The Amherst Mixer

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his crossword puzzle contains hidden challenges for new and experienced solvers alike. First, look for the four answers that are all anagrams of one another. Next, for a bonus challenge, look for a seven-letter adjective hiding in the grid, using this hint: *All my exes connected at the Amherst mixer*. Put on your detective hat to unearth this mystery word.

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Across

- 1. With 13-Across, cheer heard at the "Biggest Little Game in America"
- 7. Bracelet trinkets
- 13. See 1-Across
- 15. Warm up, as leftovers
- 16. Mollusk whose name is Latin for "sailor"
- 18. Fancy
- 19. Racket
- 20. High roller?
- 22. Tea in China... or what "China" is lacking "in"?
- 23. "__ but a goodie"
- 25. Sleeveless top, informally
- 26. [Sorry to intrude]
- 27. Not just want
- 28. Posterior
- 29. Category regularly excluded from both vegan and paleo diets
- 30. Squid Game, e.g.
- 32. Seoul mates?
- 34. Green-lights
- 36. "As It ___" (Harry Styles hit)
- 37. Rules for making a statement?
- 41. Modern pagan religion sometimes called "the Craft"
- 45. Withdrew, with away
- 46. Middle East royal
- 48. Quetzalcoatl and Anansi, for two
- 50. Half of some matching sets

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- 51. First graphic novel to win a Pulitzer Prize
- **52**.Σ
- 53. Biblical vessel
- 54. Hand-drawn lines with connected letters
- 56. Ouibble
- 57. Objectives of many a strike
- 59. Football player's prayer
- 61. "Positive!"
- 62. Pet that can get wheel squeaky?
- 63. They may be bequeathed
- 64. Oktoberfest beverages

Down

- 1. U.S. soccer legend Donovan
- 2. Wrote to, these days
- ${\bf 3.} Lightning \, follower$
- 4. Filming location
- 5. Kvetch
- 6. Where the Nobel Peace Prize is awarded
- 7. Bite the dust
- 8. Group of mammoths
- 9. Fire Island director Andrew
- 10. Kind of foul, in basketball
- 11. Eminem's real last name
- 12. Hot
- **14**.___ frutti
- $\textcolor{red}{\textbf{17}}. Lamb~cut$
- 21. Bequeath
- 24. B. Wells (NAACP co-founder)
- 26. Letters found on many cars and batteries, but not car batteries
- 28. Ceremonial Maori dance
- 29. South Asian
- 31. Get into shape?
- 33. "Ooh, sexy!," in modern slang

YOUR CHALLENGE

Complete the puzzle and mark the four anagrams. Send a photo or scan of the page to magazine@amherst. edu or mail it to Amherst magazine, Box 5000, Amherst MA 01002. From the correct entries, one randomly selected winner will receive an Amherst T-shirt.

Bonus challenge: In addition to the above, find the seven-letter mystery word hiding in the grid, for a chance to win an Amherst sweatshirt.

- 35. Attes
- 37. L.A. football team, familiarly
- 38. Affectionate yet contactless gesture
- 39. They mark the spots!
- 40. Squish together
- 42. Tech used to portray mammoths in movies
- 43. Linguistically related
- 44.Secret_
- 45. Islamic law
- 47. NBA Hall-of-Famer Thomas
- 49. Horned mythological creatures
- 51. Sources of inspiration
- 52. Famed site of a 1965 march
- 54. What SCOTUS grants or denies, for short
- 55. Vaccine container
- 58. Take to court
- 60. Additive once extracted from kelp