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Rise and Shine in the Dogpound

# Max and Spring

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Hello and welcome back to the wonderful world of the Dogpound. You can tell Spring is in the air...all those things that you put off because it was too cold and dark are now coming back to roost. Mine started with my driveway out to the main road. It is not very long, but because it is a private road shared by several of us who live here on the back acres, the county will not touch it. When Spring comes the road turns into a mud rutted course suitable for only four-wheel jeeps. Since I do not own one, I have to plan a zig-zag course around every bone jarring hole, which means driving right on the edge of the gravel hoping not to slide down into the shallow ditches on either side. If I did not have to worry about damaging the undercarriage of my car it would be a fun challenging 30 seconds of driving...but since I do worry about my one and only car...my morning and evening trips are met with two hands on the wheel, gripping the wheel like it is a matter of life or death, and teeth clinched so tight my mouth hurts when I finish. We have had the road graded and resurfaced with gravel, but my neighbors do not see the benefit of having each of these holes filled with large gravel and pounded

into the bed to form a solid foundation. The holes pretty much appear in the same place with each repair lasting maybe through one full round of seasons. I think the holes are where they cleared out the pine trees to make the driveway, and they never bothered filling the holes with anything other than dirt. So I finally had enough and went out and had a truck load of gravel brought out and poured over the worse spots. Of course pouring gravel is not a smooth process so I was out there with rake and shovel trying to smooth out the worse areas. I can tell you this raking gravel is nothing like raking leaves. My back and shoulders certainly let me know the next day that they did not enjoy that exercise one bit. The good news is that we will not have to do that again for another year or two.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

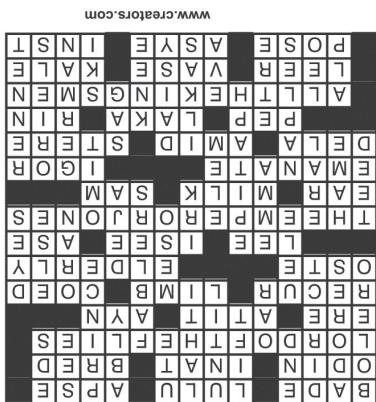
"I'm not a very good sleeper. But you know what? I'm willing to put in a few extra hours every day to get better. That's just the kind of hard worker I am."

—JarodKintz

**WHAT'S GOOD?**

Our family-owned restaurant is the setting for many of our discussions about how to handle the customer who asks, "What's good tonight?" Obviously, we would never serve anything we didn't think was good. I braced myself one Saturday night when I heard the dreaded question posed to my husband. He calmly replied, "Anything over \$17.95."

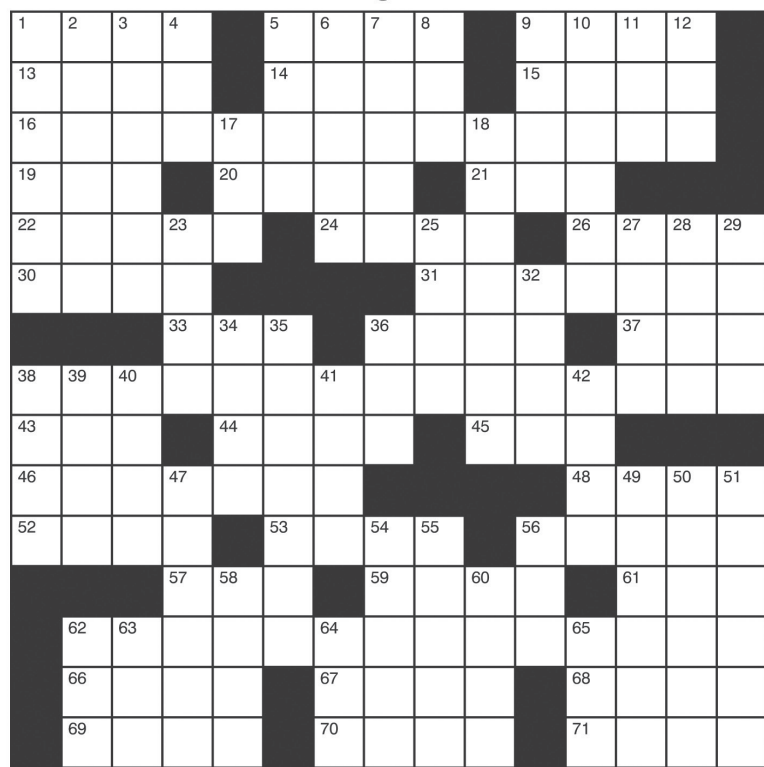
That is all I have for today. As always be good, do good, play safe and remember Spring is not the time to be resting.



RULING CLASS

JR and Max

**Ruling Class**



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By Charles Preston

**ACROSS**

- 1 Commanded
- 5 Berg opera
- 9 Church area
- 13 Chief Norse god
- 14 \_\_\_ the finish
- 15 Sired
- 16 William Golding novel
- 19 Before, to poets
- 20 Busy
- 21 Author Rand
- 22 Happen again
- 24 Branch
- 26 Campus figure
- 30 Italian innkeeper
- 31 On in years
- 33 Bailey or Grant
- 36 Words of comprehension
- 37 Peer Gynt's mother
- 38 O'Neill drama
- 43 Attention
- 44 Cow's offering
- 45 Uncle \_\_\_
- 46 Issue from
- 48 See 10 Down
- 52 Oscar \_\_\_ Renta
- 53 In the center of
- 56 Cubic meter

**DOWN**

- 2 Really likes
- 3 Emulate Kazan
- 4 Remnant
- 5 British elevator
- 6 Wait \_\_\_ Dark: Hepburn movie
- 7 Actress Christine
- 8 Salt Lake City player
- 9 In a competent manner
- 10 With 48 Across, Borodin opera
- 11 Understand
- 12 Begley and Sullivan
- 17 Scull

- 18 Tale tellers
- 23 African river
- 25 "... for the Bible tells \_\_\_"
- 27 Algerian port
- 28 If not
- 29 Changes the color
- 32 \_\_\_ vu
- 34 Austen novel
- 35 Eulogizing inscription
- 36 Trouble
- 38 \_\_\_ off: irate
- 39 Harness part
- 40 Of an age
- 41 Kind of school: abbr.
- 42 Skip
- 47 Italian port
- 49 Bach, for one
- 50 Bay windows
- 51 Milk curdler
- 54 Ms. Chase, et al.
- 55 Judith Krantz's Princess \_\_\_
- 56 Droop
- 58 French infinitive
- 60 Joint
- 62 Matterhorn, e.g.
- 63 Composer Delibes
- 64 A Gabor
- 65 Enjoy the slopes

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