

THE CLASSIFIED CHALLENGE

ACROSS

- 1 He wrote "The Eve of St. Agnes"
 6 Avid fan
 9 He wrote "Halloween"
 14 "That's it for me!"
 15 Kyrgyzstan city
 16 "My FBI" author Louis
 17 Drew
 18 Cohort of Curly
 19 Perch, at times
 20 Red Guard leader
 21 1970s radical gp.
 23 Literary assortment
 25 The whole shebang
 26 Peut-__: maybe, in French
 28 Lace place
 30 "Small Wonder" state: Abbr.
 31 Five-pound Staples package, typically
 32 Stellar spectacles
 33 Show anxiety, in a way
 34 Music publisher sold to Universal in 2007
 36 Foreign matter
 38 Westminster Abbey attraction, and one of four in this puzzle
 40 Blockbuster
 42 Backup key
 43 Some hosp. scans
 44 Pentathlon equipment
 46 Sundance Film Festival state
 50 Nutritional stat.
 51 Battery terminals
 52 Maker of the Power Max HD snow blower
 53 Chablis, e.g.
 54 Sydney's state: Abbr.
 55 Rocky hellos
 57 Old Egypt-Syr. alliance
 58 Finishing touch of a sort
 60 Swear words

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67						68				69				

- 62 West African capital
 64 Support aids
 65 Tough mutt
 66 Designer Mizrahi
 67 He wrote "Ash Wednesday"
 68 Intro to zoology?
 69 He wrote the "Convivio"

DOWN

- 1 He wrote "Summer of Love"
 2 Regard as the same
 3 Night light sight
 4 No-win situation
 5 Mfg. guidelines

- 6 Deli request
 7 Private entertainers, briefly?
 8 Texas Revolution battle site
 9 A neighbor
 10 Script add-on
 11 Legendary firefighter
 12 Pay no attention to
 13 He wrote "The Cloud"
 22 Stretches out
 24 Coffee-making portmanteau
 27 Raise in relief
 29 Bounced
 33 Like jigsaw puzzles
 35 "So what"

- 37 Young __
 38 19th-century Italian violin virtuoso
 39 Franz' "NYPD Blue" role
 40 He wrote "The Shooting of Dan McGrew"
 41 Kind of research
 45 Pooh pal
 47 Froot Loops mascot
 48 Ancient docking site
 49 He wrote the "Odes"
 51 Apprehension
 56 Declared
 59 Recent: Pref.
 61 __ process
 63 Gray side: Abbr.

BRIDGE

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH

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

WEST

♠ **8 2**
 ♥ **A K 9 7**
 ♦ **10 5 2**
 ♣ **J 8 7 4**

EAST

♠ **10 7 6**
 ♥ **5 4**
 ♦ **K 9 8 6**
 ♣ **K 9 3 2**

SOUTH

♠ **Q J 9 4 3**
 ♥ **10**
 ♦ **A 4 3**
 ♣ **A 10 6 5**

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Two of ♠

Declarer won the opening trump lead in hand with the nine and had to decide whether to try and ruff two clubs in dummy or set up dummy's hearts. He decided to go after the hearts and led the 10 of hearts at trick two. West won with his king and played a second trump, won perforce in dummy.

South continued with the queen of hearts from dummy, discarding a

club from hand while West won with his ace. West shifted to a low club — queen, king and ace. What now? Should South lead a trump to the table at this point, his contract would fail unless the hearts split 3-3. He could set up the hearts, but would have no quick entry to enjoy them.

Declarer found the solution. He led a low diamond to the board's queen, surrendering a trick to East's king! The defense was stymied. Should East play his last trump, South could ruff a heart, establishing the suit, and return to dummy with the jack of diamonds to cash the good hearts. Should East play a club instead, South would ruff on the table, ruff a heart with the jack of trumps and then lead the queen, drawing the last trump. Again, the jack of diamonds would provide the entry to the good hearts.

There are some fascinating variations that would have ensued had South, instead, elected to ruff two clubs in dummy. We leave it to interested readers to work them out.

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SOLUTIONS TO THURSDAY'S PUZZLES

S	I	T	A	R	C	H	A	I	A	R	I	D
E	M	O	T	E	H	I	N	T	T	A	P	E
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H	O	G	A	N	D	A	I	R	E			
T	H	E	G	R	O	U	N	D	L	I	N	G
T	O	E	S	E	E	K	C	O	O			
A	P	R	O	N	M	I	A	L	E	O		
T	H	I	N	G	S	F	A	L	L	A	P	A
B	O	S	T	U	X	N	E	W	S	Y		
A	N	I	F	E	E	A	S	T	O			
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G	I	R	L	U	S	O	O	U	I			
U	R	S	A	T	H	R	E	E	K	I	N	G
N	O	U	N	I	M	A	N	I	D	E	A	L
C	E	N	T	P	O	S	T	T	O	R	R	E

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

UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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

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

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

JUMBLE

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

PLAPY
○ ○ ○ ○

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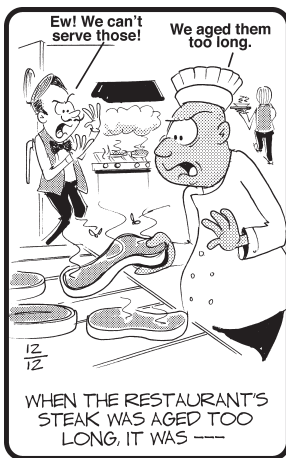
CNPHI
○ ○ ○ ○

SMAGTI
○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

TORESE
○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

Answer: ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



WHEN THE RESTAURANT'S
STEAK WAS AGED TOO
LONG, IT WAS ----

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

ITS ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's | Jumbles: AVOID CHAOS FINALE CHERUB
Answer: The postage stamps featuring the Mt. Rushmore carvings sold for — FACE VALUE

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