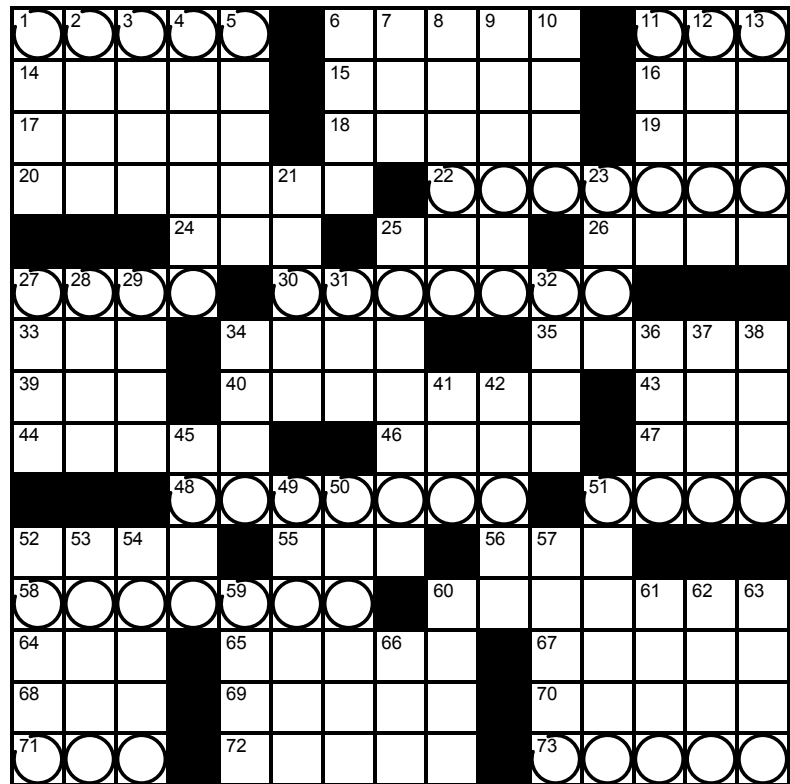


# Across

- 1 *Start of a word chain*
- 6 Scheduled mtgs.
- 11 *Step 7 in the chain*
- 14 Reply said with a wink
- 15 Jazz pianist Chick
- 16 Modern rock genre
- 17 Composed
- 18 Glue
- 19 Show
- 20 Intense dislikes
- 22 *Step 2 in the chain*
- 24 Negotiator with G.M.
- 25 Short time
- 26 PGA part
- 27 *Step 3 in the chain*
- 30 *Step 5 in the chain*
- 33 Alter, in a way
- 34 Grp. devoted to finding life on other planets
- 35 Fingers
- 39 Groove-billed cuckoo
- 40 Charles Gibson's outfit
- 43 In vitro items
- 44 Grunt's accessory
- 46 Hopped off
- 47 Brad's ex, familiarly
- 48 *Step 8 in the chain*
- 51 *Step 4 in the chain*
- 52 Spicy cuisine
- 55 "\_\_\_ du lieber!"
- 56 Show set in Vegas
- 58 *Step 9 in the chain*
- 60 Everest guides, often
- 64 Unproven ability
- 65 Approves
- 67 Rocky, as the Florida Keys
- 68 Modern: Ger.



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| 69 Annoying sort                 | 12 Mideast leaders                           | 50 Foothold facilitator       |
| 70 Gillette shavers              | 13 Bridge authority Charles                  | 51 Send, in a way             |
| 71 <i>Step 6 in the chain</i>    | 21 Uncool sort                               | 52 1545 council site          |
| 72 Militant-turned-academic Bill | 23 "Toodles!"                                | 53 Book of prophecies         |
| 73 <i>End of the word chain</i>  | 25 Popeye favorite                           | 54 Intensify, slangily        |
|                                  | 27 Spiced tea                                | 57 Glacial ice formation      |
|                                  | 28 Rip apart                                 | 59 Astronomical sighting      |
|                                  | 29 Skip past                                 | 60 Latvia et al., once: Abbr. |
|                                  | 31 Band that did the 1986 album "Skylarking" | 61 Cuzco's country            |
|                                  | 32 M.I.T. part: Abbr.                        | 62 Way out there              |
|                                  | 34 Kind of palm                              | 63 Network: Abbr.             |
|                                  | 36 Magic charm                               | 66 "___ out!" (ump's call)    |
|                                  | 37 Unceasingly                               |                               |
|                                  | 38 Went under                                |                               |
|                                  | 41 Ivy Leaguer                               |                               |
|                                  | 42 Spelling book reader?                     |                               |
|                                  | 45 Indian's home                             |                               |
|                                  | 49 Sycophant                                 |                               |

## Down

- 1 Deep cut
- 2 Beatles' meter maid
- 3 Gray matter?: Abbr.
- 4 Provoke
- 5 Where to start playing an LP
- 6 First-rate
- 7 Common radio fare
- 8 Move forward
- 9 "Star of the American road" sloganeer
- 10 Recites
- 11 Sweethearts

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