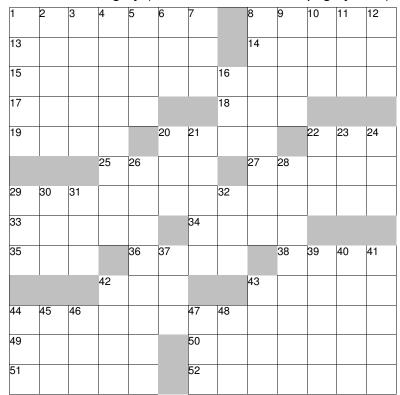
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ACROSS

- 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 subheadline
- 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?

DOWN

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



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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
- 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