

Universal Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 Baking amt.
4 Eatery
serving oyster
shooters
10 Ruffle
14 Not just my
15 Stick like
a sticker
16 Not fooled by
17 Office held by
Emmanuel
Macron
19 Manual
reader
20 Beg
21 Proboscis
monkey's
pride
22 Something
on the line?
23 Harmonize
24 Bio. or chem.
25 Library lineup
27 New starts
30 Block in Fort
Knox
31 Circle : 2D ::
____ : 3D
34 Person with
a helmet,
hopefully
36 Inquiry
37 Symbol of
France
represented
by the ends
of three Down
answers in
this puzzle
38 Native
Nebraskan
42 Illegal
screen, for
instance
43 Princess's
problem
44 HD video
format
46 Bump from
behind
49 Striped
gemstone

50 See 33-Down

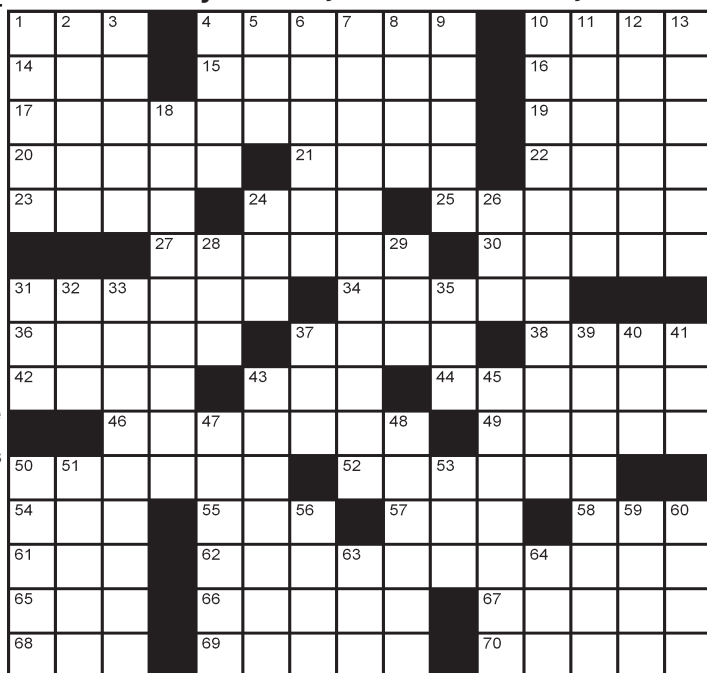
- 52 Imitated
54 Every last bit
55 Previously
57 Small
amount
58 Victorian ____
61 Spanish
relative hid-
den in "Ain't I
a Woman?"
62 July 14
celebration
65 Is in the
past?
66 Male athlete's
boast
67 Savory fruit
with a pit
68 YouTube
interruptions
69 Desist
70 Pinot noir
and pinot
grigio, for two

DOWN

- 1 Trading card
brand
2 Like many
teens
3 Groom like
a bird
4 Group event
in World of
Warcraft
5 Find a sum
6 From where
7 "Knives Out"
sleuth with
a Southern
drawl
8 Surprised
eyebrows'
shapes
9 Spanish
kings
10 2001 movie
musical
featuring a
cabaret
11 Like a hero
who isn't
praised

- 12 Not mono,
perhaps
13 Most achy
18 Exclamation
in 19th-
century Paris
24 NNW's
opposite
26 Math class
treat on
March 14
28 Before, in
poetry
29 "Cheap
Thrills" singer
31 UV-blocking
letters
32 Whiz
33 With
50-Across,
body shape
that narrows
in the middle
35 Cold War
org.
37 Payment
39 Swapped
for a new
model,
maybe
40 Granola
grain

- 41 A blue
whale's is
the size of a
grapefruit
43 ____ ritual
(supersti-
tious sports
routine)
45 Eschewed
the spotlight,
informally
47 Oman's
official
language
48 Finish a
sentence?
50 Mufti's decree
51 Epic poem
that describes
Achilles' rage
53 Friend
56 Workers'
protection org.
59 Party with
glow sticks
60 Votes of
approval
63 "____ but a
scratch!"
64 Youngest
Manning
brother



PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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