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CROSSWORD ANSWERS

This blurb is semantically null, and has no information value whatsoever. It has only been printed to avoid an unsightly "hole" in the layout, which would spoil the page composition. This has been an official page-filler. Thank you.

She is an ambitious woman, and someday wants to own her own public relations and desktop publishing firm. For a person who classifies herself as "creative, independent, and caring" and whose mottoes are "I gotta be me" and "I did it my way," there can be no doubts that she'll eventually realize her dreams.

When the dance was over, Joan Russell came around with little balloons filled with a water and vinegar solution. These were the "frogs." She pitched them into the pool, and we all went "frog-bobbing." The object was to somehow get these little suckers out of the pool without

using your hands. Any other part of the body was O.K., and partners were O.K. Envision, if you will, a group of Mensans in a swimming pool, dog-paddling after little green floating balls, grabbing them delicately (remember the water/vinegar solution?) in their mouths, or with their toes, knees, or whatever and racing to get the "frogs" over the side. The ladies had an advantage. We called it the "shell lift." Use your imagination.

Sunday was "Awards Day" and check-out time. (Damn! I didn't win at "Frog Bobbing"--but I heard I had an honorable mention for being "Most Loyal.")

It ended all too soon. What a wonderful way to spend a weekend. I went back to work with a smile on my face and a song in my heart. I personally thank everyone who helped put on the "Reflections" R.G. I'm sold. I can't wait until next year. As a matter of fact, I'm not going to wait. I'm going to the AG in Kansas City, and our Outdoor Gathering, and Hallow'em, and...

LOCSEC (from page 4)
 The host group is asking other groups to sign up for an hour or two shift in the hospitality suite. I'd like to volunteer out of group! If you're planning to go and would be willing to help, please let me know. Also, MERF, the Mensa Educational and Research Foundation, will be holding a benefit auction. Ask me for details if you'd like to donate (tax-deductible) one of your unwanted treasures that's lying around just waiting to be bid on.
 In closing, my thoughts on AG's: Unique and wonderful AG= (unique and wonderful RG)³

KAREN (from page 22)
 About to be revealed for the first time over...Karen has never told anyone, but she loves getting "outrageous," and she adds "you can interpret [that] any way you want." (Hmmm...)
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ICVMI (from page 24)
 Selected to cool out in the hot tub and sauna. Several of us played Carnelli. I don't know if anyone "won." We were having such a good time, we forgot to keep score.
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MIND GAMES

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ACROSS

- 1 Senator or French city
- 5 Chess row
- 9 81% of a large land mass
- 10 Land of Xerxes
- 11 French islands
- 12 Port city of Spain
- 13 Direction from Reno to L.A.
- 15 --- da? (Who goes there: Ger.)
- 16 Region where one can go 10 miles south, then 10 miles east, then 10 miles north, and be at his original location
- 22 Confused noise
- 23 Where Akron and Cincinnati are
- 24 Among
- 25 City in at least 25 states
- 26 Diner in Phoenix
- 27 Swiss village or urges

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DOWN

- 1 Platform
- 2 Capital in Czechoslovakia
- 3 Place
- 4 Alaska, the most - - - state
- 5 Famous fictional town
- 6 "Un Bel Di" or New Zealand town
- 7 Acts as Xanthippe
- 8 Arctic sandpiper
- 14 Pronoun
- 16 Ancient Syria
- 17 City northwest of Honolulu
- 18 Turkish mark of rank
- 19 Solid of revolution
- 20 North Korean village or an expression of delight
- 21 Word with Pedro or mosquito

(See ANSWERS, page 28)

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