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Daily Bridge Club

Saving partner

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"Some things are better left unsaid," a player at my club told me, "which you realize after you've said them."

My friend had been East in today's deal, playing with his wife in a duplicate game. North-South reached a pushy 3NT contract.

"My wife led the deuce of hearts," East said, "dummy played low, and I won with the queen and switched to the four of clubs. Declarer won with the ace and led a spade. When my wife took her ace, she led another heart. South won and ran the spades and clubs, making an overtrick."

raises to three clubs. What do you say?

ANSWER: Game is possible. Your partner has substantial extra values to raise, and your hand is better than it might have been. You would be obliged to bid two clubs with a hand such as 5, 9 7 3, 10 7 4 2, J 5 4 3 2. Bid three diamonds to try for game. Partner may hold A J 6 2, A 2, K Q J, Q 8 6 5.

North dealer
N-S vulnerable

NORTH
▲ K Q J 10 7
♦ A J 5
♥ K 6
♣ Q 5 3

WEST
♥ A 8 6
♦ 10 8 6 2
♠ 8 5 3
♣ J 8 6

EAST
▲ 9 4 3 2
♥ K Q 4
♦ A Q J 9
♣ 4 2

SOUTH
▲ 5
♥ 9 7 3
♦ 10 7 4 2
♣ A K 10 9 7

North 1 ▲ East Pass South 1 NT West Pass
2 NT Pass 3 NT All Pass

Opening lead — ♥ 2

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DAILY QUESTION

You hold: ♠ 5 ♥ 9 7 3 ♦ 10 7 4 2 ♣ A K 10 9 7. The dealer, at your left, opens one heart. Your partner doubles, you bid two clubs and he

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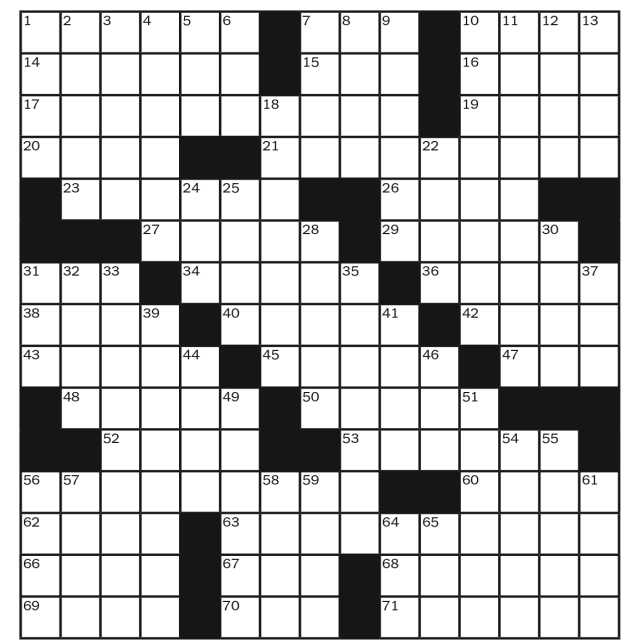
- 1 "How to Be an Anti-___" (best-selling book of 2020)
- 7 Big kahuna
- 10 Way up to go downhill
- 14 Totally original
- 15 Bird that's the source of Kalaya oil
- 16 Dance sometimes done to klezmer music
- 17 Play-by-play job?
- 19 A little cracked
- 20 Spanish for "weight"
- 21 Presidential nickname of the 19th century
- 23 Kansas or Kentucky, politically
- 26 Cap'n's mate
- 27 Details, details
- 29 Certain Miller beers

DOWN

- 31 Gear tooth
- 34 Soaks up a lot of sun
- 36 Improv comic's forte
- 38 Chicago-style pizza chain, familiarly
- 40 Big Ten nickname
- 42 Architectural style of Nebraska's capitol building, informally
- 43 Rhetoric for the political base, figuratively
- 45 Warning sign
- 47 Word with high or dive
- 48 "Cómo ___?"
- 50 Follower of "Too bad," in an expression of mock pity
- 52 Gomer Pyle's outfit: Abbr.
- 53 Low humming sounds

DOWN

- 56 "Stay calm"
- 60 Stand-up comedian Bargatz
- 62 "___ Am Telling You" (song from "Dreamgirls")
- 63 Traffic go-ahead that should be followed four times in this puzzle
- 66 Dance done to fiddle music
- 67 Director Lee
- 68 No longer under wraps?
- 69 Lagerfeld of fashion
- 70 ___ leaf (stew additive)
- 71 Over a large area



PUZZLE BY ED SESSA

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



- 18 Something waved when a race is won
- 22 Common mixer
- 24 P.D. alert
- 25 Udder end
- 28 Lord's laborers
- 30 Warped, as a sense of humor
- 31 Pancetta or prosciutto
- 32 "My treat!"
- 33 Becomes insolvent
- 35 Inkblot, e.g.

- 37 Early man?
- 39 Behaved for a haircut, say
- 41 Glazier's frame
- 44 Pack down
- 46 Long-bodied fish
- 49 Bug that inspired Poe's "The Gold-Bug"
- 51 Persistently demanded payment from
- 54 French river in W.W. I fighting

- 55 Metaphor for strength
- 56 Like yin but not yang
- 57 Suited to serve
- 58 Simone known as the "High Priestess of Soul"
- 59 Punk's Pop
- 61 Water whirl
- 64 AAA offering
- 65 Nail polish brand with a Bubble Bath shade

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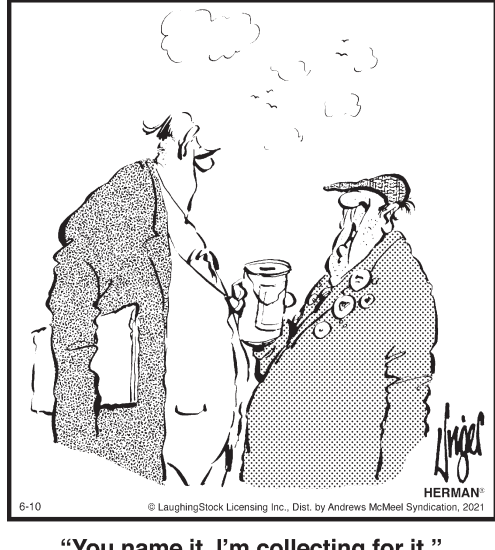
BIZARRO



DENNIS THE MENACE



HERMAN



JUMBLE

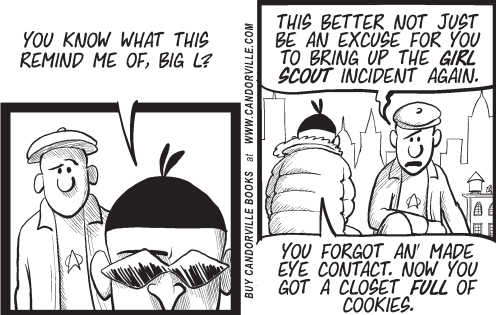
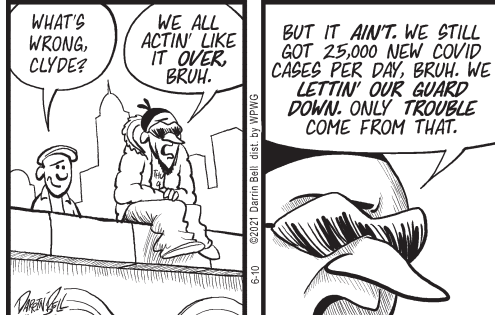
Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

TAAEB
FOREF
YMSLOB
RLAMNO

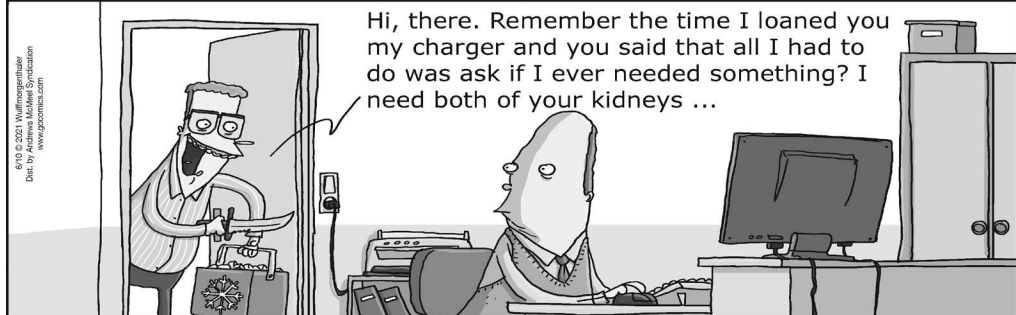
Print your answer here:

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WUMO



ZITS



SUDOKU

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

SOLUTION TO PREVIOUS SUDOKU

8	4	1	2	9	7	3	5	6
9	6	5	8	1	3	2	7	4
7	2	3	5	4	6	9	1	8
1	3	4	9	2	5	6	8	7
5	8	6	3	7	4	1	9	2
2	7	9	6	8	1	5	4	3
4	1	2	7	6	9	8	3	5
6	5	7	1	3	8	4	2	9
3	9	8	4	5	2	7	6	1

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		8		9				4 7
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5 7			6 9					
	9 1		7		6 2			
			5 1			7 9		
2 1			3				4	
9 6		1						

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

- 1 "The Devil Wears Prada" co-star
- 7 22-Across captain
- 11 Some notebooks
- 14 Pirouettes
- 15 Be in store
- 17 Not in a good way
- 18 Classic sci-fi name
- 19 Zeno's followers
- 21 Have a little lamb, say
- 22 Classic sci-fi name
- 25 Andean grazer
- 28 Gumshoe
- 29 Keep in inventory
- 31 Vote of dissent
- 32 "The Jungle" author Sinclair
- 35 Popular Halloween costume
- 38 Theoretical shortcuts ... or what the four circles in this puzzle represent
- 41 Was superficially polite
- 44 Commercial mascot with an honorary Doctor of Bovinity degree
- 48 Function
- 49 It's often eaten with a fork and spoon
- 52 292.5 deg., on a compass
- 53 Blueprint info
- 58 Entreaty
- 60 Boatload, say
- 65 Scrabble coups
- 67 Spice that gives yellow curry its color
- 68 Balinese, e.g.
- 69 Eponymous ice cream maker
- 70 18-Across captain
- 71 One exchanging dollars for quarters?

- 5 New York Harbor's ___ Island
- 6 Inspires, with "up"
- 7 Dutch carrier
- 8 Sundial marking
- 9 Depend
- 10 Superman, on Krypton
- 11 Baseball championship emblem
- 12 Preserve, in a way
- 13 '80s missile prog.
- 16 Get better
- 20 Obedience school command
- 22 R-V man's name?
- 23 Most elegant
- 24 Marc of fashion
- 26 Red Guard leader
- 27 Objectivist Rand
- 30 Kenan's one-time comedy partner
- 33 Run a tab, say
- 34 Fiction opening?
- 36 Big name in denim
- 37 Au pair's subj.
- 39 Criticize
- 40 Big name in shoes

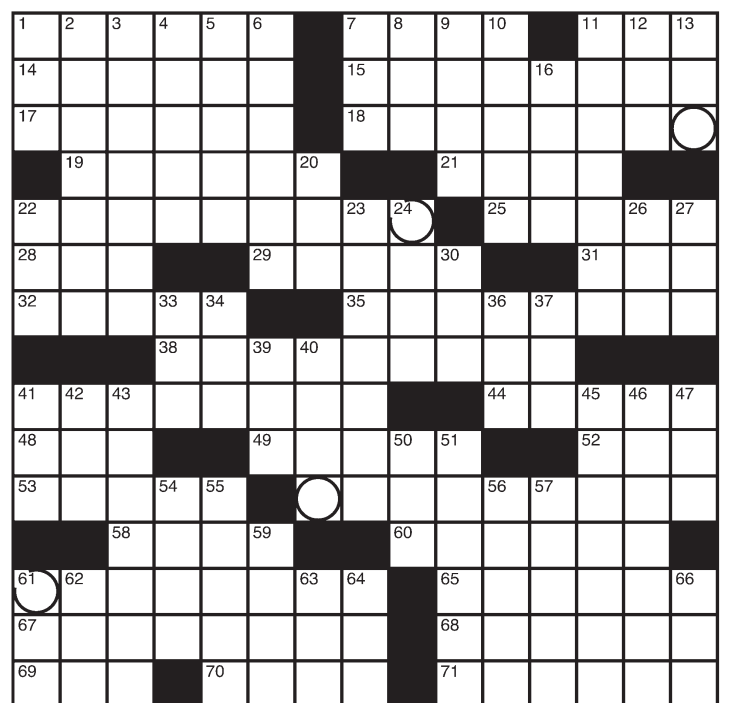
- 41 Lambda followers
- 42 Nile menace
- 43 Prepare, as tempura
- 45 Attempt to hit
- 46 Permanently
- 47 Sheep that sounds like a pronoun
- 50 London-hot spot?
- 51 Hand-to-hand combat maneuver

- 54 Half-shell serving
- 55 Monica of tennis
- 56 Grace under fire
- 57 Quarrel
- 59 Start to bat?
- 61 Beehive State athlete
- 62 Word with wrestling or pie
- 63 Artist's medium
- 64 Sgt., for one
- 66 Abbr. on a pre-1991 map

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

C	A	P	A	R	Y	A	B	U	E	N	A	S		
A	P	U	D	O	O	M	E	N	D	O	R	A		
B	E	N	F	O	L	D	S	S	T	I	N	T		
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A	N	D	E	R	S	A	D	E	S	N	P	R		

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- 1 Big racing sponsor
- 2 Texas dance
- 3 Cautionary reading?
- 4 "404 Not Found," e.g.

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