

**ACROSS**

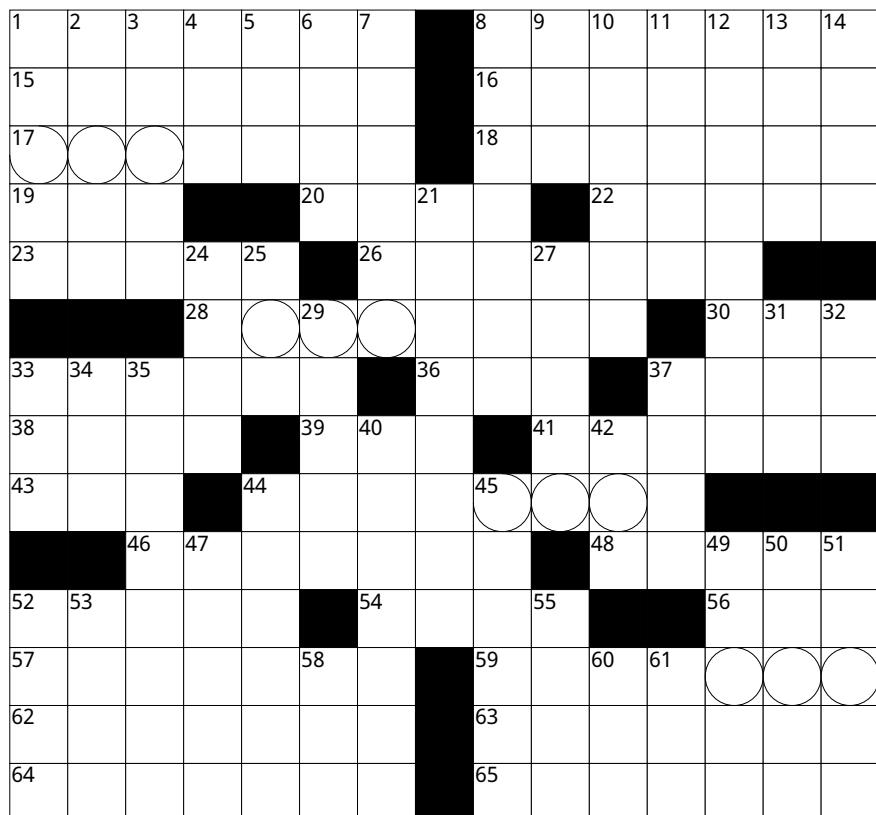
- 1 Color-changing item in a smart house, shortly  
 8 Spotlight  
 15 Australia and New Zealand's region  
 16 Country with a double-headed eagle on their flag  
 17 Attractive people, slangily  
 18 Wallop  
 19 \_\_\_ Ng (They Might Be Giants song)  
 20 Old soda brand  
 22 Many \_\_\_ (a long time)  
 23 Scrubbed missions  
 26 Something to orate from  
 28 Cuts down to size, in a way  
 30 LLC relative  
 33 Moved like Sebastian from "The Little Mermaid", say  
 36 Abbr. in a recipe  
 37 Some images, to a computer nerd  
 38 "Pocket rockets", in poker lingo  
 39 Crush-resistant, shortly?  
 41 Tap  
 43 Chest muscle, shortly  
 44 Street name for nitrous oxide  
 46 Cookies and cream-flavored dessert  
 48 Hand-on-the-Bible declarations  
 52 Building courtyards  
 54 Sudden turnoffs  
 56 "\_\_\_-haw!" (Southern cry)

- 57 Author Carl of "Hoot" and countless other books that my mom has read

- 59 Kind of medal or rings  
 62 "Image not loading" description  
 63 Like Monday crosswords, in comparison to the rest of the week  
 64 "For more information," in a dictionary  
 65 Lays like a corgi, in modern parlance

**DOWN**

- 1 "Freaky Friday" actress Lindsey  
 2 \_\_\_ Lodge (motel chain infamous in my family for being TERRIBLE!)  
 3 Remove the price from a gift, say  
 4 Nocturnal flier  
 5 Where one might have a flatmate  
 6 Property claim  
 7 Most immoral  
 8 Exfoliating treatments  
 9 Shape of a desk or a sofa  
 10 Enola Gay and Bockscar payloads, familiarly  
 11 Prohibited by society  
 12 Opening clip?  
 13 Nothing, in Nice  
 14 Units of corn  
 21 Trendy store name that, when parsed differently, describes the word ladder created by the circled letters



24 Burrowing \_\_\_ (subjects of "Hoot" by 57-Across)

25 "If \_\_\_ Knew What \_\_\_ Wants" (Bangles hit)

27 Drink brand with an unfortunate 2017 Kendall Jenner ad

29 State that borders Montana along the Bitterroot Mountain range

31 World Central Kitchen, e.g.

32 Hrs. for the Wichita Lineman, say

33 Exhaust, as morale

34 Curling surface

35 Prepare for Christmas, say

37 European city tourists might be leaning to visit?

40 Go at hard

42 Vacation hrs.

44 Smallest carnivorous mammal

45 Sri Lankan teas

47 Cowboy's lasso

49 Blood variety most preferable to mosquitos, studies have shown

50 "Dog Day Afternoon" operation

51 Religious factions

52 Lightbulb moments, say

53 One of 100, in a Scrabble set

55 Hit with an open palm

58 "\_\_\_ & Oh's" (Elle King hit)

60 High-fashion monogram

61 Brand of water enhancer sold in teardrop-shaped containers