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ACROSS

1. Fit for habitation
8. Cuban military base, for short
13. "Let me repeat..."
14. "Hate to break it to you..."
15. Start of a sub-headline that ran in the WSJ sports section on 4/1/14
17. "___ yourself" ("This may come as a shock")
18. Editorial start in a Facebook thread, for short
19. Move units
20. Berg, Farr, Powell and Zaharias Award org.
22. City where "Silver Linings Playbook" takes place: Abbr.
25. The Time Traveler's hosts
27. Rapper who popularized the Auto-Tune pitch correction
29. Middle of the sub-headline
33. Goes for, as a mosquito
34. Give off
35. Breakfast meat
36. ___ paper (high school assignment)
38. Teddy ___
42. Singer who made her start on "In Living Color," briefly
43. Navel formation
44. End of the sub-headline
49. "The Caine Mutiny" captain
50. Scottish historian Thomas who called economics "the dismal science"
51. Kisses, in Brit slang
52. Israeli's diet?

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4. Cleavage revealed by many a low-cut outfit
5. Hot stuff
6. Rapper ___ Boosie
7. Tokyo, back in the day
8. "Sideways" actor Paul
9. "Oh, in that case ..."
10. Lipton product
11. Dallas cager
12. Underground rock?
16. Burlesque costume
20. Actor Chaney
21. Trailblazer
22. Cooking spray in a yellow can
23. Floor it, archaically
24. November winners
26. What someone who is about to die stands on, metaphorically
28. Extremely aggressive sorts
29. Fireplace output
30. Legendary gangster rap band
31. Create a reservoir
32. "Super" film format for motion pictures, briefly
37. Long, long time
39. Online store with the slogan "Childhood Dreams Delivered"
40. Bridal path
41. Go back to square one
42. Popular computer graphics file
43. Shrek, in "Shrek"
44. Mensa members have high ones
45. Convent resident
46. War on Poverty org.
47. "Grody"
48. Chapati alternative

DOWN

1. Like ___ to the slaughter
2. River to the Rhône
3. Extremely important