Having just arrived, Lisa and Andy with daughters Rhia and Tehya join Ron and matriarch Marilyn, seated across from Michelle and Emilio, eldest two of Lisa's sister, Vicky. Twenty minutes later, Vicky and her youngests, Lili and Luis, take their seats. Blonde waitress starts spiel, gets cut-off.

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Andy: "Hey Debra! Say, before you get started, can I get started with a Guinness? Thanks!" 1 (Returns) Debra: "Great to see you again at Mums-n-Dads! Happy Mum's Day to Marilyn, Lisa, Vicky! 4 Now, Ron...you asked about our \_\_\_ . We stock the Yellow Tail, completely dark and full-bodied." Michelle: "What to drink? Oh, I know! A ! Uh, is the juice fresh? Oh...oh well, I'll have one anyway." 8 "Oh Michelle, my fave! The roasted-beet comes with local beets, butter lettuce, and cashews." 14 (Aside to Luis) Emilio: "Did you notice that if the Busser were two feet taller, he'd look like a Mafia ?" 18 "Great pick Luis! Our is the best in Sacramento! Made with smoky black beans, it's barbequed and 19 served on a sesame whole-wheat bun, with tahini slaw. Comes with sweet potato fries on the side." (Seated far too closely, Ron and Lisa get right into it) Ron: " and behold! You're wrong again, Lisa!" 22 23 Lisa: "Where do you get your fake news from? Cracker Jacks? My \_\_\_? Get online, get real news, Ron!" Vicky: "Hi Debra. Say, where did you get the top? Oh, um, a crazy day, soooo...chamomile \_\_\_, thanks." 25 "Hi Rhia. Our is from Emmolo Winery in Napa Valley and is described as a bit dryer than some." 26 (Aside to Emilio) Luis: "His name's Barry. Whoa! He just dropped the water jug! What a clumsy!" 28 Emilio back: "I know, right? Looks like a miniature Forrest Gump! Talk about stupid is \_\_ stupid does!" 29 MDCCCIII / III 30 Lisa: "Well Ron, you must be stupid not to believe the \_\_ doesn't spy on our e-mails, hack our phones!" 32 36 Communications co. [apparently often spied upon] "Alright Tehya. You get three \_\_\_, prepared with fresh line-caught ling cod, cilantro, red bells, and lime." 37 "...and a great complementary choice, one of our featured wines. Our is the Samual Billaud, 2015. 38 It's a white petit, also French imported, purported to a have a balancing freshness." Luis: "Can I get a hard \_\_\_ ? Oh...and Emilio wants one too. Yeah...my ID is here somewhere, hold on." 40 Nino 42 43 Cornered in a forest 45 "You'll like this, Lily. Our - Cheese is prepared with four different cheeses and baked with garlic." 47 Andy: "Hold that epic. Debra! Another round Vicky? On me...please, \_\_ on the rocks, times two." Initials of jeans manufacturer\* 50 (To no one in particular) Michelle: "I'm all \_\_ over this leafy delight!" [Eyes roll; who talks like that?] 53 (Drawn by waving hands) Barry: "Ohh...the Great Andy demands a fresh beer? (Bows) Ah...yes ..." 56 Andy: "To each his own station, Barry...Marx, I think. Anyway, dos \_\_\_, una por Lisa. Ha, clever right?" 57 Initials of Moulin Rouge star\* 61 62 "And for you Rhiannon? Ah...the is hearty Irish style, simmered with local loin chuck, rutabaga, parsnips, onions, and more. Served with garlic toast and a side salad. Pretty good actually." "You bet, this'll totally complement it. The Rivata Casa is an Italian import, a veritable 66 fruit bowl of cherry, strawberry, and blueberry, combining for an easy-drinking palate." Barry: "Jokes? Here's mine: What Andy likes to drink beer out of and can be used to put his ashes in?" 68 Andy: "Ron! What was Max's last name, played Jethro Bodine? Boxer went 22 of 24 in early bouts?"\* 69 "The triple-layered chocolate cake, it's \_\_\_ value enhanced with topped sherried-peach slices." 71

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(To distracted Debra) Vicky: "Remember my first, \_\_ ? No? Really? His Persian name meant king." 72 74 Andy: "So funny. On Stockton Blvd today, I spotted a sign: Trust-Me Storage -- You Store It, It!" Andy: "...and we're in a TV show, uh, uh, 'The Restaurant \_\_\_', and we rate them on their dime!" 76 Marilyn: "Oh Debra...oh, hi Debra. Ron's dish: can you ask James to cut-off every broccoli?" Thanks." 77 78 Andy: "Ron, what's this, Jimmy Stewart week? What's with the \_\_\_ suit? Too broke for new threads?" "Our fruit custard-filled \_\_\_ are made at the bakery next doors, topped with Brandy cherry sauce." 80 (Aside to Emilio) Luis: "Wow, Barry's right \_\_ is much bigger than the other! Ha, diss him from the left!" 83 84 (Tehya asked who can name all the cont.'s?) Michelle: "Oh, I knowl, I've never been to !" [Oookay]\* Andy: "Oh Garcon! College-boy flunky! There you... spilled some...beer...beerd...neeb ...soak it up." 86 (Returning) Julie: "Andy? Barry thinks, and now I see what he means, you've had too many, and..." 88 89 (with 83-Across) Julie: "...so please don't put me in a position of having to tell you to \_\_ out. Sorry, Lisa." 90 (Trying) Andy: "I respectably apologize. (To no one) That discarded \_\_\_ pod can out-think Barry. Hah!" 91 (Aside to Lili) Lisa: "Yep, that's my husband, but he keeps this crap up, he'll be my husband." Marilyn: "Debra, could you get me cream and a cup of another wine for Ron? Love your top, cute." 92 95 Two possible ans.\* "And now, final temptation: slash night-cap anyone? We're offering Jagermeister, Richard Hennessey 99 Cognac, Lubelska Cherry Cordial, and last but not least, Fairbanks Ruby Port. So...anyone tempted?" (Stands and whacks fork repeatedly against empty glass) Andy: "I propose a \_\_\_: To the Mothers of this 101 world. They create us, nurture us, support us, unify us, and above all, love us. And we love them! Salut!" 102 "Free \_\_\_ for the Mothers! This decadent dessert features dark chocolate, brandied cherries, whip cream." (Takes checks) Marilyn: "Lisa, Vicky, I got it. Help me add, Ron. Total of Vicky's and Lisa's, plus ours, 103 throw in a \$50 tip...wow. (Aside to Ron) Happy Mother's Day indeed! Cost me a \_\_! Eh...whatever." Love and gratitude is freely exchanged between Staff and Clan, and Andy profusely apologizes to Barry. Andy then proceeds to elaborate on the inherent injustice of taking overwhelming advantage of him, predictably resulting in such a one-sided mental exchange. Shameful and shocking, unforgiveable really. Then Clan oozes out and onto sidewalk and somewhat huddles. The Matriarch raises her hand.

Marilyn: "Just want to say: that was priceless, celebrating with loving...sorry (Tear) didn't mean to \_\_\_."

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Initials of woman sharpshooter who toured with Buffalo Bill\* 1 2 Barry: "I'll set our locally-baked \_\_ of sour-dough, garlic butter here. Water? I know, not you Andy." Andy: "Indeed. May the world before I submit to mere water." 3 "Luis? Did you want \_\_ or American with that? Okay...neither. Cool." 4 5 Lili: "How 'bout an \_\_\_? Maybe a lemon wedge? Thanks Debra, and wow, I so want a top like that!" (Drops by table) Julie: "Business lately? Tough for awhile, but now we're out of the basement." 6 Andy: "And into the !" (Julie, clearly perplexed, making heads nor tails of this comment, leaves.) 7 More Lisa: "Ron! Maybe you should study the real Constitution like the dictionary: from A to !" 8 Army cop 9 Stands for id est or "that is" 10 Unit of conductance (literally, unit of resistance spelt backwards) 11 GYN Clinic Andy: "Hey Ron and Mare, just made this joke up: Best day for a tan? day!" (Only Andy laughs.) 12 13 Initials of Snape actor\* 14 **Prophets** \_\_ and Dep. Board 15 Lisa: "Debra! Oh, I just love your top! I saw one just like that at Target yesterday! I was really looking 16 for a swimsuit, but, you know, maybe a two-piecer? Oh...I'll have Michelle's order, with of dressing!" 17 "Oh yes... as the still-in-college Barry the Busser is ever fond of saying: We here at Mums-n-Dads are proud at our I's and crossing our T's!" "Michelle? Got it. Okay, the \_\_\_. These potato dumplings are Florentine style and are prepared on site, 18 cheesy with Italian sausage, comes with garlic toast and salad."\* 20 (To Ron) Andy: "Love old racing movies, from Le Grand Prix. James Garner to Steve McQueen." 21 Initials of store leader Andy: "Smart, huh Barry? Crossword, 4-letters: Squirrel fur for lining medievil robes. No? Figured."\* 24 27 "Ah...Lisa told me this was your favorite. The \_\_ is prepared in the Classico style, with three different cheeses, four layers, and a massive portion. Yeah...fatten you up, Andy. Comes with Caesar Salad." (To Andy) Vicky: "Why hot tea on a night out? Because with my family, I need it. It the nerves." 31 "Who's the chef? Barry christened him James Cook, but more than a cook, he's an in the kitchen." 33 "Oh Tehya, I forgot to ask: did you want James to \_\_\_ the pineapple jalapeno sauce over those?" 34 Lili: "Me? Make up a joke...okay. Great name for wily Family Stone Band member?" 35 "Okay, the \_\_\_ Supreme for Emilio! This burger is prepared with organic chickpeas, served atop 37 toasted English muffins, Tahini slaw, avocado and tomato. Also comes with sweet potato fries." 39 -man (Blurting across to Ron) Andy: "Remember that movie with John Wayne...or maybe it was 44 Clint Eastwood...anyway, the line was, 'I sht all 6 \_\_ into the varmint'? What was that?"\* 45 and Pa Kettle Andy: "Hey Deb, how 'bout a rum and ? Oh...really? Uh...how 'bout another ale then." 46 48 Des Moines st. "Good timing, Vicky: we only offer the Mexican when it's fresh. A dozen of these are seared in a 49 Tequilla pepper marinade, served atop a Spanish-style pilaf, with a whole wheat quesadilla and salad." Rhia: "Oh, hi. I guess I'll have...no wait...how about the fried to start? Oh...and a Jagermeister." 51 "I like your spirit Ron. Try this \_\_\_ . It's a 2008 Noir from Erath Vineyard in Oregon, medium-bodied." 52 54 Vicky: "...then, Andy, my students forgot the exam was today...oh Debra, cactus juice! I'll have a \_\_\_." "Okay...Marilyn, you decide? I think that's a great choice. The Teriyaki Chicken is prepared with 55 barbequed marinated organic chicken, water chestnuts, bamboo shots, mushrooms over Soba noodles." DOWN AC #7 Pg 4

Initials of "JFK" director\* 58 Lili: "Okay, for me and Michelle, how about two cherry ." 59 Website loc. 60 Ron: "My joke: This feline is more orderly. Then again, this one sleeps and eats with the Air Force."\* 62 63 Battery-powered wheels "And Ron? Okay...a man's meal. The Ribeye \_\_\_ is choice, boneless, hand-cut local beef, evenly marbled, 64 lightly seasoned, served with twice-baked potato, sour cream, and steamed broccoli sprigs." 65 Initials of "I Shot the Sherrif" singer\* Truth Dare 67 Hells Angel, e.g.\* 69 Tehya: "I appreciate you doing all this work, I'm sorry. Okay...something light...a would be perfect!" 70 (To Michelle) Vicky: "Shoot. I didn't know this place was so expensive. After dinner, I'll run to the ..." 72 (To Lisa) Ron: "...and you mentioned immigration and welfare, two red - issues for the Republicans." 73 75 Michelle: "Debra, maybe this is a good time for some strong \_\_\_. Oh, and may I have the Carrot Cake?" 78 "For those who love , tonight we're offering black cherry, apple, lemon meringue, and raspberry." Emilio: "Barry into the back, he's out, back in, out again! Look at that one: one mixed-up cat (?)."\* 79 Tehya: "I really don't want to make a joke...okay...stupid one: Because of him he wasn't so Lone." 81 (To Ron) Lisa: "Hey Ron, it's a holiday. Let's agree to disagree. This political discussion: let's !" 82 Rhia: "I'll have the berry pie and another Jager." 85 Andy: "No, I don't want more coffee or water. Leave me alone, Barry. Make like a tomcat and !" 87 "What, missed that Lisa...oh of course we take checks. Well, mostly...just so long as Julie \_\_ it ." 90 MCCII / II 92 93 Initials of star (1940 - ) in '75 "Dog Day Afternoon" and '97 "Donnie Brasco" (Not ending it) Ron: "Lisa, it seems obvious that you believe that America should terrorists!" 94 Thirteenth letter of the Greek alphabet 96

## **SUPPLIED ANSWERS\***

Sym. for iron\*

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1	Annie Oakley	62	Base cat
13	Alan Rickman	65	Eric Clapton
18	Gnocci (misspelled gnocchi)	69	Baer
24	Vair	69	BiKeR
44	RouNDS	79	Lnxy (instead of lynx)
50	Levi Strauss	84	AFRica
58	Oliver Stone	95	YeS/NO
61	Nicole Kidman	97	Olivia Dukakis
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Initials of "Moonstruck" actress and cousin of 1988 presidential candidate\*

Michelle: "Debra, can I get some whipped cream to put my cake? Oh, and a ruby port?"