A Plus

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If you fill up on the meta letters, you best not fill up on the meta answer.

ACROSS

- 1 Bleat
- 4 Something you should try to keep around you
- 8 Attired
- 12 Pacifying concessions, often questionably legal
- 13 51 near Las Vegas
- 14 Places where you stocked up on provisions before a week-end on the lake
- 16 Reputed pastime of Lucrezia Borgia
- 18 Fend off a jumper
- 19 "S.N.L." alum Gasteyer
- 20 Feared WWII police force
- 22 Something you can wallow in
- 23 The spectacular, shining jewel in a men's chorus
- 25 Babysitter's handful
- 27 Surfer's destination
- 32 The A in A&E
- 36 Definitely not the cheap seats
- 39 A friend of 23A who gets high
- **40** Bygone phone piece (which seems to live on in parlance)
- 41 A Grecian one had a heroic description
- 42 Dried up and disappeared
- 44 Bean counter, for short
- 45 Tide description
- 47 Blue Jay (or our Jay)
- 48 Not us
- 49 Be over attentive to
- 50 Nessie nickname to a Scot
- **52** Friendly place to get hammered?
- **54** Twill fabric that really looks slick
- 58 Symbol of Liberty (Mutual)
- **61** Deodorant type
- 66 Blue address
- 67 Like the outside of some elite university buildings that people get into
- **69** What the betting dermatologist had in the game
- 71 Go into Mare Kondo's home (only after she makes it less messy of course)
- 72 Basketball' Thurman or Archibald
- 73 A place like no other
- **74** Pineapples given away to the poor
- 75 Shouts that are about a lot of bull
- 76 Discovery that is changed after something is added and mixed!!!

DOWN

- 1 Daniel or Pat
- 2 Description for a ruler who commands hundreds of drones
- 3 Balaam's mount

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- 4 What you do once you are done waxing
- 5 Flower of your eye
- 6 This gets thrown at a Scout jamboree
- 7 "Roots," e.g.
- 8 Kind of drive
- 9 Loser to Grant
- 10 Mountains in Davos
- 11 A way to lose gracefully
- 12 Argument
- **15** Foxy
- 17 Man eater
- 21 Granny Smith's symbol of America
- 24 Be somewhat shy
- 26 Crash site?
- 28 Accomplishments you can gradually raise by degrees
- 29 Newbie at a military academy
- 30 A place in my heart
- 31 Gadabouts
- 33 Sweet and creamy
- **34** A place we used to go for proof
- 35 Evisceration by a critic
- **36** Bergman in "Casablanca"

- 37 The ubiquitous cookie
- 38 Buzzing pest
- 43 "Silent Spring" subject
- **46** Sleep preventer for a royal
- **48** Often the clothing equivalent of a billboard
- **50** Spelling event
- 51 "Cast Away" setting
- 53 Close-knit group
- 55 It grows on a grapevine
- **56** All concerning substance
- 57 Other-wise
- **58** Something after Christmas, yet still before
- **59** A terrible thing to waste
- **60** Golden rule preposition
- **62** City in Nevada (and perhaps a source of ham)
- **63** Fiery gemstone
- 64 Locale
- **65** Poems for heroes (and pottery)
- **68** Moray, e.g.
- 70 Density symbol