

## Solution to Puzzle #71 – April, 2007 "Unstrung"

	Q	U	A	R	T	E	T	T	R	I
B	U	E	S	T	A	R	B	R	A	G
E	A	S	H	I	N	G	L	I	N	G
A	L	D	E	N	E	R	E	A	G	A
N	L	A	R	G	E	E	A	G	E	R
S	H	Y	A	S	S	E	T	S	O	H
A	R	E	S	P	T	T	L	E	R	E
L	A	X	P	O	O	L	E	P	L	A
I	C	E	I	S	P	E	C	T	O	R
V	E	E	R	Y	P	A	E	A	N	T
S	T	R	E	S	A	P	R	O	N	

The omitted letters (in parentheses in the list below) spell **NO STRINGS ATTACHED**. **STRING** belongs in the upper left shaded square, and **STRINGS** in the lower right.

### Across

1. **STRING** QUARTET
2. TRIBU(N)E
3. STAR
4. B(O)RAGE
5. (S)ASHING
6. LING
7. AL DEN(T)E
8. REAGAN
9. LARGE
10. EAGER
11. SHY
12. ASSE(R)TS
13. OHARE
14. SP(I)TTLE
15. RELAX
16. POOLE
17. PLAICE
18. I(N)SPECTOR
19. VEERY
20. PA(G)EANT
21. STRE(S)S
22. APRON **STRINGS**

### Down

1. **STRING** BEAN
2. SALIV(A)
3. SQUALL
4. (T)HRACE
5. TUESDAY
6. EXE(T)ER
7. ASHER
8. ASPIRE
9. R(A)TINGS
10. POSY
11. STANE
12. ESTOP
13. PA(C)ER
14. GREET
15. LEAPT
16. BLEAT
17. LEC(H)ER
18. TRIAG(E)
19. SEPTA
20. ORANGE
21. ORLON
22. NIGGAR(D)
23. HEART**STRINGS**

Kevin Wald solved the puzzle in 90 minutes, but he had to contend with an error I made in the numbering of the clues.