 1 Temaki or futomaki
 - 2 San ___: Texas city nickname
 - 3 Explosive mixture
 - 4 "Kapow!"
 - 5 Thicken, as cream
 - 6 Martha's Vineyard arrivals
 - 7 Most unexpected
 - 8 Slow up
 - 9 Counting word
 - 10 "Sure!"
 - 11 Internet recovery program
 - 12 Flee in fear
 - 13 Utility abbr.
 - 15 Possibles
 - 21 As a bonus
 - 24 Came to
 - 26 Applies carelessly
 - 28 Puerile retort
 - 30 Artful dodge

- 31 Prof.'s aides
- 33 Fielder's strong throw
- 35 PC brain
- 36 SoCal ball club, on scoreboards
- 37 Short report
- 38 Turtle shell, e.g.
- 41 Letter closer
- 42 Curry and Antetokounmpo, recently
- 45 Sear and simmer
- 47 Vex
- 48 Cool
- 50 Resell to desperate fans, maybe
- 52 Fine partner
- 53 Shortening, maybe
- 54 French cabbage
- 55 Hide
- 56 Roman numeral?
- 59 Garage service
- 61 ABA member

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

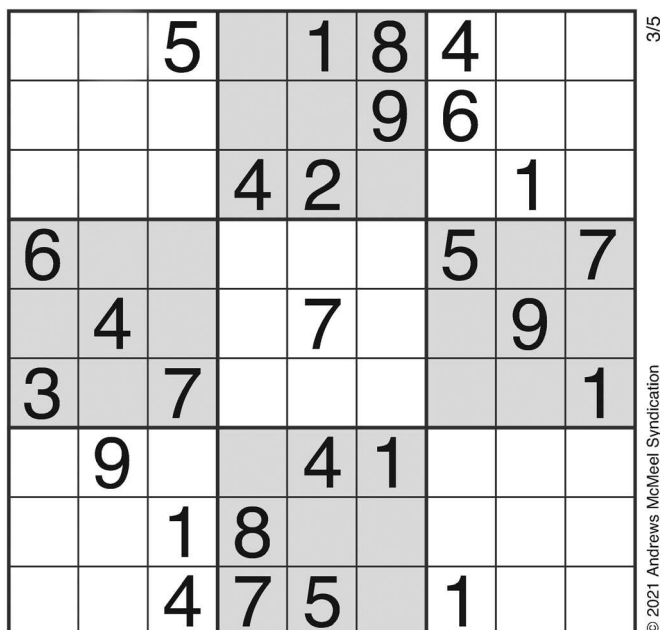
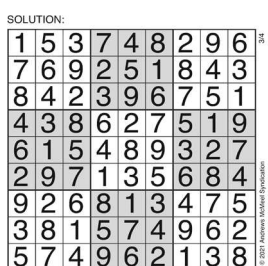


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SUDOKU

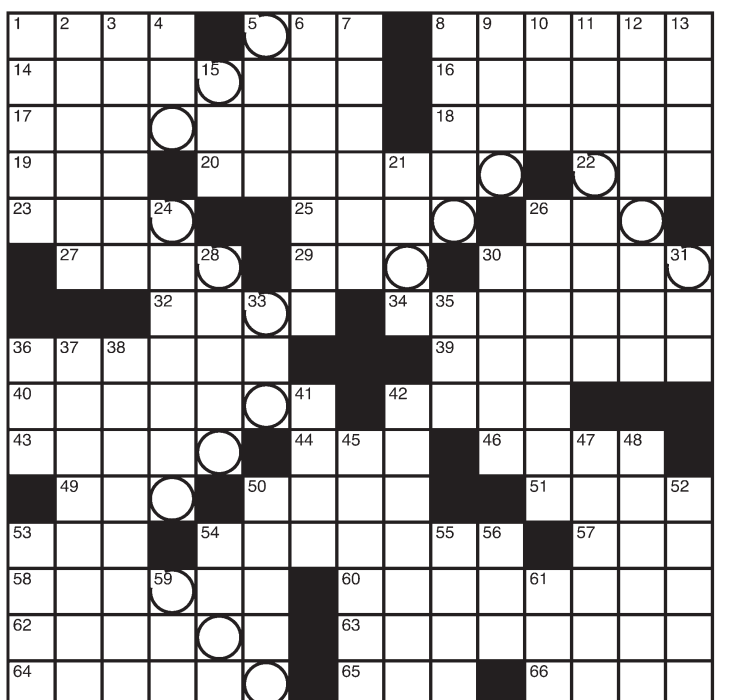
Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

SOLUTION TO PREVIOUS SUDOKU



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