ANSWERS AND SOLUTIONS

Look Back!       A. Ross Eckler

billingsgate, whippet, shamrock, limpid, legend, Maimonides, lesson, electron, expectorations, pumpkin,
damnation, settee

Sudoku Patterns  Christopher McManus

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Eckler Enigmas       Jeremiah Farrell and Karen Farrell

1) FIVE  E is letter 5, C is letter 3, etc.
2) inner circle ACOFIS, outer circle HLRETK, leading to LASK FIKE COLE CHAR
   FORT THIS and ROC FOE FIT SKI ASH LAC. Another near-solution has the
   non-Websterian (but somewhat familiar) ROLF (as in ROLFING) with inner
   AFOCIS and outer circle KRELTH
3) CLEG / HERO / ISAR / TASK
4) upper left LEES OKRA REIT LORE EKES ERIC
   upper right RESH ERIE TALI ERT SILO HEIR
   lower left OARS FRET TEES SOFT AARE TREE
   lower right ALSO TOES ETAS CLOT ASEA LOSS
   long words ESCALATOR SATIRICAL SATANISTS RETALIATE

Canadianisms?       Andy Liu

Find these words concealed in the various sentences.

CANADA
OTTAWA
VICTORIA
NOVA SCOTIA
ALBERTA
CALGARY
MANITOBA
ONTARIO
QUEBEC
Where They Are Coming From  Leonard R. N. Ashley


I See Where You Are Coming From  Leonard R. N. Ashley


Anamronics  Jeff Myers

1. Here are some possible anamronics for PARENT (and possible rationales): SHOT HIS GIRL (based on a local news story), GRILL'S HOT! (Dad likes to barbecue), HIS GOTH GIRL (if GOTH means something to you), or LIGHT TROTS (Mom likes to jog). The important thing is to have it make sense to you. One published anamonic is LORI* IS RIGHT. To me it means nothing but to the author it may be perfect.

If your anamonic contains each of G, H, I, L, O, R, S, and T and if it does not contain any other letter of the alphabet, then it is solid.

2. DETAIN: I have recently switched from DISRUPT FIRM'S VP to DISRUPT MUFTI'S VISIT, but I am still searching.

3. GRINDLE: GIRDLE has an anamonic phrase of "SWADDLE EUDORA*" which does not contain an N, so GRINDLE is definitely not legal.

4. ROADIE: *LOADS VIXENS seems to be the classic.

5. NATIONS + 1 letter... = F: FONTINAS; E: ENATIONS, SONATINE; N: SANTONIN, C: ACTINONS, CANONIST, CONTAINS, SANCTION, SONANTIC; A: SONATINA; B: ANTISNOB; L: ANTLIONS; P: PINTANOS; S: ONANISTS
6. Only COVARIATES might be good -- and is, along with its anagram VARICOSE. The other four cannot be valid because they violate the anamonic in parentheses: BOVARIES (OVARIES), RATLINER (LATRINE), ATELONIC (TOENAIL), PURATINE (PAINTER)

7. One memorable anamonic for RESTAGE is MEN RENTED BETTER SET.

8. No. P is not in the anahook set for RESTAGE in Q7 above.

9. One published solution is: LAUGHABLE SMOKY CLOUDS. How about DOUGHBOY MEEKLY BEACHES? Or go a weird tiny change: BALDY EAGLE DOUBLES BACK HOME.

10. My new phrase is SYLPH LIKES TUTU TATTOOS (because I can remember the silly sound of the last 2 words); I haven't seen anything published so far for the classic version, but HUSKILY OUTLEAPS would work.

Kickshaws-Single-letter Symbols for Chemical Elements  
David Morice

Q1: BIOPSY, BOUNCY, COUSIN, FUSION, SPUNKY and UNPICKS are among the common six-letter words with no repeated letters, though the longest seems to be the eight-letter WICKYUPS, courtesy of Webster’s Second.
Q2: Allowing repeated letters, the longest seems to be INCONSPICUOUS.
Q3: Pr-Os-Ti-Es is a four-symbol example; and Th-Er-Mo-Ci-In-Es is a six-symbol example.

Kickshaw – Signature Puns Strike Home  
David Morice

In order reading across: Martin Gardner, Dmitri Borgmann, Howard Bergerson, David Morice, Richard Lederer, Darryl Francis, Jeff Grant, John Hoigate, James Puder, Stuart Kidd, Rex Gooch

Who You Gonna Call?  
Marc Allan

1. Miranda
2. Fox News
3. Idi Amin
4. Ishmael
5. George Bush
6. Jay Leno
7. Madonna
8. Baghdad
9. Rosie Lover
10. Dick Cheney

Distinct Dozens  
Steve Kahan

1. HOUSEWARMING
2. QUESTIONABLY
3. AMBIDEXTROUS
4. UNFORGIVABLE
5. EXPURGATIONS
6. CONSIDERABLY
7. METALWORKING
8. THUNDERCLAPS
9. MALNOURISHED
10. LEXICOGRAPHY
11. OUTSPREADING
12. DEMONSTRABLY
13. BANKRUPTCIES
14. MENDACIOUSLY
15. UPHOLSTERING
16. PRODUCTIVELY
17. DEMOGRAPHICS
18. UNPROFITABLE
19. STENOGRAPHIC
20. DISREPUTABLY

Consecutive Palindromic Triads

1. antlAIRCraf t
2. bEHEST S
3. callLALILles
4. contRARIWise
5. cremE DE CACao
6. critICISMS
7. crosS-STITCH
8. dIVINING
9. UKULELe
10. hOMOERECTus
11. ADAMSMith
12. LOuSIANA
13. nEMESIS
14. POPEBEnedict
15. pRORATA
16. prECEDED
17. synNONEMY
18. therMOMETEr
19. thingAMABOB
20. TrINIDAD
21. uNANIMity
22. whOSOEVER
23. FIFTY Two
24. YOKO ONO
25. PAPARAZzI
Signature Spoonerisms


