

THE CLASSIFIED CHALLENGE

ACROSS

- 1 Many an Amman man
 5 Grab, as ice cubes
 9 Seuss character who "speaks for the trees"
 14 Ship bottom
 15 Auth. unknown
 16 Fit to be tied
 17 Opposed to
 18 Flat-topped elevation
 19 Consumerist Ralph
 20 Rock used for hammering, e.g.
 23 Mousse kin
 24 NBC skit show
 25 Neighbor of Can.
 28 Seasoned veteran
 31 Sneaker brand
 34 Sharper, as vision
 36 One that falls in the fall
 38 Shari Lewis' Lamb Chop, memorably
 40 Media workers' org.
 42 Mentalist Geller
 43 Home of baseball's Marlins
 44 First piece moved in chess, often
 47 Takes a load off
 48 "Incredible!"
 49 __ Piper

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- 51 Half a colon
 52 Blog VIPs
 53 Bubble bath spot
 55 Arctic sea bird
 57 Classic comedy team, with "The" ... and what the last words of 20-, 38- and 44-Across comprise
 63 Mexican mom
 66 Wrap for a sprain
 67 Agatha Christie's title
 68 Universal principle
 69 Letter-named thoroughfares in Bklyn.
 70 Soprano Gluck
 71 Gossipmonger

- 72 Religious offshoot
 73 Ringful on a belt

DOWN

- 1 Triumphant cries
 2 Littlest of a litter
 3 Voice below soprano
 4 Showy jewelry
 5 Fare steamed in corn husks
 6 Ten C-notes
 7 Wine quality
 8 Annoying swarm
 9 Kitchen flooring
 10 Like much early history
 11 "Cool!"

- 12 Had a bite
 13 Gen-__: boomer's kid, usually
 21 Surprised scream
 22 Cleaning up after the mess?
 25 Still owed
 26 Appear that way
 27 Palette user
 28 Inscribed award
 29 Check from the IRS
 30 Films featuring chaps in chaps
 32 Fasten, as buttons
 33 Junkyard metal
 35 Protestant denom.
 37 Let loose

- 39 Fuzzy fruit
 41 Detested thing
 45 Insult
 46 Most shipshape
 50 Lovebirds, e.g.
 54 Software test versions
 56 George Eastman's camera
 57 Easy race pace
 58 Whence icicles hang
 59 Building detail, briefly
 60 Big windstorm
 61 Award for a sitcom
 62 Red and Coral
 63 Mother's Day month
 64 Bough breaker
 65 Racket

JUMBLE

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

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

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GETTING A GOOD DEAL AT A SWAP MEET INVOLVED A LOT OF ---

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

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's | Jumbles: HEAVY TEASE IMPALA CONVOY
 Answer: He would be hired as their new sneakers salesman because he was a — "SHOE"-IN

UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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

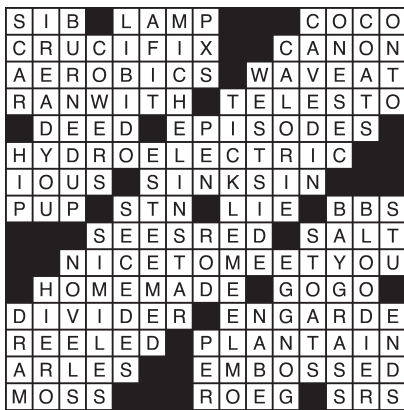
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SOLUTIONS TO SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUNDAY'S SUDOKU



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

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BRIDGE

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH

♠ A K Q 10 5

♥ 8 7 4

♦ 7 4 2

♣ Q 4

WEST

♠ 7

♥ K Q J 9 5 3

♦ J 5 3

♣ 9 3 2

EAST

♠ J 9 8 6 3

♥ 10

♦ A 9

♣ K J 10 7 5

SOUTH

♠ 4 2

♥ A 6 2

♦ K Q 10 8 6

♣ A 8 6

The bidding:

SOUTH 1♦ **WEST** 2♥ **NORTH** 2♠ **EAST** Pass

3♦ Pass 3♥ Pass

3NT All pass

Opening lead: King of ♥

South ducked the opening heart lead, then won the second heart as East discarded a club. Declarer led a spade to dummy's ace and then a diamond toward his hand, winning his king. He crossed back to dummy with a spade to the king, cashed the queen of spades and then led another diamond. East won his ace perforce, but then had to play a black suit. Either a spade or a club would

present South with an overtrick, in theory, but, of course, South rose with his ace of clubs on the club shift — it would have been foolish to allow West any chance of an entry. He had nine tricks and his contract.

The defense was given an opportunity to defeat this contract. Did you spot it? The hold-up play at trick one was a subtle error by South. West had shown six hearts in the auction and the duck wasn't needed to cut the defender's communications. In addition to giving West a chance to switch to clubs, it gave East a chance to make a spectacular play — discard the ace of diamonds!

Declarer would not be able to establish the diamonds without surrendering the lead to West, who had more than enough heart winners to beat three no trump. A declarer with X-ray vision would have some other options, involving some fancy endplay possibilities against either opponent. We will leave it to interested readers to work them out.

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ANSWERS TO SATURDAY'S BRIDGE QUIZ

Q1 - Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ Q 8 3 ♥ 9 5 ♦ A ♣ A 10 8 7 6 5 3

Three passes to you. What call would you make?

A - The combination of high cards and playing strength make this hand worth a one-club opening. Partner is a passed hand, however, and game is unlikely, so we prefer to put some pressure on our opponents. Open three clubs.

Q 2 - Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A J 9 ♥ 10 7 6 2 ♦ K 10 5 ♣ Q 9 2

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
Pass	3♣	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	?	

What call would you make?

A - This hand is worth a jump in response to a takeout double, but don't overlook the fact that partner is a passed hand. Even the three-level may be too high. Bid three hearts.

Q 3 - North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ Q ♥ K 9 6 ♦ A Q 9 5 3 2 ♣ A 7 5

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♦	Pass	3NT*	Pass
?			

*13-15

What call would you make?

A - A four-diamond bid would be a slam try, but can you safely get back to no trump if the slam exploration fails? At match-points especially, it is too dangerous to bid. Slam is only possible, not likely. Pass.

Q 4 - East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ K 7 4 ♥ 5 ♦ A 4 3 ♣ A Q J 10 8 6

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
?			

What call would you make?

A - The great suit makes this hand worth much more than 14 points. Bid three clubs.

Q 5 - North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ K 10 9 6 4 ♥ 2 ♦ J ♣ Q 10 8 7 6 3

As dealer, what call would you make?

A - Three clubs is out — bad suit plus a long major on the side. The correct call is pass, but we once knew a young man who would slide a club in with his spades and open two spades. Hardly anyone ever noticed.

Q 6 - Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ 10 4 2 ♥ 9 5 ♦ 8 6 ♣ K Q J 10 6 2

Partner opens one diamond and right-hand opponent doubles. What call would you make?

A - The only strong action over their double is re-double. A new suit at the two-level is not forcing. Take advantage of this chance to show your great suit. Bid two clubs.

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