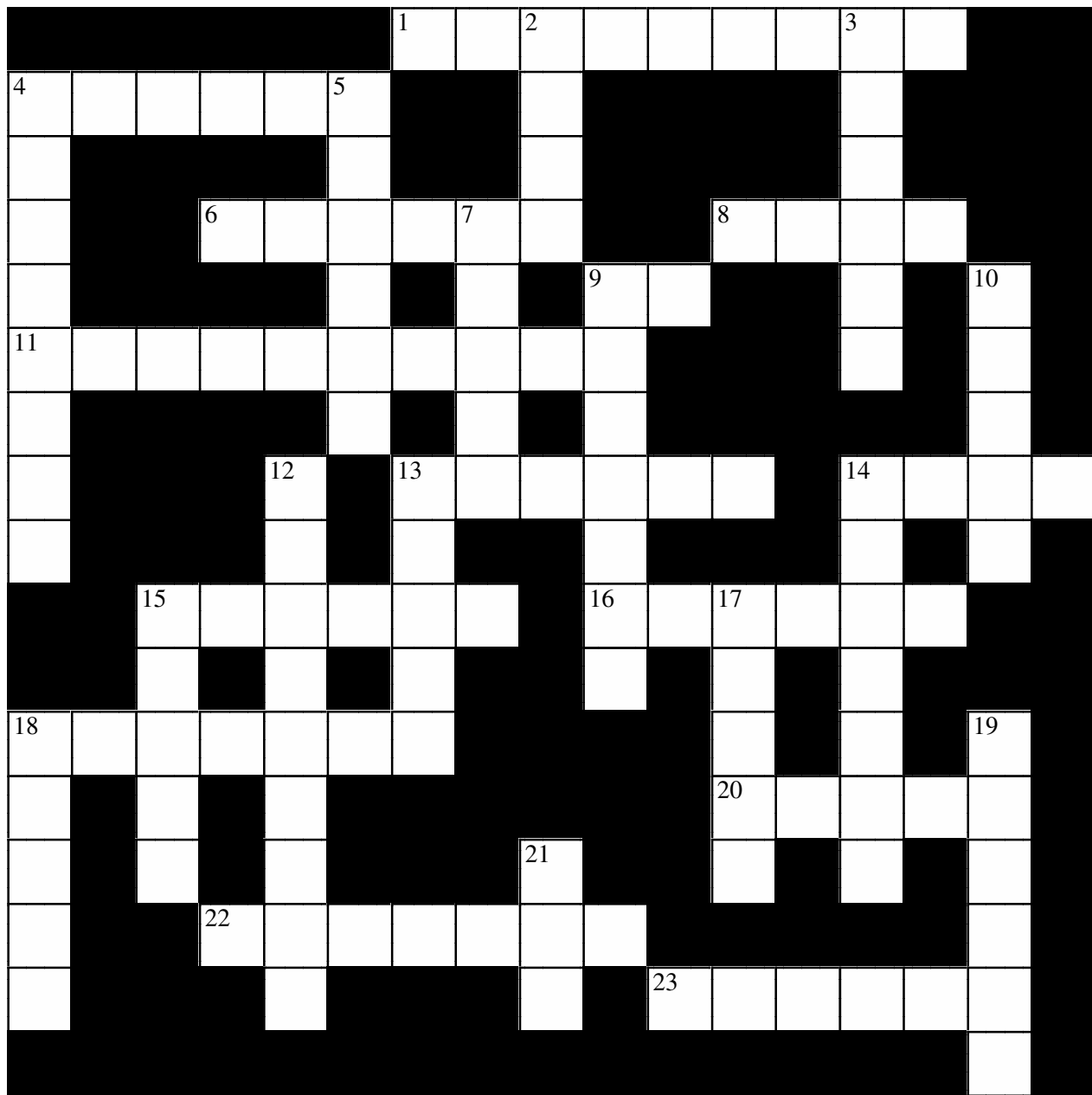


ABA BJ Puzzle of the Week: 10/6/11

Heigh Ho Silver: Puzzle



Gold always seems to get the good press, and more publicity. Think of all those commercials about selling your gold. Piles of necklaces, old rings, etc., in glittering gold, yet only a bare mention that the same place also buys silver. Or so it seems.

This week we give silver a shot at the spotlight. It's been used in coinage and for exchange for centuries, and, at certain points of history, some countries actually based their monetary systems on silver, rather than gold.

Fax your completed puzzle, with name, bank, title, and e-mail, by 5 PM, Wednesday, Oct. 12, to 212-633-1165, to participate in a drawing for a \$25 gift card from Amazon. Good luck! scocheo@sbpub.com

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Heigh Ho Silver: Across Clues

ACROSS

- 1.** Latin for silver is "argentum." That is where this country's name originated. Evita didn't want its populace to cry for her, so the song says.
- 4.** Place in competition commonly identified with silver.
- 6.** Numismatic description of the edges of most U.S. coins beyond the penny and the nickel. Originally a way to prevent people from stealing silver, now this finish is strictly traditional.
- 8.** Description of quarters and dimes U.S. mints nowadays, versus the silver ones of yesteryear.
- 9.** Chemical symbol for silver, it grows on you.
- 11.** In a bad old joke, this westerner who made a call on silver was mistakenly called a "loan arranger."
- 13.** Second half of train name beginning with "Silver" that was title of Richard Pryor-Gene Wilder comedy caper flick.
- 14.** Heavenly body associated with silver in legend and folklore is also reminder that you won't get rich investing in silver if the market craters.
- 15.** Classically, one needed to back one of these with silver, which is cause for reflection.
- 16.** "Got" lots of these? Then you've "got" a lot of silver.
- 18.** Amass a lot of this uncoined silver and you'll be in the money. Add an "o" and you are in the soup.
- 20.** A fellow who manipulates silver for his own and others' ends.
- 22.** Type of old U.S. dime named for the messenger of the Roman gods, the word also refers to a metal once commonly called "quicksilver."
- 23.** Reputedly the only ballistic device that will kill a vampire, if made of silver.

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Heigh Ho Silver: Down Clues

DOWN

2. Which can you not get silver out of? Ore, sliver, or gold.
3. Called "the Silver State."
4. Silver that's 92.5% pure, with either copper or germanium added to make up the rest. Once common reference to British currency.
5. The face value of the U.S. Silver Eagle bullion coin.
7. Spanish coin that was often literally chiseled into pie-like slices. This silver coin's bits became known as "pieces of _____."
9. Greek goddess, known as "The Huntress," adored silver. Leave off one letter and rearrange what's left and you get the plural of a temporal device.
10. Metallurgical name for combinations of silver and other metals that make it better for some purposes, such as jewelry, than it would be in pure form.
12. It is much easier to fix silver in this condition than to amend a reputation so damaged.
13. Item said to be found in the mouth of babes of the wealthy, actually referred to belief it would make kids healthy—if made of silver.
14. Ultra-hard, yet beautiful, form of silver valued by the peoples of Middle-Earth in "The Hobbit" and "The Lord of the Rings."
15. What silver does at 961.93 degrees Centigrade.
17. "Cross my palm with silver" is the classical invitation by a fortune teller of this wandering nation to have one's future told. Save the silver and you might have a better future.
18. What silver does when heated to 2212 Centigrade.
19. Number of pieces of silver commonly used to denigrate a traitor's price. Root of usage is from the Biblical story of Judas.
21. The most common way to find silver in nature, besides spotting old coins fallen in the woods.