

Solution to Puzzle #201 — March, 2018 "Far-fetched"

C	O	R	A	T	A	L	E	N	T	T
U	R	E	N	A	M	O	N	G	C	A
R	E	G	O	L	E	M	E	L	E	C
T	R	O	N	I	B	E	R	A	L	T
A	R	N	T	M	I	N	G	S	M	I
L	E	R	I	P	L	E	Y	S	S	C
R	I	M	L	E	G	A	L	F	E	M
O	R	A	L	D	E	S	E	R	V	E
D	E	N	Y	E	A	T	P	E	E	N
E	D	C	A	S	D	E	T	E	R	A
B	O	E	S	C	A	R	O	S	E	L

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell
BELIEVE IT OR NOT

Across

- CO(B)RA
- TALENT
- TUR(E)EN
- AMONG
- CARE
- GOLEM
- ELECTRON
- (L)IBERAL
- TARN
- T(I)MING
- SMILE
- RIPLEY'S
- SCRIM
- LEGAL
- FEMORAL
- DESERVE
- DENY
- EAT
- PEENED
- CAS(E)
- DETER
- ABO(V)E
- SCAR(E)
- OSEL

Down

- CURTA(I)L
- RODE
- BORER
- RE(T)IRED
- OREGON
- R(O)MANCE
- ANON
- TILLY
- AST(R)AL
- IMPEDES
- CAME
- BILGE
- (N)ADAL
- OMEN
- EASTER
- ENERGY
- LEPTON
- GLASS
- FREEST
- CEL(O)M
- SEVERE
- TACTIC
- MEN(T)AL

Kevin Wald solved the puzzle in 27 minutes.

"Far-fetched" solvers

(The first ten are listed in the order their solutions were received, the others alphabetically.)

1. Stephen Throop – Grover, NC
2. Henry Cook – Chicago, IL
3. Cathy Childs – Pompano Beach, FL
4. Dave Kaplan – New City, NY
5. Joe Schrader – Hillsboro, OR
6. Steve Wozniak – Encinitas, CA
7. Greg Hartgraves – Bellingham, WA
8. Al Sanders – Fort Collins, CO
9. Rick Kasten – Alexandria, VA
10. Dina Fertig – Cherry Hill, NJ

Judy Adamski – Jenison, MI
Dale Ashworth – San Francisco, CA
Ed Brody – Cambridge, MA
Joe Cabrera – Boston, MA
Jim Christenson – Port Townsend, WA
Al Damm – Marshall, WI
Diane Danish – Phoenix, AZ
David Durfee – Bennington, VT
Keith and Elizabeth Falkner – Sarasota, FL
Paul Fees – Cody, WY
Joe Fendel – Berkeley, CA
Stan Francuz – Somewhere in Australia
Warren Fraser – Brighton, Ontario, Canada
Lewis Gee – Poway, CA
Max Goodman – Lake Buena Vista, FL
Michael Green – San Francisco, CA
Steve Gunter – Raleigh, NC
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Richard Harrison – Portland, OR
Dick Holmes – Lake Bluff, IL
Ken Johnson – Springfield, MO
Ralph Jones – Aurora, CO
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Sue Roberts – Tucson, AZ
Joe Rogers – Old Greenwich, CT
Mordy Rosen – Berkeley, CA
Michael Savitz – Newton, MA
Arthur Schless – Unionville, PA
Dino Schweitzer – Divide, CO
Wayne Scott – Jamaica Plain, MA
Callie and Bob Smith – Massena, NY
Ariela Sofer – McLean, VA
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