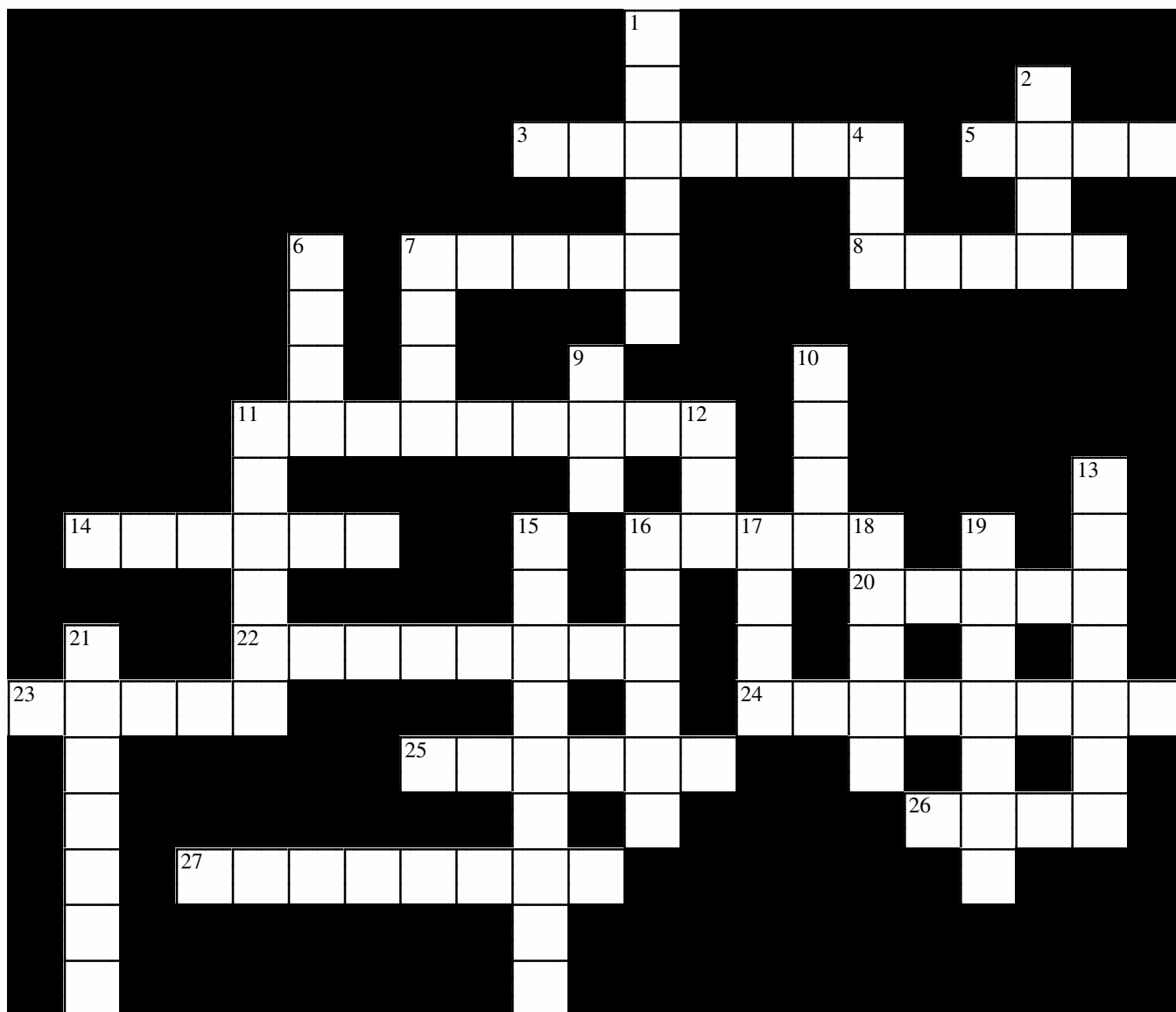


ABA BJ Puzzle of the Week: 4/21/11

Corn!: The Puzzle

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"Golden Corn": Once, it was the wealth of nations. It remains a source of life and livelihood. Many banks finance the corn farmers of America, and others finance livestock farmers who feed corn to hogs and cattle, or finance ethanol plants, which use corn as a feedstock. This week's puzzle contains corn facts, corn puns, corn "porn" (that's a clue), and more. There's more than a kernel of truth here. *Fax completed puzzle, with name, bank, title, and e-mail, by 5 PM, Wednesday, April 27, to 212-633-1165, to participate in a drawing for a game from those made by Bananagrams. (Sorry, no corn game yet.) Good luck! scocheo@sbpub.com*

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Corn!: Across Clues

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ACROSS

3. GMO corn may never come near a cow, but it will still be "_____ Ready."
5. When you've been at the daily grind too long, they say you've been through this. Oddly, corn often has to be processed there to be of practical use to humans.
7. Essential for corn, cause for arrest among humans.
8. The corn farmer's answer to the suburbanite's traveling sprinkler. (For nonfarm bankers, a type of Excel table.)
11. If a murderer of a person commits "homicide," what does a farmer commit when he kills bugs?
14. A corn variety developed by cross-breeding.
16. Traditional combination of farm products, where farmer says he raises "corn and _____."
20. Corn has silk. What do mother cows drink?
22. Shepherds use sheep dogs, so what would corn farmers use?
23. This kind of corn doesn't grow on stalks, but it actually may contain corn syrup.
24. Whether corn prices go up or go down, a lot of it winds up here.
25. Part of how we get corn, and also the word for those funny things on some pairs of loafers and golf shoes.
26. Corn, planted in these, also appears in these.
27. Where young corn sleeps, apparently. Or, in the song "Trouble in River City," in the musical play, "The Music Man," where young boys hide dime novels.

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Corn!: Down Clues

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DOWN

1. A verb when preparing corn, or a nicer-sounding word for frustraion than some might choose.
2. When a corn farmer sighs, but in a nearly inaudible way. Or, a place to store corn.
4. Prefix for corn that's feeling fatherly.
6. This recreational use of corn also happens to be a soundalike for the word the British use when referring to what Americans call "corn."
7. Bad language, obscene photos, or a fungus that attacks corn. An anagram-minded farm banker might recommend Tums to a farmer with a crop afflicted with it.
9. A three-letter method for turning corn into portable protein.
10. How a farm lender protects the bank's interest when a corn farmer borrows.
11. Farmers aren't usually thought of as swashbucklers, but when they use patented seeds from their own crops, they can be accused of seed _____. Arggh, matey!
12. From the musical "Oklahoma": "The corn is as high as an elephant's _____."
13. When a farmer doesn't tend to these properly in the field, his banker may see them appear in his brow, in the mirror.
15. Popular term for corn likker, that's out of this world.
16. Another word for 64 pints of corn.
17. 4,840 square yards of corn.
18. The kind of corn most people eat on the cob, or, the word a corn farmer would use when he finds out the price of corn per bushel has doubled.
19. What happens when corn makes a fuel of itself.
21. The old red tractor brand that plays prominently in the recent www.ababj.com story and slideshow, "The Tractormen."

For Down 21: To check out "The Tractormen" to find that clue, go to this speedlink:
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