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 "The Hunt Is On!"

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 Difficulty level: ●●●●●

The two children at this Seder (see attached drawing on page 2 of this PDF) are trying to 40-Across. But you can play 40-Across in this crossword grid, too! In fact, doing so will lead you to the contest answer. Send your answer to pesach@avxwords.com by the end of Sunday, April 12, for a chance to win a prize.

ACROSS

- 1 Getting 100% on, as a test
- 6 Hit for leadoff hitters, perhaps
- 10 Long, difficult journey
- 14 "Aladdin 2: The Return of ___"
- 15 Craving
- 16 Prefix with -pedia or -Leaks
- 17 Breakout maker
- 18 Areas where a story stops making sense
- 20 Runs naked through campus, say
- 22 Time for dodgeball or four square
- 23 "Life ___" (2012 movie about a tiger)
- 24 ___ Surf ("Popular" rock band)
- 25 State with conviction
- 28 Tennis legend Arthur
- 30 Run blockers, briefly
- 33 Most sad
- 35 Makes a mistake
- 38 WWII battleground

- 40 Passover hunt where kids search for a hidden piece of matzoh, which is broken into four pieces in this grid—the contest answer is what the four pieces are hidden in
- 43 Gingery drink, sometimes
- 44 Led Zeppelin's reggae-influenced "___ Mak'er"
- 45 Make disappear, as a rumor
- 46 A yogi might balance on one
- 48 SoCal force
- 50 ___ of work
- 51 401(k) alternatives
- 54 "Don't forget ..."
- 56 Tank engine who's friends with James, Sam, and Emily
- 59 "The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes," vis-à-vis "The Hunger Games"

- 62 Praises, in a way
- 64 Unlike the country
- 66 Some cabernets and pinots
- 67 Serious, as circumstances
- 68 "That's ___" ("Don't!")
- 69 "Awkward Black Girl" YouTuber Rae
- 70 Omar of "This Is Us"
- 71 Main character in Ursula K. Le Guin's "The Tombs of Atuan"
- 5 Feeling at a shiva
- 6 Nothing, from the Yiddish
- 7 Web addresses
- 8 CARE International, e.g.
- 9 Aquarium fish
- 10 Like some garages
- 11 Stir (up)
- 12 Scrapes (out)
- 13 Action that makes a "mwah" sound
- 19 "I knew ___ say that!"
- 21 Lack of enthusiasm
- 24 Company that makes soft footballs
- 25 ___ Romeo (Italian automaker)
- 26 "And there you have it!"
- 27 Pet parent, e.g.
- 29 "You could ___ pin drop"
- 31 Speed in music
- 32 Poetic term for a horse
- 34 Norm: Abbr.
- 36 Enigma for Bilbo Baggins, e.g.

- 37 Have fun in the Alps, say
- 39 Just
- 41 Fish that can swim backwards
- 42 Kelly, Sharon, or Jack ... OK, fine, or Ozzy
- 47 Brunch quaff
- 49 Breaks down grammatically, as a sentence
- 52 Cloth for cleaning
- 53 To the right, say
- 55 Certain gym exercise
- 56 Golden Globe winner Hatcher
- 57 Shades
- 58 Cutlass Supreme maker, briefly
- 59 Guilty party, in police slang
- 60 Black, poetically
- 61 ___ Del Rey
- 63 Compress, as a bunch of computer files
- 65 Neither here ___ there

DOWN

- 1 Steely Dan album with "Peg" and "Josie"
- 2 2019 movie musical that one reviewer called "a purr-fectly dreadful hairball of woe"
- 3 ___ all possible (by any means necessary)
- 4 Got shorter, as a list of suspects



