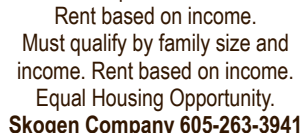


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Deborah in Larchwood Iowa.

Dear Deborah,

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Across

1. Finish fourth
5. Mold or fashion
10. Former Wimbledon champ
14. Black, in verse
15. New York island
16. Isolated, (with “off”)
17. TAKE OUT
20. Top of some ratings
21. Place for vipers?
22. Precisely correct
23. Born, in bridal bios
24. Grouch
25. TAKE DOWN
30. One of the Bobbsey twins
33. Of the line on which an object rotates
34. How things in the night go?
35. Dim
36. Carrot or turnip, e.g.
37. Heckles
38. Having the means
39. A couple words before many words
40. Prayer recipient Meany
41. Elliptical
42. Want as a price
43. TAKE UP
45. Friend of Androcles
46. Joke setting, often
47. Old Portuguese bread
50. Ford’s first, e.g.
52. Don’t just stand there
55. TAKE IN
58. In the pink
59. Pernod flavoring
60. Eleventh-hour
61. Seraglio chambers
62. Did a cowpoke’s duty
63. Spacey film

Down

1. Hit the road
2. Clarinet cousin
3. Any time now
4. Cut off
5. Hide
6. Coal holders
7. Without ____ (daringly)
8. Word with second, hour or day
9. They’re administered
10. Take ____ at (try)
11. What the farrier did
12. Author Victor
13. College founded by Henry VI
18. 2000 NBA Finals MVP
19. Like a certain turned ear
23. “Groovy!”
24. Dental anchor
25. Arnold’s mate
26. Long nerve fibers
27. Stand in the mall
28. “Star Wars” role
29. Jerusalem artichoke, e.g.
30. Mover and shaker
31. Wing it, in a way
32. Destitute
35. Partygoer’s keepsake
37. Overdo it
41. “Butterfield 8” author
43. Bar or car opening
44. Died down
45. Temptations, e.g.
47. Recording-chamber effect
48. Spawning fish
49. Sandwich side
50. Golfer’s concern
51. Alleviate
52. Indignant reaction
53. Minute amount
54. Natural history museum display, perhaps
56. Beatle bride
57. Variety

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Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. Digits cannot repeat within the same row, column or box. **Solution on page 2**

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