

Decomposition

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ACROSS

1. Ventilates
5. Air rifle ammo
8. American tennis tournament whose name refers to the fact that it's not "closed" to amateurs or professionals
14. Sobers up
16. Grammatical unit
17. Iron?
18. Cease to hold back, as breath?
19. Dried-brick building material
20. "So a horse walks into ___, and..." (joke introduction)
22. Reel holder
23. Not prudent
27. Like a former major league sports arena?
30. Cease to exclude the (British?) public?
34. Genetic messenger
35. Handling the problem
37. Fauna counterpart
38. Female name the first two letters of which are a common male nickname
40. Remove female underwear?
43. Dirty stuff
44. Tax-cheat's fear
46. Liquid samples
48. US number-issuing org.
49. Remove male underwear?
52. Darken?
54. Came through the door, redundantly
56. Computer key for emergencies
59. ___ butter (fat used in skin treatments)
60. Italian Paul
64. Dust?

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 66. Like this and eight other answers in this puzzle? 69. Indifferent to right and wrong 70. Hematite source 71. Juveniles 72. Rowboat need 73. Norms, abbr. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Late-night pioneer Jack 12. "Salus populi suprema lex ___" (Missouri motto) 13. Require 15. Appear that way 21. Auction action 24. Await resolution 25. Garfield's fellow pet 26. Cartoon frames 27. Fear greatly 28. Word which means (and if you change two letters is) "endow" 29. Provider of something to sleep on at night, something to eat in the morning, briefly 31. Guarantee of the absence of a certain flavor enhancer 32. Flatten 33. Bother persistently 36. There are two in an oz. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 39. Suffix for million or billion 41. Use as a conveyance 42. Imitated mockingly or mindlessly 45. Badge worn by a lawman in a western 47. Like a shoe that requires no lace or buckle 50. Merman and Barrymore 51. Monetary charge 53. "Babe ___" (very young child) 55. Source of broadcast sound 56. Red-coated cheese 57. Big truck 58. "Let's go!" 61. Leave out 62. Give to temporarily 63. Poems of praise 65. Gold; Sp. 67. Period 68. In behalf of |
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DOWN

1. "___ pinch of nutmeg" (recipe direction)
2. Angry
3. Puerto ___
4. Croatia rival
5. Feathery neckwear
6. Train or plane alternative
7. Wrongfully possess oneself of
8. Replace the obsolete with the current
9. Lawman wearing a badge in a Western
10. Planet or eye