## **FEATURES**



s the final hours of 2017 wound down, pre-midnight revelers solved a murder At the Maxwell Siding Event Center in Hermiston.

The Agape House murder mystery, a quarterly fundraiser for Eastern Oregon Mission, brought about 80 would-be detectives to the non-alcoholic party, which ended as the Times Square ball dropped at 9 p.m. Pacific Time.

Powers Schwartz - aka Mike Roxbury of Umatilla — was the murderer, but successfully avoided suspicion from all 10 tables.

Others from Hermiston celebrated the transition from 2017 to 2018 the next morning with the Resolution Run, an annual 5k event at Riverfront Park meant to help people kick off their fitness goals for the new year.

PHOTOS 1-3 CONTRIBUTED BY EASTERN OREGON MISSION 1) The cast of the Agape House's non-alcoholic New Year's Eve murder mystery dinner poses for a photo at the Maxwell Siding Event Center in Hermiston. Powers Schwartz, played by Michael Roxbury, left, was the murderer this time at the quarterly fundraiser for Eastern Oregon Mission. 2) Sheila and David Andrus ring in the new year at the Agape House murder mystery dinner. 3) Monica Todd, who catered the event, rings in the new year at the Agape House murder mystery dinner on Sunday. PHO-TOS 4-6 BY KATHY ANEY 4) Four runners jump to the lead at the beginning of Monday's Resolution Run at Riverfront Park in Hermiston. 5) A runner and her two dogs usher in the new year by participating in Monday's Resolution Run at Riverfront Park in Hermiston. 6) Diane Knutz of Hermiston ushers in the new year by participating in the Resolution Run at Riverfront Park.



## This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: F equals C

- YV B TEMOYMP FBHORRM PEG
- CAHA CYSW BJREO FTRFRSBOA
- FBMWG, CRESW TA JA MBQAW

ASQAH VEWPA?

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> answer CryptoQuip

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**Puper** Crossword

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## SUPER CROSSWORD: SUMMING UP THE NEW YEAR

| ACROSS<br>1 — law  | 51 *At a short<br>distance | <b>94</b> Suffix with<br>114-Down | DOWN<br>1 Fox or ox | <b>43</b> Big name in<br>Art Deco | <b>83</b> Burlesque<br>dancer Lili |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| (computer          | 56 *Metro                  | 95 Chargers                       | 2 Prophesier        | 44 "We did it!"                   | 84 Llama locale                    |
| industry rule)     | section                    | linebacker                        | 3 Derivation        | 45 "See you"                      | 85 2004 Chevy                      |
| 7 WWII prez        | manager                    | Manti —                           | 4 Teaches           | 47 Wild horse                     | debut                              |
| 10 Argus-eyed      | 59 Deadeye's               | 96 *Yale, e.g.                    | new skills          | 51 Cartoonist Al                  | 88 Mudbath site                    |
| 15 Turn sharply    | skill                      | <b>102</b> Tips, as a             | 5 Biblical twin     | 52 Oscar winner                   | <b>89</b> "It" game                |
| 19 Haul in         | 60 TCBY treats             | cap                               | 6 Rigidly           | Kedrova                           | 90 Feeling bliss                   |
| 20 Mendacity       | 61 Bloom                   | 106 Chilling                      | formal              | 53 Sharif of                      | 91 Vane locales                    |
| 21 Nerve           | holder                     | 107 Golfer                        | 7 Thin-screen       | "Funny Girl"                      | 94 Freezes                         |
| 22 Caucus state    | 62 PC pictures             | Trevino                           | boob tube           | 54 No voters                      | 97 Church                          |
| 23 Luau libation   | 63 Fetus feeder            | 108 Batter                        | 8 Plate             | 55 On or about                    | chant                              |
| 24 Hearth          | 65 Kotter of TV            | 110 Taxi readout                  | 9 Practice          | 56 Coup group                     | 98 "lcky!"                         |
| waste              | 66 Juan's "this"           | 111 What the                      | 10 Giant in train   | 57 Morse "E"                      | 99 Full of                         |
| 25 Slight          | 68 Henry                   | double-digit                      | travel              | 58 "That's what                   | melting snow                       |
| residue            | VIII's third               | Roman                             | 11 Petty of film    | — service!"                       | 100 Fiats                          |
| 26 Again           | Catherine                  | numerals at                       | 12 Quiz's kin       | 61 One paid to                    | 101 Spanish                        |
| 27 *Ad Council     | 69 *Tool whose             | the starts of                     | 13 Paella base      | park cars                         | plural article                     |
| bloodhound         | teeth rotate               | the answers                       | 14 Ticked (off)     | 64 Sweet filling                  | 103 — Islands                      |
| 31 Et — (plus      | 72 Costello and            | to the                            | 15 Pfizer drug      | 65 Event invitee                  | (Danish                            |
| more)              | Holtz                      | starred clues                     | 16 Many eras        | 66 Sup at home                    | chain)                             |
| 32 Roly-poly       | 76 Baseballer              | add up to                         | 17 She bleats       | 67 Try to hit, as                 | 104 Least limited                  |
| 33 "I knew it!"    | Slaughter                  | 118 Mud in a                      | 18 Bitingly         | a fly                             | 105 Has a feeling                  |
| 34 Good tidbit     | <b>78</b> Brogan part      | cup                               | cold                | 70 Snow-pure                      | 109 Botch                          |
| 38 Colleague of    | 79 Sloping                 | 121 Haikus, e.g.                  | 28 In thing         | 71 Epic story                     | 112 Goes (for)                     |
| Trotsky            | 81 Bacon piece             |                                   | 29 Chin-wag         | 73 Aloha                          | 113 Blow a horn                    |
| 40 *They don't     | 84 Gone                    | 123 Gooey camp                    | 30 Native           |                                   | 114 Saving sort                    |
| have qwerty        | 85 Antsy feeling           | treats                            | Nebraskan           | <b>74</b> "One," on a             | 115 Arab nation                    |
| layouts            | 86 Color tone              | 124 All tied up                   | 35 Sister of Clio   | U.S. coin                         | 116 Drusilla                       |
| 46 Pen's tip       | 87 *It may show            | 125 Shul scroll                   | 36 Rider, e.g.      | 75 Process unit                   | divorced him                       |
| 48 String after    | acidity                    | 126 Be off                        | 37 Old rulers       | 77 Coll. in                       | 117 Marvel                         |
| Q                  | 90 *Divorcée in            | 127 Unseat                        | 39 Jenna Bush,      | Lower                             | mutants                            |
| 49 Have — of       | 1991 news                  | 128 Like paraffin                 | to Jeb              | Manhattan                         | 118 Shul-goer                      |
| hope               | 92 Min.                    | 129 Lacking pity                  | 41 NBA and          | 80 Filled up                      | 119 Gardner of                     |
| 50 Gp. for fillers | segment                    | 130 Negatives                     | NRA, e.g.           | 81 Cow of ads                     | "The Bribe"                        |
| and drillers       | 93 Segment                 | 131 First phases                  | 42 Crusty roll      | 82 Kitchen filter                 | 120 Nettle                         |

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