

ACROSS

- 1) Official language of India
- 6) Obviously surprised
- 11) Sound like a lovebird
- 14) Chipmunk tidbit
- 15) "Bad, bad" Brown of song
- 16) Sound from the stands
- 17) Prosecuting pooch?
- 19) Letters heard in a crime drama
- 20) Bleat of a sheep
- 21) Command to a pooch
- 23) Using an unspoken language
- 27) Williams with a racket
- 28) Hollowed out, as an apple
- 29) Like a cat of the '40s
- 32) "Carry On Wayward ___"
- 33) Elevator inventor
- 34) Swampland
- 36) Competed in a 10K
- 39) Butter units
- 40) River in Missouri
- 41) Like a skinny-dipper
- 42) Boston time zone
- 43) Word with "gin" or "candy"
- 44) Declare assertively
- 45) Affirmative vote
- 47) Ground layer
- 48) Gallup finding
- 49) Fire stirrers
- 52) Consecrates with oil
- 54) Land once known as Serendip
- 57) Mentally quick
- 58) Command to a collie
- 59) Uncouth steed?
- 64) Hue holiday
- 65) End of MGM's motto
- 66) Per ___ (yearly)
- 67) Foxlike
- 68) Lid swellings
- 69) Locker room groups

DOWN

- 1) Computer in "2001"
- 2) Decorate with frosting
- 3) Holiday concoction
- 4) Lack of excitement
- 5) Like marquetry
- 6) Beer's cousin
- 7) First, reverse or neutral
- 8) Jason's ship
- 9) Surveys of public opinion
- 10) Like spuds with no buds
- 11) Fearful Baltimore footballer?
- 12) Like many an old bucket
- 13) Tara resident
- 18) Put an embargo on
- 22) Spanish gold
- 23) Breadth
- 24) Small amounts
- 25) Starkly realistic feline?
- 26) Haunted house inhabitants
- 30) Muse of poetry
- 31) Asian temple
- 34) Comment from Elsie or Elmer
- 35) D.C. figure, briefly
- 37) "Looks ___ everything"
- 38) Hardly hipsters
- 41) Opera baddie, usually
- 43) Andres Galarraga's hometown
- 46) Sniggler's catch
- 48) Chapeau for Lincoln
- 49) Sibilant attention-getters
- 50) Bay window
- 51) Charger's noise
- 53) How a wee lassie might say "no"
- 55) Pop singer Perry
- 56) Musical India
- 60) Viper's warning
- 61) Genetics lab study
- 62) Altogether number
- 63) Mama has a couple

BITTER CRITTERS

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