

## Escalation by Steve Bachman

### ACROSS

1. Speech therapy target
5. Comeback
10. "\_\_\_ that a shame?"
14. Typee sequel
15. Thrill
16. Org. for Bulldogs, Huskies, and Terriers
17. Disharmonious verbal exchange
19. Backtalk
20. Hare racer
21. Sacha's Kazakh alter ego
22. Low-key physical confrontation
25. One part of a good yarn
28. Ingrid in Casablanca
29. One with four crib mates
30. Page on the Hill, e.g.

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32. "Blast!"
36. CBS overseer
37. Noted septet and a hint to the first parts of 17-, 22-, 49- and 60-Across
40. Old conductance unit named in a roundabout way for a German physicist
41. Foreman vs. Frazier finishes
43. Guffaws
44. One up, maybe
46. Food for popular shoe insert?
48. Lack of voluntary muscle coordination
49. Significant, often cacophonous, military events
54. Black knight makeup, traditionally
55. Wham-O started a late 50s craze with it

59. Solo
60. Full-scale international conflict
62. Redundant partner of 50-Down, often
63. One way to buy more Time
64. Dynamic start?
65. Fit end?
66. Teams
67. Surprise giveaway

### DOWN

1. Off the map, maybe
2. Faux-modest qualifier in text-speak
3. "The spirit that does not \_\_\_ is destined to grovel" (Benjamin Disraeli)
4. Oscar winner Natalie
5. Anachronistic media player button
6. Soul Coughing album featuring a bear on its cover

7. Type of fruit knife
8. Ford once touted for its "road-hugging weight"
9. Music to a supplicant's ear
10. To such an extent
11. Gobble
12. Dylan vocal quality
13. Nibble
18. Departure designation
21. Roadie's ride
23. Factions
24. Treble or bass, commonly
25. Rental fig.
26. Friar with Hood
27. 1970 anti-crime act aimed at groups: Abbr
30. Classier Honda
31. "It's a mystery to me" in text-speak
33. Visa/MC competitor
34. Spicy Asian cuisine
35. Pop, to some

38. Acronym on fraternity invite
39. French cake
42. Early Unassigned Lands grabbers of 1889
45. Tweet identifier
47. Designation for Moore County, home of the Jack Daniel's Distillery
48. Permits
49. Noggin
50. See 62-Across
51. Davy with a locker
52. Acknowledge, in a way
53. Student in a class of her own
56. "We \_\_\_ debt of gratitude to ..."
57. Pulls aboard
58. Play thing
60. Overdo it on Waikiki
61. \_\_\_ Fender, developer of the Telecaster