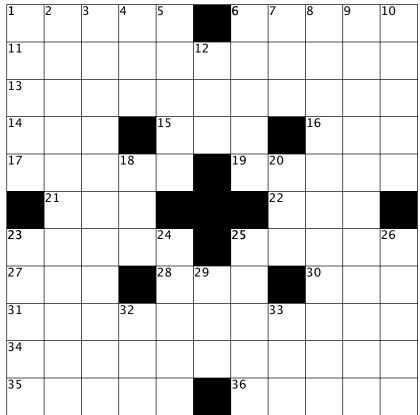
## First Day of the Last Month Midi (Themeless) Brian Callahan

## **ACROSS**

- 1. World Cup champ Wambach and comedian Elliott
- **6.** Nintendo fighting franchise, casually
- **11.** Some online horror stories
- 13. One who's more carnivore than omnivore, say
- **14.** Tin \_\_\_
- 15. They prescribe \_e\_
- **16.** Longtime sports agent Tellem who now works for the Detroit Pistons
- **17.** Loses control, in a way
- 19. Grp. that was first clued in a 1967 NYT crossword as "Club for brainy ones"
- 21. Lead-in to Balls
- 22. Ape shit?
- 23. F.H.A. insured loans
- 25. "I know it's midnight, but I'm bored. Let's talk."
- 27. Pitcher's pitch on why your team should sign them, briefly
- 28. Hallux, for one
- 30. Star Wars, initially
- **31.** Some hamper contents, casually
- 34. Reproofs
- 35. "\_\_\_\_ can." (Campaign chant that seems like it's from decades ago...even though it's ONLY been a decade and a half)
- **36.** Like a fuzzy navel?

## **DOWN**

1. High places



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- 2. Slow down or pause
- 3. Carrying, in a way
- 4. "The power of \_\_\_\_"
  (important part of a growth mindset coined by psychologist Carol Dweck)
- **5.** Floods with junk
- 6. Anagram of 5-Down...or what you might do when you're flooded with junk
- 7. Ruin
- 8. Bulgogi tacos, e.g.
- **9.** Class valedictorian, probably
- 10. With Barbera, coproducer of "The Smurfs"
- 12. Paycheck letters

- 18. Ruminant mammal sung about in a classic Rodgers and Hammerstein number
- **20.** Cruciverbalist's favorite ambient musician
- 23. Perfect time for a massage
- 24. Jule who composed
  "Let It Snow! Let It
  Snow! Let It Snow!" and
  "Diamonds Are a Girls
  Best Friend"
- 25. 1983 film that won Barbra Streisand the Golden Globe for Best Director
- **26.** In a snit
- 29. Angers affirmative
- **32.** Lug
- **33.** Sixth-century year that saw the start China's Liang dynasty