

# ANSWERS AND SOLUTIONS

## SOME CAPITAL STATES by Faith Eckler

1. Trenton RENT NOT 2. Dover ROVED 3. Boston TO SNOB 4. Sante Fe SAFE TAN 5. Raleigh HIRE GAL 6. Baton Rouge U-BOAT GONER 7. Tallahassee HAS LATE SALE 8. Nashville HILL AVENS 9. Sacramento CRANE MOATS, ARCANÉ TOMS 10. Montgomery GYRO MOMENT, TOMMY GONER 11. Montpelier PRONE 1 MELT 12. Madison DAMON 15, NO MIDAS 13. Albany LAB NAY 14. Providence PROVEN DICE

## FUNNY PLURALS by Chris Cole and Dan Tilque

Necropolis-Necropoli

## HE'S A DIRTY BIRD by Mary Craig

Paragraph 1: blue jay, wren, raven 2: gull, bittern 3: auk, bob white, grouse, puffin, myna 4: booby, yellow-bellied sapsucker, quail, loon, gooney, nuthatch, albatross, junco, creeper, duck 5: grebe, coot, condor 6: rook, rail, flicker, pigeon, sparrow, swallow 7: cassowary, goose, cuckoo, vulture, pheasant, mocking bird, crane 8: gannet, toucan, guinea, stilt 9: stork, cockateel, crow 10: warbler, hummingbird, kestrel 11: flycatcher, blackbird, grackle 12: snipe, shrike, kite 13: swift, cardinal, eagle 14: (no birds) 15: roadrunner 16: oriole, hawk 17: parrot, egret, magpie 18: bobolink, chickadee, owl, waxwing 19: turkey, swan, (wood)-pecker, ibis, scaup, grosbeck 20: robin 21: (sand)piper 22: thrush 23: ostrich, plover, petrel 24: lark, tern 25: towhee 26: heron, emu

## KICKSHAWS by Dave Morice

**Triennium of the Palindrome** For Roman palindromic years, the longest string is from 111 BC to 111 AD; for Arabic, 9 BC to 9 AD. The year 1000 was M AD, and 500 and 50, D AD and L AD.

**Old Saws in New Clothes** time flies; look before you leap; knowledge is power

**Romancing the Numbers** There are 1495 Romantic numbers, none self-referential (except for ZERO which has no Roman numeral). No pair of number names have equal Arabic and Roman sums. The largest Romantic number is 44,099; the largest Roman numeral is MLV, which can be found in several number names from 1,055 to 44,055. However, note that 1nfln1ty beats them all!

**Tragic Square** The magic constant is Unhappiness, while the letter totals (forming a rhopallic sequence) are magic, also.

**Exe** YOU=EWE, 1=EYE. Squeeze EXE in, and you have eWe, eXe, eYe.

The Thirteenth Floor In "Anagram Crackers" the palindrome is hidden in the dialog "She opts to STOP POTS AT A TOP'S SPOT." / "A TOP'S SPOT AT A--?" / "STOP POTS for Alister!"

MISSISSAUGA, CANADA'S ODDEST CITY by Howard Richler

Mickey Mouse

*OBoy!*

*Morice*

