

## Bryant Park Reading Room Coffee \& Crosswords

 at the Bryant Park Reading Room, a lovely outdoor corner of the famed park in Midtown Manhattan, just behind the main branch of the New York Public Library. Solvers in this Puzzability event competed on three puzzles by Mike Shenk. The winner of this inaugural tournament was Francis Heaney, with Bob Mackey in second place and Suzie Spaulding in third.For the second Bryant Park tournament in September 2017, we added a championship final, a warm-up puzzle, and two skill divisions for this Coffee \& Crosswords event: Espresso and Cappuccino. All puzzles were again by Mike Shenk. The 2017 tournament was won by Andy Kravis, with Glen Ryan in second place and Bob Mackey in third. Cappuccino Division winners were Nancy Taubenslag in first, Vicki Eastus in second, and Dan Chall in third.

All eight puzzles in those 2016 and 2017 events are gathered here. To re-create the full experience, solve them in a park with pigeons and the occasional nearby siren. We hope you enjoy these puzzles.

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## PUZZLE 1: Bookkeeping

## ACROSS

1 "You $\qquad$ Hurry Love"
5 Barbershop sound
9 Consigliere's group
14 "That wasn't supposed to happen"
15 "That's just hilarious"
16 In $\qquad$ (hurrying)
17 "Pride (In the Name of Love)" singer
18 Reviled czar
19 Broad valleys
20 Perry Como song that says "It's fun to wander through the alphabet"
23 Broker's advice
24 "Groundhog Day" director Harold
25 Readily accessible
28 Eschew Uber, in a way
31 Performed brilliantly
32 Proctor's call
33 Where Usain Bolt won his last three gold medals
34 Computer's hexadecimal identifier
38 Lowish USN rank
39 Pixar film set in Radiator Springs
40 Lively folk dances
41 Beanlike parts of catalpa trees
44 "The Other Side of Midnight" writer Sheldon
45 Manager Joe with four World Series titles
46 Glade grazer
47 She sank off Nantucket in 1956
52 Fanny pack setting
53 Venom dispenser
54 Rhames of "Pulp Fiction"
55 Marie Curie's Nobelist daughter
56 Approximating words
57 $\qquad$ homo" (words from Pilate)
58 First family when the Titanic sank

59 Bassoon part
60 Book, informally (which is found in the three Iong Across answers)

DOWN
1 Where the mambo and rumba originated
2 Call from a cutter
3 Dessert for a dieter, e.g.
4 Meaning of kilo-
5 Police badge
6 Like some blockades
7 "If $\qquad$ a Hammer"
8 Scenic views
9 Monsieur's wife

10 Peninsula bordered by the Persian Gulf
11 YouTube video viewing option
12 "So that's it!"
13 Massage recipient's sounds
21 Magazine mailing plea
22 Did an autumn chore
25 Hibachi waste
26 Scottish baron
27 Marshal's collar
28 Stadium levels
29 Usher's place
30 Overbearing
32 Got in a swap

35 Squirrel's prize
36 Helped with the dishes
37 Playground game with two teams
42 Neglects to
43 Talks foolishly
44 Neptune, e.g.
46 Tightly packed
47 "Gone With the Wind" plantation
48 Valuable to a collector
49 Paella base
50 Machu Picchu native
51 Like some wines and cheeses
52 Humor


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## PUZZLE 2: Tree's Company

## ACROSS

1 Bar mitzvah figure
6 Bollywood costume
10 Racket
14 Disgruntled employee's cry
15 Dash
16 Attire for a senator, say
17 Part of a birch used for boxing practice?
19 Give off
20 Served on a jury
21 "Could I have your attention please?"
22 Wolflike
24 Do a checkout chore
25 Coat feature
26 Part of a sycamore starting to stir?
30 "This can't be good!"
31 Scrubbed, as a mission
32 Word often following 46-Down
35 Suffers with sibilants
37 Whole bunch
38 Mother-in-law of Ruth
40 Mauna $\qquad$
41 It covers all the bases
43 Place for busy hands
44 Part of a poplar that's playing truant?
49 Authenticate
50 Ketch cousin
51 Region that's about the same size as Brazil
52 Sister of Poseidon
53 Clear, in a way
56 Brewpub concoctions
57 Part of a cottonwood belonging to Kobe?
60 Without a doubt
61 Address for a baroness
62 Willow or Holly in Buckingham Palace, e.g.
63 Follow
64 It has a duel purpose
65 Brother of 52-Across

DOWN
1 Pants problems
2 Turquoise kin
3 Suicide squeeze part
4 Pen name
5 Cornell's home
6 Sister of Venus
7 School donor, often
8 Avoided a fight
9 Suggestion
10 Intervene
11 Trailer words
12 Winery process
13 Significant other
18 Prepare for roasting

23 Northern side
24 Where do you get off?
25 Rocker Russell
26 Winning streak
27 River to Cairo
28 Words on many convenience store window stickers
29 Publisher with a borzoi colophon
33 Product first available in Bondi Blue
34 Solemn act
36 Flight unit
37 Greeks-bearing-gifts setting

39 III-fated shepherd
42 Pleasant to talk to
45 No longer readable, in a way
46 Order acknowledgment
47 Animal house
48 Seamstress's sample
49 Put stock in
51 Merit badge holder
52 Remorseless alter ego
53 Poet-singer
54 Drive
55 Aspen pair
58 Common music
59 Frilly accessory


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## PUZZLE 3: Taking the Title

## ACROSS

1 Afghan constitution
5 Pan, e.g.
10 Hysterical happening
14 What Washington couldn't tell
15 Ike's opponent
16 In times past
17 Catches by Arctic infielders?
19 What la guillotine removes
20 Delicate shades
21 Neighbor of Flanders
23 Handle
24 Big number, often
25 Competitions for gunslingers?
29 Sixth of a fl. oz.
32 Asgard chief
33 Ferret's cousin
34 Antlered animal
36 "With a Little Help From My Friends" singer
39 Member of a sinful septet
40 Helvetica look-alike
42 Hardship
44 Jazz saxophonist Gordon, familiarly
45 Animal flirting with its charmer?
49 Brother of Lucrezia Borgia
50 Hindquarters
53 24th film in a longrunning series
55 Tie pattern
57 "Toodles!"
58 Sign at an old video store?
60 Brain acquirer of film
61 Without letup
62 Citation abbr.
63 Surrealist Magritte
64 Pay periods, often
65 Sprawl comfortably

## DOWN

1 Raucous cry
2 Rap sheet datum
3 Dentist directive
4 Brought home
5 Minuteman parts
6 Exchanged words
7 Not sing.
8 Has leftovers, maybe
9 Ascendant
10 Kitchenette cooker
11 "Be right there"
12 Square root of sexaginta quattuor

13 Many a fake ID user
18 In after having been out
Olympus Mons setting
24 Back
26 Funny fellow
27 Icicle spot
28 Dante's Tower of Anger was on its banks
29 Lose one's aloofness
30 Rawalpindi wrap
31 Brown alternative
35 Parting words
37 Flying Cloud maker
38 Gives a marketing makeover

41 Lean to the side
43 Celtic priest
46 Shoe specification
47 "The Quiet American" writer
48 Heineken subsidiary
51 "Apologia Socratis" author
52 Calyx component
53 Recipe instruction
54 Hospital summons
55 Like a breast cancer awareness ribbon
56 Raucous cry
59 Like a new bairn


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## WARM-UP: What's Happening?

## ACROSS

1 They may be bruised or stroked
5 Not speaking to, perhaps
10 Authoritative decree
14 Tibia or fibula, for example
15 $\qquad$ vincit amor" ("Love conquers all")
16 Not busy
17 With 29-Across, sponsor of today's event
19 Genuine
20 Duo tripled
21 Go to sea
23 Pizzeria in "Do the Right Thing"
25 Umpire's call
26 Sunscreen letters
29 See 17-Across
35 They're rolled out for rainouts
37 Boggy area
38 $\qquad$ Baron Cohen ("Borat" star)
39 Banned apple orchard spray
40 Gardner of "Mogambo"
41 Sorrowful drop
42 Wildly energetic
44 Barbecue item
45 Chicago footballers
46 Company running today's event
49 Slangy denial
50 Do the wrong thing
51 Chinese secret society
53 With 62-Across, today's event
57 Major arteries
61 Skater's turning jump
62 See 53-Across
65 Letter before gamma
66 Bank robbery
67 Show sorrow
68 Unforeseen problem
69 Canterbury collection
70 Letterman rival

DOWN
1 Diminishes
2 Clinton's veep
3 Cameo stone
4 Does a theater usher's job
5 Mark with blotches
6 Electric guitar hookup
7 Genetic stuff
8 Broadcasts
9 Accept, as responsibility
10 Excellent
11 A light bulb may symbolize one
12 Jai $\qquad$

13 Act the snitch
18 Approaches
22 Pulls gently
24 Serengeti expedition
26 Passport endorsement
27 Pacific island nation
28 Composer Liszt
30 New Jersey hockey player
31 Shortly
32 Neptune's domain
33 Southern belle Scarlett
34 Boggy area
36 Item hoisted on a regatta-winning yacht
43 Give a hoot

45 After all this time
47 "The Threepenny Opera" playwright Bertolt
48 Raises a glass to
52 Canine threat
53 Much Manhattan traffic
54 The yoke's on them
55 Greek cheese
56 Mitchell of NBC News
58 Arbor Day planting
59 Yemen port
60 Nickname of hockey great Phil
63 Saudi export
64 Dir. opposite NNW

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## PUZZLE 1: Book Nook

## ACROSS

1 Experts at low pitches
6 Novel idea?
10 Messengers in the wizarding world
14 "The Novel of the Future" writer Nin
15 Beastly abode
16 Wrestling event
17 Handbook written with a slyly derisive tone?
19 Tolstoy's Karenina
20 Unrevealed asset
21 "Punk'd" host Kutcher
23 Senate garment
24 Senate-covering network
25 Logbook that covers only March through May?
29 Lukewarm
30 Nashville attraction
31 Chasing game
33 Bound
34 Fine
36 Carved representation of a Polynesian god
37 PC's brain
38 Senate staffer
39 Like burlap and basketwork
40 Textbook with fewer pages than the others?
44 Cat Nation people
45 Tombstone name
46 Felt sorry for
48 Late
52 Kitchen invaders
53 Daybook filled with passionate passages?
55 Prairie Provinces tribe
56 Gumbo need
57 Liberate from bondage, perhaps
58 Hardy title character
59 Payment on Park Place
60 Spoils the surprise, in a way

DOWN
1 Gala event
2 __Domini
3 Join the regatta
4 Cruise jaunt
5 Motion response
6 Like mice and men
7 Deposited
8 End for planet or meteor
9 There's money in it
10 Warren Buffett, notably
11 Was a bad anthropologist, maybe
12 Fallon's predecessor

13 Laugh-provoking Laurel
18 Wildly excited
22 Energetic
24 "The hottest spot north of Havana," according to Manilow
25 Corporate high-ups
26 Features of some doorman uniforms
27 Deck extra
28 Staples Center player
29 Pampering, for short
32 Singapore sling ingredient
34 Tried to hit
35 Lofty verses

36 "Rights of Man" writer
38 Female friend in France
39 Tensely excited
41 Van Gogh painting that sold for $\$ 53.9$ million in 1987
42 Examine intently
43 Off-color
46 Negotiations goal
47 Dealing with
48 Golden Globe winner Laura
49 Fill until full
50 Composer Satie
51 Batiking supplies
54 34th POTUS


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## PUZZLE 2: Tree-Huggers

## ACROSS

1 Tot's cry
5 Foot part
9 "The Swedish Nightingale"
13 Pronto
14 View from the Valley of the Kings
15 Tree hugged by 41-Across
161947 Camus novel set in French Algeria
18 "Rawhide" singer Frankie
19 Cable news host who's a Rhodes scholar
21 Disney title character voiced by Auli'i Cravalho
23 Follower's follower?
24 Only Russian with a career Grand Slam
30 Ransom paid for a car?
31 Dijon noodles
32 Land in a riv.
34 "... sting like $\qquad$ ":
Muhammad Ali
35 GPS suggestion
36 Roman statesman who opposed the Scipio family
37 Crumpet accompanier
38 Capital that's home to the World Center for Birds of Prey
40 Savage sort
41 Man in a monkey suit?
45 Endorsement
46 Radii neighbors
47 Fiancée of February 1981
53 Tree hugged by 47-Across
54 Numerical prefixes
58 Big buttes
59 Janet Jackson's "__Lonely"
60 Lawrence with an accordion
61 Zest source
62 Valuable vein
63 Late round

DOWN
1 Roll for a yoga practicer
2 Tree hugged by 24-Across
3 Whitman of TV's "Parenthood"
4 Value
5 Protected for knitting
6 Close
7 Game played with a wrench
8 Pump part
9 Cause
10 Terse admission
11 Billionth, in metric prefixes

12 Roughed out
15 Handbag feature
17 Turner of film
20 Hamm and Farrow
21 Fruity red wine
22 Trying test
24 Castle defense
25 Bittern, for one
26 Top story
27 Shortstop Pee Wee
28 The "little blue pill"
29 Team originally named the Colt. 45 s
33 MGM co-founder Marcus
36 Head lines?
38 Retirement spots

39 Tutor
42 Strengthen with heat
43 Horses with speckled coats
44 Donald's impersonator on "Saturday Night Live"
47 Dewy, say
48 "Ah, right!"
49 Church section
50 Sandbox toy
51 Therefore
52 Can't live without
55 Scottish river
56 Tree hugged by 19-Across
57 Go, at Stowe


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## PUZZLE 3: Catching Some Sun

## ACROSS

1 His last words are "Thus, I give up the spear!"
5 "Las Vegas of the East"
10 Confused jumble
14 McConaughey's "Dallas Buyers Club" costar
15 New Mexico senator Tom
16 "___and Louis" (1956 jazz album)
17 Minnesota player acted like an ass?
19 Dollar competitor
20 Places for watching workers
21 Brace for a break
23 Good name for a financial planner
24 Out of the ordinary
25 Item for coloring pictures red?
30 Like Jarlsberg
31 Thief's take
32 Singer who toured the U.S. in a show mounted by P.T. Barnum
35 Miocene epoch newcomer
36 48th U.S. vice president
37 Reed on records
38 Loaded
40 Review on Yelp, e.g.
41 Mark over a short vowel
43 Picture of a bearded man with an hourglass and scythe?
46 Film that earned Pacino his first Best Actor Oscar nomination
48 Xbox 360 rival
49 "If I Can't Have You" singer Elliman
50 Hypothetical matter in which there is no attraction between the molecules
55 Foretoken
56 Tithe from a dime?
58 Mike and ___ (candy counter buy)

59 Broken, say
60 The Ponte Vecchio crosses it
61 Not so
62 Not trustworthy
63 Gather

## DOWN

1 Resort east of Snowbird
2 Shaped with a chisel
3 Arguing
4 Feature of many a homecoming celebration
51984 costar of Aykroyd and Ramis
6 Sistine ceiling figure
7 Low islands

8 Bass output
9 Antiquated
10 Purple-flowering herb used in poultices
11 "Revelations" choreographer
12 Feature of Michelangelo's "David"
13 Cause of some bad decisions
18 Bonds on a diamond
22 Supporting side
24 Service member?
25 Blacken
26 Snake dance performers
27 Pacemaker parts
28 Hardly luxe
29 Cost in total

33 Stellar discovery
34 If you want to do it, you'd better learn to draw first
36 General rules
39 Cool air?
41 Wooden pipe
42 Sleeper, e.g.
44 Hr fraction
45 Fustily academic
46 Basil Fawlty's wife
47 Call forth
50 Paul Simon's" $\qquad$ Rock"
51 Not natural
52 "Sommersby" star
53 "I Whistle a Happy Tune" singer
54 Proctor's call
57 Grandstand cry


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## THE FINAL: For the Championship

## ACROSS

1 Fed in the race, e.g.
11 Knowledgeable about
15 Grand Central circler
16 Feature presentation
17 Free agents?
18 Brand that's been kosher since 1998
19 Something to bum or thumb
20 "And soon I heard a roaring wind: It did not come $\qquad$ ": Coleridge
22 Site of a sliding door, often
23 Russia's Tupolev Tu-144, e.g.
24 Print maker, at times
26 Superior court adversary
28 Military chopper
30 Make gross growth?
32 Berliner, for one
33 Its first edition cost two kopecks
35 Not a company man
37 Take orders
38 In liquid form, say
39 Cry at a revival meeting
42 Aces
45 Runners at ski resorts?
46 Wood player
48 A buck or two
50 Hiawatha operator
52 They got new jerseys upon leaving New Jersey
54 Worker in an orchard
55 House call
56 Antiquarian's acquisition
58 Galaxy message
60 Tighten, perhaps
62 "The Insider" villain
64 Vibe
65 Vehicle that can carry millions at a time
66 Sax object
67 Tide hero

## DOWN

1 Cannonball effect
2 Matches
3 Juno, to Jupiter, for one
4 Put initials on, perhaps
5 Inspiration sites
6 Tony-winning role for Patti
7 Paid back
8 $\qquad$ cups (tight)
9 Ban competition
10 Spots from which to drop Acme anvils

11 Star vehicle?
12 Molly Brown in 1894, notably
13 Oldest of the Titans
14 Recent delivery
21 One who handles a lot of cases
25 Cream number, e.g.
27 Like an enchilada
29 Slow show
31 Panhandler?
34 College founded by a brewer
36 Break out
39 8,760 hours hence

40 Mature
41 Baryshnikov said of him, "His perfection is an absurdity"
43 Maxim de Winter's first wife
44 Bud holder
47 Closed book
49 Sally
51 Spit-in-your-food dish
53 Katana's cousin
57 Former Italian capital
59 Peer group member
61 Touch
63 Royal ball

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## Answers

## 2016

## PUZZLE 1: Bookkeeping

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PUZZLE 2: Tree's Company


PUZZLE 3: Taking the Title

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## 2017

WARM-UP: What's Happening?


PUZZLE 1: Book Nook


PUZZLE 2: Tree-Huggers


PUZZLE 3: Catching Some Sun

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FINAL: For the Championship

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