

Mystery Theme

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Across

- Asteroids maker
- Start of a conclusion
- Snow day construction, maybe
- Subject of Plato's "Euthyphro"
- Had a brawl
- Coarse file
- Instrument in a wind quintet
- Prefix with arthritis
- Bygone sportscaster with a statue outside Wrigley Field
- Narrow inlets
- Exams for jrs.
- The lowest caste in "Brave New World"
- Actor/singer who voiced Wheezy the Penguin in "Toy Story 2"
- Lens
- Pique condition
- Squirrel away
- Presidential initials.
- Artificial leg?
- Big Mouth Billy, notably
- Springy?
- Hebrew month of Moses' birth
- Pucker-producing
- It may be passed around on 4/20
- Lansing-to-Flint dir.
- iPhone feature
- Personal narratives, briefly
- High
- Revolutionary animals in "Animal Farm"
- Mascara target
- In an extraordinary way
- Spreadsheet elements
- Story that's "to be continued"
- "Jason and the Argonauts" role
- Chestnut
- ___ Lama
- First woman to be named Attorney General
- Lake Geneva spa
- Disparager of seniors
- Floating dugout
- "Jeopardy!" tidbit
- Dejected
- Nursery activity
- "Prince of the Humanists"

- Song and dance, e.g.
- Series opener?
- Toiletry item
- Bullfight chant
- ___ Paulo, Brazil
- Expressions with colons
- Hot stuff
- Minor setback
- Knew
- Online news source
- Succumb to pressure?
- Kind of testing
- Abbr. on a brick
- It's water resistant
- One whose business is taking off?
- Author of "DemoCRIPS and ReBLOODlicans: No More Gangs in Government"
- Acted like a scaredy-cat
- "West Side Story" role
- Grammy winner Cohn
- "The Lion of the Senate"
- As a whole
- Chiwere speaker
- Shade of black
- Ancient Aegean region
- Metallic fabrics
- Used a firehouse pole
- Roll call call
- Broke off

Down

- Flu symptom
- Mouth, slangily
- Simple folks don't put them on
- Hoist again, as a sail
- Tennyson's "___ of the King"
- Send, as a message
- "Hardy" follower
- "Miracle on Ice" team
- Johanna who wrote Heidi
- Hold back
- Village Voice award
- Sound heard after scoring a touchdown
- Hospital work
- Hollow pastry
- Mint, e.g.
- Catchall abbr.

- Chapeau's perch
- KC Royals manager Ned
- Chesterfield or ulster
- Space ball
- Hearing aid?
- Generous slice of the pie
- Shoe part
- Driver's license info.
- Talk show host who asked the question, "If heaven exists, what would you like to hear God say when you arrive at the pearly gates?"
- H.S. class
- Living room piece
- Putty or caulk
- Singer who wrote "I'm a Believer" and "Red Red Wine"
- British Ford
- Ease
- Some legal papers
- Agony
- Fishing lure
- Blue moon, e.g.
- "___ recall ..."
- Make sure
- Hips
- Journey ending at Mecca
- Kind of gland
- Of the same age
- Concise in speech
- Reversible fabric
- Where Greeks met Greeks
- Land
- You can dig it
- UNHCR predecessor
- Depression
- Squishy lump
- ___ Bator, Mongolia
- Dreamcast maker
- Fox series with Alfred E. Neuman in the opening credits
- Masterstroke
- Fixes weatherproofing, say
- Led to the Dark Side, say
- Slow flow
- Get cozy
- La Brea goo
- ___ gin fizz

- 103. Oberlin native, to an Oberlin student
- 106. Audition tapes
- 108. Stick in a box
- 110. Join securely
- 111. Corner square in Monopoly
- 112. Home to the Castello di Lombardia
- 113. "Anna and the King of ___"

- 114. Abbr. in many org. names
- 115. "Star Trek: The Next Generation" empath
- 117. Cleave
- 118. Falco on TV
- 119. Twosome
- 123. "We hire everyone," for short
- 124. "The Beastmaster" role played by Marc Singer and Daniel Goddard



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