FITTING JOBS
By Mark McClain

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Places for reps
Texter's "Mercy me!"
National park near Bar Harbor
14 Make the grade 18 Eté month By way of 20 Hard work 21 Official order 23 Bit of trickery
24 Some urban commuter lines
25 Fitting job for Will?
27 Would rather
30 Pipe piece
31 Anchor in a race
32 Strange craft
332001 Audrey Tautou title role
35 Warble
36 White-coated critter
38 Time lines, perhaps
39 Value of a Benjamin
40 "Sesame Street" network
43 Greyhound, e.g.
44 Hasselblad product
46 Fitting job for Stu?
49 "Parlez-_ français?"
51 Whitman's dooryard bloomers
53 Makes a choice
54 Promising
55 Fennel-like herb
Birdhouse creation Stinging remarks
59 Sign of life
60 Create a new look for
2 Georgia, for one
Notable periods
Darken, say
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Spotted

74 Gothic cathedral feature
75 Not for the masses
77 Long accounts
80 Tournament pass
81 Seesaw sitter of song
83 Beneficial
84 Bit of physics
85 Hayride perch
87 Inveterate critic
89 Entom. and geol.
90 Fitting job for Roger?
93 Archaeologist's proj-
ect
95 Colorful pond fish
96 Supplement, with "to"
97 Bunch
98 Workbench grippers
100 "You __ worry"
102 Eponymous chair maker
104 University lecturer
105 Dallas Cowboys logo
106 One with a flat to fix,
maybe
108 Body art, slangily
109 Is more efficient
113 Fitting job for Bette?
117 Icky stuff
118 English : John :: Slavic
$1 \overline{19}$ Hardly eager anticipation
120 Ill-tempered
121 Keebler spokesman
122 Peter on piano
123 Phishing targets:
Abbr.
124 Hockey rink area
125 Rapper Mos _
126 Became

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1 Williams title role
2 "The Isley Brothers'
"It's __ Thing"

3 Fitting job for Art? 4 She kept Martina from winning a seventh straight Wimbledon in 1988
5 Pitch too eagerly
6 Thickness units
$7 \quad$ It's paid at pumps
8 Swiss landscape feature
9 Negligent
10 Get rid of
11 Paso __: two-step dance
12 George's lyricist
13 Puerto Rico hrs.
14 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" verb
15 "Never__ moment!"
16 Clam-digging area
17 Ticker tapes, for short?
22 Vietnamese holiday
26 Barnum "attraction"
Seemingly forever
29 Plains people
34 Common mass transit requirement
35 Flanged fastener
36 Composer Grieg
37 TV pundit who wrote
"Years of Minutes"
39 "My bad!"
41 Order (around)
42 Scottish isle
45 Celebrate, as the new

## year

47 Bookstore section
48 French vineyards
50 Atlanta-to-Miami dir.
52 Olin of "Chocolat"
56 __ Park, Colorado
58 Precisely
59 Check words
61 Wrath
63 Needing no Rx

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65 Early 20th-century car
68 Atmosphere component
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106 TV screen type
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111 Former filly
112 "I must not think there are / Evils __ to darken all his goodness": Shak. 114 Dopey comrade
115 Miscalculate
116 Reuben basic


By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek


9-4-16

INSTRUCTIONS: Find as many words as you can by linking letters up, down, side-to-side and diagonally, writing words on a blank sheet of paper. You may only use each letter box once within a single word. Play with a friend and compare word finds, crossing out common words.

BOGGLE ${ }^{\circ}$
POINT SCALE

| 3 letters $=1$ point |
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| 4 letters $=2$ points |
| 5 letters $=3$ points |
| 6 letters $=4$ points |
| 7 letters $=6$ points |
| 8 letters $=10$ points |
| $9+$ letters $=15$ points |

YOUR BOGGLE RATING
$151+$ = Champ
101-150 = Expert
61-100 = Pro
31-60=Gamer
21-30 = Rookie
11-20 = Amateur 0-10 = Try again

## Boggle BrainBusters Bonus

We put special brain-busting words into the puzzle grid. Can you find them?
Find SIX COUNTRY CAPITALS ENDING WITH " N " in the grid of letters. Write your answers below.

Answers to Last Sunday's Boggle BrainBusters: AHA AREA ALPHA AORTA ARENA ALPACA AGENDA ANGORA

## SUDOKU

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


DIFFICULTY RATING: $\star \star \star \star \star$


## BRIDGE

North-South vulnerable, South deals.

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| WEST | EAST |
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| $\diamond$ A | $\checkmark$ Q32 |
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The bidding:

| SOUTH | WEST | NORTH | EAST |
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| $1 \diamond$ | 2\& | Pass | Pass |
| $2 \diamond$ | $2 \diamond$ | $\mathbf{3} \diamond$ | All pass |

Opening lead: Ace of $\vee$
Perhaps West should have kept bidding - perfect play would allow him to take 10 tricks in a club contract. He fancied his cards for defense so he chose to try for a plus score by defending.

The ace of hearts lead won the first trick. West then cashed the ace of diamonds and the king of hearts before continuing with a low heart. Declarer ruffed in dummy and, certain that West would not have led
the ace of diamonds from ace-queen doubleton, led a low diamond to his jack. This was a success, but what now?

Should South attempt to ruff his last heart, East would surely overruff and South would still have a club loser for down one. South could cash the ace of clubs and lead a club toward the queen to set that card up, but there was no entry to get to it for a heart discard. After some thought, declarer envisioned an end position that would allow him to bring home his contract.

South cashed the ace of spades followed by every one of his remaining diamonds, starting with the king to draw the last trump, of course. He came down to a three-card ending where he held the 10 of hearts and the ace-six of clubs. West had the queen of hearts and the king-nine of clubs, having cleverly discarded the jack of clubs on the last trump to try to mislead declarer. South made no mistake and exited with the 10 of hearts. West had to win and lead away from his king of clubs. Well played!
(Bob Jones welcomes readers' responses sent in care of this newspaper or to Tribune Content Agency, LLC., 16650 Westgrove Dr., Suite 175, Addison, TX 75001. tcaeditors@tribpub.com)

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## JUNMELS

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


Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.
PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW


## SCRABBLE G A M S

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3rd Letter Double


## PAR SCORE 255-265

BEST SCORE 328


## FIVE RACK TOTAL

$\qquad$ TIME LIMIT: 25 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2- to 7 -letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. Finally, 7 -letter words get 50 point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official SCRABBLE ${ }^{\Sigma}$ Players Dictionary, 5th Edition.
For more information on tournaments and clubs, email NASPA - North American SCRABBLE Players Association info@scrabbleplayers.org. Visit our website - www.scrabbleplayers.org. For puzzie inquiries contact scrgrams@gmail.com.

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## TODAY＇S JUMBLE SOLUTION

SCRABBLEGRAMS SOLUTION

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