Bound to Succeed

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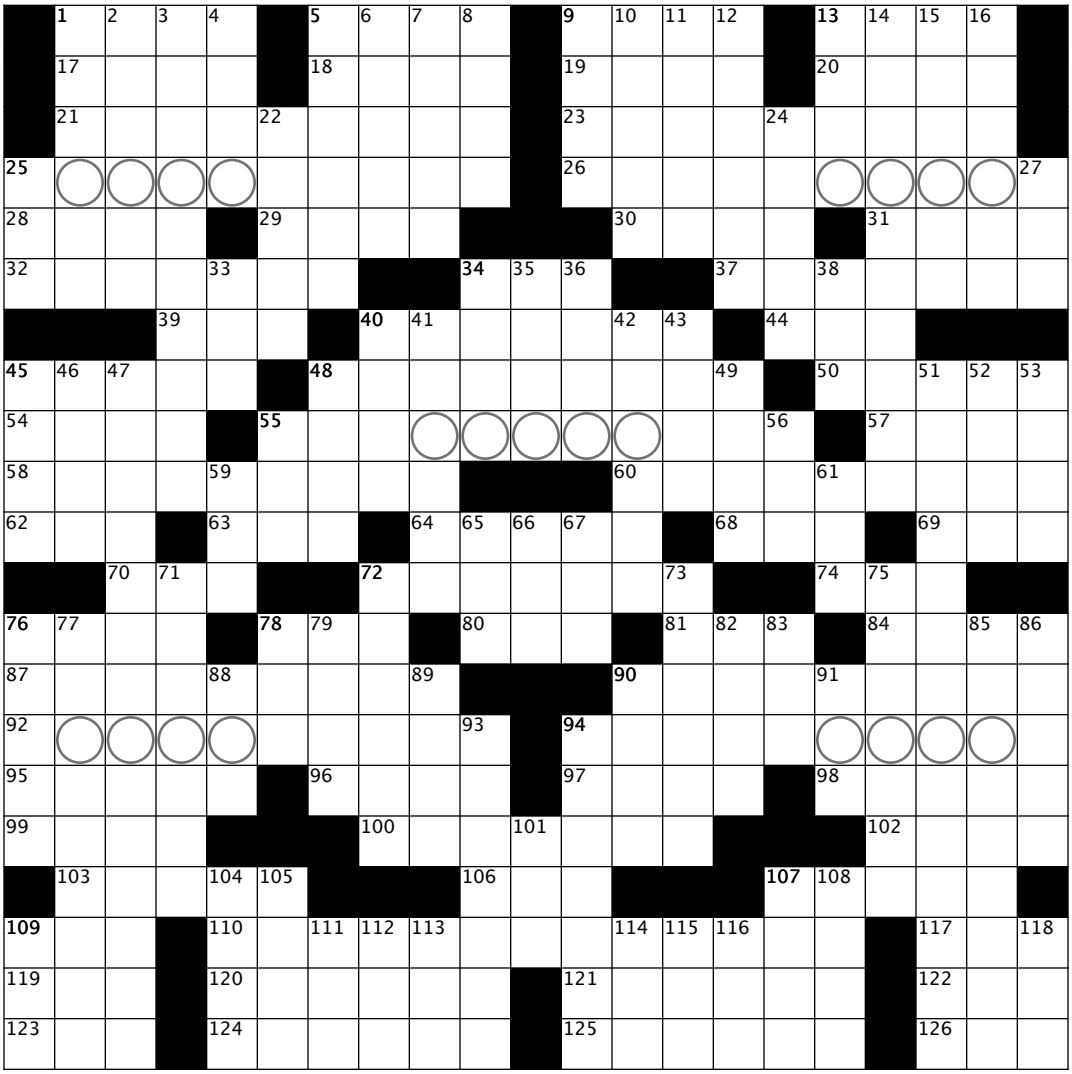

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ACROSS

1. Hardly a pick-up artist
5. Mischevious tykes
9. Chew (on)
13. Translated Claus?
17. Putt-putt target
18. "Lion King" character voiced by Beyoncé
19. "___, ___, ___" (1976 disco hit)
20. Roof component with notable drops
21. Must-have
23. Mind at all
25. 4-Time gold medalist hurdler who gave his name to USA Track and Field's highest award
26. 3-Time gold medalist snowboarder know as The Flying Tomato
28. ___ smoke
29. Sped
30. Get some time together?
31. Eldest, maybe
32. Appeals to moms?
34. Vocation
37. Wool gatherer?
39. Is past?
40. Professional attribute shared by Cher and Shakira
44. En route, to texters
45. 501s, among others
48. Certain monthly statement
50. Apia setting
54. Travel sched.
55. 4-Time gold medalist with an eponymous backward double layout salto with 1/2 twist
57. Dog food brand
58. Oscar recipient, e.g.
60. Gives a makeover
62. Former title for both Biden and Harris: abbr.
63. Layer
64. "Party Rock Anthem" uncle/nephew duo
68. Green prefix
69. Louse
70. XKeyScore operator
72. White Castle specialty
74. Gloves and masks, e.g.
76. Computing pioneer Turing
78. ___ moment
80. Focus, e.g.
81. Sundhage of U.S. Soccer
84. Poses
87. Rescinds, as a goal
90. Creeper aka blue periwinkle
92. 4-Time gold medalist who was the first woman to dunk in the WNBA
94. 2020 gold medalist with 2 Slam Dunk Contest titles
95. Arctic indigenous group
96. Traveling fare?
97. Mimicked
98. Shows up
99. QuietComfort maker
100. Picked up bit by bit
102. "To find the empty, ___, and wandering air": "Richard III"
103. Embellishes
106. 114-Down, on scoreboards
107. "Invisible Cities" author Calvino
109. Weather feature dubbed "Karl" in San Francisco
110. Tries to stay relevant with an over-the-top gimmick ... and what each of this puzzle's featured Olympians does
117. TV screen tech
119. Some do it gracefully
120. It gets the lead out
121. Snowmobile brand
122. Approves
123. Buffalo's home, briefly
124. Frank Reynolds portayer Danny
125. ___ Corner, Va. (D.C. suburb)
126. Fashionable inits.

DOWN

1. Ethnic group indigenous to the mountains of Nepal
2. Go bonkers
3. Small pair in "Full House"?
4. Conflict, in slang
5. How animals boarded the ark, reportedly
6. "Finding Vivian ___" (2013 documentary about a posthumously acclaimed photographer)
7. Flat 2D surface
8. "Do The Right Thing" pizzeria
9. Premium Chevrolet alternatives
10. Breakfast chain advertising New York style bagels
11. Slew
12. Babies in Belfast
13. One likely to get pwned
14. Home to Honolulu
15. More dastardly
16. Do not disturb?
22. Feedback
24. Dried poblano pepper
25. Stick (out)
27. Goof
33. Article in El País
34. "Splendid" ice cream eponym
35. Universal donor type, briefly
36. Screen hog
38. Mid sommar?
40. "Alas!"
41. Rhyming descriptor for a discreet motel
42. Wall hanging covered while sitting shiva
43. French fashion magazine
45. Contact points for a trumpet
46. Raison d'___
47. Austrian entree
48. "Alas!"
49. Opener, in journalism lingo
51. Material used in some high-end camera bodies
52. Hyatt alternative
53. No. 2
55. "Chris Farley Show" show
56. "Just a ___!"
59. "Ghostbusters" bureaucrat grp.
61. Soak (up)
65. It may be dropped for emphasis
66. Agcy. that regulates packaged sandwiches (unless they're open-faced -- that's USDA)
67. ___ Lingus
71. More serpentine
72. Lumber material
73. Seasoned
75. Russian ballerina Anna
76. Improvise
77. Study of lakes and rivers
78. Drink from the tap?
79. Show runner?
82. How some TV is broadcast
83. Common site of athletic injuries
85. Accessories shown in old Nehi ads
86. Behold, before
88. Spots spot?
89. Cool place?
90. Enjoy a Juul
91. Alphabetically first #1 Billboard hit
93. Spider-Man foe played by Jamie Foxx
94. Most wacky
101. "That's the spot!"
104. Worked a wedding, maybe
105. "If you say so!"
107. It might be found by the woods?
108. Boxing stoppages
109. Apt rhyme for "stan"
111. Dallas b-baller, informally
112. Bike tire letters
113. Collection of reps
114. WNBA team based in Illinois
115. "___ Dark Materials" (fantasy trilogy)
116. Hubbub
118. Cable alternative